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THE M.i.S.T.i.C.

STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE, MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA

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NEW NAME SELECTED

When the votes came in Friday for the new name of the "Bulletin" there was a great variety of choices. Every name that was mentioned had some votes, those receiving the largest number of votes were: The MISTIC was first with quite a large majority; The Ped-O-Meter, second, and The College Bugle, Clarion, and Trumpet followed in their natural order.

PEDS HAVE BASEBALL GAMES IN PROSPECT

During the next two weeks the teams from the Campus League of the A. C. will meet the Peds regularly in combat. Teams from the Commercial League will be met in practice games during the rest of the term if the weather will stay clear long enough for a game. On this afternoon, Friday, May 1st, at 3:30, we play the N. D. School of Science from Wahpeton. These teams will furnish us with about ten games which, due to the uncertainty of the weather, will remain tentative. If the flood will subside for a few days we will meet three A. C. opponents next week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 4:00 p. m.

Tonight the gymnasium will be glowing with festivity as a consequence of the Women's League Party. This is an all college party and might be classed as the first event of commencement since the seniors are honor guests and the Junior girls are taking charge of the preparations. The entertainment will consist of a program followed by dancing. The committees are as follows:

Refreshments—Berta Divet, Vinette Latterer, Lavina Johnson, Eva Madson.

Decorations—Rose Lund, Gladys Stephens, Lillian McDonald, Gladys Larson, Rae Bigelow, Dolores Allen, Clara Morud, Edythe Brady, Hjalmer Erickson, Harlow Baldwin.

Program—Helen Berquist, Marge Anne Buckland, Doll Cronin.

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A committee consisting of Catherine Dunham, Gleva Severin, Edythe Brady, Irene Felde, and Nilma Christman has been selected to nominate officers of the Women's League for next year. The student body will vote for officers after the chapel period on Wednesday.

The fourth grade will observe Arbor Day by planting window boxes with vegetable seed, as part of their health project.

GOVERNOR VETOES

GYM APPROPRIATION

Governor Theodore Christianson, exercising his power to strike out items from appropriation bills of the legislature, vetoed the appropriation of \$115,000.00 tentatively granted this college by the legislature for the erection of a new gymnasium. An appropriation of \$160,000.00 for a gymnasium at St. Cloud, met the same fate, but sums appropriated for Bemidji and Duluth, where the need was felt to be greater, were allowed. Other appropriations, which received the governor's sanction, grant to this college the same amount as was allowed for the last two-year period.

C. S. MARDEN DIES

Hon. C. S. Marden, prominent local attorney, former state senator, and civic leader, died at work in his office Tuesday afternoon. He had not been in the best of health, but death came unexpectedly. Mr. Marden had for many years been a friend of this college, and frequently addressed the student body. The last occasion on which he spoke at chapel was the celebration of Constitution Week last fall. He was a leading figure in Moorhead and Clay County affairs, and respected and loved by all those who knew him. He will be missed.

CLASS PRESENTS

INDIAN PAGEANT

Miss Williams' 5th hour class presented an Indian project in the auditorium on Monday afternoon at 3:10. The project was in the form of a consultation. A meeting of the various tribes, the Dakotans, the Iroquois, the Blackfeet, and the Pueblo Indians was held. Each tribe talked about their homes, food and occupations. Chunkey, an Indian game prominent among the Dakotans, was played. A picturesque Indian dance was most vividly portrayed. The final scene found a group of Indians seated around the campfire singing and chanting Indian songs.

TRACK AND FIELD NOTES

The department of Physical Education will stage three important events this term. On May 9th the County Play day under the direction of the County Superintendent, Mr. Tang, will take place. Men and women classes in Physical Education will assist in putting this day across. On Friday, May 15th, the annual Junior High School meet will take place and on Wednesday, May 20th, the intra mural meet will take place. Juniors and Seniors will vie for physical supremacy in this event. Girls' and boys' divisions will compete. More data in connection with this meet will appear later.

COMMENCEMENT BEING PLANNED

Annual June Exercises Promise Unusual Interest and Distinction.

The Thirty-sixth Annual Commencement Exercises of Moorhead State Teachers College will be opened by the Baccalaureate Services, Sunday evening, May 31. The Right Rev. G. G. Bennett, Bishop of Duluth, will deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon. This beautiful service, a traditional event in all commencement ceremonies will usher in four days crowded full of the closing activities of the year, and the final services for the Senior Class.

