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Contract Let Tuesday, Construction Begun Thursday on Four New College Buildings; Bracker Company Successful Bidder

PLANS FOR WEST TOUR ANNOUNCED

ITINERARY WILL INCLUDE VISITS TO PLACES OF INTEREST

The Western Field Tour, extending from July 24 to August 30, under the direction of Mr. Schwendeman, promises a most profitable and varied program; thirty-eight days crammed full of a wealth of experiences and covering 5,600 miles. Many delightful side trips have been planned, the choice of which are left to the members of the tours.

Special attention has been given to accommodations, which are first class and in every instance conveniently located. A 33-passenger Northland Greyhound bus has been secured for transportation, all passengers being fully insured. The total expense, including side trips will be from \$200 to \$225.

The itinerary, in brief, follows a westward course through Denver, where Miss Lommen will be in charge of a group attending the World Federation of Educational Association Meet; then on through Arizona, visiting the Grand Canyon, and Needles, where a rest is called to wait for the lower temperatures of evening before crossing the Mojave Desert; then to the coast where a side trip to Catalina Island from Los Angeles is planned; a visit to Mt. Wilson Observatory; then north through Yosemite Valley and its glorious treasures; on to San Francisco; and finally on the home stretch to Reno, Salt Lake City, Yellowstone Park and the Black Hills.

The names of those enrolled for the trip follow: Emma B. Nestoss; Hilda M. Berg, Charlotte Stark, Margaret Rosvold, Dorothy M. Donnelly, Hilda Bostrom, Judith Rue, Nettie McFarlane, Myrtle Parmeter, LaVerne Meehan, Violet E. Johnson, Della Palmer, Florence M. Olson, Olga Korsbrek, Mrs. O. D. Nelson, Olga F. Olson.

Anna B. Patterson, Olga A. Strand, Maude McKee, Glenice McDougall, Ruth Ellison, Marvel Ellison, Ione Peterson, Amanda Halvorson, Esther Anderson, Kay Hazen, Ruth Hazen, Inez Felt, Esther Cederstrom, Amy Berg, Oxal Vogel, and Charlotte Mattson.

To Caribbean Next Year.

Next year, Mr. Schwendeman is planning a Caribbean Sea Tour, visiting Central America, Panama Canal Zone, the North shore of South America, and the West Indies. The tour will leave from New Orleans. The total expenses, all items included, will be approximately \$380. Details of this tour will be forthcoming soon.

"WASHINGTON" IS PAGEANT SUBJECT

George Washington is the subject of the School Festivals class pageant to be given July 21, at 7:30 p. m. in Weld Hall auditorium. This pageant is to be given with the idea of showing some of the available material for the Washington Bicentennial Celebration next year. The class, consisting of eight members, has full control of the administration and direction of the production. Each of the four parts will be directed by a group of two from the class. The characters are to be chosen from the students or former students of the college.

The following administration committees have been chosen from the class: finance, Doris Richardson and Agnes Gibb; publicity, Bernice Voigt and Evelyn Cook; house, Ethel Ludwig and Jeanie Gibb; program, Edith Alexander and Ruth Scott.

Because of the expense in producing the pageant, there will be a nominal admission charge of ten cents.

Funeral Services Held For College Graduate

Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 29, for Dorothy L. Bettschen, 22, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bettschen, at Arthur, N. Dak.

Miss Bettschen, for three years a Cass county school teacher, received her advanced diploma from the College in 1928.

The MISTIC extends the sympathy of the College to her family.

PICNIC ON MONDAY

Entertainment for all is promised by the central committee at the annual All-College summer school picnic to be held on the campus south of the dormitories next Monday afternoon.

Games of baseball and kitenball, for which the faculty are reported to be practising, and a picnic lunch prepared by Miss Dahl and served by the men of the faculty, are some of the features.

Committees named include: amusements—Ila Cook and Bruce Martin; lunch—Alice Corneliusen and Mabel Lundeen; publicity—Clara Undseth and Allen Erickson. Miss Frick heads the committees.

