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# THE MISTIC

STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE, MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA

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## May Festival Proves Success

### CLASS of 1926 GRADUATES JUNE 2

#### GOVERNOR TO DELIVER ADDRESS TO ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-THREE

Commencement week presents a full program of social and traditional activities for the graduating class. About one hundred and forty students will receive diplomas. Mr. Arthur Storms will receive his Bachelor of Education degree. The program scheduled is as follows:

Sunday, May 30, Reverend Everett Leshner will deliver Baccalaureate sermon. Special music will be given by Miss Helen Bergquist and the girls' quartet.

Monday Evening—President's Reception and Senior Promenade.

Tuesday—Alumni banquet for all graduating students as guests of honor. The program committee consists of Misses Lulu Wagner, Rhoda Maland, and Mayme Christenson.

Tuesday Noon—Senior picnic.

Wednesday, 10:45 A. M. — Senior Class Day Program:

1. Response ..... Hymn 4
2. Scripture ..... Helen Bergquist
3. Invictus ..... Huhn  
Male Chorus.
4. Presentation of Standard  
..... Helen Bergquist
5. Response ..... Menser Anderson  
Junior President.
6. Solo—"I Hear A Thrush at Eve"  
..... Cadman

Mr. Preston—Tenor  
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#### Y. M. C. A. MOVIE

##### PROVES SUCCESS

The College Y. M. C. A. presented a movie, "The Lighthouse by the Sea," on Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Fair crowds were in evidence. A group of songs was sung by the quartet, consisting of Ernest Johnson, Alfred Tollefson, Marvin Rice and Hod Eklund.

Miss Georgina Lommen attended a two-day session of the ninth district Federated Women's Clubs at Detroit Tuesday. Miss Lommen addressed the meeting on the subject of the "Influence of Children's Books in the Home."



Last week on Friday, the 14th, the Ped track stars took a flying trip to Valley City, where they earnestly endeavored to capture the meet but for four good reasons, namely Jamestown, Mayville, Valley City, and Ellendale, they failed. "Romeo" Bjork was the outstanding star of the Ped aggregation, taking first place in the javelin throw and setting a conference record. "Baldy" tied for third in the 440-yard run. "Jelly," Dodds, and "Hod" tied for third place in the high jump. Edwards, "Ted" Nemzek, "Frenchie" Granger, Gowenlock, and Smith also were at the meet.

### WINS INTEREST AND AP PLAUSE

PAGEANT, ART AND MUSIC  
CONTRIBUTE TO FIRST  
ANNUAL AFFAIR

#### PAGEANT OPENS FESTIVAL

Last Monday afternoon and evening the annual pageant was presented most successfully. Miss Flora Frick again displayed her remarkable ability and her ingenuity as a producer for she wrote, collected, compiled and directed the pageant.

Speaking parts were capably taken by Alice Kennedy as Art and Sentina Crema as Poetry. Laments of Ceres and Persephone at their separation were sung by Miss Louise Murray as Mother Earth and Miss Helen Bergquist as the abducted daughter. Pluto's appeal to Persephone to become his queen was sung by Mr. Marvin Rice.

The cast of characters was:

Art	Alice Kennedy
Poetry	Harvey Monson
Apollo	Geneva Christenson
Pluto	Marvin Rice
Pan	Marion Cronin
Hermes	Selma Hagen
Ceres	Louise Murray
Persephone	Helen Bergquist
Jupiter	Charles Wendell
Aurora	Marion Meehan
Hecite	Irene Felde
The Winds	Dagny Hanson, Rae Bigelow, Margareth Larson, Berta Divet

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#### COLLEGE WOMEN TO BE GUESTS AT CAMPUS TEA

Next Monday afternoon, May 24, the Senior girls of the State Teachers College will be honor guests at a campus tea on the east Comstock lawn. Members of Pi Mi Phi and Gamma Nu sororities will be the hosts and all college and faculty women are invited to attend.

Miss Alice Dunn of Comstock Hall entertained Mrs. A. G. Divet and daughter, Berta, at dinner Tuesday evening.

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Entertaining the first of last week was Miss Lulu Groberg who had as a guest, her mother, Mrs. J. A. Groberg, of Fertile, Minn.



# THE MISTIC

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The sympathy of the college goes to Miss Margaret Balluf who was called home upon the death of her father, Mr. Alois Ballof, of Beardsley, Minn. She was accompanied by Miss Josephine Heck, whose home is also at Beardsley, Minn.

