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Hark! I hear the tramp of thousands,
And of armed men the hum;
Lo! a nation's hosts have gathered
Round the quick alarming drum—
Saying, "Come,
Freemen, come!
Ere your heritage be wasted," said the quick alarming drum.

"Let me of my heart take counsel;
War is not of life the sum;
Who shall stay and reap the harvest
When the autumn days are come?"
But the drum
Echoed, "Come!
Death shall reap the braver harvest," said the solemn-sounding drum.

"But when won the coming battle,
What of profit springs therefrom?
What if conquest, subjugation,
Even greater ills become?"
But the drum
Answered, "Come!
You must do the sum to prove it," said the Yankee-answering drum.
—Brete Harte.

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THE FATED CHOCOLATE CAKE.

"There now! Its finished." Mrs. Perkin eyed with pardonable pride the result of an afternoon's work, a most tempting chocolate layer cake. "It surely ought to be good, because I've had trouble enough making it," she assured herself while carefully smoothing the icing with the blade of the knife. "But then this social is to be a rather grand affair, and the ladies are depending on me to bake them a tip-top cake, I'll put it in the spring house while I dress; then Tommy can carry it to the Sunday School for me."

In the barn, sitting on the feed box, was the aforementioned Tommy. His little brow was wrinkled and a half melancholy, half angry curve played around his usually smiling mouth. "Nothin' to do here," he sighed. "I wish Willje Hopkins would come over. But he won't climb trees, or slide down the hay to scare chickens, or—or nothin'." His short legs stopped their idle swinging, and landed with a contemptuous thud on a rickety plank in the barn floor. "Guess I'll get a drink." Following out this resolution, he walked listlessly to the spring house.

There by the well was a basket with a white cloth concealing its contents.

"I wonder what's in it anyway? Can't be peaches 'cause they ain't ripe yet. Can't be potatoes for they are kept in the barn. Who'd put a cloth over potatoes anyway?" "He replied." A candy cake," he ejaculated. Ooh, the candy isn't hard yet, wonder if it's good."

Action being the means of acquiring knowledge, Tommy immediately acted. His chubby little forefinger touched cautiously the soft icing or "candy." Then a licking process was carried out in order to remove the sweets. This was repeated, but the finger poked rather than touched the "candy" and when withdrawn that member of his hand showed no signs of its natural pink and white color. Soon caution was thrown to the winds entirely, and fingerful after fingerful found its way to his mouth, only when he heard, "Tommy! Tommy! coming in shrill tones from the kitchen door, did fear take him in his accusing grasp. Hastily drawing the cloth over a much mutilated cake, Tommy scrambled into the darkest corners of the spring house. He was hardly in his retreat when his mother came in.

"Tommy is never around when I want him," she scolded, and grabbing the basket, she hurried out.

Stealthily, the little culprit emerged from his hiding place and peeping around the door watched her pass through the garden gate. When she turned up the road to the Sunday School, he breathed a sigh of relief which seemed to echo through the whole spring house.

But picture poor Mrs. Perkin's consternation, dismay and mortification when she uncovered her cake before the Ladies' Aid Society. The two gossips of the church were there and Mrs. Perkins knew that before the day was over the whole community would have heard of her misfortune. It was late that evening when she returned home, but no Tommy was there. She hastened noiselessly up the thickly carpeted stairs. There kneeling by his bed was her naughty Tommy engaged in earnest prayer. "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us," greeted her ear. She hesitated—how could she disobey that commandment—"Return good for evil" after coming directly from church? She tip-toed down-stairs again, reaching the bottom step, as with a loud "Amen" Tommy jumped into bed.

OBELISK.

The staff expects to have the Obelisk on the campus and ready for distribution May 15. In presenting this book to the alumni, faculty and students, we feel sure that it will meet the approval of all. We have endeavored to make it a book of memories—a book which in years to come you can take down from the shelf of your library and say, "Here is a bunch of my S. I. N. U. classmates," or "There is a group of regular pests," etc. To this end we have made it a book of pictures—such as college annuals should be—and have eliminated practically all of the old stereotyped, dusty write-ups, leaving only those which have a spark of life in them.

If you have not subscribed for an Obelisk you had better do so at once, as the supply is limited.

ORCHESTRA MAKES A TRIP.

On March 23, the Orchestra, thirty-three strong and feeling stronger, started on a short tour of five concerts. The army so to speak was in fine spirits. The task of moving so much equipment is always

considerable, but the organization was very efficient. It was as follows:

Chief of staff in charge of operation, G. C. Bainum; major general, in charge of transports, Glenn Goddard; minor general (or more musically called diminished general), in charge of munitions, Art Browne; Commander-in-chief of artillery, having charge of the tympani, snare drums, extra heads, etc., Alvah Harmon; commissary to the artillery, carrying the suit case of traps, cymbals, bells, drum racks, etc., Clarence Mochenross; captain of the musketry, carrying the xylophone, Harry Ledbetter; heliograph operator, carrying the mirror for the pianist, Milton Milligan; chief of the signal corps, with conductor's baton, Ralph Swain.

Other non-commissioned officers were Creager, known as the chief torturer, for he carries the rack (the conductor's) and Carr, keeper of the bear, or the bassoon.

Consequently the thousand and one things that belong to the equipment of the orchestra in the field, and that must be in place, were efficiently taken care of.

At Herrin the orchestra got a rousing reception. Over two thousand people, many of them school children, paid their admission to hear one or more of the three concerts the orchestra gave. Even the heavy and steady rain did not keep them away.

