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ROYER, SHARLOW TO APPEAR MAY 3

LITTLE SYMPHONY, TOO, ON EVENING CONCERT; LAZZARI'S FATHER DIES

Miss Hayes, chairman of the Committee on Arrangements of the Annual Arts Festival, received word on April 9, that the father of Virgilio Lazzari had died, and that the Lazzari concert would have to be cancelled.

Arrangements have been completed whereby Joseph Royer, baritone, and Myrna Sharlow, soprano, will sing groups of solos and duets from operas, and the Little Symphony Orchestra will stay over after their Grand Concert in the afternoon to play a group in the evening.

The college is fortunate in getting such talent to take the place of the Lazzari Concert. The program as now arranged is brought here at a considerably greater cost than the original program.

Rehearsals for the Festival are being held daily. This week the rehearsals have been held in Room 8. Tuesday at 4:30 the people who are taking the part of mortals in the Fantasy held a rehearsal. Wednesday the characters who are to act as Fairies, Aileen, Dan, and Daddy O'Hern, met for the first practice. Student artists who are taking the parts of peasants and all those who have speaking or dancing parts met for a rehearsal at 7:00 Thursday. This afternoon students who are acting as fairies and mortals in the fairy scenes, and all of those who have speaking or dancing parts are to meet for a rehearsal at 3:30.

Y. M. DISCUSSES CHAPEL ASSEMBLY ATTENDANCE

The last Y. M. C. A. group discussion before the Easter vacation was under the direction of Ole R. Sande. "Should Chapel Attendance Be Compulsory?" was the topic for discussion. The prevailing opinion was that it should be compulsory, although a few individuals maintained that attendance would be as large if it were made elective.

FACULTY MEN PAY VISIT TO SCHOOLS

PRESIDENT MacLEAN, MR. HAMRIN AND MR. CHRISTENSEN GIVE SEVERAL TALKS

President MacLean and Mr. Hamrin left Thursday, April 7, for Ortonville, where they attended the Big Stone County's Annual Institute. President MacLean spoke at the Institute on "Some Characteristics of a Good School," and Mr. Hamrin addressed the same group on the subject, "Recent Trends in Education."

On the same trip they visited high schools and spoke to groups of students at Breckenridge, Campbell, Ortonville, and Wheaton. Mr. Hamrin returned to Moorhead while Mr. MacLean went to the cities, where he met the Committee on Revision of the Curriculum. He also attended the spring meeting of the Superintendent's Division of the M. E. A.

Last Tuesday evening Mr. Hamrin talked to the Glyndon P. T. A. on the subject "An Educated Man."

Mr. Christensen also took a trip on April 7. He went to Lake Park, where he spoke to the parents and teachers on "Why an Education?"

IT'S HARD

- to apologize
- to begin over
- to admit error
- to be unselfish
- to take advice
- to be considerate
- to keep on trying
- to think and then act
- to profit by mistakes
- to forgive and forget
- to take a deserved blame—

BUT IT ALWAYS PAYS!

The State Teachers College at Wayne, Neb., has issued a book containing all the songs and yells of the college in the hope of organizing pep at the different athletic activities.

Student Sophistry.

A teachers work is from sun to sun, But a pupil's work is never done.

SCHOOLMASTERS' CLUB TO MEET APRIL 22nd

The Schoolmasters' Study Club will meet Friday, April 22, at the New Columbia Hotel, Moorhead. The meeting was to have been at Glyndon, but on account of the condition of the roads, it has been changed to Moorhead.

One feature of the program is to be a discussion led by A. M. Christensen of the Teachers College on the subject of improving the written examination.

ALTHAIA ELECTS NEW OFFICERS FOR 1927-28

The Althalia Literary Society met in the Junior High School Assembly Tuesday evening. New officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

Laura Simonson President
Florence Gregerson Vice President
Claude Nemzek Secretary

The new officers will take charge of the next meeting, which will be held at the home of Mrs. O. J. Hagen on May 16.

After a short business meeting the reviews of the following books were given:

"Spoon River Anthology" Laura Simonson
"Elmer Gantry" Mayme Carlson

MR. LEASURE TALKS AT DETROIT AND WHPETON

Mr. Leasure was the principal speaker before the Kiwanis Club of Detroit Lakes, Minn., Thursday night. He talked on missionary work in Africa. He leaves this week-end to present the same lecture before the Parent-Teacher Association of Wahpeton, N. D.

