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All Out
For
First Game

The Okato

Let's Boost
The
Operetta

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TOURNAMENT COPPED BY CLASS OF '24

Coach Melby held a lively class tournament on Dec. 4, 5 and 6.

All through the tournament the juniors were expected to turn tables on the other classes but due to the absence of their captain, William Cullen, they were not powerful enough to put the necessary effort into the first game which meant first honors.

In the first game the Frosh were overwhelmingly defeated by Doc Haloran's seniors to the tune of 50-4. The seniors were giants compared to captain Cashman's midgets.

Next came the husky juniors who trimmed the sophomore's wings with a bang-up score of 27-0.

The next night the juniors took on the midget Frosh and handed out the same parcel of scores as the seniors, 50-4.

The sophomores next took their beating from the seniors 27-0.

The final night the Frosh unexpectedly beat the sophomores in a two fisted affair, thereby winning 3rd. place by a score of 17-15.

The last game, which decided the winners, was the junior-senior tilt. The second half the old gang of last year pulled through and, dropping in luck shots brought the score to 9-4 in the last half.

This is the first interclass tournament that has been held for two years and we hope that it will become a regular event, and an important one, in school athletics.

THANKSGIVING PROGRAM

To bring to us the spirit of Thanksgiving a program was planned for Wednesday, November 28. It consisted of:

Americasung by assembly
Thanksgiving songsby 3rd and 4th grades of the Lincoln school.

The Origin of Thanksgiving...read by Lucille Bitters; written by Helen McDonald.

ReadingBastin' the Turkey—Mary Classen.

Star Spangled Bannersung by assembly.

My Stomach and Me.Laura Perry.

The third and fourth grades certainly did credit to themselves, under the leadership of Elmer Hidde. Everybody enjoyed their songs immensely.

"The Origin of Thanksgiving" gave us and idea of what Thanksgiving really means. It is a day in which to be joyful and thankful for everything God has given us.

"Bastin' the Turkey" told how "us kids" stand around and watch grandma baste the turkey, our mouths just watering till it seems we can't wait until it is time to eat it.

"My Stomach and Me" was a very good example of how most of us feel the day after Thanksgiving. We give our stomachs all kinds of good things to eat and we just can't see why it should go and ache after we've been so good to it. It simply doesn't appreciate what we do for it!

The program created an atmosphere of turkey, pumpkin pies, and cranberry sauce and made everybody wish that it was about dinner time the next day.

The Okato Staff Extends To Its Readers The Season's Greetings

HOLOSFACTS NEWS

Our program for the next regular meeting following Dec. 11th will consist of the real Holo facts talent. It will be given by the dramatic section and will consist of the following:

1. NarcissusThe orchestra
2. PepMr. Gandswindt
3. Darktown dialogueH. Whitcomb and Albert Routt.
4. Orchestra specialsOrchestra
5. A Boys' Meeting—a playDramatic section.
6. Closing speechHugo Muehrcke
7. AdjournmentClub.

A PARTY

It is planned to hold a Holo facts's party some time in the future. As Holo facts is getting more and more pep, we have planned to advertise it in the form of a good old party some time, if possible, before the first semester ends.

NOTICE

All male students of the Oconto high school, who attain an average of 78 per cent are eligible for membership in Holo facts, and are urged to join before Jan. 1st, if they are going to participate in any of the local activities, such as the athletic or dramatic courses, so arrangements can be made for the member to take part in the society's future activities.

Our Advisor

1
Mr. Gandswindt, our advisor
We class as the best of them all,
For he keeps us on our feet,
In credits, "Pep," and basketball.

2
We owe him due credit
For the work we possess.
For if it wasn't for him
We would be a mess,

3
We find him always ready
When Holo facts is in need,
For we know that he is capable,
By his past noted deeds.

"Merry Christmas"

The Holo facts society of the good old Gold and Blue wishes every one
"A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR."

O. C. T. A. POSTPONED

The regular meeting of the O. C. T. A. was postponed from Dec. 11 to Dec. 18 so the the teaching corps of the city might enjoy a talk given by Mr. Anderson, assistant sup't. of instruction, and who is one of the members conducting the building survey going on this week.

THE C. I. P. A. CONVENTION

Probably every one knows the story of the rooster who sauntered forth one morning to search for food, and accidentally came across an ostrich egg. The rooster was much astonished and after carefully inspecting the object, he called to all the hens to come to him. They hurried over and when their prize of wonder has subsided, the rooster said: "I don't want to discourage you ladies, but just see what they're doing in other barnyards!"

