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Three Out of Five Collegians Voice Approval of Roosevelt

Students from Southern States Show Most Emphatic Support

Although a good majority of college students continue their approval of Franklin D. Roosevelt as president, campus opinion has not kept pace with the increasing support that the U. S. voter has been giving the chief executive since the European war broke out.

A coast-to-coast referendum of collegians shows that more than three out of every five "generally approve of Roosevelt today as president." This is only nine-tenths of one percent less than the vote of approval students gave F. D. R. a year ago this month, according to the continuous index of his popularity that the Surveys has kept.

It is clearly shown that the moving world and national events of recent months have not influenced student opinion as much as national public opinion, which since the start of the war has far outstripped the collegians in approval of the president.

Last December there was a greater percentage of students in favor of Roosevelt than there was of voters. Events since then have caused the rank and file to change its attitudes, while student approval is in almost a straight line, and even slightly less than a year ago.

Students in New England, the Middle Atlantic and East Central states, as usual, today are less in favor of the president than other sections of the country, mustering a bare majority. The Southern states are most emphatic with 76 per cent, West Central 60, Far West 70.

This poll taken by the Student Opinion Surveys, however, is not an indication that collegians want Roosevelt for a third term. Twice the Surveys has polled the students on this particular issue, each time finding less than one-third approving of his possible candidacy in 1940.

Science Club Shows Movie Tonight at 7

"Modern Metal-working with the Oxyacetylene Flame" is the title of the motion picture which will be shown at the regular meeting of the Science club to be held tonight at 7 o'clock in the chemistry lecture room. This two-reel film, which is one of the series supplied by the Bureau of Mines of the Department of the Interior, illustrates both the manufacture and construction of acetylene equipment and also its many uses.

The first reel shows how acetylene, which is the fuel gas for the oxyacetylene flame, is produced chemically. By means of animated photography, the construction and operation of the equipment is explained.

The second reel deals with the uses of the process in metalworking. Dramatic scenes from a steel construction job are shown, as well as pictures of this valuable process in laying oil pipe-lines, in refrigerator manufacture, and in the making of automobile bodies.

Annual Christmas Party Is Held by Catholic Social Club

In a setting of evergreen boughs, wreaths, and streamers, members of the Catholic Social club held their annual Christmas party in the church hall last Thursday evening.

After playing various games, the highlight of which was a Professor Quiz contest, the members were treated to candy, nuts, popcorn, and apples. The program continued with exchange of gifts, then group singing of Christmas carols led by John Lowe.

48 Students Achieve Honor Roll Merit

Twenty-five New Members Admitted to Honor Society

Forty-eight students were placed on the honor roll for the fall term this year, according to a report from the Registrar's office.

Leading the honor roll with 57 honor points is Theodore Gleiter. Thirteen students from the freshman class attained scholarship grades high enough to achieve honor roll standing for the first time, making a total of twenty-five new members who will be admitted to the Honor Society. Eight of the forty-eight students made straight "A's."

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- Wood, Minnie-A11,B4,41

President Extends Greetings

I am glad of this opportunity to extend Christmas Greetings to all the students of our college. The Christmas season is one of universal appeal. Old and young the world over rejoice in the Christmas spirit.

It is the heartfelt prayer of all civilized peoples that peace may soon return to the world and that good will may reign in the hearts of all.

J. H. Ames, President



The Student Voice staff, from editor to newsgirl, contributes its best wishes to the student body and faculty for the holiday season.

Dance Tomorrow Night

There will be an all-school Christmas dance on Thursday evening, December 21, from 8:30 to 12:30.

Door prizes and free refreshments will be provided.

Admission is 10 cents per person, 15 cents per couple.

Joint YM-YW Vesper Services Held at Congregational Church

On Monday evening the members of the YMCA and YWCA met in the Congregational church for an unusual type of service. The program was arranged in such a manner that the audience remained seated throughout, each member of the group being permitted to meditate, led only by the organ.

On the program were Bette Campbell, who sang "O Holy Night," by Adam; Margaret Bendix, who played a violin selection composed of a medley of Christmas songs; and the YM quartette, which sang "We Three Kings of Orient Are."

Irene Raawe from the YWCA and Reuben Hermanson from the YMCA arranged the program and Christmas decorations. Joyce Chapman was the organist.

Heinie Haircuts Hit New High

Now when Samson was deceptively fooled by that "hussy" Delilah, one would think our basketball boys would guard their heads and preserve all strength with which they are so well endowed. If any mistakes are noted in the Oshkosh game, we'll lay it to those "helliions" of the Jerney boarding club.

We have it on good authority that the "savage" in Savage ran wild, and Allis Jerney was the instigator of a little scheme known as "baldifying the cager." Anyhow, this applies to three of the five who star for the Falconites on the BB squad, one of the heroes of the gridiron, and one famous "woman-chaser."

