

## Chicago Artists To Entertain

### Coffer Miller Players To Act "And So To Bed" at Assembly

The nationally known and nationally popular Coffer Miller Players of Chicago will entertain at assembly Thursday after Easter vacation with a three act farce, *And So To Bed*.

The Coffer Miller Players which is just another way of saying Martha Miller and Jess Coffer, will be heartily welcomed on our stage. The ones who saw their excellent portrayal of the betrothal of Henry VIII to the homely German princess, the Lady Anna von Cleves in the play *The King's Dilemma* last year know that they are undeniably linked with good drama, especially with drama in education. This year their duodrama is based on an hypothetical episode in the life of Samuel Pepys, the 17th century English diarist.

Although quite imaginative the plot has enough factual basis to make for an amusing story. Samuel Pepys is brought to life with the natural histrionic talent and wholesome humor of the Coffer Miller artists.

## College Office Safe Is Robbed of \$500

### Burglar Blows Up Safe After Breaking Windows and Doors

Between \$500 and \$600 of college and student funds were stolen from the RFSTC office safe on Sunday, March 3. The burglary took place some time after 1:00 A. M.

Mrs. Lucy Haddow, who arrived later in the morning to do some work at the office, found the first evidences of the robbery. She said the first thing she noticed was the cover of a typewriter lying in the corridor in front of the office. Then she saw that the window of the office door was broken. After unlocking the door and going in she found the safe door open. Everything was lying helter-skelter, and all was dirty from the charge used to blow the safe.

Later, when school officials and police were investigating the entrance of the burglars, it was found that they had taken the most difficult route to get into the building. They entered by a window in the basement which led them through the drying-room of the athletic department. In order to get to the main corridor two doors had to be broken.

As yet, no evidence has led to the arrest of the criminals.

## College Orchestra To Play at La Crosse Assembly April 30

The trip of the college orchestra to play before the La Crosse State Teachers College assembly, which was scheduled for March 12, has been postponed until April 30, at the request of the La Crosse assembly committee.

Thirty musicians this last week counted themselves lucky, for Tuesday, March 12, brought the biggest snow storm of several years which brought back memories of the band's attempt to go to La Crosse a year ago.

### Notice

The party committee will sponsor a dance tonight, Friday, March 15, in North hall gym. Music will be by Gene Kay and his orchestra. Admission: Couples, 25 cents; Single, 15 cents.

### Meletean Notice

Students who were unable to sign up or pay for a *Meletean* during registration may do so on Monday, Mar. 18, in the South hall corridor. Watch the bulletin board for a notice of the time.

## Four Debaters To Attend Convention

### National Convention of Pi Kappa Delta to Be March 25-29

River Falls Teachers College, which holds the distinction of having one of the four chapters of Pi Kappa Delta in Wisconsin and the only one among the teacher's colleges of the state, will again be represented at the National Convention of Pi Kappa Delta to be held March 25-29 at Knoxville, Tennessee.

The college will be represented by four delegates. Jack Osborne will enter the National Student Congress; Gordon Jackman will represent the college in oratory with his oration "The American Way," and Martin Lucente and Paul Prucha will go as debaters. Miss Helen Loeb will accompany the group and also act as a delegate to the business meeting.

This national convention, which is held every two years, will have 700 students representing 100 colleges and universities from almost every state in the nation. River Falls has been represented at three national conventions previous to this year's meeting. In 1932 representatives went to the convention at Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1936 at Lexington, Kentucky, and in 1938 at Topeka, Kansas.

## Soderstrom, Miller, Otis, Jensen Practice at Hudson

Secondary students who will do practice teaching at Hudson this term are Norman Soderstrom, Carl Miller, Howard Otis, and Laura Jensen.

Mr. Soderstrom of Ogema and Miss Jensen, Hudson, students enrolled in the English department, will teach English.

A mathematics major, Carl Miller of Osceola, will teach mathematics and science and assist in music.

Howard Otis, Barron, will teach in the history department.

A number of students in the elementary department will spend part of their practice teaching period this term at Roberts in the state graded school. The state certificate law requires a certain amount of off-campus practice teaching in preparation for state graded school work.

This is the third term that students have done practice work in Hudson. They are under the direction of Mr. E. P. Rock, superintendent of schools at Hudson.

Two of the students, Mr. Soderstrom and Mr. Miller, will drive each day from River Falls while Miss Jensen and Mr. Otis will each live in Hudson.

Due to Easter Vacation, the next *Student Voice* will be issued on Monday, April 1.

Easter vacation will begin Tuesday afternoon at 3:10 p. m. Classes will be resumed the following Tuesday, March 26 at 8:00 a. m.

## Johnston and Kane Fill New Voice Jobs

### Meacham Appoints Editorial Staff for Spring Term

Editor Chauncey Meacham of the *Student Voice*, this week announced changes in the staff of the paper according to the usual custom of staff reorganization at the first of each term.



Marshall Johnston



Lucille Kane

For this term Marshall Johnston will replace Phyllis Case as executive editor of the paper. Mr. Johnston takes over his position on the paper after two year's work on the *Student Voice*. Last year he was a columnist writing the much-read *Baton*. This year he has served as desk editor. Miss Case will become the new assistant desk editor.

