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# THE MISTIC

STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE, MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA

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## TWO SPEAKERS ON CHAPEL PROGRAM

**PRESIDENT MacLEAN WELCOMES STUDENTS; MRS. WOOLWORTH TALKS ON NEAR EAST**

President MacLean and Mrs. Pauline Rehder Woolworth were the speakers last Wednesday at the first chapel of the year.

President MacLean extended a welcome to both the old and the new students. The keywords to his talk were "Know," "Do," and "Be."

"Know about this institution, what standards it has; what the spirit of the campus means; what you plan to do with your own college life," he said.

"What should you do? Carry out those plans which you have made.

"What do I mean by 'be'? I mean that you should be a part of our organizations; that you should be a part of the life of the institution. I would like to say, be industrious, be honest, be courteous."

Mrs. Woolworth, who graduated from Moorhead State Teachers College in 1916, and who has been an educational missionary in Turkey for the last six years, told of the customs and conditions in Turkey today.

She said that although women in a part of Turkey have quit wearing veils, those living in the interior still are forced to wear heavy veils. Young men in the interior never see the faces of their brides until after marriage.

A woman's chance to enter Heaven, it is believed, depends on the zeal with which she serves her husband.

Belief in the "evil eye" still persists. Many people suffer physical defects because there is little or no faith in medicine.

Mrs. Woolworth and her husband were forced to endure many delays and hardships in order to gain admittance to the interior. Communication is so poor that local authorities are supreme, and can do as they wish without the government's knowledge.

"Turkey has taken rapid strides in the last two years," said Mrs. Woolworth, "but there are many localities where only 10 per cent of the children are in school."

Agricultural implements are very crude, and the fertile soil is waiting only for modern agricultural methods in order to produce abundant crops.

A recent ruling requires the men to wear hats rather than fezzes, the traditional Turkish head-gear.

## Y. M. AND Y. W. WILL GIVE A MIXER SATURDAY

Let's get acquainted! The Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. are sponsoring a "Get Together Party" to be held at the gymnasium at eight o'clock, Saturday evening. The faculty and student body are cordially invited. Let's go!

## EXTENSIVE, INTENSIVE, EXTENSION COURSES

The college is growing! Not only have we expanded in the amount of newly varnished surfaces about the institution, but in such matters as an extra summer school we have grown.

While the old part of the building was being torn down and rebuilt, grim-faced, determined groups in the west end of the building, with cushions easing the discomfort of the training school seats, spent four hours daily, pursuing college credits during the vacation days of August. Classes in government and history were conducted by two of our instructors, Mr. Bridges and Mr. Kise. Four hours daily, with but a break of fifteen minutes, and six days weekly was the plan of action. Many remained for two courses and seemed none the worse for being exposed to a little practical social.

Romeo Bjork, famous about Teachers College campus, spent five weeks under the tutelage of Mr. Bridges, and upon returning to school this fall, it has been reported, calls many of his old instructors by that name. On greeting the President, he said, "Good morning, Mr. Bridges." Varied indeed, are the effects of extension courses.

The sincerity of purpose of many members of that group of extension course students might well be doubted at times, but there were also some enrolled of the serious, studious type. To many it was a case of great wonderment that a history student one day not only carried home one or two ponderous appearing books of reference, but also returned to the classroom and spent the afternoon from one to five in browsing among volumes which divulged the secrets and quirks of the "greenback controversy" or the "slavery agitation."

Yes, the extension courses were a success, and those taking them are quite frank in agreeing that considerably more than mere college credit was obtained from them.

The College Lunch Room in Weld Hall will open Monday. Miss Turner will be in charge.

## 12 LETTER MEN REPORT TO COACH

**PED FOOTBALL SQUAD HOPES FOR THIRD CONFERENCE TITLE THIS YEAR**

Football prospects are looking up, with twelve experienced men definitely enrolled in school and several promising new men out for the team. The Peds, twice champions of the Intra-State League, will be coached again by Alex Nemzek.

The old men who are back in school and who will report on September 10 are Captain Hjalmer (Jelly) Erickson, Willard Gowenlock, Claude Nemzek, Arnold Mattson, Philip Strombo, Arlo Baldwin, Ernest Gates, Frank Nemzek, Menser Anderson, Ralph Smith, Merrit Dodds, and Wiek.

Among the new candidates are Ringdahl of Milnor, N. Dak.; Nick Eidem, Marietta; Gordon, Victor, and Harold Friedlund, Townsend, Cox, Clark, Zech, Bestick, and Leland.

The Peds will feel the loss of Art Storms, Walt Williams, Horace Ecklund, Ed. Malvey, Ted Nemzek, and George Edwards.

Eight games have been scheduled for the season. Watch the MISTIC for the schedule of games.

## MAIN BUILDING HAS A NEW FACE SINCE SUMMER TERM

The College has a new face. Students and faculty members were given a pleasant surprise on their return. They found, if they were good at counting, that 23 rooms were improved by new windows which extend to within 36 inches of the floor. Weld Hall is being redecorated, and a walk is under construction from the front steps of that building parallel to the drive which leads to the street. The work is under the supervision of Mr. Leasure, who has spent a unique vacation in house-cleaning.

