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Election Day Is Holiday - Students Council Conducts Excursion

Dexter Hall Boys Open Dorm to Many Guests

In opening their dormitory to students and faculty of the School of Agriculture at University Farm, on Sunday evening, November 13, the young men residing in Dexter Hall followed an annual custom. And in keeping with the celebration this year, by the School of Agriculture of the fiftieth anniversary of its founding, the decorations were accented by the gold color note.

This decorative scheme was carried out in gilded oak boughs supplemented by scarlet wahoo berry branches in the parlor. Wreaths of gilded oak leaves, tied with scarlet streamers decorated the entrances and hallway windows.

In the refreshment room, scarlet candles flanked a centerpiece of carnations of the same color and gilt glass balls.

Gilded metal turkeys and scarlet candles were grouped in a centerpiece on the piano.

Guests were received by Superintendent and Mrs. J. O. Christianson and the dormitory officers, Wallace Peterson, president, Melvin Bernard, vice president; James House, secretary; and Eldon Jones, president of the Boys Self Government Association. Assisting them were the Misses Laura Matson and Johanna Hognason, dormitory directors, and Max Hinds and Gerald McKay, counsellors.

In the refreshment room, Miss H. J. Fisher acted as hostess. The Mesdames W. C. Coffey, J. O. Christianson, P. E. Miller, Phillip Anderson, Elmer Johnson, M. C. Tanquary, Al Harvey, and Loren Neubauer presided in turn at the refreshment table. Larry Mickow chairmanned the young men who served the refreshments.

Musical numbers made up the program which continued throughout the evening in the parlor. Numbers on this program were selections by the School of Agriculture orchestra under Mr. David Boland, songs by the boys quartette and the girls trio, piano solos by Miss Elizabeth Smith and by Doris Downes, vocal solos by Mr. Cecil Birder, Esther Borg, Jeanette Johanson and Lawrence Randall; instrumental duets by Mr. Gerald McKay and Albert Maas, and accordion solos by Walter Danckwart.

All details of the Open House were planned and carried out by the Dexter Hall boys, each and all of them serving on some committee.

Members of the committees that initiated plans were: for general arrangements, Lyle Teigen, Lawrence Stalheim, and Martin Ewert.

Entertainment: Albert Maas, Walter Danckwart, and Kenneth Skarrien. Refreshments: Larry Mickow, and Harold Sandager.

Invitations: Jack Steeves, Golding Sartain, and Otis Clark.

Decorations: Dick Behrends, James House, and Richard Featherstone.

Reception: Wallace Peterson, Eldon Jones, and Melvin Bernard.

Hospitality: Harry Albrecht, Barney Hamilton, and Leo Ahsenmacher.



Mr. and Mrs. Tom Canfield have been selected as the Freshman Godparents of the graduating class of 1941. Mr. Canfield teaches in the Poultry Division.

Marshall Ryman Directs Games Entertainment Made Successful by Cooperation of Students

Coach Ryman initiated a new type of entertainment when he and the Social Games class invited all school students to a sports appreciation and progressive game party on Halloween at the Gymnasium, a party of four solid hours of entertainment.

It was divided into the two periods indicated in the party name, the first part laid out as in the following schedule.

7:30-8:00 Basketball: Exhibition of fundamentals and team play under game conditions by two University of Minnesota freshman teams under direction of Mike Cielusak, Freshman coach.

8:00-8:30 Volleyball: Demonstration of fundamental game tactics of "Boosting," "spiking," "setting up" and serving a game situation by two teams from the St. Paul Y.M.C.A. under the direction of Mr. Logan Muntz, Physical Director, St. Paul Y.M.C.A.

Table Tennis: Exhibition of singles play by members of the Minnesota Table Tennis Association—Ed. Litman, Glenn Warnlow, David Kretzewitz, and Kenny Moen.

8:30-9:00 Badminton: Singles exhibition by Ethel Bauman and Phil Brain, University Tennis Club.

Table Tennis: Doubles exhibition by members of Minnesota Table Tennis Association.

9:00-9:20 Archery: Demonstration of Archery techniques by L. W. Neubauer, Agriculture Campus Engineering Department. Value of Archery as a recreational activity—Mr. Drew.

Badminton: Doubles exhibition by University of Minnesota, Physical Education Department members—L.

F. Keller, Asst. Athletic Director and professor of Physical Education; Ralph Piper, Gymnastic Coach; Phil Brain, Varsity Tennis Coach; and Ethel Bauman, office, Athletic Department.

