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MARY GRAHAM NOSS

Students alumni, and friends of the school are glad to learn that the trustees, at their regular monthly meeting in January, elected unanimously Mrs. Mary G. Noss to the vice-principalship made vacant by the death of Dr. Meese.

Mrs. Noss thirty years' association with the school as student and teacher, her intimate knowledge of its problems, and conditions, her large acquaintance with the alumni and other teachers, together with her familiarity with the educational situation in western Pennsylvania, are assets of unique value both to her and to the school in their new relation.

Thirty years ago, in 1881, Mrs. Noss received her diploma from this school, when the late Dr. Noss was acting as vice-principal. After two years of teaching in Connellsville and Monongahela, she returned to California and united in marriage with Dr. Noss, that year elected principal, be-

gan with him that quarter of a century of study, service, and counsel and sympathy, which so recently and so sadly terminated with the death of Dr. Noss.

Beginning with 1885 Mrs. Noss has been almost continuously engaged in the work of teaching in the Normal and Model schools. Her work as training teacher and principal of the Model school made her familiar with that department, and gave direction and focus to her work in her special fields in the Normal. Geography was the subject that first engrossed her attention in Normal work, and she is still a recognized authority in that field.

Her residence and study abroad however, as well as her natural tastes have given her especial interest in the modern languages and art subjects which for some years she has made her special field of instruction. At Berlin and Jena, Heidelberg, the Sorbonne, Ecole du Louvre, and elsewhere, under private instruction and in the schools and universities with Dr. Noss she studied the languages, school methods, art, and all that an eager and active mind could absorb she gathered and brought back to the school of her devotion.

Mrs. Noss is well known outside our own alumni from her frequent participation in Institutes and educational gatherings in both ends of the state.

The trustees are to be congratulated that having a difficult position to fill, one so familiar with the situation was at hand for the task.

Teachers' Pensions.

At every gathering of teachers in Pennsylvania the question of pensions for retired teachers is newly agitated. Doubtless there is much to be said in its favor or the discussion would not have been con-

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tinued so long, but certain disadvantages of such a system appear to some minds to overtop any possible gains.

Considered from the practical point of view alone, would such a system, if adopted, benefit the profession as a whole? Admittedly the salaries of the teaching profession are small out of all proportion to the expense required in the preparation for the work, the cost of maintaining one's position in the community and the profession, and the character of the service rendered. The demand for pensions upon retirement is based upon a recognition of this condition. But would it not be more logical and afford better promise of success to aim at once at the root of the situation? Improve the quality of the preparation and the effectiveness of the service and make the issue one of more nearly adequate compensation. As surely as a pension system should go into effect, just so surely would the movement for higher salaries for teachers receive a proportionate setback. A profession the members of which are paid, even in part, after they quit service, will have to be satisfied with a compensatory reduction while in active service. It resolves itself into a question of demanding a just compensation for service rendered so that a teacher may lay by for himself a retiring fund, or receiving a smaller yearly remuneration and asking the state to reserve the fund. One can hardly expect the taxpayers to pay twice for the same service. Therefore as it is not to be expected that the sum total to be received by a teacher during his lifetime will be increased by the amount of the pension, such a system would be only a redistribution of income. The American system is to pay for the service when rendered and trust to the worker to do his own saving. Most people prefer such a system. The pensioning of college professors out of the Carnegie fund is not a parallel case, as pension and salary come

from different sources. It would be an interesting investigation, however, as to how salaries have been affected where colleges are eligible to draw on the Carnegie fund.

Another question is as to how a pension system would affect the thrift of the teachers themselves. Unconsciously they would come to rely upon the retirement fund, and possibly be less saving while active. If ill health or death should overtake the worker while yet in the field possibly he or his family would be less well provided for, than if reliance had not been placed upon the pension.

In another aspect the effect of the system might be unfavorable to the profession, and unfortunate for the schools and society in consequence. Regarding the retiring period, if it should be set arbitrarily at a certain age or at the end of a given period of service, on the one hand, some who had reached the end of their strength and their usefulness a little short of the time fixed might struggle on a little longer for the pension, shortening their own lives and doing injustice to the schools. If, on the other hand, the retirement should be discretionary, after a given length of service, and the pension fixed at a percentage of the salary during the last years of work it would be but human for some to experience a sudden breaking down at the end of the minimum period, thus fixing the pension higher than if retiring later. This would mean the loss to the state of some years of service of its very best teachers, rich with experience and still full of vital force. Certainly great care would need to be exercised at this point.

Again the profession would suffer in its personnel if in consequence of a system of pensioning the salaries should be kept lower than they would otherwise be. It is a common enough complaint that in consequence of the small compensation of

teachers in comparison with other professions and business life, these latter careers are calling too large a percentage of the promising young men into their ranks, at the expense of the teaching profession. With the financial inducements proportionately still less in the future, the condition would be still more lamentable. Every effort should be made to raise the pay of educators and thus offer better inducements to ambitious young men.

There are barriers enough now between the teacher and the community without establishing this new one. We who are striving to teach high ideals of Americanism, to which class and privilege are repugnant, will not be able, if pensioned, to avoid the charge of privilege, however unjust we may deem it. And many who by force of circumstances would feel compelled to accept a pension, would always feel a secret sense of shame as pensioners upon the state's bounty.