At Marion the orchestra invaded a new town and the crowds were not so large at the two concerts there. But the Marion audiences were enthusiastic and demanded an encore for almost every number. Mr. Bainum got away with some xylophone solos with lots of applause, and Raymond Moore tore up a bassoon solo so well that the people demanded more, and would not be satisfied until he repeated it. The orchestra established a sure reputation in Marion.

The whole trip was successful and satisfactory. The Illinois Central railroad treated the orchestra with much courtesy and the Coal Belt Electric with not so much. Mr. Jordan of Herrin and Mr. Paisley of Marion were both very much pleased.

As a result of this trip considerable credit must accrue to Mr. Bainum, who although a young man, has had years of experience with orchestras. A good time was had by all.

OBELISK.

All individuals, clubs, organizations, etc., owing the Obelisk for pictures in the book should pay me at once. Compliance with this request will save all a great inconvenience.

LEE A. RUSSELL,
Business Manager.

Remember—The Obelisk is coming to the campus May 15. Now is the time to subscribe as the supply will be limited.

ATHLETICS

Baseball.

At the beginning of this term the athletic department began to organize teams to play in an intramural baseball league. Active participation in intercollegiate base ball was discontinued at the local institution three years ago due to the expense entailed in running a good schedule. Since then the national pastime has been neglected here. The league is a result of an effort on the part of the athletic department to revive interest in base ball, and to get as many boys interested in outdoor sports as possible. Credit in physical training is given for participation. Eleven teams have been organized. All men wishing to will be given opportunity to try out every afternoon from now until next Monday. All who fail to make any of the teams for which they are eligible will then hold a meeting and be assigned by lot to new clubs. There will be 150 or 200 boys playing the old game this spring.

TRACK MEET.

The ninth Southern Illinois interscholastic which is to be held on the 11th of May bids fair to be the best that we have ever had. More interest is being shown among the high schools of this section in the event than ever before. Records for past meets are as follows:

100 yds., :10 1-5, Jaccard, Mound City.
220 yds., :23 2-5, Whitehead, Vienna.
440 yds., :51 1-5, Cuthbertson, Harrisburg.
880 yds., 2:07 2-5, White, East St. Louis.
One mile, 4:49 1-5, Parrish, Harrisburg.
220 low hdles., :24 3-5, Blanchard, Tamaroa.
High jump, 5 ft. 9 in., Skaggs, Harrisburg.
Standing broad, 10 ft. 2 in., Mifflin, Duquoin.
Running broad, 22 ft., Dorris, Harrisburg.
Running long, 44 ft. 7¼ in., Dorris, Harrisburg.
Hammer, 132 ft. 7 in., Dorris, Harrisburg.
Shot, 45 ft. 6 in., Clarida, Marion.
Discus, 115 ft., Clarida, Harrisburg.
Pole vault, 10 ft. 9 in., Burgess, Fairfield.
Half mile relay, 1:38 4-5.

The javelin throw this year is being substituted for the hammer. Last year is the first time that a half mile relay has been run. The old relay was longer. At various times in the past the following events which have since been cut out were used: Fifty-yard dash; standing long and standing broad jumps, and a cross-country run of three miles.

McANDREW AT CULVER.

Coach McAndrew left Friday, April 13, for Culver Military Academy, where he will take the short course in military tactics. The Normal has suspended athletics for the remainder of the year that the time may be given up for military training. Guns have been secured for the work and at Mac's

return all the boys will be ready to take up the training.

Mac is planning on organizing a company of Normal students and students who have been in attendance here. The boys are anxious to join such a company since they are sure of the quality of such a company. The boys are making preparation for Mac's return.

TRACK.

The track season is on. It opens with the chances for a championship U. High team the worst they have ever been since the introduction of athletics in the University High School. One regular from last year's team is available, Lawrence Neber. The other ten or twelve regulars of this year's team will, of necessity, be green men with no experience in competition. A single exception is Monroe Myers, who scored points in a dual meet last year. Neber was originally a sprinter, but last year switched to the hurdles, quarter-mile and the broad jump. Myers is a pole-vaulter.

There is, however, a wealth of material in High School if that material can be brought into action. For the past year Principal Warren has recorded the best marks made in each event by pupils in their respective classes. The wisdom of this plan is now apparent. Some very creditable marks have been made, and if those who made these marks can be persuaded to train, they will better these marks, and from this bunch of workers the track team will be chosen. Work and work alone will give U. High a creditable team, and even with an abundance of material and plenty of work we fear that a creditable team is all that we can hope for. The material is in High School GET IT OUT WORKING!

AN APPRECIATION.

By the death of Mrs. Sarah A. Crenshaw, February 18, the community lost a most worthy citizen, the school a true friend and valuable counsellor, the church a devoted and intelligent worker.

From her earliest girlhood she was enthusiastic in her desire for an education beginning her work as a teacher at an early age of sixteen. She entered the Normal in 1878 a plain unassuming country girl from Jefferson County, Illinois. By earnest study and a strict adherence to her school life she won an enviable place as a student and imparted her forcefulness of character on her school mates. She was active in every phase of the life of the school, taking a lively interest in the Young Women's Christian Association and the societies. In the year 1886 she finished the Latin course at the Normal, having in the meanwhile, between her entrance and graduation taught several schools in the country districts of Jefferson County. After leaving the school she taught one year in Colorado.

In 1889 she married Rev. James Crenshaw, taking in connection of with the arduous duties of a Methodist minister's wife the care of two little mother-

less girls, the youngest only three years of age. She was eminently fitted for this new work. She loved her family and the work in which her husband was engaged so her experience as a student and a teacher fitted her for this work in the home.

