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First 'Team Day' Honors Cage Champs; Voice Presents New Trophy Case

The College is slowing down to a near-normal pace today after a bang-up celebration of "Team Day," which may prove to be the high spot of the year.

Observed for the first time yesterday, "Team Day" was established by the Student Senate as a way of honoring the basketball squad.

After several days of rumors, the celebration got underway with an assembly at 10 a.m. "The Dirty Dozen" set the mood for the day with a snappy skit at the opening of the program.

President E. H. Kleinpell and Coach George K. Schlagenhauf reviewed the basketball season and paid tribute to the team that has won four consecutive conference championships.

Nate DeLong, Wallace Lindholm, Harry Gibbs, Charlie Most, Newmen Benson, and Eugene Deiss, all seniors, received personally engraved trophies for their achievements on the basketball court.

The Student Voice, which has been working for a trophy case since last Fall, unveiled the case and formally presented it to the student body.

President Kleinpell commented on the long-standing need for such a case and praised The Voice for taking the initiative to obtain one.

Coach Schlagenhauf presented Bob Wickstrom, chairman of the Trophy Case committee, with four new athletic trophies. These were won by the Falcons in the last four years but were not awarded until this week.

In accepting these awards for display, Wickstrom told of the campaign to finance the case. Money was raised by selling autographed photos of the basketball team. The case was designed by Louis Kollmeyer, art instructor.

At 1 p.m. a faculty team met the WAA volleyball squad in an exhibition game. Following that the Local Yokels, the intramural basketball champions, played an intramural all-star quintet.

The wind-up of afternoon activities was a movie picture in the auditorium.

Things got under way again at 8 p.m. when Les Williams and his orchestra played for an all-college dance in the gym.

College Choir Presents Home Concert Apr. 18

The a cappella choir, under the direction of C. B. King, will present its annual Spring concert, Tuesday, April 18.

The choir will sing many of the numbers it presented while on tour. The program consists of four parts, the first two being sacred and the last two secular. Three of the numbers, Advent Motet (entrance scene), Land uv Degradation and Madame Jeanette were voted the most popular by choir members.

The proceeds from this concert will be used to help defray expenses for the coming southern tour, April 23.

The Abnormal Psychology class, under the direction of Dr. L. G. Stone, made a field trip Saturday, April 1, to the Northern Colony and Training School at Chippewa Falls for a field study of the mentally deficient.

Henry L. Scott's Selections Had Comedy for Theme

Henry L. Scott, comedy-pianist known as "The Will Rogers of the piano", appeared in the College auditorium for a laugh-filled hour and a half last Tuesday evening.

Maestro Scott played his "new form of art" to a capacity crowd, who were kept constantly laughing by Scott's impersonations and novel interpretations.

It is unfortunate that this concert must be the last of the Community Concert Series but due to financial strain the series must be discontinued.

Not all Mr. Scott's music was played as nonsense, however, for he is a master at classical as well as modern pieces.

Vincent Lopez, Eddie Duchin, Frankie Carle, and "a great concert pianist" (wig and all), were included in his impersonations. He also imitated a young boy, a high school lad, and a college man asking a young lady to dance, and also a pianist playing the piano at the ages of five, 17, and 92.

Another side-splitting entertainment feature was Scott's musical recitation entitled "Rhythm At Any Cost", which he played in mittens as a comic theme. He also portrayed what he termed "Chopin in the Citrus Belt", for which he used an orange and a grapefruit in his right hand.



Henry L. Scott



THE A CAPPELLA CHOIR—The choir will present a home concert and then go on tour.

The members are, first row, left to right: Thelma Koehler, Germaine Steen, Mary Wood, Eleanore Davis, Carol Landberg, Jean Dawson, Doreen Buck, Eunice Marking, Mary Harris, Joyce Laramy, Lois Swenson, Donna Lowater, Alice Quesnell, and Betty Kane.

Second row: Sibby Williamson, Phyllis Hathaway, Lorelei Halling, Norma Olson, Virginia Wold, Cecily Taylor, Edith Olson,

Elaine Fick, Alice Luck, Nancy Behrens, Gerry Mulvaney, Wannie Johnson, Marjorie Christianson, Dorothy Sandstrom, and Dorothy Rumpff.