Lucille Kane, Sophomore, will take over the desk editor's position.

Recent additions to the staff include F. Paul Prucha, Donald Martin, Robert Thoreson, Irene Raawe, James Green, Colburn Brooke, and Margaret Bendix.

## Doris Nystrom Secures Position

### Three Ag Men Begin Work; Rurals Now Being Hired

Doris Nystrom, who was graduated last Friday with a B. E. degree, secured a position teaching sixth grade at Owen, Wisconsin. She began her duties Monday, March 11.

Three Smith-Hughes agriculture students began earning salaries with the advent of the spring term. Fred Brecklin is working at Gilmanton; Bernard Hylkema went to Elroy; and Walter Steneman began work at Frederic.

Rural students of RFSTC are securing positions for the season 1940-1941. Marjorie Barkuloo has secured the Mero school at Hager City; Caroline Lantz will teach near Ellsworth at the Iverson school.

The Sleepy Hollow school, also near Ellsworth, has employed Florence Osterland; Virginia Zeilinger will go to the Gertrude school near River Falls. The Herbert school at Ellsworth will be supervised by Elaine O'Brien, and Marion Estenson has secured a position in the Berkdale school near Woodville. Florence Pearson will teach at Freier near Ellsworth.

## RFSTC To Have Invitational Debate Tournament Saturday

### 18 Students Start Practice This Week

Eighteen students will be practicing in the River Falls Schools during the spring term, according to a report issued by Mr. Russell Johnston, Director of Placement Bureau.

In the history department of the Training School, Adelaide Hill, Robert Hoagenson, and Lowell Bengston will practice in eighth-grade history, while Eugene Laurent, William Bartz, and Marcia Healy will teach in the seventh-grade history classes. Mr. Bengston and Mr. Bartz will also have classes in science VII and VIII, and Mr. Hoagenson will have an additional class in seventh grade Geography. Carl Nickerson and Gene Egan will teach fifth and sixth grade history. Richard Yanisch will have a ninth-grade class in science. Stanley Morley will be in the training school laboratory. Chauncey Meacham will practice in social science under Mr. John Davison at the high school.

Under the supervision of Miss Moss, Dorothy Heller and Mrs. M. Kaberstein will have an eighth-grade practice class in English, while Ruth Sampson will work with the seventh-grade pupils. Vera Klimper will assist with vocal music in both the intermediate and junior high departments.

Frona Nelson will practice in the second grade, Lois Tracy in the third, and Beatrice Batten in the first for the duration of the term.

## Senate Auditors Complete Books

### Marcus Koozman Leads Group Checking Reports for Losses

"Treasurers books were generally well kept, except that receipts in some cases were not retained." This was the opinion of the members of the auditing committee who were appointed by the Student Senate, Alvin Anderson, Amanda Florness, Marion Kirkpatrick, Paul Prucha, Robert Thoreson, and Marcus Koozman.

Except for the Sigma Chi Sigma and Midguardians, whose books will be audited in the spring, the Phi Kappa Delta and Women's Chorus who collect no dues; and the Meletean and Student Voice organizations, all campus organizations submitted their financial reports to the auditing committee.

Information to be found in the treasurer's reports included the number of members, annual or semi-annual dues, dues collected, itemized receipts to cover all disbursements sources of income other than mem-

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### Eleven Schools From Four States Will Be Represented

Plans are being completed this week for the Seventh Annual Invitational Debate tournament to be held at RFSTC this Saturday, March 16. Eleven schools from four different states will send approximately 20 teams to the tournament. Eau Claire with four teams will have the largest visiting delegation. Macalaster, Augsburg, Bethel Junior College, St. Olaf, St. Cloud, Iowa State, and the University of South Dakota will each send two teams. St. Thomas, Hamline, and Concordia will each be represented by one team.

Participation in this tournament is limited to those who have not debated in the Northwest Debate Tournament, and is for less experienced debaters. This tournament also differs from others in that it is to be judged by first team debaters from the schools represented. Each college will bring one student judge for each two teams.

At 5:30 o'clock the RFSTC will be host to the visiting teams, judges, and coaches at a dinner given in the College Cafeteria. Decisions will be announced at this time.

## Student Senate To Buy Recording Unit

### Senate Decides To Aid Music Dept. in Getting Radio, Public Address, and Recording Unit

The Student Senate discussed a wide variety of business at its last regular meeting. Marshall Johnston, representing the music department, appeared before the senate with a proposition concerning the purchase of a radio, public address and recording unit. After considerable discussion, the senate voted to guarantee the music department proceeds from a certain number of school parties to assist in purchasing the machine.

Audrey Doolittle, chairman of the committee of class dues and meeting schedules, reported that a new black list has been published as well as a new program of organization meetings. This data is being distributed to organization presidents and advisers.

The bulletin board committee reported that the board is in construction and should be making its appearance in the South Hall corridor very shortly. Robert Thoreson and Alvin Anderson have served on the above committee.

Marcus Koozman, chairman, reporting on the progress of his auditing committee composed of Amanda Florness, Paul Prucha, Marian Kirkpatrick, Alvin Anderson, and Robert Thoreson, reported that all organization books have been audited. A detailed report on the audit is being returned with each book for the benefit of the treasurers and advisers.

