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## BAKER AND AXLEY ASSUME LEADS OF 'TO THE LADIES'

CAST HAS UNUSUALLY LARGE NUMBER OF CHARACTERS

Tryouts for the Socratic spring play were conducted Monday, April 25. The play, selected for presentation, "To the Ladies," is a satire involving eighteen characters. The roles and their actors are:

- Elsie Beebe ..... Rhoda Mae Baker
- Leonard Beebe ..... Harold Axley
- Mr. Kincaid ..... William Rushing
- Mrs. Kincaid ..... Jewell Ferrill
- Chester Mullin ..... Raymond Shaw
- Tom Baker ..... Clyde Maddock
- Carney ..... Henry Hitt
- Jim ..... Richard Hempleman
- Henrici ..... Victor Goings
- The Speaker ..... Ray Snider
- Cassidy ..... Paul Benthall
- Miss Fletcher ..... Lois Mallory
- Frank, the barber, Raymond Mayfield
- The Bootblack ..... Clarence Arnold
- Banquet guests—Frances Phillips, Norris Runnals, Ruth Berry, Georgia Sniderwin.

The principals, Rhoda Mae Baker and Harold Axley, are actors of unquestioned ability, and assisted especially by William Rushing and Jewell Ferrill, the comedy should possess all the appeal that it has given in previous performances. Victor Goings, noted for his success in "The Donovan Affair," and such popular actors as Clarence Arnold and Lois Mallory will certainly lend zest to the performance.

Judges, competent faculty members and townspeople, were: Mrs. M. W. Neckers, Mrs. Richard Gadske, Miss Lois Browne, Miss Frances Barbour, and Miss Julia Jonah. An unusual feature is the appointment of assistant coaches, Jeanette Ann Evans, and Georgia Hankla. Miss Jonah, of course, will be in charge of the presentation.

In accordance with the accepted program of closing activities, the Socratic Society will stage it play June 1. The stagecraft class has begun work on the scenery which, though it is not difficult, is highly varied.

### EDUCATION CLUB TO BE INSTALLED MAY 14

At the meeting of the Education Club held Thursday, April 28, the topic, "What Every High School Principal Should Know About Administration of School Funds," was presented by Harley Teel. The discussion which followed involved the question of reduction of teachers' salaries and the consolidation of small high schools.

A committee for the arrangement of the Installation Day to be held May 14th was appointed at the business meeting following the discussion.

## Former Faculty Members Visit on College Campus

Miss Inez L. Hollenberger and Miss Matilda F. Salter, of Chicago, were guests of honor at a series of social functions given by various members of the faculty last week. Miss Hollenberger was a former faculty head of Anthony Hall and head of the Physical Education department here. Miss Salter was formerly head of the Art department of this college.

On Monday, Miss Grace L. Burkett, a former member of the Art department, entertained Miss Hollenberger and Miss Salter with a dinner at her home on South Illinois Avenue.

Miss Hollenberger and Miss Salter were guests of honor at an Anthony Hall tea given by Miss Mary Crawford on Tuesday afternoon. Miss Florence King of the Allyn Training School was hostess at another dinner given in honor of the Chicago visitors, Friday evening.

Wednesday evening Miss Crawford was hostess at a dinner party. The guests were: Miss Inez Hollenberger, Mrs. Mary Roberts Scott, Miss Martha Scott, Mrs. E. D. Barnes, and Misses Woody, Clark, Burket, Roach and King.

Thursday noon Mrs. J. M. Pierce entertained Miss Hollenberger with a lunch at the Roberts Hotel. Thursday evening Miss Lulu Roach was hostess at a dinner given in Anna, Illinois.

Miss Lucy K. Woody and Miss Lulu R. Clark entertained with a luncheon at the Roberts Hotel, Friday noon. Miss Hollenberger returned to her home Friday afternoon.

## TENTATIVE PLANS FOR SENIOR WEEK ARE ANNOUNCED

SENIORS TO BE EXCUSED FROM CLASSES DURING THIS WEEK



CLARENCE ARNOLD

Clarence Arnold, president of the senior class, has announced that extensive plans are now under way for the observance of "Senior Week" on this campus. President Shryock granted this special privilege of "Senior Week" to the graduating class since this year the number receiving degrees, 147, for the first time in the history of the school, outnumbers those receiving diplomas, approximately 140, from the two year course. It is possible that the seniors will be excused from classes during this week, and that they

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## Class in Primary Education Builds Model School House

A class in Primary Education, composed of sophomore girls and taught by Miss Ruby Van Trump, has just completed a model of an ideal school house. The members of the class have done extensive research work for the project. They not only read all available books on the subject, but also corresponded with prominent manufacturers of school room supplies. The tiny school which they have constructed is perfect in every detail.

The class was divided into committees, each of which had some specific duty. Every committee made a set of extensive notes on its part of the work. In order to give all the students the advantage of reading these notes, Miss Van Trump has collected them into a book, and she will give copies of it to all the members of the class.

The model school house which can be seen on exhibition in the basement of the Allyn Building, looks surprisingly real. This effect was achieved by a careful attention to the most minute details. On the walls are miniature copies of paintings suitable for children. The furniture has been carved from wood and is painted. Even toys were made for the playroom. The whole exhibit is instructive and interesting, and is a tribute to the work and ingenuity of its creators.

## WHITLEY, WHITE ARE PRINCIPALS IN ZETETIC PLAY

EVANS AND CAMPBELL WILL ASSIST WITH COACHING

After agreeing to present "Outward Bound," the phantasy which was accorded such a huge success in New York a few seasons ago, the Zetetic Society held its try-outs the afternoon of April 26. The cast, a particularly strong one, is:

- Scrubby ..... Will Adams
- Ann ..... Jane Rose Whitley
- Henry ..... James White
- Tom Prior ..... Rolla Winklemeyer
- Mrs. Cliveden-Banks ..... Betty Furr
- Reverend William Duke, Marc Green
- Mrs. Midget ..... Martha Morrow
- Mrs. Lingley ..... Leo Brown
- Reverend Frank Thompson, Harold Bailey.

Competition for many roles was sharp to an unprecedented degree, but the judges were fully competent to make fine distinctions. Those who had acted in that capacity were: Mrs. J. W. Neckers, Mrs. Richard Gadske, Mrs. O. B. Young, Mrs. T. B. F. Smith, Miss Julia Jonah, and Mr. Robert Dunn Faner.

Though every actor has a part that is important to the play's success, Jane Rose Whitley and James White assume the leads. Mr. White is readily remembered by his fine performance in "The Royal Family." Miss Whitley, a freshman, has her career yet to make. Marc Green, who fills the role of the sincere young clergyman, one of the major characters, has scored distinction in numerous presentations. Rolla Winklemeyer, the jovial Tom, has behind him a record of high school dramatic successes.

According to present schedules, "Outward Bound" will be presented at the Shryock Auditorium June 2. The class in stagecraft has begun work on the scenic effects. Miss Jonah, dramatic coach, will be assisted by Jeanette Ann Evans and Marie Campbell, English majors.