John Farrar writes of Scott Fitzgerald that he never seems to apologize for being merely entertaining. And why should he? Why the qualifying adverb, anyway? Merely, indeed! As if that were not a quite sufficient end, uniquely just in its own right, and of intrinsic worth. Why need a lovely thing be twisted to point a moral; why adorn a tale with a teaching? So the Arts Festival, with no advertised specious motives of improvement, of uplift, with skill, with finesse, with dignity and occasional beauty, managed to be greatly, sometimes even thrillingly entertaining. Its directors, its every participant deserve the honest congratulation of us who watched and listened.

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Of all musical appeals to the civilized man, surpassing the beat of tom-tom; the melody and unique quality of any single instrument, tho it be the violin and played by Kreisler; the magnetism of any singer; the histrionics, coloratura effects, thrilling basso-profundo of a Mary Garden, Galli-Curci, Chaliapin; the greatest is the symphony orchestra. "Symphony" is a noble word, epitomizing that Unity, that One out of Many, which is the goal of Art, Philosophy, Religion, highest values which the spirit of Man has apprehended. Our response to Barrere and his orchestra Wednesday night was, if we but knew it, our creative response to a musical pattern so exquisitely adjusted as to reach perfection. It was pure music, with

its own personality, which was the implicit loveliness of form. It was testimony to what a most brilliant critic once said: "Art is a reaching out into the ugliness of the world for vagrant beauty and the imprisoning of it in a tangible dream."

### FIRST EPISTLE

It was announced last week, that with this issue of The MISTIC, the most startling serial ever appearing in a college newspaper would be begun. We have received several calls for extra editions of the May 21st issue for this special reason. The title of the short story was to have been, "Things heard on Front Porch, Comstock," written by a student under a pseudonym. The author regrets very much, and desires to the editor to express his or her regrets—that the sound-conducting qualities of the ether have been much impaired this week, because of the dress rehearsal for the pageant on Friday, the dust storm on Saturday, the rain on Sunday, and the May Arts Festival on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Moreover, the crowds of people continually passing thru the Comstock parlors has made it impossible for the "innocent eavesdropper" (as the pseudonym was recently announced) to get near enough the hole in the window to hear, what should this week have been the first installment. It may not be amiss, however, to state, to ease your disappointments somewhat—that there are now many faculty and student efforts now under way which some day may appear in the leading magazines of our country. For these you are asked to watch.

### FOURTH FLOOR "SHEBA" TURNS LADY MACBETH

"Sheba," of fourth floor, Comstock, was found meandering not ungracefully up and down the corridor last

Monday night at eleven o'clock. Girls returning late from the pageant were surprised to see the "pajama'd" fair one flit Pan-like past them but were more surprised to see her return as an athlete throwing javelins and hurling discs. The astonished spectators remembered Conan Doyle stories (read last term) and decided to "turn Hawkshaw" and investigate the psychological cause of this situation. It was discovered immediately that "Sheba" was not a Peter Pan or a Roman Athlete, but a Lady Macbeth, dreaming of the pageant and walking in her sleep.

### SECOND ROUND OF ARCHERY TOURNAMENT HELD MAY 13

The Second Round of the Archery Tournament was held Thursday the 13th, on the south lawn, from 3:30 to 5:30 o'clock.

The results were as follows:

#### Target Shooting.

##### Seniors.

1. Adelia Dahlgren ..... 59 ft.
2. Delores Allen ..... 48 ft.
3. Beda Peterson ..... 48 ft.

#### Flight Shooting.

1. Alice Kennedy ..... 234 ft.
2. Adelia Dahlgren ..... 231 ft., 3 in.
3. Lillian Bredlie ..... 228 ft., 6 in.

#### Target Shooting.

##### Juniors.

1. Hattie Johnson ..... 44 ft.
2. Alice Corneliusen ..... 42 ft.
3. Laurinne Gardiner ..... 39 ft.

#### Flight Shooting.

1. Hattie Johnson ..... 266 ft., 1 in.
2. May Bakken ..... 231 ft.
3. Harriet Strommen ..... 225 ft., 9 in.

Those totaling highest in points for the first two rounds were the following six people:

#### Seniors.

1. Adelia Dahlgren ..... 117 points
2. Delores Allen ..... 106 points
3. Beda Peterson ..... 103 points
4. Centina Crema ..... 102 points
5. Thelma Rosvold ..... 83 points
6. Alice Kennedy ..... 82 points

#### Juniors.

1. Hattie Johnson ..... 130 points
2. Harriet Strommen ..... 126 points
3. Alice Corneliusen ..... 111 points
4. Laurinne Gardiner ..... 102 points
5. Ruth Wellander ..... 99 points
6. May Bakken ..... 93 points

Watch MISTIC for the announcement of the third round.