The Annual Pageant, this year to be known as "History of the Red River Valley," will be presented Monday afternoon, June 1. The pageant is the combined achievement of the Junior High School, college class in Pageantry, the assisting members of the college and training school faculty and townspeople. The location of the performance is not yet determined for certain, but it is probable that it will be performed on the banks of the river, if a suitable spot for handling the crowds can be found.

The chief event of Tuesday, June 2, will be the President's Reception and the Annual Senior Promenade, to be given in the gymnasium in the evening. This is one of the first social events of the year in point of beauty and importance. Wednesday evening occurs the annual dinner for the graduating class, in Comstock Hall, and the spring banquet of the Alumni Association.

Commencement Day proper is Thursday, June 4. At 11:00 a. m., will take place the customary Senior Chapel, when the period will be taken over by members of the class. Miss (Continued on Page 3)

STUDY CLUB MEETS IN KINDERGARTEN

A Fargo Study Club, devoted to the subject, "The Pre-School Child," met on Friday afternoon, April 24, in the Kindergarten Department of the Training School. Mrs. Ethel Durboraw spoke on Child Training. Following the talk tea was served the ladies by members of Kappa Pi. While the members were in session, from three to five, the student teachers in the Kindergarten Department took care of their children in the Nursery.

THE M.i.S.T.i.C.

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WE PUSH THE RED RIVER CART A ROD OR TWO

The Pageant of Red River Valley History is assuming huge proportions. Begun as a project in history by the Junior High School the theme was found so fitting, so full of drama and vivid color that it was deemed suitable for the Spring Pageant. It is growing bigger and bigger. Apparently these parts have had a glorious and interesting history. Now the Pageantry Class, local citizens, and various sub-, super-, and executive committees are functioning. It is an occasion for rejoicing. There are few things in which the mind and heart of man finds more delight than in his own past. Drawing upon the resources of many individuals, as it does, the pageant will create the common feeling engendered by delight and work in a common project. Its advertising possibilities are limitless. But of that, more later. It is in the future, but not so far in the future but that it will be able to stand the welling up of genuine enthusiasm and general interest. Let's make it a go, and a big one!

AND A LITTLE CHILD SHALL LEAD THEM

We wish to say that we admire the vigor, the frankness, the impressive array of evidence with which "Committee of Gamma Neche and Pi Mu Phi" (We supposed it would be a composite being) have answered our meek and timid questions of last week. The answer is printed elsewhere in these chaste columns. We feel, temporarily, like a blighted being; as if, without much ado, we had been set back precisely in our place. Whew, the wind is certainly out of our sails, isn't it? If we recover by next week, we shall reply.

WE ARE SORRY

The Governor of this State saw fit to strike from the appropriations for educational purposes the item which would have meant a gymnasium for Moorhead. We are naturally disappointed, but not embittered by the action. We have a good college, without a suitable gymnasium, and we are doing good things with such equipment as is provided us. We are sure that we shall yet have a gymnasium. Meanwhile we shall accept the decision, and go about urging the sentiment and practice of healthful, all-around development. We shall say nothing more of disappointment.

SELECT A NEW NAME

This newspaper, hitherto yclept The Bulletin, is from now on, henceforward, and for some time to come to be known as The MISTiC. It is not a bad moniker. What it means we have not yet decided. It obviously stands for this college and for no other. Thus it is good. Allah be praised!

MORE STUDENTS SIGN

FOR POSITIONS

A number of seniors have affixed their signatures to school contracts during the past week. The schools are in various places, indeed one senior has accepted a position at Nome, Alaska. Up to this time the following seniors have accepted positions for the school year of 1925 and 1926, in addition to those previously listed.

Beatrice Brackley.....	Ulen
Vera Converse.....	St. Paul
Delphine Huggit.....	St. Paul
Emma Morud.....	Red Lake Falls
Winnifred Erickson.....	Karlstad
Florence Korth.....	Milray
Esther Halvorson.....	Elbow Lake
Lottie Gaffey.....	Nome, Alaska
Mildred Hough.....	Oak Mound
Janette Lindell.....	Halstead
Olga Moe.....	Beltrami
Grace Hanson.....	Kennedy

VOX POPULI

(The MISTiC will be glad to print signed communications on any matter of general interest to students of this college. Writing intended for this column should bear the name, or pseudonym of the sender.)

Thru its editorial columns The Bulletin of April 24th asks some pertinent questions with regard to the two sororities of the college. The lone fraternity, for some reason, is not questioned. Perhaps, like beauty, it is its own excuse for being.