## 4 COURSES OFFERED FOR FIRST TIME THIS YEAR

Four new courses are being offered this year. European History (from 1500 to 1815) is a new course in the Social Science Department; Calculus will be given for the first time in the Mathematics Department; Victorian Poetry is the English Department's new contribution; and College Chemistry will be offered by Mr. Ballard.



## THE MISTIC

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### WELCOME

The heart of old M. S. T. C. is indeed warmed at the familiar scene of students thronging the corridors of its houses of learning. To the freshmen, in particular, is a word of welcome extended. Students of past years feel the cordial spirit of the institution and hence the word of greeting is particularly meant for those young people who have a temporary look of distress on their youthful faces until such very important and sometimes very exasperating matters as choice of curriculum and the delivery of trunks to the correct places are settled.

There is a niche for every student to fill in the life of the college, whether it be athletics, dramatics, journalism, debate, or other activities. And in a welcome message, may the school make its students feel quite "at home" in providing the educational and social activities that are desired for American citizenship in ours, the teaching profession.

### OWLS CELEBRATED 25TH ANNIVERSARY LAST SUMMER

For the benefit of those who were not here during the summer, we are summarizing the Owl Fraternity Celebration which occurred June 17 to 21. This fraternity celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary in a four-day event which called graduates of Moorhead Teachers College from all parts of the United States—from Arizona and Montana; from New York and Oregon. It was interesting to see the return of these graduates after years in their work; some were beginning to show the signs of age, but all had somehow retained that spirit which must always be the mark of the true Owl, for all were happy and merry and open in their friendships.

A second degree party was held on Thursday evening, June 17, at which the fledglings were given an opportunity of showing their rarts. This was but the opening event for the following day, which was the great day of the celebration. Former President Frank A. Weld, himself an Owl, spoke in chapel before a large audience including a hundred Owls, idealizing the aims and objectives of the organization. Arthur Johnson of

### ABOUT THE MISTIC STAFF

This issue of the MISTIC, the first one of the regular year, is made possible by the timely aid of Miss Hayes, Miss Gibbon, Mrs. Vowles, Mr. Leasure, Philip Strombo, and others. The editor-in-chief and the faculty adviser wish to thank those who have aided in getting the copy ready for this issue.

The MISTIC staff will be selected soon. A business staff will also be named.

In order to discover talent for editorial work, for news writing, and for business management, and in order to give every student an equal opportunity to become a staff member, a test will be given Friday afternoon at 3:15 in Room 38.

The test will be short, and students will need to take only the part of the test in which they are interested.

If we could become acquainted with the high school records of new students, and could know thoroughly the interests and aptitudes of each, such a test would be unnecessary.

Come to Room 38, make this initial effort, and your talents will be recognized.

Jamestown, N. Dak., presided.

A baseball game in the afternoon between members of the Home Roost and the old Owls ended in defeat for the former by a score of 2 to 1. Immediately following this game a reception was given at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hagen.

The crowning event of the affair was the banquet in the evening. Speeches were given by Arthur Storms, Sigurd Hagen, President MacLean, and Dr. E. T. Reed. The degree of patriarch was conferred on Messrs. Hill and Gray. Special numbers were given by Mr. and Mrs. Preston, the Minneapolis chapter of Owls, the Owl Quartet, and Nesheim's Orchestra.

The dance on Saturday evening was followed by the serenading of the dormitories at two o'clock a. m.

The following M. S. T. C. students are doing student teaching at Glyndon (our affiliated school) this term:

Primary: Maxine Berry, Delia O'Neil, Nellie Inglis, and Marian Albertson.

Intermediate: Doris Johnson, Ruby Iverson, Mildred Pierce, Ruth Wellender, and Miss Cornelieson.



N. K. Teeters of Steubenville, O., will teach Sociology, and Hygiene and Sanitation. He was graduated from Oberlin College and received his Master's Degree from Ohio State University. Mr. Teeters has served as Assistant Secretary of the Steubenville Chamber of Commerce, as a field worker with the Playground Association of America, and as Assistant in the Department of Sociology at the University of Ohio.

### DEAN OF MEN RETURNS TO US FROM HARVARD

Joseph Kise, who has been away on a leave of absence, has returned to the Social Science department, and will again take up his duties as Dean of Men. He has spent the past year in graduate study at Harvard.

### MR. AND MRS. MacLEAN TO ENTERTAIN FACULTY

President and Mrs. R. B. MacLean will entertain the faculty at a 7:30 dinner at Comstock Hall on Friday evening of this week.

The quarterly meeting of the State Teachers College Board will be held in St. Paul on Tuesday, September 14, at 9:30 o'clock. This is an important meeting, since the legislative budget for the next two years must be adopted at this time. The budgets for the next quarter are also to be received and considered.

