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# SENIOR PLAY, WED., MAY 31



Left to Right, standing—Smith, Johnson, McComas, Soffonaison, and Roy Tweit, athletic manager. Sitting—Allen, Cain, Abbey and Thomas

## TICKETS FOR THE SENIOR PLAY ON SALE; MANY SOLD

PLAY CAST IS NOW

WORKING HARD

The tickets for the annual Senior play are on sale under the management of W. O. E. Radcliffe, business manager of the play. The publicity part is managed by Miss Nell Henry.

The cast is drilling every day for a minimum of one and a maximum of two hours, and the members are showing marked improvement at each rehearsal.

Mr. Barker, who carries the leading role, is living up to all of Mr. Hoppes's expectations, and is portraying the Stranger as Jerome intended him to be. Mrs. Sharpe, the stern landlady, is the last word in stern landladies. Stasia, the servant girl, is a real cockney lass of old London. Miss Kite, the official vamp; Mr. DeHooley, our aristocrat, Oh dear me! And our explosive couple—Major and Mrs. Tompkins, make a perfect imitation of the battle of the Marne. Joey Wright, our gay old bird, ex-gambler—well, there's no fool like an old fool. Vivian, the daughter of the Major, and Christopher, the young artist, enact Romeo and Juliet to perfection. Samuel, the Jew, and Larcom, the young crook, travel together and execute several brilliant swindles.

Mr. Hoppe has selected an admirable cast from a turnout of over forty seniors. The play promises to be the very best drama that a senior class ever staged.

It is to be held in the Auditorium Wednesday, May 31.

—B. S. N. S.—

## HOLD SENIOR RECEPTION

The members of the faculty will hold a reception Tuesday, May 23, at 8:00 P. M., in the Social Hall of the dormitory, in honor of the graduating seniors. The hosts and hostesses cordially urge the attendance of each member of the class, that an evening of mutual enjoyment may be spent together before the end of the school year comes with its inevitable breaking up of present associations.

## NORMAL SUFFERS THE FIRST BASEBALL DEFEAT OF SEASON

U. of W. FROSH, 10; TO

W. S. NORMAL TEAM, 6

Nine hits and only two double base hits gave the U. of W. Frosh 10 runs and the game. Normal's seven hits—one two bases and a homer by Thomas, made six runs.

The reason, however, for this defeat is that the Frosh's infield was about as tight as the legislature's purse, and the Blue and White's infield had as many holes in it as a hair net has.

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## ATHLETIC PROSPECTS FOR THE FUTURE

Our Normal has a great future. That fact is easily recognized by all observers. This future is not limited to high standards of scholarship and educational training. Athletics will come more and more to hold an important place in the life of the school.

The attendance of boys is on a constant increase. The past year's enrollment has included young men of high athletic ability. And our accomplishments the past year can not be looked upon lightly. Our football team unequivocally proved itself the superior of any in its class. Our track team easily defeated all available contestants and revealed the need for opponents of a higher rating. Our long string of baseball victories was marred by but a single defeat and that by a team whose standing is of the very highest.

Our Athletic prospects for the future glow brightly on the horizon. The indications are that the attendance of boys at the Normal the coming year will exceed all previous records. And the indications are that the achievements of Normal athletic teams the coming year will exceed all previous records.

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## FINAL TENNIS GAMES WILL BE INTERESTING

The racket wielders at the Bellingham Normal are now on the last rounds in the tennis tournament. The finals are reached by at least one player in all events. Upsetting of the dope was featured in the tournament. McComas played in the finals by winning from Haeske 7-5, 1-6. McComas' probable opponent will be Benson and a good match is promised. The finals in mixed doubles will be played by Nesson and Bowman versus Tweit and Pearson. Lillian Brotnov and Carol Haeske, the logical champions, defaulted because of Miss Brotnov's absence from school.

The finals in the men's doubles will be played by Abbey and Tweit, against Benson and Haeske, the latter placing in the finals by defeating McComas and Linstedt 6-2, 6-1.

The girls are a bit slower in the playing of their matches. Those farthest advanced are Pearson and Collins in the semi-finals in singles, and Eowen and Collier in the finals in doubles.

As soon as the tournament is ended the inter-class championship games will be held; the teams, two men and two women from each class will be chosen from the best players who participated in the tournament.