"Have the sororities an end which is not selfish?" asks The Bulletin, and calls attention to a tea given last fall for all the women of the college. Now the sororities believed that tea was given to promote good fellowship. If they did have an eye out for prospects, the fact does not seem to have in any way detracted from the success of the tea, for it did serve to help the large number of new students who attended, to get acquainted with each other. The sororities might logically ask what other organizations of the school did as much. The Y. W. did give an all school party, but Y. W. too, may have had some thot of the activity of the membership committee. If there were other parties given we have failed to hear of them.

Are the sororities unique in wearing a membership pin? We have a feeling that a rather large number of our students are wearing insignia of some kind. Why then call especial attention to some one pin?

We doubt also that charming club parties, given for the members themselves are so unusual among school organizations. The dramatic club does, now and then, give a real free entertainment to the school, but aside from that decidedly public-spirited organization we have found most college parties and entertainments limited, limited, for the most, to the members themselves.

The sororities do give programs, sometimes of considerable merit. We are not, of course, prepared to say that in forensic value they would measure up to the recently advertised debate on, "Resolved: that the hair-pin has done more for humanity than the toothpick," held by one of our fellow organizations, an organization which The Bulletin holds up to us as a model for imitation.

We can hardly compare the sororities to Lambda Phi Sigma in the matter of fostering scholarship, because we have no possible way of knowing in just what way Lambda Phi does foster scholarship. We are told that the organization demands a high standard of scholarship, especially in educational subjects for admission and the caliber of those whom we have

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The Clever Collegian

This priceless contribution was slipped under our door at about twelve-thirty last night:

Gladys: I wonder where Mr. Archer is tonight.

Rastus: Oh, he is probably up in the roost with the owls.

Gladys: Well, I hope he has a good time hooting.

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George: Have you ever noticed that the prettiest women go with the biggest boobs?

Inez: Try your flattery elsewhere, sir.

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IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT MISS HAWKINSON PLANS TO TAKE HER RADIO WITH HER TO THE GREAT BEYOND TO BE USED IN LIEU OF A HARP.

Peculiarities of the Great.

Miss Jane Newland carries her photograph around in her vanity case to save the expense of a mirror.

Gus Lindbloom never likes to tell anyone that he is a Swede, because he hates to have people think that he is boasting.

Miss Louise Sauvageau's highest ambition is to take up a claim in Montana and teach the coyotes art.

Miss Converse says that the Fargo shows run only small town stuff; consequently she only attends the Orpheum twice a week.

Miss Peterson's greatest regret in life is that she once paid her escort's street car fare and so lost fifteen cents.

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Mr. Kise: Where was God when he created the earth?

Mr. Bjork: God only knows.

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Ray: What did you have to eat at the Owl banquet?

Harold: I don't know; I was one of the speakers.

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It has been suggested that during the rainy weather, an awning should be extended from Concordia to M. S. T. C. between 6:30 and 7:30 P. M.

TRAINING SCHOOL

GIVING HEALTH PLAYS

The Home Economics classes in the training school are now preparing a health program which is to be presented Friday afternoon, May 1st. Two interesting health plays are to be given by the fifth, sixth and seventh grade girls. The eighth grade girls are constructing a "Fairy's House of Health" built of the things that are good for you to eat, and a "Witch's House of Woe," built of things children should not eat. Of course they bring homes to the children the idea of proper foods for health.

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The Baby League team defeated the 622 team this week 50-5. The same team took the measure of the P. M. P. team 8-5.

THE PARAGRAPHER'S CORNER

Bits of Interesting News About M. S. T. C. Personalities and Groups.

The Lambda Phi Sigma at its regular meeting next Tuesday will have an open forum discussion on the subject: How the society can help to raise the standards of the school.

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The Pi Mu Phi sorority held their Formal Initiation Services at the home of Miss Martha Akeley, Sunday, April 26. Several of the alumni were present for the services.

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Monday evening of next week the Campfire will hold a ceremonial meeting. All those having honors please report them to Miss Frick or your guardian before that time.

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Miss Marion Cook, winter term graduate, who is teaching at Christine, N. D., spent the week-end at M. S. T. C. visiting friends. While here she also attended the formal initiation of the Pi Mu Phi sorority of which she is a member.

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Miss Gladys Krogh, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the St. Luke's hospital, was able to return to the dormitory on Monday. She will not continue her school work this term, but will go to her home at Argyle for a rest until the summer session.

