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## "I Live Here"

A Garden, a perfect mosaic, deep green 'gainst  
the blackest of loam,

Spread out near a little log cabin — an ob-  
scure, but immaculate home.

I paused to admire—who could help it? the  
weedless expanse near the door,

Where, pleased with my pleased inspec-  
tion, stood a "mammy" of years that are  
yore.

"A beautiful garden," I ventured. She cup-  
ped a brown hand to her ear.

"Fine garden!" I shouted. "Oh sholy! It  
ought to be fine—I live here."

I went on my way with a sermon, the greatest  
I ever had heard.

The highest-paid preacher existent could  
never have added a word.

Were every human who cumpers the tiniest  
spot of the earth

To see that the place he inhabits—the work  
brain or fingers give birth—

Stood perfect as e'er he could make it—dear  
God; what a different sphere!

Let's borrow our motto from "mammy":

"It ought to be fine—I live here!"

—Strickland Gillilan.



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One Lick Nearer the Top



# STORIES

## A Valentine Story

Prize Story



IT WAS the afternoon of Valentine's Day and the Sixth Grade Room of the Denny School fairly glowed with excitement. On one side of the room, where the sunbeams danced, sat a handsome little boy—the favorite of the class, though most assuredly, not of the teacher. His face was one broad happy grin as he thought of the fifty-cent valentine which he had bought “teacher.” It had taken hard work to purchase it, but he was sure now his teacher would forgive him for the rest of the term and was that not worth the toil? Yes, he was sure it was and therefore his heart danced like the sunbeams, as he thought of the future.

On the other side of the room, where the shadows fell, sat a little girl in whose heart was no expectant, eager anticipation, for this little girl was ugly from the top of her strangely colored hair to the soles of her ill-shaped feet, and conscious of this she had not made friends. To her, as she thought of “the event” after recess, a feeling of dread came, because the rest of the pupils would receive valentines and she would not. Poor, little, lonely heart!

The early afternoon passed, and when recess was over how the children hastened back into the room! The handsome boy was elected one of the postmen and, having chanced upon his valentine with a confident feeling, he placed it on teacher's desk, where a number of valentines lay unopened, for the teacher was going to open hers after all the other had been distributed. The boy went on giving out valentines until it seemed as though the box would at last cease to yield up her valuable gifts. With his last handful almost gone, the boy bent his steps toward the shadowy corner.

Suddenly he stopped as though struck. The ugly little girl hadn't one valentine. Not one. Oh, the poor, little girl; and everyone else had so many, she must be made happy! He looked at his own desk, covered with gifts and for a moment his eyes blurred with tears. “I wish I could give her some of mine, but it's not right to give away presents which someone gave you,” was the thought which was passing through the usually mischievous mind, now sad and oppressed. Suddenly the Great Idea came to him, he must give her the valentine he had placed on teacher's desk. But no! That was too great a sacrifice, he couldn't do that! “But you must”

sang in his ears. A moment he stood struggling with duty, then hastened to the teacher's desk.

"Please, Miss Connor, I-I was going to give you the nicest valentine ever, b-but I can't. Please, m-may I have it back?"

"Certainly, you may," Miss Connor responded icily, looking at the troublesome pupil. Her eyes followed him curiously as he hurried back to his seat, erased something on the valentine, placed it in its box again and then crossed the room. But the curiosity was replaced by quick appreciative tears in her eyes, as she saw him give it to the little girl. She, however, did not hear the conversation which passed between.

"Here's a valentine for you," said the boy, bashfully.

The little girl looked wistfully at the box, gulped, then replied, "I-I guess you made a mistake."

"No I didn't," interposed the boy. "See, here's your name on it," he went on awkwardly opening the box.

"Why, why so it is. Who do you expect could 'a give it to me?" Then looking at the boy suspiciously, "You-you did, didn't you?"

The boy's face dyed red, his eyes fell guiltily and he looked around in desperation. "Why-er, you don't take me for a millionaire, do you? I-I," suddenly an inspiration came, "I guess maybe Joe's sister gave it to you."

"Maybe she did," murmured the little girl, her voice laughing at him. The boy heaved a sigh of relief, but he would not have felt so much relieved had he heard the little girl say to herself as he walked across the room, "And maybe she didn't."

As dusk brought a close to Valentine's Day, three people sat happily thinking.

One of these was the teacher who was saying, "What a dear boy he is! He isn't bad, only mischievous. He is so generous! I must try to be more patient with him."

The boy was thinking of the valentine. After all, the thing didn't count so much, and then the girl had liked the valentine. In fact, she had been a little too thankful for it, nearly caught him, but he was too slick. "Guess I'll give her my snake rattle tomorrow. She might happen to like it," he thought.

The little girl was thankful and was resolving, "Since someone cared enough for me to give such a beautiful valentine, next year I'm going to be so nice, everyone will like me. It was awful nice o' him."

The twilight came, but the happiness died not.

## Dorz Rouden's Clocks

By David Raffelock.

**A**S I HANDED my watch over the showcase to Dorz Rouden, to be mended, I noticed a strange, metallic glint in the man's eyes. I have never forgotten that gaze and many a bleak, dusky night the



look has haunted me. I needed my watch at once, so I sat down to wait for it. Unconsciously after awhile I felt my body rhythmically moving back and forward in sympathy with the monotonous ticking of a hundred clocks. The whole room seemed to vibrate and I could almost hear one harmonious ticking—a sound made by the store and its contents. Some fantastic fascination drew my attention to Dorz Rouden and I sensed a feeling of near satisfaction to see his frame slowly swaying to and fro. I may have been in error, but I thought I heard the man incessantly chanting “tick, tock” over and over again as if he were one of his many time pieces.

My senses were overpowered by the monotony of sound emanating from the countless clocks of all sizes. No other noise came into the room and soon I found myself repeating the continuous measures of the clocks.

The sun had already disappeared and the multi-colored shades of twilight were rapidly fading, leaving the room in a mystic, tarnished hue. The monotony of the swinging pendulums, ever repeating their same slow, patient, death-like beat, seemed a fitting dirge to the waning dying day. As the last golden glow died from the solemn faces of the clocks, the white dials gazed ominously in the fast enveloping, threatening darkness like the leering, cadaverous faces of ghosts!

Night finally obliterated the ghostly dials and a fateful quiescence, save for the ticking of the unseen time-pieces brooded there. I had forgotten all sense of time and even the purpose of my waiting. I was becoming exceedingly nervous, and an unknown terror and an appalling awe seemed to fill the room. I was now wildly swaying in unison with the pendulums. I had but one dominating, impelling impulse—I must keep time with the clocks.

I tried to collect my thoughts, but the repeating, monotonous beating dulled and drugged my mind. It became maddening. I tried to distinguish the faint beatings of the smaller clocks from the larger ones. A mystic fascination gripped me and I tried to hear each clock separately and yet not lose the sound of any. A delirium seized me. The clocks were friends, holding hideous revelry, each shrieking above the other and all of them addressing me, holding me by a forceful, subtle power, commanding my attention.

Suddenly I shrieked wildly and sprang from my seat in frenzied terror. The pendulums beat louder and louder, my overwrought senses exaggerating their volume a thousand fold. My hair stood on end, and I quivered in agony so that I could hardly stand. One thought possessed me: What had become of Dorz Rouden? Finally, securing a match from my pocket, I struck it and shaded the dim light with my unsteady hands. I approached Dorz's desk almost with reverence, mingled with a feeling of repulsion and terror. I found the man bending over my watch. Unsteadily and unnerved, I shook him, crying aloud from my nervousness. Dorz Rouden did not move.

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# ASSEMBLIES.

ON JANUARY 10th the students of Central High School enjoyed a rare treat, for Mr. Marshall of Cedar Rapids spoke about "Thrift." That is such an important question in this time of high prices that everyone was vitally interested. According to his statistics the small country of Switzerland leads the world in the amount of its savings accounts, while America is last. Mr. Marshall also had a chart showing one boy's income and expenditures. He recommended the formation of a Thrift Club at Central and offered to send some pamphlets and literature which would be of great help to the students. That suggestion seemed to meet with general approbation, judging from the applause.

The program on the following Friday was made up entirely of music. As the students came in they were greeted by the band's playing. After that they sang "America" and several other songs. Next on the program was "Annie Laurie" and "How Can I From Thee Part?" played by a cornet quartet. The last number was a most agreeable surprise. Mr. Maupin had composed the music and written the words for a song, "Standing for Central." The band played it through and then the students were so enthusiastic that they had to sing it themselves. They also sang, "Stand Up and Cheer," and the band played again before the meeting was dismissed.

Central had several visitors on January 17th. Emery Watkins and Vernon Schopp from the Annex spoke in behalf of the play, "Mr. Bob," to be presented that night by the Pythian and Jeffersonian societies. Following a few announcements, Mr. J. E. Dolman spoke concerning the installation of military training at Central. He said that it would be under the charge of a government official and that it would be a two-year course with three hours of work each week. The government would also furnish all the equipment. Everyone appeared greatly interested in this talk and applauded accordingly.

On January 19th, after the customary morning exercises, the orchestra played two numbers. The students certainly appreciate that organization and enjoy its fine music and the auditorium meetings. Then the students sang several songs, closing with "Oskewowwow," and then gave some rousing yells before they were dismissed.