Third row: Kenneth Augst, Bob Engebretson, Tom Anderson, Wes Score, Jerry Ellefson, Eric von Schweinitz, Mickey Hedlund, Jim Jacobson, Charles Sargent, Roy Brede, and Dave Wilcox.

Fourth row: Donald Oakey, Arden Lovaas, Dale Lium, Bernard Lium, Ed Holdorf, Paul Willink, Don Nelson, Glee Peters, Kermit Garlid, Dick Halverson, Gordon Anderson, and Jim Russell.

Carol Landberg Elected President of The College Women's Association

Carol Landberg defeated Elaine Fick for the presidency of the College Women's Association for 1950-51 on March 31. Miss Landberg was vice-president of the association last year.

Other officers elected were: Jean McLaughlin, vice-president; Ellen VandeBerg, secretary; and Mary Hunt, treasurer.

A junior from Glenwood City, Miss Landberg is enrolled in the elementary department. She is also a member of the a cappella choir, YWCA, ACE, and Sigma.



Her election to office is proof that one does not have to campaign to win an election. Miss Landberg, while on tour with the a cappella choir a few days prior to the election, was bit by the laryngitis bug and lost her voice.

She went through the pre-election period without saying a word. Here is a shining example for the present day politicians.

Amendments to the constitution which dealt with the holding of elections and who was to form the membership of the executive board failed to receive the necessary two-thirds vote for passage. Another election will be held next Fall.

The new officers will be installed at an all-girl banquet in the Spring.

Two Student Groups Plan "Kentucky Kabaret"

The Masquers and Sigma Chi Sigma will present the "Kentucky Kabaret" on the evenings of May 3, 4, and 5 in the North Hall gym.

The cabaret will be modeled after a hillbilly night club. A different floor show will be presented every 20 minutes. Helen Ingles and Dale Fredeen are in charge of producing the cabaret.

This Spring the Masquers will present a play written, directed, and acted by students. The play "Discord", a modern, surrealist drama was written by Jack Magnuson and will be under the direction of John De Shazo. The cast of the play has been picked but a definite date of production has not been set.

Members of the River Falls varsity and Freshmen basketball teams will be honored at a banquet Monday night, April 17. The banquet is being put on by the male members of the college faculty.

Publicity Clinic Apr. 19 Will Feature Crosby

Otis A. Crosby, director of public relations for the public schools of Detroit, Mich., will conduct a one-day Institute in Public Relations for school administrators at River Falls State Teachers College on April 19.

Mr. Crosby, the senior administrative assistant of the Department of Information Service, and editor of "Detroit Public Schools" is a former president of the National Association of Public Relations.

The institute will not deal with the need for public relations but will dwell upon:

1. Practical techniques of good school public relations.
2. Public opinion polls.
3. Working with the press.
4. Planning for printing.
5. The teacher's part in good school-community relations.
6. Lay participation in the schools.

Mr. Crosby has written many articles for the leading educational journals and has lectured in 16 states since the war.

He is listed in "Who's Who in Michigan," "Who's Who in American Education," and "Leaders in American Education."

DEMAND FOR TEACHERS HIGH IN ELEMENTARY FIELD

English, physical education, and band instructors are the present needs in the field of secondary education according to early requests for teachers. There are many vacancies in the elementary field.

A few openings are coming into the placement office every day but the big demand has not been reached yet because many superintendents do not know what they will need next year.

This is caused by a Wisconsin law which states that teachers on the job must have their contracts signed or have notified the superintendent of their departure by April 15.

The Chippewa Falls High School has invited the College band to present an assembly program in the school's auditorium on April 19.

This program is part of the College policy for achieving better relations between the College and surrounding high schools.

