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## Nedra Finstrom Tells of Russia at Assembly

### Traveled Lecturer Presents Picture of Soviet Russia Under Industry

Mrs. Nedra Finstrom addressed the assembly yesterday morning on the present day conditions in Soviet Russia.

Mrs. Finstrom presented a picture which certainly was not ideal, but which, if present plans are carried out, will approach the ideal of the Russians.

In speaking of crime the lecturer stated that the greatest criminal in Russia is the unemployed Russian or the one who doesn't want to work. The next worst criminal is the one who owns something or employs someone for the profit motive. Murder and stealing are considered lesser crimes because it affects only the two individuals, while the others affect the entire community and the state.

Soviet, according to Mrs. Finstrom, means council, and typifies that country's system of government—a pyramid of councils beginning with the peasants and ending with the central council at Moscow, each delegating its authority and wishes to the council above it.

In talking about the atheistic trend of Russia, Mrs. Finstrom showed how it was necessary to break the hold of the domineering church on the peasant. She stated: "It made me wonder what Russia might be today if the Russian church had stood for education and progress instead of being the chief means of the nobility in holding 85 per cent of the Russian people in complete subjection."

In concluding Mrs. Finstrom answered a group of critics of Russia, who claim that the leaders are exploiting the masses, by saying: "Can you exploit a people when you teach them to think and manage their own affairs—even in that land of paradox?"

## Y.W.C.A. Activities

The joint cabinets of the Christian organizations are working on a program of discussion groups. They are endeavoring to plan the topics so that everyone in college will be interested in one or more of them.

Joint meetings in the form of discussion groups will be held. The first session will begin January 29. The topics for discussion have not been definitely decided upon, but will be posted in time for the consideration of all students.

## Classics on Sale

Students, here is an opportunity to obtain a copy of some classics for the nominal price of 15c a copy. The print of the books is excellent and many of them are illustrated. Copies of "Alice in Wonderland", "Green Mansions", "Way of All Flesh", "Other People's Money", "Tom Sawyer", and many others may be had.

They are being displayed in the Social Room, South Hall.

## Y. M. Host to Faculty Men

### Musical Selections, Talks by Students on Program for Evening

The YMCA was "at home" to the faculty men on Monday evening, January 15, in the Men's Union. The following program was given:

Selections by YM quartette.  
Welcome to faculty by Leonard Dorman.

Violin Solos by Gerhard Tostrud.  
"Things I Like About This School As A Senior" by Leslie Libakken.

"Things I Like About This School As A Freshman" by Louis Zahradka.  
"Things I Don't Like About This School" by William Lover.

Group of songs by John Crow.

## Miss Haddow Reviews Book at Y.W. Meeting

A review of the book "As the Earth Turns" by Gladys H. Carrol was presented to a large audience of girls by Miss L. L. Haddow at the regular Y meeting in the Social Room.

Miss Edrys Ruthin opened the program with a piano solo. Miss Phyllis Glass presented a number on the violin accompanied by Helen Glass on the piano.

Miss Haddow opened her discussion with that famous quotation of Thomas Paine who said 250 years ago, "There are the times that try men's souls". Possibly we may also quote this statement during our times.

This new novel "As the Earth Turns" is typical of the present day life on any countryside. It's setting is in New England. G. H. Carrol presents warm, living human beings against a background of simple nature.

### GENERAL ORDERS

The floor in the South Hall gym has been done over. No one is to put wax, cornmeal, or anything on it.

Mary Louise Branstad.

## Anthropologist Lectures About Minnesota Man

### Dr. Jenks of University of Minnesota Faculty Gives Informational Discussion

In his address to the assembly on Thursday, January 11, Dr. Jenks, of the Department of Anthropology of the University of Minnesota, gave a lecture on the finding of the "Minnesota Man", which, he explained, was not a man but a girl sixteen years old.

The three points around which the theme of his speech centered were the accidental discovery, the documentation, and probable cause of the placement of the "Minnesota Man."

Dr. Jenks gave much credit to the intelligence of the finder of the skeleton for the discovery. He called it "intelligent curiosity".