That is what the C. I. P. A. convention aims to do—teach us how it is done in other schools. It is hard for anyone not on the staff to visualize the vast amount of work connected with the publication of a paper. There is news to be gathered and written up, the editorial column to write, the literary matter to select, the ads to be sold, and the mechanical work of correcting proofs. How to do these things more efficiently represents the great problem of the staff. At the convention these difficulties are discussed, and their solutions offered.

Nor was the Okato staff discouraged by seeing what other schools are doing. "The Okato" was ranked in the 3rd class of papers published by schools of 500 students and under. This was a notable achievement, as you will agree, for there were 34 papers in our division which received no certificates. We recognized the defects of our paper, and we hope to improve upon it so as to eliminate those defects, that future staffs may build upon a good foundation, making the Okato one of the best.

The English classes under the direction of Misses Ream and Clark have cooperated splendidly with the staff and it is due to them that we are giving our readers such a wealth of Christmas material.

Basket Ball Schedule

Peshtiga	Dec. 21	here
Alumni	Dec. 28	here
E. G. Bay	Jan. 11	here
Shawano	Jan. 18	there
Open date	Jan. 25	
Marinette	Feb. 1.	here
Menominee	Feb. 8	there
Open date	Feb. 15	
Shawano	Feb. 22	here
Marinette	Feb. 29	there

STATE SUPERINTENDENT DEPARTMENT MAKES LOCAL SCHOOL BUILDING SURVEY

State Superintendent John Callahan accepted the invitation extended by the local Board of Education and the City Council to make a building survey of the Oconto Public Schools.

Superintendent Callahan has selected Assistant State Superintendent, C. J. Anderson, High School Supervisors J. F. Giles and H. W. Schmidt, and professor John C. Fowlkes of the Department of Education, University of Wisconsin, to make the survey.

A complete, thorough and impartial survey will be made by the men selected. They are leaders in the field of education and have recently made some surveys which have been constructive contributions to Wisconsin's educational program.

A measure of the various buildings will be made as to the heating, lighting and sanitary aspects. The location of buildings will be thoroughly treated with reference to school population. The room load and teacher load will be carefully inspected to determine the value of present school organization and prospects of re-organization to meet present day demands.

Schools statistics for the past 10 years are being tabulated, reports on the present business trend are being collected in order that the Committee may have every means possible at their disposal for a through investigation.

The findings of the Committee, together with their criticisms and recommendations will be presented for publication by the city.

LIVE WIRES EXPOSED

High voltage is passing over the wires of the local high school parent-teachers association. At the meeting of the association Tuesday evening, Dec. 4, the members voted to purchase dark curtains to be used in the assembly in order that the motion picture machine may be used for the benefit of classes during school hours. A "cup and saucer" donation meeting for the benefit of the home economics department was among the plans for a future meeting.

Bsides the business meeting those present enjoyed a very good program. The girls' glee club proved their musical ability in the song, "Blow Soft Winds." Supt. Smith talked on the benefits derived from the teachers' conventions and disclosed many facts that should serve as food for thought among the citizens of our community. "The Lady Across the Aisle" was read by Miss Ream of the dramatics department and was exceptionally well given. The evening's program was concluded by a social hour in the home economics department.

MR. PEARSE VISITS CITY

Mr. C. Pearse formerly the president of Milwaukee Normal visited the city last week. He is now traveling for the Crompton Co. and is the agent for the Encyclopedia published by that company.

SENIOR FLASHES

Friday Dec. 7, the senior class enjoyed its first party. The seniors had been hearing of nothing for several weeks, but the coming party, and consequently were all ready for it.

When Friday came all the seniors were there waiting for the fun to begin. The party was started by the orchestra, composed mostly of our high school star performers. The peppy music induced many of our seniors to trip the light fantastic.

Some who inclined to other amusements were occupied with spinning the platter and watching the discomfiture of those called upon to seize it before it stopped. The seniors seemed to delight in calling on Mr. Smith, Miss Wheelock or Miss Bogie and seeing their mad scramble to snatch the platter before its last whirl.

A Virginia reel and circular two step caused much merriment and tempted even those who did not dance to try the floor.