Those who intend to go should sign up at the Exchange at any time before Saturday afternoon. A charge of twenty-five cents is made to those who do not stay in the dormitories.

McCONNELL TALKS ABOUT EDUCATION

WHITE HOLDS ROUND TABLE; RURAL GRADUATION HERE THURSDAY

Graduation exercises for Clay County rural school pupils will be held Thursday, July 16, at 2:30 o'clock in the auditorium. The College will cooperate with Miss Ellen Anderson, County Superintendent, at that time, in place of having the regular morning assembly.

Mr. J. M. McConnell, Commissioner of Education, spoke yesterday about recent problems of the state department. Dealing with the provisions of the Teachers Retirement Fund law, Mr. H. E. White, Secretary of the fund, conducted a round table on the provisions of this newly enacted legislation.

Mrs. Woodford Talks

Mrs. Lottie Woodford opened her address last Tuesday by bringing greetings from the National Women's Christian Temperance Union.

The goal of the W. C. T. U., said Mrs. Woodford, is sobriety—personal, national, and world sobriety. Sobriety is not a national, but a world question.

We have a large element of foreign born, with whom personal sobriety is not an ideal. They must be taught to accept it as an ideal. During the last year, definite progress toward this goal has been made, Mrs. Woodford stated.

The National Education Association has not only passed strong resolutions, urging teachers to uphold the Eighteenth amendment, but it has prepared much helpful material in the form of pamphlets, articles, quotations, etc.

Attractive Side Urged.

"Emphasize the positive rather than the negative, the advantages rather than the disadvantages of sobriety," Mrs. Woodford urged. Do not misunderstand, she continued, that the disadvantages are not to be pictured. Teach the relation between liquor and poverty, liquor and crime, but present the attractive side. Teach it from the point of safety first, health, business efficiency, loyalty, personal appearance, and changed personality.

A point to be stressed is that alcohol is a narcotic habit forming drug, Mrs. Woodford said. It is a drain on the mind and a drain on the nervous system.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- July 9-12—Northern Minnesota Tour.
- July 14—Henry J. Williams Recital, Auditorium.
- July 24—Regular Summer Term ends.
- Tour of Western United States begins.
- July 27—Five-week Session begins.
- Aug. 25—Coaching School begins.
- Aug. 28—Five-week Session ends.
- Sept. 8—Fall Term begins.

Is Chapel Speaker



Above is pictured Mr. J. M. McConnell, State Commissioner of Education, who addressed the assembly yesterday.

CO. "F" MEMBERS IN CAMP ROUTINE

ALEX J. NEMZEK IN CHARGE OF LOCAL UNIT MAKING ENCAMPMENT

Peace and quiet reigned at Camp Ripley Sunday morning as the Northern Pacific "Alaskan", carrying members of Company F, wheeled into camp. Captain Nemzek soon had things in order, and regular routine work commenced immediately. Company F has more men at camp this summer than at any previous encampment. The enrollment totals 63, including four young mascots, who will add some of the spice of army life to their summer vacation.

During the past six years this company has been located at Lake City, Minnesota, but this year it was decided to change the location to the new camp near Little Falls, which offers more space and convenience for military maneuvers.

Program Reported

Monday morning at 5:45 the guardsmen were ready and waiting in line with their mess kits clamoring for breakfast, which consisted of corn flakes, stewed prunes, milk, buckwheat cakes, syrup, bacon, coffee, bread and butter. Next in line came close-order drill, from 7 to 8:30; extended-order drill from 8:30 to 10; combat principles from 10 to 11:30 and the care and cleaning of equipment from 11:30 to 12. At 1:30 Company F with three other companies of the second battalion went on the rifle range.

"I Have Yet to Find an Audience That Is Not Responsive," Ruth Ray Declares

(By Ruth Paulsrud)

"There she is! Looks like her pictures, anyway!" The reporter from the MISTIC squinted down the parched, sun-baked street and added, rather dejectedly, "At least her face does." Her gaze was fastened on a woman loitering down the sidewalk, undeniably overtaxed by the heat. As the latter turned and attempted the stone steps of the hotel, the reporter, with a sinking heart, felt sure she has guessed correctly.