It seems that "Pretty Boy" Jerney

lost his biggest claim to beauty at the Savage barber shop—then got mad and coaxed Schmidt and Diermeier into a "bowl" haircut developed on the "fringe" order. Then there were three excited fellows, and soon two more: King and Rasmussen, by name.

We have it on good authority that Diermeier "slept-walked" the other nite in a pair of black-and-white striped pajamas. He missed two or three steps going down and aroused Mrs. Jerney, who got Dan Linehan out to send in convict No. 15598 on a charge of disturbance of the peace and of the natural hair growth. One freshman asked if Diermeier was bald, for she said she couldn't see the blond hair!!

Musical Assembly Thursday at 3:15 to Climax Christmas Spirit

Infirmiry Patients

Total 17 for Term Number of "Hooky" Players Decreased Since Last Year

Colds, flu, bronchitis, and sore throat have caused 17 college students to be patients in the Infirmiry this fall. There were two more cases this fall up to Christmas as compared with last year for the same period. Last year there were only 15 students averaging 1 1/2 days each who were served 70 meals, whereas this year there were 17 patients who averaged about two days each and who were served 90 meals. The total number of students who patients at the Health Cottage last year was 66.

From New Years until the first of May, the number of Infirmiry patients is considerably larger. The reason suggested for this is that before Thanksgiving and Christmas the students are more keyed-up and build up more resistance. However the "let-down" after Christmas vacation lowers their resistance. More cases of injuries are treated during football season than at any other time of the year.

All freshmen and transfer students are compelled to meet for physical examinations in the fall. In the spring the seniors are given physical examinations. Also in the spring the Mantoux, a tubercular test, is given free of charge to any student who wants to take it. Last year there were 100 college and training school students who took this test.

The number of would be "hooky players" has decreased this year Miss Hall reports. Compared with last year very few students have feigned some malady to get out of writing that test or giving that speech.

Miss Hathorn Entertains Girls At Christmas Tea and Musicale

Approximately 200 women students were guests of Miss Irma B. Hathorn, dean of women, at an all-girl tea given on Sunday, December 17, from 3 to 5 p. m. in the Social room.

Decorations carried out the Christmas motif with red ballons adorning the lights and the serving table, and a Christmas tree trimmed with red lights.

A program of music in keeping with Christmas was presented at intervals during the afternoon. Pianists Gladys Bleisner and Marian Kirkpatrick were featured in solo numbers as well as in accompaniments for group singing. A trio composed of Rachel Ames, Mary John Shuel, and Katherine Kurtz, a group of German singers, and a group of Latin singers, as well as the entire Girls' chorus under the direction of Miss Cara Amelia Wharton presented several selections. The final number was a cello solo rendered by Miss Donna Campbell.

Honor guests were President and Mrs. J. H. Ames.

Senior girls served and assisted as hostesses.

Marriage of Fern Carlson, of Office Staff, Is Announced

Miss Fern Carlson and Mr. E. H. Blum were united in marriage by the Reverend Mr. Grossheim at the First Presbyterian Church at Waukon, Iowa on November 25, 1939.

Miss Carlson has been on the office staff of the college since June, 1937. After the month of February, 1940, she will be at home in Eau Claire.

Orchestra, A Capella Chorus, Girls' Glee Club on Program

Christmas festivities of the school will be climaxed by a musical program to be given at assembly Thursday at 3:15.

The program will begin with carols sung by the training school pupils. This will be followed by the college orchestra's rendition of Reibald's *Spirit of Christmas*.

The girl's quartette will sing *Carol of the Birds* by Don Molin. With orchestral accompaniment, Gene Egan will give a solo, *There's A Song In the Air* by Speaks. *Gloria in Excelsis Deo* arranged by Brahms is the name of the selection to be sung by the men's quartette.

The girls' glee club, under the direction of Miss Cara Wharton, will sing four numbers: *The Sleigh* by Kountz-Baldwin, *Silent Night* by Barnby, *The Shepherd's Story* by Dickenson, and *List, the Cherubic Host* (from the *Holy City*) by Gaul. This last piece will be accompanied by the orchestra, directed by Mr. B. J. Rozehnal and obligato solos by Frona Nelson and Gene Egan.

Directed by Mr. Geere, the college choir will complete the program with *Hosanna* by Hammerschmidt, *Choral Fantasy on Old Christmas Carols* by Gustav Holst, *Gloria from Twelfth Mass* by Mozart and *The Stable of Bethlehem* by Gounod. The interludes of the final number will be played by the orchestra.

Life Saving Course Trains 14 Students

Life-saving is being taught to 14 students this term as a two-hour subject under the direction of Mr. Clifford Juedes and Miss Mary Louise Branstad.

The class period consists of swimming, lectures, drills, and demonstrations. The members, after completing the subject by passing the final examination, which is both theoretical and practical, become members of the American Red Cross Life-Saving Corps.

All tests and practice leads ultimately to putting each member in a position to be of assistance to any swimmer who may need it. Each life-saver must be able to carry a victim in several different ways; he must be able to pick up a person in 12 feet or more of water; he must be able to release himself from the various holds of a drowning persons.