## Stout Invites LSA of RFSTC and Eau Claire

Members of the LSA of River Falls and Eau Claire Teachers College have been invited by the LSA of Stout Institute to attend a social get-together on Sunday afternoon, April 14. The meeting will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran church at Menomonie. River Falls members are making plans to attend.

A Fireside Discussion Hour has been planned by the River Falls LSA for next Sunday afternoon at the Lutheran church. Beginning at 5 o'clock there will be an hour of discussion led by Rev. Arthur S. Johnston, followed by lunch.

## Kaleidoscope Reveals Curious Exam Week Events

During exam week, curious, unusual things are the order of the day. The ever-shifting kaleidoscope moves over the fair City of River Falls and picks out a few typical little scenes.

"Chaucer was a man who lived in England and went to Canterbury. Life is a dome of many colored glass—say, what time is it now?" These are the noises you might have heard if you were in the vicinity of Bob Anderson's rooming house last Wednesday night. The Hudson "play boy" was determined to pass an English test. If grim determination counts, Bob will rate an "A."

Groans coming from the history room, pallid specter-like forms staggering through the door, quavering voices wailing that they didn't think that college would be like this. —

"What's up?" says a passer-by? "What could have such an effect on big bold college sophomores?" In a sorrowful voice some obliging sophomore tells the sad, sad story of how Dr. Williams did it again. After giving "shot-gun" tests to all his other class (the barometer by which he is usually gaged), he gives his 2:20 class an essay test. They had learned all the names in two chapters; they were ready for anything—almost. I guess that'll learn 'em.

Scene: Miss Moss' English Literature class. Silence except for the busy and intent scratch of thirty pencils. Mr. Hageman, among the others, is busily trying to get his test written before he forgets "who wrote what and why." Miss Moss, (she of the ready wit), surveys the class with

satisfaction. A gleam comes into her eye; suddenly she throws a verbal bombshell shattering the peace and quiet of this little group. "There has been an improvement in the class this term." Everyone, including Mr. Hageman, looks up; blank amazement registers on every face. "It," continues Miss Moss, "is in the size of Mr. Hageman's moustache. By the end of next term I shall expect handle bars." The suave, the calm, ever self-assured Mr. Hageman blushes and mumbles some indistinguishable phrases. Ten to one he has no moustache this week!

The kaleidoscope halts. Life settles back to normal. Seven hundred people breathe mountainous sighs of relief saying, "That's over—for another twelve weeks and that is a long way off!"

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*Listen - The Squeak*

What a problem faced us! There were columns and there were columns! There were "who-went-where-with-whom" columns such as this, last term. But that type is hard on both the columnist and the public. It gets to the point where the columnist is so worn out that he is two days behind the latest romances. And then, too - - what a way to win friends to say nothing of influencing people.

And there are columns on music and sport handled capably at present on this paper.

We considered a column about politics. However, since we have been taking American History and learned a little bit about politics, we realize how big a bit we do not know. So we decided not to dip into that subject.

Then, there are columns on little Willie - - his health, education and general state of being. Although we admit there is an open field for this type, we are yet to be steeped in the lore of child psychology.

Art? But what can we say about art? Only to look at a piece of modern art gives us an inferiority complex!

Of course, any coeducational institution should have an "Advice to the Lovelorn" column, especially since spring is here (or was). But having thus far escaped that master archer, Cupid, we cannot speak with authority on this subject. However, we shall do our best to answer any problems you may bring forward.

There are two subjects that we do feel competent to deal with (excuse the sentence ending in preposition, but we who rank in the lower two per cent see no way out). Anyway, the two subjects are etiquette and humor. We shall tell you "things Emily Post does not mention" and any similarity to the original is purely coincidental. As for humor - this is one time that we can tell our old jokes without someone saying, "Stop! I've heard that one."

Not knowing much about anything and a very little about everything, we shall give you a conglomeration, hodgepodge, or what-have-you. And as an innovation we have the question of the week or "What would you do?" Here's the bait for this week:

Scene: 8:00 class with test in progress.

Character: YOU and an empty stomach (in the rush of departure you neglected your breakfast).

Preliminary event: Strange feeling in gastric region.

Climax: Muffled but audible growl.

Denouement: Dead silence.

What would you do?

Fish who will bite use reply box in *Student Voice* room. It isn't far and you should get your daily dozen.

Hoping we haven't bored you, we are yours sincerely,  
Kram and Kane

**Carrold Gaalaas, Optometrist, Locates in River Falls**

Henceforth a regular advertiser in the *Student Voice* will be Dr. Carrold P. Gaalaas, optometrist, of Stillwater, Minn., who has secured the practise and office equipment of the late Dr. C. J. Phillips in River Falls. Mr. Gaalaas is a graduate of the University of Minnesota and the Northern Illinois College of Optometry.

Dr. Gaalaas is a native of Stillwater, where he has been actively connected with the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts, St. Croix Ski club, and other civic and social organizations.

**New Students Enroll For Spring Term**

The third term is marked by the appearance of several new faces among the student body.

James Green of Stanley is a junior enrolled in secondary education. Mr. Green attended Lawrence college at Appleton in 1935 and 1936 and River Falls in 1937 and 1938.

