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## NEWS FROM THE SOLDIERS

Co. E. 130th U. S. Inf., Camp Logan,  
Houston, Texas, Oct. 16, 1917.

Egyptian Editor,  
Carbondale, Ill.

Dear Sir:—

Today has been our first day of hard drill of the 130th U. S. Reg., formerly known as the 4th Reg. of which Co. E. of Carbondale is a fractional part.

I am tired because of this hard drilling, but never too tired to write a few words back to old S. I. N. U. friends. All the boys of this company seem to be in the best of spirits most of the time, but we find about the same cases of home-sickness-blues in camp as have appeared at school.

I received the first issue of the Egyptian a few days ago and was glad to see the names of so many friends of the Normal who have so willingly entered into the Government service, but after handing the paper to former students of S. I. N. U. who are now members of Co. E. I found they were not well pleased to see that they had no mention in that edition.

Among the former Normal students with this Reg. are: Wm. L. Grommet who served nine months on the Mexican Border and is now a sergeant; Corporal Dan Colburn, Prvt. Carl Mason, John Wright, Walker Schwartz, Nolan Smith, Stanley Smith and Ben Gullet, of Bat. A. of 3rd Field Artillery.

Our company left Carbondale about 5:30 o'clock on Thursday eve. Aug. 16th. Our first stop being at Anna, then next at Cairo where we met our school mate, Claude Vick.

After a short stop at this place our train load was increased by the attachment of another Company from Litchfield who had been doing guard duty at this place. We continued our journey, leaving our home state to the rear at dusk of day.

We made a few short stops until we entered New Orleans about 11:30 o'clock on Friday. After a mess we were allowed to go up town for a six hour stay of which most of the boys enjoyed to the fullest extent. At this point I had the pleasure of seeing my first battle ship although it was a small sized ship.

We left this city about 8:00 o'clock arriving at our camp near Houston, Tex. about 3:00 o'clock

on Saturday morning, Aug. 18th. As we were one of the first companies here we had to pitch our own tents.

This work was not very pleasant to us, as the ground was so hard and dry that pegs could hardly be driven without breaking. I also believe this was the hottest day we have had. The sun has been very hot but we usually have a cool sea-breeze.

The camp is covered with pines and oaks. It contains almost 2000 acres, most of which has been cleared of timber since our arrival and partly by the hands of Co. E.

Five days after our arrival in camp, we were called into Houston to help capture the negro regulars who had caused a riot. Most all of the boys were anxious to take part in this duty as they were well in trim for the occasion as they had good experience in St. Louis a short time previous. This duty lasted about twenty-four hours, after which we returned to camp.

Co. E. was the only Company of the 4th Ill. Inf. present in camp until the 13th of Oct. when the remainder of the regiment arrived. Upon their arrival they found every thing ready for house-keeping due to the management of the company which had preceded them.

All companies are now busy drilling and digging trenches. Of course such work gives us a hearty appetite, which at meal time is well satisfied to find our tables well filled with nourishing sanitary food. The camp is well looked after especially along the lines of sanitation.

Every one enjoys camp life as well as could be expected. Weather has been rather cool but our tents are now heated by small wood stoves. Each company has its own bath house and each person is forced to make frequent use of the same.

About 6000 soldiers made their first hike today which was a distance of about eight miles into Houston. Everyone enjoyed the trip. The return was made by car and train.

Tomorrow is the day for more trench digging and night for another French lesson so must close for the present, hoping the school and all success in the future. I am,

Respectfully yours,

C. STANLEY SMITH.

**HE KEPT HIS RENDEZVOUS WITH DEATH**

He kept his rendezvous with death,  
 At fateful Belloy-en-Santerre,  
 Though Spring had passed all unaware  
 And Summer scents were in the air  
 He kept his rendezvous with Death,  
 He whose young life had been a prayer.

We strain our eyes the way he went,  
 Our soldier-singer, Heaven sent  
 We strain our eyes and catch our breath,  
 But he has slipped from out our sight;  
 He kept his rendezvous with Death  
 And then emerged into the light  
 Of that fair day that yet may be  
 For those who conquer as did he.

God knows 'twas hard for him to go  
 From all he loved—to make that choice  
 And leave for them such bitter woe!  
 But his high courage was his breath  
 And with his greatest work undone  
 He kept his rendezvous with Death.  
 Brave Hero—Poet, we rejoice  
 That Life and Art to you were one  
 That you to your own songs were true:  
 You did not fail that rendezvous.

This poem was written by Grace D. Vanance as a tribute to Alan Seeger, the American soldier-poet of the World War. It first appeared in the Art World for January 1917 as a sequel to "I Have a Rendezvous with Death."

**EGYPTIAN STAFF ENTERTAINS.**

As the Juniors won the contest, it was up to us to give them the party they had won; so we did. On November the fourteenth the staff put on a little social which we hope was enjoyed by all who attended. From the refreshment side alone, it was worth all that the Juniors worked for.

