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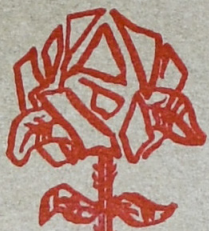
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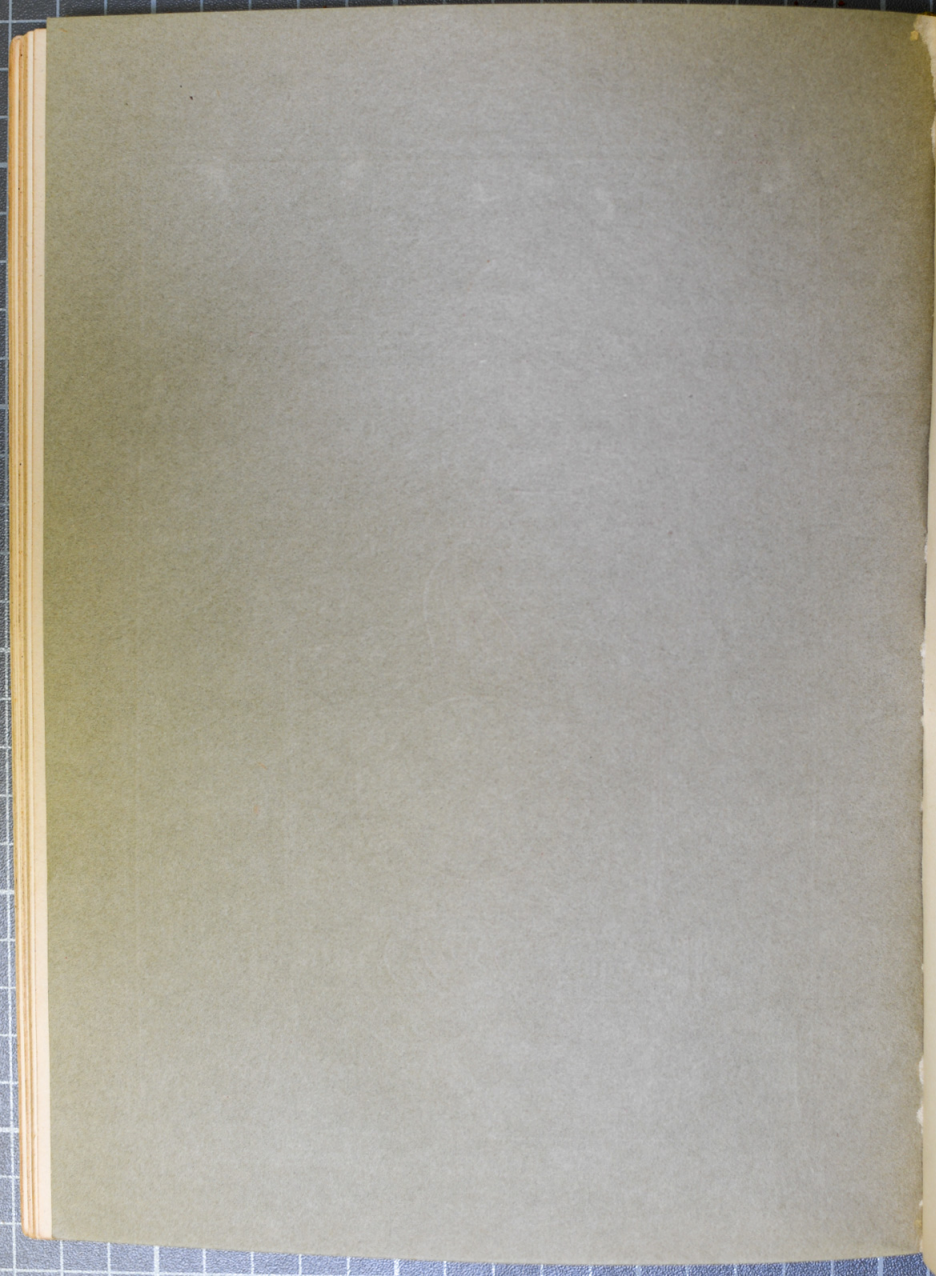
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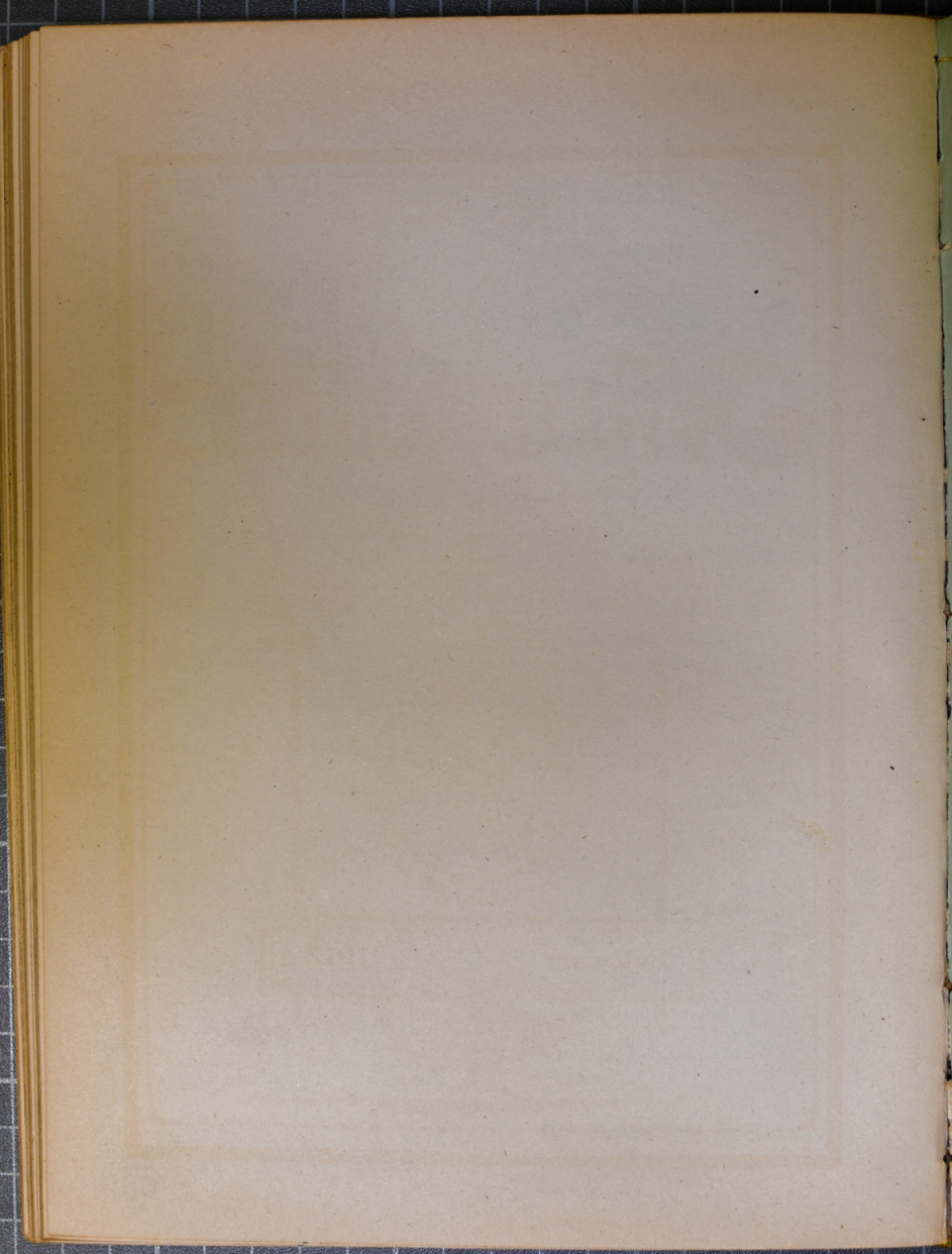


