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—Exchange*

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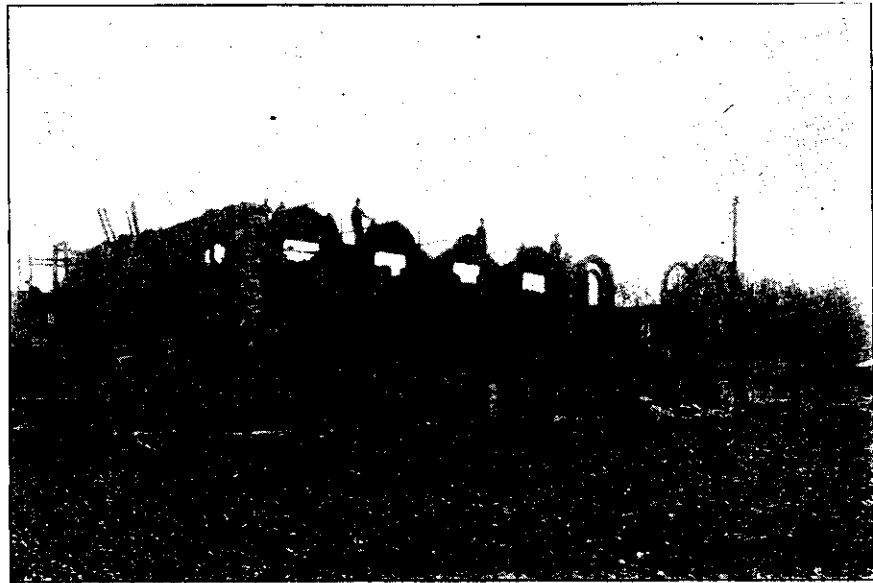
# THE NORMAL REVIEW

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DIXON HALL.

The half-tone shown above is Dixon Hall as it appeared October 24. This view is evidence to our alumni and other absent friends that there is really something going on at the Normal.

## NORMAL NOTES.

All of our State Normal Schools are well patronized this fall—a fact which emphasizes the growing importance of professional training.

We are glad to discover that many of our readers are deeply interested in what we have to say under the head of Normal Notes. A knowledge of this fact might

tend to feed our vanity: on the contrary it makes us feel a deeper sense of responsibility. We must advocate safe and sane measures, now that the REVIEW has come to exert influence.

And yet safety and sanity does not necessarily mean an ultra-conservative policy. We feel strongly the influence of the power which urges, "Say unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

The day has come when every great movement in social circles takes rise in our schools. As teachers we must therefore anticipate the future and prepare our boys and girls for battles more serious than Brandywine or Sedan.

When the Cuban teachers visited the United States to study American educational methods, they were sent in a body to *The Youth's Companion* building by the President of Harvard University because, as he said, no survey of educational institutions could be complete without a visit to the home of *The Youth's Companion*. This is but one of a thousand testimonials to the achievement of *The Companion's* purpose.

An exchange remarks:

Activity is not a synonym for work. There are schools where the children are kept busy every minute and yet suffer from under-work. Wasteful activities exhaust the energy of children quite as rapidly as solid work. At this point is the parting of the ways of poor and good schools. The so-called "busy work" is not unfrequently a series of devices for killing precious time. The penalty of wasteful activity is scatterbrainedness and arrest of mental development. Here are serious problems which should be well considered when the schools open again.

The New York *School Journal* wisely says: A school cannot be judged by its course of study. The right sort of teacher will turn a narrow program into a feast of "fat things full of marrow." and a poor teacher will reduce the richest curriculum to a dull gradgrind. The children will come from the room of one teacher with full note-books and from another with hearts aglow. The important consideration is not so much the subject on the program, as what the teacher puts into it. The teacher who constantly strives to perfect himself in efficiency can open to his

pupils sources of life and usefulness and joy which to the self-satisfied are forever closed.

We find ourselves in good company when we advocate the reading of the Bible in the public schools. That vigorous champion for the right, the *Ram's Horn*, has this to say in a recent issue:

The Bible is banished from public schools but it is the fault of poltroon politicians and not that of teachers whose experience would have dictated an opposite policy. At the last meeting of the Wisconsin Teachers' Association, the committee appointed to investigate language study recommended that Bible stories be told to children since the law forbade the reading of the Scripture themselves. What a preposterous situation is this, when the Book which is acknowledged by all wise men to be the foundation of modern civilization is barred from our public schools.