9:30-9:50 Diving and Swimming Exhibition: Demonstrations by Dorothy Smith, Acquatic League, Main Campus, and Lyman Brandt, Minnesota varsity swimming star. Exhibitions of Jack-knife, Swan, 1½ somersault, back dives.

After refreshments had been served by Lyle Teigen's committee, groups were organized by tag numbers and under leaders and twenty-two competitive games of skill were set up about the gym.

Each group was allowed a two minute try at a game and then on signal progressed to the next game. Individual scores were totaled to make group scores.

Some of the games played were dart toss, bouncing marbles into an umbrella, flipping paper plates into a basket, dropping a ping pong ball into spaces in an egg carton and throwing rope hoops on chair legs. When all the groups had taken part in each of the competitive games, progressively, totals were taken of scores made. Melvin Bernard was awarded a candy bar as first prize. Lorraine Manz was given the booby prize, another bar of candy.

Dr. Carl F. Nordley, director of research in physical education at the University praised the program and sent a copy of it to Dr. J. E. Rogers, president of the National Recreational Association, telling how well received it was and offering to supply copies of the program for national use.

Visits Made to Places Of Varying Interest

Two busloads of students under the direction of the Boys' Students Council and the chaperonage of Gerald McKay and Max Hinds set out on election day morning at eight o'clock for a seven hour sight seeing tour.

The Wold Chamberlain Field was where the first stop was made in order to see the big planes come in from the East and take off for the West. Many students took short sky-rides while others were being shown the Radio Receiving Room where they were shown how fliers keep contact with the ground crews. At the Weather Bureau Station, the equipment of weather reading and forecast was demonstrated. From the roof of this building, the students saw the plane from Chicago and Milwaukee land.

Fort Snelling engaged the attention of students next. This 119 year old post covering 1,500 acres of government land is occupied by 2,118 army men. One of these men acted as a guide for the party. He showed them about the million dollar country club built for the officers of the post, the quaint limestone chapel, the horsebarns, and rifle range.

A short ride took the group to the Acacia cemetery across the river where Speed Holman, famous pilot, is buried.

From here, the buses proceeded to Minnehaha Park where a wiener roast was relished and the students regained energy needed for the next feature of their excursion, the Ford automobile plant.

This \$17,000,000 plant employs 1,000 men 5-eight hour days, weekly, when in production. The assembly line as well as the glass factory afforded plenty of entertainment.

The Minneapolis Star, boasting a publication of 150,000 papers daily was the last stop on the tour. At the rate of 1,600 papers a minute, the students watched the printing of the evening paper. They were told that six minutes after the incident has occurred, the news of it can be printed. Other departments visited were Charlie Johnson's sport department, the art and photography department.

Wayne Ruona, president of the boys students council was assisted by the other members in making all the arrangements for the tour in advance and on the spot.

Aggie Quartet Makes Good; Appears on KSTP Radio Program

Members of the School of Agriculture mens quartet appeared over KSTP on Saturday noon, October 22.

The quartet, Lawrence Randall, Arlin Anderson, Ennis Wood, and Maurice Annestad, sang "Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes," and led a group of 4-H members in singing "The Plow Song." They were accompanied by Jeanette Johansen at the piano.

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Thanksgiving Is Here

It hardly seems possible that Thanksgiving is just around the corner, but there it is!

Ah! just to think of that great day brings up many happy memories and calls historical events to mind. There is that first Thanksgiving which was celebrated by the Pilgrims and Indians. That celebration was given to show God how thankful they were for abundance of food, and for preserving their lives during the past year of hardships.

At the thought of Thanksgiving, we always think of turkey and a big feast. I wonder if this idea did not originate with the first Thanksgiving. We are told that the Indians brought to the big feast wild turkeys and deer.

Most of us have the feeling that Thanksgiving can only be properly celebrated by going to Grandmother's house. For some of us this is a fine old tradition. What traditions do you celebrate in your family?

Remember that delicious pumpkin pie that we had at Grandmother's last year? Oh yes, and that turkey with dressing together with the cranberries, apples, and all the other goodies that went to make up that wonderful dinner?

We have but to shut our eyes to imagine that we are there and when the happy day comes let's remember to be thankful for our food and for all the favors and blessings that are ours every day.

Nature Insures Stores

Golden scenes, crisp nights, a tang of smoke in the air—all of these things suggest one thing, fall!

Nature pauses in its stride and prepares all its living things for the long, cold winter.

Are you, as you go about your daily tasks, preparing yourself for the future as nature does? Are you fully preparing yourself or are you letting priceless opportunities slip by?