The students are instructed in the various dives; they are given endurance tests; they are taught personal safety as well as that of others. Ice safety and rescue is part of the required work. They are also instructed in craft rescue and in handling small craft.

Each life-saver must know how to carry on artificial respiration. The Shafer method of resuscitations is used in cases where a victim has been rescued after he has stopped breathing. The life-saver must also be able to carry on artificial respiration for hours at a time. He must also know how to administer after treatment to anyone who has been in the water for a long time.

The students who enroll in this course stand an excellent chance of receiving employment in summer camps. During the last few years the number of swimming pools and re-

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Condolences Extended

Students and faculty extend their sincerest sympathy to Miss Nelle Schlosser whose mother passed away Sunday terminating a gentle and kind life.

Christmas Vacation December 22 to January 8

Students Need Better Study Lights

When the Student Senate conducted a survey of rooming places some time ago, the outstanding feature in the student complaints was the inadequacy of lights in the rooms. Many students reported an attempt on their part to remedy this situation by buying 100-watt bulbs to replace the usual 50-watt bulbs. When the landlady discovered this, she "raised a rumpus" because of the tremendous increase in her light bill. Let us examine the situation a little closer.

In order to determine the cost of supplying current for a light bulb, one must multiply the number of watts which a bulb uses by the number of hours it is used; then divide this by one thousand and multiply by the cost per kilowatt hour. Consequently, a student who uses a 50-watt study lamp 20 hours a week has a bill of sixteen cents per month. By using a 100-watt bulb, the extra cost per month is sixteen cents. Certainly this extra sum does not begin to compensate for damaged eyesight and it in no way justifies opposition on the part of the landlady.

Another evil feature of lights in student rooms is the fact that it is direct instead of indirect. This constitutes a menace to the healthy eyesight of any student using such lights. A majority of the rooming places have raised their prices from last year's level without increasing the benefits accruing to the students. An excellent method of justifying that increase would be through the installation of indirect lighting in the students' rooms. We sincerely hope that the landladies and students will cooperate in ameliorating a long standing condition that is so harmful.

What World Needs Is Christmas Spirit

The story dates back to the time when mother used to tell all good brats "Now, darling, its time you - - - ." And so it is—it is time for every man, woman, and student to come to the realization that he's a living, human being—living, mind you, in a world with the rest of the beasts with a mind — a brain that thinks and reasons — which alone makes him different from anything else.

As the subject of life and living flash across the panel of anyone's mind, it is only because of the nearness of the object that death presents itself. Only when one feels the effect of death and its nearness, does one begin to ponder over the possibilities that life affords — the joy, grandeur, heart-aches, disappointments, notoriety, drudgery, opportunities of fame and glory. Life can be a blessing and at times only a plaything in the hands of fate — in the hands of — maybe your own hands. Now that is a thought: "To be or not to be, that is the question." Yes, true, but only indirectly is it a question; if we only knew what happens when we're not, and if it would be much quieter not to be than to be, or if we could be sure of at least a week's rest from the relentless drive of life, how surprisingly simple it would be to let yourself drift off into a dream some dark rainy night while motoring through the Big Horns or even on the slippery streets of any Middletown between here and there. Think of the insults, the dupery, the scandal, and even embarrassments that could be avoided. But the answer is too simple, much too simple. It would be answered like a fourth-rate author does in relieving a difficult triangle in a novel—by removing the troublesome character from the story.

What's the use? That is the question to be answered, and it is only in sequence to the question "Where does this constant push toward something—doing things you don't like, don't approve of, and don't understand? Perhaps the question answers itself—if it was solved, maybe there would be no reason in certain cases to "hang around."

If people were half as concerned over their own problems as they are about everyone else's problems, it is only quibble to say they'd have more fun, enjoy what they do more, and even get along better—much better than the German and the English (governments) do.

The answer to the questions raised can only be put in relative terms—in things we know. And the answer to any bewildering aspect that may have arisen in any reader's mind about anything herein printed up to this time is that it concerns him. As long as we are here on this world together, in the U. S., in Wis., in R. F., yea, even going to the same school together, why is every unblest creature crawling about in each other's company just another Russia and Finland—the bigger taking the offensive and the smaller fighting back?

Each one of us is an answer to the question: Can we abolish war? The answer is obvious. The only hope, and there must be hope as long as there is man, is that we practice TOLERANCE. There is less tolerance practiced right on our campus of educated people than there is on the "back forty" of anybody's home farm. The deer and the antelope and the chipmunk kill nothing but the grass and acorns they eat and trample upon. We kill friendship with a look, sometimes with a word or two.

Tolerance? Can you stand it in your room with the radio, or violin squawking in the next room? What if you're the cause of it in your own room? Can you live through the way Sam smacks his lips when he eats dill pickles? Do you like anyone—other than yourself? Do you like yourself? But you must. Who can tolerate anything else if he can't tolerate himself.

