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33 GRADUATING STUDENTS PLACED

So far 33 RFSTC students graduating this spring have found positions for next year. Teaching in primary grades will be: Joyce Condit at Rice Lake; Ruth Erickson, Minneapolis; Doris Jackman, Manitowoc; Felice Jorsted, Rice Lake; Dorothy Kay, Manitowoc; Audrey Hygnstrom, New Richmond; Muriel Pearson, Janesville; Mildred Reinkey, Edgerton; Lura Rieken, Janesville; and Ruth Seekamp, New Richmond.

In intermediate grades Margery Creighton will be at Hastings, Minn., and Marguerite Baird at Fond du Lac. Teaching 8th grade will be Tryn De Cracium at Janesville and Francis Fogerty at Amery.

In high schools: Lola Estenson, math., music, Janesville; Lillian Geraets, Eng., Latin, Rice Lake; Anne Laufenberg, Eng., science, Manitowoc; Harriet Adam, Eng., Hastings, Minn., and Harry Frokjer, science, coach, Somerset. Teaching high school agriculture will be: George Johnston, Weyauwega; George Webb, Chetek; Lawrence Neidzweicke, Mondovi; Wallace Mehlberg, Auburndale; Geo. Frenchick, Grantsburg; Gordon Gardner, Bowler; and Allen Linster, Clear Lake.

GI agricultural instructors include: Walter Weirhrouch, Biranwood; Doyle Beyl, Melrose; Gordon Vine, Granton; and Steve Markowski, Madison.

Raymond Polzin and Howard Kuhn have accepted assistant county agent positions in Clark and Dunn counties, respectively. Marvin Sather will be with the land reclamation division of the Dept. of Interior at Huron, S. D.

Prexy Appeals For Help From Students

President Kleinpell appealed to the student body to talk up the idea of a new gymnasium at River Falls as part of a publicity campaign to raise \$250,000 for the project. He spoke at a convocation last Thursday morning, which was scheduled as a kickoff for a surprise celebration in honor of the championship Falcon basketball team.

Some 10,000 graduates and former students of the college are being contacted in connection with the drive for financial aid. The president pointed out that, if half of that number would pledge 10 dollars per year for five years, the campaign would be over the top. He went on to remind the students of their value, individually, as a publicity medium. If each one of the 700-plus students, he said, could successfully contact just five persons, the drive would be well on its way toward the goal.

Six Teachers To Take Part In Convention

Six instructors from River Falls will participate in the program of events at the Association of Wisconsin Teachers College convention to be held at Milwaukee State Teachers college on April 30-May 1.

Miss Bailey will have charge of a meeting of women's physical education teachers, and Dean Rozehnal will head the meeting of music instructors. Miss Mohr-tieck will speak to the speech instructors.

On Saturday morning the business meeting will be held. River Falls will be represented at this meeting by Miss Hawkins, Miss Lieneman, and Mr. Wall.

Nearly all the teachers from here are expected to attend this convention.

May 7th Will Be Mothers' Day Here

The first project of the newly organized College Women's Association will be presented May 7, the date chosen for the annual Mother's Day. Laraine Palan and Ruth Nelson, officers of the CWA, are in charge of arrangements.

Final preparations are being made on the program which will begin at 11 a. m. and will last until 5 p. m. The program schedule includes a luncheon in the cafeteria at noon for all students and their mothers, a tour of the campus and a program in the auditorium in the afternoon. Following the program a coffee hour will be held in the social room.

Mothers of both men and women students are invited to attend this event. Invitations will be available next week and all students are urged to extend them to their mothers.

Chairmen for the various events include: Mary Carlson for the morning reception; Helen Harrison for the tour of the campus; Laraine Palan for the luncheon in the cafeteria; Ruth Nelson for the afternoon program; and Ann Laufenberg and Dorothy Kay for the afternoon reception.

PHILIPPINE PROFESSOR HERE TODAY

Dr. E. A. Alba of the Political Science and Anthropology Department of the University of the Philippines of Manila, is speaking to students here today.

IN TRIBUTE

Edgar G. Doudna, Secretary of the Board of Regents of Normal Schools in Wisconsin, died April 17 at his home in Madison.

Dr. Karges said this week, "Mr. Doudna often visited this school. He could nearly always be persuaded to speak to the student body and never made a dull speech. His funny and witty stories were always told to make good his points in a serious, worth while speech. He knew Wisconsin education and educators, and his account in the March Journal of Education is a classic. He was respected and liked all over the state. In my opinion, he rendered a great service in his Madison office, but he rendered a much greater service in winning good will for the Teachers Colleges among the people of the state."

Education Was Spur To Pioneers

Most cities in America were founded in conjunction with industry and along seaports; however this is not true of River Falls.

From the little settlement of Greenwood of 1848, River Falls has grown into a community that occupies an important spot on the map. The people were gregarious and individualistic in their beliefs, but it is evident that not only the want for opening the wilderness forwarded the progress of River Falls, but also the goals in intellectual and moral standards that were established were a contributing factor to the rapid development of the wilderness.

The city began with a desire to build educational institutions. Some of earliest settlers came to this area with that thought in mind, for they came from eastern Massachusetts and Connecticut where the movement for good education was being forwarded.

The 20x30 frame school on the

banks of the Kinnickinnic brought to the first settler's (Joel Foster) community its first school—just six years after the founding date. This began a rapid rate of development, for in the years that followed the Academy, St. Croix Military Academy, Baker's Institute, and the State Normal School flourished.

CENTURY OF PROGRESS TO BE COMMEMORATED BY STATE

Gala events will be underway this spring, summer, and next fall, when, on May 29, Wisconsin will have reached its 100th birthday. At the capitol and throughout the state's counties and cities centennial celebrations will begin on this day.

