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# THE MISTIC

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## MUSIC GROUPS GO ON TOURS

WILL ADVERTISE COLLEGE THRU  
MUSIC IN NEIGHBORING  
CITIES

The Male Chorus of the State Teachers College will give its annual Home Concert at the College auditorium on Wednesday evening, March 31, at 8:15.

The spring tour will follow with dates at Grand Forks, Argyle, Stephen, Alvarado, Hendrum. At Grand Forks the chorus will augment the Baptist Choir to sing the cantata, "The Seven Last Words of Christ," by Dubois. Mr. Preston, the director of the college chorus, will sing the tenor solos in the cantata.

At each of the other dates the following program will be given:

An Even Song	Protheroe
If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee	Pache
Male Chorus.	
I Come to Thee	Roma
Marvin Rice, Baritone.	
O Light Divine	Kastalsky
In That Day	Nevin
Male Chorus.	
Crucifix	Faure
Mr. Preston, Mr. Boehm.	

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### OWLS PLANNING REUNION

A twenty-fifth anniversary reunion will be held by the Order of Owls at this college in the month of June at which time a number of events will take place, notably a parade, a special chapel exercise, a banquet, and a dance.

A. W. Johnson of Jamestown, national president of the organization, will be in charge of the program, the local representatives being Arthur Storms and Ralph Iverson. Members of the local chapter are charged with the carrying out of the preparations.

### DEMONSTRATIONS IN CHILD HYGIENE GIVEN BY MISS MILDRED SMITH

This week, Miss Mildred Smith, of the State Department of Child Hygiene, has been presenting for the women's physical education classes, lessons in the care of young children. She has been demonstrating also for the girls of the Junior High School. On Thursday and Friday, Miss Smith worked with the children, having them perform the work.

Miss Smith has been the guest of her friend, Miss May Turner, during her stay at the college.

### SEE ORIENTAL BLOCK PRINTS IN ART ROOMS

The Art Club is sponsoring an exhibit of oriental block prints which is now on display in the Art rooms.

The artist, Miss Elizabeth Keith, made these prints while studying in the Orient. Within the last few years wood blocks have come greatly into vogue, but no one, it is believed has been as successful in this medium as has Miss Keith.

The collection on display consists of fifty-two fairly large pictures of scenes which bring to the observer the beauty and splendor of the Orient. The pictures include ancient architecture, street scenes, thronging people, and portraits from China, Korea, Japan, and the Philippines.

The exhibit will be on display until Friday evening, March 26, in the Art rooms in Weld Hall.

### BASKETBALL MEN HONORED AT BANQUET

A week ago yesterday the basketball team had their annual banquet at the home of Richard Pederson, 424 Eighth St. So. Mrs. Pederson, Coach Nemzek's sister, served the delightful dinner which was thoroughly enjoyed by the basketball boys. After the banquet Arlo K. Baldwin was elected captain for next year's basketball team.

The following were present at the banquet: Coach Nemzek, Baldwin, Erickson, Anderson, Storms, Williams, Gowenlock, Byler, Wambach, Ted and Frank Nemzek.

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Spring football began last Monday with a few of the boys out limbering up and getting used to the feel of the ball. Tuesday afternoon Coach Nemzek gave a lecture to the boys on the fundamentals of football, which were carried out during the rest of the week on the practice field. Over 22 men have been issued suits and more are expected to call for their equipment in the near future.

### CLUB TO PRESENT TWO PLAYS SOON

The Dramatic Club is presenting "Joint Owners in Spain," at a social gathering to be held at Grace Methodist church, next Thursday evening.

Those taking part are: Zelda Resley, Edna Hansen, Eva Madsen, and Esther Meyer.

The cast has been chosen for the one-act play, "Pa's New Housekeeper," which will be presented by the club during the spring term.

## FACULTY MEMBERS ATTEND MEETINGS

AT UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
FROM MARCH 29 TO  
APRIL 2.

Several members of the Teachers College faculty will be absent next week at meetings to be held in the Twin Cities next week.

President R. B. MacLean and Miss Flora Frick will speak at the meeting of the Short Course of Education, which is to be held at the University of Minnesota from March 29 to April 2.

Miss Katherine Leonard will attend a meeting of the executive committee of the M. E. A. on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Ella Hawkinson, as chairman of the history section, will meet her committee next week to plan the fall work of that department for the M. E. A. She will read a paper on "History Project."