Having made three trips to the hotel to interview Ruth Ray, the end of the chase seemed near, albeit rather disappointing. In fact as the reporter realized the complete rout of her campaign, planned for a very different person, stark dismay descended.

"How can I talk to her?—What approach to make? Why don't artists have full length pictures?—Well, I'll let her rest a bit and cool off. She looked a trifle fagged."

At the desk—"I'll connect you—There you are!" A clear well modulated voice over the desk phone gave a cordial invitation to come up to Room 224. Ascending to the third floor—"Well, she has a pleasant

ADDITIONAL CONTRACTS, EQUIPMENT TO BRING TOTAL TO \$765,000; READY MAY 1

Drives, Sidewalks, and Complete Building Equipment Allowed For in Plans; Buildings to Be of Fireproof Construction Throughout

A party of engineers, the vanguard of an army to follow, took possession of the campus south of Seventh avenue yesterday where since February 9, 1930, the ruins of Old Main slumbered, and next week all of the campus which isn't actually being occupied by students and faculty will be a veritable bee-hive of activity—all because, glory be! the contracts for the erection of the four new buildings are let.

NOTED HARPISIT TO BE HERE JULY 14

HENRY J. WILLIAMS, SYMPHONY MUSICIAN, TO PRESENT VARIED PROGRAM

On Tuesday evening, July 14, Henry J. Williams, harpist from the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra, will appear in the M. S. T. C. auditorium. Accompanied by Mrs. Eleanor Nesheim Anderson of Moorhead, he will present the following program:

"Impromptu," Oberthur; "Minuet," Hasselmans; "Gavotte," Henry J. Williams; "Reverie Fantastique," "Fantaisie for Harp," Dubois; (Mrs. Eleanor Nesheim Anderson at the piano). "Minstrels Adieu," Thomas; "March of the Men of Harlech," Thomas; "Autumn," from "The Seasons," Thomas; "Echoes of a Waterfall," Thomas.

"Caprice," Lebac; "Pattuglia Spagnuola," Tedeschi; "Clair de Lune," (from the Opera, Werther), Masse-net; "Il Ritorno del Pastore," Bellotta; "Petit March," Hasselmans; "Valse Caprice," Cheshire.

Students with their guests will be admitted upon presentation of their activity tickets. The concert will begin at seven-thirty.

The United States Army band, directed by Captain J. S. Stannard, will present two programs as the next College Lyceum number on September 21.

Group Leaves on Tour Of Northern Minnesota

A party from the College, under the direction of Mr. Schwendeman, head of the Geography department, left yesterday for a four-day trip to Itasca park, the Iron Range district of Minnesota, Duluth, and the North Shore of Lake Superior. The party will return to Moorhead Sunday.

Those whose names were available at the time The MISTIC went to press were Margaret Sherman, Opal Sherman, Jessie Saterbak, Ila Bowyer, Frances Cook, Inez Felt, Mary K. O'Brien, Frances Palmer, Dorothy Thumm, Minnie Holecek, Marian Ellison, and Maybelle McCann.

Tuesday was the day, and the Bracker company of Minneapolis the lucky firm when the State Commission of Administration and Finance affixed their signatures to the papers which were the last act in the preparation for the new and greater M. S. T. C. \$425,000 was the amount of the contract for general construction on the four new buildings. Two other contracts, one for plumbing and heating and one for lighting, are to be let soon, the first totalling \$160,000, and the latter \$25,000.

Since the total of these contracts fell considerably short of the architect's estimate, a sizeable sum will be available for equipment of the buildings, for drives, sidewalks, etc.

The new buildings include, McLean Hall, the new administration building; the physical education building, connected with MacLean Hall by second-story superstructure; the new training school; and the heating plant. Of these, the heating plant is to be rushed to completion by September 1, and the contracts require completion of the other structures by May 1 of next year.

To Be Fireproof

The buildings will be trimmed with Kettle River sandstone, while the steps and platform will be of granite. The walls will be of medium light brick. They will be fireproof throughout.