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## Classic Play Read at Masquer Meeting

The reading of selections from Ibsen's "Peer Gynt" by Miss Aradelle Hamlett and the playing of four double-piano duets by Mary Jane Larson, Mrs. Joseph Robertson, Aradelle Hamlett, and Nancy Njos featured the regular meeting of the Masquers held Thursday evening in South Hall.

All four of the selections were taken from Grieg's "Peer Gynt" and were played at appropriate places during the reading of the play.

The pieces played were "Witches' Dance", "In the Hall of the Mountain King", "Death of Ase", and "Sunrise of the Desert".

## Inflation Debate

In order that the students may become acquainted with the economic crises of the world today, Dr. Williams and Prof. Wyman are debating the question of inflation in the Social Room, South Hall, on Thursday, January 18, at 7 o'clock.

Discussion will be in order after the debate.

All students are invited to attend the meeting.

## Second Debate Squad Active

### First Squad Studies in Hill Reference Library Under Guidance of Wyman

Assistant Coach Leslie Libakken and one of his debate teams traveled to Hammond last Thursday evening where they debated the Hammond high school team on the radio question. The college was represented by an affirmative team composed of Everett Gillette, James Ostby and Joan Smith.

On Wednesday evening of this week the Hammond affirmative team will come to River Falls for a debate.

On Thursday evening of this week Hudson high school brings both her affirmative and negative teams to clash with the college second squad.

River Falls high school will furnish the opposition Friday afternoon when their negative team comes to the college for a debate, while the affirmative team meets a team from the college second squad at the high school. The River Falls high school team is coached by Mr. Robert Smith '33 who was an outstanding debater on the 1932-33 college teams.

The college first team together with Coach Walker D. Wyman spent all day Saturday, January 13, studying in the James J. Hill Reference Library in the Twin Cities.

## Training School Secures Services of Nurse

Miss Janet Johnson R.N. has been appointed school nurse for the training school under the Civil Works Administration.

Miss Johnson's home is in River Falls. She graduated from the nurse's training course of the Swedish hospital, Minneapolis.

In addition to her duties as nurse for the children of the training school, she will also have charge of the freshmen women.

## The "Long Grind" Starts Once More

"Ho-hum!" yawned the tired co-ed as she stretched lazily and started to climb out of a nice "comfy" bed.

Then as she hurriedly went about the regular routine of dressing she was recalling the past several mornings. What a contrast! No hurry, no alarm to end pleasant slumber, no getting up when it was still dark, no going without breakfast, for there was always time to eat it, no worries, no cares, no thought of books, exams, themes, cross instructors, nor tiresome lectures. How wonderful it had all been! Sleep and more sleep, so many good things to eat, dances, shows, friends, relatives, fond and loving parents, all the old pals, fun-

## Storage House Being Built on Ramer Field

### Storing of Sport Equipment and Locker Space Plans of C.W.A. Project

A field-house type of structure will soon be seen on Ramer Field the purpose of which is to provide storage space for athletic equipment and for use of teams between halves in football games.

The building will be 34 feet long and 24 feet wide, and will therefore not be large enough to hold meets in but will provide ample room for the purpose for which it is built.

The brick which were salvaged from the two old stacks on South Hall which have been taken down, are being used in the construction of this building. It is being built as a C.W.A. project.

If present plans are carried to completion there will also be showers and lockers in it.

## Since Vacation

Mr. Kenneth MacDonald returned to school to finish his first term's work which he was forced to discontinue during the fall term on account of illness.

Mr. Irving W. Gerhardt '33, received a position as the agriculture instructor at Hayward, Wisconsin.

Mr. James Deringer, '33, Barron, Wisconsin, paid River Falls a visit shortly after classes were resumed.

Bereavement fell to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Pratt, Cumberland, Wisconsin, with the death of their infant son.

Mr. Clarence Holstrom, '32, resigned his teaching position at Frederic, Wisconsin, to manage a cheese company at Dresser Junction, Wisconsin.

Miss Evelyn Davidson, River Falls graduate, and Mr. Tom Casey, New Richmond junior, have returned to college to continue their work for degrees.

The Agrifallian society will hold its regular meeting in the Men's Union Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

A program composed of a number of short talks by members and also some musical selections has been arranged by Mr. Lee Klein, chairman of the program committee.

