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Commencement Day.

The "great, the important day" especially in the eyes of parents and relatives, was Wednesday—Commencement Day. At ten o'clock the members of the class marched to their places, Mr. Baker, Mr. Siddell and the chosen Commencement speakers took their places on the platform and the program began. The speakers held the close and interested attention of the audience throughout and the orations were of an unusually high order of excellence. Principal Baker, in awarding the diplomas, made a forceful, direct and impressive address, emphasizing the responsibility of the teacher and the supreme importance of character as a positive and individual development. Mr. Siddell, in his thoughtful and pertinent address to the candidates for the second diploma, dwelt upon the need for rational optimism in the teacher's life, gave some facts from the report of the Sage Foundation rather startling to Pennsylvania educational self-com-

placency, and closed by some sound and inspiring advice to the class presenting itself for permanent diplomas. As the class rose for the last time to sing, "Stand Once More in Your Places," a sobered sense of the realization of the significance of the day seemed to come to the class and the tone of sadness that always undersings the outward gayety of Commencement festivities began to be plainly heard. At the close of the singing the class filed over the library and out upon the campus where it formed a circle, passing the diplomas from hand to hand until each member had received his own. As he did so, he dropped out and the circle lessened until the last parchment had reached its owner. The members of the class then held an informal reception, receiving the congratulations of faculty, relatives and friends, and Commencement Day of 1913 was over. The Commencement program appears below:
Coronation March.....Meyerbeer
Orchestra

Invocation.....Rev. Mr. Shreve
Egyptian Midnight Parade.....Inman
Orchestra
Oration....."An Ever Needed Remedy"
Helen Bathurst
Oration....."The Results of Avarice"
Adlia Dickey
Oration....."Fiction"
Doris Amidon
Oration....."What is Truth"
Charles White
Song....."Hail to Thee, Our Alma Mater"
Class
Oration....."Our Greatest Heritage"
Quincey Vincent
Oration....."Unseen Beauty"
Mabelle Sammons
Oration....."An American Ideal"
Marion Judd
Oration....."The Country School Problem"
Charles Marsh
Whispers.....Dean
Orchestra
Address to Graduates.....Mr. Baker
Address to Candidates for Second Diploma, Mr. Siddell
Song....."Stand Once More in Your Places"
"Domine Salvam Fac"
Class
Presentation of Diplomas
March, from "The Prophet".....Meyerbeer
Orchestra

An American Ideal.

(Commencement Oration by Marian Judd.)

It was "far from the edge o' cultivation" that fifty settlers broke land and sowed crops here in 1797. Among these settlers was a widow with her two sons, who took up four hundred acres just south of the present site of Edinboro, where they built a crude log shanty and cleared land. In the fall the mother "retraced her way to the Susquehanna" to bring her three other children. During their mother's absence the two boys lived alone, within reach of only one neighbor, and carried all their supplies on their backs over the long snow drifted trail from Waterford. One of these heroic boys was James Campbell, afterward a man instrumental in obtaining a charter from the legislature for an academy here. Their sister was the mother and grandmother of the men who have done so much, that we might say everything for this school and community. Later from civilized Massachusetts to this unbroken land in Pennsylvania came another group of people. In the last twenty-four hours of their six weeks journey one family covered fifty miles, the mother riding horseback and the fourteen year old girl driving cows. Because of the superb heroism of people such as these, today we are able to stand here prepared to begin our work. Not to clear away forests, but to preserve them; not to settle new lands but to improve those we have; not to found schools, but to teach them and teach them well. It is left for us to further their plans, to advance their standards, to work out the ideals for which they sacrificed and toiled and spared no cost.

Today I want to talk not of our ideals and visions, but of the ideals and visions of these pioneers, made into realities from which we derive the benefit. Our visions are small compared with theirs, our dreams of accomplishment are insignificant measured with what they did accomplish. "Sixty years is a short time for the evolution of a dense uncultivated forest to a farming community, prosperous enough to make possible the building of a school." But this is exactly what they accomplished, these untiring workers managing farms, sawing timber, laying out streets, building houses and constructing roads. Almost before the great task of building stage lines to Waterford and Erie had been completed, the leaders began to talk of education above the common school. "But the faith that moveth mountains" had to be aided by much talking and counseling among the friends of education. There were difficulties that would look insurmountable to anyone except these rugged men of action. Less than 400 people made up the population of the community, and these were far from rich. Implanted in the minds and hearts of these men was a spirit that made for success, that same spirit of progress that had compelled their fathers to "go west."

