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## Basketeers To Warm Up For Championship Race!

### Ag. Dept's. Crop & Poultry Show Opens Tomorrow

#### Big Event For The Whole School

Some years ago the first poultry show met with such marked success that it has now become an annual affair. Practically all the work is done by students in the Ag. department.

This year the Junior show is a special feature. The Juniors will have a special department, and will put on a special program Friday. This department will draw into the show some three hundred boys and girls from the schools in this vicinity.

The program should interest every student in the school. Here is a list of the varied offerings of the two days. Look it over.

#### Program

Thursday, Dec. 11

10:00 a. m.—All exhibits in place. Judging of poultry, Prof. J. B. Hayes.

8:00 p. m.—Normal auditorium: Music, One-act play, motion pictures, poultry talks.

Friday, December 12, Rural School Day.

1:00 p. m.—Boys' and Girls' poul-

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### PICK-UP ORCHESTRA EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS

#### Supplies Extra Fine Music At Dance Last Friday Night

Those who stayed away from the dance because they thought there wouldn't be good music missed one of the best dances we've had this year. The orchestra consisted of Miss Collins, piano, of MacPhail's, Naomi Gibson, saxophone, Donald Schilkin of U. of Minn., banjo, and Clyde Zamjohn, violin. Next time don't be fooled by some groundless rumor.

### "Dorothy Vernon" Meletean Movie

#### An Attractive Offering--The Best In River Falls This Year

This picture screened from Charles Major's famous novel, "Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall," has everything that a motion picture should have, and more. It has romance, thrills, comedy, and action so rapid that the audience gasps for breath.

No expenses has been spared in the lavish production of this film. The sets were constructed only after thorough study and research of the times of Queen Elizabeth had been made. There are the impressive castles of early England, set in the picturesque beauty that characterizes that country. There are the stately mansions, mediaval pagentry and midnight revels of the nobility presented in all their splendor and magnificence.

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### NORMAL STUDENT LOSES MIND; EXAMINATIONS ARE BLAMED

#### If You Don't Believe It—Read This:

Really, we don't believe in exams. The following characterization of three subjects on our curriculum only strengthens our stand. They are reported by the roommate of a student who talks in her sleep. She must have written SOME exams to have a nightmare like this:—

Algebra: "Comes now 'x' a sinist-er, unknown quantity."

Grammar: "One terrible night while the elements clashed and the parts of speech thundered, the wick-ed old adverb took an axe and split the helpless infinitive."

Economics: "Alas! The sturdy commodity who had left the farm to come to a great city, to make good, fell a victim to the seductive curves of supply and demand."

### Meet St. Thomas College Tomorrow At St. Paul

#### Carleton College On Program Saturday

#### Minnesota Teams Respect Us—St. Thomas Has Never Defeated River Falls

Tomorrow night our basketball team opens its three-game practice schedule at St. Thomas. The game, previously scheduled for tonight, has been moved up a day because of a conflict in the St. Thomas schedule. This will give Eggebrecht a chance to polish up his fighting machine, which has been going through some gruelling practices.

The absence of Capt. Bergman from the line-up necessitated many shifts in the line-up before a smoothly working combination was found. Bergy has been hobbling around on a cane, but he will be back in the line-up before the St. Thomas game.

New additions to the second string line-up, which has been making the regulars go at a hot pace, are O'Malley, Brookes, Zamjohn, and Hageman.

Previous clashes between River Falls and St. Thomas give coach Brandy and his Tommies a serious

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### DEBATERS HARD AT WORK; PROSPECTS BEST FOR YEARS

#### Snappy Practice Debates Feature This Week's Program

In the opinion of Coach Mitchell, the debate team this year is already several weeks ahead of where last year's team was at this time. In the practice debates already held, they have demonstrated an unusually good knowledge of the question, which, coupled with the speaking ability of several of the new members

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## SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR RIVER FALLS NORMAL?

"Give us a chance!" is an ever-present, never ceasing wail heard on and around our campus. "Give us a chance to show what we can do!"

There is no better way of giving the students a chance to exhibit their ability than by giving them the opportunity of cooperating with the faculty in governing themselves. Why not have a student council composed of representative men and women from each class, a representative from each student organization, delegates from the faculty, and perhaps a few students chosen at large from the student body? Who knows but that a student council is the panacea we have been looking for?

