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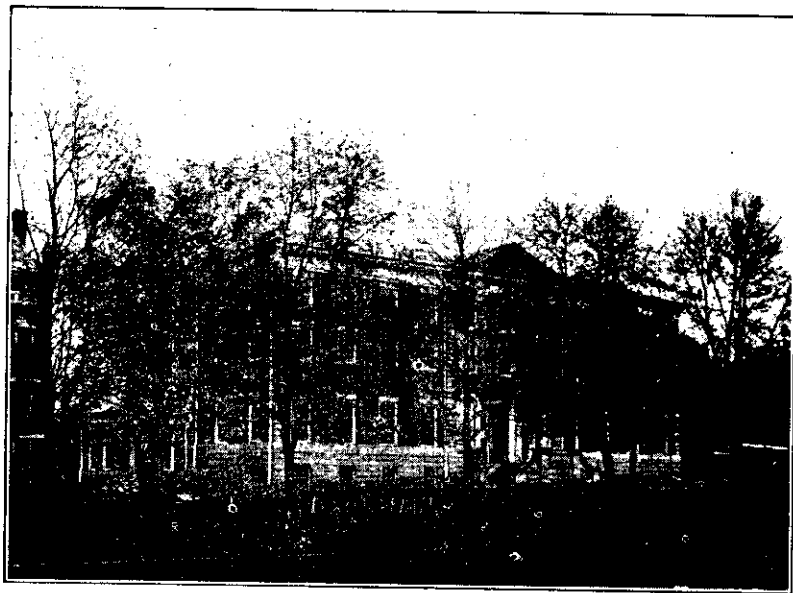
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DIXON HALL.

NORMAL NOTES.

Good bye till the maple leaves begin to turn.

The next NORMAL REVIEW will be issued about September 30.

If you like the REVIEW, tell your friends about it.

Please remember that we do not know about the change in your post-office address unless you tell us.

Kindly remember that we cannot tell the people about your marriage or death unless we hear from you.

Some of our subscribers do not seem to know that we furnish both the REVIEW and the *Cosmopolitan* a whole year for only one dollar and twenty cents.

The State Board will meet at the Normal to hold the annual examination on Wednesday, June 12. Following are the members: Acting Principal Chas. A. McMurry, Principal E. Oram Lyte of Millersville, Supt. E. M. Rapp of Berks county, Supt. Wm. Evans of Columbia county, Supt. J. H. Reber of Waynesboro, Supt. J. W. Sweeney of Elk county, Supt. Chas. Lose of Williamsport, Supt. Frank

P. Hopper of Luzerne county, and Deputy State Superintendent Tietrick.

In speaking of the teachers choice of companions, Sarah Arnold says:

The teacher should choose for herself the best and highest companionships, for the children's sake as well as for her own. Her associations should be always pure and ennobling. Nor should this be limited to her chosen companions and friends. She can make to herself companions of nobler thoughts. The best that has been thought and spoken has been lived by some life. Our own ideal is shaped out of the best that we have known, have read, have seen.

Mr. Charles F. Morse spent Sunday, May 5, together with Dr. Noss and family in the old city of Chartres, attending service in its famous cathedral.

The visit to the Normal made recently by Dr. John W. Cooke of the DeKalb Normal, Illinois, was an event of much importance in the life of the school. Dr. Cook is a man who has looked on every side of Normal school questions and he understands them thoroughly. His talks to our teachers and students were instructive and inspiring. While here he was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. McMurry.

The Roscoe schools closed May 3 with a delightful entertainment given in Vorwarts Hall. The pupils, under the direction of Miss Romaine Billingsley, gave "The Pixies Triumph." Mr. W. W. Wilson is principal of schools. He can justly be proud of his work.

Dr. Noss visited six Normal schools the week of May sixth; two at Chartres, two at Blois, and two at Orleans. Each of these towns has a Normal school for boys and one for girls.

Professor Frank Alonzo Hildebrand, class of '96, formerly a teacher in the Normal, was married April 27 to Miss Inez Marle Patin of Breaux Bridge, La.

The many friends of Professor Hildebrand extend congratulations.

Miss Mabel Long, class of '99, has just finished a course of study in the New Haven School of Gymnastics. In a contest held recently Miss Long won many points. She will teach the delightful art of swimming at Chautauqua this summer after which she will take up her work as a teacher in the Swarthmore Preparatory School. We congratulate Miss Long on her successful career as student and teacher.

Dr. Herman T. Lukens, head training teacher in our Model school, has recently been elected to a similar position in the Colonel Francis Parker School, Chicago. This school was made famous by the late Col. Parker and is supported by Mrs. Emmons Blaine. Our people do not want to lose Dr. Lukens, but they feel that he is called to a great work which perhaps he ought to accept.

