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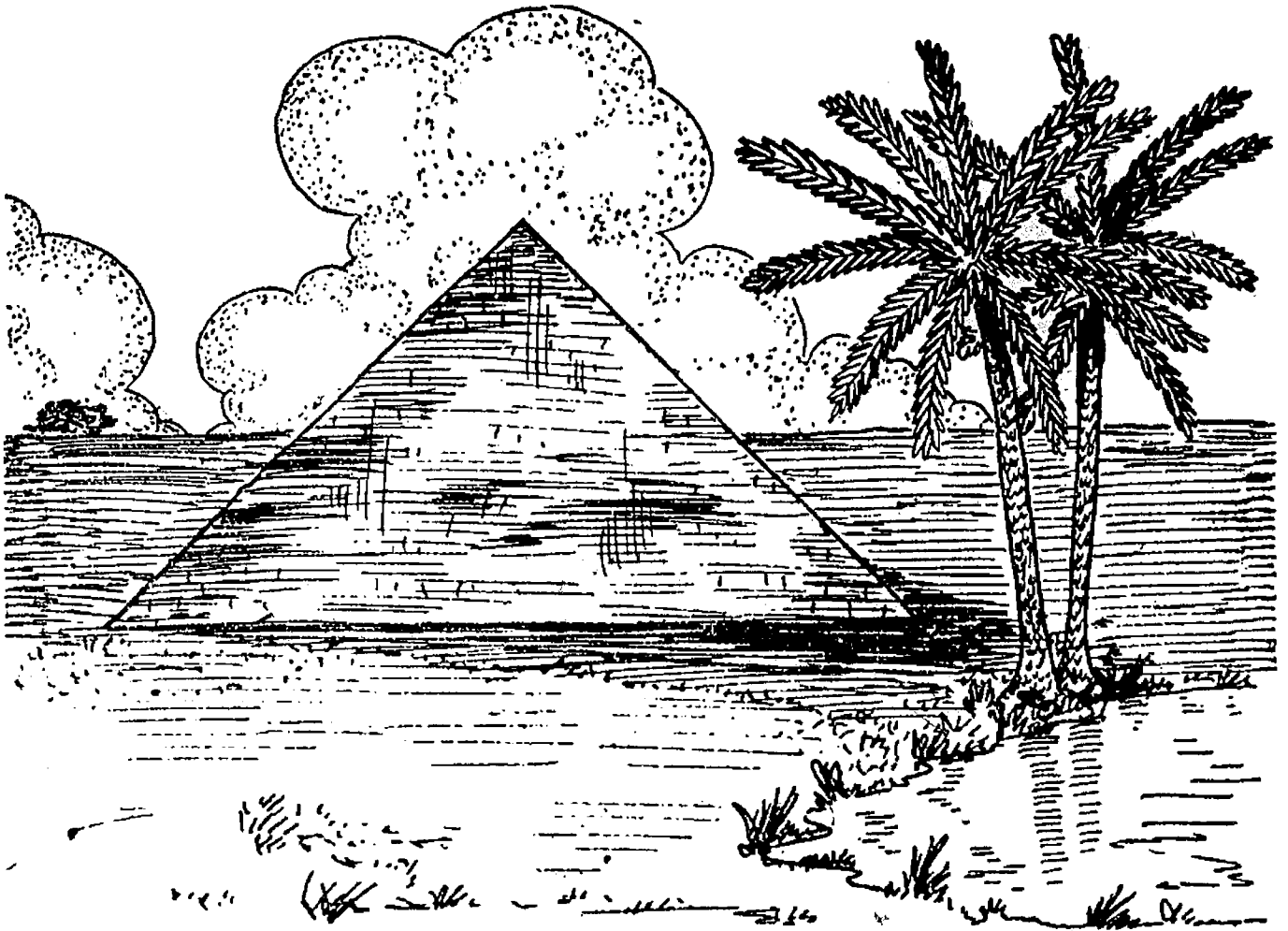
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County Superintendents' Conference

State Supt. Francis G. Blair, according to custom, called the county superintendents of this portion of the state to meet with him and the heads of the different departments in his administrative work on January 22 and 23. The meeting was held in the Zetetic hall in the Library building.

The new community high school law was discussed from the standpoint of the legal and technical questions arising under it. Perhaps no law ever passed in the interest of public education since the principle was first established was more far-reaching than this. It is a splendid law and it is to be earnestly hoped that the Supreme Court will find no fault with it. Many other subjects were also discussed.

State Superintendent Blair made a very instructive and inspiring talk at the chapel exercises on the second day of their session. He pointed out the valuable returns in the way of adding happiness to life by one spending his leisure time in storing up information from both an aesthetic and practical point of view.

Supt. Blair also introduced the members of his official staff. The following were present: Assistant State Superintendents W. J. Hoffman and W. S. Booth of Springfield, A. L. Whittenberg of Spring-

field, secretary State Examining Board; R. O. Clarrida of Springfield, secretary State Teachers' Pension Board; and Geo. Hunt, Springfield, statistician and legal adviser, office of state superintendent.

Mr. Blair introduced the county superintendents to the faculty and the student body by many amusing anecdotes, and their visit to the chapel exercises was enjoyed immensely by everyone. Those in attendance at the conference were:

Chas. F. Lee of Jefferson.
Lee A. Friend of Washington.
Chas. Mossberger of White.
Laura I. Milford of Alexander.
Emma Rebmon of Johnson.
May S. Hawkins of Pulaski.
Chas. O. Otrich of Union.
W. C. Heyl of Monroe.
W. A. Thrasher of Marion.
Grant Balding of Edwards.
G. Lewis of Clay.
E. B. Brooks of Jasper.
O. F. Aken of Jackson.
J. W. McKinney of Williamson.
W. A. Hough of St. Clair.
H. F. McCrea of Madison.
Co. Supt. Athey of Crawford.
Co. Supt. Scott of Green.
Co. Supt. Bright of Clark.