## Keep Those New Year Resolutions

What's happening to all "them thar" New Year's resolutions that we made? Every day somebody is breaking a brand new one. We may think, "What's the sense of even making resolutions when we know that we'll only break them?" That may be true but at least in a great many instances we recognize our failings and attempt to correct them to some extent.

What if we do forget? Maybe our consciences are still in good enough working order to cause us a pang now and then. Perhaps if we'd just

try to keep our minds on what we don't want to do and then not do it, we'd all be infinitely better off.

Why confine ourselves to making good promises to ourselves just at New Years? It would be a far better idea if we'd keep our good intentions in mind all the time. Perhaps eventually we'd become so tired of them we'd put them into practice. Perhaps there is such a thing as raving on forever, but at least let's try to remember to keep up the good work during 1934. F. S.

# The River Falls Student Voice *Student Opinion*

*aims to promote school spirit, to further professional interests, and to maintain River Falls Teachers College traditions.*

## It's Your Paper

If you are interested enough to stop to pick up a copy of *The Student Voice* there must be some reason for this action. The Editor would like to know what part of the paper it is that interests you the most. Perhaps that section of the paper which you are most interested in is neglected while other less interesting sections are over-worked. At any rate it is your paper and your opinion is being sought.

If you will cooperate by indicating on the questionnaire in this week's issue those sections which you are most interested in, along with any suggestions and criticisms, it will be to your advantage. It will only take you a minute to do this.

Editor

## Unemployment Decreases

With a treasury deficit upwards of 23 billion dollars the Federal government continues to spend borrowed money at the rate of almost three-quarters of a million dollars per hour. Some day, unless Uncle Sam chooses to repudiate his debt, this money will all have to be paid back. Under these circumstances it is a logical thing for the far-sighted taxpayers to take notice of what is going on.

Let us see what there is that will justify this huge expenditure. In 1928 the United States had a national income which was estimated to be over 80 billion dollars. In 1932 this income had dropped to 40 billion dollars-- actually cut in half. It is in an effort to regain this 40 billion dollars of national income that other billions are now being spent.

The President's plan has already proved itself to be practicable. The number of unemployed and the number of people living on charity has been steadily decreasing.

While the treasury deficit continues to grow it is not increasing as fast as it was a year ago. The regular expenses of the government have been reduced largely by cutting out waste in various departments.

The fact that unemployment is decreasing shows that we are on the right road. It will not be impossible to pay for recovery if everyone cooperates in such a way that we will all be working for a definite goal rather than for selfish individual interests. A. N.

## C. W. A.

Some time ago the government of these United States appropriated some \$400,000,000 for Public Works. Due to various causes this fund was not used as quickly as it should have been. As a result much of it was transferred to the Civil Works. Under this Act this huge amount of money was made available to communities for the purpose of creating work to relieve unemployment. Our city received some of this money and as a result there are very few unemployed married men in the community. Another interesting feature about this fund is that it need not be returned to the federal government. In other words we DO NOT HAVE TO PAY IT BACK. There is but one stipulation connected with the use of it. It must go for labor purposes only.

Not so long ago the American Legion made a survey of the unemployed men in this vicinity. This list of men received the official seal of the City of River Falls and was sent to Madison for further consideration. The appropriation that River Falls received was based upon this report. As a result of being able to give men work, (work that will last until Feb. 15, 1934), the taxpayers of the city were relieved of that much burden and it gave that many more a happy and joyous Christmas. E.P.

## Teacher Personality

The basis employed for the classification of teachers is the rather naive, yet popular, assumption that residence at an institution of higher learning for a given period of time necessarily insures not only scholarship, but also teaching skill and valuable personality traits not otherwise obtained. It is of course necessary that prospective teachers come under the training of experts, but because inborn differences in capacity and because of differing environmental influences, students vary greatly in their ability to profit from school experiences.

In setting about the task of teacher training, teachers' colleges insist on three things: first, the scholastic legitimacy of entrants as guaranteed by the high school diploma; second, at least mediocre classroom achievement; third, residence requirement of at least two years. The first two have to do with acquisition of knowledge; the final one is a test of financial ability.