After ten years of happy married life an untimely accident left her a widow with the cares of the family and the support of four children all too young to be of much help. With a heroism characteristic of her whole life she went at the task of teaching again. She taught two years as principal of the Makanda schools and in 1889 came to Carbondale, having been elected principal of the public schools. From that time until the day of her death she kept in touch with the school interests of the county. The greater part of the time being actively engaged in teaching. She was one of the best teachers I have ever known. She mastered the subject she attempted to teach and was clear and forceful as an instructor. She was broad and conscientious in her conception of a teacher's opportunities and responsibilities. She was a fine organizer and one of the best disciplinaries.

She possessed a keen insight, knew how to detect the generous and reject the false. I know of no person whose life has touched so many phases of the life of the community and to come in touch with her influence and life was to be helped.

The words of the poet may be truthful applied to her:

"Her life was full of sunshine,
For in toiling for the Lord
She had found the hidden sweetness,
That in common brings reward."

—O. J. Rude.

"Have you seen Kelley since he got married?"
"Yes, and I asked him if all the jokes about married life were so."

"What did he say?"

"He said some people had strange ideas of what constituted a joke."

THE QUESTION BOX.

F. H. C., Ans.: Your plan about the conduct of the war sounds very feasible and is beautiful if the Germans will only play their part as you are expecting them to. It is a relief to us to have read it. No, you had best not bother the President with it now.

Anxious: Baldness is usually caused by a loss of hair. For further information ask Glenn.

P. F.: We are very much pleased that you are naming all the dogs in the neighborhood after us. But Percy, Oswald and Reggie are much prettier names.

B. V. D.: We did not know of the fight yesterday noon in the art room. We have learned that two erasers got to rubbing it into each other in the scrap basket.

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WHAT DO WE OWE?

(By Arlie O. Boswell.)

The Star Spangled Banner, Oh long may it wave
over the land of the Free and the home of the Brave.

If the ultra-pacifist, only one year ago—had deeply
studied America instead of looking at Europe
through a glass darkly, it is a probability that the
United States would not now have so few men of
military training. Whether we believe in universal
military training, we are convinced that we are
insufficiently provided with trained men at arms
for present safety. Whether we consider the train-
ing to aid in keeping peace or to bring about peace
we are all agreed that at the present time more
military training is necessary. How shallow were
the caves of thought of the ultra-pacifist who said:
"The Lord has protected us by the mighty deep
which is a barrier to foreign military power!" Such
men have said that no such soldiers have ever been
mustered as those of Lee and Grant. They contin-
ue to look at militarism through glass darkly,
but to us European militarists have loaned glasses
which have cleared our vision and disturbed our
minds. They have made us feel unsafe. Can our
"world" of money buy peace and safety or are
we to act wisely by using the strict defence of
democracy?

Are we to drink to Decatur's toast: "Our Coun-
try! In her intercourse with foreign relations may
she always be in the right; but our country, right
or wrong!" Are we to denounce our government
and say she is not in the right or are we going to
take it as highest authority and stand by it? Whether
we have a just cause for war—is there one who

will dispute it—after all will it not be worth while?
Can we say it is the quickest and surest way to
peace? Can we say it will end autocracy? Is it
not probable and why not make these as ends by
which this war is the means?

Who is it that daily sees the Stars and Stripes
wave in the fresh free air which first gave him
life and which he has breathed so long, and does
not feel the throb of the red blood of Americanism?
Surely he who came to us from our mother-sister
country and who first tasted the flavor of Ameri-
canism which was spread sprcadically and which
caused him to leave his old home for a new where
Americanism is the very essence of life—I say—
surely he too feels the throb of American patriotism.

On the account of the great demand for military
training to meet the present crisis which is the
greatest in the history of time, the Normal has
decided to suspend all athletics and the time is to
be devoted to military training.

There are three hundred and twenty-five boys
available in this school for such training. This
will make three companies to drill one hour each per
day with occasional blackboard work. The training
will not necessitate your enlistment, but I am sure
there is no one who would refuse if their services
were needed. This is a school movement. Is there
one who is not loyal enough to stand by the school
in this work—work which she owes to her exist-
ence? This is a State school founded upon the
principle of democracy in the center of the canopy
Americanism—An ideal which strives for liberty,
justice and truth.

The Patriot and His Country—

Lover he is, and slave without a wage!

On bended knee takes her high command
And on his heart he wears her glowing gage—

Memories, and hopes, and deaths from her dear
hand.

But should her lips betray her mighty past,

Deny his Dead their deaths for Liberty,
Shame the unborn, put first what should be last—
Her Lover loves no more! Her slave is free!

THE JUNIOR NUMBER.

The junior class will have charge of the May
issue of the Egyptian and those who have charge
of the work are expecting every member of the
class to do his part toward making it an issue
that will establish without question their claim to
being the strongest class in school.

THE SOCIAL SCIENCES.

The Egyptian wishes to repeat its firm belief in
the necessity of the introduction of the group of
studies that are social in nature, to the high school
curriculum. There are one and a quarter million
pupils attending our high schools and most of them
will not reach college. Whatever social training
the schools are going to attempt must not be con-

fined to college men alone. To be effective and reach the larger number, such instruction should be given a definite place and be taught as definite subjects.