On January 23d there was a short auditorium meeting at the regular time concerning examinations. Mr. Prunty gave some final instructions regarding them and stated briefly what was expected of each student during the next three days.

The students assembled together for the first time in the new semester on February 2d. At the opening of the meeting they sang "Long, Long Ago." Mr. Prunty then read "A School Boy's Code of Honor." It was extremely interesting and many parts of it applied to girls as well as boys. Mr. Prunty also gave a short talk about why a few of the pupils had failed in some of their work. He said that there were a few "flunkers," although the majority of the students had done good work. He felt, moreover, that everyone should feel most hopeful for the coming term. The orchestra had a special number before dismissal.

At the meeting on February 7th announcement was made of the Freshman-Senior basket ball game which was to be played over. Resolved: That the federal government should own and operate the public telephone and telegraph systems of the country, was announced as the subject for the inter-society debate. Then came some very pleasant moments when honorable mention was given those students who had made excellent grades. There were seven students who had averaged above 95 per cent in every subject, forty who had made grades of 90 per cent and above in all work carried, and sixty-nine who had three subjects above 90 per cent. Mr. Prunty next explained some charts showing the relative wage-earning power of the grammar school graduate and the high school graduate. The figures proved that the value of every school day to each student was twenty-five dollars.

On February 9th the students enjoyed two treats. First, Mr. Von Nieda from the Y. M. C. A. introduced Mr. White, a secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who had done much work in India. Mr. White told the students of the schools in India and made a plea for their help in developing the latent powers of the people of India. He said that they were becoming dissatisfied with their present conditions and were longing for better things, and that we should remember that they once possessed a much greater civilization. Mr. White had also been through Europe and he said that the Y. M. C. A. had over 1,500 centers where the secretaries were accomplishing a great work for the boys in the prison camps. His talk was one of the most interesting ever given at Central. Then came the second part, the program presented by the Alpha Nu Pi Society. This consisted of several charming numbers by the A. N. P. orchestra and the sketch, "The Lost Silk Hat." In that production every one of the characters did extremely well, but Erwin McEwen as the distracted caller and Elliott Belden as the fanciful and eloquent poet were above the ordinary. This program was the first of a series to be given in assembly by the various societies and was certainly a great success.

## Faculty

With the beginning of the new 1917 semester, Central High School students and Faculty welcomed Mr. James Faris, a new science teacher in the Biological Department. Mr. Faris is "strictly" a Missourian of Missouri school. He has studied in Tarkio College, has his B. Pd. degree from Maryville State Normal and his B. S. degree from Missouri University, from which he is also a graduate student. He has been superintendent of Skidmore, Missouri, schools, has taught one year in Stevens Junior College, Columbia, Mo., two summers in Maryville State Normal and two and one-half years at the University of Missouri.

Mr. Francis Walters, our new Physics instructor, is a "Hoosier," however, that misfortune is repaired by the fact that he has lived in Missouri the greater part of his life and is a graduate of Missouri University. Mr. Walters has been principal of the Farmington, Missouri, High School and instructor in Physics in Missouri University. Before coming to Central he was the Physics instructor in the Montana University.

We are proud of Miss Mary Garlich, a new English teacher at C. H. S. Smith College, Northampton, Mass., has the honor of claiming her as an alumnae. From this college she received her A. B.

Mr. Lloyd E. Thatcher, who came to us last September, is another Missourian. He received his education from Northwestern University, Colorado University and Mountain Laboratory, and is a graduate student of Missouri University with his A. B. degree. Mr. Thatcher is well versed in instructing.

### Just a Few Initials

Mighty Brilliant Wallace.	Ever Lovely Moulton.
Courteous Efficient Miller.	Minute Chubby Prunty.
Efficiently Managing Rhoades.	Really Delightful Sheets.





# The Junior College Page

SOME OF the younger and more unsophisticated of the Junior College students, that is those of the first year class, have said that the past month has "sure been a dead one" from a social standpoint. Some of the older "pals in learning" quite agree with this feeling for we haven't had one gala night this month. However, when we remember that this is the very first month that we haven't enjoyed a "jolly old time" of some kind, we feel somewhat consoled and arrive at the conclusion that we really haven't been so very backward after all.

However, when we were frowning on "the vain, deluding joys," we were certainly "commercing with the skies." There was a unanimous agreement that "study was the word," and as a result the most nerveracking week of the school year—exam. week—was passed with flying colors. Flying colors? Of course, some were slanting very high in the breezes of faculty favor, and others were even less than half mast; in fact, so much less that they possessed a dull brown tinge reflected back from old mother earth. But nevertheless, they were all flying.

## The J. C. Zoology Class

Considering the difficulty that one generally experiences in taking up a new subject, the Junior College class in Zoology has made a good beginning. After the essentials of the biological terminology have been mastered no doubt the work will be much easier. The work is not likely to lag, for under Mr. Thatcher's supervision it is certain to be interesting and a class that is interested accomplishes its purpose.

The plan of study for the coming semester is to take a broad survey of the animal kingdom paying special attention to the fundamental physiological activities of all animals, especially the character of these activities in man. Toward the end of the semester the class will make a brief study of the principles of heredity and evolution, since both of these things have exerted considerable influence on the trend of modern thought.

## Zeta Gamma Scientific Society

At the twelfth regular meeting of the Zeta Gamma Scientific Society on Tuesday afternoon, January 16th, in Room 29, the constitution was amended so as to entitle all new members to a pin on payment in addition to the regular dues of an initiation fee of one dollar. Officers for the present semester were then elected as follows: President, John Tilden; vice-president, Beulah Barnes; secretary-treasurer, Norman Knight; assistant secretary-treasurer, Audrey Linn; E. E. E., Moritz Fritz Weymann.





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## EDITORIALS

### Students!

You have heard of the policy of The Forum and its primary object, but have you ever thought of the real value of The Forum? Of course, it distributes news, but it represents more than a newspaper. It is the product of Central High School. It is the brains and character of our school put in tangible form. It is what the school is judged by to a large extent.

Therefore, ought you be satisfied to allow The Forum to be supported with literary contributions by a small number only of the students? Surely not! You ought to feel that The Forum is the organ in which to express your convictions. Competition and not monopoly is what makes a magazine.

Please do not misunderstand the meaning of the writer. News, and plenty of it, is always welcome, but opportunities are given for other branches of literary ability. A poem or a story lends delightful variety to a magazine.

### What Counts

What is the matter with some of our students? Why were there only three stories and a few drawings in the material box this month? Is everyone too busy, too lazy, or just having a good time? We are on the last lap now, fellow students, and there are only three more Forums to be edited. Please don't give up the ship yet. Make yourself sit down and do something for the school that is worth while and that you will be proud to claim. Next month will be the Junior-St. Patrick's number, so please fill the FORUM MATERIAL BOX to the brim, people. Determine to write something for the book. You do not have to be a Longfellow, or a Kipling. You, no doubt, have something in you which would help us all, if it could only gain expression. Do not consider this plea lightly, students. Write and make it your business to support the true literary symbol of our dear old school.

### "To the Best Girl in the World"

Oh, here's to the girl who's ever true,  
She's won my heart away;  
She cheers me up when I am blue,  
I'll marry her some day.  
Upon her waist she wears my token  
The pin of Central's proud fame;  
By my sacred oath ne'er broken,  
Someday she shall bear my name.

(Speaking of U. S. diplomacy): "I intend to fight it out on this line if it takes all my stationery."—Woodrow Wilson.

# Departments

## History

A new text has been introduced in the Freshman course, Ashley's "Early European Civilization." It is hoped that this text will relieve, to some degree, the inconvenience of handling later and more important History, in one semester.

Mr. Livers has two classes in Economics.

The Senior Civics class is preparing tables showing the comparative cost of various commercial and social activities.

Miss Clark's class in Freshman Civics is studying extensively the immigration problem. They find Dr. Stiener's works of great interest in their work.

Miss Kaucher has a class in Medieval History. There are two classes in United States History, one in English History and four in Modern History, all of which are very large.

The Department is doing all it can to aid Dr. DeLameter in his health campaign.

## Commercial

We cannot consider ourselves to be really educated, nowadays, unless we know just which railroad line to take in order to "get somewhere." Commercial Geography teaches us this together with hosts of other miscellaneous pointers that are of great value to the traveling man of today. I will venture to say that not one-half the student body of this institution could correctly name the counties that bound Buchanan, or the states that bound Missouri; this is also taken up in close detail in this subject.

Business English is intended for both the student who will become a stenographer or the one who will make the business man. The dictator must know the correct usages of words, etc., just as well as the stenographer; if the dictator makes a grammatical error, the stenographer must be in a position to be able to correct it. These different technicalities are carefully covered in Business English, great care being taken in teaching how to divide and spell words correctly, as well as to punctuate without error.

There is much more in the word "Bookkeeping" than the word itself seems to imply. It is not simply marking down a bunch of "dope" on one side, and seeing that it balances on the other—it is more than that—it takes a good head to figure out when to debit or credit an account, what to put in the cash book and what not to, etc. It would be a poor business man who did not know how and why his bookkeeper made certain entries.

