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Editorial

The Critic

One of the most valuable things a student should garner during his college career is a well developed, sanely balanced critical attitude. I mean by this, a desire to know the truth in all things to the limit of one's mental abilities.

—R. M. G.

Puzzles and Brains

The Teachers' College of Columbia university in New York is conducting a series of cross-word puzzle tests for grammar schools, high schools, colleges and professional schools.

The world may await patiently the result of this undertaking. But from general observation of the way human brains function, any observer may hazard a guess at the forthcoming conclusions of the highbrow experimenters.

They will probably discover again the familiar fact that we yearn to do anything by doing it, increasing by experience our mental power and faculty—for doing the same thing.

Also that there may be some slight by-product of power and skill which can be turned to the doing of other mental tasks.

In other words, the chief benefit from doing cross-word puzzles will be added ability to do cross-word puzzles. So if that is one's chosen life work, very well—go ahead, and keep everlastingly at it.

If it is more important to gain

power and facility in mathematics, language work, history, geography, physics, chemistry, etc., then perhaps the schools had better concentrate on them. For besides being useful in themselves, they are more likely to develop the learner's mental powers generally, because they represent organized systems of human knowledge which fit naturally into each other in the development of all-round education.

Cross-word work merely gives a glimpse here and there, as the puzzle fan chases words and synonyms through the dictionary and encyclopedia, and the result is not organized knowledge, but a sort of verbal chaos tending to scatter-brainedness.

Dear Editor:

I was visiting in Marquette last week and I went through several institutions, among them the branch prison and the Normal School.

I visited the Normal the second day, and was, I must admit, quite tired from my exertions of the day before. The outside of the building impressed me quite favorably, but upon entering one of the first rooms inside the main entrance, I began doubting the ability of my guide.

I was afraid he had taken me back to the branch prison instead of the Normal School.

The noise corresponded more to my idea of some prison idlers than to my idea of Normal students. In order to confirm my doubts, I inquired of my guide and he hastened to inform me that I was in the Normal School Library.

"Yes," he said, "these are students of the famous N. S. N. Those scholarly looking kindergartners who talk more than the rest, are known as Druids. They have practiced for three or four long years, the art of breaking rules in the Normal, and are becoming extremely successful, though annoying to the peaceful children scattered here and there, the Freshmen by their unique quietness."

"The rest of the chattering, law-breaking students are Seniors." I was convinced, disgusted, and disappointed. I was disillusioned. And so, dear editor, as a visiting friend, I am going to suggest that a few inmates be transferred to the institution on the south side and that they be given proper treatments, and plenty of time to talk things over.

But, on the other hand, if the rules of the Normal are not made to suit the needs of the student majority, then perhaps the library could be made into a "Gossip Room for indolent children."

Very respectfully, CALIOTIAS.

We Protest

We acquired a new name. Not "Maids of the Table Round!" Oh, no, indeed! According to the opinions being broadcasted we are "The Maids of the Royal Order of Teacups." "Seg" teas, indeed. We are rather appalled to think that the vast assembled the mighty maids swear we females possess, centers in the case of Cegner Seg, merely on tea. Quite an extensive diet! Nevertheless, we do do a few other things besides sip tea and nibble wafers.

Please see me at the earliest possible moment in regard to having a picture taken of your organization for the "Kawabawgam." This is a very important matter and should be attended to at once. In addition, will you urge the various members to hand in their individual pictures? No pictures will be accepted after March 1st.

Yours truly, EVELYN VERRAN.

News of the Commercial Club

The Commercial Club met at the home of Miss Gertrude Fine, on Tuesday evening, February 24. Some very unusual games were played in which the participants displayed their artistic ability in "rolling the bones" as well as along other lines.

Some of the members were severely shocked when Miss Lowenstein, the prophet, told them the words they were going to say when they gave up the bliss of single happiness.

At the conclusion of the program a delicious lunch was served. The Commercialists then dispersed to their respective homes, with the feeling that the "Fine Girls" are, as entertainers, certainly well named.

To Form Tennis Club at Northern

A group of men students interested in tennis held a meeting last week at which it was decided to form a permanent organization. A constitutional committee was appointed and the next meeting is to be held this afternoon—Tuesday—in room 207, at 3:45.

SENIORS DEBATE ON SONG, INVITATIONS, ANNUALS

A Senior Class meeting was held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Several questions were discussed and settled. First, the commencement invitations were voted on. The class songs were then read by the President. The song committee chose two songs from a number of contributions. The song decided upon was written by Norma Gillett, who will receive the prize—a Kawabawgam. After much discussion pro and con, the problem of whether or not the Normal High School should have a section in the annual, it was decided that they should not.

Everyday Talk

The sensation produced by a fall is quite delightful. The only reason we fear a physical fall is because we hit the ground too soon to enjoy the thrill. Nevertheless, all falls are alike in this respect: The seeming hardness of the ground is proportional to the height of the fall; also, applied to folk, "The heavier they are, the harder they fall."

Northern Beats Central

(Continued from page 1, column 4) second team. The final score was 10 to 5. The Marquette High reserves showed unexpected strength and the score of 3 to 2 at the half and the final score of 10 to 5 were the lowest made on the Normal court this season.

Next week the Normal High will be one of the two Marquette teams that will journey to Munising to take part in the district tournament.

Northerners! Pictures!

Druids, Seniors, Juniors, Organizations, get your pictures in for the Kawabawgam! We want your pictures NOW! Bring them IN! YOU want the Kawabawgam before you leave school. We want it ready for you. To finish it in time, we MUST have your pictures NOW! GET THEM IN!

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CAMPUS NOTES
Mr. F. F. Humeston, manager of the J. C. Penny store at Marquette, gave a very interesting and instructive talk on his recent trip to Atlantic City before the Business Administration class on Friday, February 21st.

Mr. Humeston heard William Jennings Bryan on "Be Thou a Blessing." Russell Conwell of "Acres of Diamonds" fame, now past 82 years of age, gave his famous lecture at this meeting. There were several other well known speakers.

Mr. Humeston's excellent report indicates that he must have been regular in attendance. His appeal was the kind that touches the hearts of young people. Mr. Humeston you should have been a teacher; but then, come to think of it, you are.

On February 4th, Irene Nicholas, Senior, gave an interesting talk on Syria to the members of the Women's Welfare League at the Peter White Library. The talk was illustrated with curios from Syria.

In her talk, Irene spoke of the hardships endured by the Syrians under the Turkish regime, and the steady progress Syria is making under the authority of the French government at present. In speaking of the wonderful hand work done by the Syrians, Irene displayed several gorgeous pieces of silk that were woven by hand by Syrian women.

The mulberry trees are abundant on the vast Nicholas estate in Syria and the silk was woven by hand by servants who are very skillful in the art. Also Irene spoke about the educational system in Syria. The audience was shown a scholastic report card issued by the Syrian school. Irene's talk was very interesting and enjoyed by all who were present.

Irene Nicholas is the daughter of Said Nicholas, a prominent Calumet business man, and who is the owner of vast estates and land in Syria. Incidentally, Irene, who graduated from the Calumet High School in June, 1923, has completed her high school course in less than four years and is the first Syrian to graduate from that institution. Irene, who is a Senior at the Normal, will receive her life certificate in June; after which she will continue her studying for a degree in the East.

The Betas have appeared resplendent in their new sweaters. They are deep purple, with the Beta insignia in green. Watch for them!

Delta Sigma Nu Society held its regular election Monday, February 23. The results were as follows: President—Frances Hallfrisch. Vice-President—Ethel Pelto. Secretary—Ethel Lace. Treasurer—Jackie Smith.

We are glad to have Mr. Peters with us again after his recent absence, and hope that he will have no further trouble.

Last Thursday offered a very interesting assembly. After several enjoyable musical numbers, including solos by Clarence Christian, Mrs. Kremer and Mr. Peters, President Munson quoted scholarship statistics for six weeks of the Winter Term. We are all glad to know that some of us are of the 4-Superior kind, even if we can't plead guilty personally.

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This world would be a far pleasanter place
And in heaven more pews be took;
If women were all they wished to be
And men as good as they look.
—Exchange.

THE STENOGRAPHER.
(From the School of Imagist Poetry?)
Talk—long winded—talk,
Woman talk—
No talk at all.

Sparkling eyes
With rapid moving lips below.
Laws made strong by long hard years
Of chewing—gum
And gossip—scandal.

Lips that gleam so sweet
You do approach quite close
To long sought for
Perpetual motion.
(Signed) ARAGA
of
"The Four Bean Joys."
HASHARIA.

Her hair has such an auburn tint
(Really, it's only Golden Glimt);
Her lips are full and ruby red
(She buys it by the can, 'tis said);
Her lashes are of lustrous sheen
(They call that black snuff "Lash-Brow-In");
Her cheeks are pink and white, and soft,
But her complexion gets rubbed off.
But here's one thing that bothers me,
If all is sham of what I see,
My question—hoping you won't mind it—
Is how to find the girl behind it.

"Pop" Lewis says the Physics class has a very clever way of concealing their intelligence.
The height of folly is to—
Report late for Doc. Lowe's class and say you overslept.
Stay home from a Social Evening.

Try to put something over on the critic.
Try to find a modest man with curly hair.
Miss buying a Kawbagwan.

FAMOUS SAYINGS.
"The bigger they are, the harder they fall"—David.
"Never say die."—Methuselah.
"Home, Sweet Home."—Babe Ruth.
"Be yourself."—Priscilla to John Alden.
"All aboard"—Noah.
"You poor fish."—Jonah.
"You're the only girl in the world for me."—Adam.

Mrs. Married Student: "Do you love me as much as you used to?"
Mr.: "Yes, darling, I'd be idiot enough to marry you all over again."

Wanted: In a local bakery, a Junior to put his face in the dough to be made into animal cookies.
Apply to Editor of this column.

Alumnus Makes Mark
(Continued from page 1, column 6)

He has also contributed largely to educational publications on various subjects, such as—"School Costs and Economy in Planning," "Survey of Bronville, N. Y. (with Englehardt)," "The Enquiring Mind in Education," "Technique of Research," and "Functional Phases of Administration."
Guy is a member of Phi Delta Kappa, Kivani's, and as he states, of the Sons of Thor. This old fraternity is now known as Theta Omicron Rho, and they are very proud, we feel sure, to recognize Guy as a brother. Northern is indeed happy to see her sons doing big things.

What a Casual Visit Will Unfold
A trip through our store at this time will be filled with interest. To begin with, you will see what fashion dictates in Coats and Dresses for the Autumn season. The new models are really chic, embracing, as they do, numerous novel effects. This interest is maintained for every member of the feminine side of the family.
In the dress goods department there is a wealth of color and new patterns. And then, the season's latest styles in footwear are seen to be well calculated to grace Miady's foot. An hour passed here will be an inspiration.

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Glee Club

Last Monday night the Glee Club threw the champagne as its "lux" by entertaining the Knights of Pythias at the annual Pythian reunion banquet. The Glee Club sang four numbers, the quartet played, and the Glee Club orchestra enlivened the atmosphere with its usual peppy renditions. The audience received every number with enthusiastic applause; they listened in appreciation to the delicate "Serenade" of the quartet, and to the vigorous and joyous groups of the larger organizations. The Glee Club was compelled to repeat "The Old One's a Movin'," a negro spirituelle, in spite of Mr. Peters' well known love for encores.

After the program, those members of the Glee Club who were fortunate in having both companions and spare time, participated in the dancing party, to which they were courteously invited by the Pythians.

Plans for the Glee Club have been interrupted by the illness of Mr. Peters. Now, since he is back without crutches and with only a slightly stiffened leg, he is being re-drawn, and it is expected that the club will sing in the Copper Country, in Menominee, in Sault Ste. Marie, and in other towns in the Upper Peninsula.

Last year, being its cradle year, the Glee Club did not make any extended tours. The quintet, being a more portable organization, visited the more distant towns. This year, although only eighteen months young, the organization is beginning to stand up without holding to the leg of a chair, and soon, if all goes well, it will begin to "step" and stay out nights, but (contrary to established custom), all for the greater glory of Northern Normal, its Alma Mater.

Training School

Third Grade News

The second issue of "The T. G. News" was published last week. The paper has increased from three to four pages. The papers which were delivered to the other grades of the Training School were very much appreciated.

Anne Reynolds, a third grade pupil, leaves Monday, March 2, for Florida, where she will spend two months. Each of her classmates has written and illustrated a train letter which will furnish her with reading and amusement on her journey.

Second Grade Gold Fish

The second grade children are glad to announce that three of their gold fish are still alive. They made a visit to Mr. Tauch's greenhouse several weeks ago to see the potted plants and became so interested in the gold fish that they bought four. If any of the upper grade children would write them a letter telling how to care for fish in aquariums it would be appreciated.

High School Orchestra

Mr. Peters was especially pleased to find that there were twenty people in the high school and eighth grade who play some instrument well enough to join a high school orchestra. This is an unusually good showing for a high school as small as ours. It is now possible for us to enter the Upper Peninsula orchestra contest which will be held this spring.

Kindergartners

Write Letter

The kindergarten children are beginning to feel the advantage of being able to write. Last week when one of their classmates was ill they dictated the following letter to her: Dear Dorothy Jean: We are sorry you cannot come to school. We would like to tell you what we have been doing while you are at home.

We made a large fire hall with our blocks. We drew pictures of horses and cut them out. The horses were hitched to wagons which we made out of boxes covered with red paper. We made ladders to put in the fire wagons.

Some of us have made a post-office where we can mail our letters. Come back to school soon. KINDERGARTEN CHILDREN.

Kindergarten-Primary Tea

The kindergarten-primary student teachers met on Monday, February 23, in the first grade and kindergarten rooms for a good time and a cup of tea. The girls made Washington caps of various shapes and designs which they wore as they marched gaily through the corridors of the school. After returning to the kindergarten each group put on a stunt. The kindergarten students had a very realistic music class. The first grade girls dramatized "The Bremen Town Musicians." One student took the part of a little girl and "spoke a piece." The second grade girls had a model language lesson.

The third graders planned a trip to the Piqua Handle Factory and to the William Rogers' birthday party. William Rogers and Glenn Wiggins were impersonated with great exactness and much fun.

After the stunts everyone gathered in the first grade room for tea. A beautiful bouquet of rose buds and plates of little white cakes with their silk flags made the tea table very inviting. Due to the splendid response of the stunt committees, this was the most enjoyable tea which this group has had this year.

The hostesses were the Misses Bates, Woolhiser, Secor, and Herald. Other guests besides the primary teachers were President Munson, the critic and special teachers, and the people from the offices.

Eighth Grade Banking

The eighth grade enjoyed the very instructive talk by Mr. E. L. Pearce on the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, which he had just visited. This talk and the material furnished by the Union National Bank has made the work in banking much more concrete and interesting.

Eighth Grade Studies Transitive Verbs

The eighth graders have been studying the transitive and intransitive verbs. At the same time, Miss Nelson has been studying the various romances of her young charges. There seems to be some friendly rivalry among three or four of the boys, as evidenced by the following: The class was told to give sentences containing direct and indirect object. John waved his hand wildly and when called on gave this sentence: "David write Dorothy a letter," and proudly sat down. The class caught the joke and giggled audibly while David's ears turned a painful red.

Miss Nelson came to David's rescue by having the sentence, "John took Mary home," written on the board. John was asked to decide whether there was a direct and an indirect object. David laughed this time.

First Grade Activities

The first grade is interested in several activities at present. Play stores have been made from packing boxes from the new building. Each child is making a dress for a doll. At times all this sewing makes the room look like a "Ladies' Aid Society" with the gentlemen helping. Considerable discussion has been caused by the report of several children that they have seen robins.

The reading work is going better every week. Most classes having finished the work in the primers are now reading in their first readers. Besides this there are all kinds of interesting charts about the room for reading during spare moments. Several children have read nearly all of our library readers and are begging for more.

Alumni News

BRIEFS FROM THE HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT.

Moutrie, Gertrude A., '12, is attending N. S. N. and is working toward a degree.

Mathews, Marjorie, '15, is head of the Home Economics Department of the Marquette high school.

Coughlin, Mary, '17, is teaching home economics in the Central Hancock high school.

Kaye, Mildred C., '17, who completed the Home Economics course at the Normal in June, 1919, and who has been studying art in Chicago during the past year, is at present teaching Home Economics work in one of the Evanston, Ill., schools during the forenoon, and is attending the Art Institute in Chicago, afterwards. Her address is The Highlands, Apt. 207, 7455 Greenview avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Williams, Viola, '17, who has been head of the Home Economics Department in the Negaunee schools until this year, is now Mrs. Fred Krieder, of 5124 DeLonge avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Elson, Hulda M., '18, is teaching seventh and eighth grade Home Economics work in the Washington, D. C., schools. Her address is 2300 19th, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Keese, Gertrude, '19, is teaching Home Economics in the Ishpeming high school.

Schneider, Edna, '19, is Mrs. Ernest Wickstrom, of Marquette.

Wyatt, Ruth, '19, is teaching in the public schools in Bovee, Minnesota.

Witting, Catherine, '20, is teaching in the schools in Alpena.

Ryan, Florence, '21, has just left Marquette to fill a vacancy in the schools in Bensonville, Ill.

Pierce, Mary, '22, is employed as stenographer in the offices of the Charcoal Iron Company in Marquette.

Sandstrom, Gladys H., '22, is teaching Home Economics in Wakefield. She has been in full charge of the food work in the schools there. Last summer she attended the University of Wisconsin, specializing in food work. This is her third year of teaching in the Wakefield schools.

Jennings, Elsie, '23, is teaching in the schools in Ewen.

Kinsman, Dorothy, '22, of Ishpeming, is teaching Home Economics in the Palmer school.

Augustson, Dagmar, '24, is teaching Home Economics in the schools in Champlain. She has just completed the equipment of the new department in the Champlain school.

Drevald, Edith, '24, is teaching Home Economics in the schools in Marinisco.

Kennedy, Vera, '24, is teaching in the schools in Laurium.

Trevillion, Carroll, '24, is assistant in the Home Economics department in the Hancock public schools.

BIRTHS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Porter (Charlotte R. Cummings, years '17-'19) of Milwaukee, Wis., are the parents of a son, Allen LeRoy, born in Marquette on February 19, 1925.

DIRECTORY—CLASS OF '24.

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Mathews, Berta J.Redmond Twp.
Tedford, Georgiana, Green Bay, Wis.

Anderson, Grace, G. S. '24.Big Bay
Bamfield, Iola, G. S. '24.Breitung
Bond, Wesley, G. S. '24.Iron Mtn.
Boudwin, Laura, G. S. '24.Powers
Brown, Flora, G. S. '24.Crystal Falls
Brunngrauber, Amelia, G. S. '24.Turin
Dawe, Alice, G. S. '24.Gwinin
Forsberg, Ruth, G. S. '24.Menominee
Franzese, Violette, G. S. '24.Eben
Goski, Sadie, G. S. '24.Wakefield
Haller, Augusta, G. S. '24.Ripley
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