We still keep pleading for the open church door. We have in mind a two hundred thousand dollar church building which is closed more than eleven-twelfths of the time. Even a fifty dollar saloon would perish under such stupid management. Sixty years ago our grandmothers would invest all their savings in parlor furnishings and then keep that parlor righteously closed except on the occasion of a wedding or a funeral. In fifty years from now the open church door will be as common as the open parlor is now.

A Memphis, Mo., man has discovered a new way to get rid of mosquitoes. He says to rub alum on your face and hands. When the mosquito takes a bite, it puckers its buzzer so it can't sting. It sits down in a damp place, tries to dig the pucker loose, catches its death of cold and dies of pneumonia.—Kansas City *Star*.

Failure is fortune if it cures flabbiness.

## Y. W. C. A. LETTER.

## An Interesting Epistle from Mrs. Noss.

Paris, France, Sept. 17, 1906.

Dear Y. W. C. A. Girls—

Greetings from Paris and best wishes for your year's work. I am picturing in fancy this year's Seniors and Middlers, who were so faithful and helpful last year, back in their places, with renewed enthusiasm for association work. No doubt there are many new girls. I know what a warm welcome you have given them and how you have made them feel at home among you. I am sure you will have a profitable and happy year together.

Yesterday I had my first glimpse of association life since we stood in the great circle in our library last June singing "Blest be the tie" &c. The summer months are not the best time for finding things. People are out of the great cities, having their vacations in the mountains and at the seashore. In London I saw the central building of the Y. M. C. A., but heard nothing of the Y. W. C. A. However I know that the English are very active in this work. At the American church here in Paris a few Sundays ago I secured a card with the address of the Y. W. C. A. building and was sorry to find it a very long distance from our boarding house. Not until yesterday was it convenient to go. I set out alone, somewhat timidly, armed with a good map and poor French. One rides on the tops of omnibuses here, and it gives one a fine opportunity to see a city. Seated on the top of an omnibus, I rode through broad boulevards, beautiful open squares planted with trees and flowers, and also some very poor narrow streets. All Paris seemed to be out riding or walking for pleasure. The driveways were thronged with automobiles, carriages, bicycles, and omnibuses; the sidewalks, with pedestrians. At a

large iron gateway I rang a bell which opened the gate automatically. I stepped into a little garden planted with trees and flowers. Tea tables and chairs were under the trees. In warm weather they serve tea there. Entering the house, I was met by a pleasant faced English woman who shook hands cordially and asked if I were a stranger. She showed me to a drawing room, seated for a prayer service, where other ladies and girls were chatting. Dr. Richardson (an English woman—Ph.D.) presided. After singing and prayer she introduced Miss Patch, an American girl, who is one of the secretaries, to make the announcements for this week. Miss Patch spoke of their Bible classes, their mission study classes, also classes for the study of German, French, music, &c. She mentioned also some excursions planned for Saturdays to visit the environs of Paris. Dr. Richardson then said that it gave her great pleasure to introduce Miss Hodgson, who had just arrived from America to take charge of the student work here. They are preparing a student girls' boarding house, not far from our boarding house, which will be opened by Dec. 1st, and Miss Hodgson will have charge of that work. Miss Hodgson spoke very well for a few minutes. She looks quite young. The address for the afternoon was given by the clergyman for the English Episcopal church here. Dr. Richardson quite won my heart. She said what Miss Thomas has so often said to us "We are not working alone; we are part of a great world movement." She spoke feelingly of the strong tie of Christian fellowship that unites the two great English speaking nations and then we sang to the tune of America the hymn you will find in the small pamphlet that I enclose. The meeting closed with prayer, and the company broke up into groups of acquaintances and friends. I hastened away to reach home in time for our seven o'clock dinner.

Later I hope to learn more of the work. It was a great inspiration to me to meet these Christian people, for this city of Paris seems wholly given up to pleasure.

With best wishes for you all, I am yours sincerely,  
 MARY G. NOSS.

#### A Plea For Better Work.

BY DR. ECKLES.