Now in judging success or failure in teaching, scholarship is only one of the factors. Of course it is agreed that knowledge of the subject is indispensable. According to studies by David Newark in his "Students' Opinions of Their Best and Poorest Teachers", the following characteristics are given in order of importance.

1. Skill in getting ideas across.
2. Human.
3. Impractical.
4. Good disciplinarian.
5. Sympathetic.
6. Pleasing personality.
7. Neat personal appearance.
8. Always eager to cooperate.
9. Agreeable voice.

J. S. Mills offers several different characteristics. The most notable is that he puts sociability second and scholarship third. The rest of the list is about the same as Newmark's.

It is apparent then that personality traits are of paramount importance. Then the attempt to develop personality traits in student-teachers should be of major proportions.

The accumulations of degrees to wear after one's name may signify little as to eligibility for the teaching profession. It has been said that the teacher, and he alone, can transform the world in a single generation. It has been said that Napoleon was forty-second in his class. He narrowly escaped being among the unprepared; however it is extremely doubtful if degree holders may be classed among the unprepared. The degree is not the final criteria for judging the fitness of an individual for teaching. E.M.

## Student Opinion

The librarians issued the final ultimatum last week, stating that the library isn't a place for conference.

Many students seem to have forgotten that the library is a place for study and not a social center. We all need to be a little more considerate of the other person. Our conversation may be very disturbing and annoying to students who are trying to study.

There are some students who have a limited time in the library and have to make the most of their time while they are there. Our conversation with our neighbor doesn't assist them. A little application of the golden rule is needed in the library. H. S.

Well, well, well! Probably one of these days some of the students will grow up and realize that they are now attending college and that it's time to leave their childish ways behind--especially when Miss Bradley's patience is tried beyond any further endurance. It's rather embarrassing to be asked to leave the library and not return until you know how to behave. E. M. N.

The election of a class president for first term students is bewildering to most of the students. There are a few get-togethers and after that someone bobs up as the newly crowned leader of a representative group of the college classes. The home town hero or the fellow who can blossom forth with a bang generally gets the prize plum. It is unfortunate both for the class and the newly honored individual. Perhaps the one selected by popular choice would retire gracefully if he was at all able. Another type may adopt a "do nothing at all" policy.

College students underestimate the value of their leaders in their early college days. A good administration sets the class off on the right path and many constructive acts follow as a result of such leadership. The Sophomore Prom, which is the highlight of the social calendar, is placed in the hands of individuals who are well qualified to take charge of an affair of such importance. We are still pretty much of a Junior College and we should recognize this fact when we decide our students leaders. In the span of a few years one may expect to see the Junior class take over the duties which are at present intrusted to the Sophomores.

Committee control for the first term or even the first year would set forth real leaders. The present routine meetings of the classes point to a waning attitude on the part of the student body as to just what the various class organizations are doing. The suggestion that a Student Union be formed with first semester students denied voting power would not be entirely out of order.

The petition which pertained to our extended vacation was specific example. True enough, the petition accomplished its purpose; however, we must not lose sight of the fact that a few students had to carry the burden of responsibility on their shoulders. A student union would bring about organized effort; furthermore it should foster a bond of friendship between the student body, faculty, and administration. V. S.

The idea was advanced in a recent issue of *The Student Voice* that a hockey team for River Falls would be a welcome addition to our present group of competitive athletics.

The last Moorehead game should have demonstrated the inadvisability of scheduling a late season football game. The crowd was not a large one, as was to be expected because of poor weather conditions. The fellows on the sidelines suffered as

## Books Worth Reading

By M. W.

### MAGNOLIA STREET by Louis Golding

This is a book crowded with human life, in which Mr. Golding follows the fortunes of all the families who live upon the street which gives the title to the work. There are lines of radiation from Magnolia Street to the six corners of the globe--from Madison Square Garden to Mesopotamia. The story may be compared to one of the fifteenth century Flemish tapestries which has woven into it the history of an entire town.

The keen sense of humor of the author is evident in every passage.

Mr. Golding is a student--and understanding and appreciative one--of human nature. The tragedy of everyday life is revealed in detail. There are no doubts about man and his joy and sorrow in this writer's mind.