The faculty advisors, Dr. Allen and Miss Gubelman, acted as chaperones and entered into the spirit of the evening. Dr. Allen cracked some jokes which the Editor-in-chief didn't appreciate.

The first part of the program was taken up with the publication of a paper. Some people think it's nice to run a party but I say it is not; especially when I am the object of most of the witticism.

After the editors of the various sections had read their parts of the storm against the Editor-in-chief, we were satisfied to find another goat in Claire Carr. We played "It". Now, we're not going to tell you how to play it, 'cause you don't know how, that's our secret. Anyway, we all had a good laugh at "porc oi' Claire."

The last part of the program was taken up with sandwiches, pickles, ice cream, and cake. "Nuff sed."

O, yes! Dow McKnelly, president of the Junior class, delivered a eulogy to the present Egyptian staff. The staff cartoonist is working on it now getting it ready for publication.

**ANTHONY HALL.**

On Friday evening, Oct. 26, the young bachelor chums of Dr. F. Holmes tendered him a surprise "stag party", previous to his departure for East St. Louis where he went to give the schoolmarms of St. Clair Co. the "once over."

Tho taken completely by surprise Dr. Holmes was equal to the occasion, and invited the fellows in and showed the boys "Wat a good fellow" should be.

After cigars and speeches the stags departed voting Dr. Holmes a prince of an entertainer.

Those present were. Gen. E. Cathcart, Lieut. R. Casper, Serj. M. Jones, Admiral M. Blatter, Rear Ad. R. Keen, Representative D. Hale, Congressman M. Philip, Sporty A. Harris, Postmaster A. Hackett, Prof. E. Feller, Prof. R. Du Comb.

**THE OBELISK.**

The actual work of compiling the Obelisk of '18 has been begun. Contracts for the printing, engraving and photographic work have been let, and the greater part of the other detail work preliminary to the main labor has been attended to. Now the chief cause of worry to the staff is the construction of the "dummy", so-called, which seems to be very much alive when attacked by the Editor-in-chief and Business Manager. The members of the staff have already begun to realize that they have loaded on their shoulders a task, the difficulty of which they little anticipated.

One of the leading and most attractive features of this year's book will be the military section. This will contain a photograph of every person, in uniform, now in any branch of military service, who has at any time been connected with this school as a member of the faculty or as a student. Such other information as can be obtained concerning the rank, location, branch of service, etc. of these persons will be given. The Obelisk of '18 promises to excell in many respects any previous edition.

Students! Faculty! Readers! Help lighten the burden on the staff and hasten the completion of the book by being prompt in furnishing such material and information as you may be from time to time requested to furnish.

# ATHLETICS

## NORMAL MAKES GOOD SHOWING

The football team journeyed to St. Louis Sat., Nov. 3, and returned defeated but not discouraged. The score was 26-0. The strong and experienced St. Louis University team made but four touchdowns against the Normal team which had but one veteran on it. And they didn't score in the entire second half. An unprejudiced outsider even, would observe that fact and say that the teams were evenly matched except that one team was slow in getting started, due to nervousness and lack of team work in this case. It takes a real game to develop team work. Sam can work his head off trying to get the fellows to work together but it takes an actual game—a time when a man's spirits are up and he can feel and appreciate help from the man at his side to make men really know how to pull together. The Normal team learned this secret in two fifteen minute periods.

We were a month later getting started in practice than were most schools. We had lost more by the exodus of young men to the war than any of the other Normals and so a remarkable team was not expected. A creditable team was hoped for and that is what the game at St. Louis proved it to be. The game showed but one weakness—the team lacks offensive power. Doolen got away with some nice runs but long gains with the ball seemed rather the exception than the rule. But just wait until that line begins opening up holes for Jack Kayser like the U. High line did last year. And Jack sure goes through, doesn't he?

Doolen was the particular star of the game for the Normal. He and Neber both made some good runs for their gains, Jack did some of his usual line plunging and made some good punts, Baker took hold of his new position, quarter, and ran the team in a decidedly satisfactory manner. St. Louis played a hard, clean game. The most noticeable thing about their team was the speed and driving power of the backfield. Everybody is feeling good about our showing and we feel confident that this team will be classed among the best of those ever turned out at S. I. N. U.

The line up for Normal follows:

R. E. Watson, Bright.  
 R. T. Taylor.  
 R. G. Staubitz.  
 C. Weiler, (Capt.)  
 L. G. Warren  
 L. T. Whittier, Hickman.  
 L. E. Kimpling.  
 Q. Baker.