It would be impossible to find any institution of learning anywhere in our broad land where the moral nature of the student is a matter of more concern and where the conditions are more favorable for its growth than in the Pennsylvania State Normal Schools. But simply because of the reputation of our Normal Schools as safe places morally for the young they invite into their student bodies young persons who need reforming more than they need Normal School diplomas. The very fact that the discipline of Pennsylvania State Normal Schools is superior causes parents to send to them sons and daughters who have broken loose from home restraint and possibly have previously secured exit cards from other schools where they have been tried and found wanting in good sense and proper character. Normal Schools can do a good deal, but they cannot do the impossible. They cannot make first-class teachers out of second-class material. My plea is for a more carefully selected grade of material for our Normal Schools to the end that it may be well nigh impossible for any but those who have strength of character to complete the Normal Course.

In the name of the twenty thousand Pennsylvania Normal graduates who are teaching in this state and other states and who have carried the Normal School banner with loyalty and honor, I beseech the Normal Schools of our grand old Commonwealth to strive to do better the work which they have always done so well.

#### Emerson on Language.

BY GRACE SLOAN, '06.

There are three fundamental principles which bind man to nature; namely, commodity, beauty, and language. Language is the form or means by which we express our thoughts and feelings. Emerson thinks that nature is the source of all language. Man when first put upon the earth, used sounds and symbols, by which he tried to immitate the sounds which the elements of nature produced. John Locke says "that we know only through our senses," hence the fathers must have had great advantages in learning from nature by the medium of their senses.

The poet has learned the universal language of nature, and he can talk with nature as friend talks with friend. He communes with nature; then as we can not all talk with her, he is permitted to translate her thoughts and meanings to us in our own poor language.

To support the argument that nature is the basis of all language, just look at the language from this standpoint for a moment. Look at the word tree and instantly the tree is pictured on one's mind; hear the words green grass, and immediately we have associated the grass in all its beauty. So with every word in the language. All can be traced back to some of the sounds or expressions of the elements.

Neither President Roosevelt nor Vice-President Fairbanks uses tobacco, a coincidence which somewhat discredits the assertion that smoking is becoming almost universal. It also suggests that the social smoke is not absolutely essential to "getting along" in the world.—*Youth's Companion*.

"There is a tide in the affairs of men,  
 Which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune;  
 Omitted, all the voyage of our life  
 Is bound in shallows and in miseries."

Heroic hearts come from hard places.

**The Alumni.**

Miss Nellie M. Pickett, '99, in renewing her subscription to the REVIEW writes that she is teaching in Tyler Ward, Washington.

Miss Mildred Bills, '01, is teaching in Somerset, Pa.

Mr. Harry W. Wilson, '91, is principal of schools at Newell, Pa.

Mr. Earl J. Crowthers, '04, is a student at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia.

A card from W. Rea Furlong, '98, dated October 5, states that he has been tramping over the ruins of the Parthenon at Athens.

Dr. Lulu A. Peterson, '00, was graduated last June by the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Cleveland, O. She now holds a position in the St. Clair Hospital of that city.

A. F. Cooper, Esq., '82, is a candidate for re-election to congress in the Fayette-Somerset district and at this writing there is every prospect that he will win by a large majority of votes.

Principal F. W. McVay, '90, was one of the delegates, early in October, to represent Washington county at the meeting held in Pittsburg to consider the subject of teachers' pensions.

Professor Frank A. Hildebrand, '96, who spent the summer at his home near Scenery Hill, has recently been elected principal of a High School in the state of Louisiana.

Mr. Elgie Tobin, '04, is teaching the Gillespie School, W. Pike Run.

Mr. Robert Mountsier, '06, is a student at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Mr. A. L. L. Suhrie, '94, recently married one of his former students. He is Dean of the Normal Department in DeLand University, Fla.

Miss Stella S. Beard, '83, is a teacher

in the High School at Far Rockaway, N. Y.

Miss Lucetta M. Redd, '06 is teaching in the Carroll township schools near Monongahela, Pa.

Miss Matilda M. Mills, '96, is assistant principal in the First Ward School, Monongahela, Pa.

Miss Clara E. Stoup, '04, is teaching this year at Oakmont, Pa.

Miss Gertrude Wise, '06, writes that she is teaching at Bentleyville with an enrollment of forty-three pupils.

Principal C. P. McCormick, '01, visited the Normal a few weeks ago, and brought with him several of his teachers to observe the work in the Model School.