### PED ATHLETES TIE VALLEY ON DIAMOND, LOSE CONFERENCE MEET

A week ago Thursday, the baseball team met the Valley City Vikings in a game on Memorial Field. The final score was 12-12. "Doc" Strombo and George Edwards did the hurling for Moorhead with Storms behind the bat.

Last Wednesday the team journeyed to Wahpeton to play the Wop Science Wildcats.



## Gags by Gates

PINCH HITTER EDWARDS WONDERS WHO WILL TAKE THE PENNANT IN THE WOMAN'S LEAGUE.

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Sand: I wonder what's going to happen next?

Rice: Why?

Sand: I saw Wantke reading "IS LIFE WORTH LIVING?"

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Prof.: Do you think elephant hides make good shoes?

Student: I don't know, but banana hides make good slippers.

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IF A GUY FAILED TO KEEP HIS DATE WOULD THE TAXI-METER?

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Mr. Hess: Who laughed out loud?

Strombo: I did.

Hess: What for?

Strombo: Well, I laughed up my sleeve but there was a hole in the sleeve.

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Alice B.: "Preusse says that my new hat is just wonderful. He wishes that I would wear it all the time."

Shelly: "Well, it does cover up some of your hair."

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Mr. Burgy: How does the Moon effect the tide?

Pewee: It doesn't. It effects the untied.

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PROF.: WHEN WAS THE WAR OF 1812 FOUGHT?

STUDENT: I DON'T KNOW. LOOK IT UP.

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Once upon a time there were three men walking thru the woods. One was a Swede, one Scotch, and the other was Irish. They saw a skunk run into a cabin and they made bets as to who could go into the cabin with the skunk and stay the longest. The Scotchman went in first but came out again as he couldn't stand it. The Irishman was next and he stayed a little longer. Then the last one in was the Swede. The other two waited for some time, in fact, they almost lost all hopes when all of a sudden the skunk came running out.

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Jelly: I always put on glasses to read your jokes.

Gates: Ah! So you will find them all?

Jelly: No! So I can find the point.

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Popular places on the campus are still being nicknamed by members of the faculty. Miss Hayes has named the popular place by the library door as "Flapper's Corner."

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### Studio Reception Well Attended

The Studio Reception sponsored by the Art Club was held in the Art department at Weld Hall, Tuesday afternoon, May 18, from 2 to 5:30 o'clock. Music was furnished by the college orchestra. Vocal solos were given by Mrs. Shaw accompanied by Mrs. C. A. Williams, both of Fargo, and Miss Helen Bergquist accompanied by the college orchestra.

Mrs. R. B. MacLean, Miss Millie Dahl, and Miss Ina Fogg presided at the tea tables.

The estimated number attending the tea was three hundred.

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### Two Concerts by Local Singers.

On Tuesday evening, May 18, the Chapel Choir of the college gave its home concert. Constant practice and direction under Mr. Daniel Preston has developed a harmonious singing group which was most heartily appreciated by those attending. The second half of the program was furnished by various local singers.

"The New Earth," a cantata, was presented on Wednesday afternoon by the College Chorus, assisted by Jessie Hazelton Askegaard, soprano; Helen Bergquist, contralto; N. A. Thoreson, tenor; Otto Bystrom, baritone; Merle Nelson and Eleanor Nesheim, accompanists, and directed by Daniel L. Preston.

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### Little Symphony Concert.

The college auditorium was filled to capacity on Wednesday evening when the Little Symphony Orchestra appeared in concert under the direction of George Barrere, the world's premier virtuoso of the flute. The Little Symphony, consisting of the choir of wind instruments, flute, oboe, clarinet, horn, trumpet and bassoon, balanced adequately in the string section, brought to the audience on Wednesday evening all the delicate effects of the symphony orchestra. Barrere and his group were generous with encores, winning special favor thru the numbers in which the conductor played the flute.