Miss Ethel O. Wakefield, class of '05, was married May 15 to Rev. Harry B. Mansell. Rev. and Mrs. Mansell have decided to devote their lives to missionary work and have selected Singapore as their place for work. They will set sail early in September.

We are in receipt of a neatly written poem composed by Miss Mary M. Malcolm of Uniontown, class of '02. It is entitled "Thoughts," and exhibits considerable poetic genius.

The dinner given by the school, Saturday evening, May 25, to celebrate Hon. Frank Craven's return from his duties at Harrisburg to take up his work in the Normal was an enjoyable affair. It was made the occasion of some interesting speeches. Dr. McMurry acted as toastmaster. Short addresses were made by Professor G. G. Hertzog, Dr. Ehrenfeld, Miss Lilley, and Mr. Craven. Mr. Cornell led the crowd in the singing of two popular airs.

Among the visitors present were most of the faculty and several of the local trustees.

The A. Flannagan company of Chicago, have just issued the third edition of Miss Thomas's First Year Book. This book is deservedly popular, and we feel sure that each succeeding year will increase its popularity as the book becomes more widely known. The new edition has been carefully revised and several new illustrations appear.

Let us hope that, even if the age is materialistic, our teachers will strive earnestly for the highest ideals and the best things. In the struggle for higher wages and better places, let us not forget that he who exerts the widest influence for good is the best teacher. As teachers we cannot count our reward in the shape of a large bank account, but rather in the shape of permanent results of which we can see only the beginnings.

A Word of Greeting From the Principal.

ORLEANS, FRANCE, MAY 11, 1907.

Dear Normal Review:

From the old city of Orleans I send a word of greeting to the officers, faculty, and students of the Normal school. I am reminded that the school year at home is drawing to a close. Judging from the reports that have reached me, the year has been one of the most successful in the school's history. I anticipated that it would be, and am gratified that my expectations have been fully realized. I congratulate you all upon the results achieved, and now ask your co-operation in an effort to do as well next year, if possible, even better.

Naturally, I count much on what our fine new building, Dixon Hall, will do for us in the way of larger and better facilities and greater comfort, but my hopes for the school's growth and improvement are based far more on the old-

time liberality of our trustees, efficiency of our faculty and the ability and loyalty of our students. With such a combination of favoring conditions we should be able to make next year one of marked growth and prosperity.

In packing our trunks for the home voyage, Mrs. Noss and I have not forgotten to put in a good supply of inspiration for the coming year.

My thanks and congratulations are especially due to Dr. McMurry, the acting principal, for his very able management during the past year.

Yours very truly,

THEO. B. NOSS.

Virgil's Normaleid.

BY ALLEY ORCUS, '015.

Arma Virumque scribo who first to the Normal did come,

Fato profugus from Brownsville U. S. A.

Ile iactatus multum on the Monongahela river

Ob iram librarian et professor of physics.

O Musa, mihi causas memorae why

Grimsem, Wrightem, et Jonesem,

Et also Englem, Waltonem, and Martin,

Driven by fate from the campus were led

To mourn the why of the wherefore.

Urbs antiqua fuit nunc California named,

Pulchra with muddy streets and beautiful palm trees.

Hic was a school called Normultificabantur,

Multae puellae and several pueri went there,

It was a glorious place et, mirabile dictu,

Multi spooneribus holders con amore filled,

McMurrybus scattered them quickly, finem there was in a minute,

Multa dicere there is not, hence dixi, yes, dixi.

Count Switzer—Waiter, I can't eat that chicken. Where did you get it—at a rummage sale?

Waiter—No, sah. We had dat chicken in stock long befo' rummage sales war eber invented.—*Judge.*

Mrs. Hix—I don't believe in these faith cures brought about by the laying on of hands.

Mrs. Dix—Well, I do; I cured my little boy of the cigarette habit in that way.

Emma E. Elmer.

The death of Miss Elmer was indeed a sad event in the history of the class of '07. It was known for some time that her health was not the best, but no one dreamed that her time of departure was so near at hand as it proved to be. One morning her cheerful face was missing from the interesting crowds of students that come from the down-river towns. Soon the news came of her severe illness and death. Several members of the faculty and nearly all the members of the



MISS EMMA E. ELMER.

senior class attended the memorial services which were held at her parents' residence, Belle Vernon, Pa., Wednesday, May 6.

Miss Elmer will not soon be forgotten. Although she was quiet in deportment and modest in all her ways, she nevertheless was a young woman of strong personality. Her natural cheerfulness made her life a positive influence for good. Her record as a student is excellent. Her work was always well done. Now that she has left us, we wish for her

"Sleep that no pain shall wake,
Night that no morn shall break,
Till joy shall overtake
Her perfect peace."

Next Year's Lecture Course.