This student council would:

- (1) Regulate the outside activities in which a student could engage;
- (2) Stimulate inter-class interest and raise the scholarship of the school;
- (3) Foster school spirit, and provide adequate social life for the school (in this, it would operate almost as the social committee does at present);
- (4) With a majority vote of the student body, make the rules and

regulations that should govern the conduct of students at their rooming houses and at school.

It is true that this system is used largely in colleges having a four-year course, whereas, most of our students are in the two-year course. However, be it in a two-year school or in a four-year school, the need for development of responsibility is the same. In fact it may be even greater in a school of this type, for no one can expect to be able to govern the conduct of students when he becomes a teacher, if he is incapable of governing his own here. Responsibility cannot be developed in the abstract—it must be concrete and tangible.

Although the methods used in four-year schools would have to be adapted to our needs, we believe it to be possible. What do you students think about it?

L. B.

## GOLD FOOTBALLS FOR OUR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

It is customary to present gold footballs, basketballs, etc., to state championship teams as tokens of their supremacy. Two years ago, when we won the basketball championship, the business men of the city gave the team gold balls. However, we feel that they have already done more than their share in giving the team the fine banquet that they did. Why not take up a collection among the students to buy these emblems for the football champs? This is our team, and they won the championship for us. Why not show our gratitude in this way? We were willing enough to celebrate, and talk, and cheer, and all the rest, but that was easy. If we really meant it, we should be glad now to get a chance to show our feelings in still another way. If we will all chip in, it shouldn't cost us over twenty cents apiece. What about it—were we just spouting hot air when we celebrated the winning of that championship? You bet we weren't—let's prove it!

## AG. DEPT'S CROP & POULTRY SHOW OPENS TOMORROW

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try and corn judging contest. (Gymnasium).

2:00 p. m.—Music, readings, poultry demonstration, movie, talk by Prof. T. L. Bewick, Boys' and Girls' Club Leader.



Do you students know that some business men refuse to advertise in the "Student Voice" because they don't think it would do any good? They tell us that they will get the trade of the Normal students anyway, whether they advertise or not. We hope that this is not the case, for the business firms down town who are backing us to the limit in putting out a real paper deserve every bit of your support. If it were not for them, we would probably be limited to putting out a four-page paper every two weeks, and it would cost you just as much as it does now. Surely the least we can do to show our appreciation is to give them the preference when we are buying anything. If those men were attending Normal, they would be among those referred to as having lots of school spirit. That is the kind of men Normal students like to deal with.

Y. M. C. A.

Interesting songs and highlights of the "Older Boys' Conference," held at Eau Claire during Thanksgiving vacation, were presented by our delegates at this week's devotional meeting.

Don't fail to attend next week's Christmas program. Rev. Rustad will talk to us at that meeting. Appropriate music will be rendered by the quartet. Inspirational group singing of Christmas songs will be a feature of that meeting.

Y. M. C. A. billfolds will be on sale in the corridor of South Hall Thursday and Friday, the last period of the day and after school. They are neat and serviceable—just what you have been looking for.

Will the men whose pledges to the Y. M. C. A. financial program are due or past due, kindly pay us.

## SENIORS AND THIRD YEAR SENIORS

You may order your ring or pin at Winter's Jewelry Store.

A fifty cent deposit will be required at the time of ordering to insure your getting the ring. Please be prompt with your orders.

# This and that

Lucy Cotter was home over the week-end.

Lauretta Wickser was in Hudson over the week-end.

Frances Squires went to her home in Hastings Friday.

Lucy Cotter spent the week-end at her home in Prescott.

"What did you get-" was the password Monday and Tuesday.

Sidney Scoville spent the week-end with relatives in Minneapolis.

Helen Lind drove home to Hudson after the dance Friday night.

Peg McDermott went to her home in New Richmond last week-end.

Anne and "Carson" went to Maiden Rock over the week-end.

Mr. Goble spent his vacant periods shoveling snow Tuesday morning.

Karl Miller says he is having an awful time taking care of two girls.

Marion Simondson went to her home in Elmwood over the week-end.

Lucile Trumbull, '24, Baldwin, visited in River Falls last week-end.

Viola Bailey is clerking at Weld & Taggart's during the busy season.