Miss Martha Titzell, '05, is a teacher in McKeesport public schools.

Dr. Valentine J. Yorty, '99, and Miss Burd Hissem, '00, were married October 18. They will reside at 1119 N. Lang Ave., Pittsburg.

Miss Elizabeth Marshall, '01, writes, "In looking over the catalogue of the Normal School, I find that I am still listed as a teacher. Now I am proud of that distinction, or would be if it were coming to me, but as I am not teaching or have not been for three years, I thought I had better correct the error. At present I am holding the position of bookkeeper for Mr. W. J. Davidson, hardware dealer, and have held the position for the past year and a half. I gave up teaching three years ago to take up bookkeeping and stenography which in most respects was preferable to teaching to me."

Miss Ella A. Smith, '06, is teaching at Traugers in Westmoreland county. She writes that she has enough work to keep her awake, there being no fewer than a hundred boys and girls in her room.

An exchange mentions the wedding of Mr. J. H. Mumbower, class of '01, and

Miss Rosella Larimer of Monongahela on the evening of October 31. The couple will reside at Hutchinson, Kansas where Mr. Mumbower is in the insurance business.

Geo. D. Grimes, '02, is general book-keeper for the National Deposit Bank, Brownsville.

#### Were You Born in November?

If so you are in a fairly good crowd. John Philip Sousa, the noted concert master, was born Nov. 6, 1854.

Paderewski, he of the nimble fingers, was born in Poland Nov. 6, 1850.

President Polk was born November 2, 1795.

Edward VII., who if he were a student of the Normal would be enrolled as Edward Wettin, was born Nov. 9, 1841.

Fighting Joe Hooker was born Nov. 13, 1815.

Henry Van Dyke we are glad to say was born in Pennsylvania. He celebrated his birthday Nov. 10.

The novelist, Winston Churchill, was born Nov. 10, 1871.

The distinguished actress, Maude Adams, was born in Salt Lake, Utah, Nov. 11, 1872.

Victor Emanuel, king of Italy, celebrates his 37th birthday Nov. 11.

Franklin Pierce was born Nov. 23, 1804.

If Andrew Carnegie survives his libraries up to November 25, 1937, he will be a century old.

The prince of American humorists, Mark Twain, is a Missouri boy. He was born Nov. 30, 1835.

The foregoing are but a few of the worthies born in November. A larger list would include Cowper, Aldrich, Luther, Goldsmith, John Bright, Asa Gray, and Louise May Alcott.

Self-sacrifice is but wise investment.  
Saints are more than sapless sinners.

#### The Barnes Family.

This family has certainly pinned its faith to the California Normal in that five of its members took a full course within its walls. All five were model students—successful in their work, energetic, quiet, and general favorites with all good people. They are as follows:

Jennie Barnes, '92, now Mrs. W. H. Thornton, Duquesne, Pa.

J. Q. Barnes, '94, a jeweler residing at Duquesne, Pa.

Wm. H. Barnes, '96, cashier for Nelson, Morris, & Co., Pittsburg, Pa.

Vida Barnes, '00, now Mrs. D. E. Cuppet, Thomas, West Va.

Nannie Barnes, '04, now a teacher in the Elco, Pa. public schools.

#### Business.

DEAR READER:

When you move from Portland, Maine, to Atlanta, Georgia; please tell us so that we can change your post-office address—that's business. When you die or get married, tell us, so that we may tell the rest of the family—that's sympathy. When your subscription runs out, don't stop your REVIEW, but pay two years in advance—that's common sense. When you start some new project, make a speech, go on a journey, or run for congress, write us all about it—that's wisdom. When we say things you don't believe, speak charitably of us—that's kindness. When you meet other people who ought to read the REVIEW, tell them so—that's missionary work.

THE EDITOR.

"Huh! What do you know about war? Did you ever hurl yourself into the imminent deadly breach, or seek the bubble reputation even at the cannon's mouth?"

"Well, no; not exactly. Not to any noticeable extent. But I have taken home unexpected company to dinner."—*Puck*.

Faith is turning the face toward God.





MR. WELTY.

Professor Benton Welty, who is taking care of Normal Athletics this year, is an alumnus of the Normal, class of '02. He has taken courses also at W. & J. and at Grove City college. Though comparatively young in the profession, he takes hold of his work with a firm hand and he has already won the confidence and the respect of every student in the school.

