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STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE, MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA

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PUPILS OF ALL DEPARTMENTS

OF TRAINING SCHOOL CO-OPERATE TO PRESENT PROGRAM AS GIFT TO COLLEGE

The Christmas festival which the Training School Department is presenting as its own gift to the college on Monday, December 21, is the result of a co-operative effort of all departments of the training school. David Askegaard, of the second grade, acts for the school in making the presentation.

The Training School Special Chorus carrying lanterns introduce the action with a group of very old Christmas carols. Their singing calls up a series of pictures, four in number. The first is the Annunciation of the coming of Christ. It has been prepared by the pupils of the Junior High School. The second is the Apparition to the Shepherds, prepared by the pupils of grades IV, V, and VI. The third vision is of the coming of the Magi, or three kings, as the old legends call them. This part is a pantomime reproduced according to the very ancient custom still found in some parts of the world. The kings and their attendants will be presented by the students of the Junior High School.

Following this presentation of gifts by the wise men of old, modern wise men,—the little folks from the Kindergarten will present their own gifts, their Christmas songs, following in the footsteps of the ancient kings.

The festival closes with the singing by the entire college student body of the last stanza of what has been called our finest Christmas song, Phillips Brooks' "Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem."

The festival has been prepared by the entire Training School faculty and by the music department of the Training School under the direction of Miss Florence Bullard.

Part of the College Chorus is also assisting in the antiphonal carols.

W. A. L. INSTALLS FORTY

The Women's Athletic League held its annual initiation of new members last Friday afternoon. Only girls who had won twenty-five honor points in athletics are eligible to membership. About forty new members were installed. Each candidate presented an original stunt as her contribution to the initiation.

GAMMA NU TO ASSUME SANTA ROLE

Changing a custom of former years, the Gamma Nu sorority, instead of having their regular Christmas party, will use the funds to buy a Christmas tree and gifts for certain of the training school children. Miss Lommen has assisted by selecting books and suggesting other gifts.



CANTATA TO BE BROADCASTED

COLLEGE MIXED CHORUS TO PRESENT "BETHEHEM" IN AUDITORIUM

WDAY will broadcast "Bethlehem," a Christmas cantata by Maunder, as presented by the music organizations of the State Teachers College at 4:30 P. M. in the college auditorium, Sunday, December 20, under the direction of D. L. Preston, head of the music department.

The cantata is in three parts: Part I, The Shepherd's Gifts; Part II, The King's Gifts; Part II, Our Gift.

The college organizations co-operating in the production of the cantata are the Male Chorus, the Chapel Choir, and the Class in Music Principles.

Besides these groups the following soloists have been secured: Marion Sutherland Page, Fargo, soprano; Oscar Martinson, Moorhead, baritone; Harry Davidson, Fargo, tenor, and D. L. Preston, tenor, director.

Miss Merle Nelson and Miss Clementine Small, pianists, will play the accompaniment.

The public is cordially invited to attend. No admission will be charged.

Mr. Preston entertained the student body and faculty at Chapel Wednesday by singing a group of tenor solos.

LETTER MEN ARE BANQUETED

MEMBERS OF FOOTBALL TEAM ARE HONORED AT ANNUAL FACULTY DINNER

At the annual faculty men's banquet to the football team held in the Domestic Science rooms of Weld Hall last Wednesday evening, fifteen members of the fall squad received the college letter.

Immediately following the dinner, and before the speeches began, a vote was taken for next season's captain. "Jally" Erickson was elected.

The after dinner program over which Prof. C. A. Ballard, head of the Science Department, presided, follows:

"Follow Through".....
.....Capt. Edwin Malvey, St. Paul
"Outlook".....The Captain-elect
"On the Ball".....Prof. J. H. Burgy
"Teamwork".....
.....Arthur Storms, Menasha, Minn.

"Bleachers".....Prof. Herbert Hess
"Advice".....Coach A. J. Nemzek
"Loyalty".....Dr. H. R. Best
Pastor of the First Baptist Church,
Fargo.

"Laurels".....Pres. R. B. MacLean
Dr. O. J. Hagen, Moorhead, resident
director, was also present but did not
speak.