Madison will start its celebration with a special program during which newly naturalized citizens and new voters will be feted. A historical parade and pageant depicting the yesteryears of Madison in relation to the history of Wisconsin is expected to fill the main streets and parks.

The main events will be held at the State Fair park in Milwaukee from August 7 to 29. The State Fair has been extended from the usual one-week run to a three-weeks' run to enable visitors to attend both the fair and the centennial events. And, unlike other years, the emphasis will be on education rather than on entertainment.

The officials have announced that \$1,405,000 will be spent on the main events. Although this is a great expenditure, the officials have assured the public that the majority of it will be regained through admission charges and exposition fees.

All of the state's industries are to be represented and have expositions at the Fair Grounds. One of the industries in the mechanical line will spend about \$200,000, for its exposition, and the Northwestern Railroad will display the first train that the company operated in Wisconsin.

Badger citizens have been and are being urged to participate in some of the events by contributing facts, knowledge, and anything of historical value. Playwrights were asked for plays treating the historical aspect of the state, and a state lyric contest, won by Floyd Knight of Wausau, was held, and a similar contest to obtain music for the lyric is now being conducted.

The Wisconsin Families section have been and are requesting the people to send in the personal histories of their pioneer rela-

tives. This committee is trying to locate graves, tombstones, family histories, diaries, or anything that will be of value in writing and portraying Wisconsin's pioneer life, but, in order to accomplish this job, they need the help of the Wisconsin citizenry.

Though the centers of the centennial activities will be at the capitol and Milwaukee, the counties and cities of the state will also have their own celebrations.

August 1-7 will be the dates of River Falls' centennial celebration. Governor Rennebohm will be a guest speaker.

With the centennial pageants, parades, and festivities throughout the state, the centennial will be an event well worth remembering



NORTHWEST SINFONIETTA IS FEATURE OF MUSIC FESTIVAL, SATURDAY, MAY 1

High school music students in this area will receive personal criticisms and instructions from members of the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra during the 24th Annual District Music Festival at River Falls State Teachers College, next Saturday, May 1.

This year the River Falls college is bringing to its campus during the music festival the Northwest Sinfonietta, a group of 20 members of the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Henry Denecke. This outstanding group will present a program of orchestral

music Saturday afternoon for the participants of the festival. In the morning, members of the orchestra will conduct clinics for the students of the various instruments, demonstrating and explaining many of the characteristics of the instruments and their performance. This is an innovation which has never been tried at a music festival before and which the college believes will do much to promote a better understanding of music among high school students and will de-emphasize the competitive spirit that usually pervades music festivals.



WISCONSIN — PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

This "Centennial Issue" of the Student Voice commemorates the first century of life in the development of both Wisconsin and River Falls. Although RFSTC does not have the distinction of 100 years existence, we feel that it has been vital in the growth and development of this city and state.

If this centennial year is to be a success, it will be due to the participation of everyone, not because of a mere handful of individuals. We intend to do our part by publishing some facts concerning the past century and hope to succeed in making it mean something to you.

Too many of us live only for the future. Let's look back on the past hundred years, maybe even thumb through a Wisconsin history book, and even thank God we are living as we are at the present. Our troubles are few compared to those of our predecessors.

Wisconsin has been a state for 100 years, but the dates between 1634 and 1848 should not be overlooked. This, the embryo period of Wisconsin's development, was a constant struggle and from the time the first white man entered Wisconsin until it was ready for statehood, much of its history had already taken place.

Is it right to popularize such men as Jean Nicolet in our Wisconsin history? True, he was the first white man to set foot in Wisconsin, but he was not interested in the development of the territory. He was interested in only two things; first, in quelling the fighting among the Indians so they would have more time to trap beaver for France, and second, finding a water route across the continent. These things no doubt did help bring settlers to this part of the country, but I think we have our ancestral immigrants to thank for our state as it is today.

One hundred years represents more than an era of time. It is comprised of colorful history, literally colored by the blood of thousands. There were many obstacles to overcome in the development of this area, but the people then believed so much in what they wanted that they fought for it. We today do not have Indians to fight, but there are many disrupting forces that have to be dealt with. As long as racial prejudices or any other corruptive forces persist, we will have to fight.

This will be a continuous cycle, for we will never reach a Utopia. People we never knew are responsible for our present way of life. We in turn, are responsible for the way of life celebrated at the next centennial by our great grandchildren.

Chit Chat ★ ★

By Sandra Johnson

Spring vacation at the U. of Wisconsin seems to be pouring forth its former RF students for a few days' whirl about the old campus—there was Chuck White, from a couple years ago, and Amy Anderson and Bill Dawson of last year, notably present.

The big question now is, will George Foss get the '48 Chev for Prom? I hear he's been taking driving lessons! He's not so, Young!

Neglected to mention a few weeks back that Marshall Goodspeed got married. Yes, indeed he did, and is learning how to bake from the new Mrs. G., the way I understand it!

All at once we are being dazzled by the spring sun striking the "ice"—on the third finger, left hand of some of our more "engaging" girls. FAITH GRIFFITH - GORDY VINE, President of the Student Senate G. WALLACE - MILLY SKONE (one of our brighter 47-48 students, now teaching at Frederic), and OLLY CAMPBELL - ELLEN REED, one of last year's couples, are all newly engaged.

Mr. and Mrs. Marv Sather have a Saturday, April 17 arrival, a fellow by the name of Gary Allan. Congrats aplenty to you!