Miss Georgina Lommen will speak on "Character Building in the School" on Tuesday. On Wednesday she will attend the curriculum committee.

Miss Emma Erickson is also attending the meetings.

### JOINT "Y" MEETING ADDRESSED BY MISS LOMMEN

"Versions of the Bible," was the subject of an inspiring and educational talk given by Miss Georgina Lommen, Director of the Training School, at a joint meeting of the College Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. Monday evening, March 22. To a good sized audience Miss Lommen discussed the history of the writing, compiling and translating of the Bible. Modern versions of the Bible were read and compared with the King James version. After hearing excerpts from Moffet's, Moulton's, and Godspeed's versions contrasted with the King James version, general opinion seemed quite strongly in favor of the latter.

Members of the Palette Club sponsored by Miss Kathryn McCarten of the Fargo High School faculty, visited the exhibit of block prints in the Art rooms on Wednesday afternoon, March 24.

The Kiwanis Club of Casselton, N. D., had as its guest and speaker, R. L. MacLean, Wednesday noon, March 24.

# THE MISTIC

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The college desires to express its sympathy to Miss Marjorie Alberts, Hawley, who was called home Thursday, March 18, after receiving news of the death of a nephew, nine months old. He was the son of her sister, Mrs. Elmer Jenson, who was graduated from the Teachers College in 1922.

To Charles Wendel, of Argyle, the faculty and student body extend sincere sympathy at the death of his young sister.

*"But, you will say, you are using 'education' in a very funny scene. What is there in common between distorting a fish and teaching a boy Latin Grammar? I must say they seem to me very similar: both are wanton injuries inflicted for the pleasure of the experimenter. However, this would perhaps hardly do as a definition of education. The essence of education is that it is a change (other than death) effected in an organism to satisfy the desires of the operator. Of course the operator says that his desire is to improve the pupil, but this statement does not represent any objectively verifiable fact."*

—BERTRAND RUSSELL.

## Y. W. C. A. GROUP GATHERS FOR WEEKLY DISCUSSION

"What Is Our Responsibility in the World," was the topic discussed by members of the college Y. W. C. A. on Thursday evening of last week. The discussion was led by the President, Gertrude Espeland.

It was decided that each one has two responsibilities; an individual and an international relationship; and that it was the duty of each to keep those he may meet in life on our own campus, in our country, or in foreign nations.

The "Big Sister Movement" was discussed and plans are being made to initiate a similar movement at M. S. T. C. next fall, especially with the group of girls who room outside the dormitories.

## The Book Shelf

For those who have mentioned that they miss the "Book Shelf" notes, we appear again to review for the general good, one book, one magazine to be found in the Teachers College library. Neither of these is a new arrival, but believing as the editors of "The Golden Book" that there is much literature of value that is old and yet good enough to be printed in a current publication, the MISTIC will attempt to bring to its readers' attention two avenues for improvement of the mind to be found in our library.

"Life," published at 598 Madison Square, New York. Price, \$1.00 for ten weeks—or \$5.00 per year.

This colorful little leaflet is to be found at any time gracing the college magazine rack. Its covers are too fresh and unbent to prove that any great number of readers avail themselves of the material found in the little magazine.

Each number is attractively dedicated to some one subject of great interest and worth, e. g.—"Speeder's number," "Prohibition number," and the most recent issue is a "Tropical number." "Life" has a variety of content, from funny sayings, and stories, to plays and cartoons. One reading of "Life" identifies it as one of the worthy magazines furnished by the state for future teachers.

The jokes and smart cracks will interest many. How are these?

"Girls now set their kneecaps for men."

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Dolly—"I don't see why my vanishing cream should disappear."

Molly—"It's behind those invisible hairnets."

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As for poetry—how's this?  
"Alas for the South, her books have grown fewer.

She never was much given to literature."

Life also prints many short stories that "thrill as they chill," having titles that speak for themselves like "A wild time had by all." Truly, as the reading public of the college is concerned, "Life" should be taken more seriously.

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"Druida," by John T. Frederick, former English instructor of M. S. T. C., published by Macmillan Co., for \$1.13, a simple story of our own college by one who labored here.