**Athletics.**

It is exceedingly gratifying to the friends of Athletics at the Normal to note the development of speed, team work, and general playing ability of the football team. Six games have been played, four of which were won, and from opponents having weight equal to or exceeding that of the Normals.

The scores were:

Normal	0	Cal. Y. M. C. A.	5
Normal	5	Carnegie Tech.	0
Normal	42	E. L. A.	0
Normal	11	Roscoe	4
Normal	6	Waynesburg	0
Normal	0	Grove City	0

It has been clearly demonstrated that a winning team need not necessarily be a heavy one; it has also been proved that the physical requirements are a secondary matter in choosing a team. A "dullard" cannot be considered fit material, no matter what his weight or speed. Fellows who can quickly size up a situation, who can see their opponents' weakness, who can think and act quickly in the immediate presence of their opponents are the choicest material for a team. And in return, we hold that the game affords one of the best means for cultivating these powers. It is a good disciplinarian. If a player can be trained to meet the adversities that come to him in a game, without the need of the constant scrutiny of an official's eye, his action out in the world at large will be the last to justify the use of a policeman. In short, beside making the game a recreation for all, it has been the endeavor of the coaches, and thus far successful, to make this great "College Sport" one that will be uplifting mentally, morally, and physically.

The schedule for the remainder of the season, though not completed, may contain games with the following teams:

Waynesburg, W. and J., Slippery Rock Normal, W. V. U., Mt. Union College, and Grove City.

**AMONG THE PLAYERS.**

"Stony" Binns has been a tower of strength to the team. He and Cap. Gray handled the squad in excellent style during the week that Coach Welty was disabled through rheumatism.

"Barney" White, our midget quarter, is gaining fame as a dropkicker, as well as by his "elusiveness" when about to be tackled.

"Odie" Abbott is the speediest man in the squad of twenty-five.

Engle, our new guard from Somerset, is

a marvel in foreseeing the opponents' intentions.

If the inertia of Martin were taken with velocity of Coulson, who could tell what would be the momentum of the combination? Answer, E. L. A.

Grimes and Griffin are seeing to it that the left side of the line is well taken care of.

Kennedy is hard to beat in getting those onside punts.

Manager Masters has had several games for the second team. They played Brownsville two games, tying one 6-6, and winning one 6 to 0. Donald McMurray is Captain of the second team.

#### Our Exchanges.

We welcome as fall visitors, The Normal School Herald, The Pharos, The Athenaeum, The Pittsburg High School Journal, Normal College News, The Dynamo, The Collegian, The Washingtonian Jeffersonian, The Normal Eye, The State Collegian and Purple and Gold. All these Journals are looking cheerful and give promise of a good campaign against vice and ignorance.

*Recreation*, sold at every news stand, continues to give us fresh, wholesome outdoor life even though winter threatens to set in early.

The leaders in statesmanship, science, travel, education, and fiction are all contributors to *The Youth's Companion*. Never has it had a more brilliant list of writers than for 1907—a sure proof that the tradition of excellence which it has created was never less likely to become a mere tradition, and that the paper which for eighty years has delighted American readers still grows in power to uplift and entertain.

*Pearson's* for November contains The Romance of Aaron Burr, by Alfred Henry Lewis, Against the Tide by Maud Ballington Booth, together with many other inter-

esting articles and stories by such authors as Ernest Russell, James Creelman, David Graham Phillips, and C. J. C. Hyne.

The State Collegian has much to say about football and cheering, both of which evidently stand in better editorial repute than engineering. The Normal School Herald enters a plea for the manly Virtues of politeness and honesty. It says little about athletics. Why? We like the Pharos. It and the Monongahela river both descend on us from West Va. Both are very welcome visitors. The Pittsburg High School Journal is noted for class room jokes—some of them being really funny. The Normal Eye hails from the prairies of Iowa. It spells campus with two a's but is otherwise a very interesting paper. The Washington Jeffersonian comes out in red and has a color rush for its leading article. The Dynamo and The Collegian are very correctly dressed and each has a pleasing variety of article and comments. Purple and Gold begins its seventh volume with a poem by Professor Jacobs entitled Harvest Days.

#### WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON SUMMER SCHOOL.

June 24 to August 12, 1907.