Calendar

- April 15—R Club formal.
- April 18—Home concert presented by choir.
- April 20—Public Relations clinic.
- April 21—Music Festival.
- April 22—Baseball, St. Cloud, there.
- April 23—Choir tour.
- April 27—Track meet at Stevens Point.
- April 28—Baseball, La Crosse, here.
- April 29—Baseball, Winona, here.
- April 28, 29—AWTC at Milwaukee.
- May 3, 4, 5—Cabaret.
- May 6—Baseball, Mankato, here.
- May 6—Track meet at Winona.
- May 6—Golf and tennis meet with Mankato, here.

Area Prep Students in Music Festival Here

Fifteen high schools in this area will send soloists and small ensembles to the annual high school music festival here April 21.

The students entered are from Amery, Baldwin, Clear Lake, Ellsworth, Hammond, Hudson, and Luck, along with entrants from Maiden Rock, New Richmond, Osceola, Prairie Farm, Prescott, Roberts, River Falls, and Spring Valley high schools.

Two hundred twenty-five instrumental and vocal soloists have registered for competition. Thirty baton twirlers will also compete.

Spectators will have an opportunity to hear 50 instrumental ensembles and 30 small vocal groups perform.

Judges for these events will be Prof. Leland B. Sateren, of Augsburg College; Herbert Dittbrenner, Washington High School, St. Paul; Robert Grutzman, Black River Falls High School, and Mrs. Agnes Peterson, River Falls.

Mr. Sateren is a composer of note as well as a conductor.

The bands, orchestras, and choruses will perform here in the second part of the festival May 6.

NEWMANITES PLAN RETREAT

A Newman club meeting was held on March 28. Father Shaney of St. Bridget's Parish was the speaker.

A short meeting was held on April 11 with Father Nowak as speaker. A retreat and communion breakfast will be held on the week-end of April 21 and 22. Father Taylor of St. Patrick's church at Hudson will be the speaker.

Official Notices

1950 Graduates

All students graduating in 1950 are required to pay a three dollar graduation fee. To insure placement on the graduation list, this payment must be made now at the registrar's office.

All Students

Mildred Mitchell, dean of women, announced that hours for the "R" Club formal will be 2 a.m.

Married Students

B. J. Rozehnal, dean of men, has requested that all married students leaving at the end of the Spring or Summer session stop at his office. Mr. Rozehnal would like to have a list of available apartments for students next year.

Veterans

All veterans who wish to cancel their 15-day leave must fill out forms at the veterans' desk before May 1. Any leave taken at the end of the school year will be deducted from your remaining entitlement.

All Students

Now that Spring is officially here we, as students, have a tendency to forget about our campus. While walking let's remain on the places provided for walking and give our campus a chance to become green.

Students

The editor of the Meletean has ordered extra copies of the yearbook. Students who failed to order copies previously and desire a copy may subscribe for one in Carleton Ames' office. A one dollar deposit is required.

The Editor Speaks

We have been reading and listening to advertisements for a long time. Some made us laugh and others made us disgusted. A recent survey was conducted to determine the outstanding ad published in the last 50 years. The ad selected was first printed in 1915 for the Cadillac Motor Co. It is entitled "The Penalty of Leadership". You may enjoy reading it.

In every field of human endeavor, he that is first must perpetually live in the white light of publicity.

Whether the leadership be vested in a man or in a manufactured product emulation and envy are ever at work.

In art, in literature, in music, in industry, the reward and the punishment are always the same.

The reward is widespread recognition; the punishment, fierce denial and detraction.

When a man's work becomes a standard for the whole world, it also becomes a target for the shafts of the envious few.

If his work be merely mediocre, he will be left severely alone—if he achieves a masterpiece, it will set a million tongues a-wagging.

Jealousy does not protrude its forked tongue at the artist who produces a commonplace painting.

Whatever you write, or paint, or play, or sing, or build, no one will strive to surpass or to slander you, unless your work be stamped with the seal of genius.

Long, long after a great work or good work has been done, those who are disappointed or envious, continue to cry out that it cannot be done.

Spiteful little voices in the domain of art were raised against our own Whistler as a mountebank, long after the big world had acclaimed him its greatest artistic genius.

Multitudes flocked to Bayreuth, while the little group of those whom he had dethroned and displaced, argued angrily that he was no musician at all.

The little world continued to protest that Fulton could never build a steamboat, while the big world flocked to the river banks to see his boat steam by.