### DELTA THETA TAU WILL SPONSOR DANCE MAY 27

According to Ella Mae Hallagan, chairman of the dance committee, Delta Theta Tau the town sorority, will sponsor a spring dance to be given at the shoe factory May 27. The sorority has been unusually fortunate in securing Jimmy Raschel's New Orleans Ramblers, a Negro orchestra, to furnish the music. This orchestra is undoubtedly one of the most popular traveling orchestras now in existence. The Ramblers had numerous engagements at Herrin Elks last year, and broadcasted from W L W. Cincinnati, last winter.

Any further arrangements will be announced in the Egyptian.

## BACK-TO-NATURE MOVE PROGRESSES NEAR CAMPUS

Even those students who are not sociology-minded will find interest in learning that a youth movement has come to our campus. The Health and Happiness boys, including Blackshirt Canada, Swoof Swooff, Sissie Axley, Pat Randle, Catfish Wilmouth, Flatface Patterson, and Egg-head Laney, have succeeded in a back to the soil venture that makes Thoreau's Walden Pond look like an Arbor day picnic.

Nestling in the practically virgin forest back of the cafe is a cluster of incredibly simple little cottages. By the time the sun peeps over Mr. Fly's coal shed one may see the doors of these cottages opening to admit the wholesome morning air. Bright-cheeked, sweat-shirted figures step out briskly and begin trotting down the south road. As they return an hour later they are greeted by pungent waves from the frying pans over oil stoves. When the merry throng is seated around the common board they do masculine justice to the simple but filling petit dejeuner; and well they might, for the life next to nature has given them a degree of health that city dwellers could never hope to attain.

This is how the experiment has worked out, the facts supplied by Pat Randle:

"Might I ask, Pat, what motives

other than the search for health could have engendered this life-in-the-open idea?"

"Hard times," he answered, "make it convenient. Now in my apartment (Note: in this article "apartment" shall be taken to mean "the room on one side of the partition") we each pay eighty-three cents a month rent. Canada and Swooff have a more swank apartment—they have to pay one dollar a month each.

"We have everything we need here, almost. Both apartments in this cabin have southern exposure. In cold weather we have various kinds of exposure. Good lighting system, too." (With a faintly aristocratic gesture he indicated the windows and the light bulb. Our plumbing system is adequate; in the Chic Sale manner, you know.)

"I suppose your food comes quite cheap, what with preparing your own meals and all."

"Oh yes. Very cheap. You see, our families have grocery accounts, and we all go home over the week end."

"In a pinch," I suggested, "you could go into the woods like your pioneer forebears, and fill the larder with wild life."

"We do," Pat assured me. "And although the squirrels have threatened Axley once or twice, we haven't

had a bit of trouble from the Indians."

Further interrogation showed me that the cabin-dwellers live in a state of unbroken harmony, although they have discarded many of the effete niceties of urban life. For instance, at the table they use the "catch as catch can" method of attack, with an implication that God will have to help him that helps himself too frequently. All of the boys, Pat informed me, say "please" repeatedly at the table. Only on an inconsiderable incident has ever marred the communal pleasantness of their meals: it came about when one of the boys was stabbed with a fork while reaching undiplomatically, for the last piece of pork steak.

Of the group, Canada is the best versed in the culinary art. It seems that his banana pudding is famous even outside of his own conversation. All of the agrarians agree that Axley is the best maid, for he persists in hanging up his clothes.

Thinking that the boys might have retained some of their metropolitan habits, I asked: "Which of you do you consider the 'best-dressed man?'"

"The first to get up in the morning," Pat answered. "Of course, even the last one up can always get a complete outfit, even if he has to

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# CLUBS-SOCIETIES - ORGANIZATIONS

## Anthony Hall News

Miss Mary Crawford, faculty head of Anthony Hall, was hostess to a tea Tuesday afternoon, April 26. The guests of honor were Miss Inez Hollenberger and Miss Matilda Salter of Chicago. The guests invited included all the lady members of the faculty and old friends of the guests of honor.

The Hall was decorated with tulips, roses, and crab apple blossoms, and provided a background for the colorful frocks of the guests.

Miss Crawford was assisted in her duties as hostess by the Misses Barbour, Woody Bowyer, Cox, Clark, and King of the faculty. Anthony Hall girls who assisted were: Frances Raney, Olive Murray, Jeanette Spaulding, Dorothy Stoeklin, Tessie Blum, Winifred McCue, Georgia Corlis, and Mary Colombo. Helen Pillow and Alice Draper, furnished music during the tea.

Miss Crawford entertained thirty-four of the Anthony Hall girls at an impromptu party at the dormitory Friday evening. Refreshments consisting of sandwiches, Italian sauce, and cake were served. A half hour of songs followed.

Audre Ross took a group of practice teachers to St. Louis last week end to attend the National Art Association at the Jefferson hotel.

Gladys M. Owen of Galatia and Jean Fearheiley of Mt. Carmel are new residents at Anthony Hall.

Mary Hood and Norma Moshna were the week end guests of Zella Crowder at her home in St. Louis.

Frances Raney spent the week end with Miss Amy Bridges in Belleville.

Miss Francis Barbour is expecting a visit from Miss Henrietta Larson, formerly a member of the History department, and now a member of the faculty of Harvard University.



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## ZETETIC SOCIETY TO BE HOSTS AT DANCE

At the Zetetic meeting of April 27, plans were completed for the informal dance which is to be given next Friday at the Midland Hills Country Club. Paul McRoy's eight-piece orchestra has been secured to furnish the music. Admission will be one dollar.

The program for the evening of May 27 consisted of an interesting review of "Mourning Becomes Electric," by Miss Julia Jonah. Kendall Fugate, a former student of S. I. T. C., played a violin solo, accompanied by his sister, Carol. The ever popular trio composed of Cecile Rushing, Virginia Draper, and Jane Rose Whitely, sang a group of numbers. Miss Jonah then discussed the play tryouts and the play itself.

## Alumni

Miss Tillie Salter of St. Louis and Miss Inez Hollenberger of Chicago visited friends here last week. Miss Salter was formerly a teacher of the Art department here at the Teachers College, and Miss Hollenberger, of the Physical Education department.

Prof. E. G. Lentz and son, Gilbert, who attend University of Illinois, spent the week end here. Sunday, they attended the funeral of the former's brother, J. M. Lentz at Herrin.

Miss Geneva Brewer, who teaches school at Willisville, spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Brewer.

J. E. Ramsey of the class of 1890 returned to the campus after an absence of forty-two years. When Mr. Ramsey was graduated, there was only one building on the campus, occupied by about 300 students. Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey, who live at Mt. Carmel, were the guests of Judge W. A. Schwartz.

Golda Mae Brooks of the class of 1932 has resigned her position on the faculty of Elkville high school and has accepted a post in the high school at Fairfield. Miss Brooks, in addition to teaching at Elkville this past year, has coached a number of plays there.

## SUCCESSFUL GUEST NIGHT IS SPONSORED BY SOCRATIC SOCIETY

Guest night was sponsored by the Socratic Society last Wednesday evening with about one hundred guests present.