Last term's practice teachers say they are glad to return to civilization.

Thelma Best spent the week-end at Downing. Her friend Ted was her guest.

Annarose Schmidt didn't go to St. Paul this week. She stayed and "tramped."

Reynold Jenson gave a talk on the Student Friendship Fund at Tuesday's assembly.

Ask Bunny what she did with her rubbers Friday night. She'll be glad to tell you.

John Haasch has been doing some "stepping." You can ask Helen Mooney for the details.

The opening of the library evenings is not intended to compete with the K. K. and Post Office.

Floy Slauson has accepted a job as substitute Latin and English teacher at Spring Valley.

Pomeroy's lost two of their boarders last week, for Dutch Zimdars and Naomi Gibson both completed their courses.

The Y. W. C. A. discovered that popcorn balls and candy were very popular at their sale Wednesday. Friday they sold stationery.

Marie Lundy made her weekly visit to Hudson last Friday evening after the dance in John Sundstrum's car.

However, Marie wasn't with John

Miss Latta, Helen Anderson, and Donna Brown went to St. Paul on Meletean business Saturday.

Violet Best, '24, who teaches at Glenwood City, visited relatives in River Falls over the week-end.

Frances Squires attended the Junior class play of her alma mater at Hastings, Minn., Saturday evening.

"Ange" has given up her place on the Pomeroy davenport. Joe now makes his headquarters at Churchill's.

"Urs" and "Jens," Wayne and Grace took advantages of the nice weather and went hiking Saturday night.

Everyone is beginning to worry about what to get "him" (or her) for Christmas. Suggestions will be helpful.

We certainly have a lot of respect for our instructors since Sunday, for very few of them had the nerve to appear at church after giving those exams.

Helen Churchill, '23, and Edith Nelson, '24, were in a group of teachers that won first prize at a Masquerade Ball that was given at Neillville, Wis.

Alfred Baker and Ed. Korbein visited in Minneapolis over the week-end.

Miss Delander and Miss Weberg entertained at a 6:30 dinner in the domestic science dining room Friday evening.

Some of the girls staying at Mooney's put on their sport clothes Saturday afternoon, and had some outdoor exercise.



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 Matinee, 4:00 - Adm. 35c & 15c  
 Evening, 8:00 - Admission 35c  
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# QUESTION COLUMN

Judging by the number of letters yet to be answered, this column will be a regular part of the paper. "KK" will answer questions on any subject, but they will be printed in the order in which they are received. Thus you may have to wait a couple of weeks.

Dear Verne:

Quit beefing about those close shaves you got in the exams. We hate to harp on this subject, but really, you don't look as if you had ever had a close shave.

Suggestively,  
K. K.

Dear Mr. Wandrey:

Your appointment as school cupid has been received. We have forwarded it to the proper authorities. We attached a little note to it telling of your good work in the case of Jacobson vs. Sutherland. Yes, that was good headwork telling each one that the other was already dying of "love at first sight," when they hadn't even seen each other.

Yours,  
K. K.

Dear Mr. Ames:

It isn't going to be very hard to answer your letter in regard to improving assembly. In the first case, you might try holding it on the roof—we would then at least have some fresh air, if we did freeze getting it. In the second place, hold a special assembly for the public speaking fiends who make the same announcement everytime. (The rest of us wouldn't have to attend)'

Respectfully (and hopefully),  
K. K.

## DEBATERS HARD AT WORK PROSPECTS BEST FOR YEARS

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of the squad, speaks well for our chances of winning a state championship in debate this year, in addition to the football championship already tucked away, and the basketball championship which it looks as if the cagers will bring us.

The squad has been divided into four teams of three each, and each team is scheduled to meet each of the others on each side of the question. Monday night the first of the series was fought out. John Burke, Wayne Taylor, and Margaret McDermott, debating on the negative, defeated Frances Lethlean, Reynold Jensen, and Margaret Bailey. The

affirmative won the next debate, Mildred Ingalls, Arthur Behnke, and Everett Smith being victorious over Rollie Williams, Fred Wandrey, and Carleton Ames.

Ten debates are yet to be held. The winner of the series is to be given a feed by the three losers. The lowest team is to wait on the table. It has already been decided that things must be manipulated in such a way that Jenson doesn't come out on the bottom as it would be impossible to see one of his hairs if it should fall in the butter. Ames' outfit seems to be the choice for the waiters.