Marjorie Jerdee from Star Prairie is enrolled as a senior in the Elementary department. Miss Jerdee attended Superior State Teachers College in 1937 and the University of Minnesota in 1938 and 1939. Miss Jerdee has taught in Glenwood City and Rice Lake.

Clayton Helmer of Beldenville is enrolled in the rural department.

Robert Sawyer of Melrose, Wis., who attended the University of Wisconsin in 1938 and 1939 is now enrolled here as a sophomore in the Agriculture department.

Imbert Eslinger from Stanley is a senior in the Science department. Mr. Eslinger has attended River Falls intermittently since 1935.

Ed Gorkowski from Fairchild, Wis. is enrolled as a freshman in the Agriculture department.

Arthur Olson from Woodville, who attended R. F. in 1936-37, 1938 and 1939, is now a senior enrolled in the secondary education.

Edward Knoblauch, a sophomore attended the University of Minnesota in 1937 and 1938 and RFSTC in 1938 and 1939.

Archie Johnson, a transfer student from the University of Wisconsin, is a new sophomore in Agriculture.

Irene Haphau, from Auidette, is a freshman enrolled in the Elementary department.

Lloyd Flynn, also from Maiden Rock, attended RFSTC in 1937-38, 1938-39. He is now a Junior enrolled in Secondary.

Daniel Hall, a local collegian, is a senior in the science department. Mr. Hall has attended RFSTC almost four years.

**Easter Vesper Service Will Be Conducted by YM-YW**

Open House prevailed at the first YMCA meeting of the spring term last Monday evening. Students spent the evening playing games and in group singing. Franklin Elliott gave a chalk talk after which lunch was served.

The annual Easter vesper service, conducted jointly by the YMCA and YWCA, will be held next Sunday afternoon, March 17, at the Congregational church beginning at four o'clock. The service will present the Easter message in story and song led by the Rev. Paul Graham.

The service is being arranged by Rueben Hermanson of the YMCA and Irene Raawe of the YWCA.

**Saturday Last Chance To Enter Big Contest Prizes Offered by Advertisers In Novel Guessing Contest**

Many of the advertisers in the *Student Voice* are participating in an interesting campaign of guessing contests which closes Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Those who guess in the various contests are not required to purchase anything, they merely go into the place of business and make their guess on the contest in that store. Many fine prizes will be given away, and the students are invited to participate in all contests. Following is a list of *Student Voice* advertisers offering prizes:

Weber's Shoe Store: Guess number of heel plates. Prize, \$1.50 repair job.

Kulstad Clothing Store: Guess number polka dots in tie in window. Prize, \$1 tie or any other article valued at \$1.

Kulstad Shoe Store: Guess number of pairs of footwear in stock. Prize, \$1.50 in trade.

Helgeson's Golden Rule: Guess how long it takes 18-inch candle to burn. Prize, \$1.00 in cash.

Fairway Market: Guess number of canned peas in container. First prize, dozen cans peas; second prize, six cans peas.

Bjerstedt and Benson: How many pairs of socks in window. Prize, four pairs of socks.

J. C. Penney Co.: Guess balance of all deposits at First National Bank at close of contest. First prize, rug; second prize, blanket.

Freeman's Drug Store: Guess number of bottles in window. First prize, fountain pen and pencil, set; second prize, \$1.50 box of candy.

Kandy Kitchen: Guess number of Easter eggs in jar. First prize, one gallon ice cream; second prize, box of candy.

Herb. Helmer: Guess number of semi-precious stones in container. prize, electric clock.

Red and White Store: Guess number of cans of spice in basket. First prize, picnic basket of canned goods; second prize, basket of fruit.

**Education Cannot Be Evaluated**

At this time of the year it is customary for some students to take a seat on the mourner's bench and curse the teacher who gave them a C instead of a B. But before launching a tirade against the teachers it might be well to evaluate grades and what they stand for.

In the first place, a grade is not always an accurate indication of the benefits which a student has derived from a course. A class mark is, in the final analysis, an attempt to evaluate a quantity that, for the most part, defies evaluation. That quantity is the knowledge of a certain field or a thirst for knowledge in a special field. In trying to measure that quantity, the instrument used is the test, a very unreliable instrument in itself. Consequently grading is merely an attempt, with the use of an unreliable instrument, to measure a quantity which often defies measurement.

There is also another factor to consider in this matter of complaining after the grades are posted. If a student is given a C in a course, and, after insistent pleading, he secures a B, the substance on which that mark is determined has not changed while the symbol of that substance has changed. In addition, the benefits which that student has derived from the course have not changed, and that is the real criterion by which a student should evaluate a course. When one applies this criterion it becomes evident that a grade does not determine what you have derived from a course and consequently is a factor of extreme insignificance.

Since a class mark is merely the result of an unreliable attempt to measure a quantity that often defies measurement and since that quantity remains the same and is not influenced by your class mark, the unimportance of a final grade becomes apparent. The symbol may fluctuate but the substance remains unchanged. The entire student body would benefit from a reappraisal of values and a determination to honor substance rather than shadow.