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For those who wish to review the common school branches preparatory to taking the County Superintendent's examination.

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Washington, Pa.

## NORMAL BRIEFS.

On Friday morning, Sept. 28, Dr. Lukens addressed the school in chapel and showed the advantages of the school garden.

Dr. Jeffers, on Monday, Oct. 5, gave an interesting talk on the new forms of spelling.

On Saturday evening, Sept. 29, the Y. W. C. A. held a social in the halls and library. Refreshments were sold and the proceeds are to be used for missionary work.

Dr. Schuh gave an interesting address to the students on Sunday evening Sept. 30.

Dr. Hockenberry talked on Sunday evening, Oct. 7, to the students on the subject of Amos, the Prophet, and his Problem.

The students have been very much interested in chapel several times by Dr. Ehrenfeld's reminiscences of the Civil War.

Miss Buckbee talked to the students on Sunday evening, Oct. 14, on the Ideal Moral Ethics of America.

On Saturday evening Oct. 13, Dr. Jeffers gave a very interesting talk on Pompeii and showed some very good pictures.

The talk on Sunday evening, Oct. 21, given by Mr. Meese was on the subject of Caleb.

The recitations that have been given this month are:

Grace Iams, Raphael; Stella McDowell, The King of the Golden River; Alice Abel, Ceres and Proserpina; Francis Garver, The Fate of Virginia; Jessie Tarr, A call of the Wild; Mayme Stroup, The Sermon; J. Merrill White, The Burial of Moses; Earl Stewart, When early March seems middle May; Grace Holiday, No Sects in Heaven; Lillian Crow, John Dietrich; Evelyn Naugle, Robin Hood and Allen-A-Dale; Flossie

Cochran, The Battlefield; Lillie Cannon, The Dandelion; Nevada Emerick, The White Lily; Beatrice Riebling, The Chimaera.

The Normal school colors are maroon red and black.

Miss Marie Hamkens is a student this year at the Indiana State Normal.

The annual Hallowe'en masquerade was held on Saturday the 27th. The costumes varied in degree from the plainest to the most fancy and elaborate get-ups.

Rev. Mr. Elliott of the Presbyterian church addressed the students at the union meeting held on the evening of October 28.

Mrs. Scott served an excellent dinner to the students on Hallowe'en.

Mr. William Goat, class of '66, visited the Normal on the evening of October 31 and remained during the night.

Professor Meese has recently been elected as head of the department of pedagogy in the Summer school to be held at W. & J. next July and August.

Dr. McMurry was one of the lecturers at a teachers' institute held at Athens, Ohio, on October 27.

The publishers of the First Year Book, of which Miss Thomas is the author, have called for another edition of this popular work.

Mr. McCleary of last year's class is winning many honors in athletics at State College, where he is a student.

On Oct. 3, Mr. Schmid of Uniontown, was with us at chapel exercises and recited several selections from Shakespeare.

On Saturday evening, Oct. 6, the Seniors held a reception in the library. Everyone enjoyed the program which consisted mainly of mind reading. The library was decorated very prettily in the Senior class colors, yellow and white.

Dr. Hockenberry recently gave an inter-

esting description of the school at Abbotsholme, England whose headmaster is Dr. Cecil Reddie.

Their daily program is as follows:

A. M. 6:10, rise (in winter at 7); 6:30, drill; 6:45, first school; 7:30, chapel; 7:40, breakfast; 8:30, second school; 10:15, break for lunch; 10:30, third school; 12:15, bathing. P. M. 1:00, dinner; 1:30, organ or piano recital; 2:00, games, gardening, workshops, etc.; 6:00, tea; 6:30, singing, recitations, music, etc.; 8:30, supper and chapel; 9:00, lights out.

Miss Buckbee has just returned from a visit to some schools in the East, among others she visited the State Normal School at Westfield, Mass., and several public schools in New York City.

#### WHAT THEY SAY.

Principal J. C. Speicher writes:

"The NORMAL REVIEW for October has just come to my desk. I rejoice in its announcement of a crusade for the Bible in the schools."

Miss Mary W. Adams of Wilmerding, writes: "I received the first number of the REVIEW last evening and am ready for the second. Enclosed find money order for one dollar on my account."

Miss Millie Snider, '06, says, "enclosed is my subscription for the REVIEW. Am teaching room No. 2 in the school at Point Marion."