It is consonant with self respect and justice and American ideals to strive for a higher remuneration for teachers—for an adequate compensation; but having entered a profession with our eyes wide open to its disadvantages and its own peculiar rewards—of which latter we have said nothing—it does seem a bit out of character to agitate for more money when we are through work, either on the ground of inadequate earlier compensation or of special service rendered.

There is no greater problem than that of supplying the young folk in the home with good, wholesome, interesting, and edifying reading matter. This problem is solved by the *Youth's Companion*. Its arrival is looked forward to eagerly by the youngsters and it is wonderful how their parents enjoy it too.

Mr. H. Stanley Stockdale, '09, is principal of the public school of Stockdale, Pa., a position he has held since graduation.

NORMAL NOTES.

Miss Noss acted as accompanist and piano soloist for the Fayette County Institute held at Uniontown, during the week beginning Dec. 19. Mrs. Noss and Dr. Davis were both in attendance part of the time.

An appreciative word from an Alumnus:
Mr. H. Justin Colburn,

Editor of the REVIEW,

Dear Sir:—

I have just received my copy of the REVIEW. I have read every line of it, and Oh! how much joy it has been to me, not that Dr. Meese is dead, but that many good things that have been said about his manly character. I knew him many years ago, being born and reared in the same county, engaged in the same work. I know that all that has been said about him is true.

Respectfully Yours,

JACOB SCHROCK, class of '82

Many regrets are heard that the continued ill health of Miss Thompson forbids her return to her work in the department of physical culture! She made a flying visit to the school just before the holidays, but only long enough to greet her friends and pack her belongings.

Professor Knabenshue and family have removed from their rooms in the boys' dormitory to reside on Wood street.

Teachers' Lecture Course.

Follows the schedule of the course of lectures to be given during the winter and spring by members of the faculty. They are given every Wednesday evening, to last not over one hour. To accommodate travelling students and out of town visitors beginning Jan. 24, the lectures will begin at 6:45. The admission is free and the public is invited.

Jan 4th "Animal Behavior"—Illustrated.....
.....DR. DAVIS
Jan 11th "Cuba Before the War"—Illustrated
.....MISS BUCKBER

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Jan. 25th	"Liquid Air".....	MR. COFFIN
Feb 1st	"Waterloo and Gettysburg".....	DR. HERTZOG
Feb. 15th	"A Trip through New York City".....	MR. CARTER
Mar. 1st	"A Story from the Tales of Romance".....	MISS NEAL
Mar. 8th	"The Orchestra".....	MISS NOSS
Mar. 15th	"Mammoth Cave".....	MR. KNABENSHUE
Apr. 5th	"St. Francis of Assisi".....	MR. COLBURN
Apr. 12th	"Horace Mann".....	DR. EHRENFELD
Apr. 19th	"Some Schools of France".....	MRS. NOSS
Apr. 26th	"A Trip on the Rhine"—Illustrated.....	MISS THOMAS
May 3rd	"Birds of the Spring".....	MR. WITCRAFT
May 10th	"The Bluebird".....	MRS. PILLSBURY
May 17th	"Mozart and His Music".....	MR. VEON
May 24th	"The Planet Mars".....	MR. ADAMS
May 31st	"The Monkey's Paw".....	MR. KINSLEY

Other dates for lectures by Miss Rothwell, Dr. Martin and Dr. Crow, together with subjects will be announced later.

The first, a lecture profusely illustrated with rare slides, was given by Dr. Davis, on the evening of January 4. It was an informal—and informing—discussion of the behavior of various forms of animal life from the lowest to the highest under conditions both normal and abnormal. Beginning with the unicellular forms the discussion led step by step through the reptilia, birds, mammalia including the anthropoid apes to the highly organized child-life, which is the teacher's main interest.

Of course in so short a time with so big a subject the speaker could touch only the high places as he passed rapidly over the field. But it is safe to say that the audience never had so complete a view of the field of biology [and that] glimpses were given of many a tempting field of research, whither students will seek further exploration.

Though we predict that the lectures will all be interesting and instructive intrinsically, the greatest value, we believe, will be the suggestion and inspiration for wider reading and research upon the part of the hearers.

Dr. Davis is to speak at an Institute at New Saleim, Jan. 20, Miss Thomas also has a paper the next day on "Some Problems of the Primary teacher."

Faculty Vacations.

Dr. Davis spent his "Vacation" at the institutes. Jan. 9, he attended the Connellsville Institute giving two addresses,— "Certification of Teachers in School Sanitation," and "A Practical Test for Promotion." He also attended the Institute of Butler Co. Butler, speaking on "Aims in Education," and was an informal participant in Institutes at Washington, Uniontown, Greensburg, the State meeting at Harrisburg as well as attending the meeting of the Normal School Principals at the latter city.

Remained in California at least for head quarters, Miss Buckbee, Miss Shutterly, Miss Pillsbury, Miss Pratt, Miss Morse, Miss Ward, Miss Lilly, Dr. Smith, Mr. Kinsley, Mr. Colburn, Dr. Hertzog, Miss Rothwell, Mr. Adams.

Mrs. Noss was on the Program at Greensburg and visited Uniontown where Miss Noss presided at the piano.

Miss Murray spent her vacation in Massachusetts in Boston and Worcester. Mrs. Fraser was with friends at Pittsburg.