The answer—the Spirit of Christmas—you know what it is—is what we need.

Listen - The Squeak

There are two ways of adding "apeal" to yourself—At least, that seems to be the viewpoint of many of the young men. Le Roy Hageman, De-Neau, and Jack Osborne believe in moustaches (that is, if you can call Jack's a moustache!) On the other hand Diermeier, Krueger, and Grassl go in for the "Heinie" haircuts.

Jane S. is now calling him Mr. Jerney and is using music to drown any hard feelings she may have (The piece recommended to anyone who wants to use it—is *Prelude in C Sharp minor*).

Miss Gibson tried her hand at match making—two-by-two the students rushed to the 4:00 line.

A while back a certain member of the Freshman class, J. G. by initial, tore down the stairs on his way to meet his "date." His house members called him back once, called him twice; he came willingly when he discovered they wanted to rescue the turkish towel he (laboring under the strain of his important date) had carried off as his scarf!!—

According to "Doc." Williams 99.99 per cent of the students belong to the "Scatterbrain" class. You, of course, are the other per cent!

Old-stuff to most is the presence of the blonde with the "heinie" haircut and J. C. at the basketball games.

That about J. C. and "Heinie boy" is old stuff with the emphasis on the word "old."

Have you heard about the student who was a 10:00 scholar with an 8:00 class?

Sometime for pure spite ask Martin Lucente what "carry your bag, ma'am?" means.

The House of Jensen had the right idea—just a bit difficult to carry out when M. Taylor assisted R. B. to his chair.

Under the Northern Lights

The snow has covered all the fields. In heated rooms there's pure delight Except when nasty bed-mates steal The covers on a chilly night.

The winter's winds play through the room.

To all "quilt-stealers" we appeal. Must we lay freezing in the gloom While you from us our blankets steal?

Heat there must be later on For braves that shiver in the dark. To Heaven's call we'll not respond While there's a warmer place to park.

By Jack Osborne



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Plants Flourish In Snow Season Garden

Do you not like to discuss something unique which has been tucked away in a corner? You really would see something different if you would visit Miss Lieneman's garden in the tip-top corner of North Hall.

Miss Lieneman has had this little garden for four years. The primary use of this garden is to further the instructions in plant life in Miss Lieneman's classes. The garden does indeed make the teaching of plant life easier.

Many of the plants which are in the garden, and also those which are in the laboratory, have intriguing characteristics. The Sensitive Plant, in particular, is very interesting. A light cancer upon its leaves will cause them to wither and fold up for a time. Another plant is capable of reproduction through the growing of new plants at the tips of its leaves. Some of the plants really belong in a desert atmosphere. The leaves of these cactuses, being wax-covered, are

waterproof and prevent rapid evaporation from the leaves. The Christmas Cactus is already in blossom and will be very beautiful this season. Miss Lieneman also has a century plant from the fibers of which (this should be interesting) strong drinks can be made. Most of us would probably like the Rose Geranium best. It has a very delightful fragrance due to its particular oil content.

A great many of the plants in the little garden are crop plants with which the students are experimenting. Most of the plants are of such a type that they can easily be skinned and pulled to pieces. These characteristics make it possible for the students to closely examine the structure of the plants after they are pulled apart. A grapefruit tree is the only tree in the whole garden.

Miss Lieneman has a little experiment of her own. She is attempting to grow ferns in a flask which has a nitrogen solution.

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Red and White Top Titans 42-38

Stainborski Aids Falcon Cause By Contributing Fluke Goal

The RFST Falcons registered their third consecutive home victory of the season last Friday night when they nosed out a powerful Oshkosh quintet, 42 to 38. The game was close and hard fought throughout, and it continually had a large crowd in an uproar.

Confusion reigned from the opening whistle. Stainborski, Oshkosh guard, took the initial tip-off and drove under the basket for two points for River Falls. Spear and Daniels then tallied free throws for the "Titans" to even up the score. Palm scored twice from the field in rapid succession to give the Falcons a short lived lead. The game was then a nip and tuck affair until shortly before the end of the first half. Two quick field goals by Spear and Daniels gave the "Titans" a half time lead of 24 to 19. Oshkosh used a short passing game with set block plays to drive in close for their baskets. At the same time they successfully employed a zone defense that forced the Falcons to take hurried shots from far out on the floor.

At the start of the second half, King, Kroeger, and Nelson caged field goals in rapid fire order to give the Falcons a lead they never relinquished. River Falls solved the zone defense problem in this half by employing a fast breaking offense that enabled them to drive in for under-the-basket shots. With two minutes to play the score was tied at 38 all. Kroeger, hard working Falcon forward, then scored on a short shot to make the score 40-38. River Falls then stalled until only fifteen seconds remained. Doc Schmidt then worked himself free under the basket, took a pass from Swede Nelson and sank the clinching basket.

