

STUDENT VOICE

RIVER FALLS, WISCONSIN, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20, 1944

Forty-two Dollars Taken In At War-Stamp Party

Last Saturday night was the occasion of the annual Christmas-War Stamp party in the gym of South Hall. It was a festive mixture of pine needles, music and pretty girls, and was one of the most cleverly decorated parties in some time.

A huge, lighted Christmas tree stood in the middle of the floor, with red and green streamers radiating from its star-light top. The orchestra stand was decorated with red paper, and two jolly Santa Clauses looked down from the walls. The five-piece orchestra was considered very good, and they played several "request" numbers for those dancing. Punch was served by two high school girls.

The main feature of the dance was the selling of war stamps, and the sale was quite high in comparison with the number of people there. Cor-sages of sailors and war stamps made by the YWCA made quite a hit with everyone and nearly all had purchased one before the evening was over. In all, about forty-two dollars were taken in, a tribute to the end of the sixth war loan. Let's hope there will be no necessity to sell stamps at Christmas parties in the year to come.

Miss Hathorn Entertains Women At Christmas Tea

Sunday, December 16 one could see between three and five o'clock, girls of the River Falls State Teachers College dressed in their finest coming to Miss Hathorn's Annual Christmas Tea.

The senior girls dressed in formals served the tea.

We were duly entertained. Miss Eva Jean Pettes of Minneapolis and Miss Miriam Shephard of River Falls both sang.

Lt. Chauncy Meachem, class of 1940, has recently been home on leave before going overseas as a navigator on a B-29.

YW Initiates Workshop

This year the YW has initiated a new type of program. The first meeting of every month will be used as a "work shop" during which time regular committees, carefully chosen according to the interests indicated on the membership blanks, will work on many different projects. Each committee is headed by one or more cabinet members.

The first regular "work shop" was held the evening of December 6. The social committee had games planned to open the meeting. Advisor Mrs. Sheldon explained the plan and purpose of the "work shop" meeting to the membership. Following this committees met separately and were able to get a fine start on their projects. The meeting was closed by group singing of Christmas carols.

Wednesday night, December 20, the joint YM-YW Christmas Vespers will be held in the social room of South Hall. The program is as follows:

Prelude Estenson Twins
and Jean Larson
Poem Louise Melbye
Christmas Story
"O Little Town of Bethlehem"
..... Group
Vocal solo .. Youlan Hanson
Reading .. Miss Frederickson
Vocal solo John Hayes
"Joy to the World" ... Group

Rural Life Club Has Christmas Party

At their last meeting, the members of the Rural Life Club decided there should be more games and recreation at their meetings. Plans were made for a Christmas party to be held Tuesday, December 19, from four until five. It will be a real Christmas party with a tree, games and refreshments. They will exchange gifts also. Margaret Torger-son and Alice Meulemans are in charge of decoration. On

Mystery Drama To Be Presented In January, 1945

"Ladies in Retirement," the main production of the College Masquers this year, will be presented Thursday, Jan. 25, 1945. Called a "remarkably good mystery drama" by Burns Mantle, the play was a great success on the New York stage.

This unusual three-act mystery drama will be costumed by Hooker-House. The play centers about the disappearance of a retired actress, her house-keeper's strange antics, and the extended visit of the employee's kin.

The cast consists of the following: Lucy, Pat Patterson; Ellen Creed, Joyce Kennedy; Louisa, Millicent Skone; Emily, Maxine Huppert; Leonora Fiske, Lois Bernd; Sister Theresa, Ethel Jones, and Albert Feather, Bill Crommett.

RFSTC Faculty Enter- tains Local Legislators

On Wednesday, December 13, the college faculty played host to Assemblyman Sel- Gunderson of Pierce county and Assemblyman Lloyd Rundell of St. Croix county.

After lunch in the Cafeteria, an informal discussion was held on the task of preparing teachers in the war years and on the building needs of the college.

At the coffee hour in the late afternoon all the faculty had an opportunity to meet our guests.