Miss Neal visited friends at Huntingdon and Parkersburg, W. Va.

Mr. Witcraft took a wide itinerary stopping at Mt. Gilead, Ohio, Kansas City, and in Iowa, at Park College.

Miss Thomas visited her sister Mrs. Colmery at Swissvale

Dr. Ehrenfeld visited friends at York and attended his son's wedding at Philadelphia.

Mr. Knabenshue besides moving, visited Parkersburg and Buckhannon, W. Va.

Miss Kolbe was with friends in and about New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Coffin visited their families at Bridgeport, Conn., and Boston, Mass., besides spending a little time in the Berkshires at Lee, Mass.

Mr. Carter stopped off at Philadelphia and after visiting his home in Brooklyn,

attended the meeting of the National Music Teachers' Association at Boston.

Mr. Veon was at home at Beaver Falls.

New Teachers This Term.

In the English department for the remainder of the year to fill the place of Dr. J. D. Meese, deceased, the trustees have secured Mr. John M. Betts, lately principal of the High School at Smyrna, Del.

Prof. Betts is a native of Delaware, received his Bachelor's degree at Wesleyan University, where his English work was done under the excellent guidance of the late Professor Winchester. He has also done graduate work in English in the University of Virginia.

The many friends of Miss Helen Meese will be glad to know that she has been engaged as critic teacher for the fourth grade of the Model school in the place of Miss Birkinsha, who has been compelled to resign by the illness of her aunt. Miss Meese finds herself among old friends at California, and her familiarity with the school will be a great advantage in taking up the work in the middle of the year.

Penn Professor Weds.

The marriage of Miss Alice Stockton Allen and Professor Frederick Ehrenfeld, of the University of Pennsylvania, which took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock aroused interest in educational, musical and social circles. Mrs. Ehrenfeld is the daughter of George Wooley Allen, who, at the time of his death, had been musical critic of "The Evening Telegraph" for thirty years.

She is a granddaughter of Rev. Thomas Stockton, at one time chaplain of Congress. She is a niece of the late Dr. Harrison Allen, at one time a professor at the University of Pennsylvania, and one of the organizers of the Wistar Institute. She is one of the original members of the Operatic Society.

Professor Ehrenfeld is equally well known. His father was State Librarian under Governors Hartranft and Hoyt, and was first principal of the Pennsylvania Southwestern State Normal School. Professor Ehrenfeld is a member of the Academy of Natural Sciences, the Manuscript Society of Philadelphia, the Malone Society of Great Britain, and other societies. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and is one of the staff of the department of geology in the same institution.

The wedding took place at the residence of the bride's uncle, Wilmer Atkinson, No. 4106 Locust street. The father of the bridegroom, Rev. Dr. Charles L. Ehrenfeld, performed the ceremony.—Philadelphia Evening Telegraph, Dec. 28, 1910.

Alumni Reunion.

Chairman J. A. Berkey was at the school recently looking over the ground and making plans for the Alumni reunion next Commencement. There's an air of expectation and genial mystery about him that promises much for the Alumni. Watch these columns for further notices, and use them for suggestions.

We hope for the biggest and most successful Triennial ever held. Individual initiative and loyal co-operation will make toward that end.

Points on Discipline.

Before we can formulate a practical disciplinary system we shall have to decide what is the aim of discipline. Think this out.

Make up your mind what may properly be called order for the pupils of your grade and their antecedents.

Aim to make this order perfect, but do not be disappointed if you fall considerably short of attainment. Nothing in this world was ever perfect but Bill Jones' wife's first husband. (ask Bill).

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Children sitting stiff in "position" may make a fine appearance to a visitor, but remember you will have to pay the price when the reaction of fatigue sets in,—and the children too.

If your class is restless and listless, it's probably bad ventilation and not bad dispositions.

Don't expect to control children if you cannot control yourself.

A good disciplinarian knows what things not to see

The children's hands should always be in sight of the teacher.

Don't expect an idle child to be orderly.

Beware of allowing anything personal to enter into disciplinary matters. It's not a question between the teacher and Johnny Jones, but between Justice and Wrong-doing.

If you are over-wrought postpone, if you can, settling with Johnny until to-morrow. That will give time for the personal element to evaporate.

What you call "righteous indignation" the children will call plain "mad."

You may not be able help liking one pupil better than another; you are able and must help showing it. Absolutely impartial justice can go to almost any lengths, but let a suspicion of favoritism arise, and your path will be a thorny one.

Never threaten; warn seldom.

So far as possible deal with each case separately and privately. The salutary effect of the "example" will usually pass by word of mouth.

Be careful about sarcasm; most persons will forgive a blow more readily. If you use it, don't resent it if you are answered—you have drawn it upon yourself.

Don't doubt a pupil's word unless forced to it. Better be deceived a thousand times, than to fail to credit a single truth.

If you make a mistake be the first to acknowledge it and apologize. You will gain in the respect of the whole school.

You can't be always right; let this fact make you cautious.

If you must make a mistake, make it on the side of charity.

If a pupil owns up to wrong-doing don't let him escape the penalty in consequence. Temper the punishment, but teach him to love the truth for truth's sake, not for immunity's sake.

Remember the tremendous power there is in reserve. So don't keep nagging about little things but give the impression that the power you use is nothing to what you might use.