Preceding the quarterly meeting the presidents will have a conference. At this meeting the presidents plan to consider a permanent curriculum for the degree course. Discussion and consideration of this course will be the main business.



**ORGANIZATIONS  
FOR EVERYONE**

**TWENTY-SIX GROUPS PROVIDE  
MANY TYPES OF ACTIVITY  
FOR S. T. C. STUDENTS**

To those who are new at Moorhead, a brief description of the organizations which play a part in college life at our institution should be of interest.

First of all is the Student Senate, a representative student group to which every student in school owes his loyalty and support. Through it, each college man and woman has a voice.

Lambda Phi Sigma is an honorary education fraternity to which those students who are outstanding in scholarship, character, leadership, professional attitude, and teaching ability are elected by a committee of the faculty.

The Country Life Club was formed for those whose interests lie in rural problems and rural education.



Byron D. Murray of Maryville, Mo., is a new member of the English Department, and will be faculty adviser of school publications and of debates. He has a Bachelor's degree from the Maryville Teachers College and a Master's degree from the University of Missouri. He was student assistant in English at Iowa University, has had experience in Illinois and Missouri high schools and taught in the Senior High School of Christian College last year.

The Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. are college organizations which strive to help students in their religious life. Meetings are held weekly by each of the two associations.

The Women's League is to acquaint the college woman with her especial needs and responsibilities.

Delta Sigma is a club for men who are interested in public leadership, the presentation of programs, debating, etc.

The purpose of the League of Women Voters is apparent in the name of the organization.

The Gamma Nu Sorority and the Pi Mu Phi Sorority are social organizations for women.

The Order of Owls is a social organization for men.

Several departments of the college have clubs, membership to which is determined in certain cases by scholarship in the particular department, and in certain cases simply by the interest which a student has in the organization. Department clubs are Althaia, a literary society; the Art Club, the Dramatic Club; Kappa Pi, a primary teachers' organization, and the Science Club.

There are four athletic organizations: The Athletic Association, the "M" Club for men, the Monogram Club for women, and the Woman's Athletic League.

The Department of Music fosters four organizations: the Arion Club, the Chapel Choir, the Male Chorus, and the Orchestra. Additional musical groups are the String Quartette and the College Dance Four.

**MOST OF 1926 GRADUATES  
ARE PLACED AS TEACHERS**

Miss Lommen reports that of the 175 graduates of the class of '26, all except 25 are placed in teaching positions. In addition, some of these 25 are probably placed and have not yet reported in to the office.

"In view of the plentiful supply of teachers over the country, it seemed an impossible task last spring to place so many graduates," Miss Lommen said, "and the results seem to indicate that there is a demand for men and women from Moorhead Teachers College."

**MR. ARCHER ATTENDING IOWA  
U. ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

C. P. Archer of the Education Department, who is on a year's leave of absence, is attending Iowa University, and expects to complete the work for his Doctor's degree in the spring.

**VARIED PROGRAM  
OF ENTERTAINMENT**

**NEW YORK LITTLE SYMPHONY  
WILL COME TO COLLEGE  
AGAIN THIS YEAR**

A symphony orchestra, a tenor singer, a soprano, a string quartette, a lecturer, and a basso will appear in the 1926-27 lyceum course.

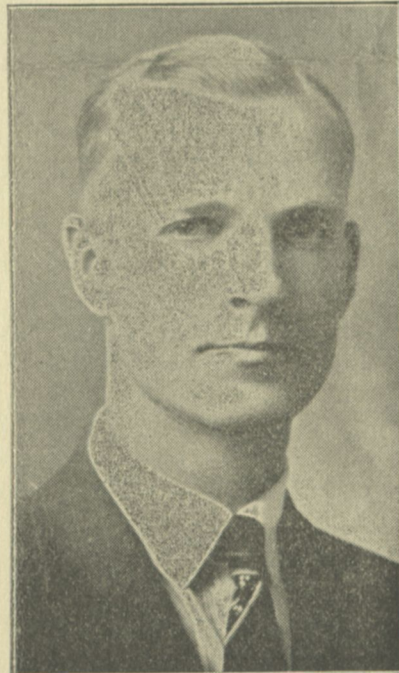
The Herman String Quartette will come to Moorhead for the first number of the course on the evening of October 1.

Lorna Doone Jaxon, soprano, will give a song recital February 1.

Theodore Rilate, tenor, is the next number on April 4.

An illustrated lecture by A. L. Flude is the fourth entertainment.

Two numbers of the course make up a part of the Arts Festival in the spring. The New York Little Symphony Orchestra will give a matinee concert May 3, and Virgilio Lazzari, basso, will sing on the evening of May 3.



A. M. Christensen of Sleepy Eye, Minn., will fill the vacancy in the Education department left by C. P. Archer. He is a graduate of Carleton College, and received his Master's degree from the University of Minnesota. Mr. Christensen comes to us from the Winona State Teachers College, where he was principal of the high school department. He had held several teaching and supervisory positions before going to Winona.



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