You are determining your course in future life by the way you absorb knowledge now.

Pause a moment and find out how you stand with yourself.

Are you satisfied? If not, get busy now and make sure you will be ready to face life with your reserves protected from the cold.

Juniors Select Staff Of All-School Newspaper

Alfred Starz was chairman of the Invitation Staff selected from the Junior class to edit the October number of the News of the School of Agriculture pending the election of members by the class to the staff.

This election took place on Thursday noon, November 10. Elected to the staff now are Earl Ness, editor; Marie Krueger, business manager; and Esther Bremer, Russel Stiehl, Vernon Sandager, Albert Maas, Harold Gates, Harley Cederstrom, Harold Skoog, Lydia Rossbach, Alfred Starz, Wilma Schwendemann, Russel Stiehl, and Arnold Wood.

This editorial staff will be responsible for the publication of the paper which only this year is being mailed to all alumni, a total subscription of over 3,500 copies.

To get the October number into envelopes and sorted by towns and states required a volunteer crew of twenty-five students working about four hours at top speed.

While the School of Agriculture News is a Junior Class enterprise, it is published in the interest of the whole school and its alumni.

To alumni who read: You can make this a better paper if you sit down and write us news of yourselves and other Aggies. Send your letters to the School of Agriculture News! Now!

Agrarian of 1938 Is Rated All-American

When alumni and other former students in the School of Agriculture read in the dailies that the Agrarian of 1938 had been awarded the All-American rating, they probably said "Good for the old book!" Some of them said "so did our book." Others may have said, "Let's see. For how many years has this been going on?" Jack Steeves, editor of the 1938 book, modestly said, "I didn't do it." And there you are. "It has been going on" for twelve years, namely that the yearbook of the School of Agriculture has been rated All-American.

Mrs. Kildow, member of the critical service that rates the yearbooks for the United States, says that the Agrarian of 1938 is an outstanding yearbook in its class. The Agrarians have made one of the best records had by any year in the state.

Such quotations as these appear in the scorebook of the 1938 Agrarian: "You have handled this section usually difficult, in a very interesting way . . ." "You have made this a very lively and interesting section," "Your layouts are well done," and then when the scores of the several features were totaled, this is the story that they told:

Summary of Scorebook

	Your Score	Score Average
Plan of the Book	105	75
Sections of the Book	340	230
Editing and Makeup	175	130
Financial Status	50	50
Mechanical		
Considerations	170	150
General Effect	100	65
Total score	940	700

And so the 1938 Agrarian joins its eleven older sisters each wearing the badge of honor, "All-American."

The School of Agriculture News congratulates Editor Jack Steeves and his staff, and Miss Laura Matson on the honor so deservedly won.

Names of Original Aggies Head Those Registered in Visitors' Book This Fall

Names of original Aggies head the list of those registered in the Visitors' Book this fall. Alumni visiting University Farm ought not to leave the campus before they have registered in this book.

You will always find names of some of your old pals there. Some of them are:

- 1888 Buffington, Alvin L.—Minnesota Soldiers Home—Engineer.
- 1888 Lindig, William F.—Como Station R. 5, St. Paul—Farming
- 1888 Overgard, R. H.—234 South Pearl Street, Albert Lea—Farmer.
- 1888 Sanders, M. W.—Rosholt, South Dakota—Farmer and stock raiser.
- 1888 Sanders, J. J.—Detroit Lakes—Farmer.
- 1888 Soper, Dr. John E.—818 West 42nd Street, Mpls.—Retired physician and surgeon.
- 1890 Higbie, W. S.—Excelsior, Minnesota—Nursery man and fruit grower.
- 1890 Hoverstad, T. A.—Deninson, Minnesota—Retired farmer.
- 1890 Payne, E. S.—Northfield, Minnesota—State Agent Rand McNally & Company—Chicago.
- 1890 Pfaender, Herman—New Ulm—Retired farmer.
- 1890 Stark, A. O.—Harris, Minnesota—Merchant and farming.
- 1892 Bull, C. P.—Commonwealth Ave., St. Paul, Minn.
- 1909 Stewart, C. E.—St. Paul—Sales O'Brien Brokerage.
- 1917 Christgau, Victor—Austin, Minnesota.
- 1925 Ahlstrand, Erick A.—Zumbrota, Minnesota—Dairy and Food Department.
- 1934 Gammalson, Lyndon—Clitherall, Minnesota—Attending Law School at University of Minnesota.
- 1934 Stark, T. S.—Harris, Minnesota—Hardware.
- 1934 Swenson, George—St. Peter, Minnesota—Service Manager of Air Electrical Wind Power—St. Paul.
- 1937 Dorn, Catherine—Stillwater—Home.
- 1937 Peterson, Lloyd—Kinbrae—Farmer.
- 1937 Schroll, Russel—Slayton, Minnesota—R.E.A.
- 1938 Grobe, Ruth—Lake City—Home.
- 1938 Fitschen, Ervin—Red Wing—Home.
- 1938 Watson, Merlyn—Lake City—Home.