Druida, as a simple country lass, comes to Riverton to attend the Normal College. Her doubts and her trials will be appreciated by those who are familiar with the M. S. T. C. campus, its building, its activity, its faculty. Many a co-ed, be she sorority girl or democrat, will see herself in narration of Druida's study at the college. Mr. Frederick has told in simple language the story of our school. A later man wrote a story quite daring, read it—if you can locate it. Much literature our school can inspire—we may yet read works of value concerning the Teachers College, but while we only have the one book on our shelves—read that—"Druida."

## MANY M. S. T. C. STUDENTS TAKE ENFORCED VACATIONS

Measles are exceedingly popular these days, with our students. Many of our fair coeds are confined to their rooms until their temporarily red complexions assume the original lily-white hue. And it is not only the fairer sex who are thus afflicted. It is rumored that a member of the masculine element is vacationing for a couple of weeks until a peculiar polk-a-dot appearance, evident on his countenance, disappears.

The atmosphere of the dormitories seems to be especially appealing to measles. Miss Forbes, the school nurse, has quite a number of measles-bedecked guests in the school infirmary, at present.

It is encouraging to know that outside of presenting a peculiar appearance, all those who are thus afflicted are in no grave danger.

Well—measles will be measles!!

A class was organized in Journalism at Willmar, Minn. A test will be given at the close of the term to determine the Wilohi Staff for next year.

—The Wilohi.

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The Normal School management is considering plans for Chautauqua, starting the 25th of June.

—The Slope Teacher.

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A new stadium is being proposed at the University of Michigan that will seat 83,000 persons.

Gags by Gates

In Geography Class.

Prof. Burgy: Have any of you ever done anything to help save our forests?

Nordstrom: I shot a woodpecker once.

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Definitions—Which do you prefer?

Perfume is something the women use to make them smell good.

Alcohol is something the men use to make them feel good.

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SIMPSON (TO ELSA, WHO IS LEAVING THE LIBRARY): MAY I COME, TOO?

ELSA: YOU'LL NEVER COME TO, UNCONSCIOUS.

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In spring football Mr. Nemzek asked his charges the definition of "triple threat." After asking the entire squad, he came to Mattson, who went to the head of the class for the following answer: Wine, Women, and Song.

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Dodds: Gee, I met a swell woman at the dance Friday night.

Ted: Is that so? Did you get her address?

Dodds: No, you sap! I don't buy women dresses the first time I meet them.

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Jelly: How did you get that bump on your head?

Lulu: That's where a thought struck me.

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MR. NEMZEK DIDN'T PUT OUT ANY CIGARS FOR THE BOYS BUT HANDED OUT BOQUETS AT THE FIRST FOOTBALL LECTURE OF THE SPRING PRACTICE.

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Archer says: "Speak to me only with thine eyes."

Bridges says: "Let us watch the clouds."

Stoney Burg visited her uncle's farm and noticed a haystack. She inquired as to what it was and when her uncle told her it was a haystack she said: You can't fool me. Hay don't grow that way.

BARBARISM

It is now the vogue to prance gracefully around the athletic field shooting arrows at a pretty target. It is quite evident—that nature is reverting to type—first it was the Charleston, then the track meet—now is is archery and soon it will be an Indian pow-wow!

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Trade Winds Keel  
Ole Sande, Baritone.

A Song of the Road Protheroe  
The Builder Cadman

Male Chorus.

The Canebrake Gardner  
Valse Bluette Drugo

Mrs. Daniel Preston, Violinist.

Invictus Huhn

I Must Down to the Seas Again  
Chorus and Mr. Rice, Baritone.

Largo Handel

La Zingana Bohm

Mrs. Preston, Mr. Preston, Mr. Boehm,  
Violinists.

Steal 'Way (Spiritual) arr. Huntley

How Can I Beave Thee Thuringian

Male Chorus.

Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes

English

Male Chorus.

O Sole Mio Italian

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The Chapel Choir leaves on its annual tour Wednesday, April 7th, to sing at Warren, Ada, Nashwauk, and Mahnomen.

The date of the Home Concert has not been settled as yet.

The following constitutes the program:

Ave Maria Beethoven

Diffusa Est Gratia Bartschmid

Chapel Choir.

Hail Thou Star Resplendent Grieg

Quartet.

What E'er May Vex or Grieve Thee

Bach

Nunc Dimittis Gretchaninoff

Chapel Choir.

