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See "Jeanne D'Arc" Tonight

CHILD LABOR TO BE ARGUED

AFFIRMATIVE MEETS ABERDEEN
HERE MONDAY AFTER NEGA-
TIVE DOES WELL AT "U"

Advocating a constitutional amendment to give Congress power to regulate child labor, Moorhead's affirmative debate team will speak in the local auditorium against Northern State Teachers College of Aberdeen in the first home debate of the season next Monday evening at eight o'clock. The visiting speakers, presenting the negative of the proposition, will be: 1st, Alice Osborne; 2nd, Kathleen Brady; 3rd, Merle Lembeck. The debate will be followed by an open forum discussion during which members of the audience will have a chance to express their views, and to ask questions of the speakers. The only decision will be rendered by the audience.

Moorhead's representatives will be Alvera Brown, Eva Madsen, and Ragnhild Johnson. Miss Brown is a member of Gamma Nu sorority, and of Kappa Pi. Miss Madsen debated last year, leading the team which met Aberdeen at Aberdeen, and also debated with Moorhead's negative team against the University of North Dakota last week. She is a member of Pi Mu Phi and Kappa Pi. Miss Johnson, third speaker, is a junior, a member of Pi Mu Phi, and in charge of the junior section of the 1926 Praeceptor. She will also lead Moorhead's affirmative against Jamestown College March 13.

Speaking before a small but interested audience, the local negative team opened the debate season against U. N. D. at
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SEVERAL TO RECEIVE DIPLOMAS AT WINTER COMMENCE- MENT

The commencement exercises of the State Teachers College for the winter quarter will be held at 11 o'clock, Friday morning, March 5. Dr. Roy Smith, pastor of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church of Minneapolis, will deliver the graduation address. Dr. Smith is well known as both a speaker and writer, his "sentence sermons" being familiar to many.

Mr. C. P. Archer judged a debate at Pelican Rapids Thursday, Feb. 18, between Pelican Rapids High School and Warren High School.



Miss Helen Bergquist.

Miss Helen Bergquist plays the leading role in the Senior Class play, "Jeanne d'Arc," tonight. Miss Bergquist, Fargo, has been prominent in various activities thruout her college course. She is now president of the Dramatic Club, the Athletic Board of Control and the Student Activity Fee committee; vice-president of the Pi Mu Phi sorority, and a member of the Arion Club, Chapel Choir, and Glee Club.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT IS RECI- PIENT OF GIFT FROM KAPPA PI CLUB

As is the custom each year, members of the Kappa Pi have presented the Kindergarten and Primary departments with a gift. This year the gift is in the form of a set of builder boards, consisting of boards of different sizes, bolts, nuts and braces. Almost everything from a doll house to a railway terminal can be constructed in a short time. The pieces of furniture made are large enough to be used by the children in their playhouse. Several demonstrations will be given by the student teachers showing the variety of pieces that can be made, many simple enough for kindergarten people to construct. This carefully planned material is especially designed for home and school use.

SENIOR CLASS PRESENTS PLAY

WRITTEN BY PERCY MACKAYE
AND COACHED BY MISS
ETHEL TAINTER

This afternoon and evening the Senior Class will present its play, "Jeanne d'Arc." More than fifty speaking characters are taking part; of these, Miss Helen Bergquist, of Fargo, plays the title role; Mr. Adolph Reski, Oslo, playing opposite in the part of D'Alencon.

The play is divided into five acts; the first, at the Ladies Tree, near Domremy; the second, at the castle of King Charles VII at Chinon, the third, in a meadow outside the Walls of Orleans; the fourth, at Jeanne's camp before the Walls of Troyes, also a street scene in Rheims; and the fifth, in Jeanne's prison at Rouen.

Nine complete suits of armour have been ordered for different characters in the play. Also there are a number of full court costumes which will be worn to achieve the rich effects which MacKaye has built up in his conception of the drama.

The dances and music found in scenes of the play are being directed by Miss Flora Frick and Mr. D. L. Preston of the Physical Education and Music Departments of the college.

The play has been coached by Miss Ethel Tainter of the English Department. Miss Tainter recently studied the production of this drama, at Chicago. During the time she has been associated with the college she has staged several plays, among them "Sherwood" by Alfred Noyes and "Luckey Pehr" by Strindberg.

