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MANY REGISTER IN WINTER TERM

ENROLLMENT EXPECTED TO EXCEED THAT OF PREVIOUS YEARS.

Registration for the winter term at the Moorhead State Teachers' College which began the week before Thanksgiving for the students then attending classes, continued this week for out-of-town students, many of whom are registering for work here for the first time.

Although at this time it is hard to even estimate the number who registered, it is believed that winter enrollment will exceed that of the fall term by at least fifty students. A large number of students detained at home until the threshing and fall work were completed are among those enrolling.

Many of the new students arrived Monday for special conferences with the heads of departments and were enrolled at that time. Some few of the students who were here during the fall term registered late and were penalized a dollar for their tardiness.

Many reported for work during the first period on Tuesday, December 1, although the bulletin board carried a notice that first period classes would not meet. The first general assembly of the term was on Wednesday. At that time President MacLean spoke briefly of the opening of the term and made the general announcements.

EDUCATION SHOULD TEACH TOLERATION, SAYS PASTOR

The ability to get the other fellow's viewpoint is one of the distinguishing marks of the educated person, according to Rev. Frederick Erington, pastor of the First Congregational Church, Moorhead, who addressed the student body in chapel Friday, November 20th, on the subject of "Education and Americanization."

"It is not sufficient to rely only upon books for an education," said Mr. Erington. "Three other things are necessary: travel to broaden one's conception of life, and for first-hand experience; getting the other fellow's view; and reading."

"We must not underestimate the value of the contemporary novel," he asserted, "because it is life."

"Your son has a fine voice."

"Yes, he sells newspapers outside the opera house."

MISS LOMMEN'S ARTICLE IS PRINTED IN NATIONAL JOURNAL.

The current (November) issue of the Journal of Educational Method, a magazine devoted to the improvement of teaching and supervision, and published by the National Conference of Educational Method, New York, contains an article by Miss Georgina Lommen, director of the training school at the State Teachers College.

Her exposition is modestly entitled "An Attempt to Improve Appreciation Technique." It describes a co-operative undertaking in which sixteen faculty members and eight student teachers analyzed the difficulties student teachers at the Teachers College have in their development of appreciation lessons, and suggests methods for securing greater uniformity in the matter of aims, procedures, and desirable outcomes in this particular field of study.

SENIOR CHORUS PLANS CONCERT

**INTENSIVE TRAINING TO BEGIN
AT COLLEGE WITH OPENING
OF WINTER TERM.**

The male chorus has begun intensive training in preparation for its concert tour in the spring. Tryouts for positions were recently completed and the chorus made its first appearance at the commencement exercises, November 25. Mr. Preston is in charge of the organization which is composed of the following members:

First tenors: Dorman J. Sutton, Pine River, Minn.; Arthur Storms, Managha, Minn.; Alfred Tollefson, Ashby, Minn.; Harold Preusse, Dumont, Minn.

Second tenors: Waldemar Wicklund, Pine River, Minn.; Eugene Granger, Corell, Minn.; Harvey Monson, Moorhead, Minn.; Edwin Malvey, St. Paul, Minn.; Marshall Shelstad, Clarissa, Minn.; George Simson, Wheaton, Minn.; Claude Fischer, Moorhead, Minn.; Henry Weltzin, Battle Lake, Minn.

First bass: Marvin Rice, Fargo; Walter Williams, Moorhead; Oscar Hough, Badger, Minn.; Waillard Gowenlock, Gardner, N. D.

Second Bass: Horace Eklund, Moorhead, Minn.; Harold Sand, Elbow Lake, Minn.; Felix Boehme, Bird Island, Minn.; Ernst Gates, Moorhead, Minn.; Adolph Reski, Oslo, Minn.

GRADUATION A MILESTONE

**BUT NOT A GOAL IN PROCESS OF
EDUCATION, SAYS BRYN-
JONES.**

Dr. David Bryn-Jones delivered the commencement address to the members of the graduating class of the fall term. Dr. Jones is pastor of the Trinity Baptist church of Minneapolis, and also a member of the faculty of Carleton College, Northfield.

Dr. Jones spoke of graduation not as the final goal in the voyage of education, but rather merely as one of the important milestones in the continuous process of education. "The teacher's work is to lead the student over whom she has charge a creative ability in order to secure an appreciation of love, beauty and truth, thus to being the realization of the immense possibilities as seen in youth."

Dr. R. B. MacLean, president of the college, presided over the exercises and gave the devotional reading. The male chorus of the college sang "Song of the Road."