R. H. Neber.  
 L. H. Doolen.  
 F. Kayser.

## A DEFEAT.

Normal journeyed to Charleston, Friday, Nov. 9, and returned defeated by a score of 24-0. The defeat was expected, Charleston being probably the strongest eleven in the Little Nineteen Conference. The game was nevertheless rather remarkable. The first half ended with the score of 3-0 in Charleston's favor. This field goal was an exceptionally long one and was cleverly executed. Discounting this one score the game had gone decidedly in Southern Illinois Normal's favor.

Kayser, Neber and Doolen were making steady gains and the team as a whole was standing up well under Charleston's heavy work. Everything was working well and there seemed no reason why S. I. N. U. should not emerge victor. In the second half a very different story developed, Charleston made three touchdowns by repeated drives against Carbondale's right side. About four out of five of their plays during a certain time were directed against the right side of Carbondale's line and they were generally successful. Kayser and Neber usually tackled the man but not until after he had made a substantial gain. The final score was 24-0.

Carbondale did not feel badly over the defeat. We felt that we had made a stiff opposition against a better team and so had done well. The line had worked wonders, particularly on the offensive. The backfield had done remarkably well. S. I. N. U. is fortunate in having such a well-balanced backfield. Kayser and Neber surpassed their High School reputations. Doolen, though a new man at the game, turned out to be a find and Baker in a new position handled the team remarkably well. The line up follows:

R. E. Bright.  
 R. T. Taylor.  
 R. G. Staubitz.  
 C. Weiler, (Capt.)  
 L. G. Warren.  
 L. T. Hickman.  
 L. E. Kimpling.  
 Q. Baker.  
 R. H. Neber.  
 L. H. Doolen.  
 F. Kayser.

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## CARRYING A GOOD THING TOO FAR.

For some time the papers have been busy urging the women and girls of the country to knit for the soldiers. A short time ago the craze struck the Normal girls and now they may be seen at any time and any place busy on sweaters and scarfs. This is a good thing, but when a young man calls at Anthony Hall and is received with a skein of yarn which he is expected to help wind and must then pass the entire time gazing on his best beloved as she pains-takingly works her needles in and out, not able even to get an answer when he talks to her, the boys insist that the thing is being carried too far. Do the girls think that the young men at the front are the only ones who need time and atten-

tion? Must our young men at home pine away and die for lack of the loving words which the knitting has taken away from them? We advocate a league for the protection of the young men against knitting.

Art Browne and Jack Kayser will be charter members of the organization.

## CAMPUSOLOGY

"Campusology is by no means a new and unfamiliar subject in the curriculum at the Warrensburg Normal. The oldest "post grad" will tell you how the course was given in his younger days. The course has always been, and is yet, an elective. With some students it is a special; with others it is a solid. Credit is usually given in about the same proportion as it is in chorus rehearsals. One hour per day for six years gives one a diploma in flirting. Two and one half hours per day gives one diploma in tact and social ability. Credit earned above two and one-half hours usually earns a marriage license.

The course as offered at Warrensburg has many advantages over the regular curricula. One may choose ones teacher as well as the recitation hour and the class room. Those as far along as the two and one-half hour class need have no fear of being compelled to endure a dull teacher. Teachers may not change more than three times in one day. Some of the lesson plans submitted and approved are as follows:

1. That date tomorrow night.
2. That pretty girl who stays on blank street.
3. Isn't Prof. so-and-so a prune?

A few of the subjects to be avoided are:

1. The lessons for tomorrow.
2. The boy or girl you left behind you.
3. The grades you expect to get this quarter.

Those wishing to enroll in this course apply to any pretty girl or handsome boy this afternoon from 1:30 until 6:00 p. m."

The above article is taken from the Normal Student, the publication of the students of Warrensburg, Missouri Normal. This course as given in the normal is quite unique but the editor of the Egyptian feels that this course should be condemned by educators. In the first place it is detrimental to the order and discipline of the school. Often the class in its excitement becomes noisy and disturbs the other classes.

The course must necessarily be more or less uncertain as the class cannot meet in rainy weather or during the winter term. For these reasons and many others the spread of this idea of the course should be stopped before it gets to Carbondale, Illinois.

# ATHLETICS

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## GALA DAY AT SOUTHERN NORMAL

S. I. N. U. turned out in force to see the only home game of the season. The week before had been marked by yell practices at intervals and everything tended to bring enthusiasm to favor heat on Friday. Recitations Friday were largely nominal. Though everyone attended class, the teachers found that it was hard to concentrate attention and most of the classes became class-room lectures. And then—from 3 to 5 o'clock the blow off came.

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 \* S. I. N. U. . . . . 33 \*  
 \* McKENDREE. . . . 7 \*  
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Rooters were present en masse. The band was furnishing more or less musical entertainment. Normal kicked off, McKendree received and ran it back for a good gain. McKendree punted. Doolen fumbled and McKendree recovered; a forward pass, a successful goal from touchdown, and the score was 7-0 for McKendree. Then the rooters rose to the occasion and showed that they knew the game was just started and the team had plenty of time to win. Normal received the kick-off. Perhaps a dozen plays were made, Kayser figuring as the center of most of them—and Normal was over for a touchdown.