SECRETARY OF NATIONAL Y. W. C. A. VISITS COLLEGE

Miss Carrie E. Meares of Chicago, national secretary of the Y. W. C. A., was a guest at the college on Thursday.

FRESHMEN HOLD ANNUAL SPRING PARTY TONIGHT

The Freshman class will hold their spring term party on Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the gymnasium. Music will be furnished by the College Dance Orchestra. The surprises, it is said, will be many and varied. Three committees have been named. Those on the entertainment committee are Florence Gregerson, Emma Turnblad, and Elroy Johnson. Those on the refreshment committee are: Winona Jorgenson, Grace Hanson, and Eunice Johnson. Among those on the decorating and clean-up committee are: Lawrence Ringdahl, Wilbert Burton, Victor Friedlund, and Albert Zech.

TALK BY MR. KISE AND PLAYLET ON PROGRAM

At a meeting of the League of Women Voters which was held in the Junior High School Assembly, Monday evening, April 4, Mr. Kise discussed the Child Labor Amendment, and gave something of its history.

A playlet, "The Family Takes Notice," followed Mr. Kise's talk. Those taking part in the play were: Idelle Malme, Laura Simonson, Helen Arbes, and Cora Strand.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Just what is an Ideal College Girl? This is a question which one of our sister colleges has been discussing recently under the leadership of their dean. The girls of the institution tabulated those qualities they consider every college girl should possess. The most outstanding qualities are to be worked for by every girl in the school. . . An ideal college girl is one who does her level best in her work; enters into extra-curricular activities with a vim; has high moral standards; is neat and clean in her personal appearance, in habits, and in her room; is obedient and can take orders pleasantly; is ladylike, sympathetic, friendly, cheerful, and honest; one who is generous, sincere and helpful; a girl who is healthy in mind and body; one who is a "good scout and a good mixer."

Girls, how many of you can measure up to that standard? Are you an "Ideal College Girl?"

—The Exponent.

\$160,000 BILL IS BEFORE GOVERNOR

Information has just reached the college that the appropriation bill carrying \$160,000 for a physical education and classroom building for M. S. T. C. was passed by the legislature.

The building will become a fact when Governor Christianson signs the bill.

When the bill first was up before the House, the Moorhead appropriation was not considered, but on conferring with the Senate, the House ironed out the difference between the two bodies.

DISTRICT MEET TO BE HERE APRIL 30

MR. PRESTON IS DIRECTOR; 8 SCHOOLS ENTER; BAND CONTEST IN PARK

On Saturday, April 30, the day preceding the opening of the Arts Festival, the District High School Music Contest will be held in the auditorium. Eight high schools have entered contestants. They are: Fergus Falls, Detroit Lakes, Pelican Rapids, Breckenridge, Barnesville, Ulen, Frazee, and Hitterdal. Detroit Lakes expects to bring 75 contestants, and Fergus Falls and Frazee will have at least 50 each. The contests are under the direction of D. L. Preston, head of the Music Department.

The day opens at 9 A. M. with solo, vocal and instrumental selections. The bands will play in competition at the Moorhead city park at noon. The events will culminate in the evening in a giant chorus of the combined glee clubs under one director. The program includes separate contests for mixed choruses, girls' and boys' glee clubs, bands, orchestras, vocal solos, instrumental solos, and piano solos.

The judges are Miss Leola Turner of Chicago, E. Clifford Toren of Wesley College, Grand Forks, N. D.; and Knut Froysoa of State Teachers College, Valley City, N. D. The prizes, gold medals and ribbons, will be donated by the Moorhead Commercial club. Winners in the contests will be eligible for the state music contest at Minneapolis.

HAGEN TALKS TO LOCAL H. S. AND TO CONCORDIA

Dr. O. J. Hagen gave an illustrated lecture before the student body and faculty of Concordia College on April 3, on the subject of health. The lecture was accompanied by the showing of a film from the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn. On April 1 the same lecture was delivered at the Moorhead High School Assembly, together with an illustrated talk on Boy Scouts.