MacLean Hall, the main building on the new campus, will be 288 feet long facing Seventh avenue and will have an average width of 64 feet. It will be three stories in height with the exception of a small sector at the east end, where the library stacks are situated. The main hall is somewhat of an "L" shape, since it is connected by second-story superstructure to the physical education building facing Eleventh street.

Library is One Story

There will be three entrances to the main building. The main entrance will be at the west end of the front with a supplementary entrance near the east end leading to the library and reading rooms. The third entrance will be facing Eleventh street at the north and west.

The ground plan of the gigantic hall is dominated by the library, reading room, and supplementary consultation rooms at the east end. This section, separated from the main portion by an intersecting hallway, is 128 feet long and 6 feet wide, providing adequate accommodations for many years to come.

In the center of the building on the ground floor will be four classrooms, two on each side of the hall. These are to be occupied by the mathematics and geography departments. Adjoining the geography classrooms is a laboratory for the same subject.

At the extreme west end of the building is located the Student Exchange and postoffice, a room 20 by 36 feet. To the south but connected with the main building will be a "wing" 66 by 66 feet, housing men's and women's locker rooms.

The second story of the main building will contain, at the east and center, eight classrooms for the English and Social Science departments with an office for each. At the west will be located the administration offices, a faculty rest room and the publications office. A journalism laboratory, 24 by 26 feet, is to include an up-to-date copy desk, a news-writing table, desks for The MISTIC business manager and state editor, files, typing desks, and cabinets. To the west is a Praction room.

Club Rooms in Wing

The "wing" contains the offices of the dean of men and the dean of women, two classrooms, and in the superstructure connecting with the physical education building is a club-room 56 by 24 feet with a huge fire-

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WESTWARD, HO!

Hiking togs, dancing frocks, bathing suits, kodaks and field glasses are being assembled for the pilgrimage to the wonderland of the West. What a feast for the senses awaits these pilgrims who will worship at Nature's shrines of glorious beauty, weird concoctions of shape and form as compared with Man's efforts to create.

On the borderland of the West the tourists begin their adventures with the ascent into the clouds via Pike's Peak. The surrounding region, rich in wonders, include such mysteries as the Cave of Winds and the Garden of the Gods.

In contrast to these heights they next explore the depths of Nature's supreme handiwork in color, the Grand Canyon of Arizona, and then Reno! Well, may the members of this tour never return to this town on a more personal sojourn!

One should not grow weary with ennui when offered such a varied program as a visit to the quiet, cloistered missions of the Southwest; a trip across the border into the gaming dens of Tia Juana; the luxurious surroundings of the sport center, Agua Caliente; a symphony under the stars in Hollywood Bowl; or an investigation of the mysteries of the bottom of the sea through a glass-bottomed boat en route to Catalina!

Yes, these venturesome folk will even take time for a little star-gazing on their stop at Mt. Wilson Observatory, the mecca of Einstein's tour of this country.

After having enjoyed the thrills of riding an ostrich, having a picture taken while not quite touching an alligator, marveling at the earth casting forth its oily wealth and measuring one's height against that of the giant sequoias, the insatiable travelers are to reach San Francisco, where the spicy influence of the Orient is sensed in a prow by night through Chinatown.

Now comes an opportunity to view man's efforts, the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City. Lulled by the strains from the deep-voiced organ, the weary wanderers sit in silent tribute for a time, but not for long. Ever on the move they next view the human activity and industry displayed in the copper mines, salt industry and irrigation projects in the near vicinity.

Sojourns to three National Parks, Mesa Verda, Yosemite and Yellowstone, which preserve Nature's varied whims and fancies, are in themselves worth this trek across half a continent.

These are, in part, the vistas to be opened to the fortunates listed to take the western tours. What memories will have been stored up to become more vivid with contemplation and retelling! The pilgrims will not return with lagging steps but will come surging home, jubilant with the thrills early explorers must have felt.

—A. P.

