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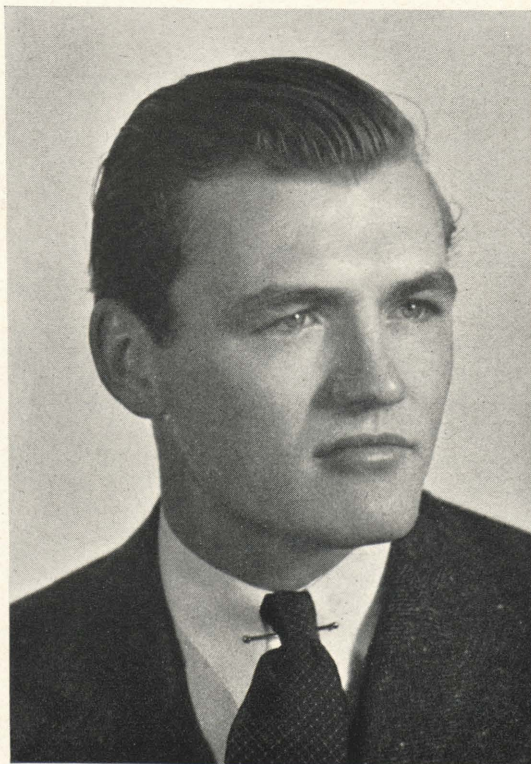
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DEDICATION

In the death of William Munz (affectionately "Bill" to his classmates) not only the college but the world in which he would have lived have suffered a great loss. He had much to give to his world. His High School classmates say of him that he was a conscientious student, ambitious always to do better work; a true sportsman and a loyal friend. Here at Normal College, as treasurer of the Sophomore class, president of the Phi Epsilon Kappa, member of the staff of *The Awakener*, and editor of *The Gymnast*, he revealed in addition to these characteristics a willingness to accept responsibility and a joyous energy in fulfilling it. He showed devotion to the task in hand, power of efficient organization of his work, and a determination to make that work better than what had been done before, not in a spirit of rivalry but as a sound principle of life, that all new effort should be an improvement on what has gone before.

Life has no more to offer to any man. Someone may ask, "What of the gifts of genius?" But such men as our young friend make the world in which the genius works. They create the social order, the life, which the genius interprets. Without them the genius would have no vision.

Walt Whitman exclaims, "I know I am immortal." There are those who have felt this to be merely an arrogant shout to a world of skeptical critics. But today, in the light of the passing of one who had such splendid possibilities of usefulness to the world, it seems rather the triumphant pronouncement of one who knew the meaning of life. The "good grey poet" would certainly assure us that the joyous spirit of service, the fine intelligence and energy of William Munz, which had made only a beginning of their activity here, will find elsewhere the fulfillment of their promise.





THE RINGMASTER

The Normal College of the American Gymnastic Union has been for many years now, under the dependable leadership of its President, Dr. Carl B. Sputh, who spends as much of his time as possible tending to college business, and aiding the students in any way he can be of assistance. Not only does he act as an advisor to the students but he gives them any medical advice and attention possible for him to give. Through his unselfishness we have come to know Dr. Sputh and value him as our President. He is an example of the type of individual we all would like to be.

We sincerely hope that Dr. Sputh will continue to render his faithful service to our College and remain as the President of the Normal College for many years to come.

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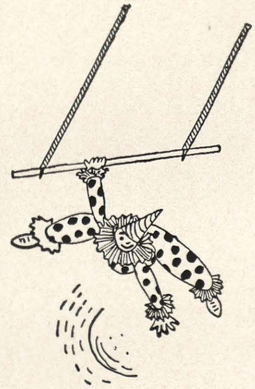
MRS. HESTER—

Perhaps the most difficult problem that has ever confronted our parents, is to raise each one of us, so that we will be a credit to them and society at large.

Each year Mrs. Hester takes over this great responsibility of many, many parents. Her guidance and advice helps all Normalites over the rough spots encountered in every college career, and her ability as an instructor, is an incentive to all who have the opportunity to come in contact with her.