RITCH THRILLS LYCEUM CONCERT AUDIENCE HERE

Theodore Ritch was greatly appreciated Monday evening, April 4. Mr. Ritch proved to be worthy of all the favorable press comments cast in his direction by the leading newspaper critics. He appeared on the stage as an able and very delightful entertainer, combining physical grace and vocal charm to peculiarly vivacious songs with unusual effectiveness. His program was received with marked appreciation despite his short experience with our American songs.

SUBJECTS FOR WORLD TOUR ESSAY ANNOUNCED

New York.—A school year in the University Afloat on its Second College Cruise Round the World is the prize offered in a national essay contest for men, according to an announcement made by the University Travel Association, 285 Madison Avenue.

The scholarship, valued at \$2500, will pay the entire expenses of tuition and lectures in this floating college, the steamship ticket around the world, stateroom, shore trips and meals.

The candidate for the scholarship is given the choice of three subjects:

- The international point of view in Education.
- The Contrast between Eastern and Western civilization.
- The Influence of the West on the East.

In order to give the winner of the contest sufficient time to make arrangements, the contest will close May 15, 1927.

Any student interested in competing for the scholarship may obtain further information concerning the rules of the contest by writing to the University Travel Association, 285 Madison Avenue, New York City.

DIRECTOR OF MAYVILLE TRAINING SCHOOL HERE

Mr. Eric Selke, director of the training school in the State Teachers College at Mayville, N. D., visited the college on Wednesday. He gave a short talk at the chapel exercises.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The classes are in need of funds for the spring activities, including such items as the term parties, the decoration of the auditorium and the gymnasium for commencement, and the class memorial. Since it is imperative that the plans get under way as soon as possible, the classes are placing booths in the main lobby of the main building for two days next week, Wednesday and Thursday, April 27 and 28. It will be greatly appreciated if all students will pay their class dues on these days.

—The Student Council.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Friday, April 22:
**8:00 P. M.—Freshman term party, gymnasium.
- Saturday, April 23:
**Kappa Pi term party, Domestic Science rooms.
- Monday, April 25:
2:20 P. M.—Band rehearsal, Auditorium.
4:00 P. M.—Chapel Choir, Auditorium.
7:30 P. M.—Y. M. C. A., Y. M. rooms.
- Tuesday, April 26:
5:00 P. M.—Men's Glee Club, Auditorium.
- Wednesday, April 27:
10:10 A. M.—Chapel Assembly, Auditorium.
1:45 P. M.—Band practice.
1:10 P. M.—College Band.
3:15 P. M.—Dramatic Club, room 26.
4:00 P. M.—Chapel Choir, Auditorium.
5:00 P. M.—Men's Glee Club, Auditorium.
6:45 P. M.—Campfire meeting, Junior High School Assembly.
- Thursday, April 28:
9:15 A. M.—Chorus, Auditorium.
5:00 P. M.—Men's Glee Club, Auditorium.
- Friday, April 29:
11:05 A. M.—Chapel Assembly, Auditorium.
4:00 P. M.—Chapel Choir, Auditorium.
5:00 P. M.—Men's Glee Club, Auditorium.
- Saturday, April 30:
**Owls term party, gymnasium.

VARIED PROGRAMS FEATURE CHAPELS

KIWANIS QUARTET, CANTATA, MEN'S CHORUS AND LECTURES ARE ENJOYED

On Wednesday morning of this week the faculty and student body were entertained by a varied concert of quartet and solo numbers by the Moorhead Kiwanis Quartet, composed of A. O. Christianson, Walter Wright, Otto Bystrom, and D. L. Preston. The quartet was accompanied by Mrs. Frank Temple of Fargo at the piano.

Walter Wright sang "Apparitions," by Downing, and "Pipes of Gordon's Men," by O'Hara. Otto Bystrom sang "The Volga Boatman." These numbers, as well as the quartet selections were well received by the audience, who called the singers back for several encores.

Cantata by Training School

The training school gave their Easter Cantata remarkably well, Friday, chapel hour of April 8th. They sang "The Swallow," by Carrington. It can be said, without appearing extravagant, that the children's voices displayed unusual comprehension of tone and musical precision. Especially noteworthy were the solos by Ethel Christensen and Genelle Donovan, and the trio by Doris Thyssel, Margaret Moffitt, and Hugh Price.

