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THE NORMAL-BY-THE-SEA

Courses in Field Work Are Offered at Mt. Baker and Friday Harbor

Two special attractions for the summer quarter are the courses in field work which are offered at Mt. Baker and Friday Harbor by the Normal.

Last year was the first for the Mt. Baker course. All those who were enrolled in geography at Bellingham were sent up there for one week. The work proved so popular and valuable that this year it is to be repeated and the students in nature study are to be given a similar week.

The Mt. Baker region is rich in geological phenomena and in glaciers and streams. The entire week is spent in trips to lakes, glacial valleys, streams, eroded rocks, and other points of interest to the geographer.

Region Rich in Plant Life.

Due to the rapid increase in altitude the variety of plant life within reach of the nature students is very great. It varies from the abundant flora of the Bellingham district to the small plants characteristic of the region above the tree line.

The nature study students will spend their week in field trips which will include study of plant and insect life and ecological relationships.

The Kulsan cabin will be given over to the use of the students taking the Normal courses during the month of July. It has sleeping rooms and a large kitchen. Meals will be prepared and served at the cabin.

The geography course will be in charge of Robert Landon, of Chicago, who had charge of it last summer. Nature study will be under Hilda Rosene, a regular instructor in the Science department at the Normal.

Two Courses at Friday Harbor.

The two courses at Friday Harbor have been given successfully for several years. The Normal co-operates with the University of Washington in running the Puget Sound Biological Station, just across the little bay from the village of Friday Harbor. A large dining hall and study, a library, several laboratories, and a

storeroom are the permanent fixtures. Living quarters are tents. Six dollars and fifty cents pays for half a tent for the entire nine weeks of the summer term.

Plant and Animal Biology are the courses given by the Normal. Plant biology is a study of the classification, recognition, and distribution of plants. The islands are rich in materials and it is not difficult to collect specimens of over a hundred different plants on the field trips which the class makes.

The animal biology class studies animal forms, especially invertebrate forms, and recognition of common birds, animals and insects. There is a twelve-foot tide in that locality and the life exposed is abundant. Besides this there is a dredge which is busy every day dragging the bottom of the Sound for life from the parts which the tide does not expose.

Station Keeps Boats.

Classes are taken to and from the neighboring islands in an old fishing boat, the Medea. Near the station trips are made afoot or in rowboats. The Station keeps about twenty-five rowboats which are always ready and free for student use.

Classes begin at eight and last until four, with an hour off for noon. Evenings are spent in rowing, hiking, fishing, and studying.

Every Sunday there is a trip on the Medea to places around the Sound. The schedule of trips usually includes: Mt. Constitution, American Camp; English Camp; Spieden Island, where many fossils are found, and other pleasant places, among which is always an island upon which the gulls nest.

This year the Normal courses will last either six or nine weeks, as the student may wish, and will be under the direction of Dr. Rigg and Dr. Brode. Dr. Rigg, who will teach Plant Biology, is from the Univer-

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FINEST MUSICIANS APPEAR NEXT YEAR

Musical Artists Course Offers Excellent Opportunities to Students.

Six programs by world famous musicians will comprise the Musical Artists' Course at Bellingham next year. This course is put on by the Women's Music Club and the Normal. Students of the Normal are admitted to it on their student activities ticket.

First Number in December

The first number, given in December, will be Edward Johnson, lately acclaimed by John McCormack as the "greatest living tenor." He will be followed by Mary Lewis, operatic artist of established fame. This is her first trip to the Coast, but in her debut as "Mimi" in "La Boheme," Miss Lewis won praise at the Metropolitan Opera House. The dramatic story of her sudden rise to success appeared in the Ladies' Home Journal for May, 1927.

The Rumanian violinist, Georges Enesco, is a composer of music, and plays beside the violin the cello, piano and organ. He is reputed to have a perfect technique in bowing. His appearance here will be anticipated with pleasure since he is the first violinist to appear since Cecilia Hanson in 1926.

Novel Ensemble Coming

The English Singers offer a novelty in ensemble singing. Seated at a table, they bring a note of informality, and render the ancient madrigals as was the custom 50 years ago. The entire program is given in English.

The pianist of the year is Harold Bauer, of English birth, who is recognized as a great artist in Europe and America. Persuaded by Paderewski, Bauer forsook his study of the violin for the piano, where his talent has been so plainly demonstrated. Harold Bauer is an American citizen, and made his debut with the Boston Symphony.

Those who have heard Barrere's Little Symphony Orchestra hail with enthusiasm its reappearance in Bellingham. Consisting of flute, oboe, clarinet, horn, trumpet, and bassoon, combined with a balance of string instruments, marvelously directed, the orchestra is truly symphonic and has been pronounced unforgettable. Five Numbers During Past Season

Unstatistical evidence would probably show that only five per cent of the world's population is capable of thinking; and, only 1 per cent of this five really do think.

The Editor Writes A Letter to High School Graduates

To the High School Students who read this paper:

This paper was written for you. Other people will get it. Other people will read it. We hope they will like it; but it was made for you. If you do not find it worth while, we have wasted our efforts.

We do not advertise our school very much. No one has spoken to you in assembly about why you should come to the Bellingham Normal. No one has sent you a catalog except at the request of yourself or your friends. No one in official position here has talked to you about coming to our Normal. We are not going to do it, either. Some friend of yours here at Normal handed in your name as one who might like to come here next year. We have undertaken to tell you the things that you might wish to know if you should come to school. They are the things that we as students think you would appreciate. The other things, the required courses, the faculty, the graduates of former years, such things can be found in the catalog.

Some people think of normal schools as narrow—We don't want you to think that. About half of our subjects are non-professional. Many students come here who never intend to teach and who hardly take a required course. What do they take? Botany, zoology, chemistry, if they are interested in science. Art courses, basketry, advanced work in water colors and pastels, if they are interested in art. Mechanical drawing, machine design, carpentry, if they are interested in manual arts. Many things in many departments, if they are interested in doing so.

Other people think of normals as "sissy" schools, where no self-respecting boy would go... If you are inclined to think that way, look up our athletic record. Inquire around. There are many grade school and high school coaches scattered around over the state who got their start right here at B. S. N. S. They are proud of it.

This paper is to tell you what you would like to know, to correct any false impressions you may have had about us, and to boost our Normal as honestly as possible. We hope you like it.—The Editor.

NOTED LECTURERS HEARD AT NORMAL

Students Listen to Talks Given by Poets, Sociologists, and Scientists

Speaking on equally wide-spread subjects a large and varied group of lecturers have addressed the student body in the past year.

Outstanding figures among these have undoubtedly been Carl Sandburg, Tom Skeyhill, Roy Chapman Andrews, Lew Sarett, and Edward T. Devine. These five, more than any others, have left a deep impression on the students, both as a body and as individuals.

Poet Lectures.

Carl Sandburg, famous Illinois poet and author of "Abraham Lincoln. The Prairie Years," spoke here January 15. His discussion of Lincoln, the reading of his own poetry, and his charmingly informal banjo-playing and singing gave the audience a glimpse of a great poet and left the feeling that poets are, after all, very human.

Tom Skeyhill, world-traveler, ex-Fascist, poet, and lecturer, turned a new light on world affairs when he spoke on "Mussolini and the Black Shirts," January 20. This dramatic lecture has been described as a magic spell which transports an entire audience to Italy for the hour.

With the aid of motion pictures and slides, Roy Chapman Andrews, lectured for over two hours February 24 on his world famous expedition to the Gobi Desert.

Series of Lectures.

Edward T. Devine, dean of the graduate school of the University at Washington, D. C., gave Normal students a most practical series of lectures on contemporary social problems and recent nationalistic revolutions, during the entire week, April 4 to April 8.

Perhaps the speaker that held the greatest appeal for the students, first shaking the balcony with laughter and then holding over the audience a tense stillness during which no one dared whisper or move—was Lew Sarett, the "Poet of the Wilderness," who spoke here March 18, the last day of the winter quarter. The audience was charmed not only by his poetry and by his appreciation of nature and the great outdoors, but by the last few minutes of his talk, when he "struck right home" with his story of the college student's vacation, showing the thoughtless way in which parents are often treated.

Ben Lindsay Here.