To send a pupil from the room is usually a confession either of weakness or laziness on your part. If once sent out he should be allowed to return only by way of the principal's office.

Do your own disciplining. A principal gauges your effectiveness partly by your letting him alone. It is not well, either, to have the pupil look for authority back of you.

Read often the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians.

Take a little time for retrospect occasionally. When you think of your own school days you will be encouraged about your charges, will comprehend that a large part of the mischief is purely animal spirits, and it will aid you to avoid many mistakes that your teachers made with you. It will also help you to apply the Golden Rule, which has a place in the school room as well as outside.

In a serious matter be sure you are right; take the principal into consultation; then use all your own authority, all that of the school system, the state laws, if necessary to enforce your position. If right, never recede from a position. Go slowly, but never back down.

Y. M. C. A.

The young men of the school are entering into the spirit of the religious work

of the Y. M. C. A., with that earnestness which they manifest in everything they do.

Thus early in the term plans have been made for making the Y. M. C. A. a more potent factor in the life of every man in school.

During this term Bible study will be carried on in such a manner as will be interesting and profitable to each and every one.

Practically all the fellows are enrolled in this work.

Members of the faculty have kindly consented to teach these classes, and in a few days all will be organized.

Our meetings last term were good, but we hope to improve them much more this term.

Our Thanksgiving service was conducted by Mr. Knabenshue. Among some of his remarks he asked this question: "Why should one be thankful?" This was taken up by the students and was ably discussed.

Our first meeting of this term was led by Mr. Carter. The subject was "The Social Life of the Christian."

We hope that everyone received something from this meeting that will prove helpful to him in his life here during this term of school.

W. D. M.

Vacation Institutes.

The fifty-sixth annual session of the Westmoreland County Teachers' Institute, held in Greensburg, Dec. 19-23, under the leadership of Superintendent Robert C. Shaw, was a successful and inspiring convention. Mr. Shaw had provided such interesting and eloquent speakers as Dr. Edward Howard Griggs, of New York, Dr. George E. Vincent, President-elect of the University of Minnesota, Dr. Jonathan Rigdon of Winona, Indiana, and Dr. F. H. Green of the Westchester, Pa., Normal school. One of Dr. Griggs' most interesting themes was the moral training of the

young through the study of history and literature. History can be made a moral teacher of the young because it deals with the individual as well as the nation. It pictures a succession of men and women whose lives have been a success or failure according to the ideals they have held and the strength of will to carry into execution these ideals. Literature is even a more powerful teacher, because, while in history the actor is often cut down in the midst of his career and the results of his conduct cannot be seen; on the other hand in literature, the imagination of the writer fills out a rounded whole, where good action leads to a happy fruition, and bad conduct meets failure and downfall. Dr. Rigdon called attention in a forceful way to the necessity of bouyant health and unbounded energy in the teacher. He discussed such questions as diet, hours of sleep, deep breathing, outdoor exercise, and cheerful attitude of mind in their influence upon health.

About one hundred of the California graduates were members of the institute. The Normal was represented on the corps of instructors by Mrs. Noss, who gave four addresses on geographic and art topics.

Superintendent Gregg Lewellen sustained his reputation for holding excellent and profitable institutes in the meeting at Uniontown Dec. 19-23. He had secured the best available talent for both day and evening lectures, and the addresses were listened to by large and appreciative audiences. Dr. Davis and Prof. Hertzog were present for some of the sessions and had an opportunity for greeting former students and alumni of the Normal. Miss Noss served as pianist for the week.

Miss Jean Hawthorne '05 of California and Miss Nelle Harrison of South Brownsville were calling on friends at the Normal January 8, 1911.

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Question Box.

Beginning with the next issue the REVIEW will run a "Question Box" department. If this feature proves useful to readers it will be made permanent.

If questions arise in connection with their work which they would like to report to their old teachers or department heads in this school, subscribers are invited to state them plainly and mail to this office. They will be referred to the proper departments and competent authorities, and answers published in the REVIEW. Names of all inquirers must accompany query, not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

If questions too personal for publication arise, send them in together with stamped and self-addressed envelope and we will try to get you an individual reply. We have no authority for this offer, but feel safe in making it.

This new department can be of much use to young teachers. The experience and scholarship of their old teachers is at their disposal. We hope that many will make use of the Question Box and make it a real clearing house of school problems.

A box has been attached to the wall in the library for the contributions to the REVIEW—social items, visitors, suggestions of any sort, poetry, anecdotes which all may enjoy, literary effusions—any thing in short which you think will be of general

interest is solicited. We want a complete epitome of school life. Write a thing up as soon as it occurs to you. Don't wait. All articles must be signed, but names enclosed in parentheses () will not be published. If at first you don't succeed—better luck next time. Rally round the REVIEW.

Owing to the fact that the November issue of the REVIEW was devoted—properly, we are certain our readers will agree—to a memorial of Dr. Meese, the present issue covers the happenings of a general nature for the past two months. Athletic and other interests which were reported promptly, therefore, being unsuitable to a memorial number will find place, though late, in the present issue. Nothing of importance is omitted, and none of the matter now printed is of less general interest from being held over.

Much interest will attach to the article by Coach Witcraft which appears upon our page, giving post-season impressions of the new foot-ball rules. He speaks from the point of view of an athlete, trainer, and teacher, and his well digested conclusions are well worth consideration.