I might say here that Commercial students are not all destined to be "mere" stenographers and bookkeepers, as is the opinion of many—a great majority of us are going to make the business world of this city in future years. Here's to the Commercial Department.

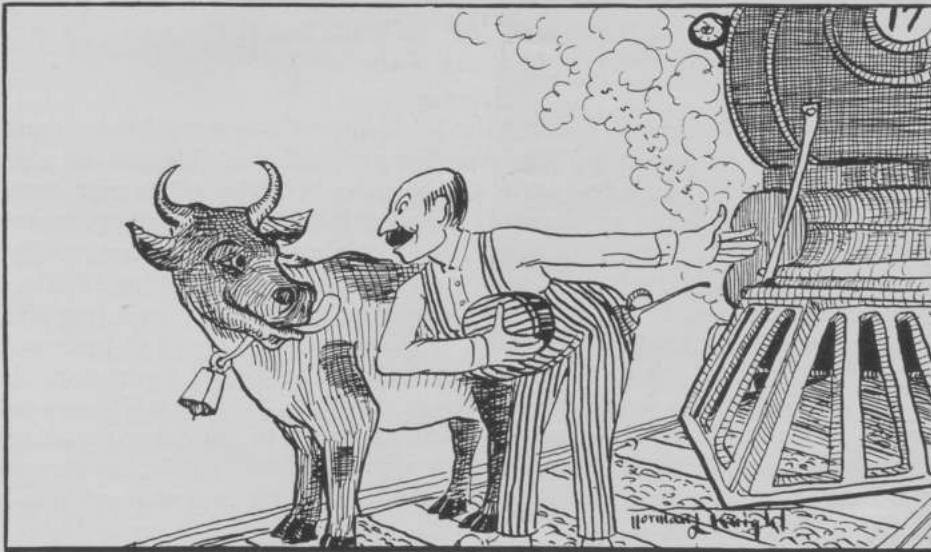
### English

With a great spirit of enthusiasm the English Department has begun its work for the closing semester. The purchase by the Seniors of the "Newcomer Andrews" has manifested their interest in their work, also has heightened in their minds the dignity of ownership. Journalism is one of the main features of study begun by Miss Beaumont's classes. This interesting work consists of the study of American, English, German and French journalists. Various students act as reporters for their classes of the assembly meetings and entertainment connected with the school. The Freshmen are studying the rigid rhetoric of Webster. But Freshmen, refresh yourselves with hope, for it is generally understood that next year a book other than Webster's will be used by the students of Central High.

### Mathematics

The popularity of Mathematics seems to be rapidly growing. More people are beginning to realize the actual value of Mathematics. There are this term twenty-one Mathematics classes, showing that this study is drawing the interest of the pupils.

Miss Ferguson, head of the Mathematics Department, gave a lecture to the Zeta Gamma on the Fourth Dimension.



A CIVIL ENGINEER

Mathematics also has much pleasure connected with the serious work. The following is a cutting from a college Algebra examination paper:

Question: What will this equation plot?  $xy=k$ .

Answer: An asintodic hyperpola.

### Language

A Spanish IV class has been organized. Mr. Foster has it in charge. not a word of English is spoken in the classroom and because of this, the

pupils are becoming very proficient, in the language. The book that the pupils are studying is "Lecturas Faciles;" it is not at all difficult, but it affords the students a wider range for study. Mr. Foster does not follow the text too closely; very often he talks of things that are interesting to all. Miss Sheets' classes are steadily progressing under her teaching and because of her interest in her work, she is a very capable teacher.

The students of Vergil are becoming more and more fascinated with their work and especially since they have begun to study the romance of Aeneas and Dido; they are also beginning to see the poetic value and true worth of the poem. The students now appreciate the genius of olden times, as is made plain by their fluent translations. The other Latin pupils have taken up their advanced work and are proceeding nicely under their various instructors.

French seems to be a favorite study at C. H. S., and I am rather inclined to believe that it is largely due to Miss Neely, who works faithfully with her pupils and who never tires of explaining long, involved constructions to them. Translations, conversations and reading go on daily, while the students acquire a vast knowledge of the beautiful language.

German should be in great demand and it seems to be, if one can judge by the many pupils who are clamoring for it. The German classes have entered upon their new term's work with a fixed goal in view as is shown by their sincere work. They work out difficult translations and their humorous stories lend greatly to the study of the language.

#### Science

The study of nitrogen marked the beginning of the second term's work in Chemistry. On account of the peculiar properties of this gas, its abundance and inactivity in a free state, the peculiar behavior of its compounds and because of its being an element, closely related to all living organisms, caused us to devote most of our time, both in laboratory and class, to these characteristics exclusively. Nitrogen, which composes about four-fifths of the atmosphere, was found to be very inactive as an element in a free state. It takes the intense heat of an electric spark to cause nitrogen to unite with oxygen. It will not support combustion, but will unite with nascent oxygen in the proportions to form five oxides of nitrogen, two of which we prepared, nitric oxide and nitrogen peroxide. A few of the young chemists voluntarily, out of their curiosity, prepared nitrous oxide, commonly known as laughing gas. Another important property is that there can be no life without nitrogen, but it cannot be used by plant and animal life, as it exists in the air, although they live right in contact with it. Not until it goes into soluble compounds of the soil can it be taken into the plant structure and converted into proteids. These proteids are taken into animal structure by the eating of the plants. These proteids are the source of the protoplasm, or living tissues of animal life. In this way the study of this gas revealed the causes of some of the changes that are taking place about us, and on account of its close relation to the vital subject, "Life," it proved more interesting than had been anticipated.

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## PEST No.199

KNOW MORE ABOUT  
MATHEMATICS THAN  
MISS KENNEDY AND MISS  
FERGUSON PUT-  
TOGETHER

I'M GOING  
TO DO IT FOR  
HIS OWN-  
GOOD!



## POPULAR PASTIMES



WORKING IN THE  
CHEMISTRY LABORATORY  
WITH A CLOTHES PIN  
ON ONE'S NOSE.

## POPULAR STUDENTS

"SMILE"  
AND  
HUSTLE"



DAVID RAFFELLOCK, EDITOR AND CARTOONIST  
OF "THE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL NEWS"

PRINCIPAL M.C.PRUNTY  
AND HIS FAMOUS SMILE

## DON'TS

AW, SHUCKS,  
I'AIN'T ANY GOOD  
FOR  
ANY THING!

DON'T LOSE  
CONFIDENCE  
IN YOUR SELF.  
BE A MAN!



## SPIKE AND PERCY: SPIKE MUST LOVE TO LEARN POETRY

E-E-R YES  
SIR

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# ROBIDOUX HIGH SCHOOL NOTES



At the last meeting of the Y. W. C. A. Club on Thursday, February 8, a party was given for the following new members: Pearl Thomas, Irene Gasaway, Margaret Stein, Ruth Dunsmore, Gail Swartz, Irene Silverstein, Gladys Frans, Virginia Hund, Lillian Watkins and Helen Damsel. After an "indoor track meet" refreshments were served.

The officers for the new term are: President, Alice Buzard; vice-president, Margaret Harroun; secretary, Sallie Lacy; treasurer, Frances Morton; reporter, Christina Patt; chairman membership committee, Elizabeth Paschal; chairman program committee, Ruth Dunsmore; chairman social committee, Nell Keene.

The basket ball team played the second game with the Benton girls' high school club on Friday, January 27th, and the game resulted in a tie, 18 to 18. New teams will be organized this term to practice every Wednesday at 3 o'clock in the Y. W. C. A. gym.

## Hamiltonian Society

The semi-annual banquet was given by the Hamiltonian Literary Society January 26th at the Y. M. C. A. Some ex-Hamiltonians attended and were called upon for speeches. Clifford Bowen and Howard Ledford gave speeches on "Athletics." Lloyd Richardson drew cartoons of the popular members. There is some fine athletic material in the society, which will be heard from in the spring. The program for February 9 was the welcoming of the new members into the society. The new members were called upon for speeches. Election of officers took place, in which the following were elected: Clifford Bowen, president; George De Beaumont, vice-president; Smiley Triplett, secretary; Howard Ledford, treasurer; Meyer Marx, reporter. The last meeting consisted of a "Mock Legislature" and cartoons by Lloyd Richardson. A play will be given by the Hamiltonian and Allegra societies some time in March.

## Allegra Literary Society

The Allegra Society closed the term's work with a farewell banquet for the outgoing members. On this occasion the Thrift Club prize was presented, consisting of the opening of a savings account with the deposit of one dollar in a local savings bank. The prize was won by Aline Miller.

The Allegras, in connection with the Hamiltonians, will present a play, "The Jar of Olives," the evening of March 17th.

## Excelsior Literary Society

The new officers elected for this term in the Excelsior Literary Society are: Neal Skinner, president; Albert Pendleton, vice-president; Fred Horan, secretary; Vern Kendig, treasurer; Harry Frans, reporter.

Along with our new officers we also have nineteen new members that will take active part in everything we undertake. During this term we intend to accomplish many things, one of which is to give a play aided by the Crescent Literary Society. We expect to pay a great deal of attention to debates during this term and every second week we will have miscellaneous programs.