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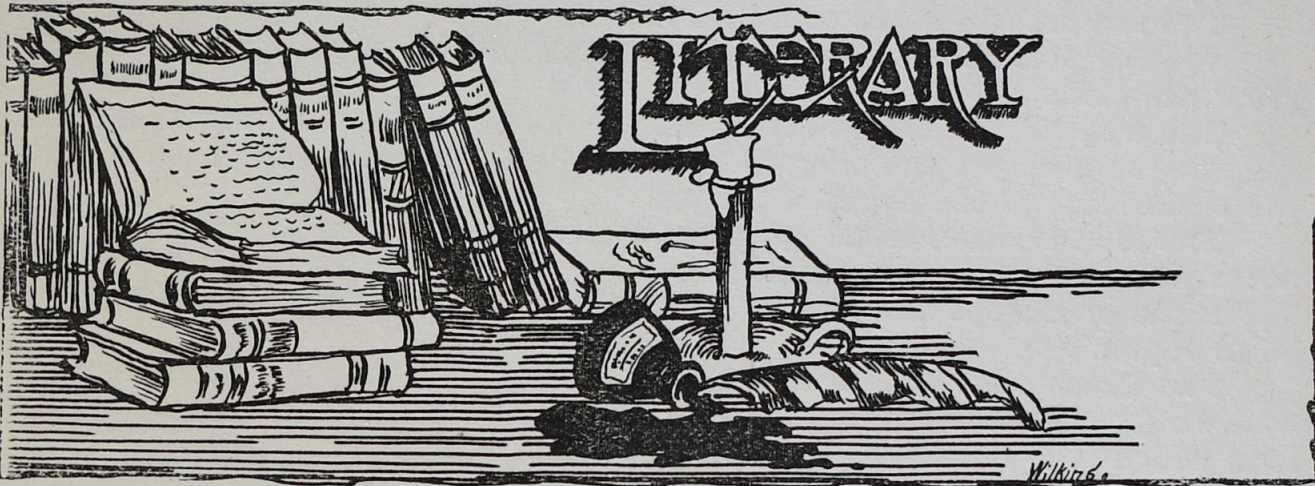
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THE MIGRATION OF BIRDS.



MIGRATION is a term applied to certain activity in the lives of animals, particularly birds. Although some have defined it as "a wandering into some distant locality, in order to breed there," yet this presupposes that the place from which they wander is an established home. It is yet unknown from just where the bird migrates. Whether, for instance it wanders to its winter feeding ground, or whether it wanders to its nesting locality has not been decided, but through a popular usage the wanderings either or both ways have been termed migration.

Various examples of this activity are found among the animals.. The toad wanders every spring to a certain distant pool to spawn there; insects which feed on a tree go to the ground at its roots to hibernate; the walrus wanders north in summer; the bison roams in search of pasture; the eel ascends the river as an elve and years after returns to the sea to breed and die; fishes forsake large streams to rear their young in brooks; insects swarm and leave the hive; the king salmon ascends the Columbia river for 1000 miles or the Yukon river for 2000 miles and after leaving their eggs in the sand of the shallow brook drift back down the river but never survive the trip; the grey plover nests in the arctic circle and winters near the equator; and it is in the great phylum Aves to which this plover belongs that the migration plays such a large part in their lives and affords so many problems that are yet unsolved.

"Is the habit truly instinctive, even in its details? How did it originate? What is the nature of the impulse prompting the bird to migrate? What are the conditions under which it is called forth? and how do birds find their way?" These questions as stated by Lloyd Morgan practically cover the list of migratory problems.

Some of the elementary facts that are now a matter of record are interesting to note..

The Sanderling nests in Iceland and is seen as far south as Cape Colony.

The Turnstone nests in Greenland and wanders to Australia.

The Black poll warblers winter in S. America and are neighbors to the cliff swallows, yet on the return trip the swallows take a route 2000 miles longer than that of the warblers. The latter is a night migrant while the swallow is a day traveler, catching its food on the way.

A great many migrants such as woodpeckers, cuckoos, tangiers, oriolees,, wrens, etc., are night migrants.

The swallows travel in great flocks while the song thrush migrate singly, or at least scattered.

The red breasts never collect in bands.

Weather conditions may delay the trips of the nightingale, but the great sea birds are always on time.

The wagtail builds its nest in the far north, the cuckoo may place her eggs in the nest yet the wagtail winters along the Mediterranean, while the cuckoos go to the heart of Africa.

The blue throat breeds upon the mosses in northern Scandinavia and never wanders south of the Baltic.

Birds of Europe and Russia go to Africa while birds of east Siberia go to Japan.

The Cross-bill feeds in Conifers, and they with the nut crackers and wax-wings, wander in various directions apparently in search of their food which is a scarcity.