Suppose our readers take a look at their subscription accounts and see how they stand. Of course Dr. Meese, with his usual thoroughness left the books in perfect order, but it will save both time and postage if our subscribers voluntarily bring their accounts up to date, or better still, up to the close of their present subscription year. Then we will send statement and receipt. Remember that we can save you money on your general magazine subscriptions, and if you anticipate subscribing for some periodical for the coming year, write us for special terms in combination with the REVIEW.

Base Ball.

The base ball schedule of the Normal team is almost completed and will be pub-

lished in our next issue. The season opens at Washington with W. & J. on April 29, and closes with the Alumni game during commencement week. One of the most complete schedules in years has been arranged. Games will be played with Grove City, Waynesburg, St. Vincent, Pittsburgh College, and also the Pittsburgh Collegians and W. U. P.

The outlook is exceptionally good and a strong team is expected. Mr. Harris of the Senior class has been elected student manager, and a captain will be chosen in the near future.

Changes In Football Rules.

That the changes in the football rules have materially altered the style of game played is a well known fact; but whether or not the game is now a satisfactory one is still a matter for discussion. The mass play through the line and over tackle seems to be an impossibility under the restrictions of the new rules, for those plays as now carried out will not make the necessary gains to retain possession of the ball. In order to make their gains teams are compelled to resort to punting and open work such as end runs and forward passes. This has always been the spectacular part of the game. But in forcing teams to use this style of play repeatedly, the element of luck is introduced.

It is almost impossible for two evenly matched teams to make more than two or three first downs in succession, and the ball has to be kicked. The oval football is about the most treacherous thing in creation in its whims upon the ground; the most experienced player can not be at all certain of the direction in which it is likely to bound. It is all a matter of chance, depending upon the rotation that the ball has and the position of its axis as it strikes the ground. And in the forward pass the success or failure of the attempt is largely a matter of luck. With the variety of positions that are possible for the

defence to assume, it cannot be foreseen by any quarterback what shifts will be made at the last moment as the play starts. It may be such as to favor the play, by chance, or to prevent entirely its being a success.

Various remedies are proposed. The on-side kick is a valueless play with the 20-yard restriction, but it is a beautiful play from the spectator's point of view, and one of the least dangerous of all the ways of advancing the ball. If the 20-yard rule were revoked this play would have all the value it has always had. Further, the defence would be obliged to open up more in order to protect themselves against it; and thereby the short end run would be a better ground-gainer. There is little value in the protection to kicks under the rule, anyway; for the officials cannot detect half of the violations to it.

Another proposal is to remove the rule that a forward pass must be started from a point at least five yards behind the line of scrimmage. It is much easier to analyze it and prevent its success when it is so made. In fact as many as two thirds of the attempted forward passes are failures. Allow the ball to be passed from any point behind the line of scrimmage and the percentage of successful passes would be doubled.

Lastly it is proposed to allow a runner carrying the ball to catch hold of his interference and be dragged through his opponents. This favors "team play" while still avoiding the dangerous possibilities that attend shoving and pushing the runner. Greater gains could be made thereby, and consequently more scoring done.

Big, brawny men are still the typical football athletes, though fleetness of foot has been given a new value. Our own team this year had a fast back-field, but the line was too light to hold the defensive players from breaking through and spoil-

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ing the plays. Our gains were mostly on plays not allowed under the old rules. It is also a matter of statistics that have been published in the daily and Sunday papers that injuries are not more than half as numerous as under the old rules.

There certainly is a defect in the game when teams saw back and forth on the field with no possibility of scoring on account of the restrictions in the rules. And the defeated teams this year were "goose-egged" in three-fourths of the games. The beaten side can not score under the new rules. This would be different if the above proposals were adopted by the rules committee, and the California Normal team is in favor of them all.

R. O. WITCRAFT.

Alumni Football Game.

All readers of the NORMAL REVIEW will be interested in the report of the Alumni Football Game, Saturday, November 26th, as published in the Washington Observer, under date of November 27th, as follows:

California, Pa., November 27. The California Normal Football season closed yesterday, when in the presence of the largest crowd of the season, in their annual game, the Alumni defeated the Normal by a score of 26 to 0.

The Alumni had two full teams on the field and played the game in their old-time form, frequent substitutions being made so that each Alumnus might take part in the game. The long runs of Engle, Gray, Coulson and McCleary, recent State College stars and the line plunges of "Pop" Hayes and Abbott of W. & J., recalled their excellent playing on Normal Teams of years ago. For the Normal, Paxton, Hay and Boucher showed form, which will undoubtedly give them recognition in collegiate circles.

Features of the day were the attendance at the game of "Mutt and Jeff" representing the class of '92, who added materially to the spirit of the occasion by their antics

and vocal encouragement given their team, which was rivalled by the vociferous rooting indulged in by foxy "Father" Craven. The fair "Co-Eds" gave splendid encouragement to their team by their singing and cheering, and showed in all a genial spirit for the Alumni. Informal reunions of former students on the side lines added greatly to the enjoyment of the day.

In the evening a banquet in Dixon Hall, with the school authorities as hosts, was tendered the Normal Team, Alumni and friends.

Line-Up.