The leader is assailed because he is a leader, and the effort to equal him is merely added proof of that leadership.

Falling to equal or excel, the follower seeks to depreciate and to destroy—but only confirms once more the superiority of that which he strives to supplant.

There is nothing new in this. It is as old as the world and as old as the human passions—envy, fear, greed, ambition, and the desire to surpass.

And it all avails nothing. If the leader truly leads he remains the leader.

Master-poet, master-painter, master-workman, each in his turn is assailed, and each holds his laurels through the ages.

That which is good or great makes itself known, no matter how loud the clamor of denial.

That which deserves to live—lives.

Well, we finally got our trophy case. Thanks to the athletic and debate teams for winning trophies and thanks to all those who bought pictures.



"You should do well in this course, Miss Paddon."

State Department Critics Answered By Acheson's California Talk

By Jerry Finn

In his speech in California last month when he laid down seven conditions by which Russia could prove its food intentions, Secretary of State Dean Acheson didn't actually expect these conditions to be embraced by the Kremlin as the seven cardinal principles of peace. The Russian propaganda machine went into high gear by digging up some of its choice adjectives in an effort to belittle him.

As Secretary of State no one knows better than Acheson that his job is not primarily to please the Communist, but the purpose of this speech was to convince the American people that they have a definite foreign policy aimed at stopping the Russian aggression and a Secretary of State to see that the policy is carried out.

He warned the Chinese Communists that they would risk "grave trouble" and would violate United States' interests if they reached beyond their Southern borders. But these words meant more than

just a statement of our position to Russia; they were also a direct answer to many of his critics who have been aiming attacks at him.

It is unfortunate that at a time in our history when any step of our foreign policy will effect the whole world and possibly the future peace, that the Secretary of State does not have the backing and the confidence of government officials and the people at large. Despite the fact that he has good intellectual ability and a fine public reputation outside the department, Mr. Acheson is no politician. His aloof air and his inability to become "one of the boys" has created hostility towards him from some parties and it has not given him the support of Democratic congressmen that he would get if he were a "backslapper".

Some attacks against Acheson were not ill founded. Many believe he sold China down the river when he decided not to help her in the defense of Formosa. In reality Acheson knew that China was a lost cause and he took the much longer range point of view; that being that some day Communist China may become a Tito of Asia. Then they would look more friendly at United States and possibly become a buffer state against Russia.

Whether Acheson has been right or wrong in his decision of the past he seems to have created, through his recent speech, a more confident feeling in the minds of the American people both about our foreign policy and our Secretary of State. This is especially comforting in view of the fact that Mr. Acheson will need the support of Congress to approve of the military aid that will be necessary if we are going to actually contain Russia.

From Our Files---

1 Year Ago

The Fieldhouse Fund jar was robbed of \$30.

Lois Clymer and Marv Gilbertson had the leading roles in the Masquer's production, "Angel Street."

The first issue of FIRST FLIGHT will go on sale April 20.

B. H. Kettelkamp launched his political career when he was elected alderman of the fourth ward.

7 Years Ago

Dr. Chalmer Davee, now a member of the Board of Regents, was commissioned Lieutenant Commander in the USN.

Six hundred forty-nine stars were on the service flag.

Eight lettermen reported for baseball practice.

15 Years Ago

The YWCA elected Joan Smith president of their organization.

The Falcons will open their baseball season on April 20 against the University of Minnesota.

Mme. Margarita Slaviansky's Russian Chorus was featured at an all-school assembly.

Committees were selected for the sophomore class prom.

Arnie Kuss and his band provided the music for the fourth annual Masquer's Formal.

23 Years Ago

Twenty-five men reported for the track squad.

Any student who failed to pay his class dues was to be barred from all school activities.

Rexford Mitchell was appointed head of the public speaking department.

A Pop Concert was presented by the College band.

For the third time in the school year, the students were celebrating a state championship. This time it was in oratory and debate. River Falls also won the state football and basketball championships.

30 Years Ago

There was an extreme shortage of teachers. Salaries were rising. Men with a degree in ag education were receiving from \$1,200-\$1,600 for their first year's work.