Owing to the absence of the president, Lois Mallory, the vice president, James Dollins, presided. A program under the supervision of the program chairman, Georgia Sniderwin and a committee including Hazel Payne, Bill Rushing, Emma Waller, and Rhoda Mae Baker was presented. The numbers included:

Readings, Marguerite Lawreck.  
Trio, Hangar Boys from Marion, Ralph Smothers, Paul Smothers, and George Stanley.

Book Review, Mr. Robert Dunn Faner.

Vocal solo, Charlotte Fraley.  
Xylophone solo, Paul Reeder.

The society had as its special guests the members of the English department.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The S. I. T. C. Chamber of Commerce will feature a surprise program Thursday evening, May 5. This program promises to be one of the most novel meetings of the year.

The Commerce Club plans to go to West Frankfort Monday, May 9.

## Tri Sigma News

Perhaps one of the prettiest dances of the season was the Tri Sigma spring formal given at Midland Hills Country Club Saturday night.

The theme of the decorations was May Day. Huge white vases of snowballs, crab apple blossoms, and lilacs greeted the guests as they entered the purple lighted hallway which led into the cleverly decorated dance hall. Purple and white spot lights threw their rays to the far end of the room where the Tri Sigma crest was mounted above a modernistic silver glitter background. May baskets with fragrant flowers were artistically placed about the room.

The novelty dance of the evening was the May Day dance. The boys were conducted to a large gold basket from which they drew a rose, discovering their partner's name on a little card attached to the rose. During this dance the orchestra featured "Love Sends a Little Gift of Roses" and "Honeysuckle Rose."

At intermission the guests were served punch at tea tables on the porch, adjoining the dance floor, which was transformed into a flower garden.

Coach and Mrs. Wm. McAndrew, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Muzzey, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Ragsdale were chaperones. Music was furnished by Oral Harris' orchestra.

The dance committee was composed of Helen Schremp, Frances Matthews, and Jane Federer.

Miss Florence Croessmann spent the week end in St. Louis.

Two Tri Sigmas, Misses Alma Blanche Martin and Zelpa Caldwell of Alpha Lambda chapter at Harris Teachers' College in St. Louis, were guests at the dance at the Country Club Saturday night.

Miss Dorothy Federer of Decatur visited her cousin, Jane Federer over the week end, and was a guest at formal Saturday night.

Bess Hallagan has returned from Chicago where she has been visiting.

Helen Crisp and Maureen Webb, the retired and the new presidents of Delta Sigma Epsilon, were guests at the spring formal.

## Delta Sig

The Reverend Mr. Charles N. Sharpe and Mrs. Sharpe were guests of honor at a tea given at the chapter house the afternoon of April 27. During the afternoon Mr. Sharpe spoke informally to the guests on "The Place Christianity Has in College." Guests included activities and pledges of Delta Sigma Epsilon.

Lois Mallory has accepted a teaching position in the Valier high school. Miss Mallory will teach home economics and English.

Mary Ruth Malone enrolled Monday at S. I. T. C. for the mid-spring term. Miss Malone has been teaching in the public schools of McLeansboro.

## POETRY CLUB PLANS TO BRING TIETJENS TO CAMPUS

At the meeting of the Poetry Club last Wednesday afternoon, plans were discussed for bringing to Carbondale on the evening of May 19, Eunice Tietjens, well-known poet of Chicago. Mrs. Tietjens contributes to Poetry and other magazines and has published several volumes of poems. A very special meeting at which all members are urged to be present is to be held next Wednesday, to discuss further plans for Miss Tietjens' lecture.

# CORNELL WILL BE IN ST. LOUIS DURING THIRD WEEK, MAY

AMERICAN THEATRE TO PRE-  
SENT "BARRETT'S OF  
"WIMPOLE STREET"

During the third week of May, when the American Theatre in St. Louis will present "The Barretts of Wimpole Street," students and residents of Carbondale may realize their final opportunity this season to witness fine theatrical productions. This offering, a comedy by Rudolf Besier in five acts, will feature Katharine Cornell, an American actress of first rank. Miss Cornell has won distinction previously through her work in "The Age of Innocence and in The Green Hat."

As far as cast is involved, the presentation should leave nothing to be desired. The facts that Guthrie McClintic is directing it and that Miss Cornell is supported by Brian Aherne, Charles Waldron, and Margaret Barker, would indicate a superb performance. Added to this is the general appeal in presenting the well-known literary figures, Elizabeth Barrett and Robert Browning.

However, one reading of the work is sufficient to raise questions concerning the advantage Mr. Besier has given the actors who will fill the roles he has created. A total lack of progressive character analysis is noticeable. True, Barrett himself did not progress. He was the oppressive father with a perverted sense of right and wrong, and he remained himself to the very end. But Elizabeth, even though she experiences the whole dramatic conflict and offers therein a huge opportunity for psychological development, slips from one decision to another with the very slightest interpretation on the part of Mr. Besier. So much is lacking here that one noted critic expressed the belief that Robert Browning never would have courted the girl Mr. Besier has pictured Elizabeth.

On the other hand, "The Barretts of Wimpole Street" does much in familiarizing its public with the Brownings. The play moves swiftly enough owing to Mr. Besier's originality in producing Henrietta, a sister of Elizabeth. It is undeniable, also, that the play furnishes absorbing entertainment. Mr. O. W. Firkins, in the Saturday Review of Literature sums its value thus: "The play has literary associations and a theatricality which experiment in two capitals has apparently verified. On no other grounds is it entitled to hope for a lasting or significant place in English literature."

## BACHELOR FLAT DREAMS

As a word of introduction it may be explained that the following "narratives" are actual dreams related by occupants of the Bachelor Flat in the Colonial Apartments. Furthermore, these tales are not published with the permission or even the knowledge of the authors.

R.

My father, his friend, and I were hunting. Although armed to combat the fiercest prize of the forest, we were hunting on the veranda of a beautiful white mansion. While we were standing on this porch, whose massive colonnades were specially outstanding, a small wolf resembling a lamb came into close view. It immediately began dancing. As a reward for this entertainment, it was decided to let the baby wolf remain "free and alive." Presently, the mother wolf—an ugly, shaggy creature—came upon the scene and had soon ascended the steps of the porch. It wended its way, unobserved by the two elder men, toward me. Upon seeing this dangerous animal (and being unable to obtain the attention of my companions with loud screams) I draped myself rather artistically across the banisters, my feet being pulled down because of gravity, excessive weight (or maybe Einstein's theory of relativity). The mother wolf approached me, and began tickling my feet, and at this point I woke myself (and my room-mate), swearing vociferously.

Ed.

A gigantic and fiendishly-green bed bug bit me, and I aroused my roommate. In frenzied awe we watched the invader (or, maybe, rightful inhabitant) rumble slowly across my body. It was scared to breathe (and consequently almost died of exhaustion.) The animal then disappeared in a hole in the mattress. (Editor's Note: The hole in the mattress, at least, is a actuality.)

Ditto (next night.)