#### **The Pythian Literary Society**

The Pythian Literary Society has been doing great work during the past month. One of the most interesting features of the month was the play entitled "Mr. Bob," which was given January 19th by the Pythian and Jeffersonian Literary societies. The cast was as follows: Philip Royson, Harold Rice; Mr. Brown, Dean Burnette; Jenkins, Owen B. Knight, Jr.; Katherine Rogers, Vesta Ritter; Mr. Bob, Margaret Harroun; Aunt Rebecca Luke, Elizabeth Paschal; Patty, Rosanna Busselle. February 2d we elected our officers for the term: Vesta Ritter, president; Sophie Maeder, vice-president; Thelma Madison, secretary; Rosanna Busselle, ass't secretary; Cecil Gann, treasurer; Norma Boyle, reporter. February 3d the Pythians were entertained at a party by the Jeffersonians at the home of Frances Barkley.

#### **Corinthian Literary Society**

On January 19th the Corinthian Literary Society gave a farewell party for the members that were promoted to Central High School. Preceding the party a mock trial was held, in which Pat O'Halloran was charged with wife beating. Alice Phipps portrayed the part of Pat, admirably. The part of the wife was taken by Sophie Eisberg. Fannie Samuelsohn acted as judge.

Others in the cast were Ferne Beerer, Louise Graves, Helen Meadows, Irene Kunitz, Josephine Rankin, Hava Bush, Pearl Smith and Dorothy Frederick.

On February 9th a regular meeting was held. The new members were welcomed by the president. An election of officers followed. President, Pearl Smith; vice-president, Mildred Moore; secretary, Harriet Ridge; treasurer, Lillian Rudeman; reporter, Ruth Anderson; directress, Miss Schulze.

#### **Crescent Society**

The last meeting of the first semester was in the form of a party in honor of members leaving for Central. Games were played and a two-course luncheon was served. At the first meeting of this semester the following officers were elected: President, Alice Gray; vice-president, Gladys France; secretary, Mary Compton; treasurer, Esther Wilkins; reporter, Christina Patt; program committee, Mary Moreland, Irene Bovard, Ruth Billingsley. On February 16th a musicale will be given in the main auditorium, followed by a valentine box. Later in the term a play, "A College Town," will be presented.

#### **Jeffersonian Society**

The most conspicuous feature of the month was the reception given with the Pythians for the two societies at the home of Miss Frances Barkley at Krug Park Place. Almost the entire membership was present and a royal good time was reported.

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# MISS ROSENFIELD WINS POET-LAUREATE CONTEST

## Defeats Her Opponents by Large Majority, Carrying Almost Every Room—Enthusiasm Was Keen and Interest Ran High.

Miss Bernice Rosenfield, author of poem number three, is the winner of The News' poet-laureate contest which closed Feb. 10. There were seventeen contributions. Miss Ella I. Heininger and Miss Ada Lyon of The News-Press served as judges, selecting the three best poems. These poems were posted at the school Feb. 13 and the school voted upon them Feb. 15. Miss Rosenfield won the contest by a large majority, receiving 378 votes. Her nearest competitor, Miss Lyda Helen Peters, author of poem number one, received 198 votes. Miss Lillian Busselle received 100 votes on poem number two.

There was much interest manifested in the contest both by the contestants and the school at large. Great crowds collected around the boards where the poems were posted and there was much enthusiasm voiced over favorite choices. The poems were read at an auditorium meeting by David Raffelock and each poem was roundly applauded.

The response at first was slow, only five contributions being sent until Jan. 15. When The News announced definitely, however, that the contest would close by the tenth, poems were rushed in. The judges carefully read each poem and finally selected "To Central High," by Miss Rosenfield; "Dear Old Central High School Spirit," by Miss Peters, and "To C. H. S.," by Miss Busselle. No names were on the poems when judged and the winners were announced by the name of the poem.

### The Vote by Floors

The interest of the pupils ran high and there were few who did not make their decision at the election. The total number of votes cast were 676, as follows: Poem No. 1, 198; No. 2, 100; No. 3, 378. The vote by floors was, Basement, 45; first floor, 290; second floor, 232; third floor, 109. The largest number of votes was cast in room 7, totaling 95; No. 1, 27; No. 2, 24; No. 3, 44. Room 24 cast 76 votes as follows: No. 1, 31; No. 2, 9; No. 3, 36. In only two rooms was No. 3 beaten. Room K voted 19 for one, 4 for two and 4 for three. Number two carried over number 1 in five rooms. Room 29 turned in the following vote: Number one, 6; number two, 0; number three, 10; neutral, 6. Number three received its largest majority in Room X, which cast as follows: Number one, 0; number two, 1; number three, 23.

Miss Ella I. Heininger, one of the judges, said: "It was difficult to pick three poems from the number. Many were very good. We chose these three because we feel they caught the spirit better."

The News is indebted to Miss Heininger and Miss Lyon as judges. They had a diffi-

cult task selecting three where so many were good.

### Miss Rosenfield Will Write

Miss Rosenfield, Central's poet-laureate, entered St. Joseph's high schools at Robidoux. She was born in Kansas City, Mo., fifteen years ago, but shortly after her family moved here. They now reside at 404 South Sixteenth Street. Miss Rosenfield is a member of the Aleph Lamad Society and is now its senator. She is a Sophomore A. She intends to follow poetry as an avocation, her real business in life will be to



Miss Bernice Rosenfield  
Elected Central's Poet-Laureate

teach in a seminary. The following is Miss Rosenfield's poem which won her the title of Central's first poet-laureate.

### TO CENTRAL HIGH

Oh, Central High School on the hill,  
The sight of you makes our hearts thrill;  
We work for you, for you we play,  
You're in our hearts the livelong day.  
You're finer now than all the rest,  
You are the best school in the West;  
Yet you are going to grow and grow,  
And for our efforts increase show.  
Your faculty is of the best,  
The student body forms the rest;  
For all that's good, for all that's grand,  
Our Central High will always stand.

Perhaps Miss Busselle's poem was not understood. It tells the view that Central High School sees. The first verse gives a

picture of the setting, sun. Three verses are printed here:

The moon, long rested, comes up slow  
To meet her bright eyed, bronze foe,  
And have their nightly struggle.  
And then the mighty urban scene;  
The lofty towers and steeples lean  
To meet a diviner power above.

All this, and many another sight  
In brightest day, or darkest night,  
Or just between, in twilight hours  
Our Central High School looks upon;  
There's not a view escapes her eyes;  
There's not a sorrow or surprise,  
Hidden from her plainest view.  
She towers into the lofty heaven;  
Her state is most divinely given;  
Her power o'er men can never lose its strength.  
Let all her sons raise their ideals  
Until each one sincerely feels  
They're lofty as dear old Central on the hill.

Miss Peters' poem is a peppy, snappy one, which the judges said caught some real spirit. The first of the two verses is given:

It's naturally ketchin' at Central High School  
When they play that rippin', peppy song,  
Called Boola, Boola, Bool—,  
It starts with a little ticklin'.

Creepin' up and down your spine,  
And your feet begin a itchin'  
To get into the battle line,  
Then when the music boys come marchin'

Down the old north stair,  
And songs in praise of Central  
Are ringin' in the air.

There's a little feelin' in you  
Which simply won't let it all go by,  
And you clench your fist and say,  
"I'll fight for Central till I die."

A list of the poems and their authors follows:

"To Central," "School Spirit," "Central," "To Central High," Benjamin Liebling; "Dear Old Central High School Spirit," Miss Peters; "To Central High," Miss Rosenfield; "The Castle on the Rhine," Miss Annette Davis; "To C. H. S.," Miss Lillian Busselle; "Central," Miss Edith Kohler; "Central's Name," George W. Pilgrim; "The Blue and the White," Miss Lyda Kenney; "An Ode to Central High School," Miss Genevieve Malone; "To Central," Loren Case; "Central High School," Thomas C. Prater; "Dear Old Central High," Miss Linnie Bowers; "Central High, Forever," Miss Carnegie B. Dehler, with music by Jason Noble Pierce.



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NEW SENATE HEAD

Adolphus Berger Chosen President at Semi-Annual Election.

Adolphus Berger, a member of Dolad Nun Society, was elected president of the Central High School Senate at the semi-annual election, Feb. 18. The Senate was organized in 1914, and has been one of the most influential bodies at the school. The Senate promises to become revived, by the new set of competent officers. Mr. Berger has been an active member of the organization and has twice been elected to speak at an assembly meeting. Other officers are: George Trapp, vice-president; Louise Lacy, secretary; Otto Modeer, treasurer; Sheridan Logan, Forum reporter; Roberta Chambers, Taney Beaumont and Jean Barnett, executive committee.

The Senate is planning to give a sketch, at an early date at an assembly meeting. Either a silver loving cup, or a handsome wood carved cup will be given by the organization to the freshman basketball team which won the class basketball tournament, defeating the seniors 26 to 24, when both teams were tied won three and lost one. An attempt will be made by the Senators to arrange a basketball series, at the Auditorium between the Benton and Central High Schools.

#### Head of Senate Interviewed

When the new president was interviewed by a reporter for The News, Mr. Berger said, "We are going to put some life into this organization and make the Senate one of the most important institutions at the school, as it should be."