So Commercial Hall yonder today is not merely "one of our buildings." Think of it as "The Academy," a memorial to the greatest accomplishment of one generation and the inspiration of the next.

The passing of the Normal Act, 1857 by the Legislature of Pennsylvania suggested to

them the idea of enlarging the Academy and securing the Normal school for this district. It seemed a wild dream because Waterford, much superior on account of its railroad, its newspaper, and its thirty-year-old academy, laughed scornfully at "Edinboro trying to get the Normal School over there in the woods." There was no tarrying or waste of time, but the work was begun immediately. An earnest endeavor on the part of the far sighted few, a gift of the necessary land (by Mr. Reeder) and generosity on the part of the townspeople to the extent of self-sacrifice, made possible the building of an Assembly hall (now Science) and one dormitory.

Success seemed to be almost theirs, but the state law demanded another building and that all debts be paid. In the raising of this last \$10,000, is shown all of that brave cheerfulness, unquenched hopefulness, indomitable courage and unswerving faith of those early pioneers. Isaac Taylor, one of the most resourceful of the leaders, spent almost the entire winter riding from farm to farm, urging people to help, showing them that their co-operation was necessary, and making clear that this was to be their institution. This was not easy for him to do. He had his own farm and mills to oversee, yet his heart and soul were with the school, and it is for us to be thankful that he persevered. He says, "The word fail is not known among us." This must have been his slogan all that winter long. Now every person was roused and determined to succeed. Each and every one cast in his mite. Young men earning only ten shillings a day kept for themselves only enough to buy food. Richer men gave as much as one-eighth of all their property. In a community that had already raised \$3600 for an Academy, and \$5,000 for additional buildings, it was no weakling's task to raise \$10,000 to meet the state's requirements. That the citizens of this village did that, that the fathers and mothers of many in this room

had such faith, stands, it seems to me, as a great cause for pride, a great inspiration to service and a great challenge to us as workers in the world's service.

On the all important night when the state inspectors were to decide the results of the untold work and sacrifice of the past three years, the excitement was electric. Even a bitter January blizzard did not prevent the townspeople from assembling in crowds. In the morning during the inspection of the courses of study, the examination of the grounds and buildings and investigation of curricula, three hundred on-lookers breathlessly awaited the verdict. By the afternoon it became more evident that the inspectors were more favorably impressed and the mass meeting that evening resulted in formal declaration of this school to be the Northwestern State Normal School for the 12th district.

It is a simple story and a story common to other villages, but because it is preeminently a story of American ideals, of the American spirit, of that pioneer spirit the world over, I have repeated to you the details. The story of their self-forgetting heroism and untiring devotion to a cause from which only future generations were to derive benefit, is one to stand beside the story of American educational beginnings as they have been known on every frontier. It was a story repeated here from Massachusetts and Connecticut. It is a story that has been repeated since in Iowa, Nevada, Kansas and Washington. Because it is our own story, because, classmates, this is our day, I review it here as a clarifier of our vision, as a cementing force for our loyalty to our little fostering mother that rests here on the crest of the continent; finally, I have reviewed it as a pattern for those present, village and school, who as they go away from here, must remain behind and build as the fathers built, not for the present only, but for those multitudes yet to come.

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ALUMNI NOTES.

Maye Geer '10, has been teaching in Frontier, Neb., the past year and will hold the same position.

Miss Ethel Amidon '10, who has been teaching in Frontier, Wyoming, is now spending her vacation at her home in Edinboro. She expects to teach in Frontier again this year.

M. M. Mackintosh '10, expects to teach in Midvale, Idaho, this coming year.

A. M. McCommons '10, who has been teaching at Milgrade, Nebraska, and John L. McCommons, who has been teaching in Grage, Nebraska, are in Edinboro for a few days. Both expect to go back west this year.

