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POWERS CHILDREN

CHARM AUDIENCE

Talented Family of Former Music Instructor Offers Varied, Interesting Program.

Playing with understanding and power, Miss Dorotha Powers, girl violinist, assisted by her brothers, Harold, Arthur, and Dudley, who with her formed a string quartet, gave the chapel audience a fine hour of pleasure Monday morning, June 21. The young musicians, so fresh, unspoiled and true in their art, are the children of Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold Powers, Mount Pleasant, Mich. Mr. Powers is at present head of the music department in the Central Michigan State Teachers College, there, but served for nine years in the same capacity here, leaving in 1918. During 1925-26 he has been absent on furlough, visiting music instructor at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles. The family drove the entire distance from Los Angeles in their Hudson sedan, giving a program at Madison, S. D., en route. They were the guests while here of the Huffs, but have now left for their home in Michigan.

Miss Dorotha filled the first part of the program with three groups. One forgets, as one cannot always do with child artists, her exceptional training; one forgets her precocious talent. It is a tribute to her artistry that one is impressed, not by the superficial fact that here is a youngster playing beautifully, but by the beauty itself. "Alt Wein," a new number by Godowsky-Press was perfect of its kind, and perfectly done; the depth revealed in the Ave Maria of Schubert, and in Kreisler's "Old Refrain," which she played as encore, was appealing and real. The "Serenade" of Chaminade was gay, excellently done.

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ART CLUB GIVES STATUE TO DEPARTMENT

It has been the custom of the Art Club for a number of years to donate to the Art Department some memorial—either a picture or some piece of statuary. Last year, the Club presented a statue of Joan of Arc. The idea of heroines is being carried out this year also, and the memorial presented is a statue of Sacajawea—the Bird Woman.

The statue is now on exhibition in Mr. MacLean's office.

Registered at the University of Minnesota for the first session of the summer is Miss Rhoda Maland, assistant in the intermediate department of the training. Other graduates of Moorhead in attendance at the university are Misses Pierce, and Ina Varhus.

LIBRARY FOSTERS

SPECIAL BOOK WEEK

From Monday, June 28, to Friday, July 2, the library is making a special effort to interest the student body in books. In Room 30 of the training school will be a selection of books recommended by the faculty for general and recreational reading. These books will be returned to the general library for circulation Wednesday morning. A collection of choice editions of children's books will be on exhibition in the same room all week. The hours will be 8:00 to 9:20, 10:10 to 12:00, 12:30 to 2:10, 3:00 to 5:00.

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RURAL EDUCATION WEEK APPROACHING

Mid-Summer Event to Concern County Gruops and Superintendents Now Fully Planned.

The week, July 5 to 9, will be observed as Rural Education Week at the Moorhead State Teachers College. About twelve counties represented by students at the summer session are organized into units preparing for the activities of that week. A group known as the "Interstate Orphans" is made up of people from the counties from where too few people have come to organize alone.

The Clay County Rural School Commencement will take place on Wednesday of Rural Education Week at the assembly period in Weld Hall. Miss Erba E. Pouliot, a former student of the college, now superintendent of schools in Red Lake county, will give the address.

Dean W. C. Coffey, College of Agriculture, University of Minnesota, will speak at Friday chapel, July 9. That day will be County Superintendents' Day. The usual demonstrations, yells, and spirit of county loyalty will be shown in chapel on that day, by the organized county groups. There will be a period devoted to round table conference by the visiting superintendents in the morning, discussing "Developments of Worthwhile Seatwork."

The closing event and feature of the week will be a pageant, "The Pageant of Books," which will be given in the evening in the auditorium, Friday, July 9. The material is being prepared in the Rural Methods and Rural Sociology classes. The purpose of the production will be to present possibilities to teachers for interesting children in good reading matter. Each organized county unit will present one episode of the pageant which closes the activities of Rural Education Week at State Teachers College.

OWLS CELEBRATE

25TH ANNIVERSARY

Former College Men From Years Back Come Long Distances for Great Reunion Celebration.