Sing the glory of our native land  
 And of storied Illinois  
 Hail the heroes of each faithful band  
 Who answered their countries call  
 Alma Mater and thy glory too  
 Of thy victories past and still to be  
 Sing we all dear S. I. N. U.  
 With pride and love for thee.

S. I. N. U. we are loyal and true,  
 Alma Mater thee we hail;  
 Steadfast we stand here in Egypt's sunny land  
 Giving honor to thee all hail!  
 Year by year thrilled we hear  
 All our sons and daughters cheer  
 As the White and Maroon they view  
 Comes an echo on the breeze  
 And its joyous tones are these  
 Hail—S. I. N. U.

Kayser kicked goal and the game proceeded with the spectatore in no doubt as to who the victors would be. Kayser, Neber and Doolen plunged the line at will, Kayser's plunges being estimated to average 10 yards a play. The lineman opened im-

mense holes in the line for the backfield to go through and plays in which the backfield ran no interference were successful. The interference slowed up the runner. Any way what's the use of interference when the line gives the runner a clean field for 10 yards or more! At the end of the first half the score stood 19-7 and at the end of the game it was 33-7. McKendree failed repeatedly to gain and the ball was in Normal's possession most of the time.

Baker seldom carried the ball but showed remarkably good judgment in his selection of plays. Kayser was the big ground-gainer though Neber and Doolen were close on his heels. S. I. N. U. is proud of her line—and she feels that she has a wonderful backfield.

Prof. Warren refereed and gave satisfaction. The game was clean throughout and the sportsmanship of the McKendree players was perfect. Normal's line up follows:

- R. E. Bright.
- R. T. Taylor
- R. G. Staubitz.
- C. Weiler, (Capt.)
- L. G. Warren.
- L. T. Hickman.
- L. E. Webb, Kimpling.
- Q. Baker.
- R. H. Neber.
- L. H. Doolen, Webb.
- F. Kayser.

## BASKET BALL SCHEDULE

- Dec. 7---
- Dec. 13—Sparks (there)
- Dec. 14—Terre Haute (there)
- Dec. 21---
- Jan. 7—McKendree (there)
- Jan. 11—Sparks (here)
- Jan. 18—Terre Haute (here)
- Jan. 25—Cape Girardeau (here).
- Jan. 26—Cape Girardeau (here)
- Feb. 1—Charleston (here)
- Feb. 2—Shurtleff (here)
- Feb. 8—Cape Girardeau (there)
- Feb. 9—Cape Girardeau (there)
- Feb. 17—McKendree (here)
- Feb. 23---
- Mar. 2---

Little wads of cotton,  
 Little coils of wire,  
 Make the peachy maiden  
 Whom I do admire.  
 —Clarence Creager.

Archie likes cats and old maids.



## FACULTY NOTES

On the morning of 24th of October which was the Liberty Bond Day the faculty gave the student body a very pleasant surprise, and at the same time one which was very instructive. We were given an oral review of the war situation from every standpoint.

Mr. Boomer set us straight in every detail concerning what were the remote causes of the present war. He showed us the intent of the German Autocracy from its founding to the present outburst, and that all the world-renowned efficiency of the German people was for nothing else but to help in making them masters of the civilized world.

The immediate causes were given to us in a very concise manner by Mr. Smith. He showed us unmistakably how Germany had attempted to force indemnity from a weaker nation and attempted to break international law. The result we all know

Miss Mitchell read selections from The President's Special Message to Congress urging the declaration of war.

We were shown the geographical side of the war by Mr. Colyer.

Statistics were given by Mr. Warren. Altho there is a constant changing, he gave us an idea of the magnitude of the war's awfulness.

Miss Marshall made us feel that we are not doing our share in helping our boys to pass the long days in the trenches. We can do this, however, by sending all our spare books and all magazines to fill the war libraries. No one knows how much we can help them even tho we are far away.

Miss Gubelman gave us an idea of what the American Red Cross is doing.

The position of our women in the present hostilities and at home was clearly explained by Miss Steagall. The old maxim, "The coming man is woman," will surely be fulfilled this time.

Miss Hollenbergers' talk was along this same line. It concerned the specific kind of work which the women are doing, and the position which they hold in conservation of food and the life and morals of the soldiers.

The White Comrade, a war poem was read by Miss Bryden.

Dr. Allen gave us some ideas of the immensity of our taxes.

Mr. Felts concluded the exercise by telling us about the importance of the Liberty Loan and ended with an appeal to all to do their bit.

## News of the Classes

## SENIOR COLUMN

Mary Goodall, a member of this class, has returned to her home in Marion because of illness. We are very sorry to lose Mary from school and especially from the Senior Class.

