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Commemoration Day

Thirty-third Anniversary

COLLEGE AUDITORIUM Friday, March 27, 1936



Kansas State Teachers College Pittsburg, Kansas

The Apple Story

Once upon a time, in the year 1907 to be specific, a group of public spirited citizens from Pittsburg elected themselves to membership in the third house of the Kansas Legislature. The purpose of this movement was to get an appropriation of funds sufficient to construct a building to house the State Manual Training Normal school which was then struggling for existence in Pittsburg.

This group of "lobbyists" stayed right on the job until the appropriation was secured.

The members of the legislature, in order to get some measure of reward for their part in the program, fined the Pittsburg men a barrel of apples.

This gave the students of S. M. T. N. an idea and one morning at chapel a motion was made by a student that the faculty be fined enough apples to supply at least one to each member of the student body. The motion was seconded by a student and all students present voted "aye." Motion carried.

The action taken by that student body on that memorable morning in 1907 has become a tradition and each succeeding year has seen the fine assessed and the penalty paid.

The box or two of apples necessary to supply that early student body has had to be multiplied many times to meet present day demands but so long as the students will assess the fine the faculty must pay the penalty and will do so gladly.

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