Much care has been exercised by the committee in selecting the attractions for next year's course. It is likely as nearly ideal as a course can be. Early in November the MacDonald concert company will

open the course. MacDonald, the noted comedian baritone, brings with him a company of artists, including Rose Ford the celebrated violinist who studied five years under Witek in Berlin, Germany. In December the orator George R. Wendling, of Illinois, will deliver his great lecture on Unseen Realities. In January we shall again have the pleasure of hearing and seeing Alton Packard, who closed our last year's course in such a delightful manner. He will come with a new lecture and new pictures. Dr. Thomas E. Green, everywhere a favorite, will come in February with his "Key to the Twentieth Century." In April Edward Elliott, the wonderful story teller, will close the course with "The Lion and the Mouse." Some one has said that this is the most human, vital, thrilling story ever presented on the American platform. Yes: this is a course with no weak number in it. We believe it will prove the most popular ever given at the Normal.

JUNIOR SOCIETY NOTES.

Just as nature has attained her perfection and beauty this month the Junior Society has reached its height in literary work. This may be attributed in part to the earnest work of our new members who have taken part quite willingly.

On the evening of May 4th the Society tendered a reception to the students of the Normal School. An interesting literary program was rendered, after which a delicious luncheon was served. The remainder of the evening was given to social entertainment. The reception was well attended.

The general debates have created an unusual amount of interest this month. Two splendid orations were given by Mr West and Mr. Styche. The average attendance has been larger this month than any previous one. The play given by Mae Hack-

ney on May 17 was much enjoyed by all. On the evening of May 24 Mr. Hammond favored the Society with one of his most heartily appreciated selections. The vocal solo by Charlotte Elgin on the same evening was especially good. Although our school term is drawing to a close, the Juniors have kept up their literary spirit. We hope that next year Clio and Philo will receive a large number of our members.

MARGARET J. MCKELVIE,
Reporter.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

Three very interesting meetings were led by Miss Mary Parkhill, Miss Edith Rhoads and Miss Cora Keim.

The sandwich socials held on Friday evenings after society is an interesting feature of the W. W. work.

We are glad to see the girls take much interest in the Friday evening prayer meetings. The average attendance is about fifty.

The new officers for next year are:
President—Miss Anna B. Thomas.
1st Vice President—Miss Cora Keim.
2nd Vice President—Miss Edith Winette.
Secretary—Miss Nella Knepley.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Edith Griffin.
Treasurer—Miss Amelia Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beeson (*nee* Ethel Olive Wakefield, '05) were recent visitors at the Normal. Rev. Mansell and bride expect to sail about July, by way of the Pacific, for Singapore Straits Settlements, where they will have charge of Jean Hamilton Memorial College, founded by Mr. Samuel Hamilton, of Pittsburg.

ORA K. WORK, '07,
Reporter.

You may think this is poetry,
But it is not, the printer
Just set it this way
To fool you for once.

Deliberate with caution, but act with decision; and yield with graciousness, or oppose with firmness.—COLTON.

Letter From Mrs. Noss.

ORLEANS, FRANCE, MAY 11, 1907.

Dear Normal Review:—

I have asked myself many times lately whether I am awake or dreaming. I seem to be transplanted back into the middle of the fifteenth century. Since reaching this old city the class of 1906 has been much in my mind, for at this time last year they were reading Schiller's story of the Maid of Orleans. I send them greeting from the city that gave birth to Joan's eternal fame.

We entered Orleans the seventh of May. A little earlier Joan of Arc made her entrance 478 years ago. We came by train from the north and entered the city without obstacle, finding an encircling shaded boulevard where the ancient walls then stood. She came from the south, where she had met the fleeing Charles and his court, crossed the broad Loire river and forced her way through a besieging English army. We found the little city in gala dress for the "fete Jeanne d' Arc" which it has celebrated with great pomp and solemnity for a period of 478 years. It was on the 7th of May that Joan captured the English fort of Tournelles across the river. On the following day the English forces withdrew. Joan, followed by soldiers and citizens, made her way to the cathedral, and, as stated on a tablet on the wall, she knelt at the high altar and gave thanks to God for his deliverance of the city. That was in 1429. Since that date with but two interruptions, the Orleanais have commemorated these events with solemn processions through the streets. This year because the city council permitted the Free Masons to join in the procession, the clergy refused to take part, which robbed the cortège of some of its former splendor.

At eight o'clock the evening of May seventh the roar of cannon and the ringing of bells announced the beginning of

the fête. The leading square of the city was brilliant with electric lights and floating flags. The equestrian statue of Joan of Arc, in the center of the square, was illuminated by hundreds of lights in rows around the pedestal and in festoons on all sides. The burning of red fire threw a glow over the facade and towers of the cathedral.

A procession of officials and soldiers carrying the standard of Joan of Arc, with torches and banners, and with bands of music moved through the principal streets of the city. The whole population was out, and, although there were mutterings in advance of trouble between the partisans of the church and the Free Masons, all was quiet and orderly.