In the recent contest held by the Egyptian staff for subscriptions, the Senior class made a very good showing; in fact, it seemed that there would be a close race between the Juniors and Seniors. The Senior subscriptions numbered forty nine out of a class of seventy-five Normal and about forty-five High School Seniors. Although coming out second in the contest there were enough Seniors to have won this contest by a majority of seventy or more.

The sample for the class ring was received recently by Mr. Weiler and it meets with the general approval of the class, only two or three members not being pleased with the same. The design is an oval Normal seal and is a much prettier design than had been anticipated.

In the Carnival held down town on Hallowe'en night under the auspices of the Red Cross, several of our Seniors took part. Pauline Conant represented "Liberty" and Marion Clancy was "The American Housewife facing the Food Problem." There were others who assisted in this noble cause by taking part in the general exercises.

The Senior Class is entirely too much an august body and seems to think only of its business or more serious affairs. Could not some one wake up to the fact that "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" and some form of diversion or amusement be planned?

The other classes have not forgotten the social side of their lives and have given vent to this all-important fact. Let us show that we are still alive by having some form of pastime to create a more friendly and better-acquainted feeling between the different members of the class—if only a social in the Gym.

The Senior class was well represented on the football team. Guy Kimpling, our class president, played left end and Hill Warren, the treasurer of our class, was left guard. Herschel Whittaker, who was the only man on the team who played last year was left tackle. He also is the only lettered man on the team. Joe Weiler is a U-High Senior who played center besides being captain of the team.

## SECOND YEAR CLASS

The second year class has had only one meeting since the publication of the last Egyptian, and the purpose of it was to give tags to all who had subscribed for our school paper. Our class was well represented with tags but we were beaten in the

contest.

We are proud that our class is so well represented in the football team this year. Ed Watson, Maurice Robertson, Ernie Harper, Carrol Bright, Leo Hickman and Frank Staubitz are on the first team, and several others are on the second team.

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# ORGANIZATIONS

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## Y. M. C. A.

The largest meeting that the joint association has ever known was the night of October 23. Our State Sec., Mr. Little, was here and brought with him, a Canadian soldier, Mr. Hart, who had lost an arm while in the trenches in France. Mr. Shryock let us have Normal Hall for the evening and it was filled to overflowing. Mr. Hart told of the great work being done in the trenches by the Y. M. C. A. and the work that was yet to be done. The appeal was a strong one, for it was first hand and not magazine statistics of the awful suffering. Subscription blanks were passed and \$326 was raised within a few minutes. This amount was afterwards raised by the student body to over \$500. We only wish it could have been more.

In October Rev. Morris of the local M. E. Church spoke on rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem. The Southern Illinois Conference Male Quartette gave three selections that were heartily enjoyed by all.

The next two meetings were led by Miss Gubelman and Mr. Peterson. The topics were: "A Boy's Standard", and "The Religious Education of the Danish Young People" respectfully.

The Y. M. C. A. quartet has favored us with special music one evening, and Mr. Claire Carr with a cornet solo at another time.

We also wish to thank those of the faculty who attend occasionally, for their presence gives an added something to the meetings that otherwise isn't there. It makes us feel that there is someone interested in our organization.

The Y. M. C. A. thoroughly appreciated the invitation from the Y. W. C. A. to go with them on a picnic Saturday, November the tenth. Little attention was paid to the threatening rain, and all had a jolly good time. A few of the graduates Ex-Vice President and the Sec. of the Y. M. C. A. were also made welcome.

## Y. W. C. A.

The meetings of the Y. W. C. A. have been very interesting this month. The first meeting was the installation meeting, and the new members were formally taken into the organization. Miss Mae Floyd gave an interesting talk and the service was very pretty, but we were sorry not to have had more girls join us.

Reverend Morris was asked to speak to us at the second meeting. As we have two Rev. Morris' in Carbondale, we had the pleasure of having them both at our meeting. Reverend W. T. Morris gave a good talk, telling us "What We Can Do." Reverend Robert Morris had an engagement and did not have time to give a talk, but he sang a song for us. Any one that has heard him sing knows that it was a treat.

Mr. Lentz spoke at the next meeting. He spoke about the doubts that come to all Christians. Zoe Fullerton, one of our members, has been unable to be with us at our meetings, because of an attack of appendicitis. She is being cared for at the hospital and is reported as doing nicely.

Saturday, November 10th the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. went out to the grove, called Henry, for a picnic.

Although the weather was not very favorable there was a good crowd at the Interurban Station when it came to start.

When we reached the grove, the crowd scattered in jovial bunches, every one searching for nuts, but they were soon brought together when a brilliant fire was started and word was passed around that popcorn was popping.

After playing games for awhile, we spread our supper under the trees, and every one enjoyed a good meal. By the time supper was over, it was nearing the time for our car, and we just had time to toast some marshmallows, and get to the station.