Spring's really here: I've noticed of late a Vilas blooming in the Isaacson garden.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Having been consigned to Hell in the last issue of the VOICE, and having found the place too hot for me (and would you believe it, Tom Paine ISN'T there?) I would like to merely footnote the comments of two of the Lord's servants who are very clever with the pen, but very "square" comprehending satire:

"Peter," said the Lord, holding his nose disdainfully between thumb and forefinger, "What odor is that which permeates high Heaven?"

"Omnipotence," said Peter reverently, "'Tis naught but the bloody flesh of E. J. Wyman being barbecued in Hell as per the prediction of two of your earthly servants."

"He was duly tried and condemned?" interrogated the Lord.

"Verily," said Peter, catching a low flying comet and pulling its tail off. "His convictions about religion were cloudy. He had only read the 23rd Psalm once and sold Christmas cards at half-price." Peter waved a copy of the Student Voice contemptuously. "He also wrote a controversial article."

"And that is bad?" questioned the Lord.

"His article is," answered Peter, pulling a cloud closer about him as the Mt. Palomar telescope swung around. "Those

peeping scientists..." he murmured disgustedly.

"And he was condemned by the High Tribunal?" continued the Lord. "Since chief justice Clarence Darrow took office, I'm rather doubtful about the purity of my court. Perhaps I should have sent him down with the rest of the lawyers after all."

"I presided that day, Omnipotence. Darrow had a game of golf with Voltaire. And the two recommendations of your earth servants were..."

"They are qualified?" interrupted the Lord.

"In truth, Omnipotence. One is a student of religious dogma; the other is qualified in a lesser, somewhat vague manner. But qualified."

"You say one is a theologian?"

"Yea."

"And he forgot that I commanded these words to be said: 'Judge not, that ye be not judged; for as ye judge ye shall be judged'?"

"But they were qualified. They wrote letters to the editor."

"I never cease wondering," mused the Lord, "Why it is that those people who claim nearness to me are those who know so much about the devil."

"You are jesting, Omnipotence?" asked Peter.

"I am contemplating," answered the

Lord.

"But E. J. said that Christ would enter politics! This is unforgivable."

"Hold, Peter! Haven't they read Psalm CV 22?... To teach his Senators wisdom...?"

"But he also said that your Son would advocate civil rights."

"I do too. I said, 'Love thy neighbor as thyself.' Does this not also include negroes, Jews, Russians, Maoris?"

"But Christ came to save souls, not a fallen society."

"If you save enough souls, Peter, don't you also save society? Isn't one a part of the other, not something apart from it?"

Peter picked up a small meteor and threw it at a cherub.

"Perhaps I was hasty, Omnipotence", said Peter dismally.

"Perhaps," agreed the Lord. "And perhaps my two earth servants should read 'On Acquiring a Soul', in the April 17 issue of the Saturday Review of Literature, page 30, by editor Cousins. He probably plagiarized E. J. but the thought is still worth looking into. Now, Peter, pour water on Hell. Another whiff of E. J. and I'll be sick."

Absurd, Mr. Editor? Perhaps. Anyway, it's a lot cooler now.

E. J. Wyman.

The Building Burned, but the Spirit Persisted

You owe your presence here today largely to the untiring work of one man, Prof. Allen H. Weld, who made possible the building of the state normal school at River Falls.

Prof. Weld retired from teaching in the East in 1870. Later, after returning to his farm near here to live, he was unexpectedly appointed a regent of the state normal schools by the governor. On attending the first meeting of the board, he conceived the idea of having a normal school located in River Falls. Toward this end he worked untiringly, attending each meeting of the board, although to do so often required long journeys by horse and buggy, as there were no railroads near here at that time.

Finally, in 1872, the Board of Regents selected River Falls as the site of the Fourth Normal School, and Warren D. Parker, of the Janesville City schools, began his service as the first president September 1, 1875.

"It was on the second day of September, 1875", an article in the local paper recalled, "That the Fourth Normal School building was formally dedicated to the public service. The exercises took place at the chapel in a great glory of cut flowers and summer foliage, with resounding

Richard Yde had a stag party a few weeks ago—Fourth Street was pretty well represented.

I was just thinking (at the request of the editor) how different RF life would have been one hundred years ago. Course, there would have been no college at that time, but since we are using our imagination to go back that far, we may as well stretch it to conjure up this institute of higher learning then, too.

There you'd find Joe Lynch riding about on his snorting mustang (instead of his motorcycle) and Ray Henry eating the dust on a little burro (in place of his motor-bike).

Just think, our choir girls would probably be garbed in "gibson girl" skirts and blouses instead of the—"Gibson girl" skirts and blouses of today—hm?

You'd probably listen to, and giggle over over jokes like these (undoubtedly because they were new THEN!)

"You had no business to kiss me," she said poutingly. "But it wasn't business; it was pleasure," he responded.

And then there's this one: Yes, she became insane through excessive dancing—sort of "hopping mad", I suppose!

Well, happy Centennial year to you all, and remember, girls, a shining example of old-fashioned simplicity is an unpowdered nose!

music by the Hosanna chorus and hopeful and urbane addresses by members of the Board of Regents and several of the school officers. It was perhaps the greatest day the village had yet known, and the somewhat stately ceremonies, in the new and high-ceiled chamber, were witnessed by the several hundred people who had worked faithfully and well to bring them to pass. The formal address of the occasion was delivered by Supt. Searing, and from this charming second of September until the evening of the fire, a period of over 22 years, the school met regularly without interruption, growing in vigor and range as the years went by."