State Normal Board Meeting.

The State Board of Trustees for the Illinois State Normal Schools held a meeting here on Monday, January 21. It was attended by the trustees, State Superintendent Blair, the ex-officio secretary, and Dr. F. W. Shepardson, of Chicago, the ex-officio president of the board and head of the State Department of Registration and Education, also by the president of each of the other normal schools in the state, namely: Pres. Lord, of Charleston; Pres. Felmy, of Normal; Pres. Cook, of DeKalb; Pres. Morgan, of Macomb; and Pres. Shryock, of Carbondale.

There are nine members on the State Board, as follows: James Stanley Brown, of Joliet; Leroy A. Goddard, State Bank of Chicago, Chicago; William B. Owen, 370 North Normal Parkway, Chicago; Frank E. Richey, LaSalle; Henry A. Neal, Charleston; Elmer T. Walker, Macomb; Roland E. Bridges, Carbondale; Charles L. Owen, Bloomington; and John C. Allen, Monmouth.

After a short preliminary talk by Mr. Shryock, Dr. Shepardson made an excellent address at the chapel exercises. He talked on patriotic ideals and the present war. "We must have confidence in the past, and faith in the future." Dr. Shepardson said "and in a world of freedom for which we are fighting, nations must be governed by the people, and have a right in the choosing of their destinies." Dr. Shepardson formerly held the chair of American History at Chicago University.

The meeting of the trustees is an annual meeting, one being held at each normal each year. Roland E. Bridges, of Carbondale, and L. A. Goddard, of Chicago, are the trustees who represent the Southern Illinois Normal.

Among the important things that came up before the board was the proposition of the standardization and unification for the schools; that the faculty organization should be changed and a plan adopted by which faculty members would be known

in their respective positions, according to the system used by large universities. There will be heads of departments, professors, assistant professors, and instructors, if the plan is perfected. Another matter decided by the board was, that beginning with the next biennium, the length of the school year will be thirty-six weeks, with a summer session of six weeks.

TEACHERS' CERTIFICATES.

Facts That Every Normal Student Should Know.

You can not teach in the public schools of Illinois outside of Chicago with a certificate of qualifications granted either by a county superintendent of schools or by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Probably every teacher now in the normal school must begin with a certificate issued by a county superintendent.

County superintendents of schools may issue county elementary certificates of three grades, county high-school certificates, county supervisors certificates, special certificates of domestic science, manual training, and kindergarten primary certificates.

County superintendents may issue certificates to four classes of persons:

1. To persons who have completed one or more years of work in a recognized normal school or other higher institution offering acceptable equivalent courses.
2. To persons who have passed the examination given by the State Examining Board.
3. To persons who have tried this examination and failed. Such certificates are called provisional certificates and may be issued only when qualified teachers can not be found for the schools and then for not over 10 per cent of the schools of the county.
4. To people not belonging to group 1 who have

been employed at a time which makes an examination impossible before they begin to teach. Such certificates are called emergency certificates and are good only until the next examination.

Normal students who wish to teach next year will fall into one of the first two classes. If they expect to get a certificate by examination they must prepare to take the examination in March or in July. If they expect to get a certificate by institutional credits they must make application to the Registrar preferably several weeks before leaving school. If the Registrar finds that the student has the necessary credits and has carried Spelling she will fill out two institutional credit blanks exhibiting the high school and normal school and college record of the applicant. These two papers are sent to Springfield and if approved one is returned to the applicant at the postoffice address indicated on the application.

It is now the duty of the applicant to take this approved institutional credit blank to the county

superintendent of the county in which she proposes to teach. If the applicant be a normal school graduate the county superintendent of schools must issue to her a first grade elementary certificate or such other certificate as is provided for by the application. If the applicant has completed the junior year in the normal school she may, at the option of the county superintendent, receive a second-grade elementary certificate. If the applicant has completed two years of normal work or two years of high school work and one additional year of normal school work she may, at the option of the county superintendent, receive a third-grade elementary certificate.

Page twelve of the catalog summarizes the certifying law. A full statement of the law may be consulted in Mr. Shryock's office where may be found also the rules made by the State Examining Board.—From the Vidette:



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CALENDAR FOR MARCH 1918.

- March 1—Enter the Lion!
March 1-2—Little Nineteen Conference Tournament at Peoria.
March 29—Winter Term closes. (Tears)
March 31—Exit Lamb.

THE TOURNAMENT

We were much disappointed when we heard that the Southern Illinois Basket Ball Tournament was not to be held here this year. The Egyptian staff had its own special reason for being disappointed. We had expected to make a profit of about \$50 on the tournament programs which would be very acceptable to brighten the magazine with pictures.

Also we feel that the school loses much advertising by this change. Many students of the various high schools of this end of the state gather here at this event. As it is now, the county organizations must be put to gather service to get students.

In spite of this disappointment, we feel with many others of the student body that the faculty know the benefits of as well as the objections to the tournament and we trust that their decision was for the best.

OUR TEAMS

For many years students have continued to come here from other schools and had more or less pride in coming from their respective schools. At the basket ball tournaments and the track meets of previous years, this spirit of school pride has been noticeable among the high school graduates in the Normal.

Of late the Normal has been playing teams from colleges where some of our students have previously attended. At some of these games, some people have had to choose between their old school and their new. Many have fallen by the wayside and have chosen the old. We who have never attended any other school do not realize fully what a crisis these people are up against. However, there should be just one decision in such a case—the NORMAL everytime. You may not know the fellows on the S. I. N. U. team but it's as much your team as it is mine. A person who is not for us and yells for our opponents, is not pulling and pushing for a better Normal. Let's remember it is OUR team, not Coach Warren's that is battling for US.

OUR EXCHANGE LIST.