River Falls scored 253 points in winning eight conference basketball games. Rexford F. Mitchell, now president of La Crosse State Teachers, was hired to fill the vacancy in the public speaking department.

The Glee Club planned to give a concert April 15.

Needed: Time for Thinking

By John C. Whitaker

In every plan or theory of education there is a flaw. The most serious flaw at the college level is the preoccupation with the acquisition of factual material—of an "education".

For four years we absorb the content of courses. We study animal husbandry or crops, the West or the history of Russia, communications or calculus. At the end of each term we sweat out a test and then say, "Whew! Glad that's over." A few days later we are tossed into the hopper for another squeezing of twelve weeks' duration. The formula is run, run, run. Don't stop to figure out what you are doing or why. No time is left for reflection or for reading for a good general background.

What is the end product of four years in the hopper? It is a person who knows his subject matter and who is equipped to make a better living than most people his age. It is, in the case of a teacher, a person who knows his material but doesn't know why he is teaching it.

The teacher ought to have as a goal the shaping of thinking, discerning individuals who will be more capable of coping with the tremendously complex problems of today and tomorrow. How can the teacher be expected even to approach this goal when he has not had time to shape his own thinking?

A time for reflective thinking should be provided for. We do not know the answer. Perhaps some courses could be shortened by elimination of the trivia of detail. Perhaps the four year course should be lengthened to provide the time.

It is not necessary to go to college to learn how to make a good living. Instead of turning out college graduates, the colleges ought to be more concerned with turning out an occasional thinker.

Horace-Scoops

"Do you know what course I'm taking this Spring?"
No, Horace. What course are you taking this Spring?
"Anatomy—the study of heavenly bodies."
That's fine, Horace.
"I hope I pass."
Well, Horace, if you have any trouble with it, ask John Mills to help you out.

As most of you probably know, the River Falls Falcons won from that Twin City team the other Friday night. Maybe that was the reason why the game wasn't mentioned in the Twin City papers—at least, no one could find any mention of it. Could it be that River Falls isn't important enough to be given space in those fine Twin City newspapers? Or was it a downright shame because the darlings from the Minnesota football team were beaten in basketball by River Falls?

It was the first day of April.
"Mama! Mama!" came a piping treble.
"Come quick! here's a man in the dining room, kissing the maid!"
The mother made a hurried start, but was halted by her gay little son, who cried, "April Fool! It's only Papa!"

Something new has been added: Florian's have slapped a 50 cent minimum on the Inn. People can think of more ways to make students go broke...

The young farmer learned at college, To keep his schedule right;
He makes hay while the sun shines, And sows wild oats at night.

An interesting piece from Cedric Adams' column: "There's still some life in the old girls, it seems. Woodville, Wis., has just organized a grandma's club and once a month the girls get together for a real fling. Grandpa stays home that night."

Jack Magnuson, junior, who has achieved recognition at RFSTC through his First Flight stories, has written a three-act play which he has titled "Discord". His play will be presented May 9 in the auditorium.

Letter to The Editor

Dear Editor;
Our thanks on behalf of the WSSF to those who attended the WSSF convention and movie. Our thanks, too, to all those who contributed to the worthy cause.

But where were the rest of the teachers and students at the assembly? There were just FOUR TEACHERS there. Is this a way for them (the teachers) to teach the students cooperation? How can they expect the students to cooperate if the teachers will not even turn out to school activities? Many teachers did not even read the notice to their classes that there would be an assembly program.

Let's have more cooperation from the teachers and I'm sure we would have more from the students.

Contributions can still be made to presidents of YMCA, YWCA, or Newman club. We are far short of our goal. Can you give one-half of your supper money through college, or to have rice for his supper?

WSSF Committee,
Paul J. Beckel, president.

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Weather Slows Baseball

Salmon Heads Mound Core

Old man winter is still holding forth so the baseball team is still training in the gym. If the weather doesn't improve soon the boys will become discouraged and start playing basketball again.

Present plans call for an inter-squad game on Saturday. The game will be played at Prescott, due to the rebuilding process the college athletic field is undergoing.