A GOLD MINE

How many students utilize or are even aware of the opportunity for rich and varied reading in nearly all fields of contemporary life that may be found in the magazine rack in the library?

Especially should the teacher keep up on the new theories, criticisms, and practices that abound in education today. Professional growth demands that the teacher know what is going on in her own field.

Not only in the specialized lines of endeavor is reading material to be found, but current notes on politics, literature and art may be found. You may not have this chance of keeping abreast of the times in so complete a manner later on, so—Use the library now.

—L. J. W.

Nodding heads and drooping eyelids were viewed by our faculty members in the classrooms on Monday, and we wonder if the nation's birthday was observed in exactly the same manner as our colonial ancestors wished to have us observe it.

Love can't be the only thing that blinds us. Look at the tall, the short, the fat, the thin—all wearing demure long dresses and white Panama hats.

Age of Innocence—Bringing 2c and dazzling smile upon returning reference book overdue twenty-four hours.

The optimist believes fifteen minutes study will last two periods—(not without an argument).

Personals

Martha Sorum went to Grand Forks to spend the Fourth.

Miss Grace Witherow, '25, who taught at Duluth the past year, is attending the North Dakota Agricultural College.

The Misses Ruth and Alice Paulsrud spent the weekend at Wahpeton

and the lake region.

Cora Mellum spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents at Ulen, Miss Mellum taught in the city schools at Detroit Lakes last year.

Erroll Matheson, Kenneth Johnson, Ethel Kugler, and Alma Hoff left Friday for their respective homes in Underwood.

CONTRACT IS LET FOR NEW BUILDINGS

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place at the end and a kitchen and a storage room across the hall. A movable partition in the clubroom will make it possible to hold two meetings without interference.

The third floor of the main building is given over to classrooms, the education offices and art room. The general art rooms will be located in the west end of the third floor on the north side of the hallway. The allied arts will occupy the space south of the hallway.

Plan Swimming Pool

The physical education building is to be located to the south of the main hall facing Eleventh street and connected with the main building by a second-story superstructure over a driveway to the athletic field. To accommodate the 135 by 84 feet structure the athletic field will be shifted some 15 feet to the east.

A central entrance to the physical education building will open on Eleventh street. Entering the building one will see to the left the women's physical education office, rest rooms, and the nurse's office. To the right is the new athletic director's office and a classroom. Straight ahead are locker and shower rooms for men and women, one on each side of the hall, leading to the 20 by 65 foot swimming pool. In the 32 foot south extension are faculty dressing and locker rooms.

Will Have Two Gyms

The second floor is chiefly taken up with the gymnasiums. The main gymnasium has a playing floor 96 feet long and 80 feet wide with an overhead clearance of 24 feet, ample for even high basket shooting. Huge balconies and bleachers below along both sides of the building will seat from 1500 to 1800 persons.

Connected with the main gym and occupying the extension is to be an auxiliary gym, 60 by 40 feet, for use by the high school department of the training school, for physical education classes, and also as a social hall for parties. The second floor will also contain several classrooms and offices.

Grades on First Floor

Across the campus and east of Weld Hall the training school building will be constructed. This building will be 256 feet long and 80 feet wide, with two stories of brick and fireproof construction. The building will be in the "I" shape, each end being extended 16 feet north and south.

The ground floor will be given over to the elementary grades from kindergarten to the sixth. Our large classrooms, twelve small classrooms, and several supervisors offices are to be included in that floor. The director's office will be located in the center of the building near the main entrance.

Auditorium Included

The second floor will be occupied by the College High school. A library 32 feet by 30 feet is provided for the juniors and seniors. At the east end will be a physical science room and a biological science room each 26 by 32 feet in dimensions.

A feature of the building will be the 50 by 22 foot demonstration room to be used for teacher training with platform for classes and seats for observers included. At the west end of the "I" will be a large auditorium 80 by 28 feet with a 28 foot stage at the south end.

The music department will remain in Weld Hall in order that the factor of noise might not detract from efficient work of nearby classrooms, and to allow the larger musical organizations easier and closer access to the auditorium for practice. Weld Hall will be remodeled and a fine layout is promised.