The seniors rested and revived their spirits with brick ice cream and wafers. During this time they were entertained by the trials of a severe schoolmistress in the person of Myra-Cashman, guiding in the ways of knowledge, an exasperating, beaming-faced school boy in the person of Edmund Heller.

After a little more hilarity, the orchestra struck up Home Sweet Home and two by two the seniors silently obeyed the signal.

The game between the freshmen and seniors on Tuesday Dec. 4, was the first of the class tournament games. This gave the seniors a chance to initiate the green freshmen into the mysteries of high school basketball. The seniors had a wide-awake team composed of George and Roland Hidde, Oehlman, Noonan, Merline, Hal-loran and Leigh, so they decided to show the freshmen what they could do by rolling up a score of 50 to 4.

The game with the sophomores came on Wednesday. With the exception of the substitution of Jackson for George Hidde, the team remained the same as the preceding game. The seniors took pity on the sophomores and decided they take only 27 points to the 0 obtained by the sophomores, in order that their feelings would not be too badly hurt.

The real game of the tournament came on Thursday. This was the one between the juniors and seniors. Of course the juniors knew whom they had for an opponent since they have been in school long enough to know the brilliant record the present senior class has had ever since its freshmen days. But the hearts of the seniors softened, for once, when they saw the juniors' battling so hard that they scored only five points over the juniors making the score 9 to 4. Thus they maintained their good name and reputation but not at the expense of incurring the enmity of the juniors, as might have been done.

FRESHMAN LINE

Although the freshmen were beaten by the seniors and juniors they had enough pep to beat the sophomores. It was a hard fought game with the freshmen winning by only one basket.

They played well through all their games even though they are a very light team, and next year they hope to win the tournament.

The line-up was as follows:

Frank Cashmanrf
Frances Bartzlf
Julius DeClouxc
Walter Baldwinrg
Leonard Belongialg
Substitutes: Harry Witcomb, Jacob Goodman, Marvin Johnson, Wilfred Meyer, and Edmund Shroeder.

JUNIOR BROADCASTS

The juniors held their first party last Friday night in the high school. We had the peppy high school orchestra for the dance. Those who didn't want to dance took part in the games which were well arranged by the committee. Refreshments were served later in the evening. There was a very peppy crowd, and a grand and glorious time was had by all.

The juniors made the seniors step lively in the basketball tournament. They had the seniors on the grind all the time. They had to work hard to keep with us; just look at the line-up we had against them:

A. Rhoderf
E. Shauerslf
W. Lacourcierec
C. Whitcomblg
F. Arsenalrg

With that line-up we could beat any team from coast to coast. Why look what we did to the seniors in the last game, beat 'em four to nothing in the first half, and they had to shove in another letter man in order to score in the last half. When we played against the seniors they looked like a bunch of "kids," they were even lost on the floor. Sh—here's some inside dope—they were afraid of us. Now watch if the juniors don't get on the school team, the seniors won't even have a show. What? —Sure we got them out-classed.

A meeting was held by the juniors last week to decide on a class ring. Everybody wanted one. A committee was then chosen by the president. Their duty was to select a class ring. After much discussion a spiffy little ring was chosen which met with the approval of every junior.

P. S. Don't forget your dues.

The junior extended their sympathy last Friday when they learned that one of their most popular class mates, one of their most popular class mates,

Henry Christenson lost his mother. We expressed our sympathy by sending a floral wreath.

SOPHOMORE TALES

The sophomores can be proud of the fact that Shirley Nichols, a member of our class was selected from all the boys and girls of Oconto county as the winner of the prize offered by the C. N. W. R. R. Company for the best club work in this county. As a reward, Shirley was given the opportunity of visiting Chicago for a week.

In regard to her visit, Shirley said: "There were 1600 students in all, from the United States. The first thing we visited was the International Live Stock Exposition. There we saw different breeds of hogs, cattle and horses. Then we visited the Chicago Theatre, which is widely known for its interior decorations. On Tuesday we went to Swift and Company's, one of the largest packing plants in the world. This was very interesting. The average number of hogs killed per hour is 1,000. After seeing the process of hog killing, we were given dinner by the company, but we found it very hard to eat the boiled ham after seeing the blood and other unsightly scenes. Wednesday, we went to the Field Museum, the Art Institute, the Board of Trade (where they gambled on the future prices of grain). We also visited Sears and Roebuck. Next we went to the Orchestra Hall where we heard the Symphony, the largest orchestra in the world. On Thursday we visited the International Harvester Company and also Lincoln Park, one of "Nature's Beauty Spots."