**Are There Two Kinds of Honesty?**

Are there two kinds of honesty? Can there exist together two standards—one which says be honest in all your dealings and another which says be honest in big things but don't bother about little dishonesties, deaden your conscience against cheating in examinations, for example? Unfortunately for themselves and for society, some students at college have adopted the second policy. They are students to whom we would not hesitate to entrust large sums of money for care or for delivery; they are students with whom we could safely leave a valued possession and to whom we could sell things on credit. Yet we see these very students at examination time glance slyly to the papers of some neighboring "A" student, pull concealed "ponies" from their pockets when the instructor turns his back or leaves the room, or slip notes between the sheets of the exam papers.

If grades, which depend upon these examinations, are to have any meaning, they must be based on what the student knows or can do, not upon his lack of scruples. Cheating in examinations is unfair to students who refuse to do it and forms in the guilty ones habits that are difficult to break and which make them dependent upon crutches and "ponies."

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## Elmwood Cagers Win at Regional

Redmen Defeat River Falls; Lose to Shawano in State Meet

After leading at halftime, the River Falls High School cagers bowed out to a superior Elmwood team in the finals of the St. Croix Falls Regional Tournament last Saturday, by a 29 to 19 count. Elmwood started out with a fast offensive and did not slow down until Coach Botsford sent in an entire new team with one minute to go and Elmwood with a ten point advantage. Elmwood continually missed shots in the first half and River Falls kept pace with them, mainly through 3 beautiful long shots by Bud Foss to carry a 13-11 lead to the dressing room at half time. The second half was all Elmwood, as their offensive began to function and their tight zone defense held River Falls to a minimum of shots. Elmwood won its way into the final game by drubbing Grantsburg and Glenwood City while Manion's boys were designated finalists by trouncing Hudson and edging out Harold Blank's Osceola team in an upset of the previously undefeated Green Wave 19 to 18. Elmwood will now represent this section of the state in the state tourney at Madison. In other games played Saturday night, Hudson defeated Ellsworth, a game in which the lead changed with almost every field goal to take second place and Osceola trimmed Glenwood City in an overtime battle for third place. The coaches picked an All-Tourney team to honor outstanding players. Only seniors were eligible to places on this mythical team.

The first team:

- B. Wyman, Osceola, forward.
- E. Marson, Elmwood, forward
- T. Stephens, Elmwood, center.
- W. Lewis, Ellsworth, guard.
- B. Foss, River Falls, guard.

The second team:

- Gustafson, St. Croix Falls, forward.
- Gagnon, Grantsburg, forward.
- Hanson, River Falls, center.
- Engeldinger, Elmwood, guard.
- J. Johnston, Glenwood City, guard.

In the opening round of the State Tournament at Madison Tuesday afternoon, Shawano high school eliminated Elmwood by a close 32-25 score.

### STUDENT VOICE ALL-STAR TEAM

- Guards:  
"Swede" Nelson, River Falls  
Endahls, Superior  
Muller, Superior  
Wulk, La Crosse
- Forwards:  
Krenz, Eau Claire  
F. Rehnstrand, Superior  
Worman, Stout  
Kroeger, River Falls
- Centers:  
Lehman, Eau Claire  
E. Rehnstrand, Superior

## SPORTSPEAKS

R. D. P.

The "B" squad lost a wildly played game to the Spring Valley Independents by a 29-34 count. During parts of the game, the contest took on certain aspects of football, with the referee acting as an innocent bystander. Chapman and Linehan lead the "B" team, scoring with eight and nine points respectively. The "B" squad finished the season by playing a game against a picked, college team called the Outlaws. The name was very fitting, as the Outlaws robbed the "B" squad by a one point victory.

After the regular college season, the basketball fans turn their attention to many invitational tournaments held throughout the country. Attention at the moment is turned to the Second Annual Invitational at Saint Croix Falls, to be held this weekend. Sixteen teams from the northwest will participate, and of interest to Falcon fans will be the success of the River Falls and Milltown city teams. The Falls Kandy Kitchen Klippers will be led by guards Swede Nelson and Ganus Deiss of the college and the Milltown team will be aided by Kroeger, Schwartz, and Palm.

The new set up in high school basketball tournaments worked out well this season. Both of the class C teams made good showings in the St. Croix Regional as Elmwood won top honors and Glenwood City lost to Osceola in an overtime battle for third place. Only three teams of class C size were entered in the State meet in Madison and all three were eliminated in the first round by small scores. The school which wins the championship in Wisconsin this year can really feel that they are true state champions because they alone have survived from the entire field.

Two feet of snow cannot keep good baseball fans from thinking about the rapid approach of that season. The Falcons will again be represented by a team in the conference organized last year. The team will be coached by Mr. Juedes and will soon begin workouts of pitchers and catchers in the college gym.

Thursday afternoon at approximately 4:30, some person, whose blood must have been diluted with Prestone, gave a swimming exhibition in a small square cut out in the ice of the Kinnickinnic river. A large crowd witnessed the exhibition from the High School Avenue bridge. The fellow must have been a big sissy because he even wore gloves with his white swimming trunks, and besides that I'll bet that his trunks were fur lined. Why, he even put his toe in the water first to see how cold it was. However, you won't catch me trying to duplicate his feat until the last part of May at least.