W. was in the living room running around like a chicken with his head cut off. In fact, he had a reason to be nervous, for in a few minutes he and I were to be secretly married to . . . I tried to keep everyone as quiet as possible for fear that someone would hear us and telephone my father, who would more than send us a note of disinheritance. Just when the preacher came upon the threshold, I actually heard the melodious strains of my roommate's "Get up. Do you want to be late for rhet class?"

J. Slipping stealthily into Anthony Hall through the kitchen entrance, I came face to face with Miss Crawford who was wearing whiskers. In complete astonishment, I said to her, "I am looking for the Golden Fleece." In as complete astonishment, she repeated, "The Golden Fleece!" to which I responded with, "No, Alice with the golden hair." Miss Crawford, then having fully regained her faculties, said, "My good man, you'll find the Golden Fleece under the portico on the east side of the Main Building with Lowell Bailey." At once I departed in search of the fair damsel, and was rewarded. As I approached the directed spot I heard a lady's (?) voice exclaim, "Oh, Peck!" At that I awoke!!!



### THE SPHINX KNOWS:

People in this school are pretty critical when news articles or editorials step on their toes.

Rhoda Mae Baker seems to have accepted a position as janitor at the cafe; anyway she sweeps the floor.

Isabelle Johnson thinks there's a difference between the number of times one is absent from chapel and the number of checks he has.

Sophomores are angry because as they term it, "Those seniors are getting all the breaks."

Rosa Fierce and Dorothy Kunze are not very enthusiastic about the Anthony Hall dance.

Abe Martin keeps his English class amused by sliding from one side of the seat to another.

Myrtle and her twin have burst. She's going with a single man now.

### THE SPHINX WONDERS:

Why Jane Warren delivers water to strangers in the Cafe.

If the mid-spring student named Helen Nutty is anything like her name.

What Ralph Thompson would have done if the chaperones had been ten more minutes late Sunday night.

If Blanche Douthitt has had her long planned-for swim yet. If you saw the pup at the library Wednesday night.

When "Doc" Lingle took time enough off to go to Florida to get that tan he's sporting.

Why Thais Super has adopted "Life is Just a Bowl of Cherries" as a theme song.

If Charlie Montgomery has joined the navy to get away from that college girl.

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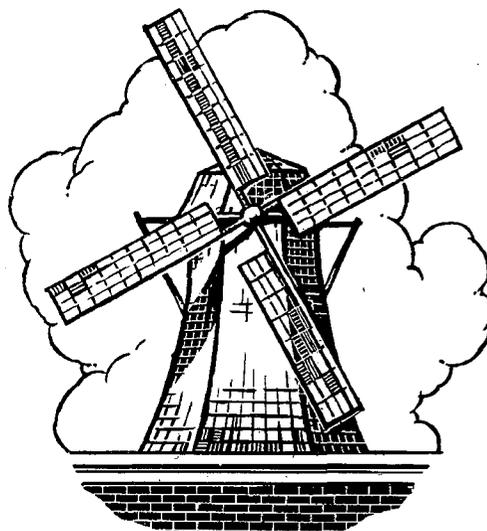
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### TALENT ON THE CAMPUS

During the last few years there has been a very great development in our school,—in size, in recognition, and in quality of work given. We have become a Class-A college in every way. We are proud of our large student body which numbers some thirteen hundred, and we are proud of our well trained faculty. We believe that the productions,—dramatic, musical, artistic, and otherwise—which our school turns out are finished and polished and worthy examples in their line.

In the days when the college was younger, smaller, and less well equipped, it was often necessary to import talent from the outside when a particularly big affair was being given. Our orchestra was often swelled for some event with outside, even professional musicians, and professional actors took leads in our plays. But now such an importation is unnecessary since there are many students, talented and well trained, and many faculty members, also talented, experienced, and willing to aid in school activities.

From now on our college is able to stand on its own feet where such productions are concerned, and our campus activities can be really OF the campus and OF the college.

### PAPER'S CRITICAL POLICIES

With last week's publication of the Egyptian, what the editor considered a highly competent staff member introduced one of the new features of the policies of the paper, namely that of a critical review. Last week the criticism concerned the opera, "Martha," produced at the Shryock Auditorium or April 21.

The staff is of the opinion that campus activities are open to criticism and that such criticism coming from an efficient staff member is entirely in keeping with the improvement of the paper. All future reviews (as was the last one), will be done by a student member of the staff, and his opinion will be far from professional. It will be, however, the estimation of an intelligent, experienced, unbiased individual. There will be no flowery language, no gushings, no covering over of the inferior spots with undeserved praise—the review will be a straightforward scrutiny of the activity itself. No doubt there will be toes stepped on, but certainly members of a college organization are capable of accepting judgment in the same good faith that it is extended.

### A PLEA TO THE INDEPENDENT TEACHER

In a few weeks about three hundred students in this school will be qualified to enter the teaching profession. We are all aware of the dilemma of a large percentage of this number in their inability to find positions. It is agreed that there is (in Southern Illinois as elsewhere) an overproduction of teachers which, coming during a period of financial deflation, is swelling the rolls of the unemployed and the misfits.

A great many of our prospective teachers freely admit that they are not really teachers by choice, but are by circumstance; that they do not intend to continue long in the profession; that they are perhaps not required to earn their own living, but since they are able to exert the necessary "pull" to land jobs, they will teach during the coming year. On the other hand, there are many less fortunate candidates for teaching contracts who are not able to influence the school board by any but direct means; but who will be really in need of a paying wage during the coming session. It is logical to assume that with few exceptions a teacher from the latter group would have more interest in teaching as a career and would render a more valuable service to the cause of education.

### Between the Lines

By B. M. C.

Of course this doesn't  
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Apply to you  
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But with Spring Plays  
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Coming on apace  
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It might be well  
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To set down rules  
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Of conduct for  
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And audience  
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Now each and every  
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One who goes  
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Should have a celd  
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And he should cough  
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And he should sneeze  
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And he should blow  
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His sprinter  
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And it is nice  
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If one can wear  
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Taps on his heels  
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With which to cheer  
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For it appeals  
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To those quite near  
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And when a clever  
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Line is said  
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You should cheer long  
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And boisterously  
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Or make a scroll  
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With your program  
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With which to trumpet  
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Like an elephant  
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And do applaud  
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To the rhythm of  
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One shave and one  
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Hair-cut, six-bits  
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And do be sure  
\* \* \*

To tell some one  
\* \* \*

What "He" replied  
\* \* \*

When you confessed  
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And do coax her  
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To follow suit  
\* \* \*

With narratives  
\* \* \*

Of sundry sorts  
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On sundry sorts  
\* \* \*

Of Sunday sports  
\* \* \*

She's sported  
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And when asked if  
\* \* \*

You saw the play  
\* \* \*

Pray do try to  
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Remember.

### SCRIBALOVE

It was one of those after-chapel confabs at the cafe. Hot air and cigarette smoke oppressed the atmosphere, and the Sinoo Swillers were in mass meeting. It was at exactly ten after ten o'clock when Leo Brown, reeling, rose in his place and gave the following declaration to whom it may concern:

"Leo Brown, capitalist, challenges Trotsky Coopersky, communist, to meet him anywhere, anytime, with weapons, with no seconds—the one to do the other to gory death. Winner take all, devil take the hindmost. S'help me, Hanna."