The first game will be a week from Saturday at St. Cloud. Last year the Falcons dropped a double header to the Minnesota team by scores of 3-2 and 7-2.

Bob Salmon, Gene Cardinal Buster Layman, and Harold Feidt are counted on as the mainstays of the mound core. Salmon is the only one of the three that pitched last year. Layman did not see action because of scholastic difficulties and Feidt was out with a sore back most of the season.

Right-hander, Robert "Fish" Salmon will be counted on to do the largest share of pitching. He has a deceptive side arm throw that catches many batters out of position at the plate. Bob lost some tough games last year, mostly from the lack of home team hitting. The Falcons didn't get any runs for him until he had pitched two and one-half games.

A near veteran infield is the only bright spot on the squad. Veterans, Gene Cardinal at third base, Newmen Benson at shortstop, Pete Hendrickson at second base, and Gordon Olson at first base make up a very snappy infield combination. Olson was absent from the team last year because of a bad knee.



The outfield and catching departments are rather weak at the present time. Both positions will have to improve rapidly because it will take lots of fine defensive play to make up for the lack of experienced pitching.

River Falls won five and lost nine games last year in one of their poorest showings of late years.

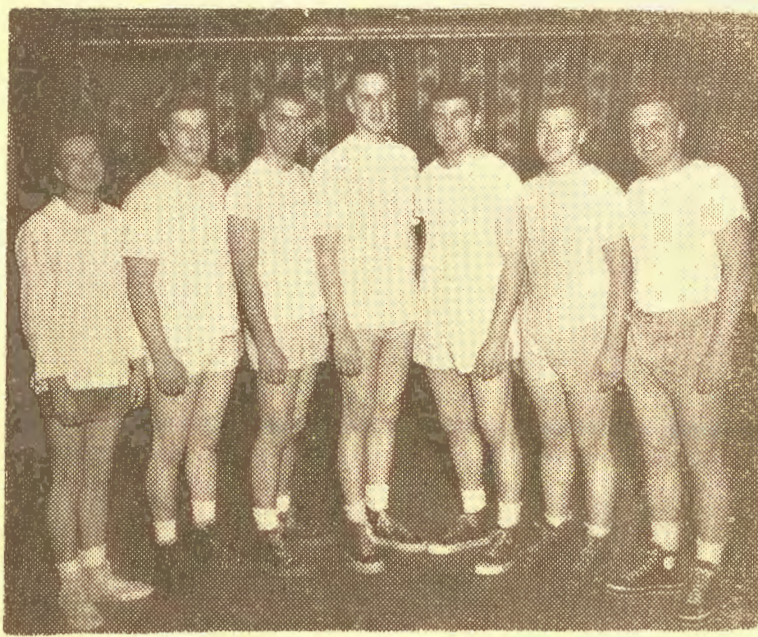
Coach Joe Hoy made his first squad cut last Wednesday.

Golf Team Headed by Three Veteran Swingers

Harry Gibbs, "Booty" Deiss, and Bud Thompson will form the nucleus for this year's golf team. These men are all veterans and will be playing their last year of golf.

The schedule is not complete at the present time. Meets with Stout and Eau Claire have not been set. The Wisconsin State Teachers college conference meet will be held at Oshkosh, May 20.

One thing is certain. The team has only one course of action, and that is improvement. Last year they won only one match and that was against Winona.



INTRAMURAL CHAMPS—This team, the Local Yokels, won the American League championship and the intramural tournament. They defeated Club 21 for the tourney championship, 35-31. Their only defeat during the entire season was administered by Ma's Boys. They are, left to right: Paul Gaustad, Tom Linehan, Harry Laufenberg, Rog White, Dave Sauer, "Pistol" Mulhollam, and Gail Crist.

Booster Club Presents Gifts to Six Seniors

Ozzie Cowles, you've overlooked some valuable players. Namely, an aggregation of six footballers who play a fast game of basketball under the name, "The Galloping Gophers."

These men fought valiantly but lost 83-81 to the Falcons. Six graduating Falcon seniors put on quite a show for the crowd that participated in "Appreciation Night."