Miss Mildred Sadler '12 is visiting her sister, Wilda.

Charlie Cook '08, was a Commencement visitor. Mr. Cook graduated from Grove City College in '12. He has been teaching in Ford City and will retain the same position next year.

C. Marion Negus '12, was visiting E. S. N. S. a few days last week.

Victor Snapp '12 and Charles A. Kough were both Edinboro visitors during Commencement week.

Kathryn Rouche will teach in Kemmerer.

Frank Sayre '08, during the coming school year, will be assistant principal of Princeton High school. Mr. Sayre will attend Princeton University evenings.

Carl Holder '12 is going to be principal of Cranesville High school this next year.

Mary Crossman '12 expects to teach in Clarendon this year.

Bertha Gale '11 is going to teach the Horton school, Union township, near Union City.

Ruby Carol '11 is going to teach the intermediate grades of the Wattsburg High school.

Pearl Gehring '11 has a position for the coming year in Redondo Beach, Cal.

Ogle Kline '11 expects to teach at Walker's Corners.

Lenore Gillespie '11 will be in Belle, Pa., next year.

Martha Sayre '12 is going to teach in New Richmond.

Clara Saunders '11 will teach in Athens township.

Mary McCullough '12 is going to teach Kiser Hill school, Crawford county.

Helen Loomis '12 is going to retain the same position she had last year, teaching the second room of Albion High school. Miss Loomis has a large school and enjoys her teaching very much.

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Union Meeting Literary Societies.

The joint meeting of the two literary societies held Saturday evening in Normal Hall was well attended. The program was one of the best given by either society this year and was enjoyed greatly by all. Program:

Reading Edna Sammons, Potter
Essay Ruth Kidder, Philo
Vocal Solo Arthur Johnson, Potter
Newspaper Ella Mays, Philo
Essay Gretchen Grimminger, Potter
Orchestra Selection

The Ice Cream Social.

A beautiful night and a beautiful moon; dainty little tables under the trees and dainty young waitresses near by; electric lights and Japanese lanterns; beautiful music by the orchestra and rollicking selections by the graphophone; delicious strawberry and vanilla ice cream and plenty of people to eat it. These were the main features of the ice cream social given by the Y. W. C. A. last Monday night. It proved to be a great success both financially and socially and all who attended considered it an evening well spent.

THE BIRCH ROD

The Junior Senior Reception.

The seniors are supposed to be a dignified body of young people but even the wisest and stately are liable to lose their dignity and be merry with the merriest. They have even been known to anticipate things with the curiosity of freshmen.

Such was the case when the invitation cards to the Junior reception were received. Dictionaries and faculty both were consulted innumerable times to find what a "Soiree" was, and how to pronounce it. The reception was held in the gymnasium which had miraculously lost its barren appearance. Decorations consisted of a large square suspended in the center of the room from which streamers of crepe paper in senior class colors were draped to the balcony, about which pennants were hung. Three attractive booths were decorated in daisies, ferns and buttercups and Junior colors, brown and gold. One of the most interesting features was the cozy corner at one end of the gymnasium which, of course, was reserved for the faculty.

Soon after their arrival the guests were conducted to a booth and presented with favors which, if one were brave enough to open, even though they did resemble fire crackers, were found to contain tiny charms and paper caps of bright colors, all very becoming.

A grand march was organized and directed by Mr. Hayes in which every one joined. It ended in a game of "Tucker wants a Wife." Punch was served throughout the evening and a few short dances ended the entertainment, the orchestra furnishing music. At 10:30 the party reluctantly separated and the Junior reception of 1913 was an event of the past.

Baccalaureate Sermon.

The Senior class was very fortunate in securing the Rt. Rev. Bishop Robert Israel, of the Diocese of Erie, to deliver the Baccalaureate sermon, Sunday morning, June 22. After the congregation had assembled, that dignified body of people, the Seniors, arrayed in somber caps and gowns, marched in and filled the seats roped off for them with their colors, red and blue.