"We attended several banquets, one of which was held in the largest hotel in Chicago, the Hotel Morrison.

"In all, we had a delightful time, the only trouble being wet feet and

stiff necks from gazing at the sky scrapers."

We are not depressed over the fact that the sophs lost all of the individual class basketball games, for our players, Wittkopf, DeCloux, Nerenhausen, LeComte, nad VanAble, did the best they could and that is all any one can do.

But of course everyone knows that Continued on page three

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SOPHOMORE TALES

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luck was against us. We can account for the seniors' luck, for if anyone had investigated "Pat" Halloran's pocket, he would have found a rabbit's foot.

Then, one of the juniors found a horse shoe, to which we attribute the juniors' victory. But in the meantime, a little freshman was walking to school and what did he see but a four leaved clover! So that topped off the freshman luck. But alas! When Roland was coming to school a big black cat, omen of bad luck, ran across his path and spoiled the week for the sophs. To this we can attribute our unlucky scores.

Johnny Kabohurson, a sophomore, calmly placed his hat on his head and laboriously set out on a cold dreary day in December to earn money to pay his dues.

As he walked down the street, he spied a load of wood in Mrs. Lemmy Juboklinski's yard. He slowly rapped on the door and inquired of Mrs. Juboklinski if she would like some one to throw her wood in the cellar and pile it.

"Gootness! Vas you coming" so quick already yet to throw der woot pile mit der basement in? Der anchel sent you from himmel down!!

So Johnny bravely advanced to the wood pile and, at last, succeeded in throwing the wood in the basement "already yet so soon."

Half an hour later, Johnny came out of the home of Mrs. Lemmy Juboklinski the proud owner of fifty cents.

On his walk home, he met the treasurer of the soph class and submitted to her his dues.

"Go thou, and likewise do."

CHRISTMAS ON MOUNT

MITCHELL

The following is a true to life picture of the people of the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. This represents a Christmas about the year of 1902.

"Sarry Ann run down to the new school house and fetch me yer dress-tail full of shavings. Sarry Ann! Sarry Ann do yer hear me? Now yer go at once or I'll beat yer till yer blue" screamed Till, the mother.

"Oh mammy, mammy, why can't Becky Jane go? She ain't doin' nary a thing but trying ter rite!"

"Hit that road now or ye'll catch it," was the expected and received reply. The little white-haired girl Sarry Ann went most deliberately down the trail.

"Becky Jane if yer don't put up that writing, I'll throw it inter der fire. Yer take care of Willie, yer don't let him cry. Give him yer pencil and yer paper. That fool preacher, I wish he were daid. Comin' here ter teach us larnin' when he don't know anything himself," yelled Till in an angry voice.

"But mammy, I must finish this. He promised us all a Christmas gift if we finished so many lines," replied a blue-eyed girl of ten. She was forced to give the baby the pencil but she still clung to her paper, but another outbreak and the baby had the paper too. Becky Jane sobbed, saying, "I want to know how to write. I want my Christmas gift!"

"I say that preacher man is settin' yer all reazy. Yer good fer notin' ter work. I know he won't give yer any Christmas gift. Across yonder mountain last Sunday he villified liquor and I hope he'll die for the want of it some day. If yer don't stop pesterin' that baby, I'll take yer paper and throw it in the fire."

"But he's tarin' it and I won't get

my Christmas gift," protested the child.

"Yer won't get any anyways."

Becky Jane's sobs filled the cabin. "Oh, mammy, mammy, I just hate that baby. I'll learn to read and write." And the anger in her eyes told her mother it was time to compromise.

"Poppy has sent for a jug of liquor and yer put in yer nickel and that'll be yer part," and this appeased the child, for to have a part in the Christmas jug of liquor was the desire of all children. A few fire works and this jug of liquor was all that made Christmas different from any other day of the year. When her father came in he repeated the promise that she should have her part in the Christmas jug, and he promised her more paper and to take that one away from baby as he wanted her to become educated.

Sarry Ann may have come back with the shavings or she may have gone on down the branch and played until night, it depended only on how she felt.

Douglas Barrows.

A HEALTH TALK

Dr. Harrington, a representative of the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis Association, conducted a free clinic in Oconto on Dec. 6. In the morning he delivered a talk to the high school students in which he reviewed many important factors in body building and brought to the attention of the students many things which they can do towards keeping up their health. The talk was appreciated by all.