Because of the many unknown records of birds there is a temptation to make assertions which are printed for the truth even in our magazines today—yet at which the scientists laugh because of such improbabilities.

That the condor flies far above the tops of the Andes is a myth.

The tremendous speed flights attributed to birds such as 120 miles an hour for the crow, 240 miles for the blue throat, etc., are as foolish as the tales of witchcraft.

That birds ascend to higher stratas of ether where the unthinkable may be accomplished, happened only in the mind of some bird enthusiast. That they choose beautiful scenery over which to travel and in many ways have a mysterious sense of beauty is another imaginative thought of some fanatic, entirely unfounded by any science whatsoever.

The most wonderful authentic bird stories are those of the golden plover and of the arctic tern. This plover in its migration route, nests in the arctic regions, travels south to Labrador and fattens for several weeks, and then makes a continuous flight over the ocean from Nova Scotia to South America, a distance of 1700 miles or more.

The Arctic tern nests in the arctic and travels south to the Antarctic region, a trip of 20 weeks and at a rate of 150 miles a day. This bird sees more sunlight than any other animal on the globe, the sun never setting while in the Arctic region and shines for two months of his trip in the Antarctic circle.

Some of the answers that have been offered to at least some phase of migration include that of Runberg of Sweden, whose very poetic theory is that the birds seek daylight—which practically answers nothing. Schafer of England states a theory on somewhat more of a physiological basis when he says the length of daylight influences migration only as it is a necessity for the procuring of food, but does this not answer for the nine months sojourn of some birds in the south with but a scarce two months breeding season in the north. Watson attributes to the bird a homing instinct by which the bird finds its birthplace, he also suggests an extremely sensitive temperature sense or fine sense of touch, but these are not satisfactory to the Neurologist who has as yet failed to locate any such a sense.

Palmien would give the bird an "experience" explanation, but Temminick and Herr Gatke state among their observations that the young precede the old on the migration trips.

That birds migrate to breed does not explain the fact that many of the larger birds as swans and cranes, though still immature in their second year, migrate like their parents.

Want of food must have been the fundamental agent but what we call migration is the effect of the actions of countless generations.

The faculty of shifting abode, together with just enough wandering to find unoccupied ground, became a habit and later an instinct. The same faculty that attracts the herd to the new growing grass, lures the bird to the great vegetative regions. Safer it is to breed where there is less competition, but more abundant is vegetation in the tropical regions.

The story of the glacial period that is used to explain so many mysteries, would advocate the theory that the old permanent home of the migrants was in the arctic region; that glaciation drove them away and when times improved the birds returned to their old home. This sounds plausible but it involves the huge assumption that the species of birds inherited such a loving reminiscence of their old home that after thousands of years—many generations—they returned at the first opportunity. Their long sojourn, perhaps thousands of generations, was not sufficient to naturalize them nor supplant the love for the ancient.

On the problem of how these winged creatures find their way over thousands of miles across land and water several explanations are offered such as the mother teaching the young, which does not explain the situation where the old and young travel at different times. That birds travel by sight does not explain the crossing of the ocean nor those flights that take place by night. This question seems to resolve into a sense of direction, a faculty which all animals possess to some degree. A cat taken away in a bag, will find its way back. A bee, when loaded with pollen, will return direct to the hive, but if the entrance has been moved to one side, the bee will blunder about trying to find it. This faculty in mankind, however, is almost lost through long continued disuses.

It is a rule without exception that all birds breed at the extreme north to point of their migration route. And here is where the problem rests. Insufficient data, answers that have no scientific basis, vague theories about the glacial period, poetic thoughts that assume mysterious power; such answers and conditions as these surround the greater mystery of the animal kingdom. The Migration of Birds.

L. G. M.

NIGHT IN A HAUNTED HOUSE.

“Wake up, Bob, it’s your turn now.”

The speaker was James Kimball, an intimate friend of mine. We were in an old house which was situated in a small valley thickly covered with trees. The house had not been used for many years, because it was said that an officer of the British army had once killed a young woman here; and that ever since, the house had been haunted by the ghost of the murdered lady. Whether this was true or not, I do not know, but the place certainly had a ghostly appearance, especially on a moonshiny night.

We were staying there that night in response to a challenge, for some of our companions had questioned our bravery.

I awoke and slowly got out of the cot which we had brought with us. “All right,” I answered. “I’ll stay on guard while you sleep.”

James removed his shoes and lay down on the cot. I sat upon the edge of the bed and looked out of the window with sleepy eyes. Outside nothing could be heard but the murmuring of the trees as the wind whistled through their bare boughs. The moon was at its full and the scene was one which might stagger the bravest heart.

Suddenly I saw something white move among the trees. A figure of

a woman came forward and peered into the room. When she saw me sitting there she motioned for me to come to her. I obeyed rather reluctantly.

"What are you doing here?" asked the lady.

I then told her why we were there. She took me by the hand and led me into the back yard.

"You," said the apparition, "look so much like my former lover who was killed in the war, that I want you to kiss me. If you do this, I shall not disturb you again tonight."

My heart gave a bound. I gathered her into my arms, looked down into her beautiful face, and was just about to comply with her request, when—a stunning blow over the head and a gruff voice in my ear brought me to consciousness as James yelled out, "What are you hugging me for? Don't you know that I am no girl? I have beard coming. Gee, you act like an S. M. T. N. spooner."

R. W. HART.

AUTOMOBILE TALK.

"Speaking of timing apparatus on motor cars," said the mechanic, leaning back on the fender of an old model Packard, and lighting his safety pipe, "in queerness, I never saw any timer that could equal the one on the old two cylinder car at the back of the house."

"What is so peculiar about that particular timer?" asked the new driver, who didn't know the difference between a radiator and a carburetor, and who had no idea what the mechanic was talking about.

"Well," said the other, smiling a little as he reflected that the novice would soon repeat his words of wisdom to admiring friends, "You see, the piston rings in that one are made to slide in opposite directions, and pinion gears are made to run in the same direction. So you see that when the brakes are set ever so lightly, the mixture of gas becomes too rich, thus necessitating the frequent injection of grease into the spring-clips, and even at that, we have to change the tension on the wind-shield clamps, or the car would fly all to pieces when it is run over a hundred miles an hour."

"Uh—er—why, couldn't it be run under that speed all the time?" asked the novice tremulously.

"Not with any success in its present condition," replied the other. "You will notice that there is no steering gear on the car now."