Swede Nelson, with his outstanding defensive play and general floor leadership, demonstrated that he is the force that holds the Falcons together when the going gets rough. Fred Kroeger again was the high point man with 14 points. Spears diminutive forward, led the scoring for Oshkosh with 11 points.

The box score:

River Falls (42)	fg	ft	pf	tp
King, f.	3	1	2	7
Kay, f.	0	0	1	0
Kroeger, f.	6	2	1	14
Olson, f.	0	0	0	0
Schwartz, c.	0	0	3	0
Schmidt, c.	2	0	1	4
Palm, g.	4	0	0	8
Deis, G., g.	1	0	0	2
Nelson, g.	2	1	0	5
*Totals	18	4	8	42

Oshkosh (38)	fg	ft	pf	tp
Spear, f.	5	1	0	11
Rosin, f.	3	0	2	6
Gotchel, f.	1	0	0	2
Daniels, c.	3	2	4	8
Winkler, g.	1	1	2	3
Richlen, g.	0	0	1	0
Stainborski, g.	1	2	1	4
Stange, g.	1	2	0	4
Totals	15	8	10	38

*Stainborski scored two points for River Falls.

Dr. Owens and Allen Peterson Play in Minnesota Tournament

The Central YMCA of Minneapolis held its first annual invitational badminton tournament last Monday night, December 11. There were sixteen teams entered. The tournament was run on a straight elimination basis.

The tournament was won by Johnson and Anderson, the defending champions of Minnesota. They successfully turned back Owens and Peterson in the semi-finals. They then defeated Henry (present singles champion of Minnesota) and Grissman for the championship.

What About Badminton?

Every year about this time Miss Mary Louise Branstad and Dr. J. Henry organize badminton. They have built up much interest in this sport in the past few years among both students and faculty.

So far this year there are about 12 people taking part besides the members of Miss Branstad's class. After Christmas she will help any person interested. Hours will be posted for your convenience. Courts, nets, and raquets will be furnished by the college. However, you must furnish your own shuttlecock. This is not expensive if two or more people join together in buying them and then take good care to see that they are always in excellent condition. The participants have heretofore engaged in many contests with other schools. They have had both intra-mural and inter-collegiate tournaments. Players also went to two state tourneys where they made an excellent showing.

Last year 12 men and six women represented River Falls in various

matches. In open-city championships there were 23 men and 14 women. The total expense for school badminton was \$47.56. If we take the number of participants times their activities fees for one term we find the total is somewhere around \$81. Those members of the badminton squad were enjoying only about one-sixth of their activities investment. Certainly this is not too much to ask for a sport that will be advantageous to them for life. It is these individual sports that will do more for students after they leave school than group sports which last only for four years and then are left behind as part of college days.

If you are interested see Miss Branstad about equipment, rules and playing time. As yet nothing definite has been decided about this year's tournaments except that the girls will hold their usual intramural tourney. If enough interest is shown, however, there will probably be as much intramural and intercollegiate competition as before.

Intramural Musing

Last Thursday the captains of the intra-mural basketball teams and the names for each team were selected. As yet, all the players haven't been chosen but the following teams are thus completed:

- Mustangs Captain Anderson
- Koolerators Captain Locke
- Packers Captain Heebink
- Campus Cagers .. Captain Rivard
- Leaders Captain Grosskreutz
- Badgers Captain Stene
- Falcon Aggies .. Captain Gerhardt
- Trojans Captain Wessels
- Bucket Baggers .. Captain Babbitt
- Captains Winans, Jacobson, and Thoeny have not chosen names for their teams.

Play will definitely begin immediately following the return from the Christmas vacation.

The ping pong tournament has progressed to the finals, and Platte and Munger emerged victorious. These two will battle it out for the title.

North hall gym will be a busy place after Christmas vacation. There will be a varsity basketball game at least once a week plus the two nights a week for intramural games.

Falcon fans had their first opportunity of seeing one of the new basketball rules put into effect last Friday night when Jack King refused a free shot in the last minute of play and took possession of the ball out of bounds. The choice is optional and was intended to be used to advantage to keep teams from fouling in order to gain possession of the ball in final moments of the game. Carleton College of Northfield went to the extreme and refused all gift shots in its early games, preferring to take the ball out in mid-court in almost every instance. Much argument broke out when the Carls were defeated by the University of Iowa by four points after they had refused a total of eleven chances from the free throw line. Would they have won if they had taken their chairity tosses? That is one of those questions one cannot answer. In order to limit the use of this new ruling, the Big Ten has decreed that it may be used only in the last five minutes of the game.

The Teachers' College Conference has adopted a new white ball this year. It is easy for the fans and players to follow, but it seems slippery and harder to handle when the game gets underway and the player's hands become sweaty. This is the latest type of ball and costs a trifle more than the old leather one.