Perhaps this novel would be a bit heavy for anyone but the careful reader, for it is rather detailed throughout. "Magnolia Street" is deserving of more than cursory skimming, but it is certain that once begun the book will have to be read to the very last line. M. W.

much if not more than the huskies on the bench as well as the men who were actually participants in the fray. Then, too, the exhibition was a ragged one due largely to the frozen ground which caused many a hopeful to cut capers unbecoming to a man well versed in the manly art of football.

River Falls did most of its practicing off the field. The boys played courageous ball but it appeared to be the general opinion among the spectators that they'd rather not view a gridiron battle at the time of the year when other institutions are concentrating on basketball and on hockey.

Hockey is an exceedingly fast game. John P. Carmichael in his column "Icicles" calls hockey "the fastest sport in America." To one who has seen a clash between two good hockey teams all other sports seem tame in comparison with this most popular of Canadian outdoor activities. Over 20,000 fans attended a recent hockey game held at the Chicago stadium between the Chicago Blackhawks and another national hockey league team.

Let us hope that River Falls will not be the last institution to have a squad in this vicinity. Let's get in on the ground floor and make River Falls a real winter resort. We've got the players, a competent mentor in Ted Setterquist, and a sturdy student body which will add plenty of the good old fire to the battles of the icicles. B. R.

## The Inquiring Reporter

### Do You Believe Students Should Take Advantage of Their Available Cuts?

There should be no absences except for sickness and other unavoidable reasons. —Mr. Johnston.

I don't believe in cuts. I think they put a premium on absences. Classes should be so well organized that students will miss something they can't make up when they are absent. Cuts encourage absences. There are always enough unavoidable absences. —Dean Hathorn.

I do not believe that students should, as a rule, take advantage of available cuts because it is quite possible that a student may miss the explanation of points very necessary to the understanding of work that follows. A possible exception may be an "A" student who is very much in need of extra time to use on some special work. In that case an explanation might be made to the faculty member concerned. I do not like to think that our best students take cuts because they think they can. —Miss Weberg.

No, I don't believe students should take cuts just to go somewhere and while the time away at some worthless pleasure. There may be a time when a cut will be necessary. Save it for then. —Mr. Geere.

Students should not take cuts just because they are offered. But if a student has an excuse which he thinks perfectly justifiable and which the dean does not honor, he should take the cut like a man. Dean Stratton.

Like a lie, sometimes a cut is a present help in time of trouble. Save it for an emergency. —Mr. Williams.

Everyone must measure values. Students must consider the value of what he wants to do and the value of the class he would miss. To take a cut just because it is coming is perfect foolhardiness. But if that thing is much more important, a cut is legitimate. —Miss Greene.

I have to answer the question two ways. First, as a teacher, I don't believe cuts are necessary. If a student has a legitimate reason for missing a class he can always obtain an excuse. Second, as a director of musical organizations I cannot tolerate students that cut rehearsals. An organization like an orchestra or band cannot function as an organization unless every member is present. The student that cuts does not harm himself, but, as an essential part of the organization harms the organization and every member in it. —Mr. Rozehnal.

Pledging themselves to go to jail rather than fight in the event of war, two hundred Columbia University students, in addition to a score of faculty members, went on record for pacifism.—Collegiate Press.

The University of Minnesota is planning to finance one thousand students as part of its "education relief" program.—Collegiate Press.

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## Falcons Win First Games of Conference

Stout Institute Defeated by 39 - 37 Score. Zornmen Lose 37 - 33 Game

River Falls won its opening conference game with Stout Institute Friday evening 39-37. The Falcons then took their second conference game with Eau Claire the following evening 37-33.

Led by Glenn Morrow and Herkel, River Falls had a tough time of it against the Stout Blue Devils.

Chamberlain and Hylland of Stout scored 29 of their team's points.

From reports the team wasn't functioning as smooth as it has been, but every team has its off nights and when they can win those games then they are a hard team to beat when they are on to their game.