The full order of service is given below:

Music Orchestra
Hymn No. 1 Congregation
Prayer Rev. C. H. Sweet
Quartet "Rejoice, the Lord is King"
Scripture Reading Rev. Ivan Shreve
Quartet "Be Glad, O Ye Righteous"
Sermon Bishop Rogers Israel
Hymn No. 56 Congregation
Benediction Rev. Frank B. Bonner
Music Orchestra

The evening address was delivered by the Rev. Bruce Wright, of the Simpson Methodist church, of Erie, before the religious associations of the school. It was greatly appreciated by the many students and friends in attendance.

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The Exhibit.

No departments of the Edinboro Normal School deserve more honorable mention than those of manual training and domestic science. They stand for plenty of work but have something to show for the labor and time put into them. The greater share of the success due these departments is the result of the unfailing efforts of the very efficient teachers, Mr. Frost and Miss Powell. It has taken no small amount of work to teach students to make the various articles of furniture and fancy work which are shown in the manual training rooms during commencement week.

The exhibit of manual training work shows a large display of furniture, the variety ranging from a kitchen cabinet to a glove box. These articles are well made and the inconspicuous as well as the more noticeable parts are neatly finished.

The work done in the domestic science department is a credit to the school and shows much painstaking effort on the part of both teacher and student.

Graduating Recital of Miss Mary Squier.

On the evening of June 21, in Normal Hall, a very appreciative audience listened to the recital given by Miss Mary Squier. Miss Squier was assisted by pupils of the oratory department. All the readings were very well given, while too much cannot be said in praise of Miss Squier's beautiful interpretation of the difficult music. The following was the program given.

PART I

- Kamennoi Ostrow—Piano.....Rubenstein
Miss Squier
- "The Little Boy Who Was Scart o' Dyin'"—Reading
Miss Elizabeth Fowler
- Witches Dance—Piano.....McDowell
Miss Squier
- "Voice From a Far Country"—Reading.....
Miss Helene Jackson
- Nocturne op. 9 No. 2 - Piano.....Chopin
Miss Squier
- "The Lost Word"—Reading.....Henry VanDyke
Miss Edna Sammons

PART II

- "The Fiddler Told"—Reading.....Nora C. Franklin
Miss Helen Bathurst
- Concerto in G minor—Two Pianos.....Mendelssohn
Miss Squier, first piano
Miss Thomas, second piano