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The following students constitute the Junior High School: Clarence Meyers, Edell Sattre, Edith Wagner, and Mabel Winquist. Eleanor Halversen, Ruby Anderson, and Adel Grina are on the B Honor Roll.

Baskets, similar to those used by the early three dwellers, are being made in the fourth grade.

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Announcements were received at the college this week of the marriage of Miss Clara Frances McDowell to Mr. J. M. Mills of Miami, Fla. Miss McDowell was a member of the Training School staff last year, and assistant principal in the third and fourth grades. She has been in Miami since the close of summer school last year and will make her home there.

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The Chapel Choir and Men's Glee Club representing this school, is taking another of its flying trips this week-end. Before starting out the members will give a religious program at the First Congregational Church of Moorhead, after which they will leave immediately for Fergus Falls, where they will give the same program. To keep the wolf from the door they are providing for a picnic dinner which they will enjoy at some convenient spot between here and Fergus. The schedule for next week includes a full program which will be given at the First Methodist Church of Fargo.

JUNIORS STAGE

SUCCESSFUL PARTY

The hideous old gym was transformed into a veritable fairyland last Friday evening when the Juniors entertained themselves and all the men students at their annual party. Multi-colored streamers formed a false ceiling, which deftly hid the balcony. Flood lights at both ends of the gym cast a rosy glow over all.

After half an hour of dancing, a short program of stunts was given. These were well received, especially the scene from the Roman Forum.

One feature of the evening was the prize waltz, in which Catherine Dunham and Ormonso Bjork were the victors and won out only the privilege of dancing in the spotlight, but also the much contested prize—one lolly-pop and one Hershey bar. Balloon squawkers, confetti, and serpentine added to the festivity of the affair.

POSTER CONTEST OPENS

The publicity committee of the pageant is now conducting a contest for poster designs for advertising the pageant. Several of the art students are taking part, under the direction of Miss McCarten. The designs must be in black and white and they must have a certain degree of originality. The contest will close May 12th. Miss Pennie, Mr. Leasure, and Mr. Johnsrud will act as judges. They will judge on originality, composition and desirability for reproduction. The first prize is to be \$3.00 and the second \$1.50. The first prize design will be used for the pageantry posters. The class has almost completed the writing of the pageant, "Early History of the Red River Valley." It will deal chiefly with transportation. The date has now been set as June 1st. Several sites are being considered for the place.

HISTORICAL FILM

PROVES ENTERTAINING

One of the Chronicles of America film series, produced by Pathe in cooperation with Yale University, "The Frontier Woman," was shown in chapel last Wednesday. It was a three-reel, historically accurate representation of an episode of the Revolution, scene laid in the Watauga Valley, Tennessee. Miss Ella Hawkins and Mrs. S. G. Bridges were instrumental in bringing the film to the college. There will be another next Wednesday, an episode of the War in Canada, entitled, "Montcalm and Wolfe."

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Ethel Tainter is working with the class in preparation for this program. The Commencement exercises are to be at 8:00 p. m., Thursday evening. The address will be given by Dr. Richard Burton, Professor of English Literature, University of Minnesota. The diplomas will be presented by Dr. O. J. Hagen, Resident Director of the college.

TRAINING SCHOOL NEWS NOTES

The eighth grade civics class has developed some rather extensive plans in carrying thru a "clean-up" campaign. A plan given to the entire Junior High School on Friday allowed a week's time for each pupil in the department to tidy up his home surroundings before an inspection survey would be made. The conditions found in the yards will be indicated on a map showing the rating of the yards. The blocks in which the members of the civics class live are also subject to inspection. Already the eighth grade group has taken steps to beautify their school surroundings by spading the corners, planting grass, and fencing off.

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The general science class accompanied by Jack Einiger, saw all the stages in the making of different kinds of biscuits and crackers in their visit to the Manchester Biscuit Company at Fargo on Friday. Possibly the most enjoyable feature of the trip was found in the samples of bakings which the class received.

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The nursery and kindergarten departments were the recipients of several very fine gifts from the Kappa Pi. The organization which has made it one of its aims to give a worth-while gift to some departments this year chose those already mentioned. The kindergarten children were very happy with their beautifully illustrated books and two monthly magazines, "Child Life" and "John Martin." In the nursery the tots are already very much interested in the fine, substantial tricycle. The departments are delighted with their gifts and very grateful to the Kappa Pi members for their thoughtfulness.