Pvt. Behling On Campus

Pfc. Carol Behling of the WACS was a caller recently. She is stationed at an army post in Virginia, near Washington, D. C. and is engaged in radar work. After the war she hopes to enter the field of electrical engineering. Private Behling is a graduate of the rural course and has taught school for two years.

The game committee are Kathleen Schroeder and Shirley Vennes. Ruth Mellum and Evelyn Reiton are in charge of the refreshments.

Student Church Groups Usher In Yule Season With Varied Activities

The student groups of the various churches were entertained at a Christmas party Monday, December 11, by the LSA group. The party-goers enjoyed "The Brig" and "Emergencies" on the lighter side; and, a beautiful, thoughtful Christmas Reverie and program presented by Mrs. Arthur Johnson and students.

The Congregational Pilgrim Fellowship is centering its Sunday evening discussions around the place of Christianity in everyday living. Recent speakers were Chaplain Stirling—veteran of twenty-three months service aboard ship—who talked on "Christianity and the Servicemen", and Dr. R. A. Karges whose subject was "Christianity in Education."

The LSA began a series of discussions on the "Home and Family" which will continue after Christmas. Mr. Wigdahl and guest speakers will lead the discussion.

"What Kind of A World Do We Want?" is the general topic of an eight weeks' discussion series being carried on by the Methodist Wesley League. Ilo Stewart led the forum of "The Church and the New World Order". Louis Daniels' discussion of "World Politics" featuring the Dunbarten Oaks charter was second in the series. Other topics to be covered include: "Armaments" "A Bill of Rights?" "Peoples and their Rulers," and "World Finance".

Last Sunday, December 16, was a red letter day for the newly organized Catholic student group; the male element prepared the meal, Eugene Wirz, "Peanuts" Hanvelt and Joyce Kennedy head this newest church group as president, treasurer, and general meeting chairman respectively.

Mrs. Marge Skagen Lundell is now teaching music, mornings only, in the grades. Afternoons she works at the main office of Doughboy Mills, Inc. in New Richmond.

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CHRISTMAS THEN; CHRISTMAS 1944

Christmas is a wonderful time of the year; in my estimation it is the most beautiful and joyous of all times.

Remember the Christmas of years gone by? They were really full of memories most of us won't forget right away. Everyone trimmed the tree while mother baked for the coming festivities. The otherwise absent members of the family were greeted with joyous embraces.

Now the scene has been slightly altered; the same children, a few years older, are trimming the tree; mother is still baking for the coming festivities; but things aren't quite the same as in former years. Brothers and sisters aren't going to be greeted joyously for the holidays in the future. Maybe there will always be an empty place at the table because someone has already given his life for such a cause.

Somewhere in a place unknown to most of us, one of the missing links in this scene is picturing Christmas at home and thinking of us at this time. He or she is longing to be back here where things are more or less peaceful, and praying that he will be back next Christmas. We want all of our men to be home next year to share our happiness, and we will do everything in our power to bring them back. —E. W.

Who's Who

Mary Paulson, one of our juniors, is majoring in history and English. Her home town is Clear Lake, Wisconsin. Mary is interested in doing social welfare work some day, although she plans to do some teaching first.

She is a member of YWCA, Language club, and writes for the Voice. Mary's chief activity outside of school is her job as LSA president.

Among her likes are meeting people, basketball games, and cooking. She gets quite a bit of practice along the line of cooking because she is one of the "Caf" gang; she also gets practice cooking for LSA. In spite of her liking people, Mary says that her pet peeve is disloyalty in people.

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Peeking Through The Keyhole

A better method of "apple polishing" than bringing the teachers croquets and other Norwegian Christmas goodies?

Who breezed down to our campus from St. Olaf's ??—Why it's Beth Sampson.

What beautiful sparklers Youlan Hanson Betty Bergquist, and Bonita Adams are wearing?

More fun than after the Christmas dance Saturday night—

Steve C. and Betty Dodge. Bob Reetz and Lorraine Thannum.

Lawence and Pat Nelson. "Peanuts" and Marge Hoffmann.

Don Miles and Joyce Kennedy.

Here's flash of news of interest to some of the older students on the campus—Ruth Froiland dons a diamond, too.