"Five-hundred people watched this same building burn 22 years later", according to a second account, "The normal bell, that during the last 22 years had called to classes a total of perhaps three thousand students and pealed over the heads of three hundred graduates during the administrations of three presidents, rung its own knell and a few hours later, with the flames shooting high around it, fell from its tall perch headlong down the tower.

"The fire, which broke out in the chemical laboratory was soon roaring in the pine attic. In less than twenty minutes the flames broke through the windows and the roof and went pouring in a dense hood of smoke over the lofty top of the building. Owing to the unusual height of the fire and the extreme distance from the reservoir, the pressure of the water was entirely inadequate. Hundreds of eyes looked up from the illuminated campus watching the sturdy, but ineffectual efforts of the firemen, impotent to help, still hoping for a victory and yet moved almost to distraction by the growing fear that the building was doomed. Mr. Parker, however, mounted a wagon and shouted:

"School will assemble in Thelander's Hall tomorrow morning!" and the response that rang out in the bleak night air showed the encouragement that his prompt and ready action had produced.

"On the completion of the new building, Mr. W. J. Brier assumed the presidency of the school, and the administration reached a largeness and usefulness beyond the dreams of its founders.

"Its history and its traditions are its safeguards and it can never wholly depart from the influence of those early builders who wrought with such wisdom that in all the changes that have taken place no need of abandoning the old foundation principles and ideals has been felt."

FIGHT COMMUNISM OR BUILD DEMOCRACY

Today, we hear the callous remark that the American people will have to fight Russia to put down communism. Will war with Russia stamp out communism or will it lead to more entanglements than we can now see? Are we prepared to sacrifice the lives of five million of our young men and women in another war, and then, can we say that we have won -- after the expenditure of these men and women plus the billions of dollars worth of material for this war? Russia has been building a great network of defense around her borders, and I don't think she will risk expeditionary forces away from these borders until she has perfected scientific weapons that can deal out paralyzing blows. Then, we must bring the war to them! It will be on her soil; her peasants fighting for their homes; her troops in defensive guerilla tactics; and we will have the long supply lines. Russia may be able to make the war so expensive to us that we would submit to a negotiated peace. This, I believe, is what Russia wants.

How can we prove to the world that the capitalistic system is not just so much dead wood? We can appease Russia for a couple of years of uneasy peace; or we can prove we have the genius, leadership, capital, and the desire to rebuild Europe, unify our western hemisphere, and resist the communists in China. ERP must be used only as a primer to get production rolling in the devastated countries. We cannot continue to furnish cash, raw materials, and other goods merely as a dole. This is what it amounts to if we insist on keeping the tariffs so high that these countries cannot trade with us. The removal of tariffs will allow free trade which will create an interdependence among nations so necessary for a powerful and successful UN.

We need not fear Communism in this country if we can get the benefits of the much publicized research to the common laboring man. Our education must be the living foundation for our young men and women. We need homes, well-equipped schools, hospitals, playgrounds, and a multitude of other things now. If they cannot be had in any other way, then we must find a method for cooperating and subsidizing for production and peace. This will lead to our moral and physical strength.

—Allen A. Anderson.

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CENTENNIAL MATS SOLD BY AAUW

The College Women's Club is now selling Centennial paper place mats which have been designed by Mrs. Helen Wyman, wife of Dr. Walker D. Wyman.

The mats are 11x14" and have a rectangular insert with the large letters, River Falls Centennial 1848-1948, printed within. Around the insert is pictured a number of things that River Falls and the surrounding country has to offer in the way of education, agriculture, sports, and industry.

The club has sold about 5,000 so far and expects—after a second printing—to sell any more during the summer when the Centennial Celebration is in progress.

The Centennial Mats may be seen and purchased from Dean Hathorn in South Hall.

SCHILLBERG NEW W. L. PRESIDENT

Chuck Schillberg became the Wesley League's new president at the group's annual election of officers April 18. Alton Dahl was elected vice-president.

Other officers elected include Margaret Reiss, secretary; Silver Star La Ra, treasurer; Bob Haile, program chairman; Betty TeWinkle and Lillian Hermansen, co-chairmen in charge of food and cooking.

Balloting was close for all offices. The margin of election was from one to three votes in each case.

CHURCH CLUB NEWS

On April 18 the LSA held its annual banquet and installation of officers. The speaker for this occasion was Rev. R. A. Boettger, a student pastor at the University of Minnesota.

The new officers are: Ruth Nelson, president; Harry Peterson, vice president; Shirley Swanson, secretary; Donald Carlstrom, treasurer; and Elsie Mae Hanson, publicity chairman.

The LSA members made a trip to the U. of Minn. campus to attend a LSA meeting on April 25.

LANGUAGE CLUBS

The German club met in the social room on Wednesday, April 14. The clothing drive was discussed and plans were made to carry out its portion of the drive. Dr. Jurgens stressed the importance of the drive and suggested that members put in their names and addresses to see where the clothes were distributed.

MISS MOSS PRESENTS MASQUER PROGRAM

Miss Moss provided a pleasant entertaining evening at the last Masquer meeting. She read from Robert Frost's "The Mask of Mercy", a poetical drama. Miss Moss presented her interesting interpretation of the philosophical selection which dealt with the apparent incongruities between justice and mercy, truth and reason. "The Mask of Mercy" was adapted from Robert Frost's earlier written, "The Mask of Reason" in which the characters Jove, Jove's wife, Satan, and God appeared.

CHOW'S ON!

Plans for the annual Masquer's banquet, to be held May 6, are now in progress. May Forthun and Pat Cox are head of the committee making preparations.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The Eau Claire Association rally for adults will be held at the Congregational church May 2. All college students are invited.

ACE

The local ACE group recently heard from the Finnish teacher with whom they're corresponding in connection with UNESCO.