The men who received the college letter were: Menser Anderson, Wheaton, Minn.; Arlo Baldwin, Fargo; Ronald Byler, George Edwards, Horace Eklund, Hjalmer Erickson, Ernest Gates, Clarence Mattson, Claude Nemzek, Frank Nemzek, Theodore Nemzek, Walter Williams, all of Moorhead; Ralph Iverson, Ashby, Minn.; Marvin Rice, Fargo.

Three other members of the team attended: Claude Fischer, Moorhead; Willard Gowenlock, Gardner, N. D.; Philip Strombo, Stephen, Minn.

MISS FRICK TO ENTERTAIN

Miss Flora Frick, 304 First State Bank Building, will entertain the active members of the Pi Mu Phi sorority, tomorrow afternoon, at a Christmas party.

She has also issued invitations to active and alumni members of the Pi Mu Phi sorority to attend a tea at her home Sunday afternoon. The affair is in compliment to Miss Marion Cook, a former student in this school, who is now teaching in Virginia, Mnn.

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It is not so hard to believe in Christmas when the snow is falling. Easy always to be a sour ass, and interpret the gentle offices of the shopkeepers with their red and green and tinsel as the pitiful gloss thrown over barter and sale, it is hard to maintain this harsh wisdom in the midst of the genuine warmth of spirit which comes over even the most knowing adolescent at the approach of Christmas. He may be a wise boy, carefully educated in the Charleston or even more intricate physical maneuvers. He may be a modern youth, whose faith, poor thing, has been left out in the cold till frozen in the chill winds of science and learned criticism. She, if she is a girl, may have taken her color from the hour, and may be so stuffed with the twin gospels of Utility and Service as to have forgotten one of her Sunday School lessons, that one wherein Christ does not reprove but accepts the useless ministrations of the woman who laved his feet with an expensive oil and wiped them with her hair. He may be this little cutup, or that little fool. But even the most knowing adolescent is too close to babyhood not to listen for the jingle of the sleigh-bells when the snow is falling, and Christmas is near. How can one be an -ian, an -ist, an -ic, or an -og at Christmas? Altho in these parts of the Intermediate Zone (new name for our old friend Temperate) Christmas arrives in winter, in weather fit only for polar bears, he-men with hair on their chests, or Outdoor Girls, it's a hard, crusty shell that doesn't feel the glow of warmth which the time brings. The Author of the Divine Lesson Plan, who is wise enough to know that whatever answer He expects, certainly all of us will guess wrong because we are human, set aside this one day, freely, out of a kind of celestial bounty, to put an end for a moment to the dry game of question and answer, question and no answer, with which we fill our lives. There is only one Christmas. Of course. That's all we're fit for. But since there is but one, it would be a holy shame, wouldn't it, to miss it.

STUDENT TEACHERS

LIKED GLYNDON

The eleven girls who did their student teaching at Glyndon this fall under the supervision of M. Alice Ide, told the student body, during last Friday's chapel period, something of their life and work while at Glyndon.

The program with Pearl Fisch as chairman was as follows:

Sentina Crema spoke on the general plan of work; Alice Dunn described the teacherage home of the eleven student teachers and three of the supervisors; Rose Lund read an original poem on the Boarding House; and the entire eleven sang a group song.

As an encore, a song which seems to belong solely to the Pioneer Eleven, was sung.

An apparent misunderstanding resulted in the postponement of the regular Lambda Phi Sigma meeting until Wednesday, January 6, at which time a definite program for the remainder of the term will be decided on.

DELTA SIGMA

Delta Sigma, men's literary fraternity, held its winter dance last Saturday evening, December 12. All the active members and a number of alumni were present. The alumni were Curtis Ballard, Bruce Robertson, and "Babe" Rusness.

NOTICE

Due to the pressure of special Christmas activities, the Y. M. C. A. will not have its regular discussion next Monday night.

The Book Shelf

Reading is the most durable happiness known. It lasts into old age when other avenues of happiness are closed. Life loses many things as it matures, but so long as the mind and imagination can be fascinated by reading, life is not impoverished. It still has its flowers and its song, even when physical limitations are acutely felt.—Liberty.

CHRISTMAS PARTY TONIGHT

The Christmas Party to be held tonight in the gymnasium is to be an ALL-SCHOOL party. There will be an attempt made to create a good old Christmas atmosphere. The Christmas tree with all its shining lights and tinsels will be in evidence. A Santa Claus or two will be mingling with the crowd. They will also assist, no doubt, in making the program a success.