DODGE BROTHERS

AUTOMOBILE

Jarvis
Brothers

OCONTO, WIS.

MERRY XMAS

WATCH FOR OPERETTA DATE!

The orchestra too, has been up and doing. They played for the junior party, Friday, Dec. 14, and on Thursday Dec 20, they will show their ability at the style show, which the home economics department will stage in the main room. Keep it up fellows, we enjoy it!

Now back to the girls—The girls' Quartet have planned to sing for the O. C. T. A. this week, and we know it will be entertaining, for they proved it once before, by singing at a Parent-Teachers' meeting.

Do you know that it is nearly Christmas? The Glee club girls do, for they are intending to sing Christmas carols a few days before Christmas to elderly and ill people. So when you hear a chorus of sweet voices ringing clearly through the frosty night, you will know that it is merely a group of young girls, trying to bring some Christmas cheer to those who can't be out.

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STUDENT COUNCIL

One of the things which education should do is the making of a better citizen out of each student. What can be better than practical experience in self-government, if that end is to be attained?

This is the primary purpose of a student council. This body represents the student body, decides questions of school government, and sees that they are enforced. Of course, in different plans, the powers of the council are varied.

We believe in the ambition of the school to rule itself, and the faith of the teachers in our ambition. The training in service, bearing a responsibility, and falling in line with the majority, training very much needed by all students.

Root for student self-government.

A GYMNASIUM

Probably we will have a gymnasium in the new high school building which will some day be built by the city. But until that uncertain day, what is to be done about athletics?

A gym would remove all danger of a large debt being run up, and it is this danger which makes foot-ball such a poorly paying proposition. The greatest part of our expense is run up in paying for the rental of dressing-rooms and showerers. If only for this, a gym would be a good investment.

Then, knowing that thirty per cent of our men and women are physically un-

fit to withstand the strain which civilization places upon every one, the people may look at the school as the root of the evil, and also as the starting point of the cure. Physical education is just beginning to take its place in the school curriculum. The habits which high school students form persist more or less throughout life. The habit of regular exercise, properly directed, has not been formed by a great many, with the terrible result which we have mentioned above.

We need, and need badly, a room of some kind in which to hold classes in this new branch.

CHRISTMAS

"Do unto others as you would that they do unto you" could have been written expressly for Christmas. There are so many, many ways of carrying out the idea of good fellowship. Our friends, surely we would wish them to treat us with consideration and kindness. They would doubtless wish the same thing. Be a jolly good sport, with a "good will toward men," and see how much farther along you get. Just try it!

Our teachers are about the best opportunities we have to show our good fellowship; in the preparation of our lessons, our attitude toward studies and in classes and school in general. Are we knockers or boosters? These are what show our good will.

Christmas thoughts always bring us thoughts of the new year. Let's not make resolutions we can't keep, or don't intend to keep, but make good ones and keep them. Let's have most of them about our opportunities; and we have had wonderful and inspiring talks on them so that we can know just what they are.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas is a day known to young and old. We always seem to think of it as the day when we should give gifts. But, Christmas has a still greater meaning, a meaning which seems to interest us far more than anything else. As we give gifts to show our Christmas spirit, so God gave to the world more than two thousand years ago, the Christ-Child, a gift which can never be surpassed. What a wonderful day, Christmas is, when we think of how the Christ-Child came to us, a vision of light and beauty! Then of how a great star shone, announced to the world, the birth of the New-Born-King. The shepherds tending their flocks were startled as they saw the wonderful star. God speaking unto them said, "Be not afraid, for a King is born unto the world, this very hour." Then the journey of the three wise men, who traveled far to see the little stranger. Their gifts of priceless gems, which they offered to Him, to show their love and praise, for this beautiful gift. The Angels caroling the glad tidings of joy, and the earth echoing back the glad cry. So even to-day the earth has kept that same feeling or spirit for Christmas. We hail it with joy, and it will never tire or grow old. As gifts were given on that first Christmas Day, so we give them today. It is the symbol of Christmas and of happiness, peace, and love. Christmas was meant for the poor as well as the rich. No one can forget Christmas. The New-Born-King was not born in costly surroundings, which always seem to make a King, but He was born in a bed of straw in the manger, among the lowly cattle. Humble his surroundings yet Glory hovered all about Him.