## Calm Colorful Cage Captain Concludes College Career



"Swede" Nelson

Marcel "Swede" Nelson, captain and only senior member of this year's basketball squad, graduated from Cumberland High School in the Spring of 1936. While in high school, Swede had as coaches, Harold Segerstrom and E. W. Beran, who were both graduates of River Falls. Swede participated in four years of both football, and basketball at Cumberland. In his senior year, he was captain of the basketball team and was chosen a member of the all-tournament team.

With the guiding influence of two former Falconites as coaches, Swede matriculated at River Falls at the conclusion of his high school career. He competed in football and basketball his first year here and became a member of the "R" Club his freshman year. After that first year, he gave up football to center his attention on basketball. While not admitting to any favorite breakfast food, Swede did admit that his favorite food was the large "T" Bones that came after a tough basketball game.

Probably the largest task that has occupied his attention at River Falls more than anything else has been his managing of the Fox Boarding Club. Swede is also a member of both the Math club and the Science club. As a member of the "R" Club, he has

## Obituary

The past week end marked the passing away of the 1939-1940 basketball season. He (I mean the basketball season) passed away at La Crosse Teachers College after putting up an extremely hard fight and succumbing after showing a small advantage at the mid-point interval only to fail to respond to the tireless efforts of Dr. Lowery and sink into that death-still coma until the resurrection bugle sounds next November, calling the Falcon cagers to action again

He (B. B. Season 39-40) will probably not be long remembered in the future because he did not break any records or bring home any medals but he will be remembered by loyal fans as a hard fighting thing with an excellent spirit and a marvelous heart. Early in life he showed much promise by turning back the threats of most of his non-conference enemies, but as he reached maturity he found that life was filled with larger obstacles. He always gave his best and his friends appreciated the fact. Although sometimes outclassed and outplayed, he was never outfought and was always in the game.

Many fans are already looking forward to next November when Falconites may be assured that a baby brother will be born to B. B. Season 39-40. It has been rumored that this offspring will look much like his big brother, who recently went on to his reward. One of the biggest differences will be found in the heart of the new boy. The heart of the past season, that of our Captain, Swede Nelson, must, because of graduation remain in the Falcon happy-hunting-ground forever. His was a good heart and one hard to be replaced but Dr. Lowery is a wonderful physician.

So to the recently deceased we say, Farewell! You were a fine man, loved by all good Falconites and possessed of a fighting spirit. May your fine traits be passed on to your forthcoming brother of 40-41 and may he be even more successful in life than you were.

served as secretary-treasurer his third year and vice-president this year. Although not admitting as much, Swede is probably proudest of the fact that this last term he climaxed an outstanding record by becoming a member of the Honor Society. Swede will wind up a brilliant athletic career at River Falls this spring by competing with the College Golf Squad which he has done since he was a sophomore.

## Leo Kelly's Sparers Win Bowling Honors

### Falcon "Fishies" Will Splash At Stout in Swim Tourney

This week found little progress in the intramural program; nothing in the way of tournaments will begin until after Easter vacation. Immediately after vacation a checker tournament and a table tennis tournament will begin. People interested in these events are now signing up.

The Sparers captured bowling honors in the bowling tourney by defeating the Hookers who captured second place and the Strikers carried the consolation honors. The Sparers were captained by Leo Kelly. This tourney terminated the bowling competition for this year.

The swimming team composed of Berklund, Schorta, Busby, Dubbe, Alstrohm and Hanna have been going through regular workouts in preparation for the state swimming meet to be held at Stout in the near future. This is the first time for a long period that River Falls has entered such a team.

Volleyball will begin after Easter vacation; it will be played from 4:00 to 5:15 p. m. The various teams are requested to be submitted by their leaders as soon as possible, so the schedule can be completed. Any house that wants to enter a team may do so. The games will be played in the North hall gym. Each team will have eight members.

Spring football practice is scheduled to open on March 26 and climax with a game with St. Olaf on April 16.

Coach Lowery wants every available man to report for these three brief weeks of practice. Some conflict is expected with baseball players, but as in the past years, both sports can be practiced on the same day.



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# Youth Opposes Lower Suffrage

## Student Opinion Survey Shows 89 per cent Against A Change

Although less than one-third of college students are eligible to vote in state or national elections, nearly nine out of every ten believe they should not be allowed to go to the polls before they are 21.

This is shown in a national study conducted by the Student Opinion Surveys of America. Asked, "Are you for or against lowering the voting age from 21 to 18?" only 11 per cent answered "yes."

That suffrage is for adults only seems to be a firmly-set tradition with the American people, voters as well as non-voting students. A sampling conducted by the American Institute of Public Opinion in June, 1939, pointed out that 83 per cent of the nation opposed reducing the suffrage age to 18.

Interviewing a carefully-selected cross section of students in all types and sizes of institutions, the Surveys found:

	For	Against
All students	11%	89%
Students 21 or over	12	88
Students less than 21	10	90

The tabulations show that opinion is heavily in the opposition, and all student groups agree by almost identical percentages. It should be noted that it is the younger people themselves who are most opposed to allowing minors 18 to 21 to vote. Students 21 or over—a group of nearly half a million—are slightly less opposed to such a change; adult non-students are the least against. The usual reason given in the student poll was that voting should be restricted because young people 18 or 19 do not know enough about government. Surveys figures, however, tend to show that sometimes college students are better informed than the average voter. For example, an American Institute poll brought to light that one third of the voters were not familiar with the activities of the Dies Committee. The Surveys found only 17 per cent of the collegians had no opinion on the same subject.