And now we'd like to wish all of our readers a very Merry Christmas—and say, don't forget your New Year's resolutions, will you?

THE WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS

'Tis the week before Christmas
And all through the school
The ardor of students
Is growing quite cool.

Please teachers, don't blame us,

And please don't reprove.
Our brains just won't function;
They're not in the groove.

For we're going, we're going
In one day or 'less
To two weeks of home-life,
To happiness. —J. K.

ACE Entertains

Primary Mothers

The members of the ACE and the mothers of the primary children held a Christmas party Monday night at the training school.

As part of the program Betty Dodge played two violin solos, "O Holy Night" and "Ave Maria"; Margaret Davis

portrayed Mother Mary while Lorraine Thannum read the Christmas story.

After group singing led by Marion Hope, a delicious lunch was served to all.

James Behling, Amery, who had his freshman work here, was recently commissioned an ensign in the Navy.

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Falcons Win Five Straight; Tip Macs-Auggies-Comets

December 7. Playing at Macalaster (St. Paul) the Falcons won their second straight by a 41-32 score.

The first half started with both teams matching the other score. With nine minutes to play the Falcons went out in front, never to relinquish their lead. Hitt, Dimick, and Young paced the Falcons to their 23-15 halftime lead.

Hap Dimick played a brilliant John Lundberg. Macalaster's liant game on defense bottling high scoring center.

The second half started out fast with Young and Kanna pushing the score to a 29-15 count. Macalaster then broke loose with Christensen, Loomis, and Lundberg scoring and within a few minutes the score stood 29-25. With three minutes to play the Falcons lead 36-32, two field goals and a free throw gave us a 41-32 victory.

RIVER FALLS TOPS AUGSBURG 37-46

December 9. The Falcons traveled to the Minneapolis Armory where they met the fast Augsburg five.

The Falcons started out fast, piling up a 22-8 lead, as Hap Dimick turned in a beautiful job of watching Johnson, the Auggies' speedy center. The halftime score stood 31-17 for the Falcons.

In the last moments of the game Johnson broke loose and dropped in a total of 10 points, boasting his total to 20. Hap Dimick lead the Falcons scoring with 21, Wally Hitt had 10, and Sam Young 9. The Falcons' height and power was too much for the Auggies, who had but one outstanding player, namely Johnson.

FALCONS ROLL OVER COMETS 50-41

It was No. 4 last Tuesday night when River Falls took Concordia of St. Paul for a ride. Led by Sam Young, who scored 18 points, the Falcons played more superior ball than the Comets, who just returned from a three game road trip to Illinois.

The first quarter began fast with both teams leading intermittantly. When the first quarter ended River Falls had a 14-11 lead which was never broken.

The second quarter the Falcons began to lengthen

their lead. Wally Hitt led the scoring in this period. Don Miles and Hap Dimick played grand games on defense watching Paul Hinrichs, the Comet's flashy forward.

The second half began slow as the Falcons only made 7 points and Concordia 9 during the third quarter.

The game began to roll in the fourth quarter with the Falcons slowly extending their lead. Don Miles, keeping up his perfect record of 5 fouls per game, went out on fouls. Kannel played at forward for Miles, and was later switched to guard. Hanvelt and Kessenick came in during the final minute of the game.

FALCONS WIN THRILLER FROM MACS 41-35

December 15. River Falls Teachers won their fifth game of the season by nosing out a rugged Macalaster five by a 41-35 count.

The game started very slow with neither team scoring in the first four minutes. Macalaster took the lead when Lundberg made the first field goal. Young made a free throw and Hitt made a field goal to give the Falcons a 3-2 lead. Kirby cashed in on Dimick's foul to put Mac's in front and Christensen dropped in a field goal to give Macalaster a 6-3 lead, Dimick and Young scored to give the Falcons a 7-6 lead they never relinquished. When the first half ended we had a lead of 19-13.

Christensen started the Mac scoring in the second half by cutting our lead to four points. From here on the battle settled down, neither team doing extensive scoring. With eight minutes to play the Falcons held a 35-27 lead, Kirby and Loomis dropped in field goals and the score stood 35-31. Stone took a rebound and dribbled the length of the floor to score, making it 37-31. Kirby and Christensen came right back and scored as did Young and the score stood 39-35. Wally Hitt dropped in the last basket which gave us our 41-35 victory.