"How peculiar", exclaimed the novice, angry at his own credulity, as he started home to mamma.

GUY D. JONES.





EDITORIAL



At the beginning of 1913 as we look over the events in connection with the S. M. T. N. we as students cannot but be proud of the advances of our school.

The great increase of the enrollment, necessitating the addition of several new members of our Faculty, the graduation of over one hundred students, and the construction of our new Industrial Arts building are items which count largely in our progress,—the inauguration of our correspondence work in which over sixty students are enrolled, bringing the Coburn Players to our campus for three most excellent productions of Shakespeare's plays, the opening of our shops and science laboratories for extension Saturday work—are other items which are mile stones in our advancement.

The production of the "Chimes of Normandy" by the Music Department given by eighty people—sixty of which chartered a car and made a week's tour of surrounding cities—with successful repetitions of the opera, the largest Summer school by far that we have ever had, and the development of a College foot ball team that proved their ability by meeting and defeating teams of College rank and playing our Missouri rival to the tune of an unheard of score of 52 to 0; these events are great advertisements; indications of the ability and class of our students.

Many incidentals, yet each a marked step in advance, may be mentioned, as the paving of our street and driveways, the organization of various Clubs such as the Domestic Science, Agricultural Industrial, etc., the new basis for Social and Literary Societies on which they must "shift" for themselves.

But the greatest event of the year is undoubtedly the adoption of the

degree course of study which necessitated an entire reorganization of our work. The degree being Bachelor of Arts, calls for the organization of new and higher grade classes adding opportunities for enrollment for special Histories, Calculus, new services, Eugenics, Philosophy of Literature, Special lines of Chemistry of Industrial work, higher grade English work, several languages, Historical and Economic Geographies, etc. A very interesting class in House Building has been organized, and preparations laid for a number of new Industrial class to be organized as soon as our new building may be utilized.

Do not the events of 1912 in the history of the S. M. T. N. "loom up" when they are considered?

And surely we may mention among the last but not least the establishment of a school paper—our "Manualite"—which we will rank with any College paper from a school of our size, and which we believe will bear comparison with papers of schools far older and experienced than we. Our grandmothers would advise us to knock on wood after that boast—So be it.

It would well pay any of our students to attend the Southeastern Kansas Teachers' Association at Parsons, next month. The speakers of National reputation of whom we have read, studied and discussed their books, and know only in print, are Prof. Clark of Chicago, Michael Monohan of New York City, Eugene Davenport, Supt. Kern and Charles McMurry of Illinois, and Miss Emma Davis of Ohio.

Among our chapel talks of the last month one speaker in his enthusiasm for the true worth of vocational education speaks of the time when the sciences and ologies

will have to come down to the level of the shops and work with them. There is no doubt of his meaning, but does it not more nearly express it to say that the shops or rather industry is being raised to the level of the sciences? No educator ever speaks of lowering the standards of science but there is a continual trend at the present time toward vocational education which is forcing a new definition of liberal culture. What was industry when she ignored science? The greatest industries of the world have been made possible only through science. And where they now work hand in hand there we have the greatest progress of the world. Germany is now considered the greatest industrial nation. The real place that industry has come to occupy in the nation's greatness is best expressed by Andrew S. Draper—quoted in the January issue of Vocational education. "The sure basis of a nation's strength is in industry as much as in intellect, and in skill as well as in resources. The assurance of a nation's greatness is the equipoise of the mental and manual activities." Do not lower the mental or intellectual standards but raise the manual and industrial activities to their level.

Gov. Hodges has expressed his views regarding appropriations for educational institutions and among other things said was that with the information he had at hand he would not recommend any more buildings for the State educational institutions. Dr. Myers is quite certain that the Governor has not enough information about the S. M. T. N. and he intends to see that before the final recommendations of the Governor are made, he has an abundance of information about the S. M. T. N. Can we not help to spread the glad tidings so that more people may be informed?

Beginning with the January issue of the Manualite we shall publish each month an article by a college student who is doing degree work.

We are not only a student paper but wish to represent especially college students. These articles are to be popular treatises on some phase of the work in which the writer is majoring for his degree. In the issue the article is entitled "The Migration of Birds."

As the new term begins and we are enrolling for the last semester, don't forget that spring is coming and with it a great many possibilities that cause us to wish—"O, if I only had more time." Do not fill your program so full now that you have no time for some of the spring activities that mean so much in our school life. Just now when we are spending so much time in door, for a few weeks we may carry heavy class work, but don't plan too much on the "now" for Spring and a wider horizon are not far off.

The Manualite staff are justly proud of the "neurology" of the two students who borrowed copies of the Christmas number, and after reading them thoroughly, very religiously returned them in such a condition that they could not have been sold to the junk dealer. Although the business force are busy now keeping up the finances, still we will loan you the fifteen cents rather than put you to the trouble of preserving and returning the coveted copy.

S. M. T. N. will be the center of a big Tri-State event Jan. 30-31, as the Second Annual Interstate Corn and Poultry Show will be held here on those dates. M. Castleberry of McCune, Kansas, appears on the program of the Poultry Round Table. Mrs. Fred Wheeler, who is now attending Normal, will speak on the subject "The Economic Use of Meat" at the Home Economics Round Table.

Mrs. Wheeler's better half, Hon. F. B. Wheeler, appears on the program as presiding officer at the closing exercises of the show.



SOCIETY



NORMAL DANCE.

On Friday night, January 10th, the boys of the Normal put on their best bibs and tuckers, shined their shoes, massaged their faces to perfection and took their lady-loves to the first School Dance given this year.

The dance was a decided success, or at least the girls say so and they are the ones we try to please. The night was ideal, the floor in good condition, the music beautiful. What more could possibly be needed to make a successful dance? We also had a very polite young man present who, in the course of a dance, insisted in prostrating himself upon the floor before the young lady with whom he was dancing. The young lady promptly assisted him to his feet and he was soon gracefully dancing on as before. The young man performed his little ceremony with all the elements of distinction and grace, and although some present were inclined to smile. I'm certain that they wouldn't have if they had known that he were from another city, namely Coffeyville, where perhaps their manners are slightly different from ours.