The government took the precaution, however, to have a large force of military in the city, while the police of the city, mounted and on foot, did admirable service. They were well trained and were concentrated at the points of danger.

The festivities continued through the eighth of May. Morning trains brought in from Paris and neighboring towns large numbers of visitors, soldiers, and bands; among the latter the celebrated band of Paris, "la Garde Républicaine." At sunrise, as on the eve before, the cannon sounded and the bells of the churches rang.

The main exercises of the day began at noon with a second procession through the city. This consisted of the mayor and city council in their brilliant robes of office, the courts of the department (county), various regiments of soldiers mounted and on foot, the veterans of 1870-71, numerous societies of Free Masons, corporations of workmen, senators and deputies, firemen, the public school pupils and their teachers, and all the city philanthropic associations. These were interspersed with bands. The spectacle was very imposing. As these dignified officials of France, wearing frock

coats and high hats, and the army officers, resplendent in their uniforms, passed by, my mind ran back across the centuries to the simple country girl in her mountain cottage in the east of France, seeing visions and hearing voices. Few heroines or heroes have had their memory so honored.

A genial peasant in his great cumbersome wagon on two immense wheels, looking as if it dated from the time of Joan, kindly invited us to mount for a better view of the cortege. We gladly accepted his invitation, and with fifteen or twenty others viewed the scene from the height of his wagon.

The late hours of the afternoon were devoted to band concerts, merry-go-rounds, shooting matches, ginger-bread, and all the accompaniments of an American fair. The closing event of this unique fête was a fine display of fireworks from the opposite bank of the Loire at nine o'clock. By ten all was over and the people went quietly to their homes. I have been in many large crowds, but never in a more compact or orderly one than was this one.

MARY GRAHAM NOSS.

A Pleasant Reception.

On the evening of May 16 the training school teachers held a reception for the faculty in honor of Dr. and Mrs. McMurry. It was held at the home of Miss Henrietta Lilley on Second avenue and was in every way a most enjoyable affair. After refreshments were served, toastmaster Lukens took charge of the meeting. Brief addresses were made by Dr. McMurry, Dr. Ehrenfeld, Miss Buckbee, Mrs. Hockenberry, Dr. Jeffers, Mr. Meese, and Mr. Hertzog. When the meeting adjourned it was felt by everybody that the training teachers had earned for themselves much glory both for the refreshments they served and for the interesting program which they had provided.



D. C. MURPHY, PH.D.

Dr. Murphy is one of the boys of the class of '79. He belongs to that large class of which the Normal is justly proud, including, as it does, such men as Jackman, Kendall, Mitchell, Murphy, and Dickey. He is at present professor of History in the Slippery Rock State Normal. Dr. Murphy is the author of "Flashlights on American History," and of several other works. He is a popular instructor at institutes and, above all, a good teacher. Mrs. Murphy, formerly Miss H. Etta Patton, is also one of our Normal graduates.

The Annual Commencement.

Following is a general scheme of this year's commencement exercises:

Sunday evening, June 23, Baccalaureate sermon, by Dr. Charles A. McMurry.

Monday, June 24, examination of applicants for provisional certificates by Supt. Gregg Lewellyn, Fayette county and by Supt. Frank R. Hall for Washington county.

Monday evening Haydn's Oratorio, The Creation, Mr. Charles S. Cornell,

conductor. The Pittsburg Symphony Orchestra will assist in the presentation of this great classic.

Tuesday morning, June 25, Middle class day exercises, consisting of a play entitled "Out of Town," vocal and instrumental music, and the President's Address by Mr. John Haberlen.

Tuesday afternoon, baseball game on athletic grounds, Normals versus the Alumni, Informal Alumni Reunion.

Tuesday evening, annual contest.

PHILOMATHEANS.

Essay—"Wooden Horses," by Ruth Barum
 Oration—"The Indestructibility of the Union,"
 by Charles R. Fausold.
 Reading—"Sombre," by Jessie Tarr.
 Debate—Resolved, That the United States should
 honorably dispose of the Philippine Islands. Af-
 firmative, Van Coatsworth.

CLIONIANS.

Essay—"The House We Live In," by Marion
 Leydig.
 Oration—"A People Without a Country," by J.
 Merrill White.
 Reading—"The Death of Hypatia," by Minerva
 Griffiths.
 Debate—Negative, William A. Grimes.

Wednesday morning, June 26, annual
 commencement. The graduating class
 is composed of about eighty members.
 The speakers on this occasion will be
 Mary H. Thomson, Charleroi, Man's
 Mastery over Nature; Alice L. Abel, Du-
 quesne, Timothy's Quest; Wm. R. Grif-
 fin, Smithfield, Agriculture in our Schools;
 Prudence Trimble, California, Influence
 of Athena; Grace Iams, Amity, An Un-
 solved Problem; Nevada Emerick, Shanks-
 ville, Parsifal the Pure; Earl Stewart,
 Coal Center, Significance of the Frontier;
 Alice Richards, New Paris, The Locomo-
 tive and the Cow; Edith Pickford, Mount
 Pleasant, A Grain of Mustard Seed. The
 exercises will be interspersed with music,
 including a violin solo by Beatrice Rieb-
 ling, Pittsburg.