So, the giving of gifts seems to be handed down to us from the ages. We give gifts because we want to show our brotherly love for one another. Peace seems to surround us on Christmas Day. It is a token of gratitude and re-

spect to the One, who rules us all. Giving these small tokens of gladness gives us a happy feeling, and helps to calm our many fears and doubts.

So when Christmas comes, let us keep it and hallow it, by showing in some small way, our brotherly love for one another.

Florence Johnston.

DROLL DISPENSARY

Tripping gaily down the street
A letter in his hand,
Comes a darling little Frosh
The greenest thing in this land.
As he approaches Martineau's
A smile distorts his jaws,
Up he steps to the Christmas box
And drops his note to Santa Claus.

Freshies hit the high spots in such definitions as:

Lemon juice is abstracted from Onions.

Robert Stephenson was born 1894 and died 1850.

Robert Stephenson's mother was a clergyman.

Shakespeare was born in 1894, New York City, and did most of his writing in Boston.

Juniors are the figuring heads and Thanksgiving was a thing to keep in mind, so Kellogg was made the minister of Cranberry.

Mildew was found to be a mild form of dew.

I expressed my heartfelt sympathies for Helen Jane when she said, "Gee! I was so hungry in physics this morning I couldn't sleep."

True as true could be Mr. Ganswindt wasn't flirting when he asked: "What is the purpose of night school?" Shirley answered: "To teach men and women domestic science."

How did Miss Bogie get away from "verbs" long enough to ask: "Why did they have steamships and rafts, too?"

Marian: "Well, they had the rafts to put the steamships on when they came to shallow water."

Miss Geiger to Babe Hidde in English:

"Albert why were the Teutons such a hearty race?"

"Because they had to shoot their game or fish for it."

Coley: "If you take a protractor up and leave it go and it continues to go up is that Connecticut energy?"

Pauline: "Next was the aunt, she was very well liked by everyone around even if she wasn't married."

Miss Reams: "Was there anything else?"

Pauline: "Yes, she lived happy anyway."

"Miss R. Mac, describe Whittier's sister."

Mac: "Well, it didn't say much about her personal appearance."

Bright Boy: "Yes, maybe there wasn't much to say."

Estelle (reading): "The stiff old charger crossed his knees."

Skinny N. "Miss Dennis, how do I stand in algebra?"

Miss Dennis: "Well, I guess you still stand on your feet."

Wilfred was practicing sharpshooting with spit balls.

Mr. Ganswindt: "If you keep on there will be a vacancy in shag-town."

Miss Bogie: Give a sentence containing some form of "vouloir."

Coley: Vouley vous me marier? (Will you marry me?)

Yes, Coley is getting to be quite a sheik taking two girls home from the senior party.

Miss Peebles uses football tactics.

Miss Peebles: Ferdinand, why haven't you your lesson today?

Ferdinand: Played foot-ball yesterday.

Miss P.: All right that football will go in the book today.

Some funny folks say, "Don't laugh at our coffee you'll be old and weak some day yourself."

Silverware is not like medicine to be taken after meals.

You will notice the table is scratched, grandfather dove after a herring and missed it.

Two eggs on toast—Adam and Eve on a raft.

If you want the eggs scrambled, ship wreck that order.

Cornflakes—Elephant dandruff.

Don't you pity Helen Jane trying to keep order in a class with Edmund.

Helen Jane (despairingly): Order please.

Edmund: A cup of coffee and two lounghnuts.

Christmas Poem

Said the little candle
To the Christmas tree:
"We're both very important
But of course you must agree
I'm twice as bright as you are
And if it wasn't for me
You'd never make a hit at all
In being a Christmas tree."

Said the Christmas tree
To the little candle:
"Your gay light
Is particularly bright
But allow me one small question
Which seems fair and right,
Can't you see you're merely meant
To make me shine at night?"

The candle softly twinkled
And then at last said she:
"I guess I'm here for you,
And you're here for me."

Curtis Davis.

SUPT. SMITH GIVES TALKS

Supt. H. E. Smith recently appeared before groups of wide awake citizens at Abrams and Kelley Brook speaking to them on various aspects of the educational questions facing the American people and more especially the people of Wisconsin at the present time.

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DEPARTMENTS

COMMERCIAL NOTES

The juniors are doing constructive work in typewriting and if the seniors do not speed up they may catch up with them.

The Seniors are doing fine work but there are some who can still improve. Those in the lead are: Helen Riemer, Lillian Peisar, Gladys LeMay and Genevieve Ahlborg.