—B. S. N. S.—

## ALKISIAHS FURNISH ROOM IN HOSPITAL

One of the accomplishments of the Alkisiah Club during the past school year has been the furnishing of the "Alkisiah" room in the new hospital. The club has furnished this room in memory of its founder and former sponsor, Miss Ida Agnes Baker. Most of the furnishings for the room formerly belonged to Miss Baker, and were given to the club by her executors. The furniture of the room is painted ivory white, and consists of a bed, dresser, table, two chairs, and a rug. Three beautiful pictures are hung on the walls. The club colors are artistically carried out in the cretonne window draperies and in the beautiful candlesticks and candles. Truly the "Alkisiah" room is a bright, cheery spot and the girls of the club sincerely hope that it will prove a source of comfort and cheer to anyone who is unfortunate enough to be taken seriously ill while attending Normal, and is fortunate enough to be taken to the Alkisiah room. Especial credit is due Miss Marie Linker, who had charge of the furnishing of the room.

—B. S. N. S.—

This is a fake—  
The world is old—yet likes to laugh.  
New jokes are hard to find.  
A whole new editorial staff  
Can't tickle every mind.  
So if you meet some ancient joke,  
Decked out in modern guise,  
Don't frown and call the thing fake.  
Just laugh. Don't be too wise.

LOST—FOUND ONE COAT

## MISS CUMMINS GIVES MESSAGE TO STUDENTS

The word vacation has a magic sound to all of us, and the most natural thing for all school people when we are tired of the immediate cares and responsibilities is to long for vacation time.

We greet our friends on their return from a vacation by asking some such questions as "what have you seen?" or "Are you glad to be back?"

In answer to the first question, I have nothing new nor startling to tell. I spent the weeks during my absence from the Normal at my home in South Dakota. The most impressive thing about the trip itself was to witness again the transformation that nature makes in passing from a middle western winter to spring. On my trip east, I saw the mountains and plains literally buried in snow and on the return trip saw them covered with the green of spring. The newness of life that comes with the middle western spring is worth experiencing. It acts as a physical as well as a mental stimulant.

As to whether I am glad to be back. I can really say I am glad to be back. The greeting of the friends we make through our working together as teachers and students is something I prize. The cordial handshakes and the kindly words make it worth while to come back.

I had the opportunity of visiting the normal school from which I was graduated, and the pleasure of greeting and visiting with a few of my teachers. I had a good time talking over the changes that had been made in the plant and on the campus and discussing how things used to be. They have a fine new archway at the gate of the campus, erected in memory of the young men who gave their lives in the World War, and in honor of the students and teachers who helped to win the war through their services at home. This had been erected I was told, by a recent graduating class.

A visit back to the old home and school left this impression with me: Things must change. It is worth while to look backward and remember how things were, but we must also look for the changes. My message to the students who are leaving at the close of this year is, come back to the school; remember how things are; come to see the changes and progress we may make.

NORA B. CUMMINS.

—B. S. N. S.—

## JOKES

ROY TWEIT, Joke Editor?

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Editor's note—Roy Tweit was appointed special joke editor for this week's Messenger.

Where are your jokes, Roy?

(The jokes in this issue are supplied by the regular staff.)

P. S.—It is rumored that Mr. Tweit is a busy man these days—stepping the other fellow's girls is hard work—you have our sympathy.

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**PROFESSOR COUGHLIN  
RETURNS TO NORMAL**

I have been actively engaged once more in student work at the State College of Washington. I have found it a real joy to be one of the "folks" again; to experience the pleasures and trials of student life; to catch the student's point of view and share the students' woes; in brief, to see again thru the eyes of a student and to feel as he feels in the stress of college life. To every teacher should come this experience as the days pass, that he may not lose his sympathy with students and student life and that he may grow stronger as one who knows and understands.

I find at the State College of Washington a strong, virile, earnest student body. Scholarship and school loyalty are among their most striking characteristics. The school paper rings with these qualities; the faculty preach them and the student body reflects them. To illustrate: Some years ago a visitor to the college library would have been struck by the air of apparent industry in everything but study. It was called "fussers' rendezvous," and aptly named it was. Today the same visitor would be impressed by the unmistakable air of business and attention to the tasks at hand—study, if you please. The capacious reading room may be crowded, yet almost perfect silence is maintained and everyone is at work. This attitude of earnestness and serious purpose seems, as I have said, to have pervaded the very college halls, themselves.

Leaving the state college, the pen sweeps me to Spokane, a great deal more comfortably and swiftly than the Palouse Branch Railway does. In that city I had the good fortune to attend the Inland Empire Teachers' Association and to meet old college chums as well as three staunch Normalites, Miss Roberts, Dr. Miller and Mr. Klemms. Superintendent Wiedman, also, added a touch of Bellingham sunshine to the gathering.