The teacher, who is an author of children's books, mentioned that teachers there are very interested in the activity principle which is in line with our progressive education. Her books are patterned much after the style of ours, and she has asked the local group to send her more material for her study.

Plans are also being made for a get-together with the newly organized Whitewater ACE branch.

MISS ZAK TO ATTEND ACE CONFERENCE

Miss Gladys Zak will attend the State ACE Conference at Green Lake, Wis., May 15 and 16.

WHOOPEE!

MEN'S UNION TO OPEN

A tentative opening date of May 1 has been set by President Kleinpell for the newly decorated Men's Union.

The room, located in North hall, will be used as a social room by all students.

Obtaining suitable new furniture has resulted in the delay in the room's opening.

AAUW To Entertain College Women

RFSTC women students who are at least 21 years of age will be guests of the local chapter of the American Association of University Women at a dinner meeting in the cafeteria faculty dining room, Tuesday, May 4 at 5:30 p. m. Politics, presidential candidates and campaigns will be discussed. Women planning to attend are asked to reply to Mrs. Gordon Mowers, telephone 36-J by May 1.

On May 11, senior women will be entertained at a reception given by the American Association of University Women at the home of Mrs. George Tooby, 407 East East Cascade. Miss Rose Marie Mohrdieck, Miss Adele Bloom, Miss Jean Bailey, and Mrs. Chas. Ladd are in charge of arrangements.

The American Association of University Women is a national organization of women with university degrees who are especially interested in promoting legislation for the betterment of society. The local dinner group has been meeting every two weeks throughout the year for entertainment and instruction in science, literature, music, and politics.



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FALLS THEATRE

April 27, 28, 29

"Christmas Eve"

April 30-May 1

"Jitter Bugs"

May 2, 3

"Saigon"

May 4, 5, 6

"Albuquerque"

May 7, 8

"Mary Lou"

May 9, 10

"Relentless"

College Clothing Drive Is Successful

Old Clothes! Anyone got any old clothes? This has been the cry for the last two weeks of the students who don't shirk responsibility. Between April 12 and 16, nearly every residence in River Falls was called upon by one of these students to ask for old clothes. The local people and some of the students responded beautifully. As a result, hundreds of people in Europe next winter will have warm clothes sent from River Falls.

An estimated 1,500 pounds of clothing was collected on Saturday, April 17, by these people: Gail Crist, John Whitaker, Art Waters, Aralda Thayer, John

Rockman, Aralda Thayer, John Borroa.

The complete processing is expected to take two more weeks. Anyone who is free between one and five during the week is asked to stop in at the home economics room in South hall and lend a hand.

If anyone still has old clothes they want to contribute, please leave them at the home economics room. The committee is also soliciting funds to pay the freight to Philadelphia. Please give your contribution to Dr. Jurgens or Miss Bloom.

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CHOIR SURVIVES SPRING TOUR

Professor King and his 63 choral songsters have returned from their musical spree in southeastern Wisconsin. Chaperones M's. Charles Ladd and Mrs. Leonard Vik suffered nothing serious from the trip except, for instance, that near heart attack Mrs. Ladd experienced when the 10-ton Greyhound started across a Blue River bridge. It seems that she had just read the sign which said "capacity five ton".

The choir spent Sunday night in the resplendent Hotel Stoddard in La Crosse. Jane Lofgren complained a little about her mattress though. She had a notion to fold it up and put it in her purse. Of course, she does have a big purse.

Tuesday night the choir members were invited to private homes in Milwaukee. Nearly everyone fared well except Ginny and Sibby. They were locked in their rooms for the night for some reason or other. Come now, kids, can't ya be trusted?

Mr. King, gentleman that he is, waited until everyone was furnished with hotel rooms at Marshfield before he signed for one. When he asked, there were none left; consequently he slept in a room "about as large as a broom closet", he said.

Charles Sargent had a bit of trouble playing "Up and Down the River" on the bus because he always ran out of pennies. Nice to have friends, eh Sarge? Lola Estenson accomplished a little business on the tour. She signed a teaching contract at Janesville.

Field Trip to Minneapolis Planned

The members of Miss Bloom's classes will take a field trip on Thursday, May 6 to Minneapolis where D. T. McLaughlin, assistant secretary of the Grain Exchange will be host to the group and take them on a tour of the Exchange.

In the afternoon the classes will go to the Minneapolis Moline Power Implement Co., where Hughes Butler, plant production manager, will guide them through the plant.

Letter Forwarded After 44 Months

MAIL GOES THROUGH

Sometimes it takes a long time, but the mail always goes through, John Whitaker will tell you.

Whitaker received a letter last Monday which was mailed from Washington, D. C., on August 24, 1944—three years and eight months ago!

The letter was sent to a New York address which John had while he was in the Merchant Marine. He theorizes that it became lost after being unclaimed for some time and that it wasn't discovered until April 17, when it was finally forwarded.

John is still puzzled over the fact the long-lost epistle was forwarded to River Falls. He insists he didn't leave a River Falls forwarding address!

WYMAN REVIEWS BOOKS

Dr. Walker D. Wman, has had two books reviews published reviews published recently. In the March issue of Social Studies his review of UNSEEN HARVESTS: A TREASURY OF TEACHING by Claude M. Fuess and Emory Bosford appeared. His review of THE OVERLAND TRAIL by James Monaghan was published in the March issue of Minnesota History.

DR. KARGES ATTENDS MEETING IN CHICAGO

Dr. R. A. Karges, professor of chemistry at RFSTC, attended the national meeting of the American Chemical Society in Chicago, April 19 and 20. About 8,000 chemists, chemical engineers, and teachers attended.