Those who received diplomas were: Helen E. Anderson, Wheaton, Minn.; Olivia Bernard, Wahpeton, N. D.; Myrtle Heggen, Wheaton, Minn.; Evelyn Jorgenson, Breckenridge, Minn.; Emily Karlstrom, Moorhead, Minn.; Dorothy Lee, Montivideo, Minn.; Margaret Lumpkin, Crookston, Minn.; Cecilia Noona, Morris, Minn.; Cora Rude, Volin, S. D.; Mabel Setterman, Grove City, Minn.; Theresa Sinnott, Stephen, Minn.; Velva Swanson, Larimore, N. D.; Maude Thompson, Moorhead, Minn.; Laura Vista, Ada, Minn.

AUSTRIAN WELFARE WORKER SENDS CHRISTMAS CARDS

Miss Lommen and various other faculty members of the Teachers College recently received packages of Christmas cards from Dr. Cornelia Bendorff of Vienna. The cards were facsimiles of those drawn by children aged twelve to fourteen in the classes of Professor Cizek, the celebrated child educator.

Miss Bendorff is director of child welfare work in Austria and is head of the Junior Red Cross work of that country. She spent some time in Fargo and Moorhead last year, and became acquainted with some of our faculty people while visiting our child health demonstration.

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GUST NORDSTROM

Gust is gone. Taken by the hand of death after a quarter of a century of honest, faithful service. Giving of himself freely at all times to the institution which he loved. Conscientious in the discharge of duty and always loyal to the interests of those whom he served. Such was Gust.

Gust Nordstrom was for many years head janitor at our institution. He has been the most familiar figure about our halls to students and faculty alike for two decades. Students came to him for help, well knowing that if possible their requests would be granted. So too faculty members appealed to Gust, feeling sure that he would give them intelligent and efficient service.

He will be missed. To the present faculty and student body as well as to those who return after the lapse of years the lack of that genial presence will be sadly felt. But the smiling face, the ready remark and the pleasing personality will linger long in memory.

To the family whose loss is that of husband and father we extend our heartfelt sympathy and commend them to the keeping of the Heavenly Father whose love and sympathy is all embracing.

Miss Ina Fogg, Dean of Women, was called to her home at Gray, Maine, Wednesday, by the very serious illness of her father. The sympathy of the college goes with Miss Fogg on her journey.

OWLS TAKE IN THREE

The Owls, men's fraternity of the Teachers College, completed its formal initiation ceremonial last Wednesday morning just five minutes before the beginning of Commencement day exercises.

The men taken in are all from Moorhead, and include Claude Nemzek, Ronald Byler, and Arlo Baldwin.

TRAINING SCHOOL.

As a culmination of their work on Minnesota the Fifth B Geography class entertained the Fifth A and Sixth grades with an original play, "Minnesota."

In brief, the play goes as follows: Miss Minnesota is seated when two homeseekers appear. She welcomes them and learns that they are passing through the state on their way to the west, where they expect to find a new home. She tells them of the wonderful climate of Minnesota, but they are more interested in finding a place where they can work. So Miss Minnesota calls in her workmen, and they tell of the opportunities of the state. After learning of the favorable climate, the occupations, education and recreation of Minnesota—the homeseekers finally decide to locate there. The citizens of the state welcome the new comers by singing the state song.

Cast of Characters

Miss Minnesota	Lucille Schied
Home Seekers	
	Mildred Vik and Harry Cable
Pioneer	Vernon Christenson
Farmer	Floyd Bean
Lumberman	Clifton Olson
Miner	Carl Weiss
Quarryman	Iver Grina
Miller	Duane Schillerstrom
Railroad Man	Wesley Cable
Business Woman	Dorothy Edwards
Teacher	Margaret Vowles
Tourist	Imogene Swenson

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The Little Citizens' Club has organized and has chosen the following officers:

President	Frank Witherow
Vice-President	Esther Selleck
Secretary	Mildred Skauge
Treasurer	Joyce Sehrt

Monitors

Plants	Ann Myers
Table	Margaret Vowls
Sharpening Pencils	Ethel Alderman
Desk	Hilda Myers
Girls' Captain	Margaret Winquist
Boys' Captain	Wesley Cable

The Book Shelf

Snappy Comment on Standard Classics.

Dictionary (Funk & Wagnalls)—A bit plotless, but splendid vocabulary.

Nursery Rhymes (Mother Goose)—Clever characterization. Plenty of action.

Census Reports (Government)—Decided realism. Perhaps a trifle too "racy." Sex element predominant.

Telephone Book (Bell)—Characters tend to obscure the action. Setting is local.