Whether to give younger persons a voice in the government was brought into the headlines recently when the American Youth Commission pointed out that the constantly-increasing number of aged people, who are eligible to vote, is making possible such programs as the Social Security Act, while youth, which is not enfranchised has no power to bring about government solution of its problems.—Copyright 1940.

## Students Give "Thumbs Down" To Wild Swing Music

Current reports that swing music has lost first place among dancers are substantially correct, at least among college students. They have voted a preference for "sweet" tunes by a two-to-one majority in a nationwide poll of American campuses.

It is evident that jitterbug music, which took the country over last year is definitely out. Only 32 per cent declared they preferred swing, while 66 per cent said "sweet" music like that of the Lombardos and the Kings was their favorite. A small group of 2 per cent said, "Neither."

Men and women students show practically the same preferences, although there are more boys than co-eds who still like swing. When the ballots were tabulated by sexes, these were the results:

	Men	Women
Sweet	64%	69%
Swing	33	30
Neither	3	1

Although the size of the majority varies from section to section over the country, swing got half of the votes everywhere:

	A	B	C
New England	43%	57%	0%
Middle Atlantic	35	64	1
East Central	22	75	3
West Central	30	68	2
Far West	33	64	3
Southern	35	62	3
U. S. Total	32	66	2

A—swing; B—sweet; C—neither.—Copyright 1940.

# Senate Auditors Complete Books

## Marcus Koosman Leads Group Checking Reports for Losses

(Continued from Front Page) bership dues. Any organization having a checking account was expected to have on file all cancelled checks and check stubs.

## Doolittle Report Shows Balance

The following account of receipts and expenditures of the Student Senate dating from September 12, 1939 to March 11, 1940, has been disclosed by the Student Senate treasurer, Audrey Doolittle.

The amount of money the Student Senate receives from the general school fund is determined by the enrollment—\$.25 per pupil.

*Receipts*

*1st term:*

Student Fee Money	\$200.00
Homecoming	
Oct. 13 Booster hats	27.55
Oct. 13 Scorecards	17.80
Oct. 16 Dance	170.40
Other Parties	
Sept. 16	26.10
Sept. 30	37.50
Oct. 7	5.30
Total	\$484.65

*Disbursements*

*Parties*

Sept. 12 Harold Hunter	\$ 30.00
Sept. 12 Janitor's fee	2.00
Sept. 16 Carl Miller	45.00
Sept. 16 Janitor's fee	2.00
Sept. 30 Harold Hunter	30.00
Sept. 30 Janitor's fee	2.00
Oct. 7 Use of records	1.00
Oct. 14 Carl Miller	60.00
Oct. 14 Ticket for dance	2.25
Oct. 14 Amplifying system	5.00
Oct. 14 Janitor's fee	5.00
Oct. 26 Sweater Dance exp.	1.40
Oct. 26 Janitor's fee	2.00
Nov. 7 Phonograph records	3.00
Nov. 10 Carl Miller	40.00
Nov. 10 College Cafeteria	9.96
Nov. 10 Janitor's fee	2.00

*Miscellaneous*

Sept. 15 and 22 Paper, phone calls, etc.	2.88
Oct. 6 Booster hats	25.50
Oct. 6 Adv. N. Soderstrom	8.00
Oct. 19 Stamped envelopes for Dad's Day	10.36
Oct. 21 Prizes, Homecoming	5.00
Oct. 23 Central Lbr. Co.	5.72
Oct. 23 Helgeson's G. R.	10.37
Oct. 23 Misc. Homecoming Expenditures	6.19
Oct. 31 R. F. Printery	18.00
Nov. 3 Adv., Soderstrom	4.00
Nov. 7 Transportation to Eau Claire Game	1.50
Nov. 17 Rev. Flint's lecture	5.00
Nov. 22 Printing stationery	2.45
Nov. 24 Paper at printery	1.00
Totals	\$348.38

*2nd Term*

*Receipts*

Student fees	\$200.00
Dances:	
Dec. 22	27.15
Jan. 27	22.15
Feb. 17	16.75
March 4	15.30
Miscellaneous	
Dec. 21 Lights returned	1.32
Total	\$282.67

*Disbursements*

*Parties*

Dec. 20 Harold Hunter	30.00
Jan. 9 College Cafeteria	10.50
Jan. 16 Janitor's fee	9.00
Jan. 21 Record rental, etc.	1.35
Jan. 23 D. Lovell, pianist	2.00
Jan. 23 Janitor's fee	2.00
Jan. 23 Pete Olson	15.00
Jan. 24 Billy Bastien, Jr.	25.00
Jan. 24 Janitor's fee	3.00
Jan. 24 A. Zahradka	
Orchestrations	1.50
Jan. 31 Megaphone	2.50
Feb. 16 H. Bullis - Leap Yr.	35.00
Feb. 20 Janitor's fee	3.00
Feb. 26 Janitor's fee	3.00
March 1 Gene Kay Orches.	40.00
March 5 Janitor's fee	2.00

*Miscellaneous disbursements*

Dec. 15 Adv., Soderstrom	8.50
Dec. 21 Xmas decorations	8.67
Jan. 9 Prizes	5.44
Jan. 24 Adv., Soderstrom	9.00
Feb. 20 Stamps, etc.	1.00
Feb. 26 Phone calls	1.00
Feb. 26 Adv., Soderstrom	14.05
Total	\$232.51
Balance on hand	\$ 52.66

# Ripping Rhythm

Although it seems ages ago, we must make some mention of Stout Institute's Symphonic Choir and string ensemble.