### LOCAL SORORITY PLANS BRIDGE LUNCHEON AND HOUSE PARTY

The local alumnae chapter of Gamma Nu sorority will entertain the active members who will be graduated this spring at a bridge luncheon at the Elks Club, Saturday, June 22, from 1:30 to 5:00 p. m.

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Members of Gamma Nu will leave Thursday morning, June 3, for a week's outing at Shoreham. Several excursions have been planned, one of

which will be a motor trip to Itasca Park. The sorority will be chaperoned by Miss Florence Bullard and local alumnae members. Mable Eichmiller, Darline Huntley, and Gretchen Bjorkquist will be in charge of the general arrangements.

### EXCHANGES

#### Are You Appreciative?

Many of us do not realize how much a little word of gratitude means to others. It is good for us to learn to be thankful and to give out thanks. Many students in college have the idea that it is not the thing to speak a personal word to a teacher who has been a help. But many a teacher never knows what he has accomplished unless students are thoughtful enough to tell him. The head of the study hall in a famous boy's school was told by a friend that one of the boys in the school had said: "Pop's all right. Every fellow in the school likes him." At this bit of news Pop's eyes almost popped out of his head, "Why-why," he stammered, "that's the first time I ever heard anything of the sort in this school." And his face lighted up with a cheery smile, as if somebody had left him a fortune. Why not come right out, now and then, with an honest word of thanks? Let's not be afraid to say it.

—Exponent.

### TWO PARTIES END SOCIAL ACTIVITIES OF THIRD AND FOURTH YEAR STUDENTS

The third and fourth year class gave a party for the class adviser, Mr. C. P. Archer, on Saturday evening, at the home of Signe Erdal, 917 14th St. No., Fargo. An enjoyable time was had by all, and a delightful lunch was served. An automobile robe was presented to Mr. Archer.

During the previous week the class had the regular term party. It was in the form of a progressive party, the members being taken from place to place in automobiles furnished by the wealthy members. A visit was paid to the home of Miss Frances Hall, at Dilworth, where a most hilarious time was had. A delightful lunch was served there, and then the crowd moved to the Dakota Drug Store in Fargo, where the party was finally ended. Everyone pronounced it a great success.

These two events mark the close of the social season for the third and fourth year class, and hopes are high for a great augmentation in number next year. It is also the last official use of the name third and fourth year class, for next year these will be Junior and Senior classes, under the new nomenclature.



## Training School

The Kindergarten department will have a Mother Goose party soon as culmination of the last project carried on in the department. Mothers of the children will be guests at the party.

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An exhibition of school work and a Mother's Day will be held in the Intermediate department on Friday at 2 p. m. The program opens in the fifth and sixth grade room, which will be a club meeting which will explain the clothing project which has been carried on during the year. This will be followed by a play, "Knights of the Silver Shield," in the fourth grade room. Pupils of the fourth, fifth and sixth grades will take part in the various activities of the afternoon.

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During Friday chapel the Junior High School presented a play, "Knights of 1926," before the assembly of students and faculty. The play was written by the eighth grade English class and was an outgrowth of a knighthood project carried on during the winter and spring quarters. The cast for the play was made up of various members of the Junior High School, two student teachers, Audrey Paulson and Florence Lee, as well as three children from the primary department.

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The Clay county track meet will be held this afternoon at 1:30 on Memorial Field. Arlo Baldwin and Philip Strombo, students, will be in charge of arrangements. All pupils from seventh to tenth grade in the county are eligible.

The Minnetonka Camp Fire Girls will sell refreshments at the meet to assist in raising funds for the lake trip in June.

### TRAINING SCHOOL PRESENTS FESTIVAL TO PATRONS AND FRIENDS NEXT THURSDAY

The projects which the various departments of the Training School have been carrying on and developing for some months will be combined and presented to the patrons of the school in a festival on Thursday evening next week. The program will begin at seven and because of the fact that some of the children taking part are very young the whole is arranged to close within the hour. This festival will take place on the south campus and all the pupils of the Training School and the student teachers as well are to have a part in it.

The first episode which the Junior High School has been developing this term represents the training which was required in the days of knighthood in order to fit a boy for his activity as a knight and servant of the king.