Wally Hitt played the best game of the evening and Christenson and Kirby took Mac honors. Young and Miles battled up the high scoring, Lundberg holding him to seven points, six the first half. Christenson put in the finest defensive game in guarding Hap Dimick, who scored 21 points at Macalaster. Don Miles surprised everyone in having exactly no fouls. (He left the three previous on fouls.) Jack Stone came up with some smooth playing and helped the Falcons out of trouble with timely buckets. Sam Young could not be held down as he took scoring honors for the evening. Sam played outstanding games at defense as well as offense. Dale Kannel played in his last game as he leaves for the armed forces next week.

of his plane in the air so that he could land on the carrier.

Merry Christmas!

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Octette Sings At Christmas Festivities

The octette, with their repertoire of Christmas songs and under the direction of Miss Wharton, has performed for three different groups during the past two weeks. They have sung at the Tuesday Club at the Congregational church, December 5, at the Faculty Women's Christmas party at the Wyman home on December 11, and at the Methodist Choir Concert held Sunday, December 17. They will perform at the Christmas assembly program, December 21.

Lt. Hartman Soli recently came close to having a serious accident when flying a fighter plane. Over his target at Clark Field, P. I., a burst of flak hit the tail of the plane, sent it in a spin at 14,000 feet. Fighting the controls, Soli went to 800 feet before the ship pulled out of its dive. It took all of his strength to keep the nose

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Bits From Buddies

This week, several more former students in the Service have sent their greetings.

From England came this letter from Pvt. Lester Van Loon to Dean Stratton:

"We're seeing Merry Old England now. It takes quite a bit to get used to all the rain but I guess we can't complain. . . Someday I hope to get back and see how the school is coming along. Until then, I will say that I appreciate receiving the Voice. . . Thanks to any and everyone that is connected with it."

Sgt. Robert Feiler, who is with the 5th Army wrote the following:

"I'm still with the Field Artillery and like it just as much as ever. I'm now an artillery mechanic. I like the job a lot and have been kept busy. While I was gunning I really had the honor of pulling the lanyard on a lot of shells that went sailing out to come into contact with Hitler's boys. Of course, I'm not saying he didn't send any back at us because he did. A few came too darn close for comfort."

First Lt. Harold F. Diermeier stationed in New Guinea wrote as follows:

"Since I last wrote to you I spent a short period of time on the mainland on leave. Surely was nice to get back to civilization, such as it is, from this "tropical paradise." I spent my leave in Sydney. Wonderful place! Spent most of my time eating fresh foods and drinking fresh milk. Had 12 bottles of milk the first day down there.

"Our summer is getting well under way at this time. The days are very hot. Nights are comfortably cool.

"We've got a good set up. We supply all Q.M. items to the Air Force personnel stationed here. . . One interesting feature of our work is supplying units by use of "bisquit bombers"—that is, supply by parachutes."

ODOR TO A HAMBURGER

The moon was shining brightly in the sky.

I could not help but look her in the eye.

The silvery light on the rippling water

Reflected all the beauty giv'n to her.

T'was then I first beheld how rare she was.

T'was then I fell in love with her, because

T'was then I first beheld her dimpled cheek.

(Oh, how my heart did then begin to creak.)

T'was then I first beheld her lips so red.

T'was then I saw the goodness of her bred.

T'was then I took her in my grasp to hold.

But then, I was a bit too fast or bold.

I could not help but bring her to my lips.

But here I guess I made a stupid slip,

Because she soon had slipped from my embrace,

And now I nought can do but hide my face.

You see it was too late and cold to eat;

You see we don't agree—a hamburger and me.

—The Black and Red.

Early to bed and early to rise,

And your gal goes out with other guys.

A husband is a person who stands by you in the troubles which you wouldn't have had in the first place if you hadn't married him.

An old rocking chair has inspired song writers, poets, and also the man who stumbled over it in the dark.

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