Other pleasant trips, by way of study and recreation, have been blended with my regular student work. Of these and other good things I have seen, heard and done I must reserve the telling until I am back home again. I have a ready sketched or rambled too much, but before I close, I must write a little about things nearer home.

It has been my weekly delight to receive the newsy little "Messenger" and to devour and digest it from "stem to stern." It has come as a true messen-

ger, a bearer of news, sometimes of tragedy, but mostly of comedy and romance, yet always news of the "Normal by the Sea." While here, I have heard many compliments for our "Weekly," and, let me add, I know they are genuine and true.

It is unnecessarily for me to say that I was extremely gratified to learn of our good fortune in the selection of Dr. Waldo as our new president and of the big things that are just ahead for the Normal School.

"When are you coming home?" you ask. I am glad to reply, "Just as soon as conveniently and reasonably possible—early in June, before summer school opens, I trust."

It is a genuine pleasure to be able to greet the faculty and the student body in this way and I want to take this opportunity to extend to B. S. N. S. and to all those who grace its halls my warmest regards and best wishes.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

JOHN V. COUGHLIN.

—B. S. N. S.—

**HOW DEPARTMENT  
OF CAMPUSTRY WORKS**

Professor—Arthur Kolstad.

Associate Professor, Noel Wynn

Course 1. General Fussing. Preparatory—This course is designed for beginners and is given in the spring and summer terms. The course or its equivalent must precede the more advanced courses.

Text—Hawshaw's "Advice to the Lovelorn."

Course 2. Freshmen, This course, which is a continuation of Counsel, includes field trips by moonlight. The students are to make at least two trips per week to Sehome Hill or to Inspiration Point. The work is done by groups of two. The course leads to engagement at the end of the year.

Text—Dynamite Foreh, "Love Sonnets."

Course 3. Seniors—This work is open to all who expect to make a life study of Campustry. It is continued throughout the year and must be preceded by courses 1 and 2. This course leads to Matrimony. No text will be used as the work is mainly research.

A graduate course will be given whenever there is sufficient demand for it. This will be devoted to keeping peace in the family.

Students now enrolled.

Course No. 1:

- Roy Tweit (Most any Girl).
- Dewey Turner—Dorothy Zinser.
- Wm. Olson—(?)
- Carrol Haeske—Mildred Kinsey.
- Geo. Abbey—Maurine Taft.
- Fred Schroffer—Peggy Alberg.
- Oliver Ingersoll—Esther Reddick.
- Leland Rankin—Elva Stump.

Course No. 2:

- Arthur Allen—Ella Norling.
- Chauncey Davis—Ruth Royal.
- Estell V. Cain—Tina Pearson.
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Dwight Cone—Bernice Cleary.  
Harold Smith—Florence Porter.  
Irwin Black—Madeline Hess.  
Wade Bristol—Abbey Gillis.  
Noel Wynn—Catherine Shepherd.  
Howard Nesson—Minnie Collins.  
Arthur Kolstad—(Most any girl will do).

Graduate Students:

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## FIRST MEN'S NUMBER.

This is the first annual Men's Number of the Messenger. We hope that the publishing of this number will be but the beginning of a regularly established custom of the Messenger staff.

The decision to turn this issue over to the men was made at the eleventh hour. (Apology enough). We hope and trust that the different features in this number will be of interest to you.

—B. S. N. S.—

## HOW DO YOU TACKLE YOUR WORK.

By Edgar A. Guest

How do you tackle your work each day?  
Are you scared of the job you find?  
Do you grapple the task that comes your way?  
With a confident, easy mind?  
Do you stand right up to the work ahead,  
Or fearfully pause to view it?  
Do you start to toil with a sense of dread,  
Or feel that you're going to do it?

You can do as much as you think you can,  
But you'll never accomplish more;  
If you're afraid of yourself, young man,  
There's little for you in store.  
For failure comes from the inside first,  
It's there, if we only knew it,  
And you can win, though you face the worst,  
If you feel that you're going to do it.

Success! It's found in the soul of you,  
And not in the realm of luck!  
The world will furnish the work to do,  
But you must provide the pluck.  
You can do whatever you think you can,  
It's all in the way you view it.  
It's all in the start that you make, young man;  
You must feel that you're going to do it.

How do you tackle your work each day?  
With confidence clear, or dread?  
What to yourself do you stop and say,  
When a new task lies ahead?  
What is the thought that is in your mind?  
Is fear ever running through it?  
If so, just tackle the next you find  
By thinking you're going to do it.