Basketball Schedule

- Dec. 20—Stevens Point, here
- Jan. 17—Superior, there
- Jan. 19—Eau Claire, here
- Jan. 26—LaCrosse, here
- Feb. 2—Eau Claire, there
- Feb. 9—Stout, there
- Feb. 16—LaCrosse, there
- Feb. 24—Superior, here
- Feb. 27—Stout, here

Local Lady Bowlers Trim College Stars Even Without A Handicap, College Heroes Are Humiliated

Shame, shame on our big, college, he-man keglers. Five feminine athletes humiliated the pick of our intramural bowlers and smeared their lofty banner in the gutter at the Collins' recreation parlor several nights ago. Only good old "Sody" rolled a game higher than the ladies' but his noble effort went for naught as his colleagues refused to contribute anything toward a victory. Kelly went far out of his way in being courteous to the opposite sex by rolling the "soup bone" total of 381. Whether it was a lack of skill, or courtesy, the public will never know. It was rumored that the boys felt so sure of victory that they even had several small bets on the side.

Scoring a short 2412 three-game total, the College All-Stars bowled their way to defeat at the hands of Dora Collins' Split-Strikers on the local alleys December 17.

The college boys dropped all three games and ended 183 pins behind their feminine adversaries. The first game ended 865 for the ladies and 839 for the men. The second line shoved the men 58 more pins back, 867 to 809. The third line was the crushing blow, 863 to 746 for another 99 pin setback.

Joyce Smith rolled the high game of the evening with a 213 in her first line, following with a 193 and a 154 for a 560 total. Soderstrom rolled high for the men with a 198. He had the high total of the evening with a 178, 193, and 198 for a 569.

The summary follows:

Dora's Split-Strikers				
Pearl, Bjerstedt ..	162	195	165	522
Lenore Smuland .	156	119	180	455
Joyce Smith ...	213	193	154	560
Mae Kalk	195	158	195	548
Dora Collins	139	202	169	510
Totals	865	867	863	2595

College All-Stars				
"Doc" Schmidt .	175	174	144	493
Gene Kay	156	156	180	492
Leo Kelly	155	119	107	381
Soderstrom	178	193	198	569
Howard Route .	175	167	135	477
Totals	839	809	764	2412

A series of matches between these two teams are planned for the new year.

SPORTSPEAKS

R. D. P.

I wonder if you'll ever see another one like the boner Oshkosh pulled Friday night? Even though the official made an error, we are proud to say the Falcons had the presence of mind to defend their rightful basket although they were lined up directly opposite. All we can say for Oshkosh is this: they pulled a "honey", giving River Falls a gift of two points when those same two points would have tied the ball game at the final gun. Yes, the officials were at fault, but the down-staters cut their own throats by not being on the alert, especially when the Falcons needed those extra points. The highlights of this particular game touch upon Dr. Karges, who forsook the Falcons in favor of the Ballet Russe in the Cities the same night. From what I hear, "Kargy" would have been happier here on the floor helping the gang put up a victorious scrap against the invaders. Then again, he would have gotten quite a kick out of ribbing Burton over the boner Oshkosh pulled, Burton being his son who teaches at Oshkosh and travels with the team.

For you exponents of the "black-out" now in effect around the campus, here is one that will fit into your scheme of things. Out in Ripley, Ohio, a game of "ghost basketball" was played at night without the benefit of lights of any kind. The ball, baskets, floor markings, officials, and players were painted with fluorescent paint to enable spectators and contestants to faintly see a slight glow in a general direction of a man or marker.

Eight hundred fans breathlessly watched this "ghostly" game played by two high school teams to an exciting finish with the final score 24-22, high for high schools even with the lights. But a word to the wise, if any such thought is carefully tendered concerning putting our Intramurals on a "ghost" basis such as this; one must first get into contact with the Superintendent of Schools, Ripley, Ohio. He has carefully copyrighted his game against 'administrative claim jumpers.'

LaCrosse and Stout were the first ones to open the Conference race this season, with the Indians swamping the Blue Devils 40 to 25 at La Crosse last week without any trouble to speak of. Stout is either a slow starter or has lost the nucleus of last year's strong squad.

The game for which the Falcons seem to be pointing is the Stevens Point clash. Coach Eddie Kotal will bring a fast aggregation here on Wednesday night to attempt to upset the Red and White. This game will be one of more than just plain basketball. Intense feeling runs high whenever these two schools meet on the same floor, not only for the players but for the spectators as well. It will be rather interesting to watch the performance of Kotal, Karges, Juedes, Lowery and Segerstrom when

Coach Kotal's Cagers Play Here Tonight

With a returning nucleus of several lettermen and a whole team of reserves, Coach Eddie Kotal is looking forward to a very successful season. Among the lettermen returning are Hank Warner, who led the Pointer's scoring department last year, and Bohan, speedy guard, Anderson, Belongia, and Bishop are the other returning lettermen who will be seeing action. Anderson played at Stevens Point as a freshman and saw considerable action with Jordan College. Junior lettermen expected to bolster the team considerably are Van Dyke and Seffern. Other men trying for varsity positions are Olk, Terzynski, Bagnell, Stein, Posuzny, Trankle, and Klaker.