Orestes C. Phillips, Esq., in renewing his subscription to the REVIEW, indulges in a poetic fancy like this:

I remember the old school days,  
The chargin of Professor Meese  
As he tried to ginlet into my head  
Stories of Rome and Greece.

Mr. C. D. Dumbauld, a graduate of our Commercial department, writes:

"It may be of interest to the readers of your NORMAL REVIEW to know I am with the Lewistown, Pa., High school, acting as Commercial Instructor. The work is

very successful and I enjoy it very much."

Miss Blanche Brightwell, Monessen, Pa., writes, "NORMAL REVIEW arrived. Am glad to learn that things are going so well at the Normal. Am very busy with my school work, but like it very much."

Mr. C. P. Scott, Secretary of the Simplified Spelling Board writes: "Does language, or spelling, 'grow'? Isn't that a figure of speech? In particular, considering that spelling is the writing down of the letters used to express a word, did any spelling ever grow or change except by the deliberate use of the human hand? I except the cases where ingenious gentlemen and ladies who have no hands manage to write and therefore to spell, by the use of their toes. All changes in spelling have been made by human beings, who have written some words differently from the way followed by other human beings. We propose only to deliberate more carefully over the changes and then to expedite the acceptance of the changes. Our house is a ramshackle building. We propose to make it 'grow' straight and solid and convenient. It will not 'grow' while we wait. But it will grow while we hustle."

The Editor feels grateful for the many letters received commendatory of his "essential in English." To publish any of these would seem to take REVIEW space for the purposes of advertising. He feels tempted however, to quote a few words from his fellow laborer at the Cumberland Valley State Normal, Professor W. M. Rife. He says, "I have to thank you for a copy of your 'Exercises.' Surely you have touched essential points. You make a strong point under *Interpretation*. My experiences under this read would fill a joke-book, while some instances of defective expression are painful to record."

Mary had a little lamb,  
And when she saw it sicken,  
She shipped it off to Packerstown  
And had it labeled chicken.



On the evening of Oct. 12, '06 the Society was pleased to listen to a very interesting five minutes talk on Star Gazing given by Mr. Meese our highly esteemed teacher in English. For the first time Philo has received this honor, and we hope many more such interesting talks may be given to make Philo programmes unrivaled in their standard.

The result of our last election of officers was as follows:

- President.....Mr. Binns
- Vice President.....Miss MacDowell
- Secretary.....Miss Lane
- Attorney.....Mr. Stewart
- Treasurer.....Miss Griffin
- Critic.....Miss Hawkins
- Marshal.....Mr. Bitner

The newly elected officers have filled their respective chairs one evening, and we hope that they with the combined efforts of our members will make Philo keep her standard besides creating a new interest which will make her hall crowded and thus fill those vacant chairs which have stood for some evenings in the past.

Some performances of the past month in Philo have been such that special mention should be given them. They were as follows: Play leaders, Mr. Masters and Miss Miller, readings by Miss Grolean and Miss Brown, Violin Solo by Miss Riebling and a Piano Solo by Mr. Odbert.

On the evening of Oct. 5 Philo had a valuable addition to her programme in that each member responded to the roll call with a quotation.

The new executive committee consists of Miss Keim, Miss McShane, Mr. Bitner, Mr. Masters.

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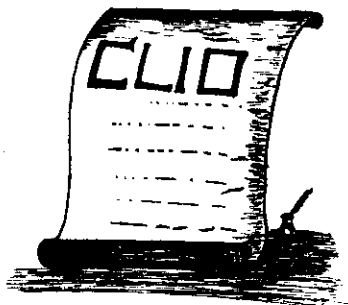
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Miss Alice Richards' periodical is well worthy of mention, probably being the most original of the year.

Miss Allen still continues to favor Clio with her piano solos.

The election of officers recently resulted as follows: Pres. J. Merrill White, V. Pres. Alice Richards, Sec. Minerva Griffiths, Treas. Kathryn Hemminger, critic Emma Cober, choristers, Ethel Lewis and Frances Garver, attorney, Earle Hornbake, marshal, Leroy Snyder.

LAURA B. OLIVER,  
Reporter.