MR. SCHREIBER—

Not so many years ago, a young gentleman was graduated from Normal College, with highest honors. Today he is back at Normal, instilling his high ideals into the present Normal college students. To the members of the basketball team, he is "Coach," who has taught them many of the finer points of the game. To the student body in general he is Mr. Schreiber, a good sport and an inspiration.



MR. RINSCH—

There is a man among us here at Normal who has seen many classes come and go. Mr. Rinsch has been a friend to each and every student, in each and every class. He is so diversified as to have successfully taught nineteen different courses in the educational field since he began his life here at Normal. His outside reading and probing deeper and deeper into the psychology of the human race, has enabled him to give his students a greater knowledge of human nature and its needs.





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CLASS OFFICERS

Juniors

In September nineteen-hundred and thirty-six our class, the graduates of this year, entered Normal as a group of unskilled young people just out of high school. As we assembled for our first class at Normal we were a number of individuals, each thinking himself to be alone in the world. Since that time we have gone through, joys, sorrows, work, and play, as a unit.

Now that the end of the last school year has been reached it is difficult to say goodbye to the brothers and sisters of the "Normal Family."

Before departing, we wish to sincerely thank the members of the faculty for their patience and willingness to help and advise us at all times.

Sophomores

After a very trying but successful freshmen year, a class 35 strong, returned to school with renewed vigor to take over their duties as sophomores. As is the custom, one of the first projects was the editorship of the "Awakener." Under our leadership the "Awakener" took on a different appearance. More pages were added, plus several new items and editorials of interest to the entire student body.

Both boys and girls of our class showed excellent cooperative spirit in the intramural contests. Their enthusiasm was rewarded with several victories.

The sophomore class is looking forward to their last year at camp and a successful junior year.

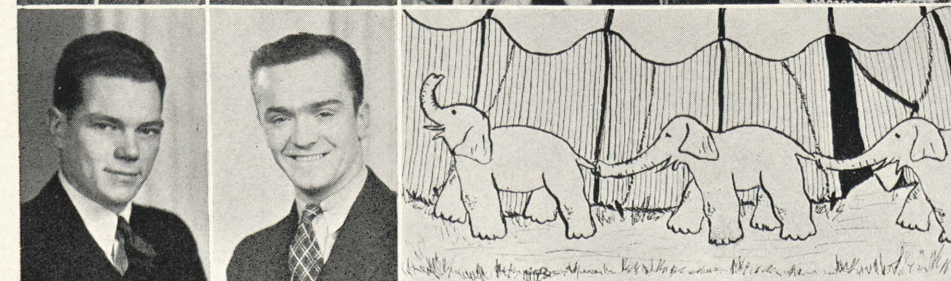
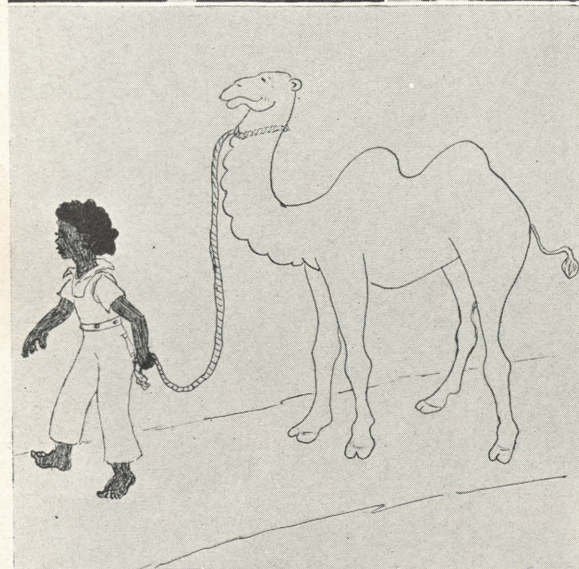
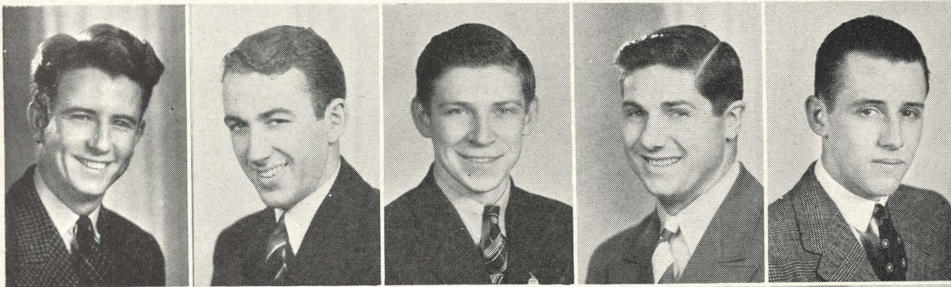
Freshmen