But there could not be a spirit of the real Christmas without the usual bag of candy and peanuts, and it is planned to give a bag of these goodies to each person present. There will also be gifts. Each one will bring a gift—it need not exceed a dime in value, nor need it be bought at the dime store or any other place of business—and each person so doing will receive a gift in return. This should provide a great deal of amusement. The larger the crowd, the merrier everybody will be. A real Christmas party is in store.

WALT WILLIAMS DELIVERS INAUGURAL ADDRESS

At the regular meeting of Delta Sigma, men's literary fraternity of the State Teachers College, Walt Williams, Moorhead, new president of the organization, delivered his inaugural address to an appreciative audience in the Music Room last evening.

Others of the active members who took part in the program were: Felix Boehme, Bird Island, Minn., violin solo; Harold Sand, Elbow Lake, Minn., cornet solo; and Theodore Nemzek, Moorhead, last term president, who gave the valedictory address.

The following initiates reported for the ceremonial installation rites and contributed to the program with carefully prepared speeches which were well received: Lottie Wambach, Clarence Mattson, Rupert Nordstrom, Claude Fischer, Moorhead; and Oscar Haugh, Badger, Minn.

The Kappa Pi society, the Kindergarten-Primary school organization, realized nearly \$40 Monday as the proceeds of a sale of Christmas gifts made by the members.

The Column

LITANY FOR DORMITORY GIRLS

From mice; from little four-legged rodents with whiskered noses and long thin tails that run across the floor at night; from mice that eat the chocolate bars kind friends have placed beneath our pillows; from mice that hide in waste baskets and make the paper rustle; from mice that make our room-mates scream till hell itself is noisy; from little mousy creatures that catch their tails in traps, then run pell-mell for holes; from *mus musculus*, who with philosophic mien doth chew our books and papers; from mice that hide in closets, and skip across our sleeping faces, and make our nightly watch a torment; from all mice, mouses, and their elder cousins, rats—Good Lord, deliver us!

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Deadly results of the new campaign for greeting cards in the composition classes:

"Dear Schoolmasters Study Club: May you be singing with the angels this Christmas."

S. O. S.

The Y. M. C. A. room is now open to occupancy, but there is a dearth of good reading material and other articles such as pictures, pennants, and furniture.

If any members of the faculty or student body will contribute anything including the above, the men of the college will greatly appreciate it. If you have anything to give, please notify Ormenso Bjork or Waldemar Wicklund.

DRAMATIC CLUB TO STUDY MODERN PLAYS

The play, "Beyond the Horizon," by Eugene O'Neil, has been selected by the Dramatic Club for intensive study during the winter term. Seven new books were ordered. The club plans to study at least one modern play a term.

GAMMA NU ENTERTAINS

On Friday, December 4, the members of the Gamma Nu sorority entertained at the home of Miss Pearl Miller, Fargo, in compliment to Miss Alice Brockmueller, who was celebrating her birthday. Miss Brockmueller was presented with a silver spoon which had the insignia of the sorority on it.

Miss Catherine Hunham, 392 Sixth Avenue South, Fargo, entertained the members of the Gamma Nu sorority on Saturday evening, December 12. The time was passed informally.

SCIENCE CLUB MAKES COILS

At the second regular meeting of the Science Club last Tuesday evening in the laboratory in Weld Hall, the members made a number of simple coils which they plan to use later in the construction of special short wave receivers.

Before the work period began, Mr. W. C. White, faculty director, gave a lecture on "Electrons, Their Habits and Customs," which he illustrated by the use of electrical apparatus to show how electric energy is developed.

FACULTY PEOPLE HAVE REUNION LUNCHEON

About forty alumni of University of Wisconsin, teachers and business people of Fargo and Moorhead, met at a luncheon at the Gardner Hotel, Fargo, Tuesday, to meet George Little, Wisconsin football coach.

Miss Jessie McKellar, Miss Martha Gibbons, and Mr. J. Herbert Burgy, of the State Teachers College, attended the luncheon. Dean H. J. Walster of the North Dakota Agricultural College was in charge of the arrangements.