The Owls, lone fraternity of the Teachers College, celebrated the 25th anniversary of the founding of the organization in a four-day celebration which lasted from Thursday to Sunday, June 17-21. The Comstock Hotel was made headquarters, and members of the fraternity gathered there from near and far. About a hundred were registered.

Erik Allstrom, the only minister of the gospel who belongs to the Owl Fraternity, traveled 1900 miles by automobile to be on the scene. In a touching speech, not unmixed with humor, at a luncheon at the Comstock Hotel on Friday, he told of his longing to see the old places and the faces of the friends he knew, and his determination to come in spite of the difficulties. Nor was he the only one to brave many obstructions. Delmer Goode and E. T. Reed came from Corvallis, Ore., a distance of over 2000 miles. Sigurd Hagen, prosperous business man of New York City, left his work during the most critical part of the year to be present. Paul Thom came from Northwood, Iowa, and about ten members were from the Twin Cities. The list could be greatly augmented to show the different places that were represented.

Weld Speaks.

A feature of the reunion was the speech given by former President Frank A. Weld in chapel on Friday morning. He spoke of the Owls and for the Owls and the spirit which is theirs. Arthur Johnson, president of the Silver Anniversary Celebration

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FIRST INDUSTRIAL TRIPS ANNOUNCED

The first industrial trips to be taken this summer are scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, June 29. The places to be visited are the Weather Bureau, and the Fairmont Creamery in Moorhead. Any student of the college is eligible to make either trip, tho it will be impossible for anyone to make both excursions. Choose the one which interests you most and sign your name on the lists posted on the bulletin board of the Main Building no later than Monday noon, June 28. The groups will meet in front of the auditorium, and will take either the 2:15 or the 3:15 car. Each excursionist is responsible for his own carfare. The time required for visiting the Weather Bureau is about thirty minutes; for visiting the Creamery about one and one-half hours.

ARCHERY ATTRACTING MANY SUMMER COEDS

A number of girls are reporting for archery practise on Tuesday afternoons. This week's high scores were made by Mae Bakken, who scored 85 points with 12 arrows; Sister Ida, who scored 65; Elnora Arneson, 55; and Edna Hanson and Cecilia Miller, who each made 47. A perfect score, all bulls-eyes, with 12 arrows, would be

A number of the archers had never tried the sport before. The Tuesday practise is open to anyone who is interested.

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Committee, acted as president in place of Mr. MacLean. The Owls occupied reserved seats at the front of the auditorium.

Ball Game and Reception.

On Friday afternoon occurred the baseball game between the Home Roost and the old members, in which the Home Roost suffered defeat, 2 to 1. From the field the players and on lookers repaired to the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hagen, where a reception was given in honor of Mr. Weld.

Friday evening saw the climax of the celebration. The banquet dinner was given in Comstock Hall dining parlors, and was well attended. Special numbers in the way of music were offered by Mr. and Mrs. Preston, the Minneapolis chapter of Owls, the Male Owl Quartet, and Nesheim's Orchestra. Delmer Goode acted as toastmaster. Speeches were given by Arthur Storms, head of the Home Roost, Sigurd Hagen, President MacLean, and E. T. Reed. Several original members were also called upon. The evening ended with the conferring of the degree of patriarch on Messrs. Hill and Gray, charter members of the order.

On Saturday evening occurred the dance, which was well attended. Special numbers were given by the Male Chorus, Erik Allstrom, reader; Frank Nemzek, dancer. Gold watches were presented to Ralph Iverson and Arthur Storms in recognition of their services in making the event a success. Following the dance, at 2 a.m. Sunday morning, about 50 Owls serenaded the dormitories.

The picnic on Sunday was marred by a heavy fall of rain, but the gymnasium furnished a place in which those who had not left for their homes could amuse themselves. A lunch was served.

Plans are in the making to have another celebration in ten years, and thereafter to make the fiftieth anniversary greater than any preceding celebration. Members expressed themselves in favor of similar events every ten years.