No, I won't name the young man because he is very modest and it might embarrass him to have his name in print. There were two moonlight dances during which a number of interesting incidents may have happened, but which were not noticeable because of the dimness of the moon which did not shine as brightly as usual. We had two extras, one of which was a tag two-step. Every one seemed to enjoy this, especially Mr. Midcap, although he didn't quite understand the rules of the game and kept on dancing with Miss McGarvey, no matter how many times he was tagged. But such incidents through the

evening helped to amuse the crowd and everyone had a good time.

Prof. C. Guy Hoover and wife chaperoned the dance and did a discreet and highly satisfactory job of it. We shall call on them next time.

The dance consisted of 18 dances and two extras, which were finished by 1:00 A. M.

The Normal boys mean to make these dances a regular occurrence at least, once a month.

ALPHA FORENSIC CLUB.

Constitution.

ARTICLE I.

The name of this organization shall be Alpha Forensic Club.

ARTICLE II.

The object of this club shall be drill in debate and parliamentary law.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1. The membership of this club shall not exceed twelve.

Section 2. The membership may be increased, provided there are not more than two dissenting votes.

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1. The officers of this club shall be a President, a Vice President and a Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 2. They shall constitute the executive committee, which shall have power to transact all business of the club not otherwise specified; and whose duty it shall be to act conjointly with a committee from the faculty for the purpose of arranging debates with other institutions.

Section 3. The general duties of these officers shall be those usually performed by such officers in legally organized bodies.

Section 4. They shall be elected by ballot and shall serve ten weeks.

ARTICLE V.

All amendments shall be presented in writing, and a two-thirds majority of the total membership shall be necessary to affect any change in the constitution or by-laws

By-Laws

ARTICLE I.

Any man who is a regularly enrolled student of this institution is eligible to membership.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. Any member of this club, absent from any regular meeting of same without an excuse deemed reasonable by a majority of the members present at the session from which said member was absent, shall be fined twenty-five cents for the first offense; for the second offense he shall be expelled from the club and another elected to fill the vacancy.

Section 2. The above rule shall apply in the case of a member continually failing in the performance of any other duty.

ARTICLE III.

In parliamentary disputes the club shall be guided by "Robert's Rules of Order."

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1. Meetings for debates, parliamentary drill and similar work shall be held regularly once each week throughout the school year.

Section 2. A system of rotation in office shall be employed, whereby, in twelve consecutive meetings, each member shall have once been chairman, once secretary and once critic; three times a judge and six times a debater, but the regularly elected officers shall officiate at all business sessions.

ARTICLE V.

Duly elected officers, before assuming their respective duties, and after the reading of the Constitution and By-Laws, shall answer the following questions in the affirmative:

1. In all matters pertaining to the Alpha Forensic Club, do you promise to be governed by the constitution and by-laws of the same?
2. Do you promise, as far as you

are able, to promote the best interests of the club?

The following officers have been elected to serve for the ensuing ten weeks:

PresidentG. S. Skinner
Vice PresidentI. J. Pierson
Secretary-TreasurerJ. H. Meyer

CHAPEL TALK.

An unusual chapel talk was given by Prof. Elzinga, Friday, January 10th., in which he gave his views of an ideal school—"a school for life, where the students learn by doing." In this school, the students center upon one trade, thus becoming masters in their profession. Such a school can become an actuality only through the combined efforts of the student body, the alumni and faculty—all working toward one aim—the training of teachers for the Industrial and Domestic Arts.

MUSICAL PROGRAM.

The Annual Concert, by the students of the Music Department and the Glee Clubs was given Monday night, December 16th. The piano numbers were well given and enjoyed by all.

The selections by the Polymnia Club and Male Glee Club were enjoyed as usual and the audience was very much pleased with the encores which were given.

Owing to the unexpected illness of Miss McFarland several numbers on the program had to be changed as she had a solo and an obligato to the (a) number given by the Male Glee Club.. The boys gave another selection in the place of the one that was omitted and on the whole the audience was well pleased.

PORTERIANS WON.

The Porterians are very much elated over the fact that they won the Dramatic Art contest. This contest was held on the evening of Dec. 20th, and the last event of the year before the Christmas holidays.

The chapel was decorated with the different society colors and well filled with students, faculty and friends of the school.

During the evening the Porterians freed four white pigeons wearing the Porterian colors, red and white. They flew around the chapel and displayed their colors as if they had been trained.

The Porterians staged Scene two, Act three of "Midsummer Night's Dream" from Shakespeare. The scene was well given and those who won honors for the Porterians were:

Grace Adamson	Helen
Alice Gill	Hermina
G. D. Jones	Lysander
James H. Branham	Demetrius

The home of Dr. and Mrs. Myers was the scene of much enjoyment on the evening of Dec. 30th, when they entertained the last year's students who are teaching this year.

Dr. Meyers read the name, location and occupation of each of last year's class. This was very much appreciated.

During the evening each one was asked to give some experience

which had happened in their school and many amusing incidents were related. This led to "that reminds me" in which each one took part and caused much merriment.

Later in the evening Mrs. Myers served a dainty buffet lunch and everyone present had a pleasant time, being very glad to meet their old friends and classmates again.

THE OPERA.

The opera as chosen by the Music Department to be about the first of March of this year will be "Erminie", a copyrighted play for which a heavy royalty will have to be paid.

Several of the stars of the "Mikado" and "The Chimes" will take part, namely: Eula McFarland, Harold Crowell, James Branham, Dwight Pomeroy, etc.

It is expected that it will cost about \$600 to put on the production as compared with \$500 which the "Chimes" cost. The costumes alone will cost \$180..

A complete description will be given in the next issue of the Manualite.

S. M. T. N. at the S. E. Teachers Association

Miss Lillian Potter, County Superintendent of Linn County, is to talk of "Methods of Conducting Teachers' Reading Circle."

At the general session of Thursday, 6th, Prof. D. M. Bowen is slated for an address entitled, "The Teachers' College."

Others appearing on the program and officiating over the exercises follow

Prof. C. Guy Hoover, Judge on Musical Contests.

Miss Marshall, subject: "Teaching the Distribution of a \$500 income and Dietic Standards for this income."

Miss Franc B. Hancock, subject: "How Can We Teach Girls to Select Good Materials and to Dress in Good Taste?"

Misses Calla Leeka and Pearl Garrison, of Pittsburg High School, leaders of general discussion of the Domestic Science and Art Round Table.

Prof. Hoover, subject: "The importance and the Neglect of Foundational Work in our Public School Music."

Marvin Miller, Chairman of Manual Training Round Table.