Wednesday afternoon, Senior class day
 exercises. President's Address, John
 Haberen; Prophecy, Clyda Huston; solo,
 Edna Reed; reading, Mary Parkhill; ora-
 tion, Olive McShaue; Class Will, Estelle
 McDowell; donor, Clara Moore; piano
 duet, Frances Garver, Ruth Eller; Car-
 toons, Relda Keitzer, Frank King; class
 song, Laura Oliver; valedictory, Mary
 Richards.

Do you want something bright for a dull
 day? Do you want something serious for
 a bright day? Then read *Pearson's*. You
 can get a copy at any news stand.

NORMAL BRIEFS.

BY NATRONA.

Miss Susan Berkey, Somerset, Pa.,
 daughter of trustee J. A. Berkey, Esq.,
 visited her sister Mabel of the senior class,
 May 23.

On Sunday evening, May 25, Dr. Jeffers
 addressed the students taking as his sub-
 ject "The letter killeth, the spirit maketh
 alive."

On May 1, Dr. J. C. Hockenberry inter-
 ested the students very much in the chapel
 exercises, by a talk on the life of Pesta-
 lozzi.

On May 6, Dr. Ehrenfeld read a very
 interesting letter in chapel from Ralph
 Robinson, class of '04, who is now a
 teacher in the Philippine Islands.

Miss Bertha Easter favored the students
 with a piano solo on the morning of May 7.

On Sunday evening, May 5, the evening
 services in the chapel were conducted by
 Rev. Rambo, pastor of the Episcopal
 church at Brownsville.

The Model school garden, which is in the
 form of the United States, is doing well
 under the direction of Dr. H. T. Lukens.
 He has lately had a merry-go-round put in
 it for the children.

On Monday, May 20, the Model school
 was visited by a number of teachers from
 Pittsburg. Among them were Principal
 Anthony, Mrs. Anthony, Miss Breeze,
 Miss Laughridge, Miss McMillin, and Mrs.
 McCoy.

Dr. Cooke from DeKalb, Illinois, was a
 visitor at our school for several days this
 month. The students were very glad to
 listen to several very instructive talks
 which he gave.

Miss Truman's room in the Model
 school, grades 7 and 8, gave a very fine
 Japanese display on the afternoon of May
 24. After the program, real Japanese tea

and rice cakes were served to the children and guests. The credit of training the performers for the occasion is due to Mr. John Haberlen, '07.

Miss Marguerite Scott and Miss Margaret Craven returned on May 31st from the Woman's college at Baltimore, where they had just concluded a year of successful work.

Mr. Meese, of the English department, recently took a little time from his busy moments to visit the Carnegie institute, Butler, and other places of interest including the Slippery Rock State Normal. He speaks well of the work he saw at our sister school and the kind way in which he was received by Principal Maltby and his teachers.

In the chapel exercises on May 16, Mrs. Osgood gave an interesting description of some of the customs of the Chinese. Mrs. Osgood is a missionary to China and was here studying for several weeks.

Mr. Bliss, secretary of the State librarian and secretary of the Free Library commission, was visiting us several days this month in the interest of our library.

Teachers and students alike regret that Dr. McMurry has decided to "go west." His administration of affairs here has been entirely successful. He now goes to the DeKalb, Illinois, Normal.

The Y. M. C. A. had charge of the Sunday evening services, May 19. The subject was the strong personality of different people.

In chapel on May 21, Miss Edna Faidly, class '08, favored us with a vocal solo, entitled, "Twixt Sunset and Dawn."

Mr. Furlong of Roscoe, was with us in chapel May 23, and showed us some interesting pictures taken on his trip in Alaska.

On May 15, Mrs. Hockenberry received four prizes from Mrs. Noss, which were to

be given to the four people in the French class who received the highest grades. The recipients were Miss Nannie Hooper, Miss Grace Jamy, Miss Ruth McMurry, Miss Helen Meese.

Miss Edna Huggins favored the student with a piano solo on the morning of May 2.

Many of our Alumni during their stay at the Normal became acquainted with Dr. J. W. L. Rabe. They will regret to learn that the good doctor has left us. He died May 6 after a brief illness. Dr. Rabe was a warm friend of the Normal and a most excellent Christian gentleman.

The following addresses and recitations were given in chapel during this month by members of the class of '07.