Leo gulped and sat down. Order was quickly restored. The cafe owners hushed up the affair as soon as possible. Coopersky was warned and given a personal bodyguard of plain-clothes men. Relatives and friends sent apologies. It is hoped that it will all blow over quickly.

There are rumors, however, that Cooper has accepted the challenge and intends to have it out with fire extinguishers filled with stale beer at twenty yards. Another more recent rumor states that both are to be given three cigars apiece in a telephone booth, and in such manner end the argument. In either case the press stands ready to send condolences.

Though light housekeepers are inclined to relax their table manners, you should see the mannerisms.

And now that the trees are in leaf and the grass is tall enough to be scissored and the dandelions are com and gone, the old town isn't such a bad looking place after all. And the campus is rather a good-looking piece of acreage. And it strikes us that the grass on our campus is green enough to suit anybody. And from the looks of the turf-sitters it isn't a bad place to sit and cogitate in these trying days. Maybe it's a "back to nature" movement or something. Hm-m-m.

After looking over the list of rates charged by the said Riding Academy it strikes us that not many of us will be jockeys.

Nobody ever told us this, but we think it would be a good idea: The Wheeler Library is closed from 5 to 7 p. m. Reserve books cannot be taken out during this time without paying a fine. Many times concentrated and uninterrupted study is necessary, and this is prohibited by the closing of the library. Either the library should be kept open longer, or the reserve books should be taken out during those two hours. The present arrangement is a shame, and we want access to the library rather than being forced to "study something else." It doesn't take a busy man two hours to eat supper.

Our idea of a man who has been well educated at college is one who never gets jealous.

And from our freshman poet and lover comes these lines:  
"If my arms had been stronger,  
The kiss would have been longer."

SCRIBALOVE

### Puzzles

"I understand you and your wife never exchange a cross word," remarked the observant friend.  
"That's right," answered Mr. Meekton. "The crossword puzzle is sufficiently interesting the way it is without trying to reduce it to home conversation."

### Campus Opinion on the "Obelisk"

Though the referendum conducted last spring revealed an overwhelming majority favored continuance of the Obelisk, the failure of the students to regard the responsibility and expense involved therein has caused the matter to come up again as a major issue. An attempt has been made to gather the opinions of those most closely associated with the year book in recent years. The arguments, quoted directly, are these:

Undoubtedly it is tradition that a self-respecting college publishes a year book. Naturally the students of S. I. T. C. accept the tradition—perhaps too uncritically. They do not realize the great expense involved (about \$4,000) or the responsibility they put on the staff; in fact, the staff members themselves do not realize their responsibility until they find themselves involved in far more work than they feel they have contracted for. Most of the staff members work only under the definite direction and insistence of the adviser, and no adviser enjoys nagging. Yet he is held responsible by the administration for the discreet management of the funds, and he therefore feels that he must hold students to contract dates and to a relatively high level of workmanship.

Either student attitude toward a year book should change or S. I. T. C. should dispense with the year book.

Francis Barbour.

A matter has been brought to the attention of the business staff of the Obelisk which we thought settled last year. It is rumored that the Obelisk may be discontinued in the near future because of the excessive cost of producing a year book. We are ready to admit that there is a large financial outlay involved, but we heartily disagree that the money is not well spent. The book fulfills its purpose when it is glanced through while reminiscing at some future time. That, however, is a sentimental value which some may deny. The students voted to have the book subsidized, by a nine to one majority. Apparently it is the opinion of a vast majority that they desire a year book. The present staff doesn't wish to saddle future student bodies with an annual if they do not care to have one. We were of the opinion last year that when we took office that the only way to have a book was to subsidize it—we felt out student opinion and brought the matter before the students, it carried and you will have the book in a very few weeks.

Dick Cooper.

### Enterprising Thief

Charles S. Hall of Rockland, Maine, reported to police that some one had been stealing a cottage of his piecemeal. The cottage is a two-room log cabin, built two years ago on Spaulding island. The thief had taken away the furnishings, as well as the doors and windows and partitions, and part of the roof had been removed.

# MAROONS TAKE MEDIocre MEET FROM M'KENDREE

**McKENDREE BEARCATS TAKE  
BUT TWO FIRSTS ON  
MUDDY FIELD**

The McKendree College Bearcats had a bad day here Friday when the Southerners swamped them on a muddy field by a score of 99 1/2 to 31 1/2. With McKendree's two greatest scoring threats taking Carbondale mud, the Bearcats only accounted for two first places and a close relay victory. The Maroons showed up strong in the races for the first time this season, grand-slammed four events, bagged twelve first places, took ten seconds, and added nine thirds. The Southerners now have a record of 12 wins out of 13 duals in four years, and, excluding Little 19 meets, have won 21 first places and 3 seconds out of 26 competitions in the total meets of the last four seasons.

The Bearcat Racehorse, Captain Bud Saunders, shied at the mud, and allowed Ex-Captain Carl Wright to breeze by for two firsts in the dashes, and a total of ten points to lead the individual scoring. Clarence Pierce brought up the third in the 100, and lifted himself into the limelight with a winning broad jump of 22 feet 8 1/2 inches that was out of the reach of Stansell, who was fourth in line at the Kansas Relays. Stansell's best jump was 22 feet 5 7-8 inches.

Davidson and Wimberly ran in the order named to take the 440, and the former thrilled the spectators with a sensational anchor race in the relay and closed a 30-yard gap behind Race Horse Saunders, only to lose by a nose. Little Piper and Big Reed defeated Nattass in the mile, and finished the race in a beautiful sprint with Piper breaking the trail.

Big Frank Grauchalla was outstanding for the Bearcats, both in size and points, by taking a first in the shot put, a second in the discus, a third in the javelin, and tying for a third in the high jump. A belated check on the shots, however, showed Grauchalla's choice to be a half-pound lighter than Martin's, who suffered his first defeat of the season in this event. A mark of 126 feet 3 3/4 inches was Martin's offering in the discus, and it stood unequalled.

R. Martin, McAfoos, and Mitchell ran one, two three in the high hurdles. Tullis, Stanley and Johnson clinched for a three-way tie in the pole vault. C. Martin, Davis, and Wiggins cleaned up for the first three places in the two mile, while Reed, Chandler, and Valentine had the 880 to themselves. Watson and Reeves, tied for first in the high jump, while Porter and Grauchalla split the remaining point. "Hippo" Brown tossed a slippery javelin 175 feet 5 inches for a first. Due to the rain and mud the records for the most part were mediocre.

**Summary**  
100 yard dash—Wright (S), Saunders (M), Pierce (S). Time :10.2.  
1/4 Mile—Piper (S), Reed (S), Nattass (M). Time 5:25.  
Shot put—Grauchalla (M), Martin (S), Bauder (S). Distance 41' 6 3-4 in.  
220 yard dash—Wright (S), Saunders (M), Parran (S). Time :24.9.  
High hurdles—R. Martin (S), McAfoos (S), Mitchell (S). :16.6.  
Pole vault—Triple tie—Tullis, Stanley, and Johnson, all Southerners.  
440 yard dash—Davidson (S), Wimberly (S), and May (M). Time

# Thirty Try Out for Girls' Tennis Squad

Early last week, the Women's Athletic department here, received an invitation to attend the annual traditional state tennis meet for college women to be held at Decatur Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22. The tournament is sponsored by the Athletic Association of Women at the James Millikin University, and will be played on the Millikin courts as in previous years.