The exchange editor for the Northern Illinois of DeKalb Normal makes this criticism of the Egyptian:

"The Egyptian", State Normal School, Carbondale, Ill. Howdy, fellow school. You surely have a healthy organization department. One or two good looking cuts and a few jokes would improve your paper. Congratulations on being peppy enough to have a football team."

OUR EXCHANGES.

"The Carthage Collegian" of Carthage, Ill. We are glad to hear another school in the Little Nineteen Conference. We are glad to see that you have annual contests to encourage literary students of your school.

"The Vidette" of Normal, Ill. We are always glad to get the Weekly Vidette. You have several good articles, one of which we take the liberty of copying.

"Tempe Normal Student" of Tempe, Ariz. You've a good basket ball team. Also we are glad to see that your girls' team has somebody to play with. This is what discouraged our girls, because there were only two teams in this end of the state.

"The Maroon and White" of Havana, Ill. High School has quite an interesting history of Illinois.

"The Thorntonite" of Harvey Ill. You have quite a few good editorials.

ATHLETICS

CARBONDALE-CHARLESTON

Eastern Illinois Goes Down to Defeat Before Fast S. I. N. U. Five. Score 22-18

ETHERTON PLAYS GREAT GAME.

S. I. N. U.'s ever improving basket ball team played its best game of the season here on Friday, Feb. 1, when it defeated Charleston's strong five by a 22-18 score. Charleston entered the game with a certain amount of prestige having defeated Millikin in a fast game. Local enthusiasts, however, were confident that Charleston would have to turn out some awful scrappy ball to beat Coach Warren's combination. Charleston didn't disappoint anybody by their playing, and would have undoubtedly won but for Etherton's fast playing.

Fred Etherton played his first competitive basket ball under Coach Warren, then High School principal, in 1913. His speed seemed to indicate that forward was the position that he was best fitted to play. He was a regular part of the season of 1913-14 when U. High's great basket ball talent was being developed. The next year the presence of such players as Goddard, Hesler and Pabst in school, kept him off the team, though he made all the trips as substitute and played in several games. The season of 1915-16 found him a regular, playing a good game at forward. He graduated that year from high school so the next fall enlisted in Mac's Normal bunch. He started the season with a lot of speed and kept his place all year, though it was apparent that he did not fit in the position he was playing. Last fall he switched to standing guard and has steadily improved until he reached his heights in the Charleston game. The veteran of three district tournaments and two state tournaments, he never shone to better advantage than on this occasion. Now to the game itself. All this has been in tribute to a fellow who has tried and tried and made good.

The annual senior faculty game was played first. A line-up of experts including such stars for the faculty as Warren, Lee, Boomer, Piper and Cisne, and for the seniors, Carr, Colyer, Pixlee, Warren,

and Kimpling, had a long and bitter engagement in which the seniors emerged victorious. The half of the faculty game was in the nature of a burlesque in which Jerry Raincoat Pierce, Shorty Watkins and Lady Goldena took the leading parts. Major William Troy Felts of the Two Hundred and Fifty Thousandth Illinois Royal Sharpshooters, refereed sword in hand, to the complete satisfaction of the audience. After the game he was asked to whom he awarded the decision and he replied that since, in his opinion Frank Moran was the best fighter in the game, the victory undoubtedly belonged to the Spanish Armada.

At the close of the vaudeville performance S. I. N. U. and Charleston engaged in bitter strife on the Gym. floor. Charleston took the lead after a few minutes but were passed when Pabst loosened up some of his speed and Carbondale seized a permanent margin. The first half closed with the score 12-8 in Carbondale's favor. More speed from this same Pabst and closer guarding by Baker and Etherton ran the score in the second half to 22-14. Then Charleston hit two and the game closed with score 22-18.

Charleston's teamwork was the best seen on the local floor this year. In spite of this Charleston got scarcely an honest-to-goodness chance to score. Their goals were all long goals and while clever, were more or less lucky and unpreventable. Huffman got a long shot that brought the audience to its feet. Baker's aggressive guarding undoubtedly did its part in keeping Charleston's score down. Carter was the man who worked with Pabst in getting the ball down the field and scoring the goals. The two Fred's were, however, without any question the heroes of the game and people are now so used to the fast floor work of one of them that it needs no comment. The other has been mentioned above.

A DOUBLE VICTORY

Normal beat Cape Girardeau in a fast game on Friday, Feb. 5th. The game, while not particularly distinctive for good basket ball, was full of thrills from start to finish. Normal's teamwork was below standard but this merely kept our score down and made the game more interesting.

Normal was slow in starting and it was some minutes before the fears of the audience were dismissed. This has been one outstanding weakness of every game the Normal has played this year with one possible exception. It takes about ten minutes of the first half for the fellows to warm up and then perhaps ten minutes more to get any teamwork. Pabst and Carter soon started hitting the basket and then it was easy.

Once in a while Capé Girardeau would start a rally which livén things up a little. Another item of interest was the fast work of Pabst which "time and time again brought the audience to its feet with thrills of delight." The final score was 30-15.

One of the largest crowds of the season attended and long and loud was the cheering thereof. Commy lead the yells and distinguished himself. Nine rahs for Commy "to show him we appreciate it."

Normal Lineup

F. Pabst.
F. Huffman.
C. Carter.
G. Etherton.
G. Baker (Capt).

The Next Night!

Normal duplicated her victory with a similar score, 48-25. The game was not so close as the previous night because Carbondale was plainly in better form. The team's passing was the best seen on the local floor this year though the guarding was not so close. Carter was in the boom that made him the idol of the local fans back in 1915. He shot baskets almost at will and was the big scorer of the game. Pabst's fighting spirit kept things moving all the time and in addition to being the pivot man in Normal's passing he managed to shoot enough goals to keep up his reputation.

Another big crowd attended, the band played, as usual, and Milford refereed. These three things seem to be all the fashion at Normal games this year—the band, a big crowd, and Milford. We haven't had a game without 'em yet.

Normal Lineup.