Other famous people who ad-

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Bellingham Unrivaled in Variety of Scenic Attractions for Visitors

Nowhere in the West can a city be found which has more scenic attractions than has Bellingham. It is here that old man Puget scooped out his sound and planted the hundreds of islands clad in wooded loveliness, surrounded by the mighty waters of the Pacific, sometimes calm, blue and peaceful in the warm rays of sunshine; sometimes a sullen gray beneath menacing clouds, again whipped into choppy white caps, throwing fine spray into the air.

Here are the many coves and harbors that have been etched out through years of wave and tide; here the great seaport that offers its shelter to ships that sail the seven seas. Warmed by the Japanese current, most of the larger islands are covered with little farms. The smaller ones still support the native evergreens. The San Juans, Sucia Isles, Lummi, and Vancouver Islands are within easy reach of week-end trips.

Bellingham Has Parks.

Two hundred acres of the most beautiful and spacious parks are to be found wherein the city has made special efforts to lead the state in this line. Innumerable trees and shrubs, some common to this section, many not, have been planted; gorgeous flowers of every hue abound and quiet walks stretch for miles. Ranking first of these are Cornwall, Fairhaven, Sehome, Memorial, Whatcom Falls and State Parks. All works of art and labor that have turned the natural spots of beauty into even brighter and more beautiful spots than nature had provided.

Streams and Lakes Near.

Many streams and lakes are within walking distance of the city; many more within reach of the autoist. Some of these are shallow and warm quickly, making unsurpassed swimming; others are deep and cold, and plentifully stocked with trout. All of them offer their joys to the person who delights in rowing, canoeing, or taking pictures. Chuckanut Mountain is one of the

things Bellingham is proud of, but at its base there runs a highway winding close up to the hill and back over the very edge of the waters of the Sound, which is prized quite as highly. The part of this highway reaching south for some miles from Bellingham is known as the Chuckanut Drive. This strip of road offers to the motorist much of what the mountain offers to the climber.

Sehome hill, with all its wild beauty, belongs to the Bellingham State Normal School and the city. This sixty acres of tree covered hill belongs to the school as much as does the campus, and adds to it in much the same way. Take the grass and the trees from the campus and the school would lose its attractiveness. Leave the campus and take the trees from Sehome and the picture has lost its setting. That is what Sehome is, a background for the school.

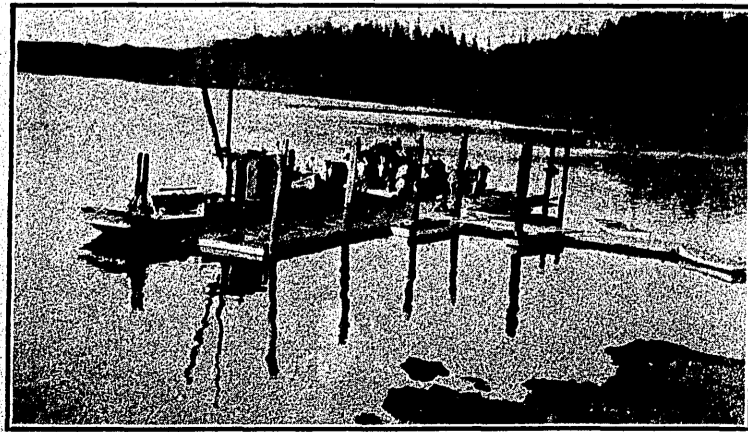
Can See Mt. Baker From City.

About forty miles from Bellingham, Mt. Baker gleams in the sun of every clear day. A beautiful highway leads nearly to the mountain, right into the heart of what is called "the Mt. Baker District," a region which is becoming internationally known for its lakes, forests, mountains and trout filled streams.

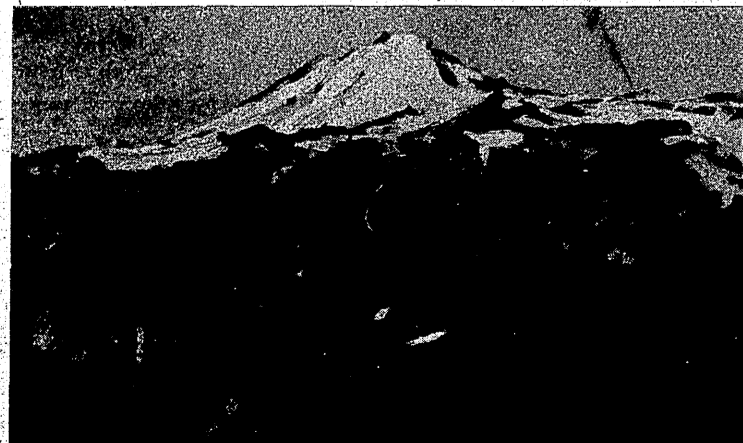
Not the least visited of the Bellingham surroundings are the Canadian cities of Vancouver and Victoria. Vancouver is two hours away by car. It is famous for Stanley Park, its splendid harbor, and English Bay, dotted with sailing vessels on fine days. Victoria is a bit quaint and impresses the Yankee visitors with its old world atmosphere.

Sometimes we accuse children of being silly, when they really show more signs of intelligence than we do.

Marriage has flattered more than one woman into believing that she was getting by in this world.



FLOAT AT FRIDAY HARBOR STATION



SNOW-CAPPED MT. BAKER

WOMEN'S LEAGUE IS ONE OF ACTIVE BELLINGHAM NORMAL ORGANIZATIONS

New Students Welcomed to School by League Fellowship Committee, Which Assists Students in Getting Acquainted as to Registration and Lodgings.

The Women's League is the first organization with which the women of the Bellingham Normal come in contact. No sooner does the new student step from the train than she is greeted by members of the League's Fellowship committee, who assist her in finding her way to the school, in getting settled in comfortable lodgings, in registering, and thereafter, in entering into that friendly companionship with her fellow students that is so much a part of student life at the Normal by-the-Sea.

League New Organization.

The recent Women's League election at which Margaret McCoy was elected to succeed Dorothy Erwin, retiring president, marked the third birthday of that organization. It is a lusty infant. Since it was founded in 1924 it has grown into one of the most constructive and influential organizations on the campus.

The League attempts to make the school life of the woman student more pleasant and more fruitful, to help her to make the most of the opportunities offered at the Bellingham Normal, and to furnish activities which will provide her with diversion and relaxation from the strain of school work.

Looks Out for Strangers.

A "Big Sister" system is maintained; every girl who comes to the Normal a stranger is given a sophomore "Sister" to help her over the trying time that comes before she

begins to feel at home and to make her own friends.

The work of the Women's League is grouped into several divisions, with a committee directing the activities of each field. There are eight of these standing committees.

Under the Fellowship committee the work of meeting the trains and caring for the stranger is done.

Publishes Booklet.

Each year the standards committee compiles and publishes a booklet containing general information regarding the necessary expenses of the school year, a booklet of great value to both new and prospective students.