Health Talk Given.

"The Importance of Food" was the subject on which Dr. O. J. Hagen spoke during the chapel exercises on April 7. The kind of food that is used has a great influence on the disposition of the individual. It is therefore especially necessary for teachers to have the right kind of food. He also stated that food must be properly proportioned or the body will become poisoned. By the law of the transformation of energy, the body transforms food substances into heat and energy. Besides comparing the body with a machine, Dr. Hagen likened it to a laboratory of test tubes.

Motion pictures were to have been used, but the College projector could not be made to function. Dr. Hagen substituted a short talk in place of the regular lecture.

Men's Chorus Sings.

On April 1 group singing occupied the first part of the Friday chapel period. Following this the students and faculty were entertained by the Men's Chorus, who sang "Evening," "Sylvia," "Italian Folk Song," and "Just a Wearyin' for You." Helen Vigen played the accompaniments.

Dr. Robertson Talks.

A trip from Seattle to Juno, Alaska, by American steamer, glimpses of Skagway, Pearl Strait, Whitefish Lake, glaciers, snow-capped mountains, hidden rivers, views of Pitch Fork Falls, Glacier National Park, Going-to-the-Sun Chalets, mirror-like lakes up in the mountains and beautiful tree-clad hills were some of the scenes placed before the eyes of the students in a chapel assembly before vacation, when Dr. D. T. Robertson of the First Presbyterian Church in Fargo took the students with him on a boat from the American Rockies to Alaska. Photographs taken by the speaker and hand-tinted and developed in Alaska made the trip almost a real occurrence.

HOME

A house is built
Of rocks and stones,
Of sills and ports, and piers.
But a home is
A building of loving deeds
That stand in a thousand years.

DID YOU KNOW THAT?

In the U. S. there is one divorce to every 6.9 marriages?
That there are over 22,000,000 motor vehicles in active use in this country?
That continental U. S. uses approximately 79 per cent of the total of the gasoline production?
That there are more than 100,000 pounds of rock powdered finer than flour every day in the mills manufacturing cement in the U. S.?
Five million dairy cows, one-fourth of the total in the United States, could be slaughtered and milk production would be reduced only one-sixth?
That only twelve of our thirty presidents have served two terms?

Mr. Hamrin—"Why were you late?"
Frances Bordsen—"I was late because I broke my saucer and had to wait until my coffee cooled."

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LET'S BOOST THE FESTIVAL

The second annual Arts Festival, hailed as bigger and better than the successful event of a year ago, presents to the students and the public a program with a two-fold purpose: first, to present the amateur work of students in drama, art, and music, and second, to bring to Moorhead the best of professional musical organizations.

The Arts Festival will mean much to the students who take part in the activities connected with it; it will mean much to the public which is privileged to view and hear three days of art productions. The college will be known by the high standard of entertainment which it presents.

AN APPRECIATION

The Editorial Staff of The MISTIC wishes to call to the attention of the student body the excellent work which has been done during the current year by the Business Staff. Headed by Ralph Iverson, business manager, and Claude Nemzek, advertising manager, the combined efforts of this staff have made possible the increased size of the paper. Few students probably know how much their efforts have meant and how much time they have devoted to this cause, which we believe to be very much worth while. Ruth Wellander and Ella Barstad have contributed time and effort in order that The MISTIC could go forward.

We are beginning the organization of next year's staff, and we covet for The MISTIC the same loyal support from student body and faculty that we have enjoyed during 1926-27.

THE PRAECEPTOR SAYS "ME, TOO"

Since many members of The MISTIC staff are also members of the Praeceptor group, we are borrowing this space (almost from ourselves) to express our appreciation for the splendid work which has been done by Claude Nemzek, George Bowers, and Esther Jorgenson in the advertising section of the yearbook. Without their work we should have been forced to cut the size of the book, until there wouldn't have been room for the pictures of the Freshmen at all! Who knows? But now we can all be happy to know that we are represented in the yearly compendium of college life for 1926-27, and we want to thank our business staff for their part in it.