When a bit of sunshine hits ye
After passin' of a cloud
When a fit of laughter gits ye
And your spine is feelin' proud
Don't fergit to up an' fling it
At a soul that's feelin' blue
For the minit that ye sling it
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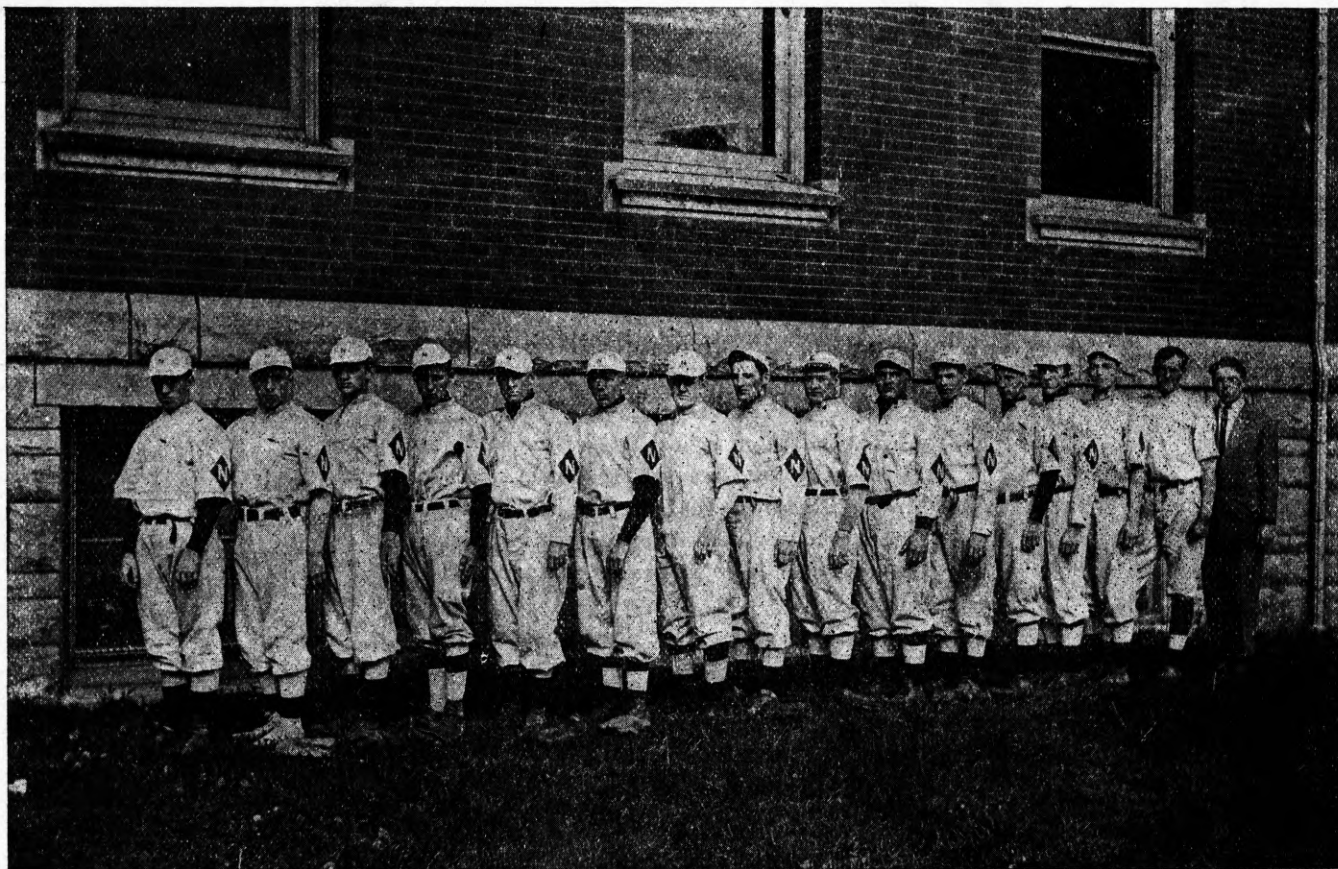
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BASE BALL TEAM, 1913

Edinboro Wins.

The Varsity won the game with the alumni, Saturday, June 21, by the close score of 3—2. The game was at all times close, the alumni being in the lead until the fourth inning when their luck changed.

The attendance and applause of the loyal Normal rooters was wonderful. The game started with a rush, Dundon hitting the first ball pitched for a safe line drive over short, advancing slowly he brought in the first run for the alumni. The alumni players worked well together and displayed a "never die" spirit throughout the entire game.

The Varsity did not play their accustomed aggressive game as there has been no regular practice for the last two weeks, on account of exams. Although the hitting was a little weak, they showed flashes of speed, at times, in the field. Drake made a sensational catch of a high fly and Jewell a wonderful stop of a "skimmer" through second. Hood deserves special mention, as this was his first varsity game and he played like a veteran. He succeeded in getting four put outs and garnered Normal's only hit which was a hot grounder just inside 3rd sack.

This game ends the baseball season of 1913, which has been one of the most successful in the history of the school. Not successful

from the standpoint of games won but from the standpoint of the good showing our team has made against teams from higher classed schools. We have not a paid man on our baseball squad, a fact which few of our rivals can boast of.

Much of this years success is due to the untiring efforts of our manager, Fay Daley and of the captain, Archie Drake, who have done all we could possibly ask of them, and more.

Too much cannot be said of the excellent work of Coach Hayes. He has given every man a square deal who came out regularly and obeyed the rules of the association. All through the year he has shown that spirit so rarely found in coaches; always on the field in uniform, playing the hardest, and always giving a word of advice and encouragement. He spared himself no pain to keep the players in good condition and also the grounds, even though he had to use the shovel and hoe himself. Through the columns of the "Birch Rod" we wish to express our appreciation of his work and we are very glad to know he is to be with us again next year.