## LEAVE THESE EXPRESSIONS OUT OF YOUR SPEECH.

Miss Maud Scheerer, one of the foremost dramatic readers in the United States, in an article in a recent number of the American Magazine, made the following statement regarding speech expression, which every Normal student and teacher should read and profit by:

"Clear thinking demands clear speech for an outlet, and clear speech reacts upon clear thinking. Eliminate common and banal expressions from your vocabulary—such as 'Absolutely!' 'I'll tell the world!' 'You're right!' 'Isn't that ripping?' 'You've said it!' They are the phrases of mental laziness, and lazy phrases befog the thought. Don't apply the word 'wonderful' to everything from a picture puzzle to a sunset. Use a dictionary and a book of synonyms and antonyms. Study the meaning of adjectives, and use those that exactly express the shades of thought you desire. By the use of well-chosen words you will develop your individuality and remove yourself from the class of people whom others hear but never listen to!"



## A "WEAKLY" EXPOSURE



EXPOSURE NUMBER III.

### ROY ISADORE TWEIT

R. Isadore Tweit—(pronounced Too-wheat) whose degree is T. K. (Tulip King) was born in Happy Valley, Fairhaven. Educated in Happy Valley. Present residence Happy Valley. Probable future residence—Fairhaven, Happy Valley. He spent his youth lavishly (in Happy Valley). In 1916 he decided to get an education. He entered the Fairhaven high school and decided to follow the science course—followed it 1917—was left behind 1917½—decided to abandon it 1917 7-12, abandoned it 1917¾. But he graduated from Fairhaven High School in 1920. Decided to enter Normal 1920—undecided 1921—decided 1921 & 1 month an entered it 1921 & 1½ month.

Roy has made a brilliant record at this school. He is chief scandal-monger of the Philos; athletic manager (he keeps the score); assistant manager of the Klipsun. (note—The Klipsun has not suf-

fered very much). He played baseball last year—led in errors. During the month of April, 1922, he decided to turn to finance—turned them April, kept them turned April 10—began to waver April 20. Unturned them April 25.

He will undoubtedly accept a teaching position in Happy Valley and remain there until the end.

Mr. Tweit is also inclined to literature. —he has written a voluminous book on Women, and "Why I Change every Two Weeks."

Author's note—Mr. Cain, being much larger than I am, is omitted from this week's issue. He will appear in the next —thus giving me time to get away.

—D. T.

## THE DORM ROBBED;

### S. O. S. CALL SOUNDED

Such was the cry heard Friday morn, when "Bubbin" came home from her 9 o'clock class to get ready to leave on the train for Seattle. Hazel Blue, Patty Goke, Mil Carmen and Alpha Samzelius formed the searching party, and the house was "scoured" from one end to the other, but of no avail, for Bubbin's new coat with her wealth of money (sewed into the lining) had gone. Even the cooks at Edens Hall left their peeling of potatoes long enough to shake their heads, and declare the Dorm was certainly getting unsafe, and "going to the dogs."

Ten o'clock came, and still no trace of the coat; a messenger had been dispatched to the Dean of Women, to declare the Dorm unreliable. While down in the "Beau Parlor," with her grip, her hat, and umbrella, sat Bubbins, weeping constantly, all ready to go. yet no coat or money!!

What stories everyone was revising, about a bar of soap lost, and an orange taken months ago, while into the atmosphere of tragedy, walked Gene Flindall, dragging Bubbins' coat, money and all, explaining in a breathless voice, "Lo, hope I'm not too late! I needed a coat to go down town, and knew you wouldn't mind—have a good time in town!"



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# REVIEW OF THE YEARS' ATHLETICS

## 1921 Football Schedule

Oct. 15—At Sedro-Woolley: Normal, 14; Sedro-Woolley, 0.  
 Oct. 22—Bellingham: Normal, 28; Keyport Torpedo Sta., 0.  
 Oct. 29—Bellingham: Normal, 17; C. P. S., 6.  
 Nov. 4—Bellingham: Normal, 0; U. of W. Frosh, 14.  
 Nov. 11—Bellingham: Normal, 6; St. Martin's College, 0.

## Normal Line-up.

Keplinger, Right End.  
 Rairdon, Right Tackle.  
 Radcliffe, Right Guard.  
 Knowlton, Right Guard.  
 McComas, Center.  
 Cone, Left Guard.  
 Hoyt, Left Tackle.  
 Tryggvi, Left End.  
 Campbell, Quarterback.  
 Macpherson, Fullback.  
 Gaasland, Left Halfback.  
 Miller, Left Halfback.  
 Fisher (capt), Right Halfback.  
 Hatley, Left Guard.  
 Allen, Fullback.