The purpose of such a meet as staged by the Millikin W. A. A. is to acquaint players and their coaches with the players and coaches of other schools and to encourage better tennis.

Although tennis is one of the few sports in which the college women are allowed to engage in intercollegiate contests, S. I. T. C. has never before had an official girls' tennis team. However, the invitation to this meet has aroused much interest and already over thirty girls have signed up to try out for the squad.

The invitation allows more than one entry in both singles and doubles, and if material looks promising enough, it is hoped that entries can be made in both. The girls have been practicing intensively for the elimination doubles tournament to be held the latter part of this week. This tournament will be for the purpose of selecting the best material for a team. Many of the players, although they have had no experience in college meets, have taken part in high school or camp tournaments.

Girls who will try out for the team are:  
G. Clark, M. Oehm, W. Johnson, M. Pullen, H. Reiman, A. Hamilton, G. Reiman, A. Draper, N. Franks, E. Shavitz, M. Taylor, K. Conte, E. Keller, V. Hueting, M. Werkmeister, J. Adams, H. Hauss, L. Thurmond, L. Schlesinger, C. Bowie, D. McKelvie, M. Morris, E. Hart, L. Weaver, J. Spaulding, H. Pillow, R. Adams, J. Fulenwider, M. Grace, L. Hauss and J. Purtil.

# U. H. S. Popularity Contest in Progress

A contest to determine the most popular girl in the junior and senior classes of the University High School was begun last week and will continue into next week. At present two members of the junior class, Anne Gosciniak and Lulu Hughes, are being voted on. The one who gets the largest number of votes will compete with Mabel Cox, the senior contestant, for the final honor of presiding over the Junior-Senior banquet. The ballot boxes are in Mr. Logan's offices. It is the duty of every high school student to go and cast as many ballots as he can for his favorite candidate. College friends of the high school students are also invited to vote.

15.9.  
Discus—Martin (S), Grauchalla (M), Bauder (S). Dist. 126' 3/4".  
Two mile—C. Martin (S), Davis (S), Wiggins (S). Time 12:21.5.  
Javelin—Brown (S), Smith (S), Grauchalla (M). Distance 175' 5".  
Low hurdles—Stansell (M), Brown (S). Kurras (M). Time :30.5.  
880 yard run—Reed (S), Chandler (S), Valentine (S). Time 2:20.8.  
High jump—Tie: Watson (S) and Reeves (S), Tie, Porter (S), and Grauchalla (M). Height 5'3".  
Broad jump—Pierce (S), Stansell (M), Scharde (S). Dist. 22' 8 1/2".  
Relay—McKendree—Sparlin, Nattass, May, Saunders. Time 4.2.

# SIXTEEN GIRLS OUT FOR TRACK THIS SEASON

**BRAUN, HEWITT, CONTE AND  
STOCKLIN, STAR FOR  
FROSH**

Because of a state law, which in effect, automatically eliminates the men from taking part in the inter-scholastic meets if the women of the same school participate in the inter-scholastic activities, the Women's Physical Education department has not had much to offer its members in way of glory, but in spite of a compulsory physical education program, shorn of any merit save for a credit reward for individual superiority, the women have developed a persistent spirit for sports along with their muscles and team work.

The following reports from the freshman classes are comparable with the national records of official meets compiled by Spalding (1931-32):

**Fifty Yard Dash**  
R. Braun, 6.5 seconds.  
K. Conte, 6.7 seconds.  
J. Fulenwider, 6.8 seconds.  
K. Coffee, 7.0 seconds.  
L. Bowers, 7.5 seconds.  
W. Franklin, 7.5 seconds.  
L. Ingram, 7.5 seconds.  
E. West, 7.5 seconds.

**High Jump**  
D. Hewitt, 52 inches.  
H. Bricker, 50 inches.  
M. Nelson, 50 inches.  
L. Thurmond, 50 inches.  
R. Aikman, 50 inches.  
M. Bowers, 48 inches.  
L. Stark, 48 inches.  
W. Franklin, 48 inches.

**Basketball Throw**  
D. Stocklin, 65 feet.  
K. Conte, 60 feet.  
R. Davis, 60 feet.  
L. Lyrela, 60 feet.  
F. Phillips, 55 feet.  
L. Eckert, 50 feet.  
E. Montgomery, 50 feet.  
G. Whipkey, 50 feet.

**Baseball Throw**  
K. Conte, 155 feet.  
F. Phillips, 125 feet.  
G. Whipkey, 120 feet.  
J. Fulenwider, 120 feet.  
G. Rieman, 155 feet.  
J. Spalding, 155 feet.

The following are the records held by the group that has come out for track work this term:

	50-Yd Dis.	B.B.	H.J.
Hueting	7.3	35	
Conte	6.7	50	155
Piltz		55	120
Ledford	6.6	40	
Clark	7.6	50	90
Johnson	6.5	65	100
Hauss	6.5	30	75
Graves		40	
Keller		45	120
Brock	7.6	45	90
Shields		45	48
Schlesinger		90	46
Shavitz		60	46
Pierce		90	50
Hamilton		90	40
McLean		95	46

# Correction

In this edition of the Egyptian there is a correction to be made concerning "The Barretts of Wimpole Street." The performance, starring Katherine Cornell, will be presented at the Shubert-Rialto instead of at the American Theatre as stated in the article.

# Southerners Will Enter Quadrangular Meet at McKendree

On Friday afternoon the Southern Teachers' track team will be entered in a quadrangular meet at McKendree College, Lebanon. Three other Little 19 teams will be left on the field, namely, McKendree College, Eastern Teachers (Charleston), and Shurtleff. The Southerners have tasted victory four times this season, and, barring accidents, should find the fifth Friday.

Charleston and McKendree have engaged in one dual set-to this season, with the final score only six points in Charleston's favor. One should remember that the decisive victory of the Southerners over McKendree here last week may have been partly due to the natural advantage of a team on their own field, especially when that field has been rendered wet and sloppy from an all-day rain. Furthermore, the Southerners were in the very peak of condition. In spite of the details, it does not seem a rash assumption to suppose that the Southerners will have fairly easy going with these two schools. The strength of the Shurtleff aggregation, however, remains the unknown quantity, and although the team is not considered dangerous, one does not need to be a student of algebra to fear the theoretical "x."

The shot put affair will probably be of great interest to many, since Glenn Martin, Southern, and Big Frank Grauchalla, of the McKendree Bearcats, will have a personal matter to settle. Grauchalla beat Martin here last week by a margin of two inches, but there seems to have been a difference in the weights of the shots used, with Grauchalla unwittingly putting the lighter of the two.