SCHOOLMASTERS STUDY CLUB GUEST OF THE COLLEGE THURSDAY EVENING

The Schoolmasters Study Club met at a banquet at Weld Hall followed by the regular meeting Thursday evening, Feb. 25. Mr. C. P. Archer, president of the club led the discussion on, "Leisure Time Activities of Our Graduates." Eight men of the State Teachers College faculty are members of the club.

Monday evening Miss Frick was surprised by the Pi Mu Phi sorority at her home in Moorhead. A delicious dinner was served; the menu and favors were in keeping with George Washington's birthday.

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Tonight the Senior Play, casting into history for its subject, will hold the boards. When the lights are lowered in the auditorium, when the stage lights flash up, there will come that breathless moment when all await, eyes front, the opening of the curtains. In an instant the miracle of drama, that destroyer of time and space, the magic carpet of our limping imaginations, will again be consummated. There will be pleasure, applause, thrill aplenty. Our own fellows will be weaving intricate stage patterns, moving at ease in strange costumes, building with voice and movement dramatic climax. It will seem for a while as if they do it all, those actors. To them the praise! But it is not so. Behind the scenes, away from the footlights, submerging, like the creator of the drama, yet not moving; feeling every inflection, yet not speaking; conscious of the whole, as no actor can ever be conscious of it, will be the director, Miss Ethel Tainter. We are lost in the obvious. The color, the light, the motion is attractive to our shallow gaze, without which taste is impossible and appreciation vulgar, we discern what lies behind. It is Miss Tainter who has supplied the electric spark for every rehearsal. It is she who has taken book, with what words are locked within its covers; actors, within which voice and gesture are but half-formed and halting and performed with them creative synthesis. The actors will have enough of praise. Are they not our friends? And will they not do well? The costumes will merit admiration. Are they not pretty? The music will charm. Is it not fitting? The lights will amaze. How do they do it? Let The Mistic, then, say its word for Miss Tainter, who brought the whole play into life.

The warning calls for notebooks, syllabi, term reports calls to mind that the winter term is about to end. Never fear, we had it all figured out beforehand, that there were but a few days remaining of this quarter. Which brings us back to the present, why—when—what for? Have we been filled out, enriched, broadened, by our contacts under the red and many peaked roof of our College? Not trying to be particularly original, but inspired by a recent English visitor, one feels that the smoothing down process of the crude gems, the planning, the rubbing, the polishing should have its effects. To be dialectic, we should be about ready to take the down hill roll to join, the heap of well rounded, polished marbles that must be gathered there.

BIRD MAN GIVES SECOND LECTURE AT M. S. T. C.

To a well filled auditorium of students faculty, training school pupils and outside visitors, Charles Crawford Gorst gave his lecture on birds and bird singing Tuesday morning. His program was enough varied to be interesting, consisting of whistling solos, bird calls and the lecture on bird life accompanied by pastel drawings, many of which were done by himself.

GROUP DISCUSSES "PRAYER" AT WEEKLY MEETING

In observance of International Prayer Week the topic discussed at the Y. W. C. A. meeting last Thursday evening was Prayer. Ruth Wellander led the discussion. The devotionals were led by Edith Boberg. A number of interesting facts were brought out.

The present cabinet members have been discussing prospective nominees for the offices for next year.

Meet you at the play tonight.

SOCIAL MEETING OF COUNTRY LIFE CLUB PROVES SUCCESSFUL

About fifty members of the student body and faculty enjoyed the social meeting of the Country Life Club last Friday evening. Under the leadership of Elsie Bastyr, several stunts, games, and contests were staged which afforded much amusement.

Plans are being made for the next program, to be given Wednesday, March 3, which will include a talk by Mr. Ballard illustrated with stereoptican slides.

PEDS WIN ONE; LOSE ONE

Last Saturday the Peds broke even on their basketball games. The Baby Peds defeating Dilworth while their older brothers lost to Jamestown.

The Baby Ped-Dilworth game was fast and furious from beginning to end with the Moorhead aggregation holding the lead throughout the game, the final score being 11-5. Referee "Ernie" Anderson, former Ped star, handled the game in a most satisfactory manner. Would that the "refs" at our regular college games could speed things up like "Ernie" did!

Vernie Winquist starred for the local quint, caging the sphere twice from the field and twice from the foul line for a total of six points.

The feature game of the evening began at eight o'clock. The Peds began the scoring and had five points before the Jimmies got started but a rally by the Dakotans put them in the lead which they retained until the end of the contest. When the final whistle blew they were on the long end of a 22-16 score.

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Wednesday afternoon Coach Nemzek and eight men went to Valley City where they played Wednesday night. Thursday night the team played Jamestown at Jamestown.