Climaxing several years of excellent work at Stout Institute, Dr. Harold Cooke, director, has undoubtedly produced here one of the finest organizations in all of Wisconsin's nine teacher's colleges. He has established an organization which tends to leave the unprofessional brackets, an accomplishment worthy of considerable merit.

Dr. Cooke's organization has its flaws, mainly in the lack of well-voiced soloists. Perhaps he has them, but they were not in evidence at the performance. Would that we could have presented him with Gene Egan, Frona Nelson, and Betty Campbell.

But congratulations Stout; for who are we to voice too loud an opinion?

Were you down-town yesterday afternoon to see that phenomenal human species dressed in white swimming trunks doing a swimming stunt in the frigid Kinnickinick? "What fools we mortals be."

The newspapers talk some lately of the forthcoming appearance of Lily Pons and Andre Kostelanitz in Minneapolis, early next month as guests of the Minneapolis Symphony orchestra. This indeed should be quite a feature.

The assembly committee announces the return of the Little Symphony Orchestra which was the highlight of last year's Thursday morning programs. Just wanted to let you know and urge you to be there when they do arrive.

And then we get poetic—  
This is an ode to a comical brat,  
Who makes the rounds with a gentle pit-pat.  
His name is Wilcox, how sad  
That he must always say,  
"Too bad, too bad!"

## Mrs. Stewart Returns For "Life With Father"

*Life With Father* was the name of the reading given by Mrs. Stewart at the assembly program yesterday. This was her annual appearance on the campus.

Mrs. Stewart has made reading her vocation. She goes each year to New York to witness the plays that are being produced in the theatres, then she returns to her home and commits them to a state of semi-memorization.

Among the plays that she saw this year were such comedies as *The Man Who Came To Dinner* and *The Male Animal*. Mrs. Stewart stated that there were only three serious plays produced on Broadway this year, the rest were all comedies and farces. "This," she continued, "is due almost entirely to the fact that people are looking for escape and laughs—the theatre is one means to this end."

When she is not attending plays or studying her readings, Mrs. Stewart sews, gardens, and does pewter work.

## April 1 Is Final Deadline for Entering Photo Competition

For college amateur photographers, April 1 is more than a day of pranks and practical jokes.

April 1 is also the final deadline for mailing entries in the third annual national collegiate photo competition being conducted by Collegiate Digest—a contest that is held annually to select pictures for the rotogravure section's annual Salon Edition published each spring.

To compete for national recognition and money prizes, all students of RFSTC are urged to send in their entries immediately. Enter your pictures in one of the following divisions: still life, scenes, candid, portraits or "college life."

Collegiate Digest announces that there is no entry fee for the contest, and that each student or faculty photographer may send in as many entries as he wishes.

# Departments on Parade

## The Art Department

"To teach the student the appreciation of art, the understanding of art, and creative ability is the aim of the art department" says Miss Alberta Greene, present head of the art department. With this aim to guide it, the department has added courses until it now offers, in addition to the required art work, an art minor requiring twenty-four hours of work exclusive of art methods.

When the department was begun, it offered only a general course in drawing and water colors for elementary and rural students. Miss Carrie Pardee was the department head. In 1923, Miss Greene came to take over. Gradually she has added courses in creative design, study of color, lettering and commercial design. In addition to these, lecture courses are given in art appreciation, art history, and modern American art.

The majority of students taking art are in the elementary division. However, this year there are four secondary students.

Some outstanding art students have been graduated from River Falls. Marvin Pratt is teaching art and history at Cumberland; Ruth Robinson Whitmore was supervisor of art during four years at Ladysmith; Gertrude Peters is a supervisor of art. These, and many others, not only teach art in their own classroom, but in several grades.

In the fall of 1932, the *Palette Club*, which is the organization affiliated with the art department, was organized. This, in addition to promoting appreciation and understanding, wishes to further artistic ability in any student in college.

## RF Debaters Go To St. Thomas Contest

### Carlton College Defeats Hastings for Championship

Over 110 debate teams from eight states competed in the Northwest Debate Tournament that was held at the Colleges of St. Thomas and St. Catherines. The River Falls' womens team debated at St. Catherines, and the mens teams debated at St. Thomas. There were eight rounds of debates, and the tournament lasted three days from March 4 to 6.

Jack Osborne and Martin Lucente won six out of eight debates. Gordon Jackman and Paul Prucha were able to win half of their encounters. However, the girl's team was crippled by the loss of Dolores Kramschuster from sickness after the first round. Lois Webb and Irene Raawe went on to win three out of a possible eight debates.

Carlton College of Northfield, Minnesota defeated Hastings College of Hastings, Nebraska in the championship round. In the eight year period that the Northwest Tournament has existed, Hastings College has been able to place second three times and win the tournament once.

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