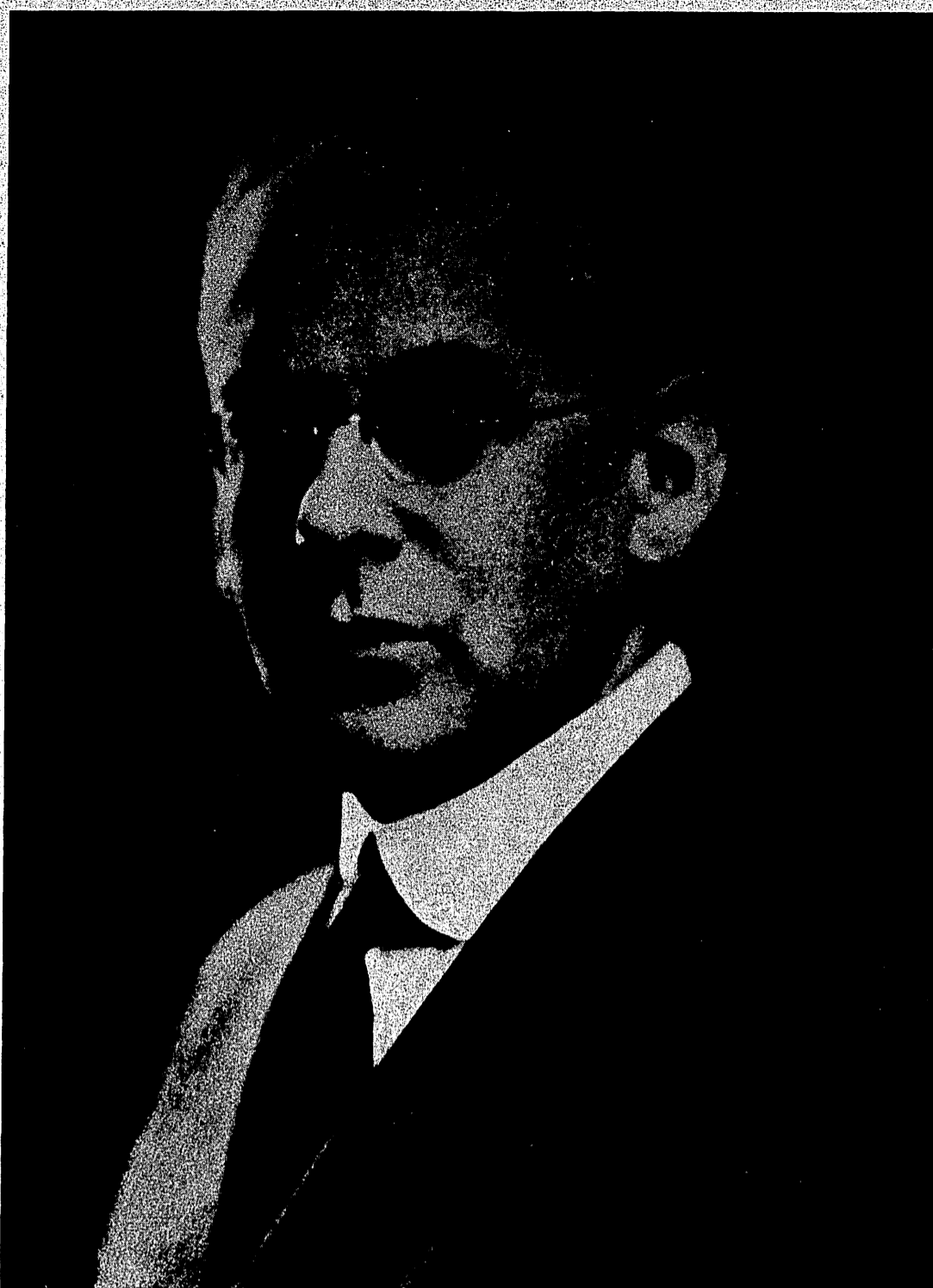
The Social committee supervises the social events sponsored by the League. One informal dance for the girls living outside of Edens Hall, the dormitory, is given each quarter. Other affairs under the direction of this committee are various teas, parties, and mixers.

Encourages Scholarship.

Each quarter a banner is awarded to the women's house which leads in scholarship, by the League, through the scholarship committee. The Leadership committee awards a similar banner for distinction in its field.

Other standing committees are: Social Service, Program, and Election.

Officers for next year were elected a few weeks ago and appearances indicate that the League will take an even higher place in school activities next year than it did this year.



PRESIDENT C. H. FISHER

To whom much of the credit for the recent growth of the Bellingham Normal is due. Mr. Fisher came here in 1923 and since that time he has worked unceasingly for the growth of the institution. He has reorganized much of the curriculum and has been most active in support of the building program. The students know they can trust him to be always on the alert to help them to get the best offered in normal education. Mr. Fisher is now on his way East to hire some instructors for next year.

DRAMATIC NUMBERS SHOWN AT NORMAL DURING PAST YEAR

Moroni Olsen and Radford Art Players Show at Normal During Year

Drama forms a constant source of interest at the Normal. Each quarter the student body, through the Drama Club, puts on a play, and every quarter, sometimes oftener, outside dramatic talent is presented. This year has seen some excellent productions.

Favorites of every season are the Moroni Olsen Players of Salt Lake City. They have appeared twice this year. In the fall quarter they presented James Barrie's delightful comedy "Dear Brutus," and in the winter quarter, "Outward Bound", a dramatic story of souls outward bound on an unknown sea. The Moroni Olsen players have appeared at the Normal each season for several years and never fail to draw a capacity crowd.

"Disraeli" Presented.

An outstanding event of the fall quarter was the presentation of "Disraeli" by the Radford Art players, of Tacoma. The story of international conspiracy was made doubly interesting by the excellent character portrayal of the actors and by the lovely old-fashioned costumes. Additional outside dramatic numbers of interest were two readers of national prominence. Maude Scheerer, director of the Studio of Drama, of New York, appeared in the fall quarter. She read two plays with such skill that the audience could almost see the characters on the stage. Ruth Draper, famous character artist, gave a group of original

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Drama Club Gives Four Well Known Plays Every Year

For the students who wish to participate in drama while in school the Drama Club has been organized. In it is concentrated the dramatic talent of the student body. Try-outs for membership are held every quarter and anyone who obtains a part in one of the quarterly plays automatically becomes a member.

The plays are selected with the idea of developing the ability of those who participate.

"Romeo and Juliet" Given in Summer Each summer the Drama Club produces a Shakespearean play in the Greenwood Theater on the campus. Last summer "Romeo and Juliet" was the one chosen. The theater was crowded both nights of the production.

"The Road to Yesterday", the story of a girl who turned back the hands of time three hundred years, was given in the fall quarter. It was made especially attractive by its artistic lighting and costume effects.

The play for the winter quarter was "Milestones," the study of a family history through three generations, from the hoop-skirt period to the present day. It gave the players an excellent opportunity in character portrayal, especially in the parts which changed from youth to old age.

Comedy Now in Preparation. The club is now working on an entirely different type of play, "Three Live Ghosts", a lively comedy full of cockney parts which test the actors' ability. It will be presented two days during commencement week.

Because of the continual change of enrollment, the casts of the plays change every quarter and a great many students have an opportunity to take part in the production every year. In order that the time spent in working on a play may not tax a student carrying a full program, elective credit is given for work on the cast.

Lancelot finally confessed to Guinevere that he didn't like Elaine the Fair because she Astolat.

Are you still going with that Smith girl?
"No."
"Lucky dog. She sure is homely. What happened?"
"I married her."

ORGANIZATIONS AID IN SOCIAL GROWTH

Clubs Classed According to Aims; Several New Groups Have Organized Lately.

The clubs of the Normal are divided into literary, departmental and social groups according to the purpose for which they were created. Each club is an outgrowth of a desire on the part of a group of students for a more effective way in which to further a special interest or activity. They offer an opportunity for extra-curricular attainment and social development which cannot be obtained in classes.

Several new clubs have been organized during the past few quarters. Among them are the Social Science, Camera, World Relations, and the Scribes Clubs.

Literature and Music Developed

The aim of the literary club is, in general, to improve their members in literatures, music and social attainments. During the past year one of the activities of some of these clubs has been to make a detailed study of an author and his works, the work being carried on through the entire quarter.

The departmental clubs have a large variety of interests. They further activities and interests in the study of music and musicians, authors and writing, the study of political situations and world relationships, photography, debate and extempore contests, camp fire and scout work, plays and play productions, athletics, hiking, and religious study.

The social clubs sponsor teas, dances, picnics, parties, hikes and other forms of recreation and amusement.

Inter Club Contests Held

The clubs hold inter-club baseball and basketball games, debates, extempore and other contests. They furnish programs for assemblies and each year the best club acts are chosen for the Viking Vodvil. The World Politics Club sponsors lectures. The Camera club furnishes material for the snapshot section of the Klipsun and the Camera Bulletin news.

The Inter-Club Council, or the Student Organization Council, the name by which it is now known, is a body made up of club representa-

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BELLINGHAM FAVORED BY FIVE NUMBERS BY WORLD FAMOUS MUSICAL ARTISTS

Rosa Ponselle, World's Finest Soprano, and Reinald Werrenrath, Well Known Baritone, on Music Course, Given During the Season Just Past.

The annual musical artist's course this year consisted of: A symphonic choir, a pianist, an instrumental trio, a baritone, and the world's greatest soprano, Rosa Ponselle. Miss Ponselle's program was an example of musical perfection and she was called back again and again by her audience.

The Elshuco Trio, including cello, violin and piano, won full admiration, and critics pronounced the tone color most excellent. Reinald Werrenrath, famous baritone, gave a large and varied program. The fact that the audience demanded as many as three encores after the number proved his popularity.