The Juniors are now working to raise money for the District Contest to be held in Oconto in spring. On Thursday December 6 the first Junior class had a candy sale and raised \$5.00. The second class will also have one.

In the senior class Dorothy Kumhala was awarded a leather covered card recommend case from the Remington Typewriter Co. for writing 40 words per minute for ten minutes with not more than five errors. Helen Riemer and Gladys LeMay were awarded bronze medals from the Underwood company for writing 40 words per minute for fifteen minutes with unlimited errors.

The seniors are now greatly interested in The Gregg Writer for which the entire class subscribed, and will use it for class work.

DOMESTIC ART

On December 20 the clothing department will present a style show in the main room at 3:00 o'clock, students and those interested are invited to come. These styles will bring forth the most graceful, classy, and beautiful designs in woolen fabrics. The girls will be supported by the cooking classes with a candy and bake sale. The economic classes are working to raise money to improve the departments. The clothing department has already bought chairs and new drapes for the sewing room.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE

The cooking department has been having a series of sales during the past weeks.

On Friday, December 7, we witnessed a sale of cream cookies at one cent apiece.

On the following Monday an old favorite "Hot Dog."

On Tuesday a "Hot Dog" and doughnut, and the latter part of the week a pie sale.

During the week before Christmas they will sell boxes of home made candy.

On Thursday, December 20, they will join with the clothing department in a program in the assembly room at 3:00 o'clock. The money realized from this will be used to buy a new rug for the dining room immediately after Christmas.

MUSICAL DEPARTMENT

Miss Taft after much deliberation has finally chosen the cast for the operetta to be given by the Glee Club. We feel she has chosen an enthusiastic group who will give their best efforts toward putting on a finished production.

Uncle BobOrvin Oehlman (disguised as negro in act I.)

Mrs. O'Brien, widow, sister of uncle BobHelen J. Harvey
Rosalie, their nieceAbbie J. Hall.

Winifred—Millicent, daughters of Mrs. O'BrienLaura Perry and Katherine Harvey.

Mrs. Gable town gossip Lucille Bitters.

Mr. GableAllan Wittkop.
Martha, country girlClymene Parisey.

Nick, country boyBabe Hidde.

Chorus of Sunbonnet girls and over-all boys.

She intends to put on this operetta, "Polished Pebbles" sometime after Christmas, and with the hearty support and enthusiasm of the entire student body, she hopes to make it a huge success.

Much credit is due Miss Taft also, for the great success of the Glee Club girls at the parent-teachers' meeting, Tuesday, Dec. 4. The girls sang "Blow Soft Winds" and judging by the number of "comps" received from all sides it proved exceedingly entertaining. Of course what else could be expected from a group of such peppy girls?

A Boys' Double Quartet has also been organized, the members of which are the following:

1st Tenor

Edmund Heller
Allan Wittkop

2nd Tenor

Clarence Armstrong
John Mullen mu

1st Bass

Giles Reed
Roland Hidde

2nd Bass

Philip Noonan
Orvin Oehlman

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Miss Dayton (A lady in her late twenties) Evelyn Fencil.

Gretchen (The German maid) Estelle Hall.

Annette (Washer woman's child) Mary Classon.

Kitty (Miss Dayton as a girl) Abbie Jane Hall.

Bob (Janitor's boy) Edmund Heller.

Bill (Boy who brings the suit) Gayton St. Peter.

Jimmy (Mr. Radcliffe as a boy) Bob English.

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A SANTA CLAUS ROOM MATE

I don't believe I shall ever finish this English lesson," was the remark made by Marjorie Vernon, a senior in Miss Castleman's boarding school.

"Oh yes you will, have courage old dear, and besides this is the last week before Christmas vacation," was the reply made by Marjorie's room mate, Dorothy Hamilton.

"Oh Dot, you are so light hearted and besides you have a mother and dad to consider when it comes to Christmas, and all I have is an old friend of dad's, he is an old bachelor and I have never seen him. He just sends me money because dad left it to me in his will."

"If you would only look at the sunny side of life, you would be much happier. You should always find something to be glad about. Cheer up! Marge, the worst is yet to come." And she started to sing very softly an old time melody.

"Heavens Dot, I can't conjugate this verb if you keep that up."

Dot stopped; and without knocking, a girl from the adjoining room walked in.