ALUMNI



S. M. T. N. Alumni Get National Publicity

S. M. T. N. is being mentioned in papers and periodicals of national circulation. This shows the extent of our growth. A few years ago Normal publicity was a matter of local extent. Now the school is being recognized by the newspapers over the state and even over the nation. All due credit for this must be given to our original sponsors at home, who have nurtured us in our infancy and are now our firm, fast friends. Among these, especially, should be mentioned "The Pittsburg Daily Headlight," one of the largest papers of Kansas, which circulates over a very large district in the vicinity of Pittsburg. This paper has a large subscription list which means a family of readers of between 30,000 and 40,000 people.

While we feel justly proud that our Alma Mater and her students are being mentioned in such national papers as the "Manual Training Magazine" and Bryan's "Commoner" we also take this method of acknowledging our deep appreciation of those who are with us, not only upon extraordinary occasions, but in sunshine and storm.

Favorites of the Teaching Profession.

The labor of the Teaching Profession is arduous, its responsibility is great, its opportunity for doing good (or evil) is beyond measurement, but its pay is slim, the Alumni may think and these are not mere opinions, but facts brought out by The Russell Sage Foundation which has just completed an investigation of the public school system of the country. Among the results which

they published is the fact that in eighteen of the forty-eight states the average daily wage is less than \$1 per day. In just five states is it more than \$2 per day.

Of course there are exceptions in the matter of compensation and most of the S. M. T. N. Alumni are among these happy exceptions. Our school occupies a unique position which partly accounts for much of our good fortune. But the "Spirit of S. M. T. N.," the spirit of enthusiasm and appreciation for work, has elicited many voluntary compliments for us from School Boards, Superintendents and Principals.

Complimentary.

The Editor of this department, while at Topeka recently, made the acquaintance of Prof. J. W. Harberson, Superintendent of Perry, Kansas. Supt. Harberson spoke very highly of Miss Veta Alexander, saying she was one of the best teachers under him and was making good. Miss Alexander has charge of Domestic Science.

It is reported that Miss Martha Trinder and Mr. George Lortz are as popular and well liked at Great Bend as they were at Normal. Which goes to further prove that Mr. Davis and May Day Klock are very good judges. May the young ladies' school-marm days be short and their wedded days be long and happy.

Mr. Luman H. Alberty of Halstead, Kansas, has popularized in his community the type of education for which S. M. T. N. stands to such an extent that he has been offered several positions in other central Kansas towns in order to install Manual Training Departments in their respective High Schools.

Holiday Notes.

Miss Bernice Swain, a Missouri girl, visited Miss Maude Nickell of Joplin, Mo., a number of days during the Holiday season. Both young ladies graduated in 1912. Miss Swain is taking post-graduate work at S. M. T. N., while Miss Nickell is teaching under her father in the Joplin schools.

Mr. Will French, brother of Miss Eileen French, who teaches in our English Department, spent his vacation at home in Pittsburg. He is Physical Director in the High School at Winfield. Mr. French took work last summer at S. M. T. N. in the Physical Training Department under Prof. Fisher.

Frank E. Dorsey, one of the old Commerce, took Mary Sears around to parties, picture shows, etc., during the Christmas season. It reminded one of old times.

Chas. Parrish visited Mrs. Lilly Young of Kansas, Okla., during vacation. While, there he went on numerous hunting expeditions. Charles reports that there are "lots" of pretty Indian maidens in Oklahoma. This might be a suggestion to some of the young men who have hard luck around S. M. T. N.

Mr. Lisle Smith, who is taking work at Manhattan, spent the vacation at Pittsburg with home folks. Lisle is surely becoming fine looking. He had no sooner struck Normal than Miss Hattie Scott dunned him for a box of chocolates. Alas! Alas! Even the gifts of nature prove costly.

Dick Hill, one of the speediest typists and stenographers turned out by the S. M. T. N. Department of Commerce, was in Pittsburg for the Christmas holidays. Mr. Hill is attending College at Kansas City, Mo. It is a sad duty to perform but we must set Mr. Hill up as a "horrible example." He strayed away from Normal and that old

maxim, "Absence makes the heart grow fonder" don't seem to be holding good in his case. Come back to Normal, Dick. She is worth your while!

Miss Nadine Rankin, who is teaching Domestic Science and Art at Halstead, Kansas, had the misfortune to be on the sick list during most of the holidays. She is well now and back at school.

Mr. Harold Crowell gets the prize this month for being first aid to the Alumni Editor. Some of you other folks get busy and send some NEWS.

Lawrence Wheeler, who teaches at Falls City, Neb., was visiting home folks. We were all glad to see our old friend Lawrence.

"Red" Dudley and Florence Crawford were in Pittsburg during vacation. Two weeks is a mighty short time under the circumstances.

"Teddy" Tewell, another familiar veteran, and Miss Veda Bushey were back for the holidays.

Halliday Curran, who traveled extensively in the west after leaving Normal, is now a student of the Cumberland Law School in Tennessee. Mr. Curran was home in Pittsburg during vacation and met many of his old acquaintances and school fellows.

Familiar Faces at Normal.

J. E. Myers, a graduate of S. M. T. N., who has taught as a teacher of Commerce, is back with us taking Post graduate work.

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Bernice Swain is taking Post graduate work, centering on the History Course.

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Lester Reaveley, of '11 class, was heard from lately. He is in El Paso, Texas.

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Murat Powell, the slowest of the slow and of class of '11, is located at Marshall, Texas.

Clifford Stevenson was home Xmas. He reported favorably and also that he saw "Dix" De Witt, of class '12, in Dallas, Texas. Strange wasn't it?

Dana Reed and Otis Burns were seen gazing at Russ Hall in a yearning manner while they were home Xmas. Evidently pedagogical and frivolous student life don't compare with the days of yore.

Prof. Hoover's father mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Hoover, are visiting him and expect to stay the rest of the winter and spring.

Mrs. Hoover's brother, Mr. Chas. Kein, spent part of the holidays in Pittsburg and with Prof. Hoover, went on a hunting trip to Arkansas. While there they killed a wild cat.

Dr. Dellinger gave a lecture at Hepler, Friday evening, Jan. 10.

Prof. Trout gave a talk to the Frontenac school, Jan. 14th.

Prof. Bowen attended the inauguration of Gov. Hodges at Topeka.

Alumni and Manualites to Have Reunion.