Acclaimed over the world as the greatest woman pianist, Elly Ney interpreted the masterpieces of all time with thrilling fervor. With heart and soul in the touch of a master hand, she held her audience in rapt attention.

Singing Unusual

Most unusual of the year's numbers was the Russian Symphonic Choir, a choir planned on the lines of the symphony orchestra, with every voice taking the place of an instrument. There was no accompaniment except that which some of

the voices gave. Some of the pieces which they sang were composed especially for them, others were composed for orchestras, and a few were choruses from operas.

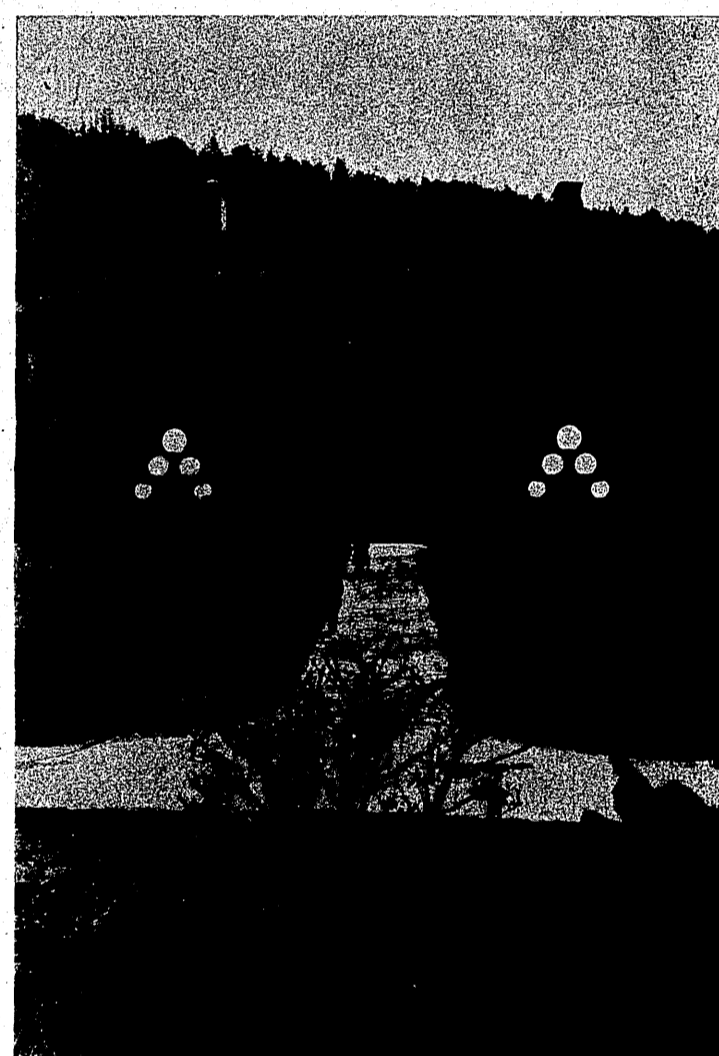
Every year the students of the Bellingham Normal have the opportunity to attend such concerts free of charge. In addition to this Artist's Course, the Normal is able to obtain other artists from time to time, and there is an average of about one musical assembly a week.

Scotch Basso Appears

This year Heughan, greatest of the Scotch basses, entertained two nights with a program made up largely of folk songs but having enough arias and classic numbers to prove his versatility.

In assembly have been presented such people as Blackmore, Chicago pianist; Arthur Johnson, tenor of some note; Adrienne Boucher, mezzo-soprano, and various organizations and individuals from Seattle and Bellingham.

The school has an orchestra, girls' quartet or sextette, boys' quartet and when there are enough desiring it, a choral society, so the music lover finds Bellingham a paradise.



ENTRANCE TO MAIN BUILDING

BELLINGHAM HAS UNEXCELLED CHANCES FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION IN NEARBY HILLS

Many Points of Interest Are Visited Throughout School Year—Boating and Swimming Enjoyed in Neighboring Lakes, Located Near Bellingham Normal School.

Bellingham's opportunity for hikes, climbs, boat trips, swims and other forms of outdoor off-campus recreation is practically unexcelled. Within a five minutes walk of the bay, and a three hours' drive of Mt. Baker, the Normal has a wealth of places to go—and it takes advantage of them. Throughout the year the Women's Athletic Association sponsors hikes, often a club does the same, and in the spring and summer the school itself sponsors longer hikes and boat trips. Each spring a bulletin telling of the school trips is published and given to any who are interested in that phase of school life.

Sehome Popular

Sehome hill, just back of the Normal, is a network of paths where students take short walks. Lake Padden and Lake Whatcom are visited the year around. Inspiration Point, so named for its view of the island-jeweled bay, is about four miles from the Normal. A few miles farther is Chuckanut State Park and above it Chuckanut Mountain with a view which is said to be worth climbing for. Lost Lake is close to Chuckanut Mountain, a good day's hike if one goes up and back. The trail to it is not even

passable for a horse but it has seen the soles of many a Normal girl's boots.

Lakes Equipped for Swimming

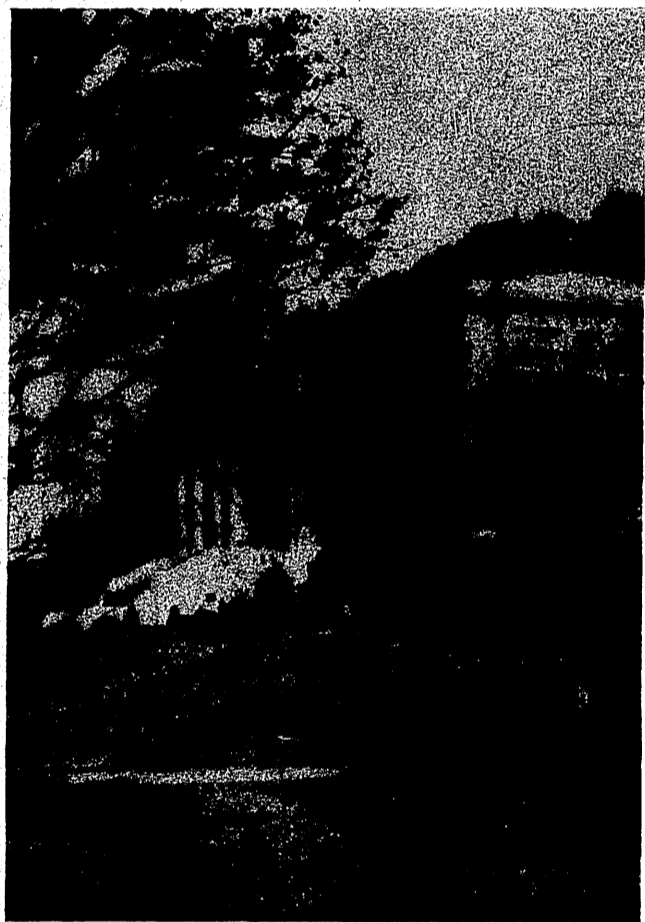
Lakes Samish and Wiser are within hiking distance but are usually visited in autos as they are on highways. They are well equipped for swimming and rowing.

Groups from the school climb to Skyline Ridge, Hannegan Pass, Ruth Mountain, Church Mountain, and the top of Mt. Baker during fall, spring and summer quarters. These places are all in the Mt. Baker Region and are reached by taking the stage to Glacier and hiking from there. Usually there are two or three day trips.

Many Water Trips Possible

On the Sound the places of interest are innumerable. It would be possible to take a boat trip every week end for three months and visit only new territory each time. Orcas Island is often visited and Mt. Constitution climbed. From its top one may see dozens of islands. Bellingham and the mountains to the east, the Olympics to the south, Victoria, a Canadian city, to the west, and the mountains of British Columbia to

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EDENS HALL



VIEW OF LUMMI ISLAND



WALDO FIELD, AS SEEN FROM THE GRANDSTAND

DEAN OF WOMEN IN CHARGE OF HOUSING AT NORMAL SCHOOL

Edens Hall Accommodates Few—
Other Houses Approved
by Dean of Women

SAME RULES GOVERN

Dean of Men Regulates Housing
of Men Students—Many
Eat at Edens Hall.