River Falls 39			
	FG	FT	PF
Issacson	1	0	4
Herkel	4	3	3
Wulf	2	1	2
Morrow	6	3	1
Hanson	2	0	0
Brekke	1	0	1
	16	7	11

Stout 37			
	FG	FT	PF
Chamberlain	6	5	1
Hylland	5	2	0
Braatin	0	2	4
Doleji	1	0	1
Jack	0	0	2
Decker	0	0	1
Gaertner	2	0	3
	14	9	12

River Falls had little trouble in downing Eau Claire in its second conference tilt, 37 to 33, although Eau Claire did manage to draw close in the closing minutes of the game.

Again the scoring was led by Herkel and Morrow. Herkel collected 5 field goals and 2 free throws, while Morrow garnered 3 baskets and 3 free throws.

River Falls 37			
	FG	FT	PF
Issacson	2	0	1
Herkel	5	2	3
Wulf	1	1	2
Morrow	3	3	3
Hanson	2	0	4
Brekke	1	3	2
	14	9	15

Eau Claire 33			
	FG	FT	PF
Wichman	1	1	2
Voight	1	1	1
Held	2	0	0
Risnold	5	4	1
Paikovitch	1	1	3
Bushman	0	2	2
Kottke	2	0	4
	12	9	13

### Scores of Games Past Week

- River Falls 39, Stout 35.
- River Falls 37, Eau Claire 33.
- Whitewater 29, Stevens Point 20
- La Crosse 26, Decorah 25.
- Superior 23, North Dakota 33.
- Milwaukee 29, Oshkosh 24.
- Stevens Point 16, Platteville 14.

## Falcons Lose to Macs In Return Game Here

Macalaster college came from behind last night to nose out the Falcons by a score of 39-35. With but five minutes to play, and the score tied at 24, Smith for Macalaster got a field goal to put the Macs in the lead for the first time during the evening.

Morrow was high point man for the Falcons with 5 field goals and 3 free throws. Cohan, Mac center, led the scoring with 18 points.

## Rebounds

By Ole

Coach Cowles' basketeers got off to a good start in the state conference by winning their first two games from Eau Claire and Stout last week end.

Morrow, though closely guarded, continued his scoring in great style. Against Stout he collected 15 points.

Stout has a neat pair of forwards in Chamberlain and Hylland. Against River Falls they made 26 of their 35 points for Stout.

Griswold, Eau Claire center, is a hard man to stop. He is their main scoring threat.

Milwaukee, who plays here a week from Friday, won from DeKalb by one point. DeKalb was the Little Nineteen conference champions of Illinois last year. Westlake, all western forward, leading scorer for the Illinois aggregation was held in check by Milwaukee. Milwaukee should prove a very worthy foe when they meet the Falcons.

Wulf, Falcon center, is improving very rapidly. He jumps center and then falls back to guard. He is the main reason why the opposing teams get so very few rebound shots. He surely can handle the rebounds.

Brekke likes his going tough. He is one of the most improved players this year. Brekke plays either center or forward.

Hanson, Rice Lake Flash, is living up to his expectations. He is fast and a clever floor man.

The Falcons, after a slow start, have been victorious in their last five engagements, taking St. Olaf, South Dakota State, Hamline, Stout and Eau Claire in order.

Isaacson, midge guard, plays a whale of a game. He is a good shot and a clever floor man.

Haugen, Superior center, looks like a hard man to stop. He has been their main scorer for all their games this fall.

Herkel, freshman, seems to be breaking into Coach Cowles' system of play fast. He is small but a sweet player.

Washington University co-eds have a special section for "bachelor girls" at basketball games. They say in this manner the men can tell who's who. —Polytech Reporter.

## Stout Quint to Meet Falcons Here Friday

Chamberlain and Hylland, Blue Devil Forwards, To Lead Opposition

The Falcons will meet the strong Stout Blue Devils in a return game here Friday night.

Although River Falls beat Stout last Friday night the game this week end will be no set up. Stout has a great pair of forwards in Chamberlain and Hylland. Stout always gives us a battle royal when they play here.

Records reveal that in the last seven years River Falls has won 13 games to Stout's 2. The scores indicates that all the games were hard fought battles.