Marriage Takes Place

Theresa Boerboom of Ghent and Marcel Lauwagie of Green Valley were married at St. Eloi's Catholic Church in Ghent on Monday morning, November 7. They will live on a farm near Green Valley.

Rev. Langemo, pastor of the St. Anthony Lutheran Church, was present at the Sunday afternoon meeting on November 13 when the Lutheran Students Association was organized at the Gray Parlor in the Girls Dormitory. He introduced Mr. Knutson, a student in the Luther Theological seminary, who is to be the adviser to the association.

Green Hall Was Formally Dedicated, November 18

Naming of new buildings had the attention of the Board of Regents at their November 3 meeting when the biochemistry building was named Harry Schnyder Hall and the forestry building, Green Hall. Each was named for faculty members who were members of the experiment station staff.

Samuel B. Green was professor of horticulture from 1887 to 1910 and the first head of the department of forestry. Harry Schnyder was professor of agricultural chemistry and soils and biochemist in the experiment station, 1891-1909.

On November 18, Green Hall was formally dedicated. This four story building houses one of the best equipped forestry schools in the country.

Appearing on the dedicatory program held in the auditorium in Green Hall were President Guy Stanton Ford; Fred B. Snyder, vice-president of the Board of Regents; Professor H. H. Chapman '97, head of the division of forestry at Yale University; Dean W. C. Coffey of the Department of Agriculture; Dr. Clyde H. Bailey '05, vice director of the Experiment Station; Dean E. M. Freeman of the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics.

Chief Forester F. H. Silcox of the U. S. forest service at Washington, D.C.; Ellery Foster, state forester of the Minnesota conservation department; and I. N. Tate of the Weyerhaeuser interests also appeared on the program.

George Fragen Defends Germany And Her Policies

At the October 28 meeting of the International Relations Club, Mr. George Fragen defended Germany and her policies because the other great powers of Europe had not lived up to their agreements.

The March of Time pictures, "Inside Nazi Germany," was shown.

James House was elected treasurer to succeed Harold Poppe who resigned.

Other numbers on the program were a piano solo by Doris Downes and selections by the Little German Band.

No meeting of the club was held on November 11 because of the auditorium being used for the Rural Theatre Play.

Human Inheritance Discussed by Immer

Professor F. R. Immer of the agronomy division discussed human inheritance at the Oct. 27 Y.M.C.A. meeting and at the next meeting, Adolph E. Johnson of the Associated Press told the boys of what "goes on behind the news." That there is a school without classes successfully educating its students was the subject of Ernest Baughman's talk on November 10.

Irving Rohde and his smaller orchestra furnished the music for the dance at the Gym after the movie on Saturday evening, November 12.

Messrs and Mesdames Thor W. Gullickson and Loren Neubauer, Miss Doris Shannon and Mr. Lester Lerud acted as chaperones.

Aggies Close Season Of Cross Country Meets With Triangular Win

Victory over the Carleton College and Macalester squads marked the close of the cross country season. This last race was run on Wednesday afternoon, November 9, on the Macalester course. Dick Behrends led the field of 22 racers covering approximately 2.3 miles in 12:05.9. Other Ags who rated were Hulin, fourth; Absenmacher, fifth; Skoog, tenth; and S. Berg, eleventh. Others representing the school were Layton Johnson, Hill, and Hanson. The final scores were: Aggies, 31, first; Carleton, 44, second; and Macalester, 45, third.

In the dual meets with Crookston Aggies the local harriers won both races. On October 29, Crookston put 10 men in the field, against five St. Paul Aggies and lost the event with the score 20 to 35 against them. Behrends finished first in this race as he did on November 4, here, in the return event when the final score was 24 to 31 in favor of the local boys.

The I-M Cross Country Meet on November 4 was open only to students not on the Varsity squad. Each class, Senior, Junior, and Freshman, had to put at least five contestants into the meet in order to compete for the championship, the first five runners to finish from each class to count in team totals. The Seniors finished first with 28 points; Juniors, second, 35 points; and Freshmen third, 35 points. Barney Hamilton finished first and Everette Jacobson, second.