The trip home was made jolly by songs and yells in which everyone took part. Even the car crew were included in the yells, and I think any one at the station that evening would have had little trouble in knowing that the Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. of the Normal were having a picnic.

### ZETETIC SOCIETY.

The members of Zetetic Society voted to give \$75 to the Y. M. C. A. Army and Navy work. An excellently rendered college play was given. The quartette has appeared on the program several times and is always enjoyed by all.

On last Friday night the old maids of the society held An Old Maids' Convention.

The Society is well represented in every phase of student life. Members of the society are the following responsible officers: Presidents of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A.; President, Vice-President and Secretary of the Senior Class, President of the Junior Class. We also have six members of the Obelisk staff. Several of the former members of the society have been back to visit us this term.

### SOCRATIC SOCIETY.

During the past month, the Socratic Society has certainly been on the boom. Several new members have been placed on the roll; better programs have been given, and larger audiences have been in attendance. Each Friday night the Society has given numbers which are not only worth while, but which are entertaining. Every S. I. N. U. student should join one of the societies, and become an active worker in the society of his choice. We invite you to join the Socratic, but should the sister society be your choice join it, and join it now.

In a talk made by one of the faculty members at society, the statement was made that in no other phase of school life would one get the training needed in after life that could be received from working in society.

A new set of officers has been installed to serve the remainder of the term: Pres., Hill Warren; Vice-pres., Pauline Conant; Corresponding Secy., Bernard Lollar; Recording Secy., Clarence Creager; Critic, John Collins; Librarian, Maurice Robertson.

Under the new régime, the outlook for the future of the society is very promising.

### AG. CLUB.

The Ag. Club has its regular weekly meeting every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p. m. It is having good attendance, and is getting many new members. Although the Ag. Club is small in comparison to its membership of previous years, owing to the lack of boys in school, we think the members are getting training that will be very helpful to them after leaving school. The members that appear on the programs are most all beginners, yet they show plenty of preparation. We are proud

to see the interest that is being taken, and hope to make every program better than the previous one. It is very easy to see that the men appearing in the program for the second time show a great improvement over the previous time.

The Ag. Club was represented in Hallow'een celebration, held for the benefit of the Red Cross, by Loel Hindman, who represented an ideal farmer. This was done by collecting a number of farm products which are the most important. These were presented along with the farmer in a very striking way.

Witt Venerable, who has made a very successful president, was succeeded by Loel Hindman who, the Ag. Club is expecting, will make a good leader, as he attended the University of Illinois last year and took an active part in the Ag. Club there.

The Ag. Club is proud of the fact that twelve of its members have lately subscribed for the Illinois Agriculturalist, a paper that is valued highly by professors of Agriculture.

The Ag. Club extends a cordial welcome to all visitors.

### COMMERCIAL CLUB.

The first program of the Commercial Club was given in Socratic Hall, Wednesday, October 17. The purpose of this organization is to promote a greater interest along all commercial lines.

We have been organized only one year but that fact seems to be a boost rather than a hindrance. The outlook for this year is indeed very good. Having a large membership we will be able to give excellent programs all through the year.

It is of great importance to the students of this school because it affords many opportunities in both social and literary work into which they enter with zeal.

Our second program on November 7, was indeed a success. Mr. R. E. Bridges, our local trustee, gave a splendid address.

### JACKSON COUNTY.

We are glad to say that Jackson County Organization this term is a vast improvement over that of any previous term, but there is still room for improvement. The meetings are well attended, and much interest is taken.

A masquerade social was given in the Gym. the night before Hallow'een. About seventy-five individuals appeared in quite a variety of costumes. Three prizes were given. Jane and Laura Dillinger won the prize for couples. They represented a United States soldier and a Red Cross nurse. Lu-

cille Watt won the prize for the most artistic. John Hinchcliff, "Pa Dam" with all his children, about a dozen in number, won the prize for the comic section. "Pa Damm" was a good fatherly old man, for he paid a great deal of attention to his children and fed them cold cornbread, when they cried for it. He undoubtedly deserved the prize awarded to him.

A number of games were played, which were appropriate to the occasion. Mr. Black was chap-erone. All enjoyed the evening, especially the cider and cookies.

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"Lucille Watt: Lawrence, I see you are growing a mustache."

"X" "Yeah, don't you think it becoming?"

Lucille: "It may be coming, but it isn't here yet".

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Prof. Browne: "Mr. Etherton, do you expect to pass this term?"

"Gobby": "Well, what do you think about it Professor?"

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"Shorty": "Do you want to hear something great?" (grate)

Penrod: "Durn right."

Shorty: "Well, rub two bricks together then."

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Kraut: "I don't think it's wrong to shoot craps."

Ruth M: "Well, I do. They've got as much right to live as anything else."