1927	River Falls 23, Stout 18
	River Falls 28, Stout 21
1928	River Falls 29, Stout 19
	River Falls 45, Stout 26
1929	River Falls 36, Stout 9
	River Falls 33, Stout 24
1930	River Falls 29, Stout 21
	River Falls 25, Stout 24
1931	River Falls 30, Stout 18
	River Falls 27, Stout 33
1932	River Falls 29, Stout 27
	River Falls 37, Stout 28
1933	River Falls 17, Stout 20
	River Falls 42, Stout 39
1934	River Falls 39, Stout 35

## W. A. A. Notes

About forty girls have turned out for the favorite sport of the girls of the school. Basketball season has begun.

The first few weeks will be devoted to practice of the essentials. Then a tournament will be held. It is planned that the climax of the season will find the girls of the various classes and organizations competing for first place in the tournament.

The object of the sport is to teach all girls of the school, who are interested, the essentials. Everyone has an opportunity to learn.

## In Shots

By Vern

In the last issue of the Voice, through some faulty information, I stated that depression had hit the college. I sincerely apologize to the faculty for this statement.

I was referring to the football banquet and did not know that it was the faculty who sponsored the banquet. I was informed that it was the coach who used to invite just the lettermen and that it was finally taken over by the faculty.

Many arguments pro and con have come up during the past football season on how to open up the college game so that there is more scoring.

The college game has come to such a stage that it is nearly impossible for two evenly matched teams to score a touchdown.

Many blame the 5 yard behind the scrimmage pass which gives the defense time to get set for the pass. They say this rule should be abolished and allow the passer to toss his pass anywhere behind the scrimmage line. This would tend to open up the defense and the result would be more scores. For proof, they say look at the professional league, where passes are allowed anywhere behind the line of scrimmage.

This may be all true, but it is my contention that if the colleges were to abolish the scouting system it would go a long way in eliminating these low scores.

Scouting has its advantages, but if they want more scoring in the games this phase in football should be abolished.

When a team is scouted what are the things he looks for. Following are a few of the things a scout must look for. What type of defense do they use? Offense? Who is their most dangerous man? Who does the passing? Do the guards pull out? Where are their weak spots in the line? Do the ends crash or play a waiting or box defense? Every bit of information is obtained which will aid to set up a defense to stop their plays and an offense which will sweep their opponents off their feet.

If the teams were unaware of what

the other team was to pull wouldn't it be more interesting to watch them unloose their bag of tricks, rather than to set there and have the two teams stop each others running and passing game because they happen to know each others pet plays. The result is a defensive battle with a low score to top it off.

So if we must have more scoring in our games why not abolish this little game of spying, called scouting, and save money which it costs to send these scouts out.

The University of Washington is giving a course in "bluffing". It is given in conjunction with the English and history departments.—Polytech Reporter.

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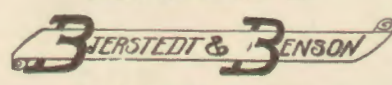
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### News Reporter Unveils Russia

That Mrs. Nedra Finstrom is by no means an inexperienced traveler was found out by a Staff reporter after her assembly lecture. She has completed her fifth trip around the world, having visited almost every country and traveled 210,000 miles. Her main travels have been in Europe, where she represented the Kansas City Star.

Although she has met many celebrities, she has not yet encountered Mr. Litvinoff. She seems impressed by the assiduity with which he works for what he thinks best for his country.

"The United States' recognition of Russia is certainly significant both economically and politically", said Mrs. Finstrom. "We need their wood-pulp, their manganese, while they need our machinery, especially for construction of rail-roads. More important is that it has affected the relationship of Japan and Russia. I'm sure it is an event which Japan did not want to occur. Hereafter Japan will be less aggressive."

Miss Finstrom was fortunate in being permitted to tour Russia unrestrained by the government.

"We were permitted to go wherever we wished. They may have watched us--they may have opened our mail--but we could not detect it. We often asked the G.P.U. whether we were under surveillance, and the answer was always, 'Why, surely! We have nothing else to do.'"

"We moved about just as we chose. In the middle of the night we rose to visit Red Square by moonlight. We were not in the least afraid--at least, I wasn't, perhaps because I've had so many experiences--for there is an atmosphere of safety pervading Russia."