Dr. Karges, who attended the meeting of the divisions of chemical education and agricultural and industrial chemistry, said the most interesting topics discussed were the new insecticides and their effects on human foods.

MR. ABC MYSTERY MAN TO HIT CAMPUS

Sometime during the next two weeks you may be stopped on the campus by one of your fellow students and asked to produce your pack of cigarettes.

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Buttons On Sale

River Falls Centennial buttons went on sale last week. These buttons will admit wearers to Centennial Committee entertainment events, August 1-7, as well as advertise the Centennial for the city of River Falls. The cost is \$1 each.

Complete Spring Sports Schedule

Baseball:

- April 24 Saturday—Concordia here
- April 27 Tuesday—Augsburg here
- April 30 Friday—La Crosse there
- May 7 Friday—Stout here
- May 11 Tuesday—Eau Claire here
- May 14 Friday—Augsburg there
- May 17 Tuesday—Eau Claire there
- May 21 Friday—La Crosse here
- May 22 Saturday—Stout there
- May 24 Monday—Carleton here

Golf:

- April 30—La Crosse there
- May 7—Stout here
- May 11—La Crosse there
- May 17—Eau Claire there
- May 19—Stout there
- May 22—State Meet at Oshkosh

Tennis:

- April 24 Saturday—Bethel there
- April 30 Friday—La Crosse there
- May 4 Tuesday—Bethel here
- May 7 Friday—Stout here
- May 11 Tuesday—Eau Claire here
- May 17 Monday—Eau Claire there
- May 19 Wednesday—Stout there
- May 22—State Meet at Oshkosh

Track:

- April 30—Triangular Meet—Gustavus - St. Thomas at St. Paul
- May 7—Triangular Meet—Eau Claire - Winona Teachers at Winona
- May 15—State Teachers College Meet at Milwaukee

STUDENTS FORM YOUNG GOP FEDERATION

BEVERLY WALDRON NAMED CHAIRMAN

The River Falls State Teachers College unit of the Young Republicans Federation of Wisconsin was organized at the college on Tuesday, April 20, Beverly Waldron, Hastings, Minn., chairman of the group, announced. The organization, first of its type to be started in this area, plans to vigorously support the Republican Party in the coming presidential campaign.

The organization hopes to meet the rapidly rising interest in politics among students by offering an opportunity to interested persons to participate in practical political work. Other officers named at the first meeting were George Foss, River Falls, publicity director; Norris Crist, River Falls, program chairman; and Professor Benjamin Kettlekamp, faculty advisor.

An election of officers and drafting of a program for the remainder of the term are scheduled for the second meeting, to be held at the South Hall of the college at 2 p. m. next Tuesday, April 27. All interested students are urged to attend.

CONFERENCE OF ENGLISH TEACHERS

Teachers and students in this area interested in speech correction and personality development through speech activities attended the First Regional Conference on Language Arts at the college last Saturday, April 24.

Dr. Bryng Bryngelson, professor of speech at the University of Minnesota addressed the conference at 10:30 a. m. on "Personality Development in the Classroom".

Following the noon luncheon in the college cafeteria, Mrs. Gretchen Phair, speech clinician, Wisconsin State Division for Handicapped Children, spoke on "Opportunities for Speech Correction."

A panel discussion on "Personality Growth through Speech Activities" followed. Dr. Bryngelson, Mrs. Phair, and Miss Rose Marie Mohrdieck, RFSTC speech instructor, and others discussed the problems which teachers in this region felt were of pressing importance. Questions and specific problems of the teachers were considered in the discussion.

Arrangements for the conference were made by Dr. Francis P. Chisholm, head of the RFSTC English department.

TOMBSTONES AND MOSS

Since I believe a vast majority of RFSTC students are familiar with down creek, it may be worth noting here one of the more historic points of interest to be found among the old paths. If you like to uncover mossy epitaphs, the old Foster cemetery should be on your Saturday schedule.

When River Falls was first founded by Joel Foster, the new village's citizens delegated this quiet spot along Rocky Branch as its cemetery. The Foster name quite naturally, predominates among the weather beaten graves. As is typical of old, bygone cemeteries it is necessary to poke around a bit to uncover all points of interest. In this Wisconsin Centennial year, the old Foster burial grounds share a spot in River Falls' History. For "downcreekers" who are looking for new spots to explore, the directions are simple: follow the right-hand side of the creek singing, "Dem bones, dem bones" and Foster's cemetery is all yours.



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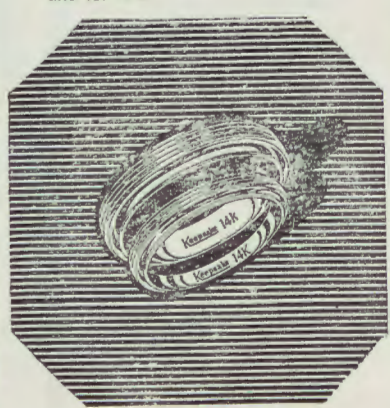
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Sport Highlights and Predictions

by Bob Gavic

The biggest highlight in the line of sports around River Falls at the present is the possibility of a new gymnasium to take the place of the old and outmoded cracker-box that is now situated in North Hall. The raising of \$250,000 through donations from alumni seems like a big undertaking, but it's definitely not an impossibility. If River Falls does not get a new place to hold basketball games in the near future they're going to find themselves hunting for home games. A number of teams refuse to play at River Falls now due to the size of the floor, and no one can blame them for their reluctance. Not only is it a disadvantage to opponents, but also to the coach and players of the local team. It's impossible to drill a team on a small floor such as ours and then expect them to go on a large floor and have them perform the same as they have on a small one. The material we had this year was sufficient for an undefeated season, but in my opinion, nearly 100 per cent of the cause of losing so many games was their inability to cope with a large playing court. I think the record for this year bears up my point very well, the team having a 13-9 record with all nine defeats coming on opponent's courts.