In a total of seven events during the season, the Aggie harriers won first place in four. They hung up wins in two triangular meets and two dual meets. They lost two dual meets and placed third in a five team meet.

Leading with three straight wins, the Juniors placed first in the intramural touch football tournament played early in the month. The Intermediates and Seniors met on Wednesday, November 16, to determine second place.

Coach Ryman has lined up six games on his pre-Christmas basketball schedule, as follows:

- Nov. 29 Augsburg Frosh, here 8:00 p.m.
- Dec. 2 Bethel College, there 7:45 p.m.
- Dec. 3 Minn. Bible University, here 3:00 p.m.
- Dec. 10 Macalester Frosh, here
- Dec. 14 Concordia College, there 7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 19 Boys Vocational High, here 8:00 p.m.

Games on December 2, December 14, and December 19 will be double-headers.

George Gustafson, formerly a member of the University basketball team and now a graduate student in physical education, is assistant basketball coach.

On Thursday evening, December 1, is scheduled the wrestling meet, here, with the University Freshmen. Other fall term meets on the program are on December 8, opponents to be selected; and December 15, St. Paul Y.M.C.A. here at 8 p.m.

Other wrestling opponents during the winter term will be Carleton College, here and there; St. Paul Y.M.C.A. there; Minneapolis Y.M.C.A. there; and Boys Vocational School, there.

Robert Cutler has advanced to the semifinals in intramural handball with two wins; Skrove and Don Hill are

Literaries Bid for Good Attendance at Assembly

Owls, Gophers, Ski-U-Mahs, and S.A.U.M.'s bid for good membership and good attendance at assembly each Saturday noon. Each offers some tempting feature, tempting enough to lure members from other literaries, so competition between literaries is always lively.

Certain features are unique to one literary program and are not shared by other literaries. Such features are the following:

At one meeting of the *Owls*, Archie Mosman, Gina Eastvold, Marie Appledoorn supported the affirmative against Harold Poppe, Cathryn Dose, Elna Radke, and James Spidahl in the debate, "Resolved, that men should help with the housework." The affirmative side had the best of the argument.

Presley Caughey led his team to victory in a spelling bee at the November 12 meeting.

On October 22, the *Gophers* staged a scavenger hunt. Wierd were the wonders each team collected. Ernest Baugham told the Gophers how much he appreciated being elected their adviser at the November 5 meeting.

The *Ski-U-Mahs* have been entertained by La Mora Belle Manners' tap dancing, Benny Madsen's reading, "Legs," as well as take-offs on various numbers.

Ralph Miller entertained the S.A.U.M. Literary with magical tricks. The Little German Band and the mens quartette furnished various musical numbers.

Numbers that have appeared on programs of more than one Literary are violin solos by Albert Maas; accordion music, Walter Danckwart; vocal solos by Jeanette Johansen and Ruth Bloom; piano solos by Doris Downes; and song-and-guitar by Kenneth Skarlen.

Several of the Literaries are planning to give assembly programs, this quarter.

Tournament Comes Here

The National Archery Tournament is to be staged at the Fair Grounds next July, and contestants and their families will be housed in the dormitories at University Farm.

playing for the ping pong title; and, in the horseshoe tournament, Anthony Imdieke, Lowell Neitzel, Ernest Sitko, and Willard Ramstad are in the semi-finals.

Football field day was Harold Cordes day. He placed first in three events: drop kick, kick off for distance, and punt for distance. Frank Anderson, Lawrence Mickow, and Don Hill locked in a three-way tie in the pass for accuracy, and Willard Ramstad placed first in pass-for-distance event.

Dr. Walter Judd Says That Present Sino-Japanese War Is between Military Machine and People

A radio program over WCCO took Supt. J. O. Christianson away from assembly on Oct. 26 and Miss Hognason substituted for him.

"All students in the School of Agriculture are candidates for the gold letter A," said Miss Hognason. "To win it a student must have at least a B average, a high citizenship rating, and score high in the student activities in which he takes part," she added.

The Little German Band, composed of Gerald McKay, Lawrence Randall, Edmund Gensmer, and Albert Maas played, "Ny Fiskar Waltz" and "Hail-lee Hai-lo."

Harry Burtis of the central office of the WPA office at St. Paul was introduced as a former Rhetoric faculty member. "The mind is like the stomach. It is not how much you put into it but how much it digests," he said. "Today, students must keep eyes and ears open to opportunity round about them for those who specialize in their own fields are most certain to succeed," was his conclusion, "for if Kansas alone were yielding at her best, she alone could produce all the corn, oats, barley, rye, wheat, and cotton that the United States could consume."