F. Pabst.
F. Huffman.
C. Carter.
G. Etherton.
G. Baker (Capt).

NORMAL WINS TWICE FROM CAPE GIRARDEAU

The normal basket ball team won two hard games from Cape Girardeau Normal at Cape Girardeau on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 8 and 9. The scores were 23-16, and 21-16.

The small size of the Cape floor and the low ceiling made it difficult for the locals to show the superiority which was manifest against the same opponents here at Carbondale.

Cape Girardeau fought hard to even up her two previous defeats on the Carbondale floor but the Chow Me Boys' aggressiveness could not batter down the team work of the Maroons.

Milford of Washington University, St. Louis, officiated in both games to the satisfaction of all.

Cape Girardeau drew first blood in the Friday night game, Klaus registering a free throw, Pabst evened it up immediately. Klaus dropped in two more free throws. Doolin, playing for the first time in the regular team, got the first basket of the game. Pabst missed a free throw. Carter shot a free throw, then missed one. Klaus missed one. Dearmont shot three long baskets in succession and the Cape crowd went wild. Pabst missed a free throw then got one. Carter dropped in a ringer. Pabst scored again on a free trial. Crecelius scored a basket ending the half with the score 11-8 for Cape.

Fast opened the second half with a ringer. Klaus got a ringer, then Pabst shot two free throws. Klaus missed two. Carter dropped in two nice baskets. Pabst missed a free trial, Klaus scored one. Pabst followed with one. Huffman, taking Doolin's place got a basket. Klaus repeated then Pabst got two ringers in succession and Normal had beaten Cape 23-16.

Carbondale got off in the lead in the second game and maintained a slight edge throughout. Klaus missed a free throw to start then Pabst and Carter got baskets. Klaus missed another free trial. Dearmont got a basket and a free throw. Pabst missed one, as did Dearmont, Carter got one. Doolin got two baskets in rapid order. Dearmont registered one point, then Klaus missed one. Dearmont dropped in another free one, Carter got a basket, then Dearmont missed a free trial. The first half was 11-6 for Carbondale.

Dearmont began the second half with a basket,

then Carter got two screamers from the field. Klaus missed a free throw. Burford got another ringer. Pabst and Carter got baskets. Dearmont got a two point counter. Klaus got a free one then Captain Baker ended. Score 21-16 for Carbondale.

Summary of first game:

Carbondale (23)

	B	F	P	T
Pabst, L. F.	3	6	0	3
Doolin, ... F.	1	0	2	0
Carter, C.	3	1	1	0
Baker, G.	0	0	0	0
Etherton, G.	0	0	1	0
Huffman, R. F.	1	0	0	0

Cape (16)

Klaus, L. F.	2	4	1	1
Dearmont, R. F.	3	0	1	0
Winkler, C.	0	0	1	0
Norvell, G.	0	0	2	1
Kimmick, G.	0	0	0	0
Crececius, C.	1	0	2	0
Sutterfield, C.	0	0	1	0
Hartle, R. F.	0	0	0	0
Free throws missed—Pabst 3, Carter 1, Klaus 3.				

Summary of second game:

Carbondale (21)

	B	F	P	T
Pabst, L. F.	2	0	2	1
Doolin, R. F.	2	0	0	1
Carter, C.	5	1	2	0
Baker, G.	1	0	1	1
Etherton, G.	0	0	1	1
Huffman, R. F.	0	0	0	0

Cape (16)

Klaus, L. F.	1	1	0	0
Dearmont, R. F.	3	3	0	0
Burford, C.	2	0	1	0
Norvell, G.	0	0	0	0
Kimmick, G.	0	0	1	0
Crececius, C.	0	0	0	0
Winkler, R. F.	0	0	0	0
Free throws missed—Pabst 1, Klaus 4, Dearmont 2.				

ANOTHER VICTORY

Normal Adds Another to her String of Victories.

* * * * *		
* E. I. N. U.	30	*
* McKENDREE	18	*
* * * * *		

Normal defeated McKendree on the local floor on Friday, Feb. 15 by a 30-18 score. This was the first time McKendree had been beaten by the locals here in eight years. The class of ball the

Normal five has been playing this year is such that it is but commonplace to have them defeat teams of traditional strength.

The game was exceptionally well attended a fact due no doubt to the announcement which was made concerning the band being there. By the way, some thought the band was to play in Chapel but they were disappointed. Milford referred the game. So many technical fouls were called on the slightest pretext, that the game was slowed up, but outside of this the officiating was satisfactory.

Normal took the lead and while threatened never were seriously troubled to keep the lead. The first half closed 12-11 in Normal's favor after some spectacular work by Doolin, who was playing his first game before the local fans. Doolin's speed is a big asset to the team and under Coach Warren's guidance will probably develop into a star of the first magnitude.

Pabst and Baker did some sensational shooting in the second half and brought the score up to 30-18. Etherton kept up his fast work and was one of the bright lights of the game. The team's playing was not so satisfactory as in the Charleston game though their easier rivals may account partly for the falling off.

NORMAL TROUNCES DU QUOIN.

Fast Normal Five Runs Over Du Quoin "All Star" Aggregation by a 88-16 Score—Pabst Made 44 Points.

Normal's basketball team showed still further improvement by literally squelching the Du Quoin Grads by a 88-16 score. The Du Quoin Grad Club, made up of basketball players formerly in DuQuoin High School, has what has been considered the strongest collection of basketball talent in this end of the state and a victory over them is quite a feather in any team's cap. Of course, three stars were missing from the Du Quoin's line-up and while this accounts in part for our big score, still no sane-minded spectator would honestly say that DuQuoin, even with Harrell, Willi and Pierce, could have stopped the Normal bunch the way they were going.

The game was played in the gym on Friday, February 22, at 8:15 p. m. Prior to the game the band, clowning up in funny costumes, gave a musical entertainment, mostly entertainment and not much music. Numbers of the spectators were more or less comically or artistically attired and the whole

evening's program, particularly the game itself, was in the nature of a comedy.