On February, Thursday 6th, and Friday, 7th, the S. E. Kansas Teachers' Association will meet at Parsons. There is a good sized colony of S. M. T. N. people in Parsons and vicinity. Mr. Marvin Miller who teaches Manual at that city has been in communication with Dr. Myers and arrangements are well under way to have a general reunion and banquet during the session.

This will be an opportunity to have a talk feast which of course, we will appreciate. And in words with which we are all familiar "it will advertise our school."

Chas. Davis and Helen Payne are members of the committee of banquet preparation of which Mr. Miller is chairman. Anyone wishing special information concerning the proposed banquet can get same from

the chairman of the committee at Parsons or from Dr. Myers.

The Toast program follows:

"The New A. B. Course," by Prof. Yates.

"The Only One of its Kind," Prof. Bowen.

"How Can We Best Serve Our Alma Mater?" Odis Burns.

"S. M. T. N. as View From Other Institutions," Prof. Shirk.

"S. M. T. N. New Spirit and Ideals." Miss Geo. Castleberry.

The S. M. T. N. Faculty and Alumni are well represented at the S. E. Kansas Teachers' Association to be held at Parsons soon.

Hattie Campbell and her brother were visitors in Pittsburg during the vacation.

Myrtle Smith, who teaches primary work in Lucas, Kansas, was home in Pittsburg for the holidays.

Maud Harlan was seen coming down from Kansas City with a MAN sitting at her feet. We never did want to see Maud be an old maid.

Jas. McCreary spent part of his holidays with home folks at Hastings, Neb. "Mac" always arrives late at both ends. Kansas City is a hard place for Mac to get out of for some little reason.

Prof. Virgil Cook, principal of the High School at Comanche, Okla., visited with his parents and friends in Pittsburg and vicinity. Cook has a pretty stiff position so we understand and is making good, as proof of this fact it is known that he received an unsolicited increase in salary at the opening of the new year.

Adeline Rogers, who is teaching in Nebraska, was in Pittsburg during the vacation.

Merle Smith came to Pittsburg on a business trip during vacation.



An Ode to the Normal Profs.
 That man of tall and stately mein
 Who oft appears upon the scene,
 Whose learned look the school de-
 sires,
 Is his royal highness, Geo. F.
 Myers..
 But who's this youth with steady
 tread,
 With firm set jaw and shaggy head?
 "Sheppy," by all the students called,
 We hope that head will ne'er grow
 bald.
 That man with smile and ruddy
 cheek,
 We know could talk for one whole
 week—
 Prof. Bowen of the Model School,
 We're up to snuff when he's in rule.
 Dr. D. is a man beloved by germs,
 By toads, and frogs, and woolly
 worms.
 He knows their habits very well,
 And how to treat them he can tell.
 To that dark man that's stoutly
 built,
 I pray you listen, if thou wilt.
 For if you to him your ear incline
 You'll hear that well known,
 Fine! Fine! Fine!
 Prof. Shirk is a man on the step-
 ladder style,
 But he really looks pleasant if you
 get him to smile.
 At mechanics and physics he sure
 is a shark
 And he acts as if chemistry was a
 great lark.
 Hark, hear the dulcet voice so sweet,
 Aided by gestures quite complete;
 Come, let us woo the vocal muse,
 Till C. Guy, despairing, turns us
 loose.
 Mr. Brower has truly an artistic
 soul,
 He can draw a white cow with a
 piece of charcoal.

Prof. looks like a person with
 thoughts in the skies—
 He has flowing black hair and
 dreamy dark eyes.
 Prof. Scheib is the man who shows
 us how
 WE can live on a farm with a pig,
 horse, and cow.
 Other wonderful things he can do
 just as well,
 And he always is out when we start
 the school yell.
 Bumann and Butler can certainly do
 good,
 When it comes to making fine
 things out of wood.
 And if anyone wants a box, board,
 or nail,
 It's to one of these men they go
 without fail.
 We have a professor in our school
 named Bragg,
 And at arguing he never will lag.
 For other parties he has little use
 Since he changed his belief and is
 now a "Bull Moose."
 For our German professor we have
 nothing but praise,
 He sits and chews gum throughout
 his days.
 Around this dear man the girls go
 in flocks,
 They cry: "It's Wrigleys, buy it by
 the box."
 Professor Johns is a sturdy youth,
 And if you ask I'll tell the truth—
 He talks like a lawyer and looks like
 a boy,
 So he is, to us, a very great joy.
 There is a man named Carr who is
 so wondrous wise
 He works out many problems by Xs
 and Ys;
 But there is one serious problem
 that he soon will have to meet,
 And it's I's (eyes) he'll have to work
 with or he's bound for a defeat.

Musgrave is the man that teaches
to draw

Machinery wheels with teeth like a
saw.

He's one of the teachers we like to
have near

When we start to lay out a freak
bevel gear.

There are two professors I'd like to
give fame,

But 'twould take angle worms to fit
to their name.

To pronounce them is one thing I'd
like to do right

But whenever I try it sounds like a
fight.

Then last but not least comes our
friend Dr. Lee:

We oft hear that remark, "He's
too deep for me."

Whether shallow or deep we shall
raise the question,

For fear it might injure the reader's
digestion.

And now, Professors, dear and true,
the time has come to cease;

I hope that you are not inclined to
call out the police.

And so with bows and scrapes, to
you this ode I now submit,

Hoping you will never know the one
that's written it.

The most exciting thing at the
"White House" this last week was
our chilli supper. Special stunts
were pulled off for entertainment.

If Eph came along would Nell
Brent—linger?

Heard in the Library.

Pauling: Why is it that fat men
are always jokes? It certainly is
true that nobody loves a fat man.

Nellie: Why, Guy, it isn't either,
you know I like you.

A tall person comes rushing into
building ten minutes late, looking
wild eyed and dangerous—every
morning—but don't be alarmed—
it's none other—but Alice McClean.

Hay: How is it that all the girls
run after Midcap, and run away
when I come around.

Hall: Why man you can't help

it, your name's Dennis, that's all.

Miss Athea Smith is an authority
on all kinds of alarm clocks.

I suppose it was a hard day on
handkerchiefs the day Mr. Gray
left for Mississippi.

May the Manualite advise that
that out of chapel talk by Mr. John-
son meant to quit jollies instead of
practicing them in the present.

May we also suggest that even
week night dates—strolls—and loaf-
ing are classed with draw poker.