THIRD AND FOURTH YEAR STUDENTS ENJOY PARTY IN GYMNASIUM

The third and fourth year students enjoyed themselves at a party Monday evening, Feb. 22. Practically the whole class attended, as well as four new members: Ormenso Bjork, Helen Roberts, Kathryn McGraw, and Elenora Arneson. Games were played in the gymnasium, and the new members were duly initiated into the class. A delightful lunch was served by Misses Helen Chisholm and Helen Roberts.

"Whatcha wanta be a doctor of science for?"

"So I can be a professor and walk on the grass."

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First Co-ed: How did you come out of the Dean's office this morning?

Second Co-ed: Got a big kick out of it.

Gags by Gates

Visiting Coach: I see that the females of your college have good spirit.

Home Coach: What makes you think so?

Visiting Coach: I see they are all wearing the school colors on their faces. Red noses and white cheeks.

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Q—WHO IS IT THAT ENTERS THE CLASS ROOM WHENEVER HE PLEASES, NEVER GOES TO CHAPEL, AND DOES NOT HAVE TO GIVE AN EXCUSE IF HE IS LATE IN THE MORNING? A—THE JANITOR.

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Algermon: Why, Genacus, are you all battered up so.

Genacus: We were playing leap frog and the guy ahead of me ran under the porch.

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A visitor was standing in the hall way by two doors right next to each other. One led to a class room where there was a class in expression going on and the other led to the gym where the class games were in the height of excitement. This is what he heard—"and then when all was silent a man jumped out on the stage and shot Lincoln dead—Hurrah! Hurrah! at-a-boy, nice-going, Hurrah-hurrah-hurrah."

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A YOUNG AMERICAN GIRL WENT TO LONDON TO GET MARRIED TO AN ENGLISHMAN PERIOD AT FIRST COMMA HER RICH PARENTS WERE KINDA PEEVED ABOUT IT COMMA BUT HER DAD FINALLY CABLED FORGIVENESS AND CONGRATULATIONS PERIOD AND DID THE ENGLISHMAN APPRECIATE IT QUESTION MARK I'LL SAY SO DASH DASH DASH HE CABLED HER OLD MAN TO COME ACROSS PERIOD

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In Class Play Practice—

Miss Tainter from the back of the Auditorium: Mr. Wendell, I can't hear a word you are saying.

Mr. Wendell: I would advise you, then, to move up a little closer.

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Physician: You eat too—by the way, what is your occupation?

Prof.: I am a school teacher.

Physician: You are suffering from malnutrition. Get a job and eat more.

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Dash-man: Well, I wasn't last anyway. There were two men behind me.

Coach: Sap, they were the first two of the next race.

IT HAS BEEN RUMORED THAT ONE OF OUR FACULTY MEMBERS HAS BEEN ENCOURAGING THAT AWFUL, SINFUL, DREADFUL HABIT OF SMOKING BY OFFERING SMOKES TO OUR BASKETBALL PLAYERS IN RETURN FOR THEIR KIND ERRANDS.

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Cy Ingabritson seeing taxi ad in paper 'Anyplace in town two-bits.'

Cy: They can't fool me. Last year I bought the Post-office and they wouldn't give it to me.

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SWEDE: WHAT MAKES YOUR HAIR SO RED?

IRISHMAN: I HAD SCARLET FEVER AND IT WENT TO MY HEAD.

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In the last question of a test the Prof. asked for the dates of Valley Forge. One student who didn't know the answer wrote: Washington knows, I don't. In correcting the papers the Prof. wrote in the same space: Washington gets the credit, you don't.

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Mr. Nemzek in History: "Mr. Malvey, name the chief parties of the present."

Mr. Malvey: "Democratic, Republican and Necking."

A Lifetime With Mark Twain. The memories of Katy Leary, for thirty years the faithful servant and friend of America's greatest humorist. Written by Mary Lawton. Mark Twain once said to Mary Lawton: "Now, if Katy could only write the doings of this family, we should indeed have a document worth having." Miss Lawton was a friend of Mark Twain and his household, of whom Katy Leary, the family servant, was not the least important. She has reproduced the old servant's words, her Irish wit, her vivid memories, from the early days in Hartford to Mark Twain's death.

A woman was in a drug store eating a pineapple sundae when a man entered and ordered a chocolate soda. How did she know he was a sailor?

He had a sailor suit on.

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"Why, are you late again?"

"Papa needed me, sir."