Normal just took the lead and by the end of the half ran the score to 28-6. Then came the heart-breaking and soul-rending second half when Normal was averaging a field goal every 40 seconds. The score went up and up and still Carbon-dale kept its speed and pep. After the first ten minutes of the first half Farmer and Blanchard, the two members of the team with big reputations, quit under the strain of impending defeat and loafed through the rest of the game. To have looked at them one would have thought that they were bewildered by the fast passing and scoring of the local five and couldn't collect their wits.

Normal's team work was superfine in spots. All the old-fashioned conservatives who dote on fast

passing and short shots were mightly pleased by Normals showing. There was less of the one-man stuff, grandstanding, than usually and that may have been the secret of the big score. To be sure Pabst alone made 44 points but his baskets were short ones and were the result of some clever passing in almost every case. Doolin came next in the scoring with 18 points and after him Huffman, Baker and Etherton. These five players the entire game and seemed to be just about as fast a combination as the Normal ever turned out. The team is going to make good in the State tournament and give some team a good hard run for the title. Milford refereed and was pretty hard on the players for two-stepping but gave satisfaction. The attendance was good and the officials wish to thank every one that attended for helping the team make expenses.



ORGANIZATIONS

OFFICERS OF COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE WINTER TERM 1918.

Counties—

ALEXANDER—Andrew Lefever, pres; Leonard Mowery, sec'y; Geo. A. Vaughn, reporter.

CLAY—Von McKnelly, pres; Lera Gharst, vice president.

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GALLATIN—Paul Foster, pres; Garland Holland, sec'y; Madeline Mitchell, reporter.

HAMILTON—F. C. Hood, pres; Anna Burton, vice; Anna Reeve, sec'y.

JACKSON—(a) City of Carbondale, Leo Hickman, pres; Edna Butcher, vice; Mabel McGuire, Sec'y. (b) Carbondale Rural Routes, Mary Batson, president; Roy Turner, sec'y. (c) Away from Carbondale, P. O.

MASSAC—Alma Allgier, pres; John H. Meyer, vice pres; Mary Bremer, sec'y; Bessie Fullmer, reporter.

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JEFFERSON—William Watkins, pres; Edith Hails, vice; Fern McDonald, sec'y; Marie Young, reporter.

WABASH—Mary Harvick, pres; Levi Sutherland, vice; John Collins, sec'y.

The Southern Illinois International Organization of tin can musicians held its regular meeting at 700 Illinois Avenue Wednesday, February the 7th.

This is a new, but rising orchestra, and we think it will soon have the reputation of Sousa's Band.

The latest number played by the orchestra is the "Irresistable Rag" which other new selections are "Turkey in the Straw," "Red Wing," and "Casey Jones". The latest achievement is the first two lines of the S. I. N. U. song.

The conductors of which there are two, are Mr. Bernard Lollar and William Johnston. One to keep time with his head and the other with his feet.

Members of the orchestra and their various instruments are as follows:

Maurice Robertson—Champion bone player.

Hobart Sitter—Professional banjoist.

Clyde Casper—Solo violinist, second Mischa Elman.

Luty Hawkins—world renown mandolin player.

Elmer Hicks—The angelic harp player.

Josie Bruner—The pied piper of Carbondale.

Bernard Lollar—Rival of Bruner on the fife.

Wm. Johnston—The world's wonder on the guitar.

Anyone wishing to join this orchestra must be able to play "Home, Sweet Home" so that the tune could be recognized.

SENIOR COLUMN

It is reported that Ina Steele, of Murphysboro, will enter the Normal in the spring term to be a member of this class and also a graduate. She is teaching at the present time.

Troy Hawkins and Wendell Perkins have departed from school for Champaign where they entered the ground school of aviators. Troy left on Monday Feb. 4th while Wendell went on the 15th. Their friends here wish them much success.

A dire calamity has befallen the senior class in the absence of Edward J. Miles, Jr., and especially the Egyptian staff for which he is stenographer, also the Obelisk staff. "Shorty" has developed a

case of scarlet fever which will necessitate his absence for an indefinite length of time. Last term he had to be out of school for a while because of chicken pox. His friends extended their best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Gladys Morse accepted a position in the Hurst school recently where she will teach History and English in the high school and also have several classes in the grades. She is taking the place of Winnie Free, who graduated from here last year and who is giving up her position to get married. Gladys will be missed very greatly from the senior class, Zetetic society, Y. W. C. A., Obelisk staff and basket ball team. She will re-enter school the mid-spring term to finish with the class of 1918.

The senior social in the gymnasium on Saturday evening, Feb. 9th, was a big success. The committee appointed, namely: Herschel Whittaker, Emmitt Hinchcliff, Ferne McDonald, Josephine Galvin, and Lita Hindman, carried out their plans to perfection. Various games and amusements were enjoyed while the refreshments consisted of hot chocolate and wafers. Mr. Felts was chaperone. This party has been the first social affair held this year by the senior class.

The first of the inter-class games by the senior teams was played on Friday, Feb. 8th, with the Sophomores. The girls won their game by a score of 6-2 but the game had been forfeited to them since the sophomores did not have enough of their team out and used players from other classes.

The boys' game was lost to the sophomores by a score of 13 to 9, the steadier third year team showing its efficiency by emerging as victors. More practice for our team and they will put up a very creditable showing.

At a meeting held at 4:15 p. m. on Wednesday, Jan. 30th, which consisted of many hot discussions and free-for-all speeches, it was decided to wear caps and gowns during commencement week. There was no "filabustering around," to use Archie Whitlock's expression, in voting upon the question, which also agreed with the request of Mr. Shryock to decide at once and not to follow last year's example. The class voted almost unanimously in favor of the caps and gowns, only one or two being bitterly opposed to them.