Housing conditions for the women of the school are in charge of the Dean of Women's office. No girl is allowed to live at a house which the Dean has not investigated and found fit. Working conditions are regulated for those who must work all or part of their way while in school. Meals, study, and sleeping hours are so regulated as to keep the girl as efficient as possible while in Normal.

On the edge of the campus stands Edens Hall, a beautiful school home for the younger girls. No girl over twenty-five is allowed to live there because it is thought that the associations of dormitory life will be more beneficial to the younger ones.

Homes Approved by Dean.

As Edens Hall accommodates but a hundred and twenty-five girls, and as yet there is no other dormitory, the Dean of Women approves of certain homes near the Normal where the rest of the girls may live. For these homes a set of rules have been formulated very similar to the rules in force at the Hall.

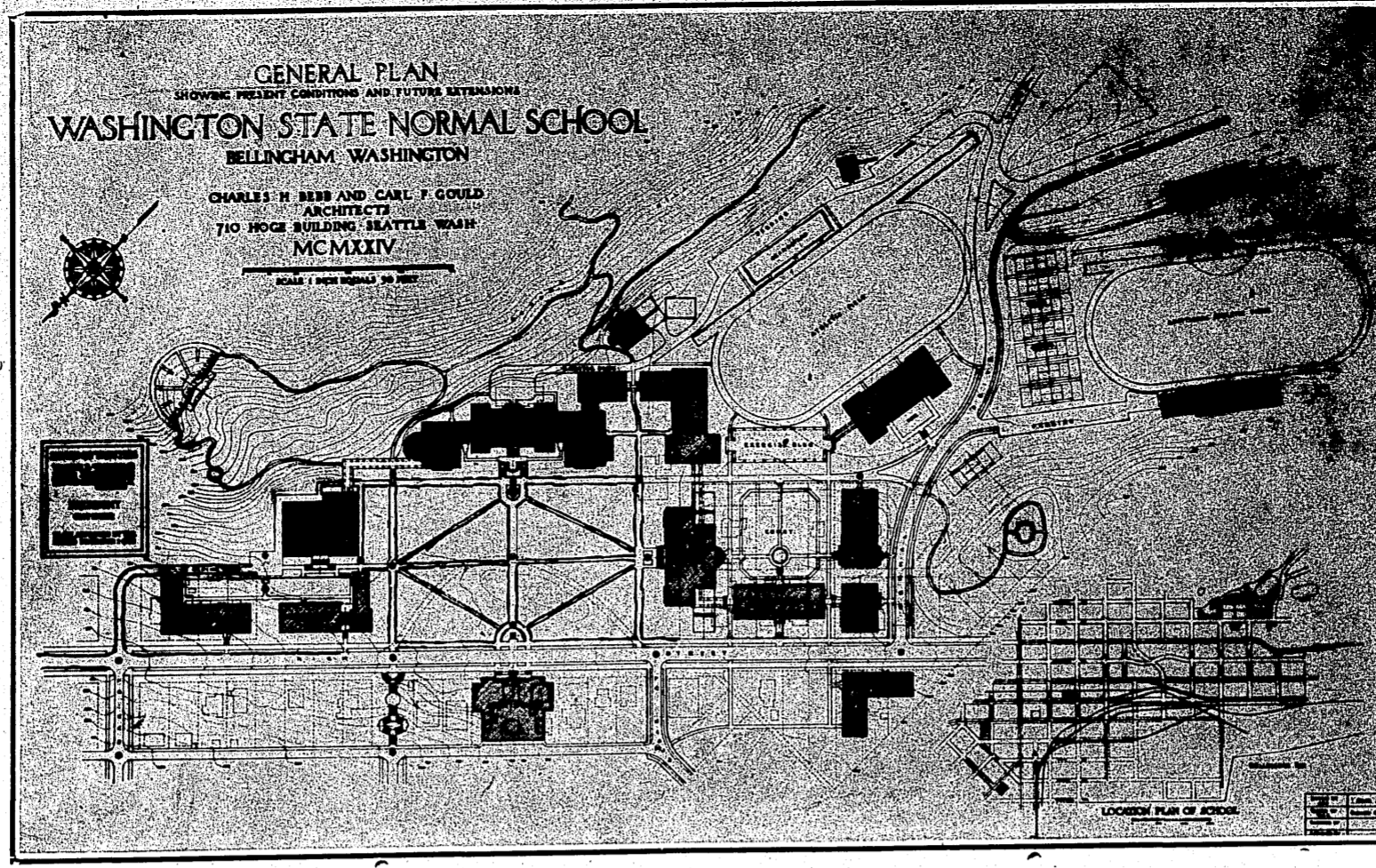
Some of them are: Any student leaving a house or dormitory during the evening shall write her name, destination, and the time, in a book provided for the purpose. When she returns she shall mark the time in the book. This book is inspected at intervals by the Dean's office. Students are asked to retire at 10 p. m. on week and Sunday nights, and by twelve on week-end nights. The night before a holiday is the same as a week-end night. Special permission to study later, or to attend other than school functions is in charge of the house mother, subject to some regulations.

Office Finds Work for Those Who Need It.

Positions for the girl who must work all or part of her way are found through the Dean of Women's office and are subject to her control. Bellingham is larger than the cities where most Normal schools and colleges are found and the opportunities for a person to work his or her way are relatively greater.

The men of the school are aided, and their housing regulated, by the office of the Dean of Men. Most of the students who neither live in town nor work, eat at Edens Hall, though there are opportunities for either boarding or housekeeping elsewhere.

More skulls are cracked yearly in automobile wrecks, than by thinking.



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sketches during the winter quarter. She won the hearty applause of a large audience.

Impersonator Visits Normal.

J. W. Zellner, well known impersonator, was one of the high lights of the year. He portrayed such famous characters as Robert E. Lee, Abraham Lincoln, Judas Iscariot, and Moses with a skill that amazed the spectators. Combined with his acting were superb costumes and lightning effects.

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tives. Its purpose is to promote the interests and activities of all student clubs and to see that the clubs conform to the standards laid down by the Student Organization Council. This council also schedules the dates for the different club activities.

The Council intends to publish a pamphlet giving the requirements for entrance, aims, and membership of the various clubs on the campus. This book will be ready for the new students next fall.

Despatches dealing with brigandage, civil war, anti-foreignism, commercial propaganda, tariff reform, and all the ugly activities of foreign powers have been displayed as a daily diet for our confused reading public, to the detriment of international decency, wholesome outlook on relations with our neighbors and an established equilibrium of that sentiment, and ultimate behavior. Thinking—what atrocious blunders are committed in thy name.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW LIBRARY MARKS FIRST STEP IN NORMAL'S BUILDING PLAN—OTHER PROJECTS TO FOLLOW

New Gymnasium, Two Training School Buildings, Men's and Women's Dormitories, New Auditorium, Chimes Tower, Sylvan Theater, Additional Athletic Field, and Several New Tennis Courts Are Anticipated.

With the construction of the new library now under way on the campus the first great step toward the realization of the twenty-five year plan which was made two years ago has been taken. The plan is becoming a thing of brick and concrete and the people of the school and state are every day becoming more interested in it.

The tennis courts which are being laid on High Street, are another visible result. At the next session of the legislature, says President Fisher, the school will begin working for a new gymnasium. That is the second big step. After that it is planned to erect the new buildings, unit by unit, as rapidly as funds will permit.

Junior High Contemplated.

A new and modern training school

building will follow the gymnasium. This will include a Junior High School building. The lack of the Junior High School is keenly felt and it is hoped that it may be added in the next three or four years at the most.

With the increasing student population it will become necessary to provide more accommodations and two dormitories, a men's and a women's will be asked for. A second athletic field will be built, and several more tennis courts.

Other structures which are looked forward to are a spacious auditorium, a Chimes Tower, and a Sylvan Theater.

Buildings to be Permanent.

All the new units will be of permanent construction, designed with

the aim of beauty and utility for many years to come.

For the past year the gardener has been busy altering the campus so that it will fit the buildings which are to be put there in the future. The trees have been regrouped and new ones planted. As a result, no trees will hamper the view of the new library. New walks are to be laid this summer, and the one to the library is planned and will be laid as soon as it is possible to do so without interfering with the library construction.