The professional boxing game continued to take up all the loose talk this week and the incident that's keeping boxing in and out of the fire this time happened to be right in our own state. Another fighter was killed in Milwaukee Wednesday night, bringing the total of professional fighters killed in the past couple of months in the nation to three. Obviously there is something wrong in this sport and the use of eight ounce gloves and ten ounce gloves for heavyweights isn't going to do much good. Too many "punchy" fighters are being allowed to fight on cards as "fills" without a proper medical examination. Some of the fighters suffer as many as three or four knockouts in the period of a few weeks and being in the hands of unscrupulous managers keep right on fighting until they end up selling pencils on street corners, or, as has been the case lately, toss in the chips for good. Not only is our fight game suffering the chance of being fouled up by a poor crop of fighters, but it's also losing ground in the eyes of the public by letting a bunch of punch-drunk bums go out and get themselves killed.

A lot of people, including the great Joe Louis, are predicting a quick trip to the canvas for Walcott in their return engagement in June, but after getting a look at Louis on his return from Europe I'm beginning to wonder.

He looks big, fat, and out of condition. He can consider himself pretty lucky he's fighting Walcott in June instead of Gus Lesnevich.

Intra-mural softball is reaching a high peak already this spring. There are three teams that seem to have the edge for championship so far, these being "The Blue Caps", "The Stork Club", and "Collin's Powerhouse". All three teams have won three and lost none, but perhaps the most impressive of the three so far have been the "Blue Caps" setting down all opposition without any strain. Featuring Calvin Tomin as pitcher the "Blue Caps" seem a cinch for first place this spring. Cal pitched a one hitter the other night, getting 16 strikeouts. The lone hit came with two out in the last inning with a 3-2 count on the better. "Collin's Powerhouse" will probably settle in second place with the "Stork Club", riding a forty two game winning streak, riding along in third.

The Falcons didn't seem very impressive in their 5-0 defeat debut against St. Thomas. Apparently their slugfest with Concordia was a little better last Monday, winning 13-12. Bothams seems to be the care of the pitching staff; Cardinal showed best in the infield and Galloping Bob Olson, in the outfield. Probably with a few more games the Falcons will prove to be a pretty tough ball club.

RFSTC to be Host to High School Track Meet May 8

River Falls State Teachers college will be host to the Sixth Annual High School Track and Field Meet at Ramer Field Saturday, May 8, at 2 p. m.

More than 10 schools will participate in the meet. Award ribbons will be given to five winners in each event. A trophy will be given to the winning high school team.

Former high school students who are record holders in this meet and who are now attending River Falls are Neil Mulholland, who ran the 200 yard dash in 21.2 seconds, and Everett Grilley, who with three other Rice Lakers won the 880 yard relay event.

LATE RISERS TAKE NOTICE

Mr. Ames locks the door promptly at 8 a. m. when the bell rings—in an effort to combat tardiness. He reports the "catch" has been quite successful to date.

SPLIT IN SEASON'S OPENING GAMES

RF Tips Concordia In Wild Game

River Falls opened their away from home baseball schedule last Monday by defeating Concordia of St. Paul, 13-12 in a wild fracas played in weather which was not ideal for baseball.

The game was marked by many errors, mostly on the part of the local nine. Concordia got 12 runs on 4 hits, while the Falcons scored 13 runs on 16 hits.

Dan Demulling and "Buster" Layman were on the mound for River Falls with Bob Smith and "Baldy" Miles receiving.

The next home game will be played at 3:30 tomorrow afternoon against a perennially strong Augsburg College nine.

SJOWALL TO SPEAK

Coach Oscar Sjowall will speak at a meeting of the Southeastern Minnesota Physical Education Association at Rochester on May 15. His subject will be "Measurement in Physical Education".

WANTED

Coach Schlagenhauf invites anyone who is interested in distance running, pole-vaulting, or shot-putting to try out for the track team.

CHOIR BROADCAST

The A Cappella Choir made a 15 minute radio broadcast Saturday afternoon over radio station WCCO. After the broadcast they recorded several selections at Paul Schmidt's Music Company, also situated in the Twin Cities.

NORM JOHNSON MED GRADUATE

Norman P. Johnson, former student at River Falls State Teachers college, and son of Prof. and Mrs. A. N. Johnson, was graduated from the Medical School of the University of Iowa at the March Commencement.

WYMAN ATTENDS CONVENTION

Dr. Walker D. Wyman, head of the American history department at RFSTC, attended a convention of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association in Rock Island, Ill., April 22-24.

Toms Take Opener Over Falcons, 5-0

The RFSTC baseball team opened their 1948 campaign by dropping a 5-0 decision to an excellent St. Thomas college nine.

The "Tommies" started fast by pushing across two runs in the first and adding the remaining three in the third inning. The Falcons never seriously threatened to score.

Al Franko, Bill Botham and "Buster" Layman handled the pitching chores for the Falcons with Don Miles going the route behind the plate.

FFA HEARD ON RADIO

A panel discussion was broadcast last Thursday over WEAU, Eau Claire, by the Collegiate Chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

With Louis Daniels as moderator, Lester Van Loon, Glenn Nelson, and Allen Linster discussed the value of the supervised farming program of the high school agricultural course. A quartet consisting of Floyd Amundson, Paul Rogness, Willard Hamm, and Raman Briggs sang a number.