Adele E. Coffin, a graduate of this school in '23, has been teaching first grade in Minneapolis this past year.

Miss Owens and Miss Bieri motored to Oakes Saturday to spend the day with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Mumm were entertained this past weekend at Lake Weimer near Frazee, by Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Christensen. Mr. Mumm is director of the Fargo Y. M. C. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Preston motored to Minneapolis to spend the Fourth.

Mrs. Grace Goodsell, accompanied by Miss Maude Hayes, visited Saturday and Sunday at the Vincent cottage on Lake Sally. Miss Hayes also visited the Ballards on Pelican Lake.

Minda Westlund, Omie Skaue, and Delphine McKeegan, all of Lake Park, spent the Fourth at their respective homes.

Bruce Martin and John Cavanaugh left Friday for their homes at Deer Creek, returning Sunday.

Dragon's Dragnet

Miss Lommen (after chapel): "Mr. Preston, name two temperance songs quickly."

Mr. Preston: "How Dry I Am."
Miss Lommen: "The only temperance song I can think of is 'Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes.'"

Mr. Bridges:—"A certain city was struck with a terrible epidemic; was that divine providence?"

Mr. Ohman:—"No, it was typhoid fever."

Lillian: "I wish I could lose twenty pounds."

Kermit:—"You won't be able to notice that."

Speaking in chapel, "Don't you know that whiskey shortens a man's life?" (Muscular voice in the audience—"Aw, go on, you see twice as much at de same time.")

"They're off," cried the sociology student as she viewed the inmates of the insane asylum.

John Ingersoll says the first time he was in chapel the sight of the faculty marching down the aisles positively frightened him.

Witness Johnnie today. No longer the trembling boy. Just let us hear the cynic say that college education is of no use.

Nine Members Elected To Lambda Phi Sigma

At a meeting of the Lambda Phi Sigma fraternity held Tuesday evening the following new members were elected: Ruby Mae Anderson, Moorhead; Agnes Carlson, Minneapolis; Francis Cook, Blue Earth; Alice Hunkins, Campbell; Doris Jorgenson, McIntosh; Charles Lien, Rothsay; Belinda Nygaard, Halstad; Minnie Serum, Halstad; and Bruce Bartin, Deer Creek.

The Ceremonial will be held at the Student Exchange on Friday, July 17, at 5 o'clock, and the banquet at the Powers Hotel at 6 o'clock.

Zech Defeats Dvorak At Wahpeton July 4th

Albert Zech, the fighting Dragon, won a decision from Frank Dvorak of the North Dakota State Agricultural College last Saturday at Wahpeton. Both boys were very cautious in the first two rounds, and then the North Dakota boy opened an attack, but it was not enough to keep him on a par with the Teachers College flash.

The Bison slugger worked like a machine, striking very well, and very frequently, but the clever Dragon boxer ducked, wiggled, and twisted out of the danger zone. Zech's ability to judge his opponent was the winning factor which enabled him to add another victory to his list.

Bird, Companions Find Romance in West Disrupt Black Hills Town in Wild Dash

Editor's Note: The following story of a trip to the Black Hills is taken from a letter sent in by Donald Bird, who with two companions, has recently returned to his home at Detroit Lakes.

(Continued from last week)

"Continuing south, we arrived in the Black Hills at Spearfish, and the reason for so naming that range of hills became very evident. They are completely covered with a heavy growth of pine whose dark color appears black against the horizon.

"From Spearfish we trailed to the Devil's Tower in Wyoming, where we received perhaps our greatest thrill. The Tower is a massive stone pier rising 800 feet straight up from the top of a hill. It is one mile around at the base, and its sides are fluted into perfect triangular prisms. Only ten people have ever been atop it. The Indians worshipped it as a thing unconquerable. I spoke to a woman in Sundance who saw that indomitable pier vanquished for the first time on July 4, 1897, by a cowboy who spent four months building a ladder of wooden pegs up one of the crevices.

We clambered to the foot of the ladder, but they had taken some of the pegs out to preserve the necks of wandering fools.