Each organization and class of the school send two representatives to the Senate. The following are the members:

Taney Beaumont, Adolphus Berger, Lillian Busselle, Eva Byron, Florence Bulmer, Jean Barnett, Roberta Chambers, Mildred Crawford, Charles Chase, Ethel Conway, Pryor Fallis, Louise Lacy, Sheridan Logan, Erwin McEwen, Mildred Marr, Otto Modeer, Isabelle Nelson, Morgan Paschal, Harold Watkins, Hannah Abramson, Etta Harnois, Ruth Levine, Van Mirchie, Beshal Holton, Helen Marechal, Marion Owen, Mildred Harding, Claud McDonald, Eleanor Evans, George Trapp, Kenneth Slater and Harry Fine.

## J. C. WILL DEBATE MANY PLAYS SOON

JUNIOR COLLEGE TO ARGUE LITERACY TEST WITH HOLTON TEAM

Will Be First Inter-Collegiate Contest Held in the City and Promises to Be Attended By a Large Audience.

The first inter-collegiate debate in St. Joseph will be held at the Central High School auditorium Friday evening, March 16, when the Junior College will meet the debaters from the Campbell Junior College, of Holton, Kan. The subject will be, "Resolved, That a Literacy Test is a Desirable Means of Further Restricting Immigration." Each college will have two representatives and talks will be fifteen minutes each. The St. Joseph Junior College has the negative side. The immigration bill containing the literacy test has been vetoed by three presidents, but was recently passed over President Wilson's veto.

The event promises to be one of the most interesting held here. Both teams are working hard, and a stubborn fight is anticipated. Francis McGrath, one of St. Joseph's representatives, is a well known debater, having won the W. K. James' gold medal for the best speech in the inter-society debate, in 1914. Mr. McGrath was on the Ciceronian team against the Alpha Nu Pi Society. Joseph Weiner, a well known Dolad Nun debater, is the other member of the team.

A large audience is promised by the advance sale of tickets. Admission will be ten cents, as half of the expenses of the visiting team is to be paid by the local college. Students of Central will doubtless support this contest, as the college students have largely attended the high school programs. The first year Junior College class will probably give a short play following the debate.

The judges at the tryouts were Miss Etta Knowles, W. H. Livers and A. E. Elliott.

## ALL SOCIETIES ARE READY

Coming Inter-Society Debate Finds All Teams Working For the Annual Fray.

The annual struggle between the literary societies of Central will be staged near the latter part of March this year. As usual, there is much enthusiasm and interest in the coming event. All of the societies are industriously working and each feels confident of victory. So far, the Dolad Nun Society holds the greatest number of victories, having won eight debates, and lost three. The Ciceronian and Alpha Nu Pi societies have each won one. The Dolad Nun also holds the greatest number of gold medals, awarded for the best speech.

Otto Modeer, president of the Ciceronian society says they will fight to a finish this year and the winner will indeed be "the best man." Adolphus Berger, winner of the W. K. James gold medal last year, says the Dolad Nun will be in the race to win. The president of the Aristotelian Society made the following statement:

"Our chances for winning a place on the Inter-Society debate are excellent. The material this year is the best we have ever had. Some of the prospective members are Carl Kibbey, Earl Whitsell, C. Musgrove and Herbert McAnan.

The other two societies which will enter, the Alpha Nu Pi and Franklin Societies, are preparing energetically for the coming battle.

DIANTHANS WILL STAGE NEW FEATURE, GIVING TWO SHORT PLAYS

Junior College Will Present a Modern Play and Aristotelians' First Play Will Be "Our New Minister."

There will be many dramatic events at Central the next two months. One of the most novel of these will be two short one-act plays given by the Dianthian Society, March 2. Perhaps the biggest dramatic event of the season will be the presentation of "The Witching Hour," a fascinating drama, by the second year class of the Junior College, April 13. The Aristotelian Society will enact "Our New Minister," a comedy drama, March 9. The opera classes will give "The Treasure Hunter," a comic opera in two acts. There will be twenty persons in the cast, and a chorus of fifty.

The two plays to be given by the Dianthian Society are "Glory of the Morning," and "The Register." The former relates the sad events of an Indian squaw, Glory of the Morning, who was the last of her tribe. She marries a French chevalier and they are happy. Two children are born and she loves them most for her husband's sake. An announcement comes that the Frenchman is wealthy. What Glory of the Morning does will be unraveled at the performance.

"The Register" is a laughable drama portraying the romance of a Miss Reed who is in love with an artist, Mr. Ransom. The lovers quarrel and friends of each try to offer advice. The affair is happily ended when the young people overhear some words through the register.

#### Girls Will Take Male Parts

The cast of characters follows:

#### Glory of the Morning

Glory of the Morning..... Mildred Crawford  
Red Wing..... Dorothy Driver  
Oak Leaf..... Helen Marechal  
Cheveller..... Eva Byron  
Black Crow..... Mildred Russel

#### The Register

Miss Spaulding..... Dorothy Taylor  
Miss Reed..... Mary Stauber  
Oliver Ransom..... Ruth Spangberg  
Mr. Grinnidge..... Marion Hunt

The Aristotelian play deals with the trials of an ex-convict who returns to his native town. All desert him, but the new minister. A pretty romance is worked out between the convict's daughter and the minister. Several rustic characters furnish much of the humor of the piece which promises to make the Aristotelian's initial production a success.

Following is the cast of characters:

New Minister..... Harold Watkins  
Old Minister..... Carl Kibby  
Chapman..... Walter Bertrand  
Skeezicks..... Lee Norris  
Blarton..... Lonnie Warrington  
Holton..... Van Murchie  
Ransom..... Virgil Million  
Detective..... Earl Whitsell  
Frazier..... Maurice Parsill  
Bartlett..... Paxton Curtiss  
Nance Ransom..... Marjorie Brown  
Esther Strong..... Dorothy Culkin  
Dorcas Tattelly..... Margaret West

Directors of the plays are: Junior College, Miss Calla Varner; Dianthian, Miss Edith Moss Rhoades and Miss Elizabeth Bentley; Aristotelian, Robert Denning; comic-opera, Miss Clara Sanford. The Agathian Society is to give a play, but no selection has been made yet.





Having partially survived the exams and getting into mid-season form, Coach Moyer's all star proteges have, as yet, been undefeated by a regular team. Since the last issue the scalps of Atchison, Stanberry, Excelsior Springs and the Olive Street Methodists have been drying on the champions' belt.

Central journeyed to Stanberry and by consistent playing and speed succeeded in easily winning the game and then it was a team of subs and "crips." The regulars such as Capt. Light, Meyers and Sellers, rested up during this fracas.

Next in line, the boys romped away with Atchison, by a two point margin. The report brought back by the handful of loyals that accompanied the team claims that it was sure hard on weak hearts to witness such a neck-and-neck scrap. By the time this Forum is issued you will have had a chance to see Central clean up these down river boys again.

A new team that Central had never faced next fell beneath the guillotine of this stellar five. These men came from Excelsior Springs, and a better bunch of sportsmen is rarely seen. Much as we hated to do it, a defeat of 42 to 8 was inflicted on the down-state gents.

The date of February 9th being open, the coach was fortunate in securing a game with the crack team from the Olive Street Methodist Church. In the line-up for these fellows were many fellows from Central, including "Coal Chute" Bealls, "Cull" Hillyard and Frank Voss and also Kastner and Vandersloot. A tie score or at most a few point victory was the height of our expectations, but as per usual Central romped away with these boys to the dirge of 54 to 28.

Yet with all these victories comes a big hospital list, including "Mud" Slater, with a sprained ligament in his shoulder, and Rupard, Meyers and Tull, whose injuries have proved very serious. The work of Arlington Jones, formerly with the Seniors and the Bucks, deserves much praise. Jones was drafted for the Excelsior Springs game and immediately proved himself to be a regular basket ball player, and also made good with the "Old Guard."

The much talked of class games have been successfully pulled off with the enthusiastic support of the entire student body. There was a goodly crowd at each game, and much spirit was shown by all classes, after overcoming a bad start, the Seniors worked their way up to the front of the league. After defeating the Subs' team, they were tied for first place.

They were still tied up to the last game which was to have decided the tournament. The Seniors couldn't stand to see their hopes a glimmering go and protested the first game on some unknown ground. Hark all ye unto a tale much like unto the tales of Ralph Henry Barbour. It was the last two minutes of play the score stood 26 to 24 in favor of the Seniors; two rapid field goals by the Freshmen and the kings were "kilt" dead. So thus ends a tale sad to all loyal Seniors. The league standing was as follows: '20, '17, '18 and '19.

The second team has also defeated all comers, including Benton 2ds., C. B. C., Bucks and 30

forth. This second team is as good as the first one has been in former years.

The Athletic Association has elected officers for this term who are as follows: Wm. J. McCord, president; R. P. Journayvaz, vice-president; Miss Blanche McCauley, secretary and Leighton Juda, assistant cheer leader. The retiring officers are: Mr. Prunty, Elliott Belden and Cora Connett.