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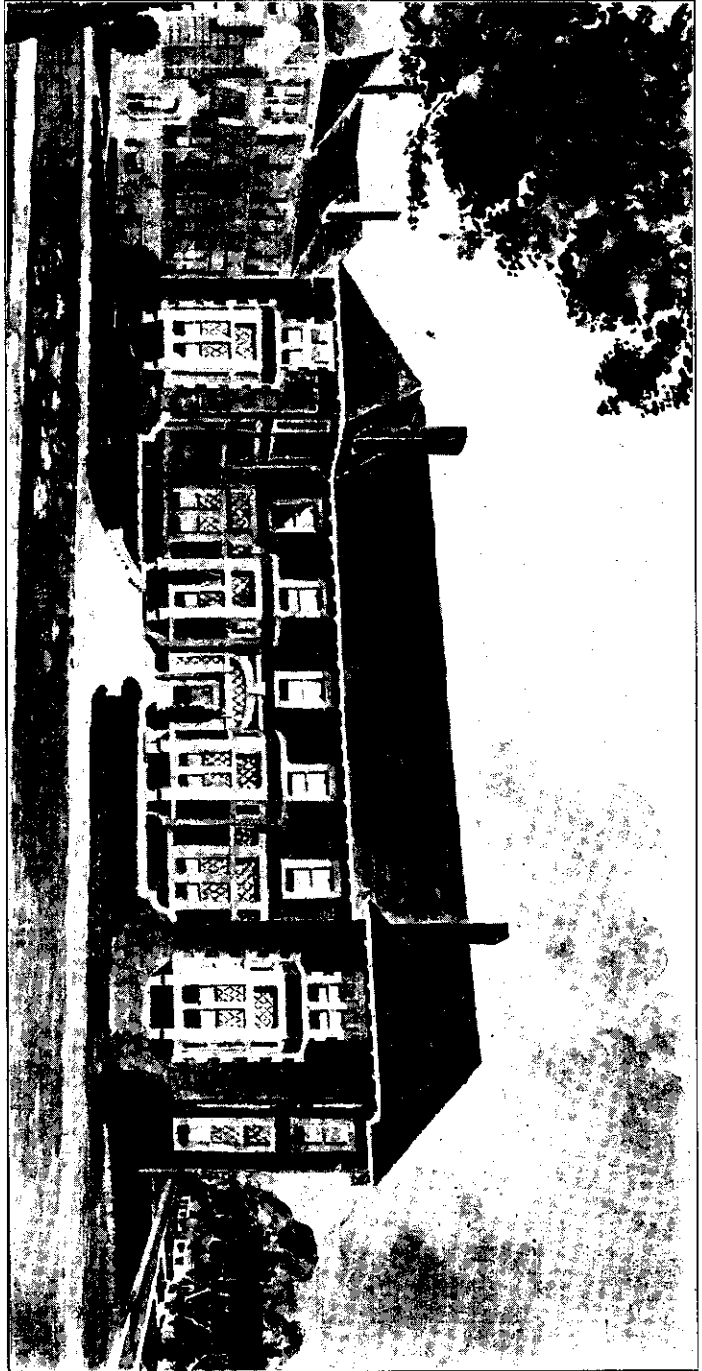
The forenoons were spent in farming, gardening, cultivation of trees, fruit, and flowers, but the afternoons were spent in study and teaching. Mr. Ripley taught Mathematics, Mrs. Riply taught History and modern languages, George P. Bradford taught the department of Belles Letters, and so on, each one teaching the subject he was most interested in. There was also an amusement committee, whose duty it was to provide for pleasures such as picnics, dances, games, readings, and the like.

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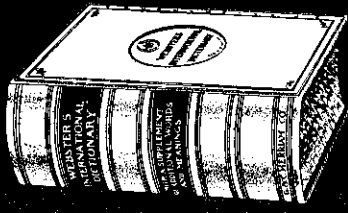
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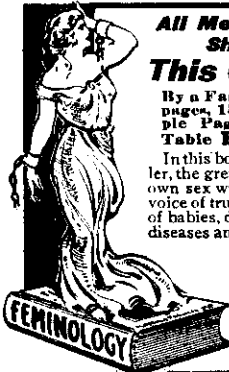
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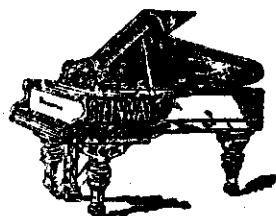
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