The Pointers will be out for revenge for the football defeat the Falcons handed them this fall here, but counteracting this will be a decisive win for the Pointers over the Falcons on the Stevens Point floor last winter. The Pointers are always hard competition and take their wins and losses seriously, so an exciting game is expected tonight. The Pointers have already defeated the Stout cagers twice this year.

Coeds Practice on Cage Fundamentals

The beginners who are learning the fundamentals of basketball will soon be ready to compete in actual tournament. About twelve girls have been practicing twice a week for the past month. They have not only learned rules and basic plays but they have also developed skills of their own. When six or eight more girls who have not played basketball before come out, the tournament could be organized into an A and B league this year, having three teams in each division.

The agmes will start immediately after Christmas. All the old members are asked to sign up before leaving for vacation. To get more interest behind the contest, it has been decided to organize clubs. Some suggested clubs are: The Griffith club, Rural-life club, Freshman and Sophomore clubs, etc. Any other group wishing to form a club may do so by getting a team of seven or eight members and then informing Miss Branstad or Joyce Chubb.

these two teams hit their stride and start to play ball.

Dec. 16, winter but no snow; I noticed Dr. Karges and George Kind playing a bit of tennis Saturday afternoon. They report the venture a complete success even though they had to resurrect an old net from some unknown place.

In wonder just how long it will be before we can again play some tennis, baseball, and the like during the month of December here in Wisconsin? P.S. A pleasant holiday greeting to you all, and I sincerely hope Kris Kringle fills your stockings.

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C. Ames Spurs NYA To Do Better Work 112 Students Earn \$6,613.15 During School Year 1938-39

National Youth Administration activities at RFSTC for the years 1938 and 1939 have been compiled in an interesting report by Carleton C. Ames, director. Because such a large percentage of students are the recipients of aid from this source, the facts presented are interesting.

Mr. Ames states: "The policy of the NYA administration at River Falls has been to begin receiving applications for employment under this program before the close of the school year preceding the one for which the applications are made. The state office furnishes an official application blank. The student is not permitted to fill out this blank until after his application on the college form has been approved. The college blank form is rather broader than the official form. The state office is concerned only with the financial eligibility of the student, whereas the college desires additional information about his scholastic record and other data to serve as a guide in making an assignment after the application has been approved."

It is interesting to note that during 1938-1939 that no really worthy student who filed an application with the office failed to receive at least one or two months employment.

Ten dollars per month was the standard wage at this college during 1938-1939. Many students who failed to use up their allotment produced an accumulated fund which made it possible for students not on the regular list to receive some employment. One hundred and twelve students earned a total of six thousand, six hundred and thirteen dollars and fifteen cents during 1938-1939. This is an average of fifty-nine dollars and one cent for the whole year or about six dollars and a half per month per student, remembering that many students did not work every month.

The question has been raised, not only locally but nationally, as to the ranking of the students aided by the National Youth Administration. The following figures will throw some light on this question: The honor point average of all N. Y. A. workers for 1938-1939 was 1.6. The average for all students is 1.653.

Mr. Ames says: "An effort is being made to improve the quality of work done by N. Y. A. students. In altogether too many cases, the tasks are pure routine. Of course it is too much to hope that we can provide constructive and instructive work for all of the students who are receiving this assistance. It is possible for us to make a more effective use of the most able workers. These good students who are on the N. Y. A. payroll ought to be doing work from which they can derive some benefit and which will leave something to show for itself upon completion.

In an attempt to encourage the organization of projects of this sort, the N. Y. A. office will form a staff of from eight to a dozen of the most capable workers who will then be available to faculty members for approved projects. In this way a faculty member will have the services of one of these students as long as necessary to complete his project and will be relieved of the necessity of making work to keep the worker busy for the whole year. To fill in holes in the program, the N. Y. A. office will itself set up a group of projects at which these people may work when the supply of projects from the faculty runs short.

In order to succeed, of course, this plan will require the cooperation of the faculty. Without such cooperation it is not plain how any improvement in this aspect of our N. Y. A. program can be effected, by this or any other plan."

Hudson High Debaters Guests At Round-Table Discussion

The Hudson High School debate squad was here last Friday afternoon at 3:30. They held a round-table discussion on the high school debate question of government ownership of the railroads.

Ripping Rhythm

The picture show of last week with Jascha Heifetz and his violin along with the Los Angeles Junior Symphony Orchestra was the best production, from a musical standpoint, that this corner has ever seen. Mr. Heifetz, it seems, is a bit sour on American audiences, and he probably is quite right in his belief that we're mentally stale at least in our honest opinions and reactions; Mr. Heifetz stands up in favor of hissing as one of the prerogatives of a concert-hall audience. Of course, a man of Mr. Heifetz' ability would never be troubled with hissing, and therefore he can easily be publicly in favor of the idea.