Congressional Record (U. S. Legislators)—Speeches too long. Much superfluous verbiage.

—Columns, U. of Wash.

RICE FILLS HILLSBORO PULPIT

Marvin Rice, Fargo, senior in the upper grade curriculum, went to Hillsboro last Sunday, November 29th, to conduct the morning service at the First Congregational Church there. He preached on "Do We Live by Footnotes?"

Mr. Rice has arranged to conduct the services in the Hillsboro church each Sunday for the rest of the school year.

ART CLUB

Miss McCarten gave lectures on the "One Hundred Pictures of Great Masters" to the children and parents of the McKinley School, Fargo, Friday afternoon and evening, November 20th.

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Buy your Christmas gifts early at the Art Club Sale in the corridor of the main building December 8th and 9th.

KAPPA PI INITIATES

NINE NEW MEMBERS

Kappa Pi, a sorority open to students interested in Kindergarten or Primary grade work, initiated nine new members Saturday evening, November 21. They are: Misses Berta Russell Divet and Pearl Moore, Fargo; Rae Bigelow, Jamestown, N. D.; Maude Thompson, Fargo; Irene Felde, Barnesville; Ruby Krogh, Argyle; Evelyn Sampson, Crookston; Lillian Bjorness, Newfolden; and Elsie Bastyr, Hitterdal.

Following the services, the active members and pledges were entertained at tea in the Kindergarten rooms by Mrs. Durboraw and Miss Williams.

"John, can you tell me roughly what time it is?"

"Yes, you dangerous butterfly, allowance-breaking, heart-smashing vampire of a house-party girl—about ten-thirty."

The Column

"NOT VERY AMUSING, IS HE?"
"NO, HE COULDN'T EVEN EN-
TERTAIN A DOUBT."

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"When is the right time to gath-
er apples?"

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"When the dog is chained up."

Ed: "My alarm clock woke me this morning for the first time in three months."

Co-ed: "How come?"

Ed: "It fell off the table and hit me."

Formal initiation of the Pi Mu Phi sorority was solemnized Sunday, Nov. 23, at the home of Zelta Ressler in Fargo. Following the ceremony a lunch was served by the active girls to the new members and the alumni. The new members of the sorority are: Lucille George, Berta Divet, Ragnhild Johnson, Ruth Smith, Ruby Smith, Louise Hendrickson, Merle Nelson, Florence Thoreson and Marie Sorkness.

PRAECEPTOR STAFF REPORTS PROGRESS IN ANNUAL WORK

The staff of the 1926 Praeceptor reports rapid progress in the building of the annual. The senior section, which is under the care of Edna Swan and Alfred Tollefson, is nearly completed. The Introductory section with its pictures and history of the school will be completed before the Christmas holidays. The artists under the guidance of Miss McCarten, have devised an artistic border and panel that carries out the theme of the book which is "The Early Pioneer Days." The book is to have 176 pages this year; this being 16 pages more than last year's Praeceptor. The staff is working diligently to bring forth a bigger and better annual. Without the help and co-operation of the rest of the school this will be impossible. Help the book by bringing in snaps and ideas. A box will be placed in the library for your contributions.

FOURTEEN REPORT FOR DEBATE

Eight women and six men answered the call for candidates for the inter-collegiate debating teams Wednesday. A few more can be accommodated in the tryouts, which will take place Saturday, December 12. From the number who report four teams will be chosen, to constitute a squad of twelve to work through the winter in preparation for the contests with other colleges. The question, "Resolved, That the Constitution of the United States should be amended to give Congress power to regulate child labor," is a popular and interesting one.

SORORITY PLEDGES

ARE INITIATED

Formal initiation services for ten of the pledges of the Gamma Nu sorority were held Sunday afternoon, November 22, at the home of Miss Lillie McDonald, 318 Tenth Street North, Fargo. Miss Luverne Bell, Elizabeth, Minn., one of the pledges, is ill at her home and could not attend this service, so special services for her will be held later in the season.

The new members are: Misses Dagny Hanson, Malta, Mont.; Ida Hanson, Fergus Falls; Sylvia Finden and Evelyn Lybeck, Glenwood; Eva Song and Esther Houge, Rothsay; Gertrude Lumpkin, Crookston; and Pearl Miller, Helen Healey, and Evelyn Johnson, Fargo.

Mock initiation services were held in the domestic science rooms of the college Saturday evening. One of the features of the program was the serving of a four-course dinner by the pledges to the active members. The appointments were carried out in white and gold, the sorority colors.