The methods of teaching history have changed in recent years, but not enough. Literature too is socializing in its value. Both history and literature deal directly with human life. They are the true humanities. Milton and Vittorino and Erasmus and Ascham before Milton's day were advocates of the social value of the classics. Yet if they are to be valuable they must not be mere instruction in language, but interpretation of man and his life. The study of world heroes, not only in history, but in biography has a great social value. It is to be regretted that the wealth of material in the life and writings of Lincoln be so little utilized in the high schools. It has been said to be of the most potent education instruments at our hand, in the vital task of perpetuating and elevating ideals of genuine Americanism. Our high school students ought to know him intimately and personally, as it is they have of him information, mixed with error floating about in their minds to no social purpose. Let history and literature and biography occupy their places in the new curriculum as is their due.

The new century has brought a demand for a new control. The old controls have failed or are now showing themselves inadequate. A social conscience must be developed, heaping condemnation on the individuals and practices that are incomparable with social welfare, and giving voice to hearty approval to individuals and deeds that fit the new order.

That this may be achieved, every high school student should be equipped with a knowledge of the social problems and social movement so this day, a genuine conception of family life that is idealistic is not impossible—sympathy with the immigrant, a knowledge of the negro problem—of the differences of labor and capital, of the causes of poverty of degeneracy and crime of the political corruption that the people permit, of the need of a new rural life, are not these things worthy of attention in our high schools? Such subjects as sociology, economics, municipal civics, and government ought to have their places in the high school curricula of the United States. Make way for the new order.

The following is a good thing to be kept in mind by all students:

Other papers all remind us
 We can make our own sublime,
 If our fellow students send to us
 Contributions all the time.
 Here a little, there a little
 Story, club notes, song or jest.
 If you want a good school paper
 Each of you must do your best.

The Egyptian is glad to welcome the new exchanges to their number.

WAR!

What can a boy, willing but unable to enlist because he is under 18, do for his country in case of war?

The question is a vital one. It is of real concern to a half a million boys in the United States at the present time. While the question must be adapted to each community, it may be dealt with in a general way.

First, drill. If possible, a company of boys the same age should be organized and should place itself for from two to four hours each day under the authority of a man with a real knowledge of modern military tactics. At the outset, guns would not be available. An appeal to patriotic citizens of the community should bring its response in obtaining the necessary finances for the purchase of guns. This calls for co-operation between the business men and the boys, but in all properly organized communities this co-operation exists. Even without guns the rudiments of marching and squad movements may be mastered.

Second, boys in the smaller cities and towns should devote themselves to agriculture. All vacant lots should be cultivated (with the consent of the owners), and all gardens should be put to the best use. Experts estimate that United States will be experiencing the same food troubles experienced at the present time by several European belligerents, within three years after her entrance into the war, unless agriculture is considerably increased. These estimates are, of course, based on the supposition that the United States continues to supply the allies with a portion of their food supplies. Intelligent cultivation of the countries' resources will eliminate this danger.

Each boy should examine himself thoroughly and see for what line of military work he is best fitted. The days are past when an army is divided into infantry and cavalry. While these two divisions, with artillery, form the bulk of the army, there are a great number of other fields of service. If one has ever displayed ability in any one of these branch of the service, he should educate himself along that line. A boy who likes and has some small knowledge of engineering, should train himself for an army engineer. One given to electricity should learn wireless telegraphy, and likewise in other lines.

Lastly, every boy should keep himself in the best physical condition possible. He should indulge in no dissipation, no habits tending to reduce his efficiency as a soldier. He should exercise, keep his lungs in good order, and take every precaution that may help him to withstand the hardships of a campaign. Failure to take these precautions should be considered an offense almost criminal and an act of disloyalty toward our country.

MY VIEWS ON ACTS OF STUDENT LIFE.

(By O. L. Crab and U. Boost.)

This column will be open to our readers for a discussion of anything which pertains to our campus life, and we welcome your contribution.

We hope in this way to find our weaknesses and to emphasize the strong points and in general bring all the students to a realization of what they may do for the general welfare of the school.

All articles for this column as well as all other articles intended for publication must be signed.

Fellow Students—To me one of the most annoying acts of my fellow students is the mutilating of magazines and periodicals in the library. Of course, some of the students are required to make large and copious note books which, their instructors tell them, should not be mere scrap books. Nevertheless in many instances they are composed largely of material clipped from the Breeders' Gazette, Hoard's Dairyman, Good Housekeeping and the Scientific American or The Builder. We realize that the temptation is great to clip out just one picture or an exceedingly good article, but when a dozen or more students have had the same feeling, and permitted thought to be father to the act, the librarians are justified in throwing the remainder of the magazine in the waste basket despite the fact that its period of usefulness should have been much longer.

We see but one solution for this condition and that is the use of the original golden rule by all.

G. B.

A FOOL THERE WAS.

(Dedicated to Whom It May Concern.)

A student went out for a walk one day
And took a fair "friend" along
For walking is much more fun they say
When you go with "friends" that way.
A little bird sat in a campus tree
And laughed and said:
"What fools they be,
Tee he, tee he, tee he."
The little bird swallowed a fine fat worm
And laughed and said:
"He'll flunk this term,
Just see, just see."
The student went to exams one day
And he carried his pony along
For exams are a terrible thing they say
For a man who has done nothing but play.
But Prof. Wham sat in his great arm chair
And he looked around the room with an eagle
stare.

Hee Ha! Hee Ha! Hee Ha!

And he muttered: "You can't fool me,
You sure will flunk if you don't get 'C'.
Alas, the student, he got "D".

—Apologies to Milton.

IT ALL DEPENDS.