ASTRONOMER TO BE

NEXT LYCEUM ATTRACTION

A Celestial Travelog, which purports to take us on an imaginary excursion to "Other Worlds Than Ours," is on the books for Tuesday evening, June 29, at 8:15, when Mr. A. M. Harding, Ph. D., lecturer in astronomy of the University of Arkansas, is to give an illustrated lecture on the summer lyceum program. Mr. Harding is technically competent in his field, is the author of books on astronomy and mathematics, yet his lectures are for the layman. He uses films and slides, authentic photographs and drawings of heavenly phenomena.

May Visit Stacks.

During next week the students are invited to visit the books stacks and browse at will among their favorite authors. The librarians will be glad to assist you in finding the books in which you are interested, and will aid you in learning of the resources of the library.

The juvenile section, serving as it does all the needs of the elementary school and the classes in literature for children, is especially authentic. Much care has gone to its selection, and many of the editions are beautiful treasures of the book makers' art, as well as splendid reading matter.

COLUMBIA ATTRACTS LOCAL INSTRUCTORS

Columbia University teachers college, the summer mecca for many a teacher, has drawn three members of the training school faculty of the college this year. Miss Alice M. Jones is already in New York state, and will register at Teachers College when the session begins. Miss Blanche Loudon leaves soon for the same place. And Mrs. Ethel B. Durboraw, with her friend, Miss Amy Hostler, formerly of this college now of Cincinnati, completes the Moorhead contingent in the East.

SAD THOUGHTS ON CULTURE

String quartets before breakfast. . public theatre weddings after dinner . both forms of diversion indulged in by the same group of American illuminati . . . and both on the same day. Desire for the former would be attributed, optimistically, to our superior powers of appreciation...our American heritage of culture. The latter form of diversion, allied to bearbaiting, gladiatorial combats, and other forms of spectacle? Ah, blame the press for that . . . or our instinct of curiosity. To conclude . . . must me? . . . what will be our criterion of the cultured American's taste in entertainment? That he (or she) is not so very high in the scale of civilization after all.

The Morgue

SADLY CHEERFUL LAMENT

Blessed are the teachers who have jobs, for they are happy;

Blessed are those who are hired for next year, for they can look with feelings of pleased superiority upon those who have not;

Blessed are those who have high marks, for they have also high hopes, for a time;

Blessed are those whose grades are low, for they expect nothing, and canot be disappointed;

Blessed are those with no grades and no jobs, if they have good homes to go to—and if not,

Blessed are they anyhow, for they shall not have to die of old age; So Blessed are all of us.

PERHAPS IT'S THE HEAT

Our exchange department, were it operating, would acknowledge the receipt of "The Exponent, published WEAKLY at Mayville State Teachers College."

(Unintentional recurrence of a w. k. wheeze.)

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THE ADVANCE OF SCIENCE AS IT RELATES TO VIOLET RAY TREATMENTS: ONE YOUNG COED STARTLED HER FRIENDS BY INFORMING THEM THAT SHE WAS HAVING DELCO-LIGHT TREATMENTS FOR HER NECK.

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The height of absent-mindedness was observed at breakfast the other day when a girl powdered a piece of toast and put butter on her nose,

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WAS IT "SWEET ADELINE"?
The Owls who were heard hooting loudly and sadly in the early,

early morning were evidently re-

calling the days that are no more.

-MORG.

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Equally interesting was part two, in which the four Powers children, like the youngsters in the houses of Mendelssohn and Bach, played string quartet, and duet music. The three boys, without the training of their sister, are nevertheless remarkable musicians for their age. There is no sawing of bows. Harold and Arthur, who played the "Meditation" of Morrison, have smooth tones, ears alive to harmonies, capable skilled bowing and fingering, tho the viola is an armful for Arthur. Dudley, cellist, showed his skill in the quartet playing of Valensin's "Minuet," and impressed upon us his mastery of the cello in his solo, Golterman's "Presto" from fourth concerto. The best quartet number, in our estimation, was Mendelssohn's "Canzonetta in E Flat."