"But wouldn't someone else have done just as well?"

"No, sir. He was spanking me."

Meet you at the play tonight.

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Y. W.

and

Y. M.

and

Why Not?

Meet you at the play tonight.

MiSTiC isms

Miss Lillian Meyer of Detroit, spent the week-end with her sister, Miss Esther Meyer.

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Miss Dagny Hagglund had as her guests over the week end, Amanda and Agnes Hagglund and Ollie Iverson of Alvarado.

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Miss Dorothy Burnett visited with Esther Houge last Friday.

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Over vacation, Muriel Phillips, of Crookston, visited with Genevieve Christensen of Wheeler Hall.

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Miss Mary Erhnest who is a former student of M. S. T. C. and who is now teaching at Doran, Minnesota, visited with her sister, Florence.

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Miss Sylvia Wollen, entertained her sister, Esther, who graduated from here last year.

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Miss Alshild C. Kvale, a student at Morris A. C. visited with Cecelia Schlosser of Wheeler Hall.

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Miss Ora Burdick of Mandan, N. D., visited with Berniece Voight of Wheeler Hall.

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Miss Grace Taylor who graduated from here last year and who is now teaching at Tintah, Minnesota, spent Monday with Violet Peterson.

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Miss Helen Healy of Fargo entertained the Gamma Nu sorority at her home at Sunday evening luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Bridges of Moorhead, entertained the Gamma Nu sorority Monday evening.

GROUP SURVIVES

FIERCE ORDEAL

'Twas a thrilling moment! We were all assembled, we thought we were, and when called for, we filed into a large semi-darkened room. A pie faced man approached telling each to take his allotted place—which we did with nervous laughs and shudders. We were all in the proper pose and were gazing breathlessly at the guiding light in the distance when suddenly the curtains in the rear parted and in stepped the villain! Our plans were foiled!! We must again change our positions and given the place of prominence to him. Suddenly a blue white light was flashed and it was all over—the Mistic Staff picture was taken.

"The Ellivnotro," official student organ of the Ortonville High School, was received by our exchange department last week.

Meet you at the play tonight.

Training School

The fourth grade pupils were guests at the Intermediate club meeting on Friday at which the sixth grade geography class gave a program on Africa.

Short talks on Washington were given at the fourth grade club meeting on Friday. The four A's dramatized Washington and the colt.

The sixth grade geography class entertained the Intermediate Club with a very interesting program consisting of an imaginary trip through Rhodesia, Africa. Numerous pictures and trophies directly from Rhodesia were displayed; among them baskets, head ornaments, weapons, newspapers and skins of buck, water-rat, beaver, bob-cat, laughing hyena and leopard.

The program was given in this order:
 Life of John Cecil Rhodes and General Vie wof Rhodeisa.....Esther Selleck
 Beauty Spots.....Hilda Meyers
 Native Villages, Weapons and Customs.....Ethel Alderman
 Missions and Their Work.....
Margaret Winquist
 Animal Life.....Olga Stusiak

The Baby Peds continued their usual good record Friday by winning the game with Dilworth, the score being 11 to 5. Thursday afternoon at four they will play a Fargo team on this floor.

Pupils of the Junior High School department have rated themselves on their own report cards and these will be given out inside of the regular report cards. A committee decided on them what qualities should be marked. Gladys Kragness acted as chairman assisted by Naomi Butler, Grace Harriet Hagen, and Genevieve Nordstrom.

LITTLE INGA AGAIN WRITES OSKAR OF COLLEGE PLEASURES Dere Osakr:

Ve had Country life party in yimnasium last Frid. evening & es ska say aye har svell time. Ve ppay many games. Von game var much joy. Aye tank it is called shasing. Ve took turns shasing each odder up & down das yimnasium. Das von vot didnt get caut got das prize. Vell aye shased man all over yim but couldnt catch him & den he turned round & shased me & caught me. Aye shure var peevd at him for cheating me out of prize. Aye say to him "Yust becus yu are good for to run is no sign yu got to run yust som fast som yu can go after me." It shure made him feel cheep Das next time he didn't shase me at all. Das vot kind of sheba aye are.

Ve play nudder game vot was called hunting for peenuts vot var hid. Das yoke of game vae dat yu were sposed to yell efry time yu found a peanut. Littel me yelled so much aye are carrying my yaw in a sling.

After avile ven day taught ve har all vorked up a good effekt the man & girl comes out vit pan of doughnuts and coffee pot. Somevon yelled, "lunch is redy, try & get som."