Un discovered America, Elizabeth Cook Ellis
The Organ Builder, Mrs. M. J. H. Howland
Hans and Gretel, Mrs. M. J. H. Howland
Plantation Life, Mrs. M. J. H. Howland
One Week, Professor G. G. Hertzog
Laura Oliver, Professor G. G. Hertzog
The Story of the Golden Goose, Bertha Johnson
The African Chief, Mrs. M. J. H. Howland
Sarah Howe, Mrs. M. J. H. Howland
Beethoven, Mrs. M. J. H. Howland
Mary Moser, Mrs. M. J. H. Howland
The Forbidden Land, Mrs. M. J. H. Howland
Long Beer versus Bread, Mrs. M. J. H. Howland
Amanda Lewis

Dr. Jeffers took a small party of Middlers and Seniors to the Carnegie Institute on Wednesday, May 29.

Miss Mary Bailey, Class '02, is a member of this year's graduating class at Wisconsin College.

Memorial exercises were held in the Normal Chapel on May 30. The G. A. R. and other societies together with a large number of citizens were addressed by Capt. J. H. Hoolstittler of Sterling, Ill.

The base ball game played on Decoration day between the Bankers and the Normal went in favor of the former by the score of 2 to 1.

The mosquito bored through a quarter of an inch of paint and powder on the fair girl's cheek and then sank back as if poisoned. "Curse these adulterated foods anyhow!" he exclaimed. /Zv.

CLIO NOTES.

On the evening of May 3 all three societies were entertained with the representation of the "Deistrick Schule of Fifty Years Ago." All enjoyed the evening very much and were pleased to see how our fathers and mothers studied their lessons. The old fashioned school must not be entirely cast aside, for excellent work was done then under the "master."

Miss Nevada Iams deserves much credit for the way in which she managed the play. The special music rendered by Mr. Ross and band was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

On May 17 the regular performances were given.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Mr. Stephen Garard.
 Vice President—Miss Alice Harrigan.
 Secretary—Miss Elsie Lynn.
 Attorney—Mr. Samuel Hawley.
 Marshal—Mr. Robert Smith.
 Critic—Miss Susan Moser.
 Choristers—Miss Edna Faidley.
 —Mr. Robert Archer.
 Treasurer—Miss Evangelist Madigan.

Miss Olive McCoy was chosen Valedictorian and Miss Evangelist Madigan as Salutatorian.

A very interesting program was given on Friday evening, May 24. An interesting feature of the program was the pantomime, "The Old Oaken Bucket." The leader was Miss Edna Lewis. The oration delivered by Mr. Enos was very good and deserves special mention. Miss Franks and Miss Leonard show great power as story writers. Their continued story deserves credit. Miss Anna Tewell had a very interesting periodical.

Clio's chorus is doing excellent work. More than half the members of the Girls' Glee Club are members of Clio.

ORA K. WORK, '07,
 Reporter.

PHILO NOTES.

Philo's roll at present consists of 37 boys and 68 girls, a total of 115 members.

Following is the per cent. of attendance for May, up to and including the 24th.

Date	Present	Absent	Percentage
May 3	85	30	74
May 10	79	36	68
May 17	85	30	74
May 24	75	40	65

Average attendance--81.

Average percentage--70.

Wake up Philos!!

May 17 was an evening with Shakespeare. The program was as follows:

Music.....	Chorus
Porter Scene.....	Prof. N. B. Hammond
Quotation.....	Florence Griffin
Biography.....	Glen Hormell
Court Scene from "Merchant of Venice".....	
Leader.....	Ruth Barnum
Oration, Child Labor.....	Lavenia Gibson

There were many of the out-of-the-ordinary performances during this month, some of which follow:

May 3, piano solo.....	Gordon Coldren
May 10, vocal solo.....	Dessa McCain
May 10, Medley of Poems.....	Harry Masters
May 17, Porter Scene.....	Prof. N. B. Hammond
May 17, Court Scene, leader.....	Ruth Barnum
May 17, oration.....	Lavenia Gibson
May 24, piano duet, Aline Anderson and Mary Connor.	

The chorus is to be complimented for the splendid music which it has furnished, far exceeding that of any other month this year.

EARL STEWART,

Reporter.

Northern Man—"What! you lynched a negro right here in town last night?

What crime had he committed?;

Southern Citizen—"That we do not know yet, sah, but we expect to heah before evening, sah."—*Judge*.

Dora—"Did Jack say anything dovelike about me?"

Alice—"Yes; he said you were pigeon-toed."

An Interesting Visitor.