He used to call her sweetheart,
And it tickled her to death,
One day he called her chicken,
And it nearly took her breath;
He called her by all "lovely" names,
Which sweetened up their lives,
But alas, he called her "honey,"
And she broke out with the hives.

—Lord Byron.

AGRICULTURE CLUB ITEMS.

The first meeting of the Agriculture Club for the spring term was held Wednesday evening, April 4. At this meeting the following officers were elected: President, Ray Dodge; vice-president, Eugene Eckert; secretary-treasurer, Alvin Mathis; critic, Lloyd Davis.

The hour of meeting for this term is seven o'clock and the meeting place Letetic Hall.

Tuesday, April 10, Mr. Muckelroy, head of the Department of Agriculture, called a meeting of all the boys enrolled in this course. Everyone was surprised to see what a large number are enrolled in the department this term. The number is much larger than last term despite the fact that some of the boys, who were here then have not returned for work this term. At this meeting Mr. Muckelroy and Mr. Piper gave some good points on why every Ag. student should be a member of the Ag. Club. And the benefit that a student could derive from that membership. Some of the charter members of the club were asked to give their opinion of the club, which they did in a manner that reflected credit upon the organization.

Herbert Venerable, Witt Venerable, Elmer Corzine and Wallace Cummins, who were members of the club, are not enrolled this term. All these boys were active members and contributed much to the success of the club. Their places will have to be taken by some of the new men. While we regret their absence very much we firmly believe that there are enough new men who will come forward and put their shoulders to the wheel and make their absence seem less noticeable.

The future of the Ag. Club never did look brighter than it does now. It is the best bunch of fellows of any organization in the school. If you are an Ag. man and don't belong to the club you had better get in line. Then and not until then will you see what you have been missing all this term or year.

JUNIOR COLUMN.

Not content with winning the basket ball championship of the girls inter-class games the Junior Class also annexed that title in the boys end of the sport. To gain this title the Junior boys team

defeated the second-year quintet on March 27, 9 to 3. The boys who represented the class at this game are: Frank Hays, Arthur Carter, Wallace Cummins, Bernard Ellis and Capt. Fred Trougaugh.

A meeting of Junior boys interested in baseball was held Monday, April 9. Quite a few loyal enthusiasts were present and from all indications this class will, as expected, put a strong team in the field. There are from two to four men trying out for each position and the successful ones are to be determined when Manager Kimpling passes his judgment on the men. Guy Kimpling, an old normal baseball star, was selected as manager and to his lot falls the duty chaperoning the Junior team through the season.

Elmer Corzine, Wallace Cummins and Frank Hays are Juniors who are not among those present this term.

We are glad to note that Leslie Stinson, as member of the Junior Class, has been elected captain of next year's basket ball team.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY.

The St. Clair County organization met Tuesday, April 10, and elected the following officers for the spring term: President, Adella Breilmyer; vice-president, Leona Seibert; secretary and treasurer, Elsa Schuetze; county representative, Rudolph Mueller.

A new student here for the first time this term upon taking her seat at chapel was very much surprised to see students with musical instruments at the front of Norma| Hall. To all the older students this body is known as the orchestra. She had not gotten that far along, and turning to her friend in the next seat asked if that was Mr. Bainum's music class up at the front.

LAST CALL FOR THE OBELISK.

If you really want to have a 1917 Obelisk you had better not delay any longer. The editors have been sending weekly instalments of copy to the printers since the first of March, and as soon as the first page of proof was approved, a definite order was placed and no more copies can be obtained. Our supply will be limited to only 40 or 50 surplus copies. Copies can be obtained now. There is no doubt but that you will want one when the books come out, so don't take a chance of disappointment, but hand in your subscription at once.

One of the best features of this number of the Obelisk will be the large number of pages given over to pictures. They will recall your school days as no printed material could, and you could not get just such pictures any other way.

Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. C. A. has elected the following officers for the coming year: Mae Floyd, president; Gladys Morse, vice-president; Phoebe Davis, secretary; Marie Young, treasurer. The committee chairmen are as follows: Esther Brockett, religious services; Irene Williams, special; Opal Byars, missionary; Grace Boyd, bible study; Elizabeth Kenney, music; Bessie Bailey, associate; Willard Margrave, social service.

One of the most interesting meetings of the year was held the last week of the winter term. The program consisted of a play, which explained the purpose, work and the results of an eight week's Club.

This play has been given by the associations of many colleges and has lasting effects wherever given. It gives an idea how they may put into practice the training received in their respective schools and thus benefit their home communities when they return to them during the summer vacation. In doing this, they not only develop their own usefulness, but will wield a beneficial influence over other girls, who perhaps have not felt the need of higher training.

The Y. W. C. A. has been doing their usual amount of work in assisting the new students in registering and finding class rooms. We are hoping our enrollment will be increased this term and a cordial invitation is extended to all girls to attend the services held every Tuesday afternoon at 4:15 in the Association Hall.

Miss Annabel Cathcart was sent by this organization to Chicago as the annual member of the Central Field Committee which convened there April 11 for a three days' session.

In this meeting there were seventeen girls representing schools and colleges of Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan.

Miss Cathcart has come back to us prepared to tell us some interesting things concerning the Y. W. C. A. work.

THE MARRIED MEN'S CLUB.

An earlier number of the Egyptian announced the formation of the Married Men's Club, giving the prerequisites, club yell, club song, time of meeting and a list of prospective members. For some reason the club has not grown as rapidly as its ardent supporters wish and the members have labored incessantly to devise some plan to counteract the H. C. of L. These efforts have not proven entirely fruitless, yet they have not succeeded in materially increasing the membership of the club.