The fall of 1921, Normal football season will be remembered with just pride by all patrons and supporters of our Normal School athletics. Starting the season with no letter men and no football field, Coach Carver developed a team which won four out of five official games played. The team lost only to the strong Frosh eleven, who were given a hard run for their victory. The aim of the next football season is to win every game, and especially that with the Freshmen. This aim seems justified, by the coming of the home field to play on, promised by the new administration, and by the fact that the following letter men will be back to handle the pigskin

this fall: Tryggvi, McComas, Knowlton Rairdon, Keplinger, Miller and Gaasland.

## Basketball Schedule.

Jan. 7—Bellingham: Whites, 29; Vancouver Ex-Normal 19.  
 Jan. 14—Bellingham: Whites, 15; College of P. S., 23.  
 Jan. 20—Bellingham: Whites, 28; Whatcom, 9.  
 Jan. 21—Bellingham: Whites, 23; Cheney Normal, 36.  
 Jan. 27—Bellingham: Whites, 14; Ellensburg, 23.  
 Jan. 28—Bellingham: Whites, 18; Ellensburg, 10.  
 Feb. 4—Vancouver: Whites, 16; Vancouver Ex-Normal, 26.  
 Feb. 6—Leavenworth: Whites, 21; Leavenworth A. A., 19.  
 Feb. 8—Cheney: Whites, 17; Cheney Normal, 25.  
 Feb. 10—Ellensburg: Whites, 9; Ellensburg, 30.  
 Feb. 11—Ellensburg: Whites, 17; Ellensburg, 37.  
 Feb. 18—Bellingham: Whites, 25; St. Martin's College, 24.  
 Feb. 24—Tacoma: Whites, 28; College of P. S., 46.  
 Feb. 25—There: Whites, 17; St. Martin's College, 25.  
 March 3—Bellingham: Whites, 18; Whatcom H. S., 19.

## Normal Lettermen.

Dwight Cone, Stanley McComas, Centers; Walter Vanderford, Victor Hughes (Capt.), Arthur Allen, forwards; Quinn Fisher, Lawrence Keplinger, Ralph Miller, guards.

The Normal had the fastest basketball team in its history this year. Five of the fifteen games were won, and doubtless the majority of games would have been won, had sickness and other emergencies not robbed the team of some of its best players, at the most critical times.

Many hopes are entertained for a successful season next year, as many letter men are returning, and better gymnasium equipment will be available.

The only track meet of the season, held with the Whatcom and Fairhaven High Schools of the city, May 6, resulted in a clean sweep victory for the Normal, who won by the score of 90 out of a total of 118. Firsts and seconds were taken in every event except the pole vault and mile, in which Abbey took first and a Fairhaven man second. High point men in order of scores were Allen, 21; Abbey, 18; McComas, 14; Vanderford 13.

The Normal baseball squad is just finishing the most successful season in the history of the school. Nine victories

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### NORMAL SUFFERS

#### THE FIRST BASEBALL

#### DEFEAT OF SEASON

(Continued from Page One)

It was a proverbial "off" day—which even the big leaguers suffer occasionally. The "breaks" to, went in the wrong direction, but the fact remains that the State Normal has spoiled its record of no defeats.

Six times did the Normalites boot, jumble and play tag with the ball, and always when the Frosh most desired them to do so.

The pitching of McComas was much better than the deliveries of the Frosh pitcher, but—every bungle by the Frosh stepped thru the Normal's infield and every time the Normal hit the ball, a Frosh was in front of it. Nevertheless, the Normal hits were clean hits. The base running was excellent, especially that of Vanderford.

The score by innings was as follows:

	R.	H.	B.
U. of W.	10	9	4
Normal	6	7	6

Normal to Play Everett High Scho.1.

Next Saturday the Bellingham Normal Swat-kings will motor to the Smokestack city to indulge in the game with the undefeated high school nine. A tight game is expected, but the boys are confident of bringing home the bacon.

"K-K-K-Kolstad, wonderful Kolstad, Girls:

You're the only m-m-m-man that I adore. When the m-m-moon shines over the cottage,

I'll be waiting at the c-c-c-cabin door.

Echo of Boys: "B-B-B-Bath-tub, beautiful bath-tub, You're the only tub that I adore—etc."

—B. S. N. S.—  
 Geo. Abbey: "Don't get out over your heads, girls.

Margaret M.: "We aren't planning on getting out at all."