But when the matter is thought out, one can see that Mr. Heifetz has his points about the matter. According to John K. Sherman, music editor of the Minneapolis Star-Journal, we find the same thought when he says "There is too much hypocritical goodwill at concerts, too much fatuous applause, which is less an expression of approval than the unthinking indulgence of a pernicious habit."

When some pained concert-goer hears some over-rated soprano murder a perfectly good musical selection, he can only sit tight and quietly affect a most sour-pus expression; or, if he is a bit afraid of being classed as "unsocial," he will clap along with the rest thinking "maybe I just don't appreciate this sort of stuff—maybe I've neglected my culture somewhere; or perhaps my aesthetic tastes aren't up to normal." Anyway, the poor stiff claps along with the masses and perhaps is repaid by an encore even worse than before.

Even the ancient Greek audiences hissed and booed when their actors were off meter just as much as one syllable; but our ears, which have grown so used to dissonant tones, refuse to be sensitive enough to produce a positive or negative notion of good or terrible in our minds. We just don't think. We seldom stop to ask ourselves whether we enjoy a program or a certain selection on a concert, but just go ahead and slap our hands together as if we really wanted to express our enjoyment. But Mr. Heifetz says, "If it's no good and you know it isn't why can't you do something about it?" and hissing is as rebuking as anything, and it's easily done in any key.



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Inquiring Reporter Interviews H. Loeb Speech Teacher Airs Views, Opinions, Comments, Peeves

Helen (just a city girl at heart) Loeb opened the closet door and told this week's inquiring reporter all about the skeletons hanging therein. Definitely a Chicagoan, Miss Loeb has spent all but six years of her life in that brawling city. During the six-year exile she attended school in Sandwich Illinois (called Sandwich because it was between two other towns, Miss Loeb heard and believed).



Miss Helen Loeb

Miss Loeb was graduated from the Northern Illinois State Teachers' College in 1935 and was assistant in the English department there during the following year. She entered the School of Speech, Northwestern University as a graduate assistant, received her Master's Degree in August, 1937, and shed the light of that eminent institution upon the students of Kewanee, Illinois, High School.

At present, our energetic speech teacher is preparing an abstract of her thesis for publication in The Quarterly Journal of Speech. The title, almost as long as the thesis itself, reads: *Academic Recognition of Secondary School Speech Courses by State Universities as a Basis for University Admission.*


Swimming which, in this instance, means splashing around in the water and driving a 1940 Plymouth are the diversions she employs in her leisure hours. Bookishly inclined, she enjoys both fiction and nonfiction. Her intensive and extensive personal correspondence aids in upholding the postal service of the United States.

Miss Loeb has three pet peeves all having to do with school. First on the list, she places "apple-polishers", next gum-chewers, and, finally, students

who hand papers in late. Miss Loeb's opinion of the speech situation this year is very optimistic. She is "very pleased with the prospects for speech work on this campus. We have increased the speech offerings considerably this year by adding additional courses in speech and by increasing the term hours. Next year, we hope to add even more courses in speech with the possibility, in the not too distant future of being able to prepare teachers of speech. Next year, we hope to be able to organize a speakers' bureau through which we can offer our community and neighboring communities a variety of programs. Our own students would be the performers."

Gadabout Miss Loeb will go to Chicago for Christmas. While vacationing she will combine business with pleasure and attend the Convention of the National Association of Teachers of Speech at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago.

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creational parks has been increased, thereby providing jobs for many swimming or sports fans. Only Robert Talbot of this year's class has had experience of this kind.
The other 13 students enrolled are: Geneva Bleisner, Virginia Bowers, Helen Engebretson, Polly Kuenning, Allen Hanna, Paul Morgan, Wayne Thompson, Kenneth Solberg, Roger Bodin, Wayne Munger, Bruno Berk-lund, Ted Gleiter, and Ellwood Taylor.

Meals and Lunches

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The Falls Theatre
Friday and Saturday, Dec. 22-23
Matinee Sat. 2:30 p. m.
"Mountain Rhythm"
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of
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Dec. 24-25-26
Matinee Sunday and Monday
at 3:00 p. m.
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A new grown-up star joins
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Deanna Durbin
in
"First Love"
News Comedy

Wed. and Thurs., Dec. 27-28
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GARBO
Laughs In
"Ninotchka"
(Don't pronounce it! SEE IT!)
with
Melvyn Douglas Ina Claire
News Comedy

Band Program Wins Appreciative Acclaim

That the students of our college enjoy good music was shown by their appreciation of the program presented by the college concert band before the general assembly last Thursday morning. The band, with more than 45 members, was conducted by Professor B. J. Rozehnal.

Carl Miller conducted the band as it played a medley of popular tunes which he had arranged. Gene Egan sang the popular melody *On the Road to Mandalay*. The selection which appealed to the student body the most was *The Wedding of Heine and Katharina*. This piece told a complete story from the departure of the train through the strains of *Home, Sweet Home*, and the wailing of an infant.

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