ALUMNI 26.		NORMAL 0.	
Tobin-Scott.....	L. E.....	Honsaker	
Gray.....	L. T.....	Wood	
Morris-Binns.....	L. G.....	Blackburn	
T. Jones.....	C.....	(Cap't) Miller	
Titus-Wilson Graham.....	R. G.....	Long	
Hayes E Stewart.....	R. T.....	E Smith	
Abott Smith-Schrontz.....	R. E.....	Boucher	
C. Stewart Ken edy.....	Q.....	Hamilton	
Coulson R. Smith.....	L. H.....	Paxton	
McCleary.....	R. H.....	Witcraft	
Engle-White.....	F. B.....	Hay	

Touchdowns: Engle, Gray, Hayes, McCleary, Morris Goal from touchdown; Engle Officials: Referee, "Tillie" Dewar; Umpire, Fraser; Field Judge, Martin; Timekeepers, Denny, Burley; Linesmen, Jenkins, Pollock and Abraham,

Alumni Normal Athletic Banquet.

California, Pa., November 26, 1910. Special:—The close of the Football season for 1910 at the Normal today, when the Alumni defeated this year's team 26 to 0, was fittingly celebrated by a banquet in Dixon Hall tendered to the 1910 Football Team, and Alumni and Athletic men who had returned for the occasion, with the school authorities as hosts. The sumptuous feast as served to their guests spoke highly of the ability of those in charge along culinary lines, and appreciation was not lacking on the part of those assembled.

Mr. Wm. A. Covert, of Pittsburgh, class of 1901, as Chairman of the Alumni Athletic Committee presided. All were made to feel welcome by the informal talk given by Mr. Frank Craven. Coach Witcraft and Captain Miller spoke briefly as did Alumni Captain Stewart and Mr. Edw.

McCleary. An interesting talk was given by "Joe" Mason, a guest. Penn State, 1907, in which he referred to a game of baseball State played on Normal Field five years ago when Normal won 3 to 0, this together with a defeat at the hands of Yale, being the only games they lost that year. Mr. Charles Lewellyn, brother of County Superintendent Lewellyn of Fayette, spoke of the good that could be done the school by its Alumni. The remarks of Mr. G. M. Mitchell, President of the Board of Trustees, a guest of the evening, giving assurance of co-operation with the Alumni along proper athletic lines, were heartily applauded. Dr. H. B. Davis, Principal, was the next speaker, and by his hearty encouragement of clean athletics, commendation of the spirit which knows not defeat, expressing pleasure at seeing present so many friends of the school, added much to the good will and fellowship which prevailed throughout the day and evening. Other informal talks were given by almost all who were present, among whom might be mentioned, Alex. Gray, R. J. Coulson, George D. Denny, David Smith, Joseph Martin, Harry Jenkins, Ody Abbot, Lloyd Engle, Robert Smith, William Burley, Paul Abraham and W. C. Grimes.

The speaking was brought to a close by a unanimous vote of thanks being extended to the school for the royal entertainment received.

Those awarded 1910 Football Monograms are as follows, First Team, Miller, Paxton, Hamilton, Hay, Boucher, Wood, Myers, Honsaker, McMurrough, Smith, Long, and Scott. Second Team, Hutton, Moser, Reckard, and Blackburn.

Basketball Schedule.

The following schedule of the inter-class basketball games has been posted, and bids fair to furnish an interesting series.

- Seniors vs. Juniors, Jan. 18, Feb. 4, Mar. 1.
- Seniors vs. Middlers, Jan. 21. Feb. 15, Mar. 4.
- Seniors vs. High School, Jan. 11, Jan. 28, Feb. 22.
- Middlers vs. Juniors, Jan. 7, Feb. 1, Feb. 18.
- Middlers vs. High School, Jan. 14, Feb. 8, Feb. 25.
- Juniors vs. High School, Jan. 24, Feb. 11, Mar. 8.

Each team plays three games with each of the other teams, nine games in all. Games start at 5:45 on Saturdays and two fifteen-minute halves are played. The Wednesday games start at 6:10 and one fifteen-minute half is played. The two teams winning the highest number of games will be allowed to play a fifteen-minute half at the Gymnasium exhibition to be held at the end of the term, to decide the school Championship. These game are to constitute a runner-up series preliminary to this final contest. Periods for practise for each team have been assigned.

R. O. WITCRAFT.

Report of Y. W. C. A.

On Sat., Dec. 9, the Y. W. C. A. held a bazaar in north parlor for the benefit of those in need. The line of sale consisted of burnt wood, pictures, candy, handkerchiefs, painted post cards, fancy work and calendars. About \$42 was realized. Several requests have been made that it be made an annual affair, and open for contribution from the Alumni.

Christmas greetings were received by the association from nearly every Normal school association in the state.

Will those girls who subscribed to the South American Fund last year, please send their check to Mrs. Samuel J. Broadwell, Treasurer, 125 East 27th street, New York City, in care of National Board of Y. W. C. A. They will be notified by

the board when their amounts are due.

The Y. W. C. A. were grieved to learn of the death of a former member, Miss Nell Scott.

The first Bible Lesson of this term will be led by Miss Cheesman. Many strong leaders have been selected and the work for this term is being looked forward to with great interest.

The visitors at the association during the past month were Misses Lemley, Palmer, Weltner, Wycoff, Iams, Wientge.

The Y. W. C. A. sends New Year greetings to the former members of the association.