# Lingle Announces Intramural Track Meet May 9, 10, 11

Coach Lingle has set the date for the first intramural track meet for the first three days of next week. An interesting feature of this meet will be the total absence of varsity and letter men in the lineup, since they will not be eligible for competition. Each and every mark set in this meet will be a record, and the winner of each event will be the college champion in the intramural class, since this will be the first intramural meet to be staged on the Southern Teachers' field.

The mile relay is the only event in the schedule that will not be on the program, but medals are to be awarded for first places in the fourteen remaining events. The Green Mill and the Higgins Jewelry Company are the donors of these medals, which are now on display in the windows of these two firms.

# LUCKY STRIKES AND GREYHOUNDS LEAD IN INTRAMURALS

**NO MARKED CHANGES OCCUR  
IN TEAM STANDING IN  
PAST WEEK**

# BULLETIN

Monday, May 2, the Greyhounds came from behind in the last inning to stage a brilliant hitting rally, and piled up seven runs to win a thriller from Lucky Strikes by the close score of 11 to 10. The Greyhounds are now leading the league in the pennant race with seven games played and seven wins to their credit, which makes them the only team in the league holding a perfect record.

With the end of the schedule less than three weeks away, the Greyhounds and Lucky Strikes continue to hold the lead in the intramural baseball tournament. Five games have been played and won by the two combinations, and they alone hold perfect records. The standings of the teams as shown below, indicate that no marked changes have been made in their relative positions during the past week:

	W	L	Pct.
Lucky Strikes	5	0	1000
Greyhounds	5	0	1000
Faculty	4	1	.800
Yanks	4	1	.800
Hiller's Hangovers	3	2	
Goobers	3	3	.500
Babbling Pyrrhoebas	2	3	.400
504 Sluggers	2	4	.333
Winx Stinx	1	3	.250
Flying Irish	1	4	.200
Big Johns	1	5	.166
Road Hogs	0	5	.000

The schedule is to end on May 27, and the results will be determined by the percentages of the various teams. Prizes are to go to the members of the winning nine.

# Maroons Entered in District Tennis Meet at Shurtleff

The Southern Teachers tennis team is getting in shape to enter the district tournament to be held at Shurtleff College on May 6-7. Five schools will be represented on the courts. They are: S. I. T. C., McKendree, Shurtleff, Carthage, and Illinois College.

Captain Stephens has selected Sinks and Springer to accompany him to Shurtleff. These men were chosen only after an elimination contest which was completed on Monday afternoon. Captain Stephens will be aided in the doubles by Springer, while both Stephens and Sinks will compete in single matches.

In the eliminations, Bailey cancelled out Pierce; Peterson took the decision from Cooke, Bailey went down before Sinks, and Peterson also had to bow to the smooth and superior style of Sinks.

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## TENTATIVE PLANS FOR SENIOR WEEK ARE ANNOUNCED

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will be excused from the term examinations.

A tentative program has been prepared, and further plans are developing for the celebration of "Senior week." As the program now exists, the "Senior Week" commences May 30 and continues through June 3. All seniors will attend for the last time regular classes Monday.

The observance of the celebration will be ushered in with a tea and a baseball game at 4:30 Monday. The Association of University Women on this campus will be hostesses to a tea for the women on the lawn of Anthony Hall. Immediately after the tea the faculty and senior men will engage in a baseball game. Monday evening the college band will present a concert in front of the gymnasium.

Tuesday will be given over to an all day outing and picnic of the senior class at the Midland Hills Country Club. Following the lunch, arrangements of the organization of the graduating class will be made.

At the chapel hour Wednesday the graduates will repair the campus sundial south of the Wheeler Library. At three o'clock Wednesday afternoon the faculty and senior men will engage in a second baseball game. The first of the spring plays, "To the Ladies," will be produced by the Socratic Literary Society in the Shryock Auditorium Wednesday evening, beginning at eight o'clock.

Thursday morning the senior will participate in a farewell tour of the campus. The chapel hour program will be in charge of the graduates. These exercises will be in the form of a "Move-up-Day" program in which the students to be elevated to a higher rank will take advanced seatings in chapel. As a major part of Thursday evening's activities the annual Alumni banquet will be held in Anthony Hall, beginning at five o'clock. Following the banquet the Zetetic Literary Society will present their play, "Outward Bound" in the Shryock Auditorium at eight o'clock.

This week's activities will be climaxed and terminated with the Commencement exercises to be held Friday. Definite arrangements of the Commencement Day program have not been announced.

## ECONOMIC CONVENTION IS SPONSORED BY Y. W. C. A.

At seven o'clock last Tuesday evening the Y. W. C. A. held an Economic convention in the Association room. The principal speaker of the evening was Miss Ruth Stevenson who addressed the audience on the subject "This Depression." A discussion of the Railroad problem followed the speech, and the group agreed that only by chewing more Wrigley gum could the "chew-chew" problem be solved. A contest in which each of the members offered a solution for the economic difficulties of the day was the next feature of the evening's program. The judges pronounced the contest a draw and the prizes consisted of lollipops for all. From the number of cookies devoured and stowed away in coat pockets, one might judge that the depression is already ended as far as the Y. W. C. A. is concerned.

Miss Faye Hart attended the meeting of the American Library Association in New Orleans last week.

## Four Delegates to Attend Press Meet at Wheaton May 7

Norman Lovellette, past editor of the Egyptian; Clarence Kirchoefer, past business manager of the paper; Elma Trieb, and Ray Heitman, the president editor and business manager of the publication, will leave Friday morning to attend the annual Illinois College Press Association convention to be held this year at Wheaton, Illinois, May 7.

The editor has not been informed of any definite arrangements, but according to tentative plans, the convention will be of highly practical value to all those attending. Regular features of the meeting will be carried out as usual with registration, group discussions, the annual banquet with a prominent newspaper man as speaker, and a business meeting. Because Chicago is but twenty-five miles from Wheaton, the delegates to the convention will have the opportunity of a trip through the Chicago Tribune plant.

Last year the convention was held at Shurtleff College, Alton, Illinois. At that time, Orville Alexander, James Stormont, Norman Lovellette, and Clarence Kirchoefer were the Egyptian delegates to the meeting.

## BACK-TO-NATURE MOVE PROGRESSES NEAR CAMPUS

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see what he can find under the bed. But, as I have said, we have about everything we need. Oh, we could use a few chairs, and any extra groceries any body might have, and we need some curtains washed." (Inasmuch as there were no curtains in evidence, the interviewee must have meant to say "some washed curtains.")

"Furthermore," said Pat, "we can offer service of various kinds. Anyone wishing to engage box-fighters can find some top-notchers here. There's Randle—you know about him, of course—and there is Black-shirt, and Swoof, and Egghed. Axley is our trainer. He makes us all get ten hours sleep at night, and to set a good example he gets fourteen hours himself."

"What other kinds of service do you offer?"

"Lots of kinds. We all do hair-cutting, housework—not homework—; we can furnish ward politicians to candidates of any party. Egghed will give dancing lessons reasonable, and Sister Axley can give vocal lessons and will tutor girls in domestic science work."