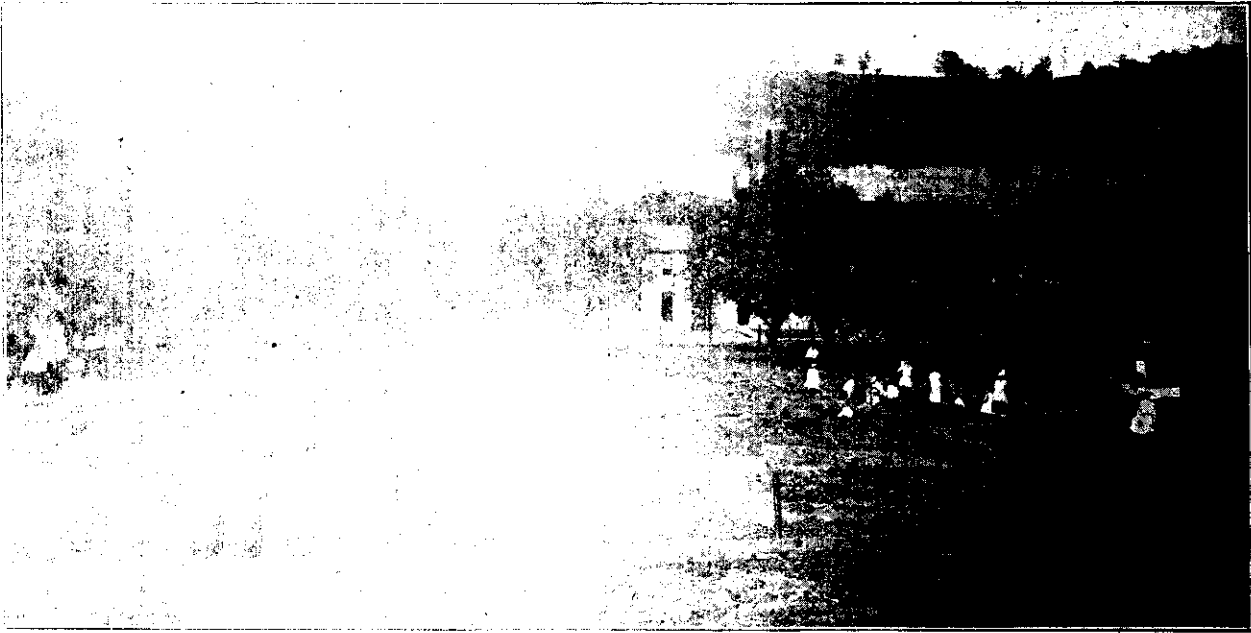
We were unusually favored the past month, besides Dr. Cooke, of DeKalb, and Mr. Bliss of the State Library Association, we have had with us for two weeks Mrs. Frances Osgood, a niece of our Professor G. G. Hertzog and wife of Dr. Osgood, a medical missionary stationed near Nanking, China. Mrs. Osgood came to us to make a study of methods, since owing to the absence of suitable schools, upon her devolves the work of teaching her own children and those of the only other American family in the little station. During her stay with us, Mrs. Osgood made several addresses in the different departments of the Normal and Practice Schools, one of the most interesting being that given before the Y. W. C. A. Mention was made of a few of the difficulties and many of the pleasant features of life in China. Chief among the difficulties was that of learning the language. The Chinese have no letters; words are expressed by characters and a single stroke of the pencil may make the character mean just what one does not want it to. The spoken language is equally treacherous, the merest change of inflection or accent often changing the meaning entirely. In making their home the Osgoods built on the American plan, and their home life, food, and dress is, as nearly as possible, what it would be here. It has cost more to build such a comfortable home and to maintain always the American habits, but it pays in the good influence exerted on the natives. Usually the first exclamation on entering the home is "Why, how clean everything is!" and then "What fine furniture you have!" (which Mrs. Osgood observes, is not true, for the furnishing is very simple.) But the result is that the Chinese women are finally influenced to make some change for the better in their untidy, often dirty homes.

Mrs. Osgood went on to say that she found it best to wear gowns made of silk or other nice stuffs, especially when invited into Chinese homes. The Chinese regard silk very highly and treat with more respect one who can dress in it.

Another drain on the missionary purse and nerves is the great ceremony to be observed during even the most informal call, if there be such in China, for along with other observances, the Chinese expect to be served with tea and sweetmeats. To these and other forms of polite (?) society the missionary must conform, lest he fall in the estimation of those whom he wishes to influence.

Chinese mothers, owing possibly to their degraded position in the family, have little influence with their children, and so children grow up with practically no mother-training. Mrs. Osgood expressed herself as particularly interested in this work; in the example set by the training of her own children she hopes to be of help to these mothers.

Dr. Osgood has quite a large territory, and since Chinese roads are bad and modes of travel almost prehistoric, he and his family are compelled to use the donkey or sedan chair. The latter, Mrs. Osgood said, she preferred, because she thus attracts less attention than would otherwise be given a white woman. A rather funny, nevertheless decidedly uncomfortable situation it would be to find about one's chair a mob of men and boys, all clamoring to see the white woman, who they firmly believe is a devil. This happened to Mrs. Osgood when, in company with her husband, she visited for the first time a little village in the interior. By using great tact, Dr. Osgood succeeded in dispersing the mob and getting his wife into the church before she had suffered any violence. Further, Mrs. Osgood spoke of some of the curious customs observed at weddings, feasts, and other festivals, mak-



THE GARDEN OF THE NORMAL CHILDREN'S SCHOOL GARDEN.