The athletic calendar for the ensuing month includes:

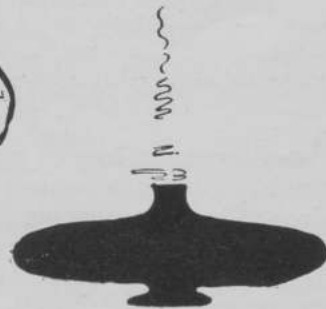
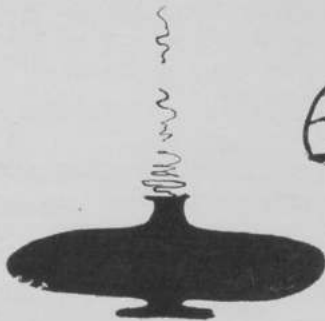
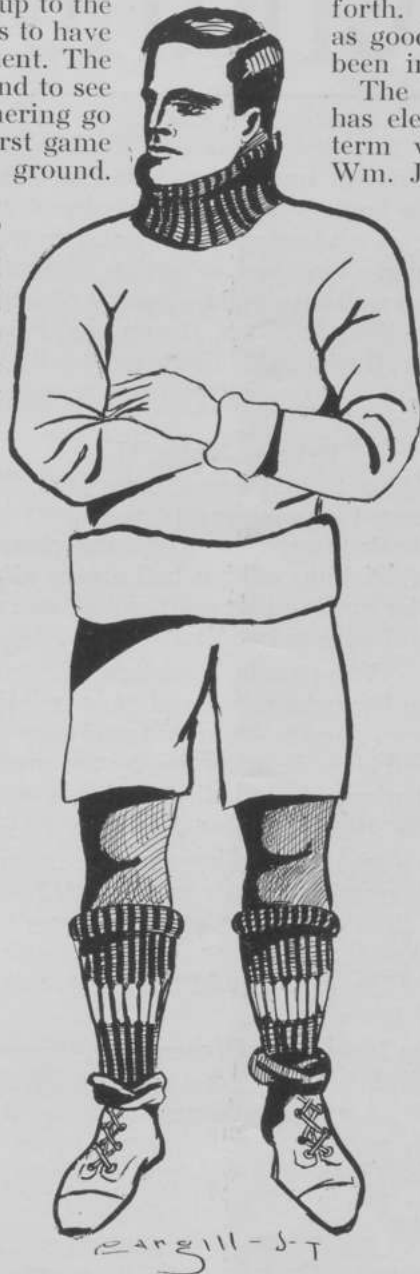
The Faculty-Junior game.

The Inter-society games.

Central vs. Benton.

Central vs. Omaha (2 games).

Central vs. Atchison (return).





# Exchanges.



## **Nor'easter, Kansas City, Mo.**

We consider you one of our best exchanges. Your cover designs are excellent. Your whole book is neatly arranged and attractively decorated by cuts. The feature which impressed us most, however, is your number of stories. You certainly have a fine group of budding authors. Your joke department is also well developed. Your write-ups on your team were interesting and instructive; however, if you could have had a cut to accompany each write-up, they would have been greatly improved. You have plenty of drawings, but one or two pictures would help your book immensely.

## **Echoes, Joplin, Mo.**

We are very glad to get an exchange from you. You have a very good paper. Your arrangement is good, except you seem to have let two of the shorter stories stray back toward the jokes and clear away from the rest of the stories. Your Christmas edition had a very attractive cover design. You almost ruined it by putting that artificial snow on it. It looks pretty, no doubt, but it is abominable to handle.

## **The Candle, Evanston, Ill.**

Your cover design fits your name and your frontispiece is appropriate to the season of the year. Good. Your editorials are very complete. Your paper is full of fun, and is made attractive by the profusion of cuts. Your one story is good, but why not put it first and then add more?

## **The Student, Oklahoma City, Okla.**

You have a very attractive and appropriate cover design. Your class notes are very complete and interesting. Your "Chanticleer" is novel and humorous. Our two chief objections are: First, you have too many advertisements in the front of the book; second, you are shy of exchange notes. With two exchange editors you should be able to get at least one page of comments and one of jokes.

## **The Hesperian, Oregon City, Oregon**

You have a fine little paper. Your cover design is excellent and your exchange and joke departments are unusually good. Your cut of your building is good. We would suggest that you make your cover the same size as the inside pages. It looks neater and wears better.

## **The Bulletin, Steubenville, Ohio**

Your paper is well gotten up. We enjoyed your poets' number very much. You have some pretty fair poets in your school. You had one piece of bad arrangement. One of your editorials was six pages from your editorial column. Otherwise, the arrangement was good. You should either increase the size of the paper or decrease the size of the cover. When the cover is larger than the pages it frays easily.

**The Key, Battle Creek, Michigan**

You have a very neat paper. The absence of advertisements is noticeable and contributes to your neatness. Your exchange and joke departments are well developed. You have a few cuts, but a few more would greatly improve the appearance of the paper.

**The Argosy, Provo, Utah**

We have received three copies of your paper. You are one of the best of our smaller exchanges. I should judge from the advertisement on every cover that they have a lease for this year. You would improve your paper a great deal if you could avoid giving another such lease next year.

**WHAT OTHERS THINK OF US**

We wish to congratulate you on the improvement of your paper over last year's edition. Your idea of representing the faculty is very unique, also your snapshots, and Central High School News. The general style and arrangement of your paper is excellent. The only suggestion that we have to offer is that you enlarge the Joke Department.—**Nor'easer, Kansas City, Missouri.**

Your paper is good. The cuts give it an attractive appearance. If the advertisements were grouped instead of being mixed in with the reading matter the paper would have a neater appearance.—**Boomerang, Longmont, Colorado.**

The cuts and headings of The Forum are fine, and the stories were also good. The exchange and society departments are both well developed, but you should have some more jokes.—**The Roman, Rome, Georgia.**

**EXCHANGE JOKES****For Boys Only**

(Read Backward)

Didn't you if girl a be wouldn't you, it read would you knew we.—Ex.

A Law in Physics: The deportment of the pupil varies inversely as the square of the distance from the teacher's desk.—Ex.

**Who Sat on the Wave's Lap?**

While boating on the bay one night,  
I saw the ocean's arm  
Steal gently 'round a neck of land  
To keep its shoulder warm.

This made me jealous as could be,  
It really made me sore;  
And so I paddled toward the land  
And closely hugged the shore.—Ex.



# Societies.



## CICERONIAN

Forum Reporter ..... Dudley Jessop

The Ciceronian Society has completed a most beneficial and enjoyable semester's work. At the last meeting of the term the following officers were elected for the coming semester: Otto Madeer, president; John Hall, first vice-president; Arthur Winters, second vice-president; Oliver Goerman, secretary; Robert Jornayvaz, treasurer; Dudley F. Jessop, Forum reporter. George Clapp was welcomed into the society. A party was given at Miss Nash's studio January 21st.



## ALEPH LAMAD

Forum Reporter ..... Jessie Lapides

The Aleph Lamad elected the following officers: President, Sadie Segall; vice-president, Dorothy Ungermann; secretary, Esther Segall, treasurer, Sarah Brown; corresponding secretary, Blanche Kauffman; Forum reporter, Jessie Lapides; senators, Bernice Rosenfield and Laveta Fishman. Esther Segall resigned as secretary and Miriam Gumbiner was elected to succeed her. The society was divided into two divisions with Bernice Rosenfield and Pauline Rositzky as captains. These two teams will compete in the literary work of the society.

## PHILOMATHIAN

Forum Reporter ..... Elizabeth Sell

At the last regular meeting of the Philomathian Society the Mentor Magazine was discussed. Helen Stripe, leader, gave the purpose and plan of the magazine; Helen Peck gave a beneficial talk on American novelists; a vivid description of Argentina was given by Mazie Jacobson; and Ogretta Jones discussed "Game Animals." On January 19th the following officers for the new term were elected: President, Ruth Mullen; vice-president, Ethel Walters; secretary, Ethel Hess; treasurer, Gertrude Allen; Forum reporter, Elizabeth Sell; senators, Ethel Conway and Helen Dobendo. A short business meeting was held on February 2d. Plans are being formulated for the present semester.





## DOLAD NUN

Forum Reporter ..... Henry Kaufman

The last few meetings of the Dolad Nun were spent chiefly in extemporaneous speaking. Every member of the society was given an opportunity to partake in the programs. The programs were, now and then, interwoven with an oration, a recitation and some humorous talks.

The new semester was begun with the election of officers. Ben Leibling was chosen president, Louis Fine, vice-president; Henry Kaufman, secretary, and Jake Meshevsky, treasurer. The real work did not begin until the second meeting, when the debate, Resolved: That Immigration to the United States should further be restricted by the literacy test, was held.



## ARISTOTELIAN

Forum Reporter ..... Walter Bertrand

Several meetings of the Aristotelian Society were given to business and to making plans for the coming year. Parts of several plays were read and discussed. Talks on the High School Club were given by Vegley, Norris, Warrington and Whitsell. The question, Resolved: That a single land tax should be adopted in the United States, was won by Marnell and Bertrand on the affirmative, over Thompson and Vegley on the negative. Election of officers was held as follows: President, Watkins; vice-president, Marnell; secretary, Muchie; treasurer, McAhan; senator, Warrington; Forum reporter, Walter Bertrand.

The society will present "Our New Minister," a comedy drama of three acts, on Friday evening, March 9th.