The second episode is a study of modern knighthood. The student teacher, about to go out into the work of the

classroom, is confronted with the task of training modern citizens. That training, as it is given in a modern school is shown, step by step, in the various projects of our own training department. At its close the student teacher, as a leader, takes an oath of service to the cause. This oath has been formulated by the student teachers of the school and is based on the ancient oath of knighthood.

Miss Helen Roberts and Mr. Alfred Tollefson have been chosen by the Training School staff as typifying the student teacher as the college is desirous of sending them forth. They were chosen for personal and professional qualities and promise of growth. They will take the parts of the students in the second episode.

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7. Presentation of Memorial..... Louise Murray
8. Response..... President MacLean
9. Farewell..... Marie Sorknes
10. Address—Class..... Mr. Hamrin
11. Alma Mater.

Commencement Wednesday evening at 8 O'clock—Commencement address by Hon. Gov. Theo. Christenson. Special music will be furnished by Miss Louise Murray and the College trio, Edna Swan, Helen Bergquist, and Marvin Rice.

### FIFTY-FOUR SENIORS ARE NOW PLACED IN TEACHING POSITIONS

More than one-third of the Seniors to be graduated from the State Teachers College this spring are placed in teaching positions. The new placements that have not been previously announced in the MiSTiC are:

Gretchen Bergquist—Doran.  
Mildred Black—Ashby.  
Lillian Bredlie—Breckenridge.  
Francis Chapman—Deer River.  
Irene Chloupek—Lankin, N. Dak.  
Gladys Eastlund—Lowry.  
Horace Eklund—Pelican Rapids.  
Pearl Elofson—Perley.  
Signe Erdal—Lowry.  
Grace Gast—Doran.  
Ruth Hanson—Newfolden.  
Tillie Helleland—Doran.  
Alice Jellesed—Hancock.  
Dorothy Johnson—Newfolden.  
Lenora Kilsburg—Mentor.  
Frances Hall—Doran.  
Kathryn McGraw—Breckenridge.  
Alma Mattson—Sherburne.  
Alma Monson—Louisburg.  
Emmy Nordlof—Spooner.  
Harriet Olson—Badger.  
Audrey Paulson—Lisbon.  
Lucile Self—Campbell.  
Marie Sorknes—Mayville, N. D.  
Vida Sumstad—Fertile.

Mr. Burgy: "Now, Mr. Smith, the Hudson river flows into New York Bay. Where is its source?"

Mr. Smith: "At the other end.

## MiSTiCisms

Miss Lindquist, supervisor of the primary department at Glyndon, spent Wednesday visiting the Training School.

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Althia literary society earned a neat little sum at an iced tea and wafer sale in the main corridor on Wednesday afternoon.

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Mr. S. G. Reinertson, the new superintendent of the Moorhead schools will be on the faculty at the Teachers College during summer school, as a member of the department of education.

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Other guests at the college were Mrs. Sumstad of Ashby, Minn., who visited Miss Vida Sumstad; H. J. Baker and daughter, Doris Katherine, of Richville, Minn., visited Miss Hazel Baker of Wheeler Hall; Mrs. J. Payne and Genevieve Domain of Bertha, Minn., who were entertained by Miss Vera Payne.

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Another festival guest was Miss Mabel Lyseng of Hitterdal, Minn., a former alumna, who visited with her sister, Miss Estelle Lyseng.

Members of Grace Methodist church are giving a farewell party this evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Archer and family, who are leaving Moorhead June 1. The party will be held in the church parlors.

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Several friends of students at the college visited here during the Arts Festival. Among those were: Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bell of Elizabeth, Minn., who were guests of their daughter, Laverne; Miss Thelma Maland of Marietta, Minn., a guest of Misses Margaret and Rhoda Maland; Mrs. D. E. Biglow and daughter, Margaret, of Jamestown, N. D., who spent the first part of the week with Miss Rae Bigelow of Comstock Hall.

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Travelers over the week-end were Misses Vida Sumstad, Gertrude Moe, and Marian Meecham, who went to Hillsboro, N. Dak.; Misses Ethel Davis, Lillian Black and Marian Albertson, who visited at Detroit, Minn.

**Memoirs of a Cape Cod Skipper.** This delightful little book from the Yale University Press is Elijah Cobb's own account of his life, portraying the typical figure of a New England shipmaster of a century and a half ago. The narrative has been faithfully transcribed, even to the quaint phrases and curious spelling, from the faded old notebook and letter file where it had lain hidden for almost three quarters of a century.