—B. S. N. S.—  
 Haeske: "Do you know how this bath-tub resembles a lizzie?"

Rankin: "A lizzie?"  
 Haeske: "Yes, they're both made of tin, and you're ashamed to be seen in them."

—B. S. N. S.—  
 Prof.: "Do you think you are a teacher here!"

Student: "No!"  
 Prof.: "Then, why are you acting like an idiot?"



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## WHAT I THINK OF THE BELLINGHAM NORMAL

REV. FRANKLIN VAN GORDER

It was east of the mountains, at a county institute, where I first met Prof. Weir. I said to myself, "If he is a sample of the Bellingham Normal, I want some of it." So I came, just before "June's sweet roses bloomed." Everyone was kind and helpful. I found a place to room and was soon programmed, thanks to Prof. Bever. I had been pining for a review of history and its meaning, as well as for a summer residence not hotter than Texas. I found both in Bellingham; also an increased appetite. I could not take in everything at once on what I saw, but my first impressions were very favorable. They have been strengthened since. I have had a renewal of youth as it were.

Now just what are the things that impressed me? Well, the courteous treatment on arrival was one thing. Another was the large, commodious buildings overlooking the town. The capacious class rooms, the laboratory, the museum representing animal life of land and sea, the plentiful supply of maps to teach history, also the library, with its thousands of volumes, then there is the assembly hall, where the young Daniel Websters and O'Connells demonstrate their oratorical ability. Besides these are the sports and pastimes.

The bloodiest frays held here are basketball, football, baseball and lawn tennis. Occasionally some socials are held, but no hospital record has yet been made by the participants.

I have been observing the makeup of those who have the work of the Normal to look after, and I believe the secret of its big success is due to the mental and moral qualities of the workers. They

have the vision. Consequently, the young people have splendid opportunity to fit themselves for life, not only in book knowledge, but also in the practical departments of manual training and domestic science. Or perhaps in the chemical or agricultural departments one learns about the needs of soils to get the largest results.

We might mention the lectures and addresses by practical men before the assemblies, and the various societies with their activities. If these things do not react on the rising generation, it is because it is dead. One other matter or two. Teaching the subject so as to develop the individuality of the student is one strong phase in the high standards of the school.

One other phase is the opportunity to attend church service, no matter what denomination and to hear world-wide lecturers on the platform, or at the Chautauqua in the good old summer time.

All these things are only fingers, drawing us as it were "on and onward still before."

Then, besides, there is the gymnasium work. This will develop the physical make-up of the growing Hercules much better than the dead Greek and Roman methods. It will also get the young athlete somewhere.

Then, perhaps one more idea, and that is the school is co-educational. In the boyhood days of the writer, the recesses were separate; first the boys and then the girls were dismissed. Today, young people coming together on common grounds get such a vision of co-operation and helpfulness, that if our old friend Nero arose he would be very much surprised, so would Thor and Pallas.

So you see what I think of the Normal. I also might add, that last summer, I prophesied that the Normal had just begun to grow; that it would require larger grounds and more buildings. This also was an observation and an impression. Long live the Normal.

— B. S. N. S. —

## A MOONLIGHT SCENE UPON A SUMMER NIGHT

The little girl had just cuddled down in her soft, white bed to sleep. The moonlight drenched the old garden and streamed softly in at the windows. Suddenly an unearthly cry rang out, sank into a dull wail, and ended in a washed monotone, sinister and fearful. Again the sound rolled out, but this time it was in two different keys—the one a high falsetto, the other a melodious bass. The sonorous sweetness swelled on the night breeze, grew higher and fuller, sharper and more intense, shriller and then quite hysterical. There was a soft, velvety pattering of feet on the roof and then a diabolical shriek, piercing and near, which made the little girl motionless with fear. More shrieks and wails ensued, wandering in the air like lost souls, then a cawing, kicking, biting ball of fur shot past the window and fell with a dull thud onto the cement walks below. Their angelic Angora and a back alley siam cat were comparing family trees.

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money.

Ruth: "How careless of you. The next  
thing, you know, you'll be losing me."

Margaret: "How did you ever make  
up your mind to marry Harold instead  
of Dick?"