## OLYMPIAN

Forum Reporter ..... Norma Ogden

The members of the society enjoyed a very interesting program at our last meeting of the semester. Each girl brought a curio or heirloom from home and told its history. After the program a spread was served.

At our first meeting this semester we elected the following officers: President, Etta Harnois; vice-president, Ruth Dillon; secretary, Catherine Adams; assistant secretary, Marie Haynie; treasurer, Marguaritte Stahl; senators, Etta Harnois and Norma Ogden.

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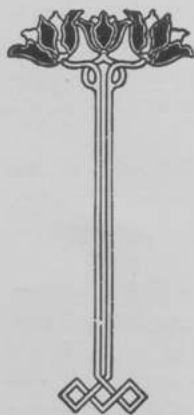
*Attractions during the month of March*

Fannie Ward in "The Winning of Sally Temple"	Marie Doro in "Castles For Two"
Marguerite Clark in "The Fortunes of Fifi"	Pauline Frederick in "Sapho"
Blanche Sweet in "Those Without Sin"	Jack Pickford in "The Dummy"
Mary Pickford in "The Poor Little Rich Girl" by Eleanor Gates.	Wallace Reid in "The Prison Without Walls"

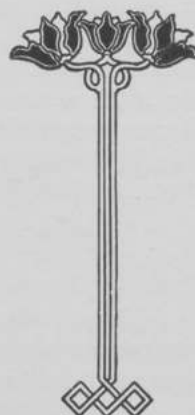
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## ALPHA NU PI

Forum Reporter ..... Templeton Brown

The Alpha Nu Pi's have just completed a particularly successful month. Our society has recently been strengthened by the admittance to membership of Claude McDonald and Leonard Holland. Debating and extemporaneous speaking have by no means been forgotten. Pros and cons on the "Municipal Form of Government," and the "Municipal Lighting System," have been given with oratorical conviction, and several members have displayed their ability in extemporaneous speaking. Plans have been discussed for the inter-society debate, and the A. N. P. basket ball team.

Friday, January 19th, the election of officers for the ensuing term was held, resulting as follows: Erwin McEwen, president; Elliot Belden, first vice-president; Charles Chase, second vice-president; Louis Cobaugh, secretary; Richard Garlichs, treasurer, and Morgan Paschal, senator.

One of the recent auditorium meetings was conducted by the society. A play, "The Lost Silk Hat," was ably presented and several selections were played by the A. N. P. orchestra.



## DIANTHIAN

Forum Reporter ..... Helen Marechal

The programs in Dianthian for the past month have been discussions of various plays, as Dianthian will give her plays on March 2d. At the meeting on January 12th Marybelle Soldner gave an account of "Sherwood." Miss Rhoades gave a synopsis of "The Intruder," and she read "The Hour Glass," and "The Pot of Broth." Eva Byron gave a short account of "Pomander Walk." "The Blossoming of Mary Ann" was also discussed. At one meeting Miss Hazel Vaughn, a former Dianthian, told us of several promising plays. A committee was appointed in conference with Miss Bentley and Miss Rhoades to decide definitely on the play to be given.

It has been decided to give two plays, "The Registrar," a comedy, and "Glory of the Morning."



## AGATHIA

Forum Reporter ..... Jean Barnett

More good times have been enjoyed during this past month. Our first

program consisted of two talks. Evelyn Gibbs discussed the subject, "The Development of the French Theaters, Psychologists and French Comedy," and Clara Hofman discussed, "Sociologists, the Humanists, and the Failure of the French Theater." The following week we had a tea at the Y. W. C. A. A most delightful program was given. Mildred Harding and Gladys Christiansen played a duet, Fina Mehrrens sang, Genevieve Malone gave a reading; then followed a piano solo by Edna Casey, a vocal solo by Frances Swank and a piano solo by Juanita Bradfield. Also a short business meeting was held. All officers were re-elected, but a new executive committee was chosen, Irene Johnson, Gladys Bechtel and Phillipa Coleman. Our last meeting consisted of a short program and a short business meeting. Leota Kessler told the story of the opera "Lucia" and Mary Wells gave the life of the composer. The sextette from "Lucia" was played on the Victrola. The society is considering plays with the intention of giving one soon.



#### CLIO

Forum Reporter ..... Alice Garlich

The last program of the semester was one of the most interesting. Henrietta Stewart, leader, gave the story of "The Black Arrow." Mamie Strop gave the criticism of the story and Leah Spratt the life of Stevenson. Jessie Lee Myers had some very interesting current events.

Clio started the new year by the election of officers. Mamie Strop was unanimously re-elected president. Other officers are: Roberta Chambers, vice-president; Louise Lacy, secretary; Melba Hawkins, treasurer; and Alice Garlich, assistant secretary and Forum reporter. The executive committee was named as follows: Elaine Hurst, Jeanne White, Helen Randolph, Catherine McDonald and Leah Spratt.

#### Robidoux High School

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At the meeting February 10th twelve new members were taken into the society. The welcome address by Emory Watkins was responded to by Arthur Weber. Officers were elected as follows: President, Bean Burnett; vice-president, Clayton Sauer; secretary, Vernon Schoop; ass't. secretary, Arthur Weber; treasurer, Donald Wyatt; reporter, Ralph Bradley; sergeant-at-arms, H. D. Rice.

A program in commemoration of the birthdays of Washington and Lincoln was given February 16th by the following members: Biography of Washington, Curtis Young; Description of Mt. Vernon, Glenn Woodbury; Plantation Life in Virginia, Lavon Woods; Biography of Lincoln, Owen Knight; Review of "The Perfect Tribute," Irvin Head; Extracts from "The Crisis," Wm. Gilliam; Lincoln Anecdotes, Joe Balmat.



In a debate given by one of the English classes recently, the question, Resolved, That one's studies should not interfere with one's education, was discussed. The following articles, written by Mary Houk and Mildred Kaucher, upheld the affirmative and negative sides, respectively.

"My honorable colleague and myself feel that the coming destiny of America rests heavily upon our shoulders this afternoon. We are laboring under difficulties in this hostile assembly, but we are martyrs to the cause and will try to rescue from his death-bed a forlorn and broken-hearted creature called 'Studiosity.' In the good old days, this animal was the bugaboo of all young people, but we, today, are too practical and scientific to let any such pumpkin-head scare us. We have discarded Studiosity to the scrap heap and substituted a pampered, powdered, pink-eyed pet commonly called 'Good Times, or College Life.' My colleague and I feel that this is a gross injustice to our honorable friend Studiosity, and before he entirely expires we would like to present to you the merits of this distinguished beast. He has often rendered you good services, for if your mother hadn't been studious, where would you have been that evening you fled to her for suggestions in writing a three-thousand-word essay on, 'The Influence of Green Cheese Upon the Moon.' Life may be too short, as my opponents say, for any of us Americans to work out these things for ourselves, but my colleagues and I are anxiously wondering where the coming generation is going to fly for knowledge. But possibly knowledge will be out of date by that time. Studiosity is a trusty, substantial friend. If you treat him well when you are young, he will say a good word for you when you are old and hunting a position. We all agree that sooner or later we must pay for the space we occupy on this earth, and the earlier we begin the more peaceful will be our old age. Studiosity can take you anywhere you want to go, even to the White House, if you turn him early in that direction.

"Probably in the Congress of 1999, will be seen some distinguished members of this Society, who loved their lessons. They will be delivering fiery orations, having absorbed Cicero's style in their youth. We may visit Wall Street and see one of our earnest members as a second Hetty Green, dealing out millions of dollars a day, to clothe respectable paupers, who wouldn't study in their youth. Such are the distinctions to which the trusty steed, Studiosity, may lead us. But where will our frizzled friend, Good Times lead us? He can give us no trade with which to earn our bread and butter, and he will lead us into idleness and discontent. He will make us selfish, for if we don't study we will always want to get everything ready made. With what satisfaction and content may one who, for instance, has his Book Report all finished, go to bed and say, 'Something attempted, something done has earned a pleasant doze in a nice, fluffy featherbed.' But one who, through lack of time or sheer laziness, has failed to prepare anything to his credit, will go to bed and tumble and toss and think what a hard mattress this is, anyway. My colleague and I believe that St. Peter will be glad to welcome anyone who has traveled to the celestial realms with Studiosity. So we hope we have convinced you that Studiosity should be reinstated upon his rightful throne, since he brings success, prosperity, contentment and joy to all who know him."



Clarence Kerr, a graduate of the class of '15 and a member of the Alpha Nu Pi Literary Society, studied for the ministry at William Jewel College. He was lately ordained at the Patee Park Baptist Church.

Harriet Johnson, a well known member of last year's class, was recently married to Mr. Ralph Foster.

Edwin E. Schwien, a graduate of the class of '12, has passed the examinations for lieutenancy in the United States Army. Lieutenant Schwien has been assigned to the ninth infantry, the home station of which is at Fort Thomas, Kentucky. At present he is stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Bernice Mitchell, a graduate of the class of '13, is now studying music at Washburn College, Topeka.

For the last two or three weeks many St. Joseph boys have been quarantined for scarlet fever and measles at the University of Missouri.

It was recently discovered that Mr. Francis S. Brown of the Class of '16 was secretly married to Miss Sylvia Janicke, a member of the Junior Class, some time in November.