Florence Malott, or "Polly" is taking Gladys Morse's place on the girls' basket ball team. The girls make a plea for your support at all times when the games are taking place. Come out and help boost the team, thereby helping them win the inter-class championship. Marguerite Blatter will have charge of the team.

The annual Senior Faculty game took place Friday night, Feb. 1st. The whole thing seemed a big farce and furnished such amusement for everyone

that no one thought much about keeping score, but the seniors seemed to have the upper hand when it came to making baskets in both halves.

The regular senior team played the first half while a team composed of persons who had never played basket ball before, played the second half. It consisted of Herschel Whittaker, Emmitt Hinchcliff, Witt Venerable, Ford Messamore, and Shorty Watkins, as center, vs. Prof. Gilbert. That alone was a big joke while the newly invented rules of Prof. Felts, referee, seemed to cap the climax.

Roy Hall has enlisted in the aviation service and departed from school about the 15th of February. His position on the Obelisk staff as editor has been taken by J. Emmitt Hinchcliff. Roy's services in all lines of work which he undertakes are of such value and quality that he will be greatly missed in the various phases of school life.

Randolph County

At a meeting of the Randolph county organization on Tuesday Feb. 5th, it was decided to re-elect the same officers for the winter term, namely: Pres. Ella Gerlach; vice pres. Mary Khurtz; sec'y. Ira Beare; treas. Loretta Gerlach. The enrollment during the present term is greater than at any previous time, and the organization has fair prospects of growing larger steadily in the future. Help boost Randolph!

There are twenty students enrolled this term, an increase of two over last term. Just two students did not return who were here the fall term, while four new people enrolled, making the attendance the largest ever for Randolph county.

At a joint meeting of the following counties: Washington, Clay, Edgingham, Clinton and Randolph it was decided to have a social in the gym. A committee on arrangements was appointed consisting of one member from each county. Naturally the congenial crowd from the five counties represented speaks for itself when it comes to having a good time.

Jefferson County

There are very few times in our life when we are glad to hear that the trains are late. But Jan. 31st was such a time for it gave Co. Supt. Lee time to attend a meeting of our club and make us a talk. He spoke of the good work that is being done in the schools of Jefferson county by former S. I. N. U. students.

We were also favored with the presence of Supt. Thrasher of Marion county and Mr. W. O. Brown. They made us short but interesting talks. Mr. Brown gave the following suggestion that will serve as a good motto for anyone: "Be a booster."

"Do the duty nearest you;" and, "Roll the nearest log."

Uncle Sam says Archie Whitlock and Shorty (Wm.) Watkins, our president, are both good men. They are now awaiting their call to service.

Herman Duncan writes from San Antonio that he thinks Uncle Sam is a good boss. He has experienced one sand storm, which aside from the novelty had not much to recommend it to him.

THE Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. C. A. has been having some very helpful and instructive meetings the past month.

January, the twenty-second, Mr. Boomer gave an interesting talk on "Service." We have had several addresses on "Service" heretofore, but his message left a distinct impression on us of the importance of little service contributed rather for joy, than for fame, honor, riches, etc. A goodly number were present and a large number of new names were proposed for membership.

The next meeting, January, the twenty-ninth, brought us a message of our connection with the war. Miss Foote spoke on "The War Activities of the Y. W. C. A." All of us were glad to hear the humorous and pathetic stories which the Y. W. C. A. girls and women are experiencing in the hostess houses. Miss Mattie Johnston furnished the special music for this meeting.

On February, the fifth, a very fitting recognition talk for our new members was given by our president, Miss Mae Floyd. Miss Floyd told us what the Y. W. C. A. means to its older members, and gave us a clearer insight into some of the work of our organization.

At our last meeting, February the twelfth, Miss Gubelman addressed us. She told us tersely, and impressively of our duty as willing missionaries I am sure, that each of us felt a keener sense of our responsibilities as true missionaries, after hearing her address. Miss Emily Vansickle rendered an appropriate piano solo at this meeting.

Miss Gladys Morse, vice president, had charge of the meeting. She has accepted a position in the high school at Hurst, Ill., and will not be with us for some time. We will miss her, for she has been a steadfast and loyal friend of the Y. W. C. A. We wish her well in her new field of work and hope to have her back with us again.

Washington County

The Washington county organization has had a meeting and the following officers were elected: Marie Griese, president; Pearl Huck, vice president;

and Emma Torrens, secretary and treasurer.

We had thirteen students from our county last term but as two did not return and one new one came in, we now have only twelve.

The students from our county have also met with the following other county organizations: Clay, Clinton, Effingham, and Randolph. The purpose of this meeting was to plan a joint social which was given in the gym. the 16th of February.

Alexander County.

(Geo. A. Vaughn, Rep.)

The students from Alexander county met February 4, and organized for the winter term.

The following officers were elected:

President—Andrew Lefever.

Secretary and Treasurer—Leonard Mowery.

Reporter—Geo. A. Vaughn.

Practically all the students from Alexander county are back for this term and several who were not here the Fall term. We have four Mowerys here for this term.

One of our number, Emily Van Sickle, is a Senior and will graduate with the present class.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. has been having some splendid meetings and a fairly good attendance, with an average of twenty-five present for the last four meetings.

On January 22, Mr. Peterson told us of the Characteristics and Conditions of life of the Russian people as he knew them.

On January 29, we were favored with a talk from Mr. Wham. Those who have heard him speak know something of what we enjoyed. His subject was "Getting the most out of life" and under the four subtopics of health, work, leisure and service he gave us a talk which was not only very instructive and uplifting, but also intensely interesting.

On February 5, Mr. Felts, taking Nehemiah as his example, showed how the work of the world depends to a large extent on the young men, and especially so at the present time when the young men of America and her allies are fighting to uphold the principles and teachings of Jesus Christ.

At our next meeting Mr. McFarlane, the pastor of the Christian church, talked about the right kind of character to build up, and showed how the character of individuals determine the character of nations.