Florence: "Very simple. I went out  
with each on a cloudy day. Dick said:  
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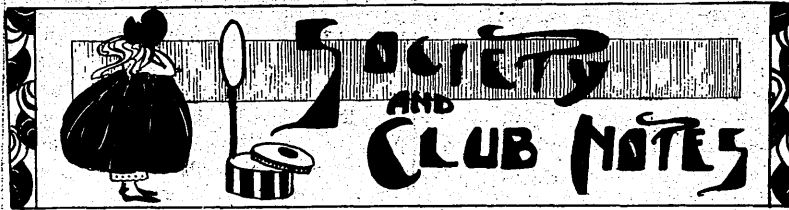
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### ALKISIAHS' PICNIC AT LAKE WHATCOM

Why was Saturday, May 13, a day to be remembered? Oh, yes! That was the day the Alkisiah girls had a picnic at Lake Whatcom. It was held at the home of Mrs. Smith, who is a former Alkisiah member. Miss Gene Watrous chaperoned the girls.

The fun of the day began when the girls met at the Interurban Station, carrying bulky packages, which spoke for themselves of the good time to follow. Here the new members were invited, and even ardently urged to wear their coats, middy ties and hats backwards. Initiation stunts reached their climax at noon, when all sat down to a picnic dinner on the lawn.

"Who took my fork and spoon? I had it right here just a few minutes ago," was the wail of the fifteen new members. But it was true. All forks and spoons had mysteriously disappeared from the places of the new members, who were forced to resort to more primitive methods for disposing of the delicious food set before them. Washing the dishes completed the initiation.

The who's day was most enjoyably spent in rowing, hiking thru the woods after wild flowers and playing with "Baby Don." Miss Watrous, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Van de Wetering tried fishing for a pastime, but their efforts met with no success.

With many sighs of regret, the girls finally left Mrs. Smith's charming home, but it was a day that will leave happy memories with all.

—B. S. N. S.—

### THESPIAN CLUB IS MAKING CLEAN SWEEP

The Thespian modestly admit that they are making a clean sweep in club life. (This is due to the fact that we have recently acquired a Premier vacuum cleaner). The group of plays presented by the club on Friday evening, April 23, was a great success. The lucky ticket was among those purchased with the proceeds of this performance.

The Thespians are now busy brightening up their club room by means of new light shades and stage curtains. This work is being skillfully accomplished through the efforts of a house committee, appointed by the president, Nell Henry. With the addition of the curtains, the stage will be much more effective and we are looking forward to the presentation of many delightful dramatic entertainments in the future.

—B. S. N. S.—

### PROGRAM OUTLINE FOR COMMENCEMENT WEEK

Choral Club Recital.....	May 19
Faculty Reception to Seniors.....	May 23
Alumni Reception to Seniors.....	May 27
Baccalaureate Sermon.....	May 28
Class Day Program, 1:29.....	May 29
Followed by Bird Sanctuary Exercise.	
Memorial Day (holiday).....	May 30
Senior Play.....	May 31
Commencement, 9:30.....	June 1

### PHILOMATHEANS HOLD A WEEK-END PARTY

On Friday afternoon the Philos strapped on their blanket rolls and boarded the Lake Whatcom car for Glen Cove. The long anticipated week-end party was at last realized. Many and interesting were the little episodes and incidents that helped to make the three days worth while. For instance:

The hot cakes and maple syrup we had for Saturday morning breakfast.

The time that Marian Collier came in from boating Friday night.

The secret which nobody suspected that George Abbey revealed during initiation.

The amount of pre-historic egg that Phil Arnold consumed.

Why Carol Haeske had to ask Dad for more cash on Saturday.

Who was the Ghost that walked in the living room at 2:00 P. M., Saturday night and scared Alice Jennings out of two years' growth.

All of these little incidents were written down by the Recording Angel, to be explained at some later date, perhaps next year. At any rate, no one complained of being bored to death from lack of something to do and Sunday night found the crowd reluctant to leave the shores of the lake and Mr. Kolstad's cottage to return to the monotony of school life. However, all good times come to an end, so with the Philo party.

Already Philos—Are we coming back next year?—? Yea—Ho!!

—B. S. N. S.—

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—B. S. N. S.—

### "Echoes from the Philo Week-end Party"

Helen A.: "Can you swim?"  
George Abbey: "Sure!"  
Helen A.: "If the boat dumps over I'm going to hang on to your neck."  
George A.: "Oh, dump the boat over quick!"

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DR. HERRE WRITES  
SPECIAL LETTER TO  
MESSENGER READERS

Dr. Albert Herre, formerly a member of the Normal faculty and now government fish commissioner of the Philippine Islands, has written a letter to Prof. Hunt, and some very interesting extracts from it follow:

"I have just returned to Manila from a month spent in the mountains and along the sea coast of southern Negros, several hundred miles southeast of here. Most of my time I spent up in the mountains investigating some lakes. There are two lakes, separated by a dike of andesite from 50 to a hundred feet high and covered of course with a dense jungle. They occupy an old crater and are typical crater lakes, with precipitous sides and of tremendous depth right up to the shore line.