Love Never Faileth Root

Lotise Murray, Soprano.

Protect Us Thru the Coming Night

Curschman

By Babylon's Wave Gounod

Chapel Choir.

Pale Moon Logan

Mr. Daniel L. Preston, Tenor.

Boats of Mine Miller

Phantom Ships Gaul

Chapel Choir.

Violin Selected

Mrs. Daniel L. Preston, Violinist.

Arabian Cycle (five songs) Spross

Chapel Choir.

Songs My Mother Taught Me Dvorak

Helen Bergquist, Contralto.

Duet Selected

Agnes Halvorson, Beatrice Holmquist.

Celtic Lullaby Old Irish

Whispering Hope Hawthorne

Anna Mater.

A. L. Flude in his talk on "Art of Travel," gave four rules for his experience; to see the funny side of life, to see the pathetic side of life, to always look for the ludicrous side of life, and to see the beautiful side of life. Mr. Flude said, "If you observe these rules, you cannot help being a good traveler."

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The University of Utah has inaugurated a brief course in skiing for which college credit is given.

—"Teachers Budget."

An intra-mural swimming tournament is being held at the University of Minnesota.

Music

With the rhymes and songs of Mother Goose land, the children of the first six grades of the training school presented "Story-land." This fanciful operetta, directed by Miss Bullard, and assisted by Edna Swan showed the possibilities of child voices. It was a creditable piece of work. Miss Clementine Small accompanied the operetta.

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Miss Louise Murray sang at the Schoolmaster's banquet given in the Comstock dining room last Friday evening, March 19.

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The third of a series of church concerts in Moorhead will be given by the Girls' Glee Club and Men's Chorus at Trinity church next Sunday evening, March 28.

The chorus is working on several selections from the "Seven Last Words of Christ."

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The Arion Club broadcasted a miscellaneous musical program over WDAY, Fargo. It consisted of several numbers by the Men's Chorus, solos and trios.

PI MU PHI PLEDGE SERVICES TO BE HELD TONIGHT

Five girls will be pledged to membership in Pi Mu Phi sorority this evening. The pledging services will be held at the home of Zelda Resley, 1534 Second Ave. So., Fargo, at 7:00 p. m.

The following girls will be pledged: Ella Barstad, Lake Park; Edna Sandberg, Elbow Lake; Ruth Tweeton, Barnesville; Dorothy Pederson, Fargo; Nellie Inglis, Hallock.

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The sorority and rushees were entertained at breakfast at the Rustad school Saturday, March 20, by Hope Bertelson, alumna member of Pi Mu Phi, who teaches at Rustad.

EXIT LIZZIE—ENTER LYDIA

I am broken-hearted! I have been discarded for one who wears a grey coat and who has big soft feet. Many are the times I have staggered under tremendous loads and I have never complained. And often my two great eyes have lighted the road for my driver while she chased comets! I have taken part in style shows and have promenaded the streets. It was not unusual for me to have my feet pierced with nails and glass—but now I am old and of no use. I have been replaced by one of the higher class—they don't think I saw—but I did. As a finishing blow I was forced to witness the christening of my rival!—I am Flora Frick's old Lizzie.

## Training School

The kindergarten people are busy constructing the church for their community project and it will be ready for Easter services.

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Mrs. Durborow entertained the kindergarten children at a birthday party on Wednesday. The children made the favors and decorations which were carried out in lavender and yellow spring colors. Miss Lommen, Miss Leonard and Mr. Johnsrud were the invited guests.

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Two new children have entered the primary department during the past week. Karl and Hilbert Swanson have just moved into the neighborhood.

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Several children who have been absent because of illness have returned to school.

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The intermediate grades in working on their clothing project have been studying the origin of clothes and styles. They have studied Greek and Roman dress during the past week.

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A dainty color scheme of yellow and lavender was carried out in flowers and favors at the luncheon given by the Kappa Pi club on Wednesday.

A Lennox Potter film will be shown in the Auditorium on Monday P. M. at 3:30. There will also be a variety of pottery on display in the rear of the auditorium.

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This week brought cards announcing the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. J. Melvin Mills, of Jacksonville, Fla. Before her marriage Mrs. Mills was Miss Clara Frances McDowell, associate in the lower Intermediate Grades in the training school in 1923-1924.