In this part of *Journal of the Normal*, Oak Park, Illinois, we use the half-tone method of reproduction of a committee illustrate Dr. Lukens' article on A Geographical Garden. As the editor Dr. Lukens points out in his characteristic way the purpose and advantage of a garden is a valuable use of the garden. The plot here shown lies near the principal and is a plot owned by Dr. Noss. On this plot the model school has been established in the direction of Dr. Lukens, a large map of the

garden is shown in the same issue. The garden is a very beautiful one and is a very valuable one for the school.

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This weather is splendid for ducks, bad for all games, but intolerable to persons whose shoulders carry donkeys' heads.

If you can't appreciate a joke, go to England where a special school for such has been established.

Miss Cannon announced 1400 board feet as her answer to an arithmetic problem.

Mr. Cooper—What was that result?

Miss C.—One thousand-four hundred.

Mr. C.—Why I got fourteen hundred.

Some lately discovered facts:

1. The articles of confederation were adopted in 1492.

2. The cow has four legs, one on each corner.

3. The earth is made up of earthquakes.
4. Intellect is a device for getting people out of scrapes.
5. We can't tell when spring ends and summer begins.
6. If you ask a girl whether she tastes ice cream by merely mentioning it and she says "yes," you have saved twenty cents.

If you have a tendency, ask a doctor's advice immediately.

Bertha Johnson (translating French)—When he pulled the leader in the turkey foot, the toes opened and shut like the toes on the human hand.

Everyone was glad to welcome Professor Hafmon on his visit to the Normal last week. We are sorry that his stay was so short.

The Clio boys greatly appreciated Dr. McMurry's talk and the suggestions which he gave them on Friday evening, May 17. The boys have decided to take advantage of them, and they extend a hearty invitation to Dr. Mac. to come again.

Prof. Hertzog has realized for some time that he has some bright reasoners in his 1:45 arithmetic class, especially among the Seniors.

They say that Prof. S. S. Gaylord is building himself a Martin-box. He says he is very fond of birds.

There is no rest for the weary, neither is there peace to the Seniors engaged in the construction of her "Dummy."

Some of the middlers' seeing the prisms Professor Hertzog drew on the board recognized them as chicken coops.

Miss Buckbee to Mattie—Does your sister live on the claim which she took up in Montana?

Mattie—She is married now.

Miss B.—Don't people exist after they are married?

Relda is wondering why this term seems so different from last.

Well, I can't give you a correct result for a price of 20¢. It is a one hundred and fifty dollar.

Prof. H. will show you how to divide. Some of the old teachers say:

It is not the fault of each of us, but of the whole.

"I'll show you the back in the classroom and the front of the school."

The Seniors will be obliged to supply at their own expense the fuel for the public school. They will be paid for the same in English. German and French will be all the way.

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Miss B.—Well, I don't have found what I have been looking for all my life long!

Her name is "What?"

Miss B.—"What?"

If there is a person who can persist in withdrawing from the rest of the world to a little room, holding a sacred spot on the map of the world, remember that this is an extraordinary situation. Instead of a counting, or all things, it would not be necessary for the person to show them back from the realm of the world of common place and material things.

Vital Questions.

Here are some of the problems that engaged the attention of the N. E. A. people at the Chicago meeting:

Should the school furnish better training for the non-average child?

Are we experimenting too much and devoting too little time and effort to the fundamentals?

What are the essentials in subjects in the elementary school course.

Admitting that our schools are defective, who is responsible for present conditions?

Has the product of our schools reasonable fitness in scholarship and personal qualities for citizenship?

What has been the effect on the pupil of the multiplication of subjects of study and the refinement of methods?

June Birthdays.

Senator Hale celebrates his birthday June 9, Helen Gould on the 20th, and Julian Hawthorne on June 22nd. In 1801, June 1, Brigham Young was born, John Randolph, a descendant of Pocahontas, was born June 2, 1773. Jefferson Davis was born June 3, 1808; George III, June 4, 1738; Stephenson, the inventor of the locomotive, first visited England June 9, 1781. Peter the Great of Russia, was born June 10, 1672. General Winfield Scott, hero of the Mexican war, was born June 13, 1786. Harriet Beecher Stowe was born June 14, 1812; John Wesley, June 17, 1703; Henry Ward Beecher, June 24, 1813; and Peter Paul Rubens, June 29, 1577.

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Miss L.—"The girl stood on the fence."

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The fatted calf will not always regenerate the prodigal son.

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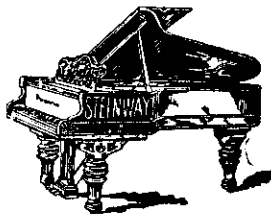
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