There are many boys in school who are missing these heart to heart talks of men with experience and training to young men just starting out in life's

work. It is certainly one of the parts of the school life that students can least afford to miss, and instead of getting behind in our school work we have found that after an hour of being together with other earnest young men, and listening to something worth while, we have been able to go back home and study much better than before.

There has been several additions to the Bible study class, and the interest is strong. Hinduism, Buddhism, Tavism, Confusianism, and Shintoism are the religions we have taken up thus far and compared, or rather contrasted with Christianity, for Christianity is not to be compared with any of them. We would like to have many more students meeting with us in the work. Remember the time, Thursday afternoon the eighth hour in Association Hall.

AGRICULTURE CLUB.

Greater interest is being taken in club work this term than during the fall term. With an increased membership of ten, making a total of twenty-four, we have enough to make every program interesting and instructive. The limited membership itself is an advantage to the members as they appear on the program more often, thereby getting practical experience, which they cannot secure in their regular studies.

The new program committee should be complimented on the good programs they have arranged this term. Instead of choosing unrelated subjects for each program, they have been choosing a general subject subdividing it so that each member on the program discusses some particular phase of the general subject. Some of the general subjects discussed this term were silos, horses, swine, and dairy cattle.

The present officers of the Ag. Club are as follows:

President—Clifford Harvey.
 Vice President—Verna Mowery.
 Sec. and Treas.—Everett Burroughs.
 Critic—Earl Holt.
 Usher—Jack Bunch.

KEEP A-GOIN'!

"If you strike a thorn or rose,
 Keep a-goin'!
 If it hails or if it snows,
 Keep a-goin'!
 'Taint no use to sit and whine
 When the fish ain't on your line;
 Bait your hook and keep on tryin'—
 Keep a-goin'!

Mamie Lofton—"Has anyone seen Luny Hawkins (Luty) today?"

Pappy—"Do you think you could be true to one man for a lifetime?"

Ruth—"I surely could, but not to the same man".

Mark Twain might wear white evening clothes,
 And have society foller
 But Dow wears his pants rolled up
 To have his striped socks holler.

Ruby K. says nothing pleases her better than old fashioned "Holland".

Katie M. (wistfully) Let's go ask him if we can go.

Mr. Smith in Roman History: Appius Claudius tried to lessen the strength of the what might be called codfish aristocracy.

Student: Then the Plebians or what might be called tunafish aristocracy were strengthened weren't they?

Mr. Boomer: Now direct your eyes at an angle of 45 degrees. Gail where are you looking?

Gail Creager: (dreaming) Nowhere.

Florence Ayre received a letter recently from a soldier boy who informed her that he was Chief Mess Sergeant in his company. When Florence read it she came rushing into the room where the bunch was and exclaimed: "I am chief Mess Sergeant of this company."

Why did Laren Spurlock have to pay 3 cents extra postage on the letter she received on Feb. 11, 1918? Ask her.

Mr. Boomer: How long has it been since Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt?

Student: Forty years.

Girl student: Here, you girls are getting too thick.

Lucile Wiley: Oh, I've been thick all my life.

Ray Pixley (in Astronomy): The earth was once thought to be a cube which was longer than it was wide.

"Booker, do you shave?"

"Yes, twice a week."

"Twice a month is all that is necessary."

Jim to Harry C—"I heard that you took supper at the dormitory Friday night."

Harry—"No, I got there in time but I went back to the library and waited until supper was over then I called again.

SINCE THEY STOPPED MAKING IT

Old Father Hubbard
 Went to the cupboard
 To get his poor self a drink.
 But when he got there
 The cupboard was bare,
 So he got him a drink at the sink.

THE END OF THE MEATLESS DAY

I have eaten a bale
 Of spinach and kale,
 And I've never raised a row.
 I have swallowed a can
 Of moistened bran
 And I feel like a brindle cow
 I am taking a snack
 From the old hay stack
 In the evening shadows gray,
 And I'm glad, you bet,
 At last to get,
 To the end of a meatless day—Ex.

WHY WE ARE FIGHTING

If you don't know why we are fighting
 Let the seas out there explain.
 There's a place in the Atlantic
 That will never lose its stain.
 And a liner on the bottom
 With a great hole in its side
 Where the eels are mounting baby bones
 And nameless horrors glide.

If you want to know why we are fighting
 France will point to the west,
 Where the bayonets of Germany
 Are hacking at her breast.
 Where a thousand lovely villages
 Are marked with blood and flame,
 And the gentlest of her lassies,
 Soiled and broken walk in shame.

If you want to know why we are fighting
 Belgium has a tale to tell,
 How the Kaiser's Kultiured legions
 Come to do the work of hell.
 Let her hordes of homeless starvelings,
 Let maltreated children show,
 Look upon her desolation,
 Ask her women—and you'll know.

—Exchange.

HEARD IN THE CORRIDOR.

"Gig H"—What is the technical name for snoring?
 E. H.—I bite.
 "Gig"—Sheet music.

S. O. P. H.

The Household Arts girls met in Room 2 Feb. 14,
 and reorganized the S. O. P. H. Club electing the
 following officers:

- President—Eula Harris.
- Vice President—Thyda Keene.
- Sec. & Treas.—Mary Hammond.
- Reporter—Elnora Cutchin.

The club will meet on Tuesdays at 7 o'clock. With
 the co-operation of all the members the club bids
 fair to be as popular as in former days.

Favorite Expressions of Senior S. O. P. H. Girls

- Harris: "Can you beat it?"
- Hammond: "Girls, don't go in until the second bell rings."
- Clancy: "Well, that's all right."
- Finks: "Somebody come help me."
- Dempsey: "I never will get through."
- Cutchin: "Wouldn't that jar you."

HARD TO BELIEVE

She—I want you to forget that I told you, I did
 not mean what I said about not taking back my refusal
 to change my mind. I've been thinking it over and I've
 decided I was mistaken in the first place.