"The banks rise from 300 to over 2000 feet above and are covered with typical rainy tropical forest, where tree ferns, lianas, climbing palms and bamboo, orchids, lichens, ferns, mosses, lycopods, fungi, and all sorts of poipytes and parasites run riot. Here and there one sees some giant climber with huge flowers of most flamboyant and resplendent beauty. It is a paradise for the naturalist. Birds of exquisite color and marvelous plumage or of rippling, bubbling and incredibly sweet songs are there in the forest depths or along the lake shores; jonkeys come down and scamper across one's field of vision; huge insects suddenly start up and startle one with their strident noise, like a cross between the whirring screech of a circular saw and a steam whistle; in the evening bats whirl about, and while the frogs rend the air strange insects come about and investigate one.

"The lakes lie at an altitude of 3,200 feet, and it is cool up there, especially at night. One is glad of heavy woolen clothing and army blankets. In the

forest higher up one is cool, tho wearing heavy khaki and woolen puttees and woolen shirt even tho hiking consists mostly in hanging to roots and shrubs and going up slopes of 45 degrees or letting one's self down an apparently never ending bottomless pit. Boating on the lake is not without its excitement, too. There is a hut where some men stay to look after a little abaca, and they have some small dugout boats, provided with outriggers. They are indeed true Tippy Canoes, and the least overloading or foolish movement and over they go, while anything dropped into the lake is never recovered, even 6 feet from shore, unless it floats. A little breeze sends the lake in waves which soon slosh over into the canoe and fill it with water so that some one has to bail most of the time while a good wind makes it impossible to navigate the lake at all. But in spite of all drawbacks it is a grand place to stay and I should like to spend a month there. The tramp up is far from being an easy one, though coming down is really worse. Part of the way is thru cogan grass where it rises far over one's head and conceals the very narrow path so that the rocks strewn about are sure to trip one. The trail is not passable for horses.

"I also spent some days upon another mountain, using the summer bungalow of some friends, an edifice of bamboo, for my headquarters. I saw some rare beautiful tropical forest and some canons that would make my Bellingham friends go wild with delight could they see them.

"My headquarters while in Negros was at Dumagrate, capital of the province. It has a beautiful situation, almost as unreal as the stage setting of an Italian Opera. The long shore line stretches away with the blue sea in front and several large islands in the distance. Coco palms embiwer the shore so that the town is concealed by them with the exception of the buildings along the shore. Not far behind the coast the land begins to rise and soon goes up to an amazing

altitude of thetical steepness. Ac tually it rises to a height of over a mile and a quarter just a few miles from the coast.

"Dumaguete is not only a very beautiful little place but it is a very pleasant place to be. There is a Presbyterian school there with about 800 students going up to at least two years of college; the institution is known as Silliman Institute and has about 25 Americans in its faculty, so that one has a number of pleasant and educated people as associates. The young man with whom I stayed, and I used to go bathing every morning before six; it was but a few steps to the water so that it was very little trouble. Most of the faculty used to go bathing about five in the evening. It was certainly a pleasure to go surf bathing for there is nothing of the kind here at Manila. The water was surprisingly cool too, since there is no bay but comes right in from the deep, open sea.

"Just before I went to Negros I spent a few days over on the Angat river, 30 or 40 miles northeast of Manila, in the mountains. It was cool and pleasant, and there was much of interest too. The river runs thru a great canon which in one place narrows down to about 75 feet at the water line. Here it is planned to put in a huge dam to impound water for Manila and also supply hydro-electric power. There were many Negritos, the most primitive of living people, rafting bamboo and logs down the river. They only go as far as the first town.

"ALBERT HERRE."

—B. S. N. S.—

Oh, Walton! Wasn't the sunset from Inspiration Point booful?

—B. S. N. S.—

He: "Does the moon affect the tide?"  
She: "No, only the untide."

—B. S. N. S.—

"Who do you take, Palmer?"  
"No, I have Gragg." (Gregg).

—B. S. N. S.—

All good boys love their sisters  
But we so good have grown  
We love the other chaps' sisters  
As well as we love our own.

—B. S. N. S.—

Heard in the Bread Line

First Student: "Are you Hungary?"  
Second Student: "Yes—I am"  
First Student: "Well, I'll Fiji."

—B. S. N. S.—

He: "Are you going up the steps?"  
She: "No, I am going up the curly walks."

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