As Prof. Scheib was calmly sleep-
ing New Year's eve he was awak-
ened by a great clamor. Jumping
out of bed he pulled on his clothes
preparatory to fighting fire. He
flew out of the door and up toward
the Normal in order to save his
books. Imagine his feeling when
someone shouted "Happy New Year."

Mr. Yates: "For what degree are
you working, Miss Helman?"

Maud H: "Why a M. R. S. degree,
sir."

Mr. Yates: "Oh, that's fine, fine."

From the number of diamonds
that are flashing around the Normal
it looks as though we might lose
some of our students—and faculty
as well.

He: "Do you think that my lips
could be surpassed?"

She: "Oh, I don't know, I would
put mine against them any time."

Miss Gill's New Mexico Friend:
"I thought you were going to a
girl's seminary."

Miss Gill: "No, it is a boys'
cemetery."

JUNIOR ITEMS.

Miss Mary Stewart left at the
close of the term to fill a vacancy
in the school at Rosedale. The
Junior class in very sorry to lose
one of it's number.

One of the wittiest productions of last month was J. H. Myers' poem entitled "That cream-colored Mustache that Salathiel (Snyder) grew."

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The Junior class is proud of the variety of ability that is shown by its members. Miss Margaret Coventry has been assistant in Beginning Chemistry during the past term. She is now helping in the Food Chemistry.

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Miss Helen Allison has charge of a Domestic Art class in the High School Department, while Miss Bernice Swain holds a like position in the History Department.

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Miss Anna Marriott assists in the Domestic Science.

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Mr. A. B. Steele has accepted a position as an assistant in the Biology department for the coming term. He will have charge of the class in General Biology.

FRESHMAN NOTES.

Miss Esther Gable enjoyed the Christmas vacation, visiting friends in Altamont, Kansas.

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Miss Hazel Carl spent the holidays at her home in Ft. Scott.

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Mr. Sexton thinks that some things can never become habits, no matter how we do them—such as studying psychology.

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Miss Mabel Martin visited in Lamar during the vacation.

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Miss Mitchell and Miss Pierce spent the holidays at their home in Galena, Missouri.

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Although a cat may run after a rat by instinct, Mr. Woodin believes the chief reason for its doing so is to catch it.

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Mr. Holman enjoyed the holidays at his home in Wellington, Kansas.

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Prof. Yates introduced a new term to his Chemistry class the other day. He said, "Now these comical chempounds" etc.

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Miss Eva Ross spent the second week of the vacation visiting friends in Parsons.

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Mr. Guy Jones spent the holidays at his home in Oklahoma City.

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Miss McGee was at her home in Kansas City during the holidays.

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Miss White spent Christmas at her home in Parsons.

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Dr. Lee: "Do we always hear things larger than they are?"

Miss Piece: "It depends- entirely upon how often they have been told."

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Miss Emery visited in Mulvane, Kansas, during the vacation.

At Faculty Meeting.

The Lord High Executioner took his accustomed place. The Semi-God moved his spectacles. The Philosopher observed the cracks in the floor. The Soarer calmly watched his fellows. The Nifty One twirled his mustache. The wind-jammer crossed his knees. The one with "de goods" nervously shook his head. The child smiled. The gossip whispered to her neighbor. The Beloved pushed back that lock of hair. The Important One sat upright. The Musical Jew held his foot in hand. The Lecturer solemnly looked at her companions. The Satirical One folded her arms. The Busy One observed the electrical fixtures. The Cook looked happy. The Fairy Queen had on her prettiest pose. The Detective sat uneasy upon his chair. The Kind One looked innocent. The Hopeful One looked demure. The Progressive rubbed his hands eager for the opening words. The Fanatic was not even seen (but he wanted to be).

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Where's our Fat Boy?—Oh, Guy!

Guy! come home to your wondering brothers.

Don't get over anxious Midcap—that new girl will come allright. But beware after she's here. You know the new ones are popular.

Don't worry about the exams they'll get here on time O. K.

It's pleasure enough to stall 'em
In every day class recitation,
But what girl or boy sees any joy
In a mid-term examination.

I sat in bed at midnight
Burning the midnight oil,
And my roommate's snores keep urging
Me to stay awake and toil.

Miss Owen: "What picture comes to your mind when I mention arrows and quivers?"

Miss J. (just back from home): "Cupid!"

Miss Owen: "Class, that's a good example apperception."

If Johnny Mc Leaves, will it Swatt Mulligan?

Dr. Lee: "What is the head made of, Mr. Jones?"

Mr. Jones, (wakened from a day dream) "All bone I guess."

Dr. Lee: "We are not discussing bone-heads."

In English History.

Prof. Trout: "What became of the Irish after the potato famine?"

Mr. Bobe: "Most of them died and emigrated to America."

Miss Eva Hurley was called home Wednesday on account of the death of her aunt.

Pat Crowell spent part of his vacation visiting in Arkansas City and Winfield, returning home in time for school.

Good resolves are great, especially if you let your Prof. know 'em in time to save you from the mid-term exams.

Be it ever so humble, be glad that you got it—So glad that you'll get on your prayer bones and thank the good Lord that it wasn't a flunk.

Miss Fra Bicknell will not be with us until the Spring term, as she has accepted a position as teacher in her home town.

Two young ladies were standing before the program board making out their list of subjects for the new term. "And who teaches Household Accounting?" said one to the other. "That young bachelor, John," was the answer. "Humph", was the thoughtful exclamation as they both passed down the hall.

Pat and Leonora on one of their picnics to Spring River, having hired a livery rig were at a loss to know how to get the bride on to the horse. Finally, having given up in despair, Leonora solved the difficulty by saying: "Why Pat, we can sit down and wait 'till he yawns."

Alarm Clock: A contaminated congestion consisting of cursed klangs, and constituted considerably in comparison to a Chinese puzzle. (Especially when you try to turn it off by wishing.)

Fresh: "Is it through the sound that you associate "duck" and "Doc?"

Enlightened Soph: "Yes, kid, a certain sound called footsteps."

Ice: A hard substance that does plunder this venerable world of it's dignity.

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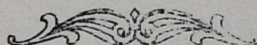
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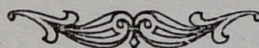
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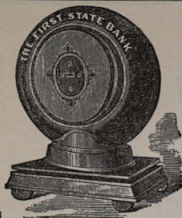
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