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Peck Darrough: "Art, what makes you so thin?"

Art: "Man, I have been living on love for six months."

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Prof. Colyer: "Mr. Myers, what kind of bird is a sandpiper?"

Fuzzy: "A two legged bird."

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Skeeter Etherton: "Say! Tate, I sleep in chapel every morning."

Tate: "I would too, but I'm afraid I'll snore."

Dick Browne: "Archie, why don't you speak to that girl? It's the second time she has passed by?"

Archie: "Well, if I spoke to her every time she passed, she would be trotting up and down the corridor all the time."

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The telephone rang and when Eula H. answered the following conversation was heard:

X—"Miss Harris, I have called you to ask an important question."

Eula—"All right. What is it?"

X—"Well, I don't know whether I should ask it or not but—but I just called you—"

Eula—"Well, ask the question."

X—"Well, I just thot I'd call you and ask you if —if you'd marry me."

Eula—"Of course I'll marry you. Who is this speaking, please?"

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Prof. Colyer asked Guy Baker about the climate in the middle west.

Baker—"Tropical."

Colyer—"Is that so?"

Baker—"Well, weren't you talking about the Amazon basin?"

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Rivals: Luth B. and Gladys F; Hickie and L. Carr.

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Prof. Muckelroy to Ralph Warren in swine class: "Well, Ralph, that's so much better than you have been doing I'm going to give you "D" on it.

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Glenn Ayre, disgustedly, after carrying home two or three loads of raffia and after several attempts at making a shopping bag "————— I wish Prof. Peterson had all of this old hay to eat."

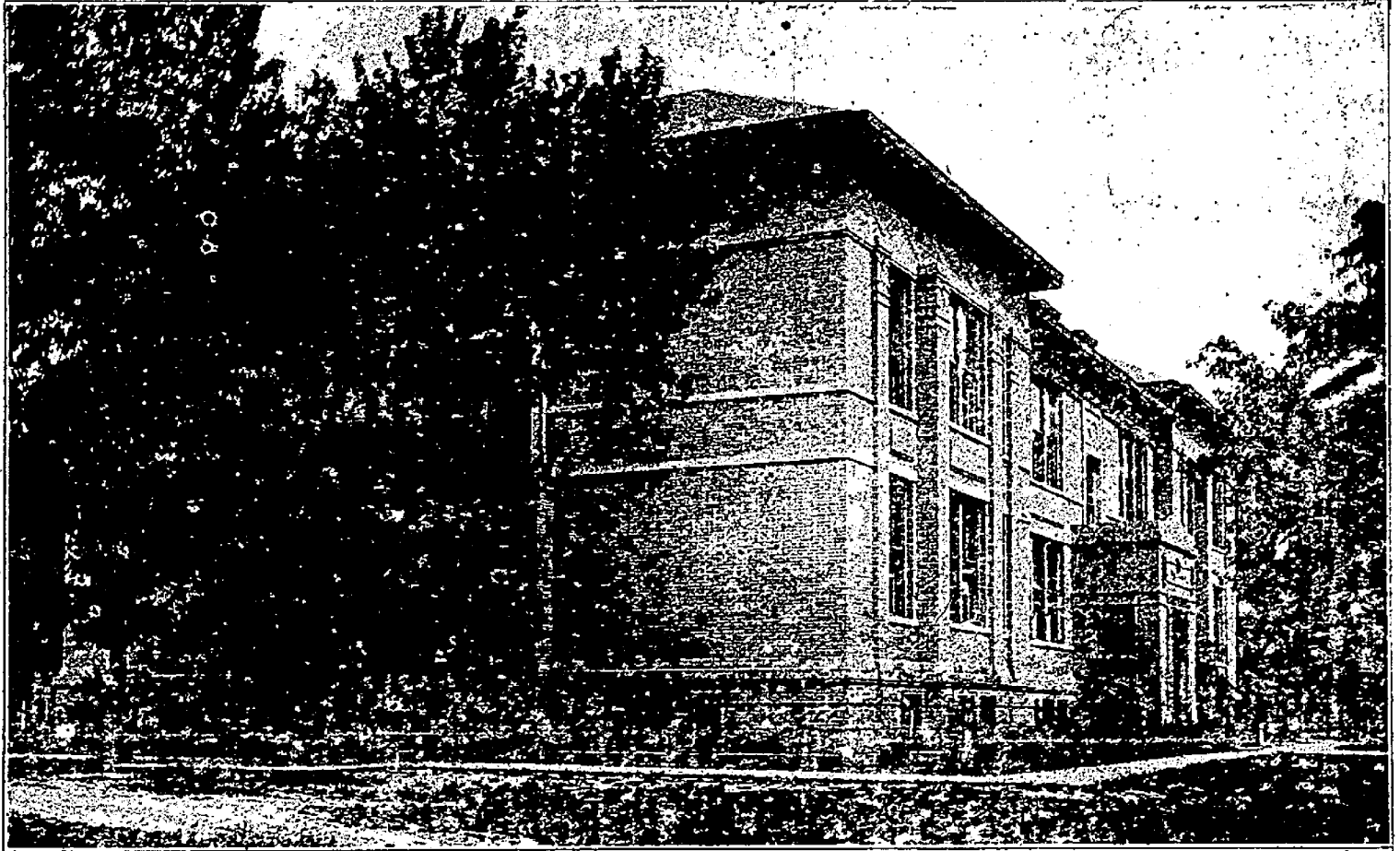
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L. Carr had to exceed the speed limit Saturday night in order to get one girl home in time for him to catch the other one after the second show.