The game was sponsored by the Boosters Club in honor of the graduating Falcon players who have provided the city of River Falls with such outstanding basketball during the past years. During half-time intermission the players were presented with gifts.

Nate DeLong received a set of golf clubs and bag. Newmen Benson received a wristwatch. Charley Most and Itch Lindholm were given traveling bags. Boots Deiss and Harry Gibbs were the recipients of golf bags.

The crowd yelled, speech! speech! when Nate received his gift but the big pivot man just grinned. Nate isn't as good at speaking as playing basketball. Nate good naturedly shook one of his golf clubs at the Minnesota players, who grinned back in good humor.

Neither team had what could be called an advantage during the game. River Falls was ahead at the half by the slim margin of 38-36. Itch Lindholm paced the Falcon first half attack with 10 points. Nate had a mere five points. Nate didn't take a shot until 14 minutes had passed. He had plenty of opportunities but elected to pass to his teammates.

Clayton Tonnemaker led the Gophers with 13 points at half-time. For a big man, Tonnemaker is adept on a basketball court and has a fine medium push shot. He rarely plays the pivot position like most centers. Instead, he dribbles near the free-throw circle and lets fly with a one-hand push shot that connects with repeated success.

Inter-class Track Meet Planned for Apr. 19

An inter-class track meet will be held Wednesday, April 19, at Ramer Field. Class officers should give the names of their team members to Ray Henry.

Mr. Henry says, "This is a chance for the other classes to repay the sophomores for the inconvenience they caused the freshmen at Homecoming. In order to make this meet a success, cooperation is needed from all classes, particularly from the sophomores. So far their president has acted cold and indifferent to the idea."

"The freshmen feel reasonably sure that, placed on an even par with the sophomores, they can equal them anytime. Even the senior "old men" feel they can walk over the sophomores."

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Sports Reel by Olie

This is the time for baseball, but the long winter has kept interest at a minimum. The past three weeks the team has worked out in the gym and when weather permits them to go out-of-doors their facilities will not be much better.

Practice will take place in the intramural field where the slope and shortness will hinder intrasquad games and outfield work.

This situation is indeed bad and will be a great hindrance to the effectiveness of this year's team, but it is a situation that cannot be helped and will only last through this year.

The appreciation night put on by the down-town business men was a great success. The gifts given to the six seniors were highly appreciated and hit each person's needs. The game between these seniors and the Golden Gophers was a good show in which both squads played good ball and yet had a lot of fun while doing it.

The business men who spon-

sored this show did a swell job and the whole student body wishes to thank them all.

After beating the Golden Gophers, this squad of flying Falcons swept down on the Rhinelander tourney and whipped both St. Norberts and Milwaukee to take the championship for the second straight year.

The game against Milwaukee showed the Falcons at their peak. They hit close to 65% of their shots and led 50 to 27 at half time.

The following night they traveled to Hurley and added another game to their victory list and then continued on to Menomonie where they chalked up their fifth straight victory despite officiating that made our intramural officials look like experts.

The next game is against Black River Falls and this will make six games in six nights.

This so-called barn-storming is a great means of advertising our school and these six seniors are doing a wonderful job.

Spring Sports Schedule

Track

- April 27—Triangular meet at Stevens Point.
- May 6—Quadrangular meet at Winona.
- May 15—Minn.-Wis. conference meet at Winona.
- May 20—State Teachers College meet at La Crosse.
- May 24—Dual meet at Eau Claire.

Tennis and Golf

- Eau Claire, date to be set.
- Stout, date to be set.
- May 6—Mankato, here.
- May 12—Minn.-Wis. conference meet at Winona.
- May 20—State Teachers College meet at La Crosse.

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Duranty Declares, 'Russia Remains A Challenge to Western World'

By Jerry Finn

"Because Russia is predominantly Asiatic in history and culture she does not respect two of our basic principles, Western democracy and Roman law; therefore, she remains a challenge to the Western world," stated Walter Duranty, noted journalist, author, and lecturer, before an assembly, here, March 29.

Creating the feeling of a man with his feet on the ground but with a sane optimistic tone, Mr. Duranty outlined the basic differences in the cultures of Russia and the Western world that has prevented harmonious relations in achieving permanent peace.