Vincil Deakin, Class of '16, now has a position as stenographer in the Forestry Department at the University of Missouri.

Miss Georgia Yeater, who was formerly an assistant to Miss Knowles, is now stenographer in the Chemistry Department at Kansas. She intends to specialize in Chemistry.

Lawrence Cravens, a graduate of Central in '15, is now traveling man for Swift & Company, and is greatly pleased with his work.

Helen Nixon, valedictorian of the Class of '15, is doing the same fine work at Northwestern University as she did here at Central.

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"Grandfather, what makes you nose so red?"

"Glasses, sonny, glasses."

"Glasses of what, grandfather"—Ex.

Austere female to furrier—"I want a muff."

"What fur?"

"To keep my hands warm, of course, you idiot."—Ex.

Freshman—"A Comedy of Errors."

Sophomore—"Much Ado About Nothing."

Junior—"As You Like It."

Senior—"All's Well That Ends Well."—Ex.

"Did she come out when you serenaded her with your mandolin?"

"No, but another fellow came along and brought her out with an auto-horn."

"Could you lend me \$10 until tomorrow?"

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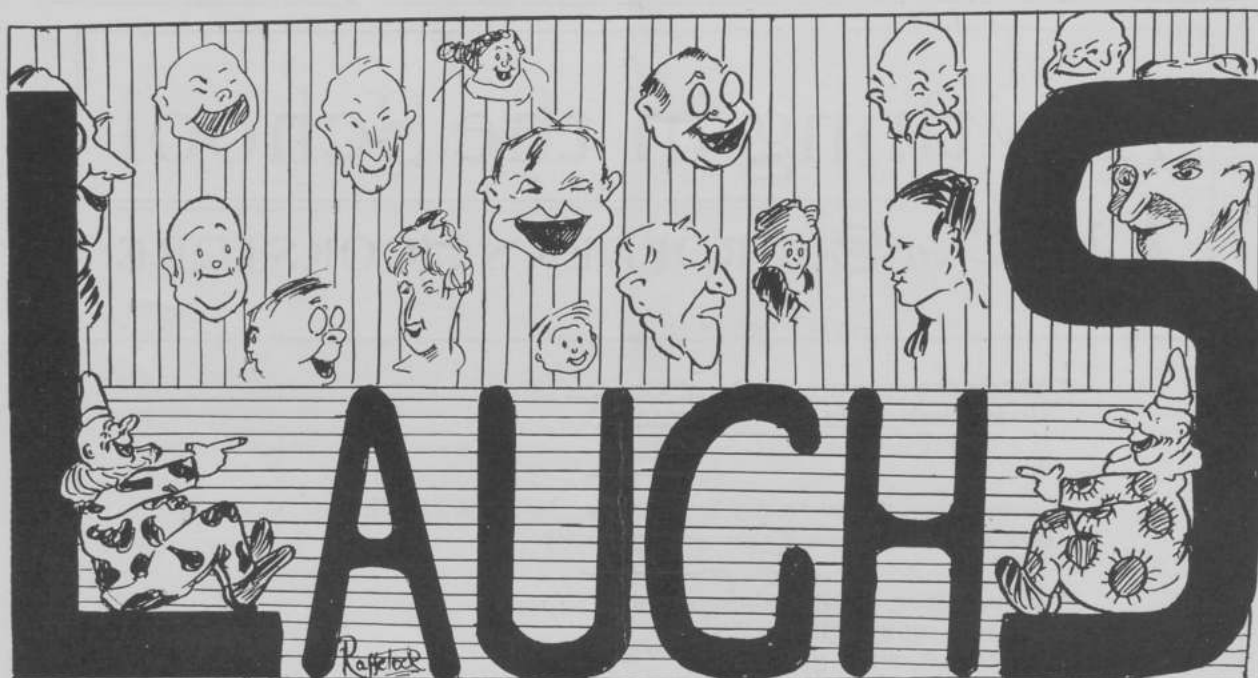
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Ruff—That girl on the other side of the street has a name that reminds me of postscript.

Nek—Ah yes? And may I ask why?

Ruff—It's Adaline Moore.

Him—How did you like the stage hangings in that Shakespearian play?

He—There weren't any hanging y' boob; he killed 'em with a sword.

Art Editor—"You say these jokes are original with you?"

"Oh, yes, sir."

"Strange, you don't look to be a centenarian."

Footpad (relieving Jones of his wallet, watch, ring and stud)—I hate to do this, but I'm forced to; I'm the waiter that you used to give the 5c tips to.

"Why do they call the baby 'Bill?' "

"He was born on the first of the month."

A restaurant in 1925—"We do all our cooking by electricity here."

Customer—"Take this egg out and give it another shock."

Bargains are shown by the way the women go.

She—You'll see women commanders in the navy yet.

He—I guess not. Warships frequently have to sail under secret orders.



The young man led for a heart,  
The maid for a diamond played,  
The old man came down with a club,  
And the sexton used a spade.—Ex.

Two Irishmen with a gun were hunting. The one carrying the gun saw a bird in a bush and carefully took aim.

"For the love of Heaven, Mike," shouted the other hunter, "Don't shoot! The gun ain't loaded."

"I've got to," yelled Mike, "the bird won't wait."—Ex.

An indignant merchant who had been robbed of a thermometer put this notice in his window:

"The person who stole the thermometer from my door had better return it. It will be of no use where he is going, as it registers only 125 degrees."—Ex.

Lady of the House: "Aren't you the same man I gave a mince pie to Thanksgiving Day?"

Tramp: "No, I'm not, and wot's more, the doctor says I never will be."—Ex.

Wife: "You don't seem to enjoy dinner, dear. What's the matter?"

Husband: "I was wondering if there wasn't some typographical errors in that cook book of yours."—Ex.

"My hair is coming out," said a man to his doctor.

"Please give me something to keep it in."

"Well, here's a pill box, will that do?"

Domestic—There's a gentleman wants to see you on business.

Master—Well, ask him to take a chair.

Domestic—He's taken 'em all and the table, too. He comes from the furniture shop.

Jerome:—How is Dasher coming along with his stories?

Mrs. Dasher—Famously. If his rejection slips were profit sharing coupons, we'd have enough for a new living room set.

"Why shouldn't I marry, with my income."

"No reason, whatsoever, if you'd sooner have her than the income."

Cultivation—"Father, what do they mean by gentleman farmers?"

"Gentlemen farmers, my son, are farmers who seldom raise anything except their hats."



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## WAR NEWS AT A GLANCE

War Correspondent, G. Ima Frieke.

Paris, France.—French youth catches the German measles and dies of mortification. Proprietor of the Slingeur-de-Hashe Cafe' is almost lynched and his place of business is wrecked because he inadvertently offers Hamburg steak on the menu.

Petrograd, Russia.—All Russian submarines are to undergo great improvement; they will hereafter be operated by Finns.

Kuppa-Koffi, Hungary.—Russian prisoners are receiving inhuman treatment, the slightest infraction of the rules, being punished with thirty strokes of the goulash.

Cairo, Egypt.—Two boatloads of Camels started on way to allied armies in France. Twenty for fifteen cents.

Whang-Yow, China.—Uprising among the coolies! Case of dynamite is jolted off a wheelbarrow while crossing a rough and crowded street.

Dresden, Germany.—The china factories have all shut down, as the imperial government needs the white clay to put in the flour.

## Departments

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On entering the Botany room several weeks ago, the Botany pupils were much surprised to see standing at the desk a strange man. Everyone wondered who he could be and for a few seconds the room was filled with whispering sounds. Girls and boys were asking who the stranger was. Soon he began to speak. Their whispering ceased and all were attentive. They then received an introduction to their new instructor, Mr. Faris. The pupils of Central, and especially those of the Botany department, welcome Mr. Faris into their midst and hope he will be pleased with his new association.

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I

We are the boys from Central High,  
Crowds all cheer as we pass by.  
We're in the game to win or die  
For Old Central High.

Chorus

For we are  
Standing for Central,  
Always for Central,  
Praising her to the sky;  
We're always  
Fighting for Central,  
Cheering for Central,  
Winning for Central High.

II

We are the girls from Central High,  
Dear Old School we're standing by,  
For all the honors we will try  
Grand Old Central High.

Chorus

III

Students are we from Central High,  
We'll win out or we'll know why.  
Central we'll honor by and by,  
Dear Old Central High.

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Since life is not play, nor glad holiday,  
We con our lessons, we work with a will;  
But when leisure calls, the campus and halls  
Resound with the echoes that thrill.  
Aye! Aye!

Chorus  
Ching-a-ling-a-ling, ching-a-ling-a-ling,  
Central High,  
These are our words, and the echoes reply  
Ching-a-ling-a-ling, ching-a-ling-a-ling,  
Central High,  
For the fame of our school we vie.  
Aye! Aye!

II  
We journey along with jest and with song  
Come days of shadow, or come days so fair;  
The part of fool, we deem in our school,  
Plays the pupil who woos Despair.  
Aye! Aye!

III  
Wherever we roam, Saint Joseph's our home,  
We yield her homage, we fealty swear;  
The blue and white with honor bright  
As a badge of our faith we wear.  
Aye! Aye!

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