It seems now that Uncle Sam will come to their rescue and will furnish the incentive necessary for the growth of this august body. Young men who were enthusiastic about going to the Mexican border do not seem anxious to take advantage of the present situation. The only alternative is to secure a

dependent in some way. Some of the young men have been heard to say that they would not fear the German bullets any more than rolling pins and flat irons, but not all of them are of the same opinion. The members of the club are making preparations for the reception of new members, feeling sure that the wave which is sweeping over the country will get some of their weak spined brethren.

(Will it grow?)

S. O. P. H. CLUB.

"Mirandy's Philosophy of Life" and "Hashimura Togo's adventures as a domestic scientist" have been favorite topics on the club programs of the past month. Another popular feature is the round table discussion on the topics suggested by the members. The club girls are deriving both pleasure and profit from their work as the following programs indicate:

Piano Solo Stella Barrow
Hashimura Togo, "Hon. Dishrag vs. Hon. China" Elva Brannu
Discussion—The part athletics plays in the school girl's life..... Edith Boswell

Domestic Science Club work..... Lena Westerman
Mirandy on "Food Values"..... Mabel Stewart
The Most important Phase of the Household Arts Course from a Practical View-point Mary Cowan

Togo's Adventure with a Vacuum Cleaner, Marian McCall
Discussion—The Kind of Clothes a School Girl Should Wear and What She Should Pay for Them..... Leader, Emma Morgan
Piano Solo..... Dorothy Sams

Bertha Moyers is now president of the club; Emma Morgan, vice-president; Marie Short, secretary-treasurer; Eunice Banes, usher.

HOUSEHOLD ARTS.

On the afternoon of March 19 the Women's Club of Carbondale visited this department to attend a demonstration on "Salads" given by Miss Jones.

During the latter part of the winter term the senior girls of the department did some interesting and practical work in cookery and dietetics. Two girls planned and cooked a meal for six people. A third, acting as waitress, served the meal to friends whom the girls had invited as guests.

An effort was made to keep the menus simple and the cost of food low. The prices given below were made possible by the use of home canned fruit and vegetables and by buying in rather large quantities.

One of the most successful was a luncheon planned by Mrs. Karber and Mrs. Phelps. The cost was

ten cents per plate, or as each guest received approximately 900 calories, \$0.009 per 100 calories, an economical rate of feeding.

Moreover, the menu was attractive.

String Bean Soup
Turkish Pilaf
Asparagus
Cornbread

Strawberry Bavarian Cream

Other menus and costs are:

Luncheon.

13c per plate. Edith Boswell and Elva Brannum
Omelet Spanish Sauce
Tomato Jelly Salad
Biscuits Butter
Caramel Junket
Cocoa

Luncheon.

20c per plate Mary Cowan and Stella Barrow
Cream Tomato Soup Croutons
Salmon Croquettes Peas
Scalloped Corn
Biscuits Butter
Fruit Salad
Chocolate

Luncheon.

11c per plate Bertha Moyers and Eunice Banes
Cream Potato Soup Croutons
Rice Croquettes Cheese Sauce
Lettuce Salad
Peaches with Whipped Cream

Breakfast.

8c per plate Marie Short
Cream of Wheat with Dates
Creamed Beef on Toast
Cocoa

Luncheon.

18c per plate Lillian Milligan and Hazel McKenna
Cream Tomato Soup
Salmon Loaf with Rice Border Pimento Sauce
Lettuce Salad
Muffins
Chocolate Cornstarch Pudding

The culmination of the work was the cooking and serving of two formal six-course dinners. The class was divided into two groups. One group cooked the first dinner, at which Lena Westerman served as waitress. The menu was:

Sardine Cocktails
Cream of Chicken Soup Breadsticks
Leg of Lamb Peas Franconia Potatoes Rolls
Blackberry Ice
Lettuce Salad French Dressing Cheese Wafers
Caramel Mousse Mock Macaroons
Coffee

The second group cooked the second dinner, which was served by Edith Boswell.

**COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS.
SALINE.**

The students from Saline County met and organized April 11. The following officers were elected: Clifford Braden, president; Pearl Roberts, vice-president; Esther Zimmer, secretary; Ramond Owens, treasurer; Owen Foster, county representative.

The effectiveness of our organization was manifested by an increase in attendance from the county of about one hundred per cent over that of the winter term. Steps were taken to make the organization more effective. A social committee was appointed consisting of Bertha Johnson, Sadie Bramlitt and Raymond O'Keefe.

WILLIAMSON.

A meeting of the students from Williamson County was called by the president Monday, April 9, for the purpose of election of officers and the continuation of acquaintances and the formation of new ones who entered from our county this term.

The call was responded to in a way that is characteristic of our students and an enjoyable evening, paid for the coming. The following officers were elected: Gilbert Moss, president; D. S. Holmes, vice-president; Emery Williams, secretary-treasurer; G. E. Goforth, county representative.

DER DEUTSCHE VEREIN.

The German Society had two meetings last term and will continue this term, meeting in alternate weeks. All the members of the present classes in German and any other member of the school who has studied the language at least one year is eligible to membership. The number of members is now between fifty and sixty.

The main object of the society is to furnish opportunity for conversation, further than that of the class room. Besides the opportunity, is also given the incentive to speak. All teachers of a foreign language know that reading must be the main object in class work, but that also the start can be got in speaking and understanding speech. If one is ever to learn to converse in German he must take advantage of all chances to practice it.