The freshmen class of "41," consisting of thirty-seven members, participated in the Frosh Welcome Dance. Our first venture as a class was the "Corrigan Hop" in February. This affair was arranged by the Entertainment Committee under the capable leadership of its chairman, Don Heintz. Most of the students and many guests were present, which helped to make the dance a big success.

Our class entered strong teams in the intramural contests. Although we didn't come out on top, we gave the others plenty of competition. We promise much more opposition next year since we have a year's experience behind us.

Sign Here

Wm H. Young



EDWARD ATKINSON

Atlas

ΦΕΚ

Sergeant-at-Arms '37, '38; Jr. Class Pres. '39; Gymnast '39; Gym '37, '38, '39; Boxing '37, '38; Baseball '37, '38.

ROBERT BINKLEY

Bink

Baseball '37, '38, '39; Basketball '38, '39.

FRANK BOWKER

Bowk

ΦΕΚ

Chairman Entertainment Committee '38; Vice Pres. '39; Basketball '38, '39; Baseball '37, '38.

VIOLETTE CAPPELLO

Vi

ΦΔΠ

DONALD CHESTNEY

Chess

ΦΕΚ

Baseball '37, '38; Basketball '39, '39.

JACK W. BROGAN

Brogue

Freshman Pres. '37; Awakener '37, '38; Gym Team '37, '38, '39.

JAMES BUTLER

Butts

ΦΕΚ

Sec'y of Fr. Class '37; Awakener '38; Gymnast, Chief Typist '39; Basketball '39; Baseball '37, '38.

BETTY K. GASSER

Gassie

ΦΔΠ

Pres. '39; Treas. '38; Soph. Class Sec'y '38; Jr. Class Vice Pres. '39; Gymnast Staff '39; Co-Editor of Awakener '38; Sec'y of Pan Hellenic Council '39.

CHESTER KLOESZ

Herbie

ΦΕΚ

Treas. '39; Jr. Class Treas. '39; Student Council Treas. '38, '39; Business Mgr. Gymnast '39; Awakener '38; Boxing '37; Baseball '37.

JOSEPH GOLDENBERG

Gimpy

ΦΕΚ

Student Council, Social Committee '38, '39; Gymnast Staff '38; Gym Team '37, '38, '39; Manager of the team '39.

GEORGE KUHN

Wellington

ΦΕΚ

Historian Editor '39; Intramural Leader '39; Awakener '38; Basketball '37, '38; Baseball '37, '38.

ELIZABETH GUTERMUTH

Gutie

ΦΔΠ

Treas. '39; Vice Pres. of Soph. Class '37, '38; Awakener '37, '38.

MARY McCracken

Mac

ΔΨΚ

Chairman of Ways and Means '39.

WILLIAM MUNZ

Billikens

ΦΕΚ

Pres. '39; Soph. Class Treas. '38; Fr. Sergeant-at-Arms '38; Editor-in-Chief of Gymnast '39; Awakener '38.

MILDRED B. MUENCH

Millie

ΔΨΚ

Pres. '39; Pan Hellenic Council '39; Student Council '37; Gymnast '38; Sports Editor '39; Intramural leader '37, '38, '39; Civic Comm. '38, '39; Athletic Board '37, '38, '39.

HUNTLEY RILEY

Lemon

ΦΕΚ

Chairman of Social Committee '39; Jr. Class Sec'y '39; Soph. Class Sergeant-at-Arms '38.

LUCILLE SIELSKI

Pooch

HARRY WARNKEN

Harry

ΦΕΚ

Guide '37, '38; Sec'y. '39; Soph. Class Pres. '38; Awakener Co-Editor '38; Intramural Leader '37, '39; Basketball '38.