### BROWN ADDRESSES

#### CHAPEL AUDIENCE

Wednesday morning at the chapel hour, Mr. J. N. Brown, President of our Seventh Street Rivals, addressed the student body. President Brown spoke very interestingly on "Playing the Game of Life."

He believes that in this play there are five requisites—namely, decision, enthusiasm, determination, elimination, and self-confidence. These requisites should be evident in all we undertake. In closing he pointed out that defeat comes only from within and the kind of deeds we do is a record of what we are.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Nemzek announce the birth of a baby boy, Monday, March 22.

## Vox Populi

Having been criticized rather severely for condemning local conceptions of proper procedure in our institution, I shall try to fall in line and commend something.

May I call your attention to the Gospel of Education as recorded by J. Dewey? In his little book called "The Child and the Curriculum," we are told several things which are very important to educators, but which we are unable to understand unless we use such men as the beloved little disciple, Kilpatrick, as interpreters.

Kilpatrick maintains that "Learning of all kinds—proceeds in proportion as whole-heartedness of purpose is present," in support of Dewey's idea that we must have "interest" of the kind he specifies. He gives as his cure-all for educational ills what he calls the "Project Method." He virtually states that if a child wishes to skip school, let him do it, for his interest is there, but give him direction as to just the procedure he should take in doing it.

I can commend this little bit of philosophy as such, and can recommend it to you as something to read about, especially as educators are quite agreed that we do not at this time have sufficient brain power to carry out the plan, and since Dewey himself states as a kind of apology that—"the teacher knows neither what the present power, capacity, or attitude is or how it is to be asserted, exercised, and realized."

—Jonathan Swift.

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### PSYCHIC FUTURE

Can we judge the future by the trend of the present and the results of the past. If so, it seems one science will dominate. It will be the one source of health and happiness. The greatest psychologist will be the greatest being.

Rarely do we go through the day's ramblings without being told by someone either how to eat psychologically, how to sleep psychologically, or how to teach psychologically. In fact everything we do or say is coming to be guided by psychological laws and teachings.

In order to be a good salesman one must be a good psychologist, in order to be a good teacher one must be a student of psychology, and so we find ourselves in need of a knowledge of psychology before we can attain success.

The student works wonders by playing on the instincts of the pedagogue, and likewise the pedagogue works wonders, with his bag of tricks by using them on the student.

It will not be surprising, if in the

future, psychology will become so powerful a factor in our lives as to dominate every phase of it. It is not altogether unreasonable to suppose that in the future men will take to bootlegging suggestion. Persons apparently drunk will carouse about under the influence of psychic liquor, and psychoanalytic devices will be used to control dispensers of psychic five per cent.

After thousands of years due to heredity, knowledge of psychology will become an instinct. The child in the street will know the great laws as well as the professor. Such words as psychotherapy, psycho-analysis and psychiatric will become the common rabble, and professors will deal with single words hundreds of letters long.

—"Maximum Intelligentius."

### GAMMA NU TO PLEDGE

#### NEW MEMBERS

The annual spring pledging ceremony of Gamma Nu sorority will take place in the music rooms, Weld Hall, on Thursday noon, March 25. Helen Healy will be in charge.

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Gamma Nu sorority entertained their rushees at a four-course dinner, Sunday afternoon, at the home of Miss Florence Bullard in Casselton. The sorority songs were sung before each course. Favors were small perfume vials decorated with the Greek letters. Misses Dagny Hanson, Alvera Brown, and Esther Houge were hostesses.

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On March 23, in Miss Bullard's room, the Gamma Nu sorority enjoyed a social hour followed by a business meeting. Misses Gertrude Lumpkin and Sylvia Finden served a delightful lunch.

An all-school dance was held in the school gymnasium on Friday evening. A large number of students were present and enjoyed a very delightful evening. The College Orchestra furnished music. Miss Ina A. Fogg was chaperone of the affair. Why not have these parties more frequently?

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Georgia Coughlin of Wheeler Hall entertained her brother at Comstock Hall Friday evening.

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Misses Edna Blair and Marion Meecham spent the week-end at Felton and Averill, respectively.

Josephine Corliss Preston, state superintendent of the State of Washington, spoke to the students of Dickinson Normal school, last week. She spoke on education in general. She proclaimed the Dickinson school to be one of the finest buildings of its kind.

—"The Slope Teacher."