The program of the society provides for about half an hour's conversation in small groups, led by the most advanced students. The teacher of German announces the topic for conversation, giving a few minutes to each. Some of the topics are: Greetings, war, weather, picture show, what I like to eat and drink, the games of the season and farewells.

Each program contains one or more recitations dialogues or songs by individual students. These are followed by games to promote conversation, student songs in chorus, and refreshments. Among the games the most popular one is played with cards like authors. On the cards are written in groups names of objects such as flowers, animals,

fruits, trees, parts of the body, articles of clothing, food, drinks and furniture; for the more advanced groups such words as cities, states, rivers and mountains, universities, scientists, musicians, poets and philosophers of Germany.

The members are very enthusiastic over their opportunity for speaking the language afforded by the society.

LIEUTENANT J. ROCKWELL BRYDEN.

April eleventh: The flag is at half mast this morning. First Lieutenant J. Rockwell Bryden, Company E, 4th I. N. G., died after a short illness of pneumonia. He was a member of the class of 1887, a cousin of Miss Helen Bryden, now of the faculty, consequently his loss is felt deeply by the entire school. He had just returned from service on the border where he had faithfully served his country at some sacrifice and had expressed a willingness and intention to serve again should the call come.

Lieutenant Bryden was the type of man much needed at this hour—the type of man Kipling wrote of:

He scarce had need to doff his pride or slough
the dross of earth—
E'en as he trod that day to God so walked he
from his birth,
In simpleness and gentleness and honor and clean
mirth.

So cup to lip in fellowship they gave his welcome
high
And made him place at the banquet board—the
the strong men ranged thereby,
Who had done his work and held his peace and
had no fear to die.

LITTLE FOLK'S CORNER.

(Being devoted to the consideration of things of interest to the young and unsophisticated.)

Poems Every Child Should Know.

"Little Boy Blue

Come blow your horn,

The troop-ship is due

And soldiers are few.

Step right up, sir, and be sworn."

Fairy Story.

This is a story of life. It has a hero, a heroine and a villain. All stories have a hero, a heroine and a villain. Otherwise there would be no suspense and there must be suspense. This story is realistic, for in life there are three classes of people, the heroes, being usually the first person, singular (and very much so), the heroines, being the second person, singular (and usually more so), and the villains (the third person, or the one they are talking about).

And then there is a plot. Yes, we realize we

are using our imagination, but there is a plot. Oh! you already know the plot? How strange! Yes, they marry in the end. As for the rest of the story, you can have the heroine blonde or brunette, to suit your taste.

We are glad to see so many of our young readers following the injunction of the apostle who said, "Little children, love one another."

WEATHER FORECAST.

War clouds in east and south, thunder and hail noticed by those close enough. Earth-quake in central portions of U. S. Rain followed by rain, but in central Europe reigns almost ended for long season.

Lucie Tania: "I was in an awful boat wreck last year."

We: "Is that so; what did you do when the boat struck?"

L. T.: "Oh! I grabbed a cake of soap and washed myself ashore" (and the dull thud of the axe awoke the sleeping child in the next room).

OUR HELPFUL HINT FOR APRIL.

Useful and encouraging: Being suggestions on how to fill a fountain pen, as follows:

Knowing the usual heart-rending scenes that generally follows any attempt to be familiar with the so-called fountain pen, the following guide to fountain pens is given:

Never shake a fountain pen in public.

Collect the following apparatus, stomach pump, hip boots and army shelter tent, and yard stick from rain gauge.

Administer anesthetic.

Quickly twist the head off and look down the esophagus from above. If it froths at the mouth stroke the sides of the barrel. Should the pen need cleaning take it to Prince, who knows how (advertisement). If carried in the pocket with a menthol inhaler, it will less likely be clogged. Be sure to have its cap on when going out in the sun.

When thoroughly cleaned, twist on again and use as before.

OUR REAL FAIRY STORY.

Once upon a time two Anthony Hall girls planned to go to a party without either one of them asking the mother, "What are you going to wear?"

We: "After all, we come to school to study."

Lee R., '17: "Yes, after all."

Ag. Prof.: "Say, you are not getting as much milk from those cows as you used to."

Ag. Student: "No, I seem to have lost my pull."

HOW TO EAT AT ANTHONY HALL, BEING THE COMPLEAT EATIQUETTE.

Before going to dinner at the hall, borrow your room-mate's tie and silk flag, and get your shoes shined. Collect photographs of one or two hundred girls, and paste them about you on all sides and then practice eating peas with your pocket knife as they looked fixedly at you. Continue this until you can eat a fair per cent without perspiring at the back of the neck.

Then crack up on subjects of conversation that the girls are interested in and about, such as Keeper's laws of planetary motion and Lonnie Etherton.

Lastly, be as silent as possible during the soup course.

SHEAR NONSENSE.

(Clipped from exchange.)

He: "I can marry any girl I please."

She: "Yes, but whom do you please?"

—Jack O' Lantern.

This is what makes the rear rank breath so hard: "Do you know why they teach men to fence in the army?"

"So they will make good pickets, my dear."

—Tiger.

Officer: "Do you know anything about flying machines?"

Recruit: "Yes, sir; I was raised on them."

—Pelican.

Plattsburg: "I can't sleep in camp, my bed is hard as a rock."

Joker: "I see bed-rock."—Jack O' Lantern.

I had a little bird,

And his name was Enza,

I opened the cage

And influenza.

—Jack O' Lantern.

He: "I'd like to propose a little toast."

She: "Nothing doing. I want a regular meal."