Ve all rushed in after das lunch. Aye came out mit black eye & sprained ankel—vere somevon yumped on it—but aye had das lunuch anyvay. Aye had paid 10 sents entrance fee to das party & nobody var going to cheet me out of eets.

Vell, Oskar, it is time for yur littel playmate to call quits.

Yur own,

INGA.

Prof: What do you think of necking parties?

Student: I think they are all right but usually their platforms do not stand for much.

Meet you at the play tonight.

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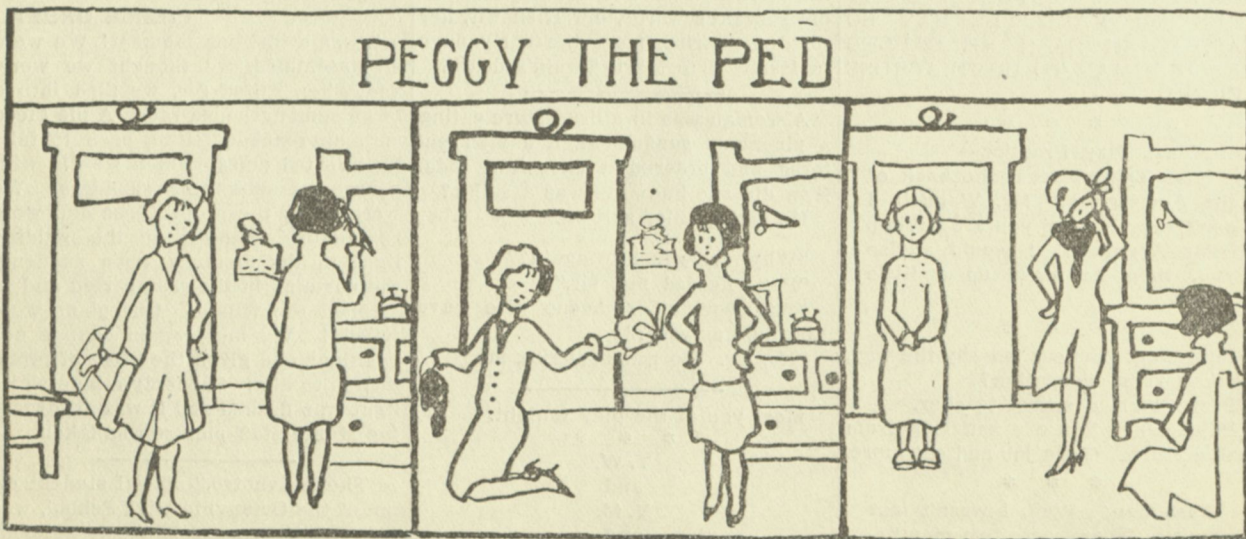
Grand Forks February 18. Ralph Smith, first; Eva Madsen, second; Marie Sorknes, third, were the speakers representing this college in the most severe competition it has yet met in debating. There was no decision given, but it was the opinion of those that heard the debate and of the two coaches that the result would have been a toss-up. It was a team of men that the teachers met. Upon the question of the necessity of some some sort of regulation of the problem of child labor the two teams were pretty well agreed, altho the negative speakers minimized the importance of interstate exploitation of child labor, for which little concrete evidence was presented. In closing the case, Miss Sorknes urged the superiority of state regulation, challenging the affirmative to show the willingness and ability of Congress to remedy the evil, pointing to the District of Columbia as evidence of Congressional ineffectiveness, and arguing that the federal government could only wait the pleasure of the most backward of the states, or legislate without effect.

Following the debate the negative speakers, and the remainder of the Moorhead squad, who had driven up with Lawrence Lee to hear the contest, and the coach, were entertained at "The Tent," Dacotah Hotel, by Mr. Clarence Decker, university public speaking instructor.

Faculty Board: But, remember, professor, the students of the college are calling for you.

Resigned Prof: Yes, I know, but they are all calling me different things.

RALPH IVERSON HAS TO SKIP SCHOOL IN ORDER TO LET HIS CLASS GET AHEAD IN THEIR WORK SO HE CAN PURSUE IT.



Alyce is Peggy's best friend. Alyce has been told she looks like Anna Q. Nelson. She is such a dear—and so popular.

Alyce has been shopping. She has bought a little hat and a little choker. Papa will not be pleased.

Hulda rooms across the hall. Hulda wishes Alyce would return the \$1.18 she borrowed from her to pay her bill at the College Club.