CONFERENCE NOTES

(By Claude Nemzek)

Baseball, track, and spring football are the chief activities on the schedule of the conference schools. Since the "Big Show" opened the season's play, the baseball "bug" has taken hold of nearly everyone. If the weather permits, the Interstate Conference will see some "peppy" ball. The Valley City Vikings and the Mayville Comets have many of last year's veterans back. Coach Bute also seems to be chuckling. A number of lettermen plus a few new boys have made prospects look very bright for the Wildcats. Coach Nemzek has not issued a call for the diamond as yet. Prospects for a strong club are hazy as yet.

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Track is taking the attention of many athletes. This sport will no doubt arouse a great deal of interest. Jamestown took the banner last spring, and they are out to repeat. The entire team of last year has reported for work.

Valley City is also priming a number of men for the conference meet, May 21. The Vikings have arranged a triangular meet with Jamestown and the North Dakota State Tracksters, and a dual meet with North Dakota State. Coach Morrison has promised to enter men showing unusual ability in the Hamline and Drake relays. This move will undoubtedly spur the men to do their best. If track is to be a growing sport in this conference, it will be necessary to branch out and compete with neighboring schools.

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Gus Lindbloom, who pitched for the Peds, is now attending Gustavus Adolphus. Without a doubt "Gus" will have a big season with the "Gusties." His dazzling speed and "hooks" should carry him a long ways in the Minnesota college conference.

THE OPEN COLUMN

WHAT OF THE WEST?

Some years ago psychologists tested the intelligence of the young men of America and found the farm boys of our western plains inferior, at the bottom of the lists. Eastern city boys were much higher, many of them near the top. Soon after, numbers from among the best of all the men were tested much more completely as to fitness, mental, moral, and physical, to become flying officers in the air service. The examination was most stringent, so that the men selected represented the finest large group of manhood ever chosen by scientific methods. And the highest percentage of accepted candidates was from the same plain farm boys, previously called inferior.

This year a Minnesota college, in announcing the resignation of its president, let it be understood that a successor would be sought in the east. Which shows that we look to the older parts of the country for educational leadership. But it will not long be so. In education, as in the army, when thorough tests of ability are applied, and when accomplishment is carefully checked, the men and women of the wide eastern country will not be found wanting. The west can learn from the east but need not long look to it for leadership.

With the portion of the potential ability of the plains that is enlisted in this M. S. T. C. of ours, much can be done provided there is a big enough purpose.

WILFRED C. WHITE.

March, 1927.

Note by Editor of Open Column:

It certainly seems that any western college is looking in the wrong direction for a new President when it seeks for him in the East. Let us see from what part of the country some of the residents of our big mid-western universities hail. Walter A. Jessup, President of Iowa University, was born in Indiana and is a Phi Delta Kappa man. Stratton D. Brooks, President of Missouri University, was born in Missouri and is a Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Delta Kappa man. Herbert E. Hadley, President of Washington University, was born in Kansas. Glen Frank, President of Wisconsin University, was born in Missouri, and is a Phi Beta Kappa and Delta Sigma Rho man. He helped draft the covenant of the League of Nations, which was considered at the treaty of Versailles. Ernest H. Lindley, President of Kansas University, was born in Indiana and is a Phi Beta Kappa man. Lotus D. Coffman, President of the University of Minnesota, was born in Indiana and is a member of both Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Delta Kappa. This college would do well to take a little of Horace Greeley's advice made up-to-date. "Go West"—and find a new President.

Nor can we agree with the findings of the intelligence tests used in the army to measure the mentality of our Western young men. The liberal sprinkling of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Delta Kappa men among these western college presidents does not indicate that the young men of the West are inferior mentally, and many other young western men, students of colleges all over the United States, are being elected to these honorary societies which limit their membership to those of high scholastic attainments. Minnesota colleges, "Go West"—and find a new President.

Grade Point System—Article X.

"Any student who withdraws from a course after the first six weeks, either because of neglect or lack of ability, shall be given an E in that course at the end of the semester."

Any student who withdraws from a course within the first six weeks, must have the approval of the head of his department.—Scholarship Committee, State Normal School, Milwaukee, Wis.

—Baudette Region.

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The Public Speaking class has been debating whether the McNary-Haugen bill or the St. Lawrence Waterway project is the best subject for debate.

—The Eastern.



Bill Walwork
Moorhead, Minn.



Conductor: "Change for Marietta! Change for Marietta!"

Country Passenger: "I don't know who the girl is but I'll chip in a dime."