"We were permitted to read the Russian newspapers also. They reprint from the American newspapers excerpts carefully chosen to depict the faults of the United States government. Thus the people remain more satisfied with their own."

Mrs. Finstrom's authoritative account and unbiased viewpoint, due undoubtedly to her having traveled through Russia unhampered by the customary professional guide, made her observations especially interesting.

### Rural Life Notes

The nine practice teachers going out to rural schools January 29 for six weeks of practice are: Nell Frells, Marie Spiss, Gertrude Felling, Lorena Woods, Charlotte Woods, Alice Deenen, Woodrow Iverson, Richard Seifert, and Dwight Wiedenam.

Practice teaching will be done in the Centerville and Martell schools.

The following graduates from last years class are expecting to go in as assistants to rural teachers whose schools have enrollment of over thirty five; Genevieve Richardson, Edith Kinsman, Viola Schultz, Norma Collamore, and Ruth Griffey. Only inexperienced women teachers are receiving these positions.

Verona Schruth, who is doing practice teaching in the Martell school, was compelled to come home Thursday afternoon because of illness.

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### New Year's Fire Destroys Rooming House

The students who had been staying at Mrs. Mary Jacobson's found themselves without a home when they returned from the Christmas holidays. The fire was discovered at four a. m. New Year's morning. When the fire broke out, the dog woke Mrs. Jacobson and her daughter. Otherwise, perhaps they'd have been burned to death.

The girls not only lost many of their possessions in the fire, but some things were stolen after they were rescued from the flaming house.

Marie Klugow lost about \$20 worth of books. Two of the girls' tennis rackets were lost in the fire, and those which were saved were stolen.

"The clothes", Marie claims, "that weren't ruined by the fire were ruined by the water".

Other girls that stayed at this place were Margaret Brackey, Edna Green, Corrine Crogen and Dorothea Panzenhagen.

### Mark This List

If you want the staff of The Student Voice to know what you expect of this paper, check this list of departments of the paper by numbering in the order of your preference. Leave it on the spindle in the Voice room No. 48 second floor of South Hall. If you have any remarks, critical or otherwise, don't hesitate to voice them.

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### Dr. Jenks Tells of Research Work

Dr. Jenks laughingly waved aside the question as to how long he had been interested in anthropology.

"Oh--always", he began, "I've been connected with this work since 1899, to be exact. That seems like a long time to you, no doubt."

"I've been at the University of Minnesota since 1926. Previously I worked as head of the Ethnological Survey of the Phillipine Islands and later with the Smithsonian Institute of Washington in an investigation of the desert Indians."

"In our village in New Mexico our investigations are confined to house forms, Mimbres pottery, and so forth. We are not working on it at present because of lack of funds."

"As for the area in the United States which promises to yield the most valuable contributions to anthropological research, I should name the Minnesota region."

"I can foresee no more systematic method of research than that now in use. The anthropologist must continue to be dependent on accidental discoveries. For example, it is impractical to conduct extensive research in the Lake Pelican region where the Minnesota Man was found. It is extremely unlikely that another skeleton will ever be discovered in that region."

Miss Cara Wharton's piano pupils will give a concert Monday night, January 22, at 7:45 in the college auditorium. No admission will be charged.

The University of Chicago and Northwestern will be officially combined into one large institution, it was learned the other day.

### Be Careful, Please

Great news! Have a look at our new gym in South Hall--Oh, you looked twice, didn't you? Not quite fair, but you'll have to admit that it certainly looks like a new gym, won't you?

Yes, my intelligent readers, while we were blithely having a gay time during the Christmas holidays, some ambitious person or persons went to work scraping, sandpapering, smoothing the gym floor until the finished product is the most nearly perfect work of art that you'll ever hope to see. Some energetic person also painted

brand spankin' new lines for basketball too. Finally there's a coating of something or other on the floor that is positively grand for both leather and rubber soles but that also screeches "Beware of water".

There's a certain lady in South Hall with the best disposition ever--you guessed it--Miss Bransted. She says, however, "The gym floor does look fine, and I hope that everyone will cooperate with me in keeping everything off the floor except feet, or my good disposition is apt to take a nose-dive."

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