(And they wonder why guys leave home.)

OBLIGING

- "I asked her if I could see her home."
- "And what did she say?"
- "Said she would send me a picture of it."

This pathetic gem of that was composed by our
 own Heaven inspired Editor after a most delightful
 evening spent at Anthony Hall.

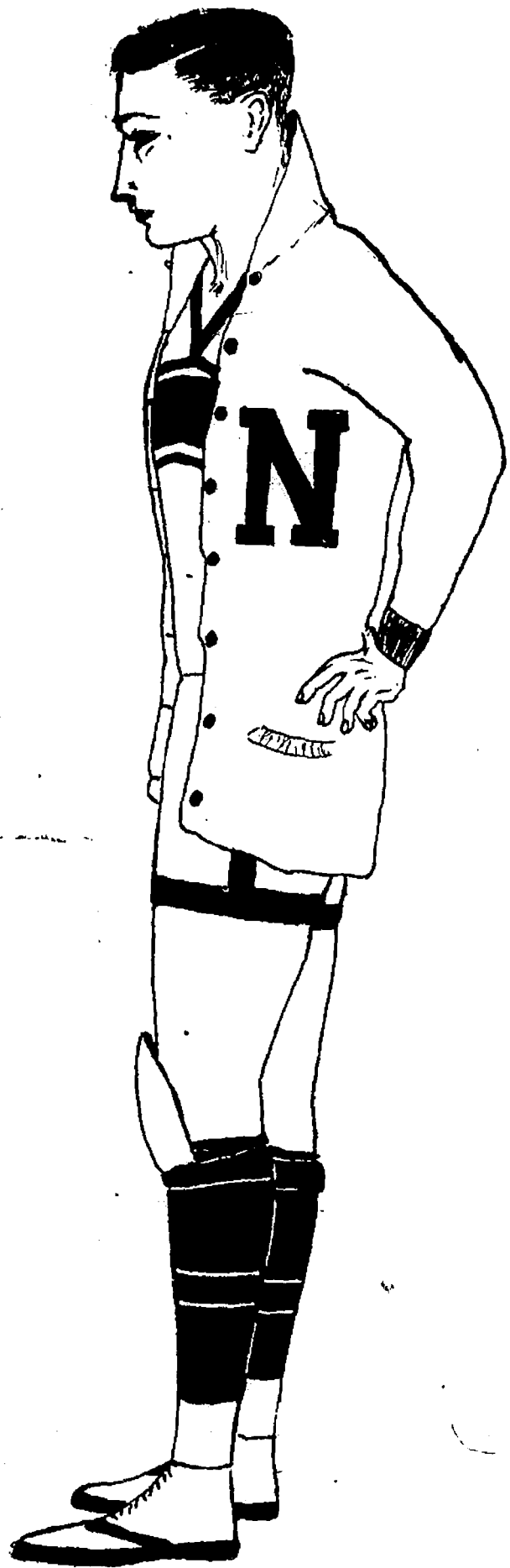
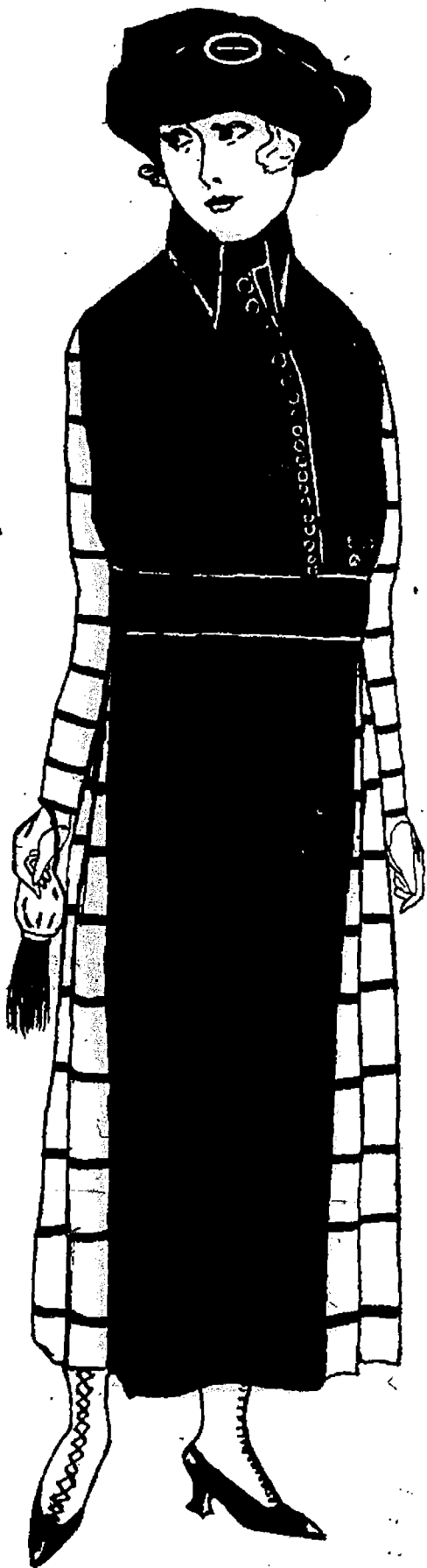
I am the editor
 And she a reporter
 The Egyptian's the best we've ever known;
 So when we finish our courses
 We are going to join forces
 And have a little paper all our own.

Senior (to Prep.)—You're a green tomato.
 Prep (peevd)—You're a ripe one and ought to
 be canned.

Archie, alone with his Egyptian and his History
 of Ed.

If it be true that love is blind and lovers cannot
 see
 Then why does not some little girl fall in love
 with me?

Mr. Colyer to Mr. B. in Geog.
 "Mr. B. where do you think that kind of a flower
 would grow?"
 Mr. B.—"Oh up about the tropic of Capicorn."



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