"Yes," said Pat, "life out here is really idyllic; I might say it's Utopian. Quiet is outstanding here. Calling hours are from four-thirty to six-thirty, after which a well-rounded dinner is served. We observe seven-thirty to ten-thirty as study hours, and 'lights-out' at eleven. At dawn we are all up for our morning sprint, which freshens us for our early classes.

As Pat wiped his razor on the dish towel preparatory to going to class he told me how the boys have "Cleanliness is next to Godliness" for their motto, and how harmony reigns in the woodland. "In fact," Pat concluded impressively, "in spite of Blackie Canada we haven't had a bit of racial trouble."

## S. I. T. C. TO HAVE FIRE DRILLS

With the constant increase in enrollment that the school now enjoys, it has become necessary that a break in the routine be instigated. This break comes not alone through, choice, but also necessity. In short, the authorities deem it necessary that some form of precaution should be practiced in the event of a serious fire in the Main Building. With this idea in view plans have been formulated that will reduce the hazard of loss of life and property to a minimum, should fire be discovered in the Main Building.

To date our student body has blithely carried on its functions with hardly a thought as to fire. In fact, sadly enough, many of the students, particularly freshmen, don't know that the circular fire escapes on the east side of the Main Building are really fire escapes and not laundry chutes as many suspect. One boy even thought they were a part of the gymnasium equipment. It is because of this sad ignorance on the part of the students that this new plan has been made.

After several meetings, and with the hearty consent of the Student Council, it has been decided that the school shall adopt the old-fashioned—but sane—fire drill. Each Wednesday afternoon, during the free chapel hour, all students will be required to assemble on the third floor. Signals will be given to mark the beginning of the drill. A bell shall be installed in the tower of the building. When it is struck once, all students shall arise and become rigid. On the second toll, all books shall be discarded from the body. At the sound of the third peal, a free-for-all, shall ensue, those who can get away being free to escape the melee via the fire escape. Those who are rendered unconscious shall be left to the mercy of a fire—they shall be tossed out of the window.

Owing to the large number of students the stairways are exceedingly crowded. It is for this reason that a fire drill has been thought advisable. The drill shall not consist alone of seeking personal safety, but also in combating the flames. A very efficient system of doing so has been completed. A resume of the system follows: Upon the sounding of the fire gong, all seniors will immediately assemble in the Main Building. Upon so doing, the hose that is found conveniently located in the building shall be quickly unreeled. This done, some runs to the power house for an axe. Upon his return, the implement is wielded in such a manner that the hose is cut into two-foot lengths. Each senior must then arm himself with such a piece of hose and hie to the scene of the conflagration, where he shall employ the hose to beat out the flame. This method shall undoubtedly prove a boon to fire-fighting, because it completely does away with all ruin of articles by water.

Nor does this complete the drill. In event an alarm is turned in and it proves to be false, all text books shall immediately be collected, heaped in the hall-way of the third floor, and then ignited. After fifteen minutes the seniors shall then battle the resulting blaze with therefore mentioned implements. It is hoped that no one will be base enough to turn in a false alarm, merely because he wishes to be rid of his books. We are quite certain no one shall—well, not many, anyway.

The senior class president has had the honor bestowed upon him of being Guardian of the Roost. This phrase (if it is one) simply means that he has been designated as the

## MILITARY TRAINING

In an article entitled "Warriors of the Campus," Robert Wohlforth, a West Point graduate, presents an analysis of conditions in which the R. O. T. C. operates. To the general public, the R. O. T. C. seems a part of the well-rounded university, and we of this college frequently boast that we once offered thorough courses in military training. However, Mr. Wohlforth feels that anyone who is a friend of economy and a foe of militarism is justified in doubting the worth of the R. O. T. C.

Mr. Wohlforth presents very much to the advantage of his argument the regeneration of the R. O. T. C. after the War. Its establishment was encouraged, he points out, through stressing it as "a physical trainer, a mold of character, and a fount of good citizenship." The romance of sham battles, khaki uniforms, and military parades was appealingly strong. R. O. T. C. units became immensely popular.

Equally convincing are the points Mr. Wohlforth makes in explaining what, to him, is the real danger of such training. That the R. O. T. C. offers opportunities for the physical development not found in gymnasiums is refuted by military officers as well as by physicians and educators. Concerning its claim to mold character, Mr. Wohlforth quotes Theodore Roosevelt in a statement to his son: "You would have less independence of character undergoing military training, and you would have less chance to develop the qualities . . . (of) individual initiative." According to Mr. Wohlforth, "Robert E. Lee was of the opinion that the discipline fitted to make soldiers was not best suited to qualify young men for the duties of a citizen."

The situation most to be lamented, however, is that military training has taken precedence over cultural activity. We wonder whether it is quite unnecessary for our own state university to place over a million dollars worth of military equipment at the disposal of R. O. T. C. students, when the training brings such little personal satisfaction. We wonder if it is not superfluous for universities to devote eight pages of a school catalogue to the R. O. T. C. when the English department must be satisfied with one and one-half.

one to carry out all pigeons that inhabit the tower. It would be inhumane to allow the cooing fowls to burn alive, and too, isn't the odor of burning feathers nauseous?

Of course the plan has not been concluded in great detail. Minor changes will be made as revealed necessary when the drills take place. One thing may be counted upon as a permanent feature, however, and that is that upon the sounding of the alarm, all students, no matter in what building they be—even the Cafe—must immediately assemble upon the third floor of the Main Building. The other buildings being fire-proof, it is not necessary to hold drills in them. The tocsin shall be given by means of a dinner bell being sounded in Anthony Hall.

## RIDING STABLES ARE OPENED BY E. D. BARNES

A great number of students and faculty members have been taking full advantage of the riding opportunities recently offered by the Carbondale Riding Stables, owned by Mr. E. D. Barnes. The stables are located off the campus directly west of the Wheeler Library.

At the present time Mr. Barnes owns three five-gaited horses, two of which are registered. He plans to add several more horses to the stables within a very short time.

The riding fee is seventy-five cents for the first hour and fifty cents for each additional hour. Horses can be taken out as early as five o'clock in the morning.

Mr. Barnes has extended an invitation to all students and faculty members interested in horses to inspect the stables and horses.

## Faculty

Dr. Kellogg and Miss Van Trump spent the week end in St. Louis. Miss Julia Chastaine went to Omaha, Nebraska Friday to visit at the home of Dr. H. C. Miller.

Mrs. Mary Roberts Scott of Chicago was the guest of her daughter, Martha last week. Mrs. Scott returned to her home Friday afternoon. Sunday, May 1, the A. A. U. W. held their annual May breakfast at the Roberts Hotel.

During the past week Dr. R. L. Beyer delivered two addresses. One was made before the meeting of the Baptist Men's Association of the First Baptist church at Carbondale. The other was made before the Federation of Women's Clubs at Harrisburg.

There is a great demand in East Central field in the field of foreign language. This statement is verified by the fact that the enrollment is heavy in that field. There are 110 students enrolled in Spanish, 55 enrolled in French, and 30 enrolled in Latin.—East Central State Teachers College.



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