"From there we went to Lead, in the midst of the hills, 5200 feet above sea level and having the largest gold mine in the world. Our advent into Lead was precipitous to say the least. Groaning up hills and sliding down them had worn out our brake, low and reverse bands. In Lead the streets stand on end, and we came in at the top. Whirling around a curve on two wheels, plunging through two stop signs, we sailed down the main street, unable to stop. Desperate in an at-

First Rounds Begun In W. A. L. Tournaments

The first rounds of the W. A. L. tournaments in archery, tennis and quoits were played the past week under the direction of Miss Frick. Winners of first round tennis-tournament matches were Ethel Ludwig, Evelyn Cook, and Agnes Gibb. In baseball, Team 1 defeated Team 2 by a score of 29 to 0, and Team 3 scored a 12 to 7 victory over Team 1.

Nineteen students have signed up for class in archery, forty-four for tennis, and twenty-four for quoits. All students who are engaging in these activities for credit must compete in the tournament, according to a statement made by Miss Frick.

AUDIENCE RESPONSIVE RUTH RAY DECLARES

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asked him once how to play a certain passage. He answered, 'Play it with your toes, but make it sound.'

Miss Ray has the distinction of being the great Auer's first American pupil. He classifies her with the best, as having a distinct interpretive style.

Appearing as assisting artist to Caruso during the last years of his life is a distinction Miss Ray holds very close to her heart.

She went on to explain that she is on her way to Yellowstone Park, where she will spend the remainder of the summer, vacationing with friends. She has been very busily engaged teaching in Chicago the past year, and is looking forward eagerly to this much earned holiday.

Miss Ray plans to steal a few hours from play to arrange programs for her next tours. In September she will go on an Eastern tour to New York. Later she will tour the Northwest again.

Recalling a vivid incident of her early ambitions, Miss Ray related that when she "was a little girl, so high and so wide," (smiling amusedly and demonstrating with her hands) she went to hear a famous violinist whom she held in reverent awe,—Maude Powell. After the concert she went breathlessly to express her enjoyment. Bending sympathetically down to the eager child, Maude Powell said, "Do you think you would like to hold my violin?"

The fact that they were both of Illinois helped to form a bond between the two, gradually ripening to friendship. In later years, after Maude Powell's death, Miss Ray was asked by H. Godfrey Turner (Miss Powell's husband and manager) to play in her place. This she did for several years, appearing under his management.

Walking slowly down the stairs, the reporter was conscious of a growing eagerness and enthusiasm for the evening concert. What a contrast between the ascending and the descending of those stairs!

tempt to halt the car's mad careening, we tore up a little rise onto the railroad, and before the car stopped we were in the middle of a railroad bridge, lodged between the rails. My hair turned a shade lighter, and after tightening up the bands we fled from that city to Deadwood, a city with more than its share of romance.

"That evening we climbed Mt. Moriah on foot to see the graves of "Wild Bill" Hickok, "Calamity" Jane, and Deadwood Dick. . . . From Hill City we hired saddle horses and rode to the top of Harney Peak, 7,240 feet, the highest mountain east of the Rockies. From the ranger cabin on top we could see five states, North Dakota, Montana, South Dakota, Wyoming, and Nebraska. We rode 25 miles horseback that day, and next morning any observer would have experienced difficulty in telling whether we were 'coming or going.'

"Our next stop was Wind Cave, which fulfilled all expectations. We took a three-hour trip through it, descending as low as 600 feet below the sod. It has no stalactites or stalagmites, but does contain a beautiful formation of crystalline frost work.

"Still wending our way south, we passed through Hot Springs to Edgemont, where we walked 12 miles to see Aztec Indian carvings on the walls of Craven Canyon. Our homeward journey took us through Rapid City, the Badlands of South Dakota, Pierre, and thence home."

As one enters the door of the Exchange soft melodious strains of music greet his ear. Can it be some angels from heaven descended upon the earth? By closer observation one sees it is just the Health Education class practicing and Lyie Bugbee playing the piano.