* * *

He: "I always kiss the stamps on your letters because I know that your lips have touched them."

She: "Oh, dear! and to think that I dampened them on Fido's nose."

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PERPETUAL MOTION

Rags make paper.

Paper makes money.

Money makes banks.

Banks make loans,

Loans make poverty.

Poverty makes rags.

Rags make—well, just keep on repeating the above.

* * *

1st Co-ed: "Livy, did you have a marcel?"

2nd Co-ed: "No, a water wave."

1st Co-ed: "It looks more like a storm to me."

* * *

Stude: "I caught her red-handed."

Dean: "What was she doing?"

Stude: "Using my lipstick."

* * *

"You're coming to the end of your rope," she said to him as the cigarette burned short.

* * *

New Senior: "What's the house over there?"

Soph: "Oh, that's the greenhouse."

Senior: "I didn't know the Freshmen had a dorm all to themselves."

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Why does the waiter look so upset? Perhaps someone tipped him?

* * *

Did She Mean It?

Ralph Iverson: "I'm not going to marry until I find a girl who is my direct opposite."

Lucille George: "Oh, but Ralph, there are several intelligent girls in this school."

* * *

Oh Starlit Night.

It was a mild starry night.

Ted: Gee! This would be a swell night to take her out and call her attention to the pretty stars in the sky. When she looks up at the stars smack her little face.

(F.): Huh! Why not say it with poetry thus:

(Dreamy moon shine bright;

Bright shining stars on high;

When of her cherry lips I first did taste,

And of her peachy cheek I did partake.)

This has a very melodious air that fits it well; if you wish to hear it sung just come around to the composer.

W. M. NESHEIM
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THE BOOK SHELF

THE PLUTOCRAT

(By Booth Tarkington)

"But sophistication is always provincial."

"What!" cried Ogle. "It's always the reverse."

"No; because nobody can know intimately a great deal about the whole world. The greatest cosmopolitan knows a little about a great many parts of it and can adapt himself to many kinds of people; but in his one life-time he can't become a sophisticate among these Kabyles and among the Esquimaux and the Patagonians and Samoans and Javanese and Japanese and Russians and Portuguese and Chinese and French and Germans and English and Americans."

"A life-time isn't long enough, my friend. You have told me of the great difference between your New York and Boston—things so confusing to a Frenchwoman that I could never become sophisticated in them. Cosmopolitanism is a little knowledge about many places and kinds of people; sophistication is a great deal of knowledge about a very few places and a very few people, usually about one place and one kind of people. It is exactly what is possessed by that tall Kabyle we just have passed. He is splendidly sophisticated about his own place and his own people; and if you tried to make friends with him he would despise you not only for your religion, but because he would see that you are unsophisticated; he would wish to laugh at you for not understanding a single Kabyle dialect, or knowing any of the important people, or how to eat, or what one says to a stranger. And if you tried to walk where he walks when he goes to his house he would be disgusted with you for being so provincial that you couldn't follow him except on your hands and knees."

Thus does Mme. Momoro, a brilliant Frenchwoman, stick a pin into Lawrence Ogle, young American playwright, member of the so-called intelligentsia, and an Easterner who, bending over backward with a superiority complex, believes anyone west of the Alleghenies provincial and himself a sophisticate.

But Tinker the terrible, Tinker the provincial, Tinker the Rotarian, Tinker of Mencken's boobo Americanis, Mme. Momoro finds to be extraordinarily interesting, even somewhat of a sophisticate, despite the fact that he is from Illinois. So, for that matter, does Sir William Broadfeather, and so does Dr. Medjila, archaeologist, and so do many others whom Tinker meets.

It is through the archaeologist that Ogle is caused to get a new-old slant on the American "Yawp."

"It is the brag. You think the Romans didn't have it? Heavens! What braggarts! You find the imperial Roman Yawp in thousands of inscriptions everywhere—everywhere! America has so much that is the same as these dead people: the great Yawp, the love of health, the love of plumbing, the love of power, of wealth, and, above all, the worship of bigness—that old, old passion for giantism. What is strange, you find at the same time a great deal of common sense. In all the different times I have been here I have seen just one tourist who understood Timgad thoroughly, and that was because he was really a Roman himself."