THIRD AND FOURTH YEAR STUDENTS ENTERTAINED

The third and fourth year students spent a very enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Archer on Friday. Various games were played, and tricks were participated in, but the most exciting part of the evening was spent in making biographies of another person in the class. Thus, not only was the evening social—it was also educational in that ancient history was studied. A delightful lunch was served.

OWLS' ANNUAL BANQUET WILL BE TOMORROW

The Owls, men's fraternity of the State Teachers College, will hold their annual banquet in the domestic science rooms at 6:30 P. M. tomorrow evening.

Eight fledgelings will be guests. They are: Clarence Mattson, Moorhead; Harold Sand, Elbow Lake; Theodore Wantke, Barnesville; Waldemar Wiklund, Pine River; Philip Strombo, Princeton; Mr. J. Herbert Burgy, instructor of geography; Mrs. S. A. Hamrin, dean of men, and Mr. Herbert W. Hess, instructor of social science.

After a special program of speeches a dance will be held in the college gym from 9 p. m. to 12 midnight. It is open to active members, fledgelings, and alumni members.

The Domestic Science Club will serve the banquet.

PRESIDENT MACLEAN ATTENDS CONFERENCES

President MacLean left for St. Paul last Monday afternoon to attend a series of conferences at the Capitol on Tuesday.

He met with the Teachers College Presidents at 9:00, the Teachers College Board at 10:00, and with a group consisting of teachers college presidents and a committee of high school superintendents at 3:00. The latter named group discussed entrance requirements.

Mr. MacLean returned Wednesday evening.

GROUP DISCUSSES GETTING EVEN "How Shall a Christian Get Even"

That was the subject of the Y. M. C. A. discussion held in the "Y" rooms last Monday night. No much of the turning the other cheek idea in that title. But even Christians have the right to get even, the group decided, and should fight for their own rights, altho they should not go out of their way to pick fights.

The discussion was led by Ormenso Bjork.

TRAINING SCHOOL TEACHERS WRITE FOR SCHOOL JOURNAL

Three of the Training School faculty have just received word that articles which they had prepared on school problems had been set up and proof-read, and would appear in the forthcoming issue of the Journal of Educational Method, published by Teachers College, Columbia, and edited by Dr. James F. Hosis.

The articles are "An Experiment in Enriching the Curriculum," by Miss Blanche Loudno, principal of the intermediate department, and "The Evolution of the Book: A Junior High School Project," by Misses Ella Hawkinson, principal of the Junior High School department, and Emma Glaser, associate.

CHRISTMAS BANQUET AT COMSTOCK HALL

A Christmas banquet for the girls living in Wheeler and Comstock Halls is being planned by Millie H. Dahl, house director.

The affair will take place in the dormitory dining room on Monday, December 21, at six o'clock. After the banquet a program of talks and music is being provided for. Trees as well as other decorations will festoon the dining room. Dormitory girls are looking forward to the event because of reports of successful Christmas banquets of other years.

She: I've just been writing my theses.

He: You unfaithful thing!

Training School

The Industrial Arts class in the intermediate grades have been busy shredding linen to make paper. They made paper, dyeing it red and green and will use this hand-made paper for Christmas greeting cards.

The Kappa Pi society sold Christmas gifts made by the members on Monday.

The Primary Department including the first three grades, will give a Christmas tree party to their parents tomorrow afternoon in the primary room.

Their program will include Christmas songs and a Christmas playlet, after which the pupils will distribute gifts to their parents.

The children have been working on their gifts since Thanksgiving. They have sent out invitations during the past week bearing a nicely printed copy of a greeting prepared by the third grade.

Miss Mayme Christenson, one of the primary teaching staff, directed the work.

Under the direction of Mrs. Durboraw, head of the Kindergarten Department, the Kindergarten is working on their Christmas program which they will present to their parents in the Kindergarten rooms on Tuesday afternoon.

Their program will consist of Christmas songs and games, and the distribution of gifts from the tree.

The training school basketball team met the Agassiz, Fargo, quint on the latter's floor, last Monday afternoon, and defeated them by a score of 14-12. Arlo Baldwin is the training school coach.

The Little Citizens Club of the intermediate grades elected the following officers for this term:

President.....	Esther Scheleck
Vice-President.....	Hilda Meyers
Secretary.....	Ann Meyers
Treasurer.....	Orville Kittleson
Girls' Captain.....	Margaret Knowles
Boys' Captain.....	Emerson Donovan

The fourth, fifth, and sixth grades will give a Christmas party for their mothers Saturday, December 19, at 2:30. They will introduce their mothers to their teachers, will prepare a Christmas lunch, decorate and serve at tables and entertain with work done in their classes.