OPENING DAY

There's a bang in the whang
Of the first round clang
For a battle of fistic cracks.
There's a kick in the click
Of a barrier's flick
As the horses tear up the track.
There's a thrill in the trill
Of the whistle shrill
That starts a football play.
But, say—
Give me the thrill
In the springtime chill
Of baseball's opening day.

FALCONS COP 3rd AT TRACK MEET

River Falls placed third in a track meet held at Mankato last week. Mankato won the event with 86 points, Winona scored 29½ points, River Falls 29 points, and Carleton 24½ points.

The Falcons placed first in three events. Henry, Schock, Grilley, and Van Tatenhove won the sprint medley, Pete LaBorde tied for first in the high jump, and Kleever, Rebollar, Siefert, and Schock placed first in the 440 yard relay.

Other point winners were:

Stewart, fourth, pole-vault; Kleever, Rebollar, Siefert, and Lietzke, fourth, 880 yard relay; Bestul, third, broad jump; Kleever and Rebollar, fourth and fifth, 100 yard dash; Henry, Mewcomb, Mattson, and Van Tatenhove, second, mile relay; and Schock and LaBorde, third and fifth, 120 yard low hurdles

The next meet in which the Falcons will participate will be a triangular meet at St. Thomas.



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Prom Go-ers Need Initiative

With Prom night just about three weeks away, you lads and lassies get out the piggy bank, and bid Johnny a foamy farewell! I don't know about the price of a dinner jacket or tux, but formals seem to be wound up in tulle and fifty dollar bills. If your house mother furnishes you with curtains, you can try the new draped look, girls. Fellas might try "dying" your old G's.

Judging by the number of cars on and off the curb of this institution, there shouldn't be much of a problem to secure transportation. If May 15 comes along and you are still without a car, I suggest you have the girl friend meet you up there. After the waltzing has terminated, creep out on all four to the nearest "limousine" and climb into the trunk. People will think it's a couple of rabbits capering across the lawn and you are bound to end up at the Buckhorn or Floggie's.

The early onions won't be up in time, I'm afraid, but the Red & White has been featuring lovely carrots with feathery green tops. Try pressing these tops between the mattress and spring for that, "It was a rough winter, but I'm still here", look. Any old salads wandering around Ma Jerney's or the Cafe could be slipped into your test books; you never open them. Of course, if you simply can't scare up any greens, Peter Pearson does a grand job with flowers. He charges money for that grand job, though.

We're all set now for May 15, people. I'll see you there. I'll be the girl with the curtain rod in my hair and I have first claim on that trunk in the green Buick!

Atom Bomb Film To Be Shown

"Operation Crossroads", a film depicting the famed Bikini atom bomb test, will be shown in North Hall auditorium tonight at 8 p. m. The showing is under the auspices of the International Relations club.

Although no admission will be charged, a collection will be taken for the benefit of the United Nations Children's Relief Fund. The fund seeks to rehabilitate destitute children all over the world.

The movie will be open to both students and the general public.

SIGMAS DINE AT WHITE PINE INN

Sigma Chi Sigma had its annual banquet last Thursday evening, at the White Pine Inn in Bayport, Minn.

The senior girls were presented with corsages, as has been the custom in the past. The senior girls are Lois Estenson, Lillian Geraets, Marguerite Baird, Faith Griffith, Ione Engen, Ona Sabby, Anne Laufenberg, Lura Reiken, Dolores Payson, and Phyllis Anderson. Miss Howard was the faculty adviser present.

The next meeting will be devoted to the election of new officers.

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YMCA GROUP ELECTS OFFICERS

Election of officers was the main business at a meeting of the YMCA last Wednesday night.

The following officers were elected: Wesley Wendlandt, president; Art Waters, vice president; Charles Taylor, secretary; and Arnold McKenzie, treasurer.

A group discussion followed the election.

NOTICE TO GRADUATES

You are asked to pay the \$3.00 graduation fee in the Registrar's Office on Friday, April 30th.

STUDENTS FROM FAR AND NEAR

The students at RFSTC are from 54 Wisconsin counties, five other states, and one foreign country.

In the break-down of students by counties, Pierce with 199 and St. Croix with 152 are at the top of the list. Polk county ranks third with 82. Barron county has 59, Clark 29, Chippewa 25, Dunn 17, Burnett 13, Bayfield 11, Pepin 10, and Trempealeau 10. The other counties are represented by less than 10.

The distribution for the 56 out of state students is as follows: Mexico is represented by four students. As might be expected, our neighbor Minnesota has the largest percentage of out of state students enrolled at RFSTC, 43. Illinois has six. Pennsylvania, South Dakota, and New York, are represented by one student each.

Transfer students from county normal schools, University Extension schools, short course, and other schools, total 83

PERSONAL RATING CARDS

Personal Rating cards will be issued by the deans for freshmen this week. Freshmen will be asked to indicate the faculty member they desire to have fill out their card. This may be done when mid-term grades are acquired. Two more cards of the same type will be issued to the students' advisors and one faculty member that has the student in class.

This method is being tried in an effort to get a record of the advancement of the attitudes of the students while in school. These blanks will be compared from year to year to show the progress made by the individuals.

STUDENTS TO TAKE OVER SERVICE

Seven students will take over the worship service at the Methodist church next Sunday, May 2, in the absence of their minister. The Rev. J. W. Harris is in Boston attending the General Conference of the church.

Louis Daniel, Chuck Schillberg, and Jerry Healy will speak in observance of Student Recognition Day. Other parts of the service will be handled by Lillian Hermansen, Betty TeWinkle, Alton Dahl, and John Whitaker.

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