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CLASSMATES ENTERTAINED.

Miss Mary McDonald, a teacher in the Agricultural school in Manhattan, Kan., was hostess to a number of former classmates of the Eastern Illinois Normal school, Wednesday evening, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. McDonald. A sumptuous four course dinner was served at 7 o'clock after which the evening was delightfully passed visiting, renewing the friendship of school days. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Ray, Corzine, residing northeast of Mattoon; Miss Elsie Gannaway, of Mattoon, Mr. and Mrs. Foy James, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Bagott, Miss Esther Fuller of Charleston.

MADE FRESHMAN TEAM

Earl Anderson who was a star on our 1916 basketball team has made the freshman team at the University of Illinois. Earl shows up well in every team he has played, starting with Charleston high school he played on the famous 1914 team. Last year he was awarded the prize for winning the most points for his team of any man in the Minor College Conference. Next year he will undoubtedly play on the University of Illinois team.

TEACHERS' MEETING

The annual meeting of the State teacher's meeting was held at Springfield last week. This is one of the largest gatherings of teachers held in this state and many measures of importance to education were discussed. Among faculty members present at this meeting were Mr. Lord, Mr. Allen, Miss Morse, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Colvin and Mr. Wilson.

RABBIT HUNTERS

Coach Lantz, Leslie Cook, and "Rocky" Hampton spent Monday morning in the wilds of Hutton township hunting rabbits. They agreed to kill rabbits for a banquet given by the basket ball squad. It is reported that much powder was burned and a few rabbits actually crippled. The banquet is postponed until a future date.

RESOLUTIONS

New Year's resolutions are now in order. If you resolve to do, or not to do a thing next year tell your friends. They will help you keep your good resolutions and when you break them all you have to do is to treat, then you can be sure your failings will not be made public.

BOBBY ON THE JOB

Everyone who has been around the greenhouse or powerhouse knows Bobby. Wherever Mr. Nehrling is seen Bobby can be seen too.

Bobby is just as truly a gardener as his master is. Among the things that especially riles both Bobby and his master, is an old white hen and a brood of half grown chickens. Whenever Bobby cites mother biddy and her family there is something doing and he does not rest until she has crossed the campus boundary line.

Bobby proved that he was a German last week, when lacking a bomb with which to work destruction he chose a rotten apple and climbing the powerhouse stairs, dropped it uncomfortably close to a visitor who was voicing his anti-german views. So if you do not think as Bobby does, do not visit his domain nor annoy him with your views of the present European situation.

SKATING GOOD

Skating is now good. Many people are taking advantage of the ice on Normal School lake. The lake though not full of water furnishes considerable space for skating.

Miss Booth spent her vacation at Chicago and her home in Beloit, Michigan.

Miss Willard visited in Chicago during vacation.

Miss Ford went to Emporia, Kansas, for her Xmas vacation.

Miss Weller visited in Chicago last week.

Mr. Koch went to New York City for his Xmas vacation. He visited Mrs. Koch and his daughter, Miss Elsa, who is singing with a grand opera company of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Nehrling entertained Miss Niles at Xmas dinner.

Miss Ragan spent her Xmas vacation with relatives at Fillmore, Indiana.

Mr. Daniels visited relatives at Urbana, last week.

Miss Geiger spent her Xmas vacation in Chicago.

Miss Coffman went to Cloverdale, Indiana, where she spent her Xmas vacation with relatives.

Miss Estabrook went to Boston for her Xmas vacation.

Mr. Fiske Allen and family visited relatives at Franklin, Indiana, last week.

PREMATURE

We realize that it is very difficult to write a story about a party before it has happened. In our last issue we told about the party given to the Juniors. We hit it pretty well, but the papers were printed and mailed before the party happened. There were a few surprises for all of us. Little Otto forgot his speech. Another part that we did not know about was the stories read by Miss Skeffington. The first was a beautiful Christmas legend telling about the first chrysanthemum and why it is called the Christ flower. The other story was about a Christmas spent upon a wrecked steamer in the tropic region.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

The Illinois Teachers' association which met recently in Springfield recommended that a bar be placed on all high school secret societies and fraternities.

Many high schools of the state have fraternities, and investigations shows that a larger number of failures are found among fraternity members than among the other students.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

The engagement of Nellie Perisho, a former student, to John Conrad a young and prosperous farmer of Seven Hickory township, has been announced. Mr. Conrad and Miss Perisho will be married sometime next spring. The "News" unites with the many friends of Miss Perisho in extending congratulations.

XMAS BREAKFAST

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wilson entertained at a Xmas breakfast at their home 1020 South Tenth street. Those present were Miss Ford, Miss Morse, Mr. and Mrs. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. Vestal, Miss Niles, Miss Gardner, Mr. Colvin, and James Ford.

NEW SEATS

The seats in the gymnasium have been rebuilt so as to give a larger floor space. This improvement will enable the basket ball team to work better together and compete with teams which have a large gymnasium.

ORCHESTRA PRACTICE

During the last few weeks before Christmas little progress was made by the orchestra because of poor attendance at the practice meetings. Now that the busy holiday season has passed, work will begin in earnest. The band will also start work soon.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Celia Bowen and Omar Rennels were married at the Christian church parsonage last Saturday, December 23. The couple were attended by Miss Vivian Rennels, a sister of the groom, and Cleve Bandy. Mrs. Rennels is a former student of this school and is well known in Charleston and vicinity. The groom is a prominent known farmer of Seven Hickory township. The News takes pleasure in extending congratulations.

GONE ON TRIP

The basket ball team will leave Friday for a trip to Jacksonville and Decatur. They will meet the Illinois College team and the James Millikin University team before returning. Basket ball will now begin in earnest and a long conference schedule is before our team and we hope that they will come out at the head of the list when it comes to the awarding of the basket ball championship.

WELCOME 1917

May the year 1917 bring to our readers and patrons all the good things possible to crowd into one short year. We wish to thank the people who have helped to make our paper and keep it up to a certain standard. The standard set up for next year is higher and by your assistance The News will become a better paper next year than it was the one just passed.

GOOD GAME

The All Star basket ball team and the Independent basket ball team played a game of basket ball in the Armory gymnasium last Friday night. The score was 19 to 23 in favor of the Independents. These teams are made of well known players, many having played at the Normal School on teams of the past years. Ben, Paul, Herbert and Earl Anderson were participants in the game. Maurice Hampton and Jenkins are two other well known men who played.

Russel "Abe" Martin spent a few days last week with Olney friends.

Lester Highsmith was a Robinson visitor during Xmas holidays.

Mary Brokaw, '15, who is teaching school in Hindsboro, spent vacation with relatives here.

Earl Anderson, a star of last years basket ball team, practiced with this years team in the gymnasium Monday afternoon.

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Write It 1917.

Today we go to school for our first time in 1917. Yesterday, perhaps, we made many good resolutions but have broken most of them already. It is not too late to make others. Let us resolve to think. Let us look back over our work done in 1916 and think how it can benefit us in the future. In choosing our electives for next term, let us think over them and decide which ones will do us the most good. Let us ask ourselves, "Have we made good use of our opportunities in the past and will we continue to do so in 1917?"

Steve Turner visited with Howard Gray at Lerna, last week.

Inez Smith, '16, of Greenup, was shopping in Charleston Saturday.

Ernest Bails, '16, of Tuscola, spent Christmas with relatives here.

Harriet Foreman visited Ruth Jones at her home in Lerna last week.

Margaret McCrory spent the holidays with friends in Chicago and Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Lawson Hawkins, of Sullivan, spent a few days last week here with his brother John.

Russell Giffin and Roscoe Hampton spent the latter part of last week with Lerna friends.

Ralph Musset and Dorothy Fox attended the Leap Year dance in Mt. Carmel, Wednesday night.

Bernice Corzine, '15, has returned to Oak Park after spending the holidays with her parents here.

Opal Wiley, '16, a teacher in the Lenark H. S. spent the holidays with her parents of Hutton township.

Frank C. Harris spent Christmas with his parents at Coffeen.

Leonard Jones, '14, teacher of Manual training in Lenark H. S. spent the holidays with relatives here.

John Belting has returned from the Mexican border where he has been in the services of "Uncle Sam."

Stanley Crowe, who teaches Science in the Neoga High School, spent his vacation at his home in this city.

Charles Jenkins, who is a student at DePauw University, visited with his mother, Mrs. Amanda Jenkins, during vacation.

Mary Linder, '15, a student in the University of Illinois, spent her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Linder.

Ellen Dwyer, who teaches in the Hoopston schools, spent her holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Dwyer.

Pauline Shortess, who is attending school in Sweet Briar, Va., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Shortess.

Henrietta Brown entertained at a taffy pull last Friday evening at her home 1501 Seventh street. Those present were: Harriet Foreman, Malora Stanberry, Henrietta Brown, Paul Hall, Glenn Enman and Tedd Serviss.

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SOCIETY NEWS

By Zula Phillippe

The boys' annual Christmas party was held in the parlors of Pemberton hall Friday night, December 22nd. About seventy five couple were present. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Carey, Miss Williard, and Mr. Crowe.

Among the out of town guests were David Shroyer, '15, Stanley Crowe, '16, Andrew Phillips, '16, Earl Anderson, '16, Charles Long, '11, Bruce Rardin, '10, Ruth Long, '10, Marie Walz, '15, and Marie Goodman, '16.

The grand march was led by Harold Loving and Lorraine Storey. Music was furnished by the Flannigan orchestra of Mattoon.

Invitations are out for a dance to be given Wednesday evening, January 3, in Richter hall, given by Thomas Moore, Ben Anderson Thomas Marshall, Ben Kelley, Wright Sinsabaugh, Howard Alexander, Dr. Lee Brown, and Louis Linder.

Isabelle Black entertained a number of friends at a party last Wednesday evening, at her home 906 E. Madison street. The time was spent in music and games. Refreshments consisting of Sherbert and cake was served.

Helen Shrieve entertained a number of friends at her home on East Jackson street last Friday evening in honor of Miss Grace Long, it being her eighteenth birthday anniversary. The evening was spent very enjoyably in playing games. A four course luncheon was served by the hostess.

Ruth Reed entertained a number of friends at a watch party at her home on Polk street Sunday night. Those present were Rono White, Mintern Norris, Harold Shields, Lawrence Young, William Hyde, Frank Robinson, and Pearl White, Rena Reed, Cora Parkinson, Ruth Reed, Marie Ellis and Rena White.

A number of young people gathered at the home of Helen Root, Tenth St., Sunday evening to watch the passing of 1916 and the coming of 1917. The hours from eight until twelve were pleasantly spent in conversation and playing games. At twelve, a dainty luncheon was served by the hostess. Those present were Helen Root, Isabelle Black, Helen Shrieve, Grace Long, Leah Todd, Edna Donaldson, Margaret McCrory, Bernice Barker, and Le-land Colvin, Earl Anderson, Elba Durbin, Otto Schmaelzle, John Hawkins, Martin Schahrer, James Fansher of Mattoon, and Lyman Ritter.

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Violet Mersereau in "The Narrow Path."

FRIDAY

Mary Pickford in "Poor Little Peppima."

SATURDAY

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SATURDAY

Mutual, C. Chaplin, in "The Rink."

MONDAY

Triangle Classy Plays, Norma Talmadge in "The Social Secretary." Also Keystone Players, in "The Winning Punch."

PERSONAL

Byron Markle visited friends in Hume last week.

Van Tarble spent Christmas with friends in Kansas, Ill.

Harold Loving spent vacation with friends at Flat Rock.

Elsie Harwood spent Christmas with friends near Flat Rock.

Harold Hutton spent the week end with a friend at Greenup.

John Rife spent the holidays with his parents near Chauncey.

Ruth King spent the Christmas vacation with friends in Flat Rock.

Marjorie Fox spent several days last week with friends at Mt. Carmel.

Nancy Alexander, who is teaching in the Champaign Schools, visited here last week.

Mae Poulter, '15, visited with Martha Cressler, '15, in Decatur last week end.

Gladys Brickey returned to school yesterday after spending the holidays in Hoopston.

Cecil Wilkinson, '14, a student at the U. of L., visited relatives here during the holidays.

Helen Couche has returned to school after spending the vacation with her parents at St. Francisville.

Chas. Conrad, Superintendent of of the Oakland schools, visited in Charleston last Saturday and Sunday.

Gordon Cook, '15, returned to Camargo yesterday after spending vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Cook, on Sixth street.

Fred Endsley spent his vacation with Charleston friends and relatives. Mr. Endsley is now working for an Automobile Manufacturing concern in Detroit.

Herman Cooper, '16, teacher of Manual training in the Danville H. S. spent his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas Cooper, in this city.

Katherine and Louise Hudson who are attending the University of Wisconsin, visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hudson, during the holidays.

Donald Johnson and Julian Anderson, who are employed by the Packard Automobile Company in Detroit, Michigan, spent their vacation with home folks.

Ruth Tolly, '13, spent her Xmas vacation with her parents on Third street. Miss Tolly is now studying for a position as a trained nurse in St. Louis.

Miss Elizabeth Crowe, '12, spent her vacation with her father in this city. Miss Crowe is teaching this year in a girls school, north of Chicago.

Harry Pyle, a member of the Senior class, has been confined in his home at Nokomis on account of illness. We hope Mr. Pyle will be in school again soon.

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