In speaking to the fourth, fifth, and sixth graders, Miss McCarten had a most interested and attentive audience while she told the stories about

the wonderful pictures of the Annunciation and birth of Christ. As the picture appeared on the screen her talk helped to give the children a wider and finer appreciation of the real meaning of Christmas.

The boys and girls in the drawing classes have been making gifts for their fathers and mothers.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

TO ENTERTAIN

The students and student teachers of the Junior High School will entertain their parents and supervisors in the assembly room this afternoon at 2:45.

The program which they have planned will consist of carols and Christmas songs, and Helen Nelson will read "The Other Wise Man." This will be followed by a class demonstration lesson in which the students will serve tea to their guests.

Miss Maude Hayes was called to the home of her sister in Normal, Illinois, and left Moorhead Thursday. Mrs. P. V. Hutchinson, Fargo, is substituting for her during the four days remaining before vacation.

MANY FACULTY PEOPLE TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT HOMES

Miss Jessie McKeller will spend her Christmas vacation at her home in Blanchardville, Wis. She will travel to Madison, Wis., with Miss Martha Gibbons, who will remain to spend her vacation at her home there.

Miss Maude Hayes will be in Normal, Ill. Miss Flora Frick will spend the vacation at her home in Indianapolis, and Miss Agnes Carlson will go to her home in Minneapolis. Miss Millie Dahl will spend Christmas day in Duluth and will visit in the Twin Cities during the vacation period.

PEDS PLAY ALL-STARS IN INITIAL GAME

The basketball season opens tonight at 7:30 for Coach Nemzek's proteges when they tangle with the Fargo All-Stars in the Moorhead High School gym.

The results of the game will be interesting because it will give us a chance to compare the strength of our team with the Concordia quint. The Cobbers defeated the All-Stars last week by a 24-17 score, so the outcome of the game tonight will show the comparative strength of the teams.

Celestial public speaking, as reported by the alert news-mongers of Wantke's toy, The MISTIC: "A new picture, the Birth and Enunciation of Christ, has been added in the training school."

Music

The Arion Club was entertained in the Comstock parlors by Misses Johnson, Halvorson, Holmquist, and Murray, Thursday, December 10. Tryouts were held and the following new members were chosen: Lucille George, Ruth Tweeten, and Hattie Johnson.

Dinner was served in the Alcove and during this part of the meeting a keen sense of humor was displayed by one of the music department, and he wasn't a student either. With the efficient stimulus of the orchestra pianist he filled the sedate banquet room with great gales of laughter.

The dignitaries present were Mr. and Mrs. Preston and Miss Bullard.

The program was left till after dinner but unfortunately the time would not allow its performance.

Mr. Preston is trying out the voices of those in the Music classes with the aim in mind to place more in the mixed chorus.

A week ago last night Miss Clementine Small gave a short piano program at WDAY. She offered four selections which were

Song of Sorrow.....	Tschaikowski
Portrait of a Lady.....	Rubenstein
To a Wild Rose.....	MacDowell
Dance of Amphoral.....	Chaminade

COLLEGE REPRESENTED AT FATHER-SON BANQUET

With a number of State Teachers College faculty men and students taking part in the exercises, we were well represented at the Fathers and Sons banquet at Grace Methodist church, Moorhead, last Thursday evening, December 10.

Faculty members who were present were: Mrs. S. A. Hamrin, who officiated as toastmaster; Mr. C. P. Archer, Mr. W. C. White, and Mr. Fred B. Leasure.

The speaker of the evening was Mr. W. L. Stockwell, Fargo, state secretary of the Masonic Lodge, who addressed the fathers and sons on "Success." Others who spoke were Woodrow Johnson, on "One of the Younger Sons," Mr. Fred G. Leasure, on "A Father of Young Sons," Norris Olson, on "One of the Older Sons," and Mr. Benjamin Briggs, on "A Father of Older Sons."

Mr. W. C. White directed the group singing.

Amazing arithmetic phenomena: "Fifteen members of the college eleven will be awarded letters."