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In connection with their pottery project the fifth and sixth grades have an exhibit of clay products, including everything from doll heads to sewer pipes. Dishes showing good and bad designs on pottery have also been brought for an exhibit.

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The good health project in the 6B history class has led to the arranging of a chart on teeth. The models, X-ray views, and parts, were all brought to the class by Daniel Moose.

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Unusually new attendance records have been made by John Stusiak and Beatrice Pherson in the Primary department. At the beginning of this fifth-sixth week period, they had never been absent from school during the entire year. In this department four children have been absent only one-half day this year, and fourteen were not absent during the last six weeks.

seen admitted gives us some idea of the standard of excellence demanded. We have been very proud of the three sorority girls who have, in the past year, been elected to membership, but we do not know in what way the organization goes about raising the scholarship of the school except in banding together those who have reached a high standard. The sororities do have a scholarship standard and the records of both organizations show that they are actually living up to that standard. During the Winter term the average honor points made by the members was 6.7. The girls involved in the "dinky hubbub of pledging, etc.," made an average of 6.9 honor points. To be quite fair, that is, after all, rather more than the four honor points required simply to go through and graduate. It means that the average sorority girl is making better than two B's and two C's where she might go thru on four C's.

Generalities like the statement of The Bulletin concerning the non-activity of sorority members are unfair and really mean nothing. The actual facts are as follows: Eight girls have won the W. A. L. monogram in athletics. Two are sorority girls. The president of the Women's Athletic League, who was also one of its founders, was a sorority girl. The sororities had during the Winter term, three members on the first team in basketball; three first place winners in the indoor track meet; seven active members in Arion; two members on the college debating teams; five members in Dramatic Club; one, the only one eligible, in Home Economics Club; five in Country Life Club, four in Kappa Pi; five were members of the Girls Glee Club, who made the spring tour, one went as accompanist on the Men's Glee Club trip; ten belong to Y. W. of whom one is vice-president. The Junior class vice-president, The Woman's League president, the secretary of the Student Activity Fee Committee, the editor-in-chief of the Praeceptor, and its business manager, and four other members of the staff, as well as two members of The Bulletin staff are all sorority girls. A sorority won the annual song and yell contest this year and a sorority sold the largest number of Praeceptors. Of the four representative women selected by popular vote recently, three were sorority women.

The sororities must plead guilty to the charge of having no members in Althaia. What is Althaia, anyway? To date we have been unable to learn much about it except that it is necessary to get an A in Composition in order to be invited to join. What the members do, even the recent survey failed to disclose, and the most energetic members admitted that it had occupied some three hours of their

time during Winter term.

Every member of a sorority is pledged to participate in the work of the various organizations of the school. Looking at the matter quite calmly it would seem that the members are doing so without detriment to their school work, which is, after all, the first consideration.

By what right, then, does one dub as mere sentimentality the friendships formed within the sororities, friendships which bind the members in loyalty, not only to each other but to the college as well? By what right does anyone call by the name of sentimentality an active force which is up and doing, not only for the good of the individual and the group but for the whole school? We believe the sorority is a force for good and we say most heartily, why do we not have more of them.

—Committee of Gamma Neche and Pi Mu Phi.

College Calendar

Friday, May 1:

- 11:05—Dramatic Club presents "The Exchange," by Althea Thurston. Directed by Miss Ethel Tainter.
- 3:15—Dramatic Club.
- 8:15—Women's League Party, gymnasium.

Monday, May 4:

- 2:25—Chapel Choir.
- 4:00—Althaia.
- 5:00—Y. W. C. A. Cabinet.
- 6:45—Camp Fire.

Tuesday, May 5:

- 8:20—Dramatic Club.
- 3:15—College Orchestra.
- 4:15—Kappa Pi.
- 5:00—Lambda Phi Sigma.

Wednesday, May 6:

- 10:10—General Assembly. Cinema, "Montcalm and Wolfe," Chronicles of America.
- 3:15—Senior Voice class.
- 3:30—Home Economics.
- 6:45—Country Life.

Thursday, May 7:

- 9:15—Chapel Choir.
- 7:00—Y. W. C. A., address by Miss Georgina Lommen, "Cardinal Principles in Service."

The Annual Window Washing Day will be a week from Saturday. The boys of the campus will co-operate with the girls in this work, and at noon they will lunch in the Dormitory dining room. This work is under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. and the money saved will be used to send delegates to the Geneva Conference in the summer. Work will begin at 8:00 o'clock sharp.