DELTA SIGMA COMPLETES

CEREMONIAL WORK

The Delta Sigma fraternity completed the initiation of its ten pledges Tuesday evening, November 24th. The ceremonial rites followed the shoe-shining activities of the pledges the previous afternoon. As part of the required degree work, the fraternity, which is the men's literary organization of the college, required its candidates to give carefully prepared talks on various literary subjects such as, "Women: What I Know About Them," "Cigarettes and Health" and "Shall the Charleston Be Abolished?"

The new members are: Paul Benson, Evansville; George Bowers, Pelican Rapids; Felix Boehme, Bird Island; Menser Anderson and George Simson, Wheaton; Marshall Shelstad, Clarissa; Willard Gowenlock, Gardner, N. D.; Arthur Storms, Menasha; Harold Sand, Elbow Lake; and Waldemar Wiklund, Pine River.

ORGANIZATION HEADS

PLAN CO-OPERATION

The executives and faculty advisers of all campus organizations met at President MacLean's request in Room 23 Wednesday afternoon for consideration of a project of integration of all student activities. An executive committee was selected from this group by ballot, comprising Alfred Tollefson, chairman; Alice Dunn, secretary; Louise Murray, R. B. MacLean, ex-officio; this group will be enlarged by two faculty members, chosen by the students on the committee. The purpose is to arrange some plan whereby the several enterprises of the school shall be more thoroly co-ordinated.

MiSTiCisms

Mr. O. B. Rusness of Moorhead addressed the student body at chapel, Wednesday morning, his subject being "Golden Rule Sunday." Mr. Rusness is chairman of the Golden Rule Sunday movement.

FAMOUS VIOLINIST

HERE MONDAY

Mr. Harry Farbman, famous American violin-virtuoso, will appear in a concert recital, in the College auditorium, Monday evening, December 7. Mr. Farbman has been recognized in every country in which he has appeared as the only new American violinist who can seriously lay claim to the term artist. Very little or nothing need further be said regarding this phenomenal genius who has already established an enviable world-wide reputation.

ALTHAIA TO BE REORGANIZED

Althaia, a literary society which was organized here in 1919 and has existed with varying vitality since then, will be reorganized during the winter quarter, in the hope that it may develop into an honor society in English. John T. Frederick and Roger Sergel, themselves writers, were on the Moorhead State Teachers College faculty at that time and were instrumental in initiating the society whose primary purpose was the fostering of creative writing. Later Miss Marion Wolcott, now absent on leave, became faculty adviser. Fifty-one students became members of the earlier society, some seventeen during Miss Wolcott's directorship. The only members at present are Janet Smith and Alfred Tollefson; others, to the number of about eleven, are eligible, and if plans mature, will be installed soon.

Y. W. C. A. HOLDS

INTERESTING DISCUSSION

Thursday evening, the young women expressed their views concerning the World Court question at a discussion meeting of the Y. W. C. A. The members of the Y. M. were present and gave some very worth-while ideas.

The subject was introduced by Lenore Kilsburg. In the course of her talk, she gave the viewpoints of Charles Hughes, Calvin Coolidge and A. Lawrence Howard about the advisability and practicability of such a court. Elizabeth Ranger took up the topic, by explaining what the court really is, and what it purports to do. America's objections were presented by Bernice Caughey. "What would be the advantages of our joining?" was discussed by Lorraine Gardner.

Training School

The first grade observed Thanksgiving by giving readings, poems, and songs carrying out the spirit.

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The same grade also made various contributions to the Thanksgiving baskets that were sent out.

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Before Thanksgiving the first graders were the guests at a party given by the Kindergarten pupils.

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Mr. Leslie White, superintendent of schools at Stephen, Minn., visited at the home of his brother, Prof. W. White, assistant Junior High School principal, during Thanksgiving vacation.

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Miss Lommen entertained at a small dinner party last Saturday evening at 6:00 o'clock.

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The pupils of the fourth grade have started work in their new geography texts, "Journeys in Distant Lands," by Barrows and Parker.

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To show the inter-dependence of one section of our country upon another the fourth grade culminated their study of the United States by making a product map in their sand-table.

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In the last issue of The MISTIC a little poem by one of the fourth graders was published. Seeing her work in print gave her another inspiration and as a result The MISTIC is proud to publish Opus II:

We have a cat,
Whose name is "Pat."
He plays and eats
Until he's fat.
Then he curls up,
As if to say,
"Esther, I'm tired of play."

—Esther Lee.

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The pupils of the intermediate department visited the exhibit room during Book Week and were permitted by Miss Hougham to choose their books from the display.