October 28. The School of Agriculture quartet, Lawrence Randall, Arlin Anderson, Ennis Wood, and Maurice Annexstad, sang "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes" and "There's Music in the Air."

"China is possibly the oldest country in the world, yet it is now regarded as a dark hole in the Universe," was a statement made by Major N. W. Speece who taught military drill from 1921 to 1924 at the School of Agriculture. He has been stationed in the Philippines and in China. The Major said, "In China there are 10% of the people who are extremely rich and the other 90% are no better than beasts of burden."

October 29. News reel today. The first one concerned itself with the actions of Germany and Japan. We also had a glimpse of the New York Yankees going to town.

We saw the Southern people wear out the land when they planted cotton crops each year. Peanuts were considered as merely a good hog feed, but Dr. George W. Carver worked with the peanut until he fertilized the land so that every other year a cotton crop can again be grown. This newsreel was "The Story of George Washington Carver."

November 1. Jeanette Johansen, president of the Minnesota 4-H Club, sang "Bird Song at Eventide," with Miss Elizabeth Smith at the piano.

"Uncle Bob," as Mr. Christianson explained, has sung and talked of Negro Life and religious experiences

in the South over WCCO. Last year, Uncle Bob has been in the Hawaiian Islands working and there he hopes to return in the future permanently.

R. E. Belton, commonly known as "Uncle Bob," sang, "I Want to be Ready," "Exhortation," "The Gospel Train," and "My Soul is a Witness for My Lord." He also read "Be What You Is," "O Boy," and "Little Brown Baby."

November 2. Dean Walster of the North Dakota Agricultural College at Fargo stated that, "Alaska may be known for its gold mines but over 75% of the wealth of Alaska is in tin cans, in the form of salmon." In Alaska fish culture is the basic industry.

November 4. Superintendent J. O. Christianson took us on a trip through Boys' Town in Omaha which he visited on a recent trip.

November 5. Sea Biscuit and War Admiral did their stuff for us via the newsreel.

November 8. Election day gave us all a holiday.

November 9. "The power that this world worships contains the seeds that will be its own destruction," "There can be no justice in this world until we give to others justice of the same type as we want," "We must grow up and look at affairs in the world with open and doubting eyes," were key thoughts in Rev. Robert Beals' talk on "The Adult Discount." Mr. Beals is pastor of the Peoples' Church in St. Paul.

Supt. Christianson read the names of the School of Agriculture students who lost their lives in the Great War as the audience stood. Then followed "Taps" played by Mr. David Boland.

November 11. Armistice Day, and another holiday.

November 12. Football via the movietone was so real we might have been in a stadium. Afterwards, we were whisked to "The Isle of Pleasure," Cuba, where Havana courts those who have money to spend and time to play.

November 15. Myra Sutherland sang "My Heart is a Haven."

"The war in China is not a war between armies but between the Japanese military machine and the Chinese people," said Dr. Walter Judd, who has just returned from there where he has been director of a large medical mission.

He said that because the family was the core of Chinese civilization, women and children were being mutilated to demoralize the spirit of the Chinese. That the Japanese had destroyed all high schools and universities in Manchuria because the Chinese venerate learning. They are doing the same in the provinces they are now invading. Most of Japan's ammunition comes from the United States. To stop the horrible war she is waging to exterminate China, every American citizen should write to his congressman to stop the sale of ammunition to Japan, was Dr. Judd's conclusion.

Borg Elected President

Esther Borg was elected president of the Literary Union on November 15 when Miss Oerting of the Rhetoric department assisted with the organization.

Dick Behrends was elected vice president; Opal Tjaden, secretary; and Angeline Kerber, treasurer.

University Farm Radio Broadcasts

"UNIVERSITY FARM REPORTER"—WCCO—810 kc.

Tuesday - Thursday

6:15 to 6:30 a.m.

"SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE"—WLB—760 kc.

Monday - Friday (Beginning Monday—December 5)

7:15 to 7:30 a.m.

"UNIVERSITY FARM HOUR"—WLB—760 kc.

Monday - Wednesday - Friday

12:30 to 1:00 p.m.

Many Aggies Exhibit At Junior Livestock Show

The Junior Livestock Show at South St. Paul, October 31 to November 3, attracted Aggie exhibitors from among both present and past students.