"What does college-bred mean, dad?"

"Merely a big loaf, son."

We: "Weren't you sore at the umpire?"

Ball Player: "Well, I was put out at first."

As some see it, a free man is one who does not have to work.

"I hear Marion and Arthur are quite thick now."

"Yes, but Marion is the thicker."

Y. M. C. A.

"Here's where I do some tall reflecting," said the Anthony Hall mirror as Ben approached.

Student: "I'm taking a swill subject this term."

We: "What's that?"

Ag. S.: "Swine, sir."

His Mother: "Sammy, stop using that language."

Sammy: "Shakespeare says what I did."

His Mother: "Well, you must stop going with Shakespeare."

Helen W. (at piano): "What shall I play?"

Claire (absently): "What's trumps."

Crid: "Will you be upstairs after dinner, Marie?"

Marie: "No, that's what I came down-stairs for."

Are there students who would stay up until 3:00 a. m. at a party and then when an instructor asks them to do an hour's extra work swear the work was killing them?

Ora Oldfield represented the local Y. M. C. A. at the training conference, held in Chicago, April 5, 6 and 7.

Thursday evening at the Hotel La Salle, a banquet was given in honor of Dr. John R. Mott and Mr. Albert E. Roberts, both of New York. After the dinner the following program was given: Fredrich H. Scott, president of the State Association, presiding:

Invocation.....Dr. John Timothy Stone

Elgin Association Quartette

Address, "The Challenge of the Country

Boy".....Albert E. Ro

Elgin Association Quartette

Address, "The War and the Y. M. C. A.",

Dr. John R. Mott

America

Friday morning "Dad" Elliot, international student secretary of the Middle West, addressed the delegates on the "History of the Y. M. C. A. and Its Present Worth." After his address the student delegates joined the state delegation at the Hotel La Salle, and heard Mr. Mott make his strong appeal to the State Association of Illinois to raise funds to carry on the work of the Association among the soldiers. The State Association unanimously adopted a resolution to raise \$300,000 for the carrying on of this work.

Such speakers as Dr. Chas. W. Gilkey, R. H. Edwards, Dr. Shailer Matthews, J. Lovell Murray and K. A. Schumaker addressed the student delegation Friday afternoon and Saturday. The Saturday afternoon session being given over principally to the discussion of their successes and failures of the individual association.

RED CROSS WORK IN THE NORMAL.

Not to be outdone in patriotism by the boys, the girls are preparing themselves to serve the best interests of the country either at home or at the front. Plans are being worked out to offer the girls courses in elementary hygiene and home nursing, surgical dressings and first aid to the injured. The class in elementary hygiene and home nursing is to be in charge of Miss Francis Crabtree, a trained nurse from Anna, recommended by the Red Cross organization. Miss Newsum of the Normal will have charge of the surgical dressing class, but the exact date at which the work will begin has not yet been determined. The arrangements for the work in first aid to the injured have not yet been completed, but there is little doubt that the work will begin in two weeks. It is safe to predict that within a few weeks more than two hundred girls will be learning how to serve their country better in this her hour of need.

All the students and members of the faculty were glad to welcome Mr. Felts back to the campus after an absence of about two months as a result of a very serious case of blood poisoning. While Mr. Felts is getting along as well as could be expected it will still be some time before he will be able to take up his work again.

Wallace Cummins is now at Reedsburg, Wisconsin, where he is working as tester for the Reedsburg Dairy Association.

Mr. Paul Gilbert and Miss Ruby Harmon were recently married at Dresden, Tennessee. Mrs. Gilbert was a student in the domestic science course of the Normal, and Paul graduates from the high school, majoring in agriculture. They will live on a farm north of Waltonville, where they expect to make a practical application of what they have gotten from each of these courses.

All intercollegiate athletic contests and the annual track meet have been abandoned because of the present war situation.

*The first of the Normal students to enlist for active service was Walter F. Gower, a member of this year's senior class. He joined the marines and left Monday, April 3, for the training station, where he will begin his preliminary duties.

EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

The schools of this part of the state in increasing numbers are looking to this institution for assistance in finding teachers. To properly care for this field of usefulness, a committee has been appointed and placed in full charge. This committee consists of Mr. G. D. Wham, Mr. R. V. Black and Mr. W. A.

Furr. Their services are free to schools and school officials and to graduates of the school.

School officials may deal directly with this committee with every confidence in its efficiency, as it has the facts in detail concerning every applicant that is listed with it.

Miss Holmes: "I'm going to learn to drive a car so if I'm needed to help in the war I can drive."

Miss Newsume: "What car will you learn to drive?"

Miss H.: "Mac's, I guess."

Miss N.: "Oh, that wouldn't do any good because you would have to drive a real car."

Student in physiology: "I couldn't find the skeleton to study the bones from."

Second Student: "Ethel M. is a good substitute, perhaps she would pose for your study."

SENIOR TABLE TALK.

Val: "Marie, I hear you are going to try out for the choir; is it so?"

M. Y. T.: "Well, I thought I'd go to practice Saturday night.

Val: "Why, that would be sacrilegious."

Ruth B. is dieting, but Ethel M. is eating her share.

Helen W. appeared with a barrel hoop in each ear. They were so heavy she found it difficult to chew.

Val has made application for a salary to be paid her for waiting on the 7:30 class at the senior table.

Lucy B., Mary R. and Marie S.: "No one betrays by silence."

High school girl using sister's nickname: "Wee is going to the show tonight."

Visitor: "Why, what grammar those high school girls use."



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