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Jimmie Norfleet says he is ready for another date when the roads get fit to go to Marion.

## AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY OF S. I. N. U.



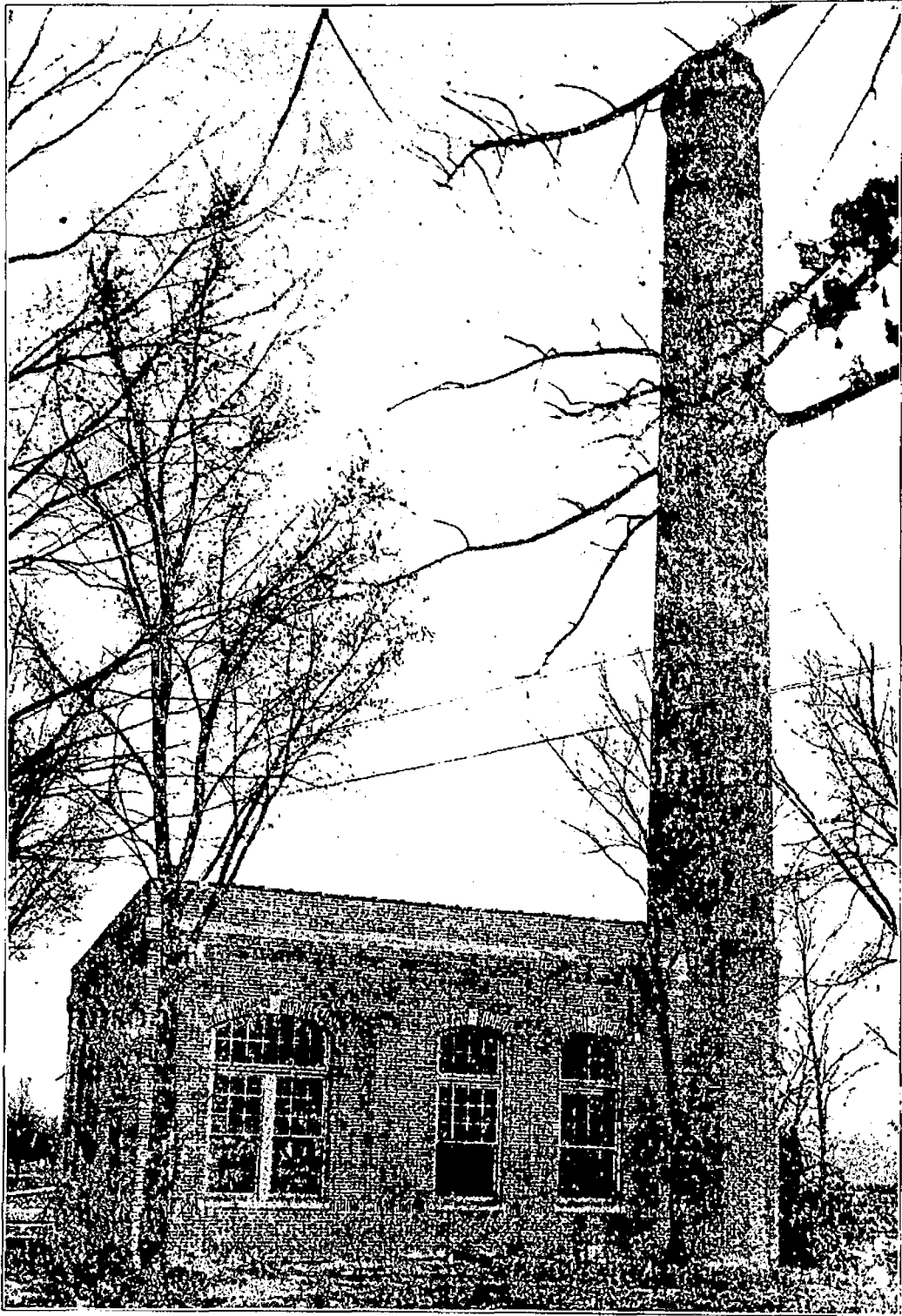
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### THE HEATING PLANT.

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