Among those showing in the several events were: *Baby beef division*, Richard Minion, Emil Kajer, Alex Miller, Walter Danckwart, Arnold Wood, all in the Aberdeen Angus Junior Yearling class. Woodrow Wilson in the Hereford Junior Yearling class. Garvin Slinden and Hugh Vermilyea in the Aberdeen Angush calf class. Oren Manzow, in the Short-horn calf class.

Sheep division. Archie Mosman, late Shropshire class. Joe Sharkey, Trio of Fat Lambs.

Poultry. Donald Sandager, Fat Young Turkeys.

Among the prize winners at the show were: Walter Danckwart, placing fourth in the Aberdeen Angus Junior yearling class and fourteenth against all other classes; Hugh Vermilyea, placing fourth in the Aberdeen Angus Senior calf class and twenty-second against all other classes; Oren Manzow, placing third in the Shorthorn Senior calf class and twenty-fourth against all other classes.

Did They Eat Beans?

Supt. J. O. Christianson was toastmaster at the annual Bean feed for School and College men held on Wednesday evening, November 16, in the Dining Hall.

Ray C. Cunningham, Y.M.C.A. secretary at Iowa State College at Ames, was the chief speaker and also basso profundo in the men's quartet that harmonized some favorite songs.

Ralph Nichols gave a reading and C. S. Lamb, area secretary of the Y.M.C.A. did the song leader act to the taste of everyone.

Mr. David Boland's offering was a cornet solo and the School of Agriculture German Band toodledeoed to fast tempo.

Faculty and students sat down to eat beans and beans and beans!

And they all want to do it again, next year.

Play Is Huge Success

"The Late Christopher Bean," staged by the Rural Theater Players and directed by Glen Jordan, dramatic coach, presented a new high in stage craft in the School of Agriculture.

Margaret Cooper as Abby and Kenneth Skarien as Dr. Haggett took the principal parts with great credit to themselves.

They shared with other characters in the play complete detachment from their audience and uniform attention to the movement of the drama they were portraying. Because parts were so well memorized, the audience was not distracted from the action going on before it, and every bit of humor and drama got across the boards.

The stage crew shared in the success of the play. Overhead lights had been completely rearranged for more effective lighting. The stage setting was room size, intimate, and correct.

In the large audience that enjoyed the play were faculty members of the department of play production from the University. Though present as critics, much of their criticism was in praise of the production.

Degeneracy in Cities Can Best Be Measured By Inadequate Housing

"How some other Americans live" was what Mr. Lloyd H. Rising, pastor of the St. Anthony Park Methodist Church chose to speak about at the October 30 Song Service. He based his observations on what he had seen this summer when visiting New York City. "Degeneracy can be measured in most cities by the housing that the poor people get, and tenement houses are the breeding places for crime," said Mr. Rising. The new government housing projects are already raising the standards of the people that live in them. And "if the Government would give $\frac{3}{4}$ of the money used for armaments now the poor would be adequately housed, this year," concluded Mr. Gilmore.

Margaret Berg sang a solo as a prayer response. Doris Feldheim was the student leader.

Eldon Jones, student leader, introduced Dr. Andrew Boss as the speaker at the November 6 service and his subject, "Borrowed Tools." While criticizing habits of borrowing tools and not returning them, of borrowing ideas and giving no one credit for them, he encouraged his hearers to borrow ideas and better them.

Sticking to a job brings success and is good discipline for any one was Rev. Arthur H. Gilmore's theme when he spoke at the November 13 service. Kenneth Skarien conducted the service and introduced Mr. Gilmore, who is pastor of the St. Anthony Park Congregational Church. The mens quartet sang, "America, the Beautiful."

Initiation Ceremony Held

Initiation of new members into the Y.W.C.A. in a candle lighting ceremony was conducted at the November 3 meeting held in the Grey Parlor of the Girls Dormitory.

Esther Borg sang the opening song and all joined in singing. "Follow the Gleam" after the initiation service. Doris Downes accompanied on the piano.

Miss Zimmer led the discussion on "personality" at the November 10 meeting.

Scavenger Hunt Featured

A scavenger hunt featured the Junior class family party held at the Farm Campus Men's Union on Monday evening, November 10. Caramelized apples rewarded the winning group.

Lydia Rossbach entertained with song and guitar and Erma Wickelman with a piano solo.

Table games were played and the serving of refreshments concluded the party.

Agrarian Theme Chosen

Celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the School of Agriculture will be the theme of the Agrarian of 1939.

Marie Appeldorn is chief editor and Miss Laura Matson is faculty advisor for what will be her thirteenth Agrarian.