| Alumni | a.b. | r. | h. | p. | o. | a. | e. |
|------------------------|------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Dundon, 2d..... | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | |
| St. John, c..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | |
| McCobb, c. f..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | |
| Hall, 3d..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | |
| J. McCommin, l. f..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | |
| Blair, s. s..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1 | |
| A. McCommin, 1st..... | 3 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | |
| Joslin, p..... | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Hutchison, r. f..... | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | |
| Totals..... | 33 | 2 | 3 | 27 | 5 | 7 | |

E. S. N. S.

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|--------------------|----|---|---|----|---|---|
| Fuller, l. f..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| De Remer, 1st..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Babcock, r. f..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Drake, c..... | 4 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 2 | 1 |
| Ross, p..... | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Jewell, s. s..... | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Trejchel, 3d..... | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Green, c. f..... | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Hood, 3d..... | 3 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals..... | 31 | 3 | 1 | 27 | 5 | 4 |

Struck out—By Rose, 12; by Joslin, 6. First on balls Off Ross, 1; off Joslin, 2. Double plays—Dundon to McCommin, 2; Blair to McCommin. Hit by pitcher—Joslin, 1. Time of game—1 hour 57 minutes. Umpire—Stokes.

On Thursday, June 12, members of the baseball team who had played in three full games or parts of four, were presented with the official N. Coach Hayes expressed his appreciation of the team for its faithfulness at practice and for the clean games played. In making the presentation of the letters, Mr. Baker congratulated the boys, not only on playing ball successfully, but on playing the man, the while. He praised their loyalty and splendid school spirit shown in carrying out their schedule despite the many obstacles and disappointments it included: Although the number of games won was not many, it reflects no discredit on the work of the team. The school is proud of its nine, and extends its gratitude for the honor they have brought to our Alma Mater.

Moving Up Day.

Moving Up Day was carried out with the usual amount of tradition and ceremony necessary to satisfy the undergraduates, who presented a smile in chapel for the first time this year. Freshies are over all their abuses and shameings from upper classmen. Sophomores threw off their curious religious attitude, and the Juniors brushed their shoes and combed their hair, for they were in a new world. The Seniors stood amused, pleased and rejoiced with the poor "boobs" over what they had celebrated just one year before.

The formality was finally broken when Professor Cooper celebrated his semi-centennial chapel address. He told many tales of the old students who had since "made good" in the turmoil of school teaching.

Following Professor Cooper's address the exercises were put in the hands of the Seniors, whose worthy representative, Karl Joslin, handed down the properties, rights and privileges of the Seniors, also giving the Juniors good advice and the numberless tips necessary to successful avoidance of the "da-da" committee, which hears no reasons, accepts no excuses, and has no sense of justice.

The Juniors thanked the Seniors in the reply of Mr. Titsler, who accepted for the Juniors all the good advice, and prophesied for the class of 1913 a brilliant and successful future.

The Seniors sang the songs of the class while they marched out, and the annual moving up day closed its chapel exercises with proud feelings of work well done.

Class Day.

Class Day belongs exclusively to the Seniors by prescriptive and traditional right. The exercises were begun at two o'clock in the auditorium. The Philo orchestra, resplendent in white with red ties, played an opening selection and then the march, to the strains of which the seniors, preceded by Sayre '14, marched to their places. Arthur Johnson, president of the class, presided with dignity, and gave with pertinence and force his official address. The spoon oration, replete with sage counsel to underclassmen, was given by Hubert Bentley, who departed from the usual vein of such speeches and held the interested attention of his hearers throughout. The spoon was accepted by Nevin Carman in a brief but pointed address. Miss Marian Maffit's history was excellently given—new also in conception and form, as was the prophecy by Miss Alice Walker who, thrown by "Professor Donati" into a cataleptic state, saw various scenes in the subsequent career of members of the class, and described them with her characteristic humor and mimicry of individual foibles. Particularly clever and effective was the climax of the trance in which the embarrassment of the "Professor" was a source of much merriment to the initiated. The pantomime by the Misses Sammons, Whiting, Crandall, Bathurst, Agnew, Boyle and Proudfit, with Miss Markle reading Browning's "Romance of the Ganges," and Miss Lois Williams at the piano, was admirably done. After the exercises indoors, the class marched out to the pine tree before Normal hall, where, grouped in a circle on the grass, they listened to the Ivy oration by Donald Richey, who gave an address of remarkable power and interest. The scene is one that ought to recur vividly to the recollection of members of the class in the years to come, when their thoughts go back to that sunny June afternoon long ago when their class day ended with the picture of the throng of visitors clad in gay summer colors, the green grass and maples, the sobered and sombre group of capped and gowned classmates, the red walls of Normal hall standing silent in the afternoon sunshine, and then with the swell of the familiar "Stand Once More in Your Places," and "Domine Salvam Fac." The complete program was:

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| Music..... | Orchestra |
| President's Address..... | Arthur Johnson |
| Spoon Oration..... | Hubert Bentley |
| Juniors' Reply..... | Vincent Hays |
| Class Song..... | |
| Class History..... | Marion Maffit |
| Pantomime..... | |
| Music..... | Orchestra |
| Class Prophecy..... | Alice Walker |
| March..... | Orchestra |
| Ivy Oration..... | Donald Richey |
| "Stand Once More in Your Places," "Domine, Salvam Fac"..... | Class |

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Senior Play.

The comedy drama, "Diamonds and Hearts," was given on Tuesday evening by the Seniors before an audience that filled the auditorium to overflowing. The parts were well sustained throughout and the play was one of the most successful ever given here. Miss Bauman's careful and thorough drill were in constant evidence. Hawkin's orchestra played. The caste was:

Bernice Halstead, a young lady of eighteen, with an affection of the heart, a love of fun and a hatred of arithmetic.....Marjorie Fisher
Amy Halstead, her sister, two years younger, fond of frolic.....Nina Swift
Inez Gray, a young lady visitor, and willing to share in the fun..... Mabel Sammons
Mrs. Halstead, a widow, and step-mother to the Halstead girls..... Mildred Joslin
Hannah Mary Barnes, or "Sis," a maiden lady who keeps house for her brother.....Verna Marke
Dwight Bradley, a fortune hunter, and Mrs. Halstead's son by a former marriage.... Ward Marsh
Dr. Burton, a young physician..... Charles Scott
Sammy, the darky bell boy at the Halstead house..... Ethel Case
Abraham Barnes, or "Bub," a Yankee farmer, still unmarried at forty, a diamond in the rough.....John Scott
Attorney..... Quincey Vincent
Sheriff.....Charles Marsh

Alumni Reunion.

Scores of the old boys and girls reassembled at Edinboro Tuesday, June 24, to meet old school mates and give the boys and girls of today a new view of the spirit of Edinboro. Members of many classes, from '63, represented by J. N. McCloskey, to '12, returned. The sunshine from above was added to the sunshine on the faces of old and young alike, and the spirit of good fellowship fitting to the occasion prevailed.

At 10:30 the Alumni Association met in Music hall and transacted the business for the coming year. Officers were elected as follows: President, Hubert Bentley '13; vice president, Floyd Bathurst '10; secretary, Francis Burchfield '00; treasurer, Dean Swift, '95; executive committee, Harry Weaver '11, Amy Wilder '12, Herman Sackett '02, Elizabeth Garver '11, Roy Simpkins '08.

Resolutions were adopted regarding the good will of the Alumni toward the present administration and expressing the respect of the Alumni for J. A. Cooper, founder of the school. Interesting verbal reports were made by representatives of Edinboro reunions held at various county institutes.

At 1 P. M. the annual alumni banquet, given by the trustees, was held in Haven Hall. As usual no effort was spared to make the place homelike and to give all who attended an enjoyable time. After the dinner President George Taylor, of the Edinboro Board of Trustees gave the speech of welcome which

B. R. Kline '91, answered. Prof. J. A. Cooper spoke, lauding the present Faculty and pledging his support to the Normal until the end. Mrs. Angie Downing responded to "Edinboro of the Olden Days" and J. H. Holmes spoke on "Edinboro School Days." J. C. Borland '88, J. W. Philips '10, Rev. Dr. D. S. Johnson '80, Mrs. Chloe Swift McLallen '78, and H. Bentley '13, represented their respective classes. Prof. Baker closed the speaking with a short address on "The Edinboro Normal and its Future Policy."

Alumni Day is felt by all to have been a success and arrangements are already being made to make next year's reunion an even greater success.



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