Chairman of the Intercollegiate Com.

MABEL COLVIN.

Howard Kimball Weaver, aged 20, son of Mrs. Isabella T. Weaver and the late Ambrose H. Weaver, died suddenly of heart failure Sunday evening in the family home, 4751 Monongahela street, Hazelwood. He was born in Bradford, Pa., but had lived in Hazelwood 17 years. He was a graduate of the California State Normal School of the class of '10, and had commenced the study of medicine when he was forced to give up his college work several months ago on account of ill health. Mr. Weaver was a member of the Hazelwood Presbyterian Church. He is survived by his mother and three brothers, Glenn Weaver of Beaumont, Tex., Ralph Weaver of Cleveland, O., and Kenneth Weaver, at home.

Among other activities Mr. Weaver was one of the assistant editors of the *NORMAL REVIEW* last year. Many friends still in the school mourn his loss and extend heart felt sympathy to his family.

ALUMNI NOTES.

Naomi Walker, class of '09, is teaching in the schools of Eighty-Four, Pa.

Braden Schrontz, principal at Scenery Hill, Pa., is also teaching advanced grades.

Miss Anna Rhoades, class of '08, is teaching third grade in the Market street building, McKeesport, Pa.

Mae Ostrander, class of '10, is teaching in Donora, Pa.

Perry Morris, class of '10, is teaching at Ginger Hill, Pa.

Lota Wycoff, class of '09, is teaching in McKees Rocks schools.

Corde M. Weltner, is teaching Devotee of Domestic Science, at her home school at Cheat Haven, Pa.

Mary Donaldson, class of '10, is teaching in Rice's Landing High school.

Miss Alma Gillespie, class of '03 is the most successful candidate in the Tribune - Republican, Meadville, European Tour contest just closed. Miss Gillespie received the highest number of votes of all contestants, and she has the privilege of a European trip, not only for herself but for a companion. Miss Gillespie accompanied by her mother will sail from Montreal, July 15, 1911.

Miss Josephine Matzelle '10, was a recent caller at this office. She is teaching in the graded schools at Briar Hill, Redstone Township, Fayette Co. Two other former California students are there, Mr. A. D. Wilson, '10, is principal with ten teachers under his direction, and Mr. Campbell Yothers '11, is in one of the ungraded schools. From reports regarding work teachers' meetings, institutes and the like, we judge that Mr. Wilson, though a recent graduate, is no novice. All are enjoying the work under congenial conditions.

Miss Emma Hope Carrick of the class of 1906 died at her home in Monongahela, Thursday, Nov. 24, of diabetes. Miss Carrick was a young woman of high character who made many friends while

at the Normal and as a teacher at Shire Oaks and Monongahela, where she was living with her parents and teaching at the time of her death. A loving daughter, a careful student, a devoted Christian, and a promising teacher, she is a real loss to the profession and to the community.

Miss Jennie Evans of class 1910, who has been teaching a country school at Imperial, was recently elected to a position in Hazelwood. Miss Evans will have first primary work.

Charles Burns, principal at Edonborn, visited the training school recently. He was accompanied by his entire force of teachers, who spent the day observing the work of the different rooms of the Model school.

We are glad to hear good reports from Mr. Clarence Bittner and Mr. Kent Bowman, both of '10, who are attending Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia.

Mr. Edward McCleary, '05, has been elected head coach of the baseball and foot ball teams at State College and will shortly take up his work there. He is to be assisted for a time in his work by Bob Coulson and "Ode" Abbott, both former members of this school, but now playing upon the Brooklyn and St. Louis National League teams.

Harry G. Palmer, class of '06, writes from the Philippines:

"I plan to leave the Philippines next April and return to the United States via Europe. I shall go by the way of Naples and Rome, across the Alps to Switzerland, thence by the Rhine Valley through Holland to Paris and England. I will be glad to see my dear old Alma Mater again."

SOCIETIES.

A more judicious selection of topics for debate of late by the program committees of all the societies has resulted in both increased interest and effectiveness in this

department. A little more originality with regard to the entire program and occasional novelties introduced will aid in the general work.

That evening devoted to Portugal, past, present, and future, by Plio, was pronounced very successful. A program grouped about a central theme of this sort occasionally will not only add interest by way of variety, but besides conveying much valuable information will give excellent practice in organizing and ordering the phases to be handled.

Do let us have a little more rebuttal in debate. A form of debate which is oftenest of interest and profit, is to take a question and open to the society as a whole, after principals have spoken. Allow but a brief time to each speaker, no one to speak twice, then at the close give the principals again five minutes each for the summing up of all points and rebuttal. Leave judgment to those who have not taken part in the discussion. An occasional debate of this character brings out new material and is often interesting to the verge of becoming exciting.

PHILO.

The opening meeting of Philo for the winter term was marked by a great advance in enthusiasm on the part of all the members. An exceptionally good and historical program, dealing with the recent revolution in Portugal, was rendered.

The Salutatory Address by Miss Cameron was excellent and shows great ability.

The periodical by Miss Bair was one of the best ever given in the society. The debate was well given and showed careful preparation. It was decided in favor of Miss Bakehouse, the affirmatives speaker. It was in the miscellaneous debate however, that the individual enthusiasm of the members became apparent.

A challenge to the annual contest was

issued to the Clonian society, and was accepted.