Although still referred to as the twenty-five year plan, in the light of recent developments it is possible that the actual time of completion of the buildings and improvements included in it may be much sooner.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCENIC TRIPS CAN NOT BE EXCELLED

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the North.

The Suquia Islands are of interesting geological structure and are rich in fossils. They have been recently turned into fox farms and are not visited so much as formerly.

Quaint Canadian City Near

One trip on the Sound leads to Victoria, a city which seems very quaint to the visitor from the States. It can be visited in a day and for five dollars although two days and ten dollars is more satisfactory.

About sixty miles from Bellingham is Vancouver, a Canadian city as modern as Victoria is old fashioned. It is rapidly becoming world famous for its parks. It is one of the most popular destinations of holiday autoists.

The region described is about sixty miles square and contains enough points of interest to keep the average student busy for three hundred bright Sundays should he undertake to explore them all.

FIELD WORK COURSE OFFERED AT NORMAL

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city of Washington, and Dr. Brode, teacher of Animal Biology, is from Whitman College.

Either of these courses grants thirteen credits for the nine weeks. The credits may be used as the freshman science requirement at the Normal. Students who have taken the classes are enthusiastic in praise of their usefulness. They claim that to a student who expects to go on in scientific work the study and association gained at Friday Harbor are invaluable.

The session will begin June 20, this year, and will last for nine weeks.

VIKINGS RANK HIGH AMONG THE MINOR COLLEGES IN STATE

Intra-Mural Sports Play Important Part in Normal Athletics At Bellingham

ALL HAVE CHANCE

Coach Sam Carver Has Turned Out Many Championship Teams Lately.

Sports and athletics play an important part in school life at the Bellingham Normal. Varsity teams represent the school in five major sports—football, basketball, baseball, track and tennis—and have established an enviable record among the minor colleges of Washington.

Intramural sports play an important part in Viking athletics, thus giving any students who wish to play a chance to, even though they cannot give the time or energy necessary for the Varsity team. Last winter in the Intra-Mural Basketball League seven teams were entered, consisting of clubs and independent teams. Anyone attending the Bellingham Normal will be given a chance to take part in some sport. During the spring quarter, Intra-Mural tennis, horseshoes, and handball are featured.

Vikings Rank High

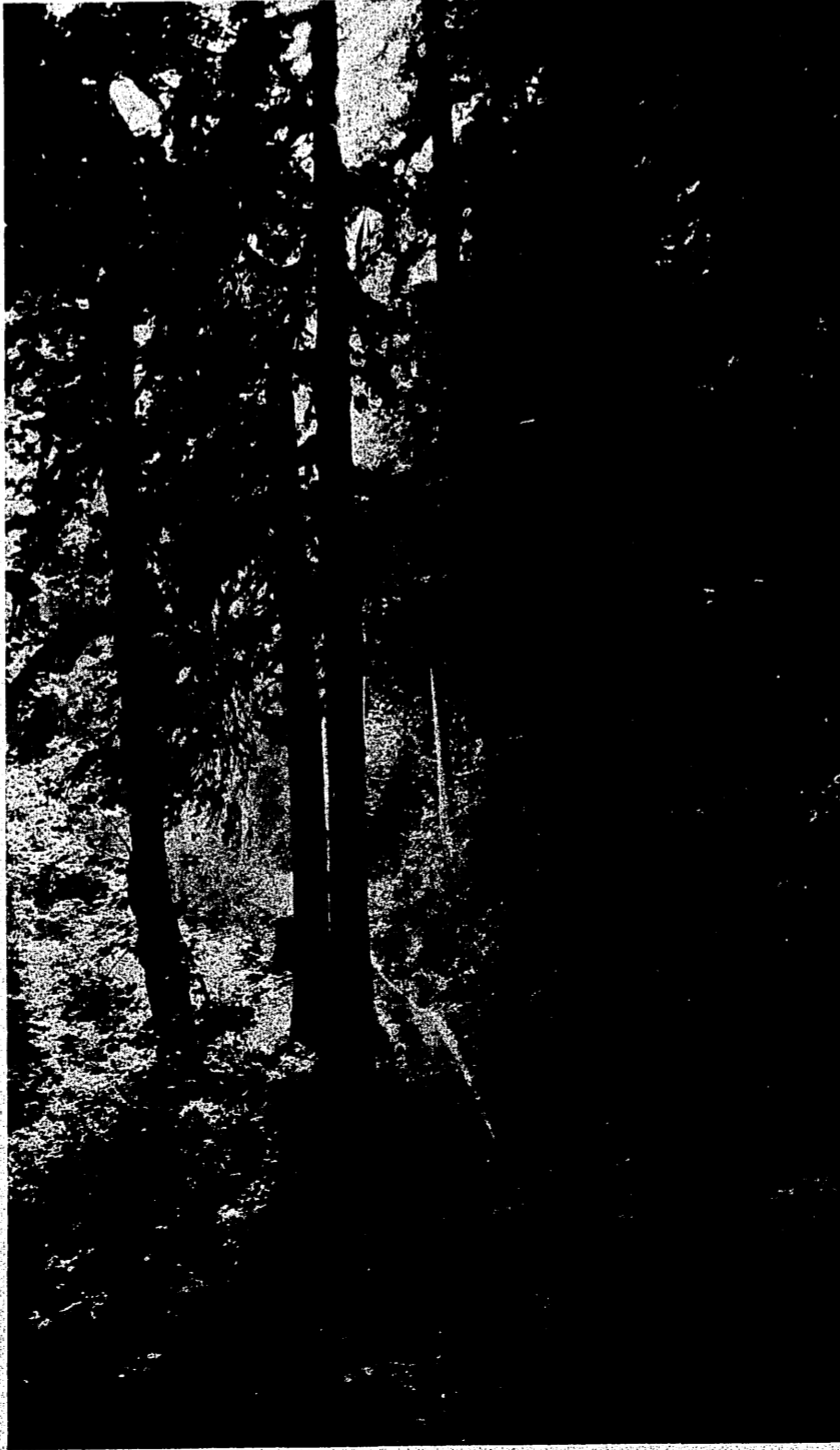
Under the able leadership of Sam Carver, Viking coach, high grade teams are turning out at the Normal every year. A year hardly goes by without annexing a few more trophies for high athletic accomplishments. Games are scheduled with Ellensburg and Cheney Normals, and also with other minor colleges of the state and the U. of W. Frosh.

During this last school year, the Vikings were nosed out of the football title, but came back later to make practically a clean sweep of basketball and at the present time it looks as if the baseball pennant was a cinch. The Vikings have a strong tennis team to uphold the remarkable record they have made in the net pastime and they seem to have about an even chance to cop the honors in track. They have won the Tri-Normal Track title for the past two years, and hopes are high that they will do as well on Waldo field tomorrow.

Athletic Facilities Good

An excellent gridiron where the football games are played, a baseball diamond, and a track are located on Waldo Field adjacent to the school. The track is a quarter mile, with a 220 yard straight away. There are two temporary gymnasiums at the present time and the next appropriation asked will be for a new one, an addition of great value to the institution. Three cement tennis courts are in use at the present time and three asphalt ones are soon to be completed. It is the aim of the school to provide recreation in the form of athletics for every student.

Probably no one is in favor of this modern mania of turning bad people into good people at a moment's notice.



WOOD SCENE, NEAR BELLINGHAM



SCENE ALONG CHUCKANUT DRIVE



COACH SAM CARVER

\$260,000 LIBRARY NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION

BOARD OF CONTROL GOVERNS STUDENTS

Every Person Enrolled at School is Member of Students' Association

Students of the Normal enjoy a large degree of self government. It is the policy of the school to allow them to direct their own affairs and to this end an elaborate set of governmental machinery has been set up. The responsibility of student control rests with them. They have proven themselves able wisely to "take care of themselves."

Every person enrolled in the Bellingham Normal is a member of the Associated Student Body. An executive body known as the Board of Control is elected to carry on the association work. It consists of seven members: the president of the Student's Association, who is chairman of the Board; the vice president of the Association, who acts as chairman in the president's absence; three student representatives elected from the student body at large, a faculty representative, elected by the students, and also another faculty member appointed by the president of the school. These officers are elected for the school year, or four quarters, but one or more is chosen each quarter.

Board Directs Activities.
School activities under the direction of the Board of Control are the Students' Co-operative Book store; the paper, The Weekly Messenger; the year book, the Klipsun. All athletic awards are made by the Association. Entertainments, such as the annual Viking Vodvil, All-School Mixers and dances, and special events such as Homecoming and Campus day are managed by the Students' Association. A student's handbook known as the Blue Book is published yearly by the Association. It contains the constitution, a diary, and information of general student concern. School clubs are very active. They are governed by the Inter-Club Council, another branch of the student government.

The entire Association meets once each month at the regular assembly hour. In this meeting laws which the student body wish passed may be initiated, questions of general interest discussed, and questions on which the Board of Control wishes the vote of the Association are brought up.

The Association meeting is held in an endeavor to make every student feel his responsibility for school attitudes and regulations.

EXTEMPORE SPEECH CONTESTS HELPFUL

Began During Winter Quarter—Students Compete for Loving Cup

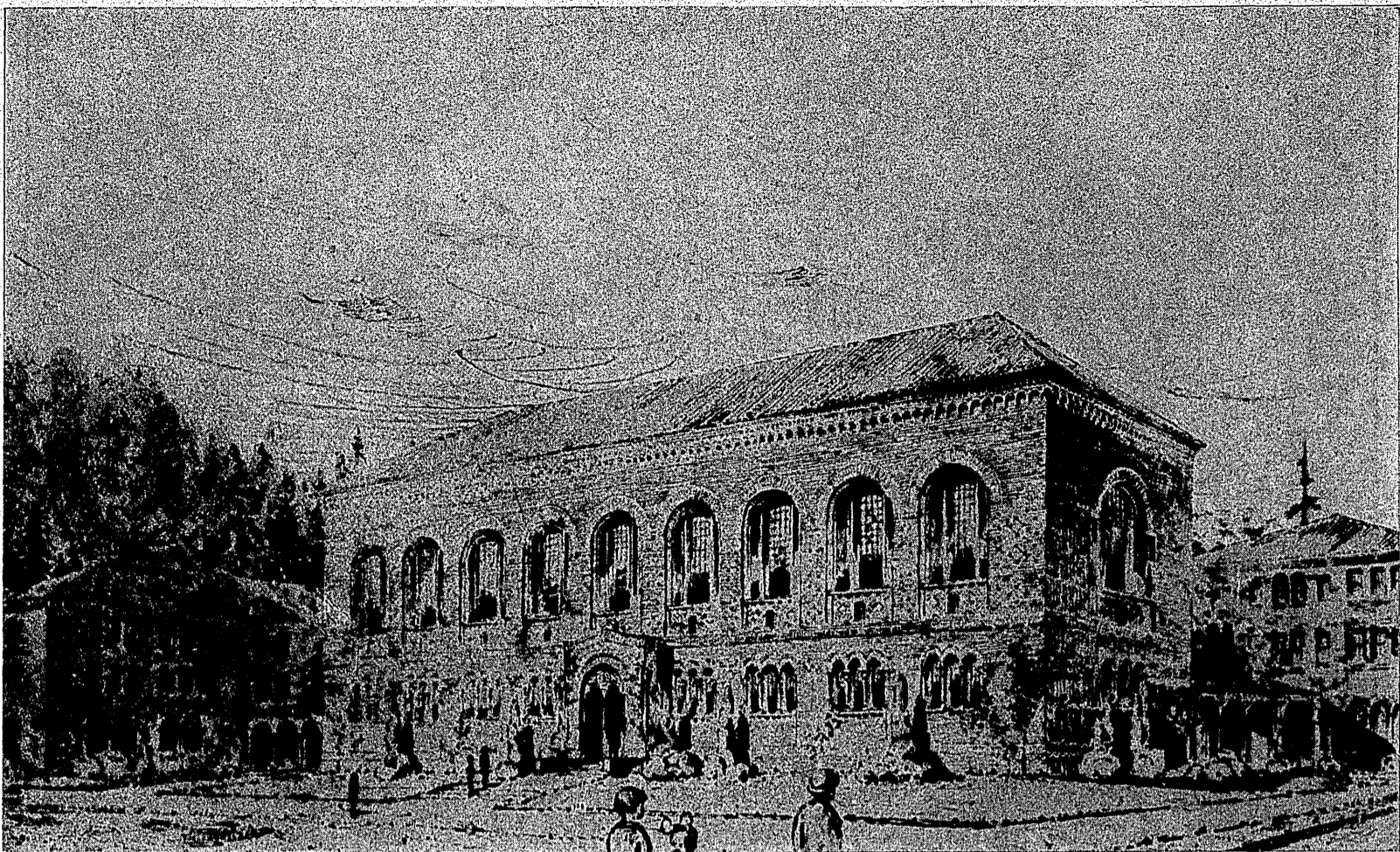
Extempore speaking has come into prominence at the Bellingham Normal during the school year 1926-27. In the winter quarter three people were chosen winners. This week three have been chosen winners for the spring quarter, and in a coming assembly the six will meet and compete. The winning person will have his name engraved on a silver loving cup.

Those taking part in the contest believe it very helpful in developing clear, accurate thinking, a good command of the English language, and the ability to speak easily before a crowd. It is planned to make the contest an annual affair.

One of the girls over at the Dorm got all excited when she saw the construction work on the new library site. She thinks they are building a tower like the Mt. Baker's and that there will be a searchlight turned in the direction of the naughty girls who have their roommates "check in" for them, while they are parking on Sehome Hill.

Her lips were parted, her eyes closed tightly, waiting. Then he spoke:

"If you don't open your mouth a little wider," said the hard-hearted dentist, "I'll cut your tongue."



ARCHITECT'S CONCEPTION OF NEW LIBRARY, TO BE COMPLETED SOON

LIBRARY READY FOR USE BY NEXT SPRING

New Building of Reinforced Brick Concrete Construction. Three Stories

Foundation work on the new library, first unit of the Normal's twenty-five year plan of growth, is now nearing completion. The building will be a two-story brick and concrete structure erected at the cost of \$260,000.

Contracts were awarded April 21 for general construction, plumbing, heating, ventilation and electrical work. Remaining awards will be made in the near future. The structure will be completed between the first of January and the first of April, 1928.

In accordance with the Normal's twenty-five year plan, the structure will be of three stories and designed for permanent value. It will have three times the seating space of the present library and will be fitted with comfortable chairs instead of the present straight backed ones. In order to eliminate the noise occasioned by the work of checking, a separate room is to be provided.

The present library contains some 36,000 volumes, 5000 pamphlets, and large files of magazines. It is primarily a teachers' professional library but also has large collections of literature, history, sociology, fine arts, useful arts, geography and travel, biography and science. The library also contains a standard and up-to-date list of reference books.

Lack of space has prevented expansion in the past and library facilities have not kept pace with the natural growth of the student body. The change to the new building will find the library housed in one of the finest buildings on the campus with ample space for any increase in the number of students in attendance for many years to come.

THREE PUBLICATIONS ISSUED DURING YEAR

Weekly Messenger, Klipsun, and Red Arrow Put Out by Students

Three publications appear during the regular school year. The Weekly Messenger, the Klipsun (the annual), and the Red Arrow, the quarterly literary magazine of the Scribes' Club.

The progress made by the Messenger can be easily seen by looking back on the files. Great changes are evident, not only in the makeup and form of the paper, but in the literary merit of the articles printed. The Messenger staff includes the two classes in journalism, who are learning how a newspaper is published, and the graduates of these classes, who serve without credit on the regular staff. The student who has ever belonged to the "Messenger gang" is proud of his position and fully realizes how valuable the experience has been.

Klipsun Artistic Publication.
The Klipsun comes out in the Spring quarter. Besides being primarily a record of the school activities for the year, it is a reflection of the literary and artistic talent of its editors. The Klipsun for 1927 is Chinese in its theme, with much of the art work done in black, gold and scarlet. It is a large, beautiful book that many a student will cherish.

The Red Arrow is new this year as is its parent, the Scribes' Club. Its main purpose is to furnish an outlet for the literary talent of the student body. The first edition appeared at the end of the winter quarter and it is intended that it shall appear once each quarter hereafter. It has been characterized by its freshness and originality and by the real worth of the manuscripts published. They are indicative of genuine ability within the student body.

The student who is interested in journalism or in other literary work will quickly find his niche at Normal, as a member of the staff of the Messenger, the Klipsun, or the Red Arrow.

PRELIMINARY TEACHING EXPERIENCE GAINED BY NORMAL STUDENTS IN TRAINING SCHOOL

Approximately Two Hundred Seventy Children Attend Training School—Put Out Publication Called "The Junior Messenger—Enlargement of This Department Contemplated.

Students at the Bellingham Normal get their preliminary teaching experience in the Training School, in various schools out in the city, or, if they are interested in rural work, in the country schools near Bellingham.

Two hundred seventy children attend the Training School which is located in the south wing of the Normal building.

Throughout the grades, which range from the kindergarten to the eighth, much attention is paid to the social development of the child. Beginning in the pre-primary, training in citizenship is given in the free activity and social science periods and it is carried on into the eighth in the form of community civics by the school service club.

All the work is started with the idea that it will be carried further in the next grade. This tends to give the children interest not only in their own work but in the work of every other grade in school, bringing about a very true spirit of co-operation.

"The Junior Messenger," at the close of each semester, is published by the 8th grade with the help of the other grades. The work is done under the supervision of a Normal student teacher assisted by Miss Crawford, teacher of the eighth. Lower grades make contributions and collect the news for the reporter who is assigned to them. The reporters are eighth grade children. The paper partakes of the nature of an annual, giving a history of the semester, the names of graduates, and having a space for signatures of friends, teachers and classmates.

Assembly is Held
One hour each week all the grades of the training school meet together

for an assembly. A great variety of entertainment is furnished, almost all of it by the children themselves, and the rest by outside talent. Each grade, sometime during the year, puts on a play or some other form of entertainment. In these plays the children work out their own dramatizations, settings, and costumes, correlating the work with their school subjects.

Sometimes reports are given. Each grade tells the rest what it is doing in some special subject.

Often the assembly hour is spent in listening to musical artists and occasionally the hour is given over to group singing.

Bellingham is a city of many industries, interesting history, and fascinating natural location. These facts are taken advantage of in the training school by trips which stimulate powers of observation and intelligent interest in the life around them, and help to develop a scientific attitude.

Once each year towards the end of the second semester a day is set aside for play. On that day the children all bring their lunches and eat on the campus. After lunch they spend a few hours in play. The children in the primary grades play the games they have enjoyed in their gymnasium work while the older children divide themselves into teams and play competitive games.

The training school is looking forward, as indeed is the whole Normal, to the time when it will be housed in separate buildings, large enough to hold many more students and with one of them equipped for Junior High school work. It is planned to have two divisions of each grade, in separate rooms, and to use one for observation and the other for practice teaching.

Summer Students to Derive Benefit From New Court

Three tennis courts are being constructed on the Student Association lots on High street. Two of them are to be completed before the middle of June when the summer quarter will begin. The other is to be built over a fill which must be allowed to settle before it is completed.

They will be made of asphalt, one of the best available materials for tennis courts. It does not crack, as concrete does, provides a good surface, and is sufficiently resilient to be easy on the player's feet.

Bleachers to Be Made.
Bleachers for the accommodation of spectators will be built on two sides of the court space. This will be appreciated by those who enjoy watching tournament and intercollegiate games.

There will be about three times as much end space as there is on the present courts, making it almost impossible for one player to slam the ball beyond his opponent's reach. The completion of these three courts will bring the number owned by the Normal to six, as many as any school of the same size in the state.

Third Year Students Do Special Work for Advanced Teaching

This year, for the first time, teaching and its technique has been added to the requirements for third year graduation.

The teaching that is required of two-year graduates is training entirely in the method of conducting class room work, while that which is required in the junior year takes the student teacher further in working out one unit in detail.

Many interesting studies have been made by the students in testing and diagnostic work. Some have worked in the field of mathematics in the various grades. They give tests to the children, determine the difficulties of the children in their grade, and work out methods whereby these difficulties can be overcome. The same method has been used in reading and language work.

Courses of study in various fields are worked out by the students. This involves a thorough study of the existing course and of those courses which are used in other schools.

In rural work also, there is a place for diagnosis and investigation. Students have given tests to the children in the different rural systems in order to determine whether the children are placed in the proper grades in relation to their intelligence and efficiency.

Careful records for future reference are kept in all cases. While third year teaching is a new thing it is expected that it will prove valuable in the future.

LOCAL WOMEN'S ATHLETIC ORGANIZATION RECENTLY JOINED NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Skalley, Keller, and Weythman Are in Charge of Women's Athletics, and Under Their Supervision, Many Have Become Interested Enough to Take Part in Sports.

The Women's Athletic Association, one of the largest and most active organizations of the Normal, decided early last fall to join the national association. It was apparent that several advantages would be gained.

A member of the organization here would be recognized in any school having a national organization; points earned in this institution could be transferred to any other, and representatives could be sent to the National Council, where many new ideas are discussed. It was necessary to revise the old constitution and point system. After making these alterations the club was admitted into the National Order.

Very Full Program This Year.
A very full and varied program has been carried out during the past year aside from scheduling the customary sports, soccer, archery, ring tennis and horseback riding were successfully started. Under the able supervision of the coaches, Skalley, Keller and Weythman, more girls have been out than ever before.

Fall quarter was devoted to hockey, volleyball, hiking and soccer, a new sport for the Normal. The girls were divided into intramural teams and played off a series of games to determine the championship. This gave every girl turning out a chance to participate in some real games. Then class teams were chosen and spirited interclass games were played. The Sophomores emerged victorious in all the contests.

Fresh-Stage Comeback
The next quarter saw the start of basketball and swimming while hockey and soccer were dropped for another year. The same methods of playing off intramural games was followed, but in the interclass contests the Freshmen, angered by the

Sophomores' position, snatched the championship in basketball in two hotly disputed games. The upper classmen maintained supremacy in volley ball and swimming.

Sports Rally Held
The spring season opened with a big sports rally. Track and baseball drew their usual large gathering while archery received an unexpectedly large following. Many girls who had not shown interest in the more strenuous sports have become quite expert marksmen.

A horseshoe tournament is being run off and the champion tossers will be determined in June.

At the start of each quarter a hiking schedule was arranged by Miss George, the hiking leader. At least one big hike was planned and several shorter trips. Among the most interesting were Skyline, Mt. Constitution, Kulshan Cabin, Lummi mountain and Nooksack mountain. A salmon bake was much enjoyed.

Horseback Riding Popular
Classes in horseback riding meet every week and the girls are becoming very proficient in handling their mounts. Due to the excellent instruction, good horses, and reasonable rates many girls have taken up this activity. A team will be selected to give a demonstration of its skill toward the end of the quarter.

The climax of the year will be a Girls' Field Day where the Freshmen and Sophomore track and baseball teams will meet to determine who will hold the class honors this quarter. The riders will give a demonstration drill, the archers will shoot and the horseshoe artists will finish their tournament. This will wind up the greatest year in the history of the W. A. A.

Noted Lecturers Heard at Normal

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dressed the student body this year include Judge Ben B. Lindsay, famous Denver judge, who spoke October 27; Richard Byrd, polar explorer, who told of his trip to the North Pole, February 10; and Herbert Witherspoon, president of the Chicago Musical College, who discussed music in an assembly on February 18.

Two interesting women have appeared: Ella Young, Irish poet and story-teller, who appeared November 9, and Rose Glass, girls' advisor at Roosevelt High School, Seattle, who spoke to the Women's League on "Heart of Youth," November 30.

David Campbell, musician of Portland, Oregon, spoke on "Music from the Listener's Viewpoint," in an assembly, January 4.

Asa Baldwin gave an illustrated lecture on Alaska, November 3, and

Mr. Wagner, superintendent of native schools of that territory, spoke in the assembly, March 29.

Arthur Gist, of the B. F. Day School, Seattle, spoke October 8. Two outstanding features in the month of May are Nellie Cornish, who discussed New York plays, on May 10, and Upton Close (George Washington Hall) who will speak here May 24.

Bellingham's location between the cities of Seattle, Wash., and Vancouver, Can., makes it possible to get many world famous lecturers and the committee in charge of the course never fails to get the best of these.

"Sh-h, don't look back now. There's a funny-looking fellow sitting just behind us."

"Don't get excited, honey. That's only a mirror."