Already sections of the new book are planned and pictures are being taken. The offset process will be used for printing pictures instead of engraving.

Christianson Addresses Message to All Aggies

This is the Thanksgiving season. In this time of confusion and uncertainty throughout the entire world I hope that we may think for a moment of the many things for which we may be thankful here in our own land.



Says He—

To you students—I hope that you may reflect on the opportunity you have in attending school and in having made available for you the many possibilities of improving yourself mentally and spiritually so as better to meet the years ahead. Be thankful that you are healthy; be thankful that you can hear the

music of the ages; that you may see the worthwhile and the beautiful. But do not become too dependent upon others always to show you the way. You will become strong as you become able to follow the course yourself, for you shall be the Master of your destiny—you alone, in the final analysis, will determine your happiness or your sorrow, your success or your failure and as you follow the right way and as you make the greatest use of your opportunities you will find more and more people along the road with a friendly hand, not only willing but eager to help you in your upward climb. *Everybody likes to help a winner.*

And again a word to you loyal alumni of this School. I have been pleased to get many letters following the last issue of the School News. Some of you have written in indicating that you have not received the questionnaire and we have instructed the WPA office on this campus to send them out to those who have written in. If there are any others who have not received questionnaires, I wish you would write in and let us know. I received an interesting letter from Mr. Merton L. Matterson of the class of 1891 who now lives at Kirkland, Washington, Route 1. Mr. Matterson says: "The News reached me today and how I have searched that picture for familiar features and I have found them, too, even if the white hair predominates. So sorry that I could not have been there at the time of that class reunion." I hope that all of you alumni will feel free to write in to us and express your wishes as to what you would like to have presented in this School News. My hope is that this may become truly a great "round-robin letter" wherein all of the 4,000 members of the alumni association may find a common medium of interest and communication. Let us hear a word from you.

We are planning to start a radio program over WLB Radio Station—760 on the dial—on Monday, December 5 at 7:15 in the morning. We hope to broadcast regularly Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. However, to begin with, we shall broadcast only Mondays and Fridays at 7:15 in the morning. Send letters to us—give us interesting news and we shall include that wherever possible in our morning broadcast. Have you got a good name for this broadcast? This program is going to be a fifteen minute period of human relationships, philosophy, literature, music—all woven together with a spirit of mediation and devotion as we begin the day. Old folk songs and hymns will be the

Important Rural Event On Campus Is Annual Farm and Home Week

Farm and Home Week, Minnesota's outstanding annual rural event, will be held at University Farm, St. Paul, January 16-20, announces L. A. Churchill, chairman of the committee on general arrangements. At the time the University Department of Agriculture will be host to hundreds of farm men and women who will take advantage of the thirty-ninth annual short course.

Mr. Churchill, in discussing plans for the Week, says, "As in other years, we will offer a 5-day program combining instruction in agriculture and home subjects with recreational events. It will be the best school and vacation we have ever offered Minnesota farmers and homemakers, and we are making plans to entertain even a greater number of rural folk than last year when all previous attendance records were broken."

The entertainment will begin Monday night of Short Course week with a choice of attending the big get-together or a special program put on by University students, and each evening other exceptionally fine recreational features will be offered.

County attendance committees are helping to arrange trips to University Farm so that as many rural folk as possible may enjoy a week of vacation along with instruction on the latest and best methods of farming and homemaking. The short course will be entirely free and everyone is invited. Those wishing additional information should consult their county Farm and Home Week attendance committees, or write to L. A. Churchill, University Farm, St. Paul.

Drives Rubber Nails With Mercury Hammer

Making scientific facts about liquid air seem as simple as A B C is Elliot James' vocation. For two years, he demonstrated them at the Hall of Science at the Century of Progress World's Fair at Chicago.

On Sunday evening, October 30, he amused and astonished his audience at the Auditorium with unusual experiments.

After telling his hearers that liquid air is stored at a temperature of -312° F. or -192° C., and freezing mercury into a hammer hard enough to drive frozen rubber nails into wood, he took a glassful of liquid air into his mouth and blew it out again without freezing himself.

Mr. James demonstrated the effect of low temperature on molecules by ringing a leaden bell frozen in liquid air. It rang as clear as one of steel.

Rural Theatre Players will present Mystery Play on December 16 and 17.

featured music. We want to make this a program wherein all farm people may join together at the beginning of each day, figuratively grasping hands in a greater sense of cooperation in meeting the problems of today—and so, until we meet again through this News or until we join together on the radio program—Good Luck—and God be with you!