The officers at the first meeting were:

President.....	MR. MEYERS
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Critic.....	MISS CRUMRINE
Marshal.....	MR. BLACKBURN
Choristers.....	MISS DEARTH AND MR. BRADFORD

HELICONIAN.

Heliconian has received general school recognition and has a society visitor, moreover they get their share of commendation. The acquisition of a piano has caused general satisfaction, and a chorus has been organized with Sara Hileman as leader and Ellen Easton as accompanist.

DELPHIC SOCIETY.

According to the statements made by the society critics, Delphic is certainly improving.

The reading given by Miss Victoria Carson on December the second was very good and appreciated by all those present.

On December the ninth Delphic produced the first play of this school year, entitled "The White Shawl." The characters were as follows:

Aunt Betsy.....	Clara Talbott
Sisters.....	Elizabeth Steele, Catherine Steel, Margaret Decker, Kate Criven
Dr. Katz.....	Roy Keys
Arthur Clanton.....	William Wise
George Rvall.....	Walter O'Brien

The play was quite a success and the players presented their parts better than might be expected of amateurs.

The first meeting of the new year was not up to the standard, but we hope the meetings which will follow will show the ability and eagerness of the members to do their work well.

A. H.

The following is an extract from a Memorial to Dr. Meese by Prof. W. W. Deatrick in the Kutztown Normal Vedette.

Personally, the writer feels that he has

sustained a great loss. My acquaintance with Doctor Meese began considerably more than a quarter of a century ago when both of us were working, the one a young and aspiring teacher, the other a plodding pastor in the chilly hills of Somerset county. Learning then to know him somewhat intimately, I greatly respected him and had high regard for his able scholarship and noble Christian character. We did not meet often afterwards. But when we did the greetings were cordial. Occasional correspondence acquainted each with the endeavors of the other. Now one is gone, his work well done. And the best that I can do is to bear this insufficient testimony to the worth of a departed friend.

The *Review of Reviews* seems to have solved the editorial problem. In matters political, economic, social, scientific, and literary it scans the whole field, giving the right emphasis, without bias. And the special articles of each month by writers of world-wide repute are authoritative.

Additional Alumni Notes.

Miss Johnson, a training teacher from the Kutztown Normal, and president of the Y. W. C. A. at that place, visited us for a few days.

Albert Norman Morrison and Elizabeth Marion Sheeran, class '87, were married on Monday, January the second, nineteen hundred and eleven, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Mr and Mrs. Elisha M. Snider announce the marriage of their daughter, Mary Amelia, to Mr. James Keener Conn, on Wednesday, January the eighteenth, nineteen hundred and eleven, Uniontown, Pennsylvania. Miss Snider was graduated in 1906. The REVIEW wishes her a long life and much happiness.

Miss King of Pittsburg, and Miss Green of Oakland, visited Irene King on Satur-

day and Sunday, Nov. 26 and 27.

Margaret Wilson and Martha Gibson of McKees Rocks, visited Miss Helen Wilson on Nov. 25, 26 and 27.

Miss Ida Colbeck of McKees Rocks, was a visitor here from Wed. 23 to Sat. 26.

Miss Anna Buckbee, of the faculty, attended a meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Historical Society at the Keenan building, Pittsburg, Jan. 18. The lecture of the evening, by Prof. Lacock was on "The Forbes Road." Prof. Espey Albigo of '98, superintendent of Bellevue schools, and Mr. Frank Brown of '94, a business man of Pittsburg, are active members of the society.

Miss Anna Buckbee made an address before the teachers of East Pike Run township, on Jan. 21, subject, "The Teacher's Inspiratian."

Miss Nelle Scott.

The faculty and students of the school, as well as the many friends of Miss Nelle Scott were shocked and grieved to learn of her death at her home at Charleroi late in December.

Miss Scott was a member of the class of 1910. She had been elected to teach in her home city, but just when the schools opened she became ill of typhoid fever. After the fever wore away other complications set in, and after a weary illness of nearly four months, she passed away on December 23.

Miss Scott was a bright, faithful, earnest and successful student, one from whom we expected much. She was a young lady of excellent character, well liked in her circle, and just ready to enter upon a useful career in life. The school extends its heartfelt sympathy to her family and friends in their bereavement.

The impossible has been accomplished. The successful cotton picker, invented by a Pittsburg man, promises to revolutionize the industry in the South. The *Technical World* for February show it works. There are a half score of articles of equal interest. It is the best number yet, and that means much.

It is a sad commentary on the frailty of human nature that we treat New Year's resolutions usually with levity. Be that as it may, there are conditions in the life of the student that make such resolutions especially appropriate and promising. We venture to say that coincidentally with the final fall examinations, or the appearance of the report at home, or with the opening of the new term about 99 per cent. of our students consciously or unconsciously made resolutions for the winter term. The best of it is that conditions of student life afford more promise of their fulfilment than is the case of most New Year's resolutions.

The wedding of Mr. Theodore Whitehead to Miss Margaret E. Dalby '94, was solemnized at the South Ave. M. E. Church, Wilkinsburg, Pa., Dec. 20, 1910.

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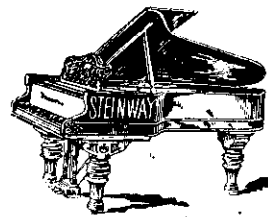
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