"Because Russian history has been nearly all Eastern she has developed a superiority complex and feels she is almost destined to impose her ways upon the rest of the world", he stated.

Mr. Duranty went on to point out that since the revolution, Russia has combined her superiority complex with a definite doctrine to spread; that being the Marxists Doctrine which Stalin has cut to fit Russia.

The first break between the Western world and Russia came when the Communists attacked the things that we valued, such as the home and family, religion, wages, and property. But, Mr. Duranty indicated, the real distrust of Russia came when she attempted to attack these institutions in other countries despite the fact that the conditions in these countries were not the same as they were in Russia at the time of the revolution.

"We intend to forget," he said, "that the Communist didn't take away freedom from the Russians because they never had any, where really they gave the people better health, recreation, and education."

"Since we have a different background and value different ideals it should not surprise us why we have a wide area of disagreement," he added.

Despite the fact that there has been little area of agreement between the West and Russia, Mr. Duranty does not believe that Russia is in a position to stand a major war nor does he believe that war is inevitable.

Duranty pointed to the success of the Marshall Plan and indicated the best we can do is to maintain a strong army, aid countries to stop Russia, and keep cool.

"It may cost money to run a cold war, but it costs the Russians more and they aren't going to bear it forever," he stated.

The development of a new German state and the coming forth of a new generation of Russian leaders who may not have the deep seated distrust that Stalin has, were pointed to by Mr. Duranty as factors that will play an important part in determining future relationships between the East and West.

A two-credit course in drivers' education will be offered this summer by T. E. Thoreson, instructor of agricultural engineering.



Walter Duranty

Hats Off to . . .

J. Jerome Finn, native of River Falls, is the outstanding debater of the year.

Jerry, as he is known to all his friends, is 21 and a history major. Jerry is a member of Pi Kappa Delta, National Speech Fraternity, and also is listed in this year's "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

When asked about his most exciting moment, Jerry stated that perhaps taking the trophy from Notre Dame in the recent debate tournament at Eau Claire was perhaps his great thrill. He said that if Notre Dame had won it, it would have been their third year to win the trophy, but by defeating them River Falls was able to keep them from permanent ownership of it.

Jerry feels that his trip to Bradley at Peoria, Illinois was his most advantageous and amusing. He met many people whom he holds in his esteem and are generally interesting to his social conscious mind.

Jerry is not sure what the future holds for him, but he hopes someday to enter politics. "If the opportunity affords itself," said Jerry, "I would like to enter the field."

As most debaters, his ideas are not radical, but rather analytical. He states that he has a "middle of the road policy" on most major problems, which seems to put him in the field of politics already.



Finn

Sheik Adds Wife And Prize Money

Pat Stevens and Jean Collins won first prize at the Puff-Pant Prom on March 31, with their original costuming representing a sheik and his newest addition to his harem.

The Puff-Pant brought forth many novel couples among which were Indians, cowboys, Dutchmen, and comic strip characters. South Hall gym was decorated for the occasion as a back alley, complete with garbage cans and clothes lines.

Jean Herald was in the spotlight when the choice of the best corsage was made. She won first prize with her corsage which was made with an Easter egg, surrounded by smaller candy Easter eggs, placed upon a background of paper frills.

Vegetables, suckers, balloons, candy drops, and paper flowers were some of the other articles that were used to concoct original corsages.

Talent was displayed in the floor show by: Rita McMahon who sang, "It's So Nice to Have a Man Around the House", Pat Bladl who played the violin, and Gerry Mulvaney who sang "Cool Water".

Square dancing, sipping punch, and picture taking were some of the activities that took up the rest of the evening.

Government legislation for farmers was discussed at the last FFA meeting. James Zeplin, Glee Peters, James Helberg, and Deane Woelffer led the panel discussion.

A new type of government aid to the farmers that would be financed by a sales tax was also suggested.



AT THE PUFF-PANT PROM—Pat Stevens is the sheik, or head of an Arab family, and Jean Collins is his newly acquired wife. This couple won first place with this costume at the prom.

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