## BITS OF WISDOM ABOUT EXAMS

Mr. Malott wrote such terrible questions the night before the History of Education exam that he was unable to sleep. His conscience still bothered the next day, so Mrs. Malott was instructor in charge.

Question: Name three encyclopedias for children.

Annette's brilliant answer: Flies and flees.

If you do not find Norma Young in her natural form, just remember that the library methods exam petrified her.

The second mob meeting of the year was held Friday morning on the second floor of South Hall. The meeting was held for the benefit of next victims, and the group became

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so riotous that Mr. Whitnack had to quiet them down.

Nobody knew anything, but everyone wrote exams.

"Over the Marcell Waves" is the most popular piece around South Hall. The music Club will consider its value as a masterpiece in the field of music at its next meeting.

Florence Farrell has been absent this week on account of sickness. Well, wouldn't the thoughts of finals make anyone blue?

Beach, watching passing coed, "Nice girl. Just look at the mud on her shoes!"

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**BASKETEERS TO WARM UP FOR CHAMPIONSHIP RACE**

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attitude toward this game. St. Thomas has yet to beat River Falls in basketball. That they are taking this game in earnest may be gleaned from this write-up in a Twin City paper: "The first game of the season is with River Falls, and the cadets will have a big job to round up into some kind of shape for this contest. The Badger team knows how to toss the basket ball around, and have always been represented as one of the fastest Teams in the Wisconsin Normal Conference."

The cadets won the state championship last year, and usually sweep thru the Minnesota conference every year with a fine record. They claim to have an even stronger team this year. Only one veteran was lost to their team, and among the many veterans trying out for the team are the all-state center of New York, the all-state guard from South Dakota and many other lesser high school stars.

We play Carleton college on Saturday night. The strength of the Northfield quint is quite unknown. With only two regulars back, they will present a new line-up, which, in any event, will be a strong one as they always boast a strong cage team. Hamline appears to have a veteran team back, and they will be out to avenge the football defeat sustained here this fall. In their first game the Pipers lost to their Alumni by a close score.

**WHY DO THEY GIVE US TESTS?**

Why do they give exams  
Why, oh why, oh why  
We're nervous, So nervous,  
We're worried and blue.  
And if a test does that  
What will the finals do?  
Why do they give exams  
Why, oh why, oh why.  
Mitchell says that we're a wreck.  
Malott says he is right  
Junkman says he'll break our neck.  
We can't sleep at night  
We're all upset and all because  
We ain't as studious as we use to  
was  
Why do they give us tests  
Why, oh why, oh why.

**"DOROTHY VERNON" MELETEAN MOVIE**

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As Dorothy Vernon, Mary Pickford comes to the public in her greatest role. In a different role, yes, but with all her Mary Pickford mannerisms and characteristics that have so endeared her to the American public.

It would seem that the attraction of the picture would be enough, but as a fitting accompaniment for this greatest of films, there will be a twenty piece orchestra, under the able direction of Miss Hatch, which will play throughout the afternoon end evening performances. The music itself is very beautiful, and played by an orchestra under the direction of Miss Hatch, will alone be worth the price of admission.

The Meletean Staff has gone to great trouble and expense to procure this picture for us, so let us in turn give them our hearty support.

Date, Friday, December 12.

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★ *"THE fellow who never sur-*  
★ *renders,*  
★ *And is taking things as they*  
★ *come;*  
★ *Who never says; "quit." and*  
★ *exhibits GRIT,*  
★ *When the whole world's look-*  
★ *ing glam;*  
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★ **CHOCOLATES**  
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★ **KITCHEN**  
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Time, Matinee, 4:00; admission 15 and 35 cents.

Evening, 8:00, p. m.; admission, 25 cents.

**STUNTS PULLED AT ASSEMBLY**

During a critical moment in a lecture at assembly, the speaker stopped in the middle of an important sentence. "Please," he said to a young man in section "A," "stop chewing that gum in that slow, rhythmic motion, I simply can't lecture in that tempo."

"Boys, it's warm. Wish I didn't have on my vest now."

"Take it off, you really don't have to wear your vest."

"Oh, but I do, it's in the seat of my pants."



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