RALPH SIGEL

Toby

ΦΕΚ

LORRAINE SMITH

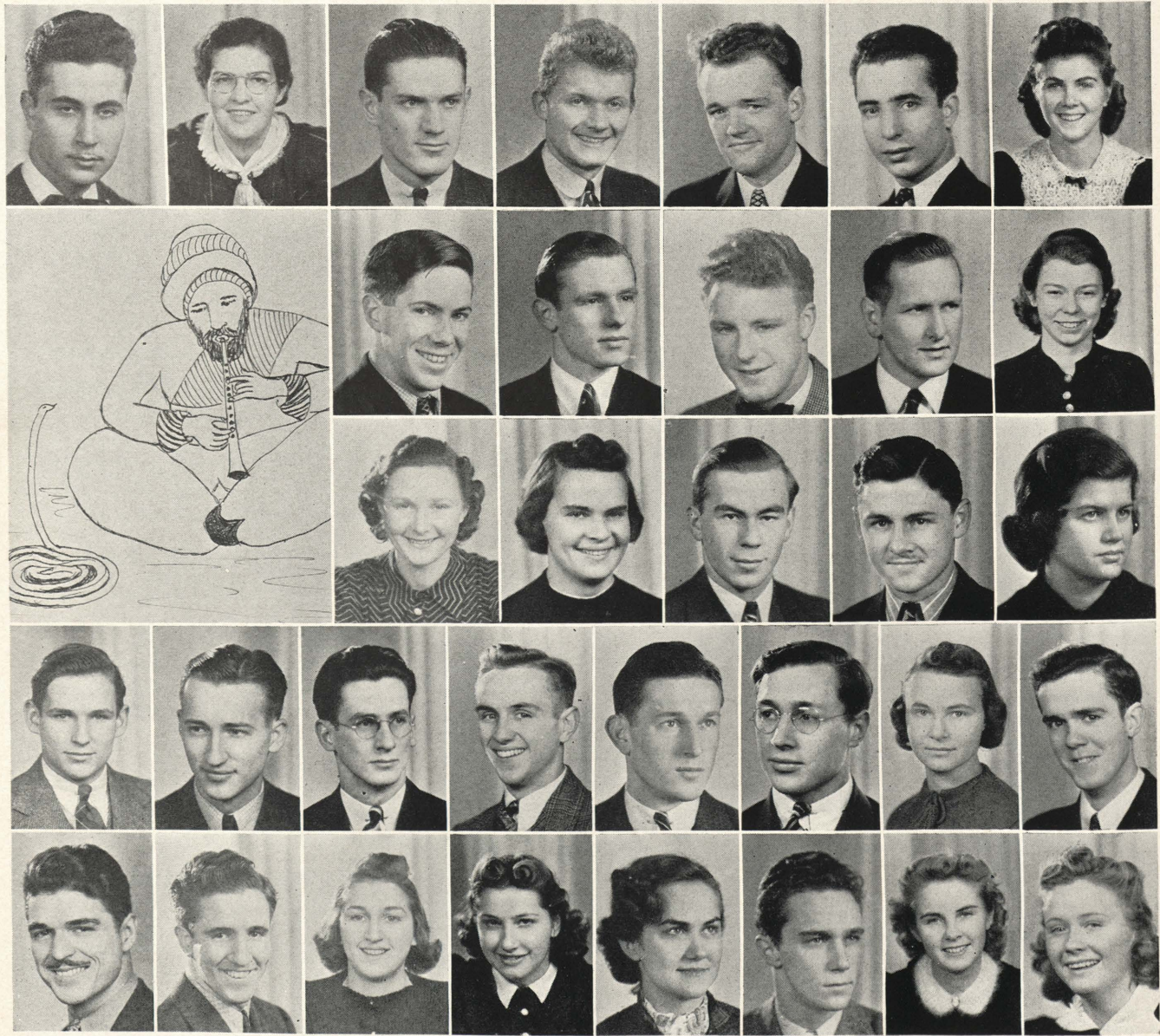
Lee

ΔΨΚ

Vice Pres. '39; Fr. Class Treