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What Happened to Jones?

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EDITORIALS

LET'S ADVERTISE
We read many rhymes about spring arousing tender emotions in young people. Tender emotions are not the only things to be aroused in boys and girls at this time of year. It is the time for forming definite plans and ambitions. This is especially true for those people that are just graduating from high school. Many of them have nothing planned while many more are not fully determined as to what their future shall be.

Keeping this in mind, it becomes evident that if E. I. wishes to grow and at the same time give these graduates something worthwhile she must make an appeal to such students to come here. This year practically nothing has been done to advertise E. I., and there are many ways in which it could be done. Some of the available ways are: the Glee Clubs, Dramatic Club, athletic teams, field meets, members of the faculty visiting the surrounding high schools, and the influence of our alumni over their students. Any of these ways are good, but the best appeal to prospective students is made by a group of our own students visiting them with some sort of entertainment.

There has been some talk of the men's Glee Club giving entertainments in neighboring high schools. Of course this means extra work for students, of whom many are already overworked, but the results might be worth the effort. If the responsibility could be placed upon all the students the results would be wonderful with a minimum of effort, but this ideal is improbable. The point is, nevertheless, that E. I. needs to keep her name before the high school graduates.

PRINCE OF PILSEN

On Saturday, May 9, at 8 o'clock, the musical comedy, The Prince of Pilsen will be given. This great performance, which has been the whole talk of the school for the past two months promises to be the best amateur musical performance E. I. has had for a long time. This last night of the long-awaited Music Festival will make that annual entertainment more than worth the students' support. The program for the play is: time—the present. Place—Nice, France.

Act I. Garden of Hotel International—(afternoon)
Act II. Garden of Hotel International—(next morning)

Cast of Characters

Carl Otto, the Prince of Pilsen, McKinley Turner
Hans Wagner, a Cincinnati brewer traveling abroad, Mr. Giles
Sidonie, Mrs. Cracker's maid, Bernadine Abell
Edith Adams, a Vassar girl, Jo Frances Tiffin
Nellie Wagner, Hans Wagner's daughter, Irma Townley
Lieut. Tom Wagner of U. S. Cruiser "Annapolis," Mr. Hughes
Arthur St. John Vilbertore, Lord Somerset, Robert Stewart
Francais, concierge Hotel International, Carl Gasser
Cook's courier, Vassar Girls' pilot, Harry Phipps
Sergeant Bric of the Gendarmes, Paul Hall
First Gendarm, Louis Joserand
Second Gendarm, Eldred Walton
Jimmy, a bell-boy, Velma Rains
Miss Madison Crocker of New York, Miss Besteland.
The choruses of Heidelberg Students, waiters, American tourists, hunters, flower girls, and golf girls are played by Boys' and Girls' Glee Clubs of the college.

THREE IN A FAMILY

Miss Ruth Carman, Gage Carman, and Max Carman are receiving degrees at the University of Illinois this year. Ruth receives her master's degree in Latin, Gage his master's degree in Agriculture, and Max his doctors degree in Mathematics.

A congregation in Penn Yan, N. Y., undertook to read aloud the entire Bible in one day by a relay team of two hundred speakers. The head man commenced: "In the beginning God created," etc., at three A. M. The tail man finished "and he was with you all, Amen" at eight P. M. The Bible contains 774,692 words making an average of 759 words spoken per minute during the entire day. A fluent public speaker does well to get out 150 words a minute.

The Gypsy, a new poetry magazine, to be published in Cincinnati, Ohio, made its bow March 1, 1925. It will interest bibliophiles as well as poets and poetry lovers, for it will feature from issue to issue hitherto unpublished poems by Walter Savage Landor, Robert Louis Stevenson, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Lionel Johnson, Charles Dickens and Emily Bronte. It will print poems by such noted writers of today as James Stephens, George Moore, John Drinkwater and John Massfield, and also poems of merit by writers as yet unknown to fame. There will be translations of foreign poetry attracting interest, articles on poetry and reviews of volumes of poetry. The magazine will be issued quarterly, the first being the spring number.

Some recent novels in the general library:
"Ferber," "So Big."
"Galsworthy," "White Monkey."
"Sedgwick," "Little French Girl."
"Wilson," "Able McLaughlins."

In the April number of the Bookman there is an article, "Religion for the Faithless," by Irwin Edman. Some of the points made in it are worth considering, the following quotation showing somewhat the tone of the article:

"The first step in reverting to the relevant in religion is to give up regarding it as an antiquated competition of science. In a beautiful metaphor of Everett Dean Martin's, religions are not maps of another world. They are flags on which the human spirit has blazoned its hopes, and its idealisms, its passionate acceptances and its serene negations. In their religious beliefs men have written down, as it were, in capital and eternal letters, the conditions which the spirit of man must live in the world, and the ideals toward which the spirit moves."

What Happened to Jones?

REGISTRATION DAY
Today, April 20, is registration day for the mid-spring term. New classes are opening for the new students. Some two-period courses will cover twelve weeks work in the six weeks left of the regular school year. This new term will enable some who have been teaching in the country schools to make a few credits before summer school starts. The enrollment for this mid-spring term up to noon on Monday is 76. Last year the mid-spring registration was 146. As most of the students come in the afternoon on registration day, it will probably reach that today.

WHY WORRY?
We ceased to ask after Wednesday night. The audience seemed to enjoy the comedy very much, and Harold Lloyd thought thoughts of lessons away for an hour. The next number on the entertainment course comes Tuesday.

CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS

STAGE BIG CONTEST
The Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. start today on a membership contest to last until May 2. The men challenged and the girls accepted at once. The contest will be conducted on a percentage basis.

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In there is that picture called the Arrowmaker. Opposite it, in that same quiet little room, is the Pilots. There are places to sit and rest and let those pictures penetrate and revive and inspire you.

On the south wall is that picture by Paul Sargent of the two Indians at the top of the cliff. Stand or sit back near the window at the west end. The light falls just right on that picture.

Then a little to the left of this is that delightful little painting of the stream out and away from the rush and whirl of our daily life,—just such a place as you would like to fish in, or to spend a vacation.

Then if you have time on a bright sunny morning, leave this room and stroll out on the campus. When you near the athletic field, cross to a spot north of the forestry.

Ralph Edwards has been working for some time on a history of The News. This is the tenth year of The News, and his review in this issue should prove of interest.



A DELAYED SUGGESTION

Following upon the heels of the questionnaires given out by the Y. M. C. A. comes this hint from one of our popular alumni. All boys and girls that wish dates post their names on a bulletin board. Besides this the following information: what they want to do to spend the evening, where they live, their phone number, and the color of their hair.

Why don't more of our students go to church?
Knead rest.

This is an answer found on one of the ballots last week.
We've heard—Bakers knead bread.—He knead himself before his majesty; etc.; but—there seems to be a NEED for spelling at E. I.

Satirp Satire Savant, Algebra Student: It is 8.
Vulpine Vying, Bright English Student: A pie is eaten, not ate.
—Contributed by Sachem Ryt.

A few drastic comments taken from Thursday's ballots:
"Students don't go to church because they have too many other places to go."
"The students at the Hall should be made go every Sunday."
"Let 'em dance! It's good exercise after a hard day's work."
"Read School News more regularly."

The editor used
This in a pinch—
He needed exactly
Another inch.
—Milton College Review.

Students should go to school eight hours and sleep eight hours, but not the same eight hours.—The Lincolnian.

The University of Alabama has a poetry workshop which uses the method that has been made famous by Professor Baker with his "47 Workshop" of Harvard and Yale. The course is a very informal one, giving the student plenty of free rein. There is some study of the theory of poetry but the main work of the class is practical. This year the best work of the students is to appear in the second annual anthology.

—The New Student.

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THE FIREPLACE NOOK

Illinois school districts have just held their elections and school boards may now legally appoint teachers for next year. Teachers are beginning their great annual game of "pussy-will-a-corner," sophomores and seniors in our teachers' colleges along with a host of high school graduates and others being "in." Problem—Who will be "it" when school opens next September? Seeing that every school has a teacher and also seeing the large number wanting a "corner," members of graduating classes are becoming anxious to see some action. They cannot yet see the large number of teachers who are going into other work. Neither can they see the increasing demand for teachers with training. While there will probably be many would-be teachers still without positions in September, these will almost all be from the group with inferior training or with inferior abilities. Well trained teachers, even those without experience in teaching, are still certain to be sought for desirable positions.

School boards and superintendents are just beginning now to decide which of their present teachers they wish to retain. When that is decided, these teachers are given a few weeks to decide whether they wish to retain their positions. All this must be settled before new teachers can be sought or applications considered. Of all the positions to be filled by new teachers not half will be filled before the first of June. There will be as many positions filled in August as in May, and those still to be filled in August are not the less desirable positions. All this to allay the very natural anxiety of those to whom a position next year is of capital importance and to whose anxious vision no position appears. They will be told that there are a dozen applicants for each position and may not remember that they themselves have applied for a dozen positions. Most of our graduates will be forced to choose among several positions of varying desirability and, unfortunately, will not be offered these positions in the order of their desirability. Whether to decline a less desirable place when a more desirable one seems about to be offered is the candidate's most perplexing problem. A mistaken decision here accounts for most of the cases of even fairly promising teachers being without positions in September. On the other hand, a candidate often makes a mistake by accepting the first position offered merely because of fear that it may be the last. This fear should not come before the middle of August, if then. Graduates of the school may be of most service to each other by reporting vacancies which come to their attention. A second-hand position, discarded by you upon securing a better one, may prove very acceptable to a member of the graduating classes. The new plan for distributing the state school fund, adopted by the legislature of 1923, has at last been approved by the Supreme Court. This plan puts a premium upon the employment of graduates of the teachers' colleges and this gives them a considerable advantage in securing positions. Our graduates should make themselves familiar with the plan. Fiske Allen.

Miss Mildred Snyder was the guest of Janet Southard of Pemberton Hall at dinner Sunday.

Miss Mildred Stephenson, an instructor of Newton Community High School, was the week end guest of Helen Sutton and Margaret Johnson. Stella Powell, Josephine Moffet, Pauline Baggett and Katherine and Helen Lathrop motored to Neoga Sunday afternoon.

Nellie Shull, Irma Townley, Sarata Brown, and Geneva Foote spent the week end at their homes in Mattoon.

Miss Elizabeth Kennedy of Sandoval, was the guest of Viola Harris during Easter vacation.

Virginia Foster of Ridgefarm was the week end guest of Frances Mae Alexander of Pemberton Hall.

Elsie Kirsten of Paris was the week end guest of Josephine Moffet of Pemberton Hall.

Florence Sutton of Newton was the week end guest of Helen Sutton, her sister, at Pemberton Hall.

Lois Henderson and June Price spent the week end at their homes in Brockton.

Harriette Gruver spent the week end at her home in Mattoon.

Miss Clelia Annin was a dinner guest of Clara Holland at Pemberton Hall Tuesday evening.

Freda Hunt spent the week end at her home near Mattoon.

Iris Johnson spent the week end at her home in Rardin.

Byrdella Pierson spent the week end at her home in Oakland.

Lorene Wampler was a dinner guest of Nellie Shull at Pemberton Hall Wednesday evening.

Among those visiting school this week have been: Disa McCall, Paul Brewer, Dow Smith, Edna Tyrell, and Louise Frazier.

In conjunction with the University of Toulouse, one of the leading universities of France, William and Mary College is offering a summer course for 1925.

SOCIAL NOTES

PARTY FOR EIGHTH GRADE

The seventh grade gave the eighth grade a delightful little party last Saturday night in the seventh grade room. The room was prettily decorated with honeysuckle. A play from Poe's "Gold Bug" was presented in costume by some of the sevens. Kenneth Saltzman, Alice Wilson, Vee Louise Brown, Mary Grimes, Dorothy Taylor, and Ernestine King had parts in this dramatization. Winifred Miller read the introductory parts. Virginia Frazier played the selection on the piano. Then, some games and contests were played. Mr. Ogden Brainard won the prize in the whistling contest. Refreshments of pineapple sherbet and cookies were served. Besides the guests of honor, the seventh grade student teachers and a few of the faculty were invited.

DANCE WELL ATTENDED

The dance Saturday night was well attended considering the fact that many were too sleepy to attend. Good music was furnished by the Illinoisians.

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HISTORY OF THE NEWS

(Continued from page 1)

one hundred eighty dollars and sixty
per cent of profits over sixty-eight
dollars and twenty cents be given to
staff, and any surplus money accumu-
lated be used toward the improve-
ment of the paper.

The success of faculty control has
been apparent since 1922. The com-
mittee with Mr. Ashley as chairman
has cooperated with the staff, and
through the combined efforts of all
much progress has been made in
technic, appearance, quality, and in
the financial status.

The paper at the time of starting
was 10 1/2"x16", four column and con-
tained on an average about one hun-
dred inches of news. The paper upon
which it was printed was of the same
quality as is used by most modern
newspapers. The average amount of
news remained the same except for
the increase by using a linotype, be-
ginning April 11, 1922, until the fall
of 1922. At that time the size of the
paper was increased to 18x12 inches,
a five column makeup was used, and
the news space increased to one hun-
dred thirty-five inches. Since that
change the size of the paper has not
increased, but by cutting down ad-
vertising space and leaving out a
column known as the "Merchants'
Directory", the news space has been
increased to one hundred and forty-
five inches in the fall of 1923, and to
one hundred fifty-four in the fall of
1924. The quality of paper used was
first changed in November, 1921 and
again at the beginning of the school
year '22-'23.

The type of news has varied great-
ly. During the first few years much
of what was printed was not directly
concerned with the college, and many
English themes were used as filler. Dur-
ing the war many letters from the
"boys" were published, but athletic
activities took up the greater share of
space. Since the war the news has
been more generally connected with
the school and more varied, which
has been due chiefly to the growth of
the school and more student activities.

The front page has always been al-
located to the important news, except
for the publication of letters. One
to three columns of the second page
have been devoted to editorials. The
general position for the social items
is on the third page. The rest of the
paper has had no specific columns
from year to year, but there has been
a large variety of heads. Long lists
of personals were first used but as
they were not of such moment they
practically disappeared after the first
two or three years.

The joke column has had a very
erratic career. The first year it was
headed "Grins and Groans," but only
lived one year. About the middle of
the school year '19-'20 the "Incubat-
or" appeared. Because of poor qual-
ity and an insufficiency of jokes hand-
ed in, it did not make a success. Vol-
umes eight and nine contained the
"Du-U-No." This did not univer-
sally appeal as so many of the jokes
were not clear except to a small
group. In volume ten there has ap-
peared "Pen Splashes" and other des-
ultory jokes, but because the student
body has handed in very few jokes
the column has never established a
permanency.

During this year several new col-
umns have been added. In the "Fire
Place Nook" the members of the fac-
ulty have a chance to express them-
selves to the students, "Books and
Things," which is a regular literary
department, has replaced the old
lists of material to be found in the
library, "Sporting Briefs" is devoted to
short, athletic notes, some of which
are humorous, but as a rule are news
items, "Chit Chat" is a column filled
with short reflections of the editor.

The year 1922-'23, the second year
of faculty control, appears to have
been the year of the most marked ad-
vance in the quality of the publica-
tion, but considerable improvement
has been made each year since then.
There were several reasons for the
abrupt advance. The editor, Dale
Coyle, was well acquainted with the
technic and possessed ability as a
writer. Paul Hall proved to be the
best business manager of any up to
that time, and increased the income
of the paper considerably. Besides
this the staff was composed of loyal
members and possessed, in Mary
Whalen an excellent editorial writer.
Ralph Edwards.

DICKENS READER

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