KINDERGARTEN HEADS ENTERTAIN STUDENT TEACHERS

Mrs. Ethel Durboraw, head of the Kindergarten Department of the Training School, and Miss Mathida Williams, associate, entertained their student teachers at an informal gathering at the home of Mrs. Durboraw, Sunday evening, November 22.

NOTICE

The Y. W. C. A. will hold their Christmas Sale this afternoon in the lobby of the Main Building. Get your Christmas gifts here.

Y. M. C. A. ACTIVITIES M. S. T. C. WINTER QUARTER, 1925-26.

Social Activity.

Valentine Party.

Feb. 15—Weekly discussion groups.

Dec. 7—What Shall We Do When Loyalties Conflict?

Dec. 14—How Shall Christians Get Even?

Dec. 21—Who Is a Hypocrite?

Jan. 11—Is there a God? If so, what kind?

Jan. 28—After death, what

Jan. 25—Where does the church come in?

Feb. 1—Life Partnerships.

Feb. 8—What is a family for?

Feb. 15—The larger family—the community.

Feb. 22—What is wrong with "Bluffing" and "Knocking"?

March 1—How is One's Life Work Discovered?

The discussions will be held in the Y. M. C. A. room, at 7:30, on the dates indicated above.

The Y. M. C. A. has a list of desirable rooms and boarding places for men. It also maintains an employment bureau.

SENIORS BEAT JUNIORS

The Senior basketball team defeated the Juniors to the tune of 14 to 7 in a hotly contested basketball game. Some of the boys forgot that football season was over. A few good blocks and tackles were perfectly executed. Ted Nemzek, the moving boxcar bumped the Juniors pretty hard, occasionally. Byler challenged Ted for the heavyweight championship.

The lineup:

Seniors		Juniors
Erickson	C	Simpson
Edwards	F	Bowers
Malvey	F	Byler
T. Nemzek	G	C. Nemzek
Baldwin	G	Gowenlock

ANNOUNCEMENT

The following important announcement with reference to the Christmas holidays is made by the administration: College will close Tuesday noon, December 22, instead of Wednesday, as the catalog announces. This change can only be made possible by the cooperation of all Moorhead college students. The regular Wednesday schedule will be effective on Saturday, December 19. Monday, December 21, the usual periods will be held, but the sixth period, meeting at 2:30, ordinarily omitted on that day, will not be omitted. Tuesday, December 22, regular classes will be held in the morning, college adjourning at noon for the holidays.

DATE WITH MARY LAST NIGHT?
NO DROMEDARY.

Music

The Men's Chorus is working with the scholo chorus on the Christmas cantata, "Bethlehem," by Maunder. It is the one that was given last year.

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The Orchestra of the college has been invited to play at various Farm Club meetings. They will furnish entertainment as well as dance music at these meetings.

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The next meeting of the Arion Club will take place in the Dormitory. Those entertaining are Misses Margaret Holmquist, Agnes Halvorson, Louise Murray and Josephine Johnson. The subject will be "Schumann."

Misses Small and Nelson have been playing recently at WDAY station. Miss Small played last Saturday and Miss Nelson played last Thursday. Mr. Harry Davidson also sang on this program. Miss Nelson is to play again next Thursday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Preston and Mrs. Temple furnished a fine program broadcast by WDAY, Fargo, last Sunday, consisting of piano, violin, and voice numbers. It was highly appreciated by all "listeners in."

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Miss Adele Ostgaard lost her father recently. Miss Ostgaard is a graduate of our Music department and she has been, since her graduation, teaching in Parkers Prairie.

VOLLEY BALL TEAMS

SELECTED FOR TERM

Members of the volley ball teams have been selected by Miss McKellar, assistant director of women's physical education and Ruby Iverson, captain of the team. They are:

First Team—Ruby Iverson (Capt.), Ethel Drinkwine, Bernice Voight, Selma Hagen, Rubye Halvorson, Mae Bakken, Irma Carstens, Alyce Olson, Nettie Lorentzen, Ruth Phillips, Delores Allen, Elsie Bastyr, Margaret Bishop, and Doris Johnson.

Second Team—Mabel Reddy, Edna Weiske, Elaine Messer, Lucille Odenwaller, Vera Johnson, Lillian Bredlie, Audrey Paulson, Bernice Behrens, and Helen Olson.

Substitutes—Esther Hauge, Harriet Strommen, and Inez Thoreson.

Lists will soon be posted for membership on hockey, kickball and soccer teams, according to a statement made by Miss McKellar.

President MacLean spoke at the Moorhead High School chapel exercises on Wednesday morning on "The Value of School Spirit."