"Ah girl! I just got a letter from my brother Ed and he will be able to come home this year for Christmas. I haven't seen him for two years, oh, I am so glad," was the happy speech of Katherine Chase.

Katherine went back to her own room and Dot "rolled in" for the

night. Marjorie sat at her desk and conjugated on. It was very late that night when Marjorie laid her books aside and went to bed.

The next morning in the class room all the girls were planning on their Christmas vacations. Marjorie was very unhappy and was in a constant dread and fear should anyone ask her how she was to spend her Christmas vacation, for she knew it would be the boarding house, for her. No one said a thing to Marjorie about Christmas vacation.

The week went on until Friday and Marjorie was to spend her Christmas vacation with Miss Castleman and the two girls from Georgia.

Friday afternoon in school Marjorie missed Dorothy in her advanced science class. She asked Katherine if she knew anything about Dorothy. Katherine told her that she saw Dorothy going toward Miss Castleman's office.

After classes were over Marjorie was worried because she was afraid something had happened to Dorothy. So she hurried towards Miss Castleman's office. She was just going to rap when the door opened and Dot came running out.

"Oh Marge!" and she thrust a telegram into Marjorie's hand. It was read—"Yes, Marjorie can come. Mother."

"Oh I'm so glad you'll come won't you Marge?"

"But when did you ask her and why?"

"I hated to see you sit here alone for two weeks so I wrote to mother Wednesday and asked her if she cared if you came home with me, and to wire me about it."

"Oh, you dear!" was all Marjorie could say.

That night Marjorie lay awake long after Dorothy had gone to dreamland, and she thought the boarding school wasn't so bad after all; when you have a room mate who plays Santa to you.

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Jim's Plans

"What I want for Christmas," said little Jim Gray.

"Is a pair of ice skates and a big coaster sleigh."

"Then sis and I will go riding down hill."

"Till we land at the bottom in one big spill."

"Then sis'll take her skates, and I'll take mine."

"And we'll both go out and have a good time."

Princess Theatre

Dec. 22 Sirley Mason in—Shirley and the Circus.

Dec. 23-24, Warren Kerrigan in—A Man's Man

Dec. 25-26, Colleen Moore in—The Ninety and Nine

Dec. 28-29, Lawson Butt in—The Flying Dutchman

Dec. 30-31, Gaston Glass in—The Hero.

Jan. 1-2, Harrison Ford in—Bright Lights of Broadway

Jan. 3-4, Guy Bates Post in—Gold Madness.

"We'll skate and skate till our feet get so sore,

We won't be able to skate anymore.

Then we'll come home and find a big tree,

Which Santa has fixed for sister and me,

Where we'll all sit around and sing pretty chimes,

And all have a Merry Christmas good time."

Rebekah Lacouciere.

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GEM THEATRE

Dec. 22 —Herbert Rawlinson in—The Victor
Dec. 23-24—Bert Lytell in—The Meanest Man in the World
Dec. 25-26 —Celice Lake in—More to be Pitied than Scorned
Dec. 29 —Gladys Walton in—Sawdust
Dec. 30-31—Myrtle Stedman in—The Age of Desire
Jan. 1-2—Gaston Glass in—Daughters of the Rich
Jan. 3-4—Neal Hart in—Black Sheep

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

An alarm clock for Monica Williams and Albert Routt.

A lip stick for Marion, she's run out of it.

A hair tonic to get the kink out of "Babe's" hair.

Some new discovery to put the Baso Profundo in Edmund's voice.

Some stilts for Frankie.

Something to eradicate self-consciousness from Orval Blucher.

A lightning rod to tame "Wild Bill."

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A book on how to master French lessons for Hugo.

Wallace's reducing exercises for Lee.

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Ten lessons in hypnotic charms to lure the men for Pauline P.

A sheik for Agnes McCourt.

A sweetie for Mr. Ganswendt.

Miss Neilson Entertains

On Friday Dec. 14, the high school was given an unusual treat by being

permitted to listen to Miss Neilson read John Drinkwater's play, Abraham Lincoln. Miss Neilson has studied voice culture abroad, and evidences of splendid training and personality were seen in the way she kept the attention of the whole student body while she depicted all the different characters. Her interpretation, her pleasing manner, facial expression and gestures made the scenes very real to her listeners. Upon being heartily applauded she responded by reading a "Bear

Story" and several cleverly written rhymes. It was exceedingly difficult to get back to the "old grind" after being so royally entertained for an hour.

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