The Roman, it develops, was Tinker, and Dr. Medjila designates him as "the New Roman."

But to go further would be to spoil a good story. Suffice it to say that here is the answer to Sinclair Lewis's "Babbitt." A local critic has gone to some length to prove, from Tarkington's admission that he had not read "Babbitt" that "The Plutocrat" was not written as a reply to that book. Such comment, it seems, is neither here nor there. The fact is that, whether written for that purpose or not, it is the answer to "Babbitt."

Or rather, it is the complement of that caricature. The average American business man is probably neither a Tinker nor a Babbitt, but something nearer to the former, because Tarkington's character is a near-portrait in which not only the greatness but also the pettiness of the man is portrayed, whereas Babbitt is a caricature with scarcely anything admirable in his makeup.

—B. D. M.

NEW BOOKS

(Continued from last week)

- Ostenson, Martha: Dark Dawn.
- Another powerful drama of farm life on the prairies of the Northwest.
- Tarkington, Booth: Looking Forward.
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- Upton, G. P.: Standard Operas.
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- Villon, Francois: Poems.
- These translations reproduce the spirit of the original more closely than any previous translation.
- Warren, Garnet & Cheney: Romance of Design.
- Willhouse, W. H.: How Insects Live.
- Dunn, W. E.: Peru.
- A commercial and industrial handbook.
- Felsing, E. B.: Commercial Traveler's Guide to Latin America.
- Holmes, S. J.: Introduction to General Biology.
- Johnson, J. E., Compiler: Federal Department of Education.
- Johnson, J. E., Compiler: St. Lawrence River Ship Canal.
- Moulton: Literary Study of the Bible.
- Ravndal, C. B.: Turkey.
- A commercial and industrial handbook.
- Tarkington, Booth: The Plutocrat.
- U. S. Census Bureau: The Fourteenth Census of the United States. State Compendium for Minnesota.
- U. S. Foreign and Domestic Commerce Bureau: Commercial Handbook of China.
- Victor Talking Machine Company: Victrola Book of the Opera.
- Wells, M. E.: Project Curriculum.

NEW JUVENILE BOOKS

- Aesop's Fables by Stickney.
- Dodge, Mrs. M. M.: Hans Brinker.
- Harris, J. C.: Uncle Remus and His Friends.
- Harris, J. C.: Uncle Remus: His Songs and Sayings.
- Lofting, Hugh: Dr. Doolittle's Caravan.
- McManus, Semus: Donegal Wonder Book.
- Milne, A. A.: Winnie the Pooh.

OUR TRAINING SCHOOL

NOTE:

These notes were handed in before the Easter vacation, but it was found impossible to include them in the last issue of The MISTIC.

The Junior High School held a Citizen's Club meeting last Friday afternoon.

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Orville Kittleson and Joyce Serht are absent from school on account of measles.

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The following fifth and sixth graders have been neither absent nor tardy for the entire school year: Teddy Windquist, Dorothy Edwards, Lucille Scheid, and Margaret Vowles.

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The sixth grade industrial arts class is making letter files which will later be presented to their parents.

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The Sixth A is making an intensive study of birds. An assortment of poems and stories has been composed by this class. These poems and stories are being filed in attractive little bird books.

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The Fifth B geography class is working on an Egyptian sand table at the present time.

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The Misses Trites and Donald visited the intermediate department last week.

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The Fourth A grade is making a sand table representing Holland.

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The fourth grade club gave illustrated talks on Norway at the meeting of their club last Friday.

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A flag raising motivating contest is being held in the Third B class in connection with arithmetic.

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Several members from the primary department heard Captain Amundson speak last week.

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The kindergarten department is still working on the community project. Their community is growing very rapidly. At the present time a church is under construction.

THIS TIME A YEAR AGO

Miss Lommen addressed the joint "Y" meeting, March 22.

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President Brown of Concordia spoke at chapel on "Playing the Game of Life."

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The Male Chorus gave its annual home concert at the College Auditorium, March 31.

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Some of the faculty members of M. S. T. C. attended the Department of Superintendents Meeting in the Twin Cities.

OAK MOUND SCHOOL

Mrs. Lockwood, Miss Donald, and Mr. Hamrin were Thursday morning visitors with us. We were glad their visit was scheduled ahead of Friday's snow-storm.

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The second edition of "The Little Mistic" is making its appearance this week. The eighth grade are now realizing the amount of planning and organization a real newspaper must have. This time they were thrown upon their own initiative in compiling it. It promises to have several original features, thus making it better than the first attempt.

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The seventh grade are now busily engaged in banking. "The Little Citizens' National Bank" was opened for business last week. They are using actual checks and deposit slips, pass books, notes and drafts, which were received from a Moorhead bank. Lorraine Anderson is acting as cashier.

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As a background for the "Vision of Sir Launfal" the seventh grade are being introduced to the time when knights held sway. As a result of their study they have chosen to dramatize the scene wherein the knight is dubbed.

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The lower grades are very interested on writing for railroad folders and illustrated vacation trips to supply material for a large geography scrap book.

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Thirty-four new books have been added to our library.

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Friday afternoons are proving more interesting as the Industrial Arts projects are nearing completion. This week the lower grades intend to paint their bird sticks which are being made as gifts for their mothers.

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If some educator particularly interested in the use of leisure time were to inquire about our campus as to how people used their Easter holidays, he would probably be startled by some of the answers. As a result of an inquiry made by one of the reporters, it was found that everything from painting to attending teachers meetings was done during the holidays.

Helen Beck said she slept until she wanted to get up and spent the rest of the time going to other places on the muddy roads.

Cora Strand worked two days, went to the dentist's two days, and loafed the rest of the time.

Freda Schroeder did a "little bit of everything." Mr. Ballard spent his vacation painting the house on the inside and still he claims he had an enjoyable vacation.

Roy Petrie says he just "ate and slept" (not at nights though), but Oscar Haugh says Petrie gave the "Sax" a bath.

Mrs. Goodsell simply rested a good deal. "In fact," she says, "I stayed in bed one whole day and read a magazine."

Elma Karlstrom was practical as usual and "tried to put into effect all that I had absorbed before vacation."

Mr. MacLean spent his vacation attending the Teachers' Institute in Big Stone County at Ortonville and many other teachers' meetings and conventions, and conferences. However, President MacLean did not agree with the reporter's suggestion that he had worked hard.

Edna Gerbing went to Glyndon. It rained so hard that she could not get back, so she stayed there and utilized her time by eating and sleeping.

Miss Frick refused to tell what she did; her only reply was, "Well, I'd hate to tell you because it would not be good reporters news."

THE MISTICAL REPORTER

Last Wednesday, I wandered into Chapel and heard Mr. Preston remark "We will sing the whole thing through now but during the exercises we will sing only two verses—the first, second, and the last."

After Chapel I went to the post-office where I saw Frank Nemzek giving a demonstration of a solo dance for Rosie's benefit. "Why it is perfectly easy; just be graceful and flutter around like an elephant."

In the afternoon I went to Mr. Ballard's nature study class and here I overheard the following remark: Mr. Ballard (referring to earthquakes): "I once met a student from Japan and I asked him how many earthquakes they had in Japan. He told me that they average about 400 a year, and that, class, would be a shocking condition, you see."

Just before vacation I heard Miss Rainey telling her methods class: "I'm not going to make an assignment over vacation, but I hope it is not asking too much of you to hold on to what you already have."

Last night Jean Howie was talking to a number of girls, all of whom were reading letters. I heard Jean remark to them: "I just love to write letters and I just love to get them but there's one thing I hate about them and that is to put a two-cent stamp on each one."

As I passed on down the hall I heard Mr. Christenson remark to Elma Karlstrom: "Yes, I am just like an aeroplane—no good on earth."

I went into Room 23 to write this article to hand in. Mr. Hamrin happened to drop in, picked up a book lying on the table and said, "Oh, I thought this was 'Stone' but it isn't. Do you know when I went to college there were two Stone brothers and I often wondered which was the bolder (boulder)."

I hastened up to The MISTIC office and here I heard Ralph Smith asking where Roy Petrie could be found. "Oh," retorted Bjork, "he is probably in Jamestown; you know there was some difficulty about his leaving town."

After including this in the article I left the paper in the basket and went to class.

A Smart Student.

I've got a bad habit. It's chewing gum. It's got so I have to chew a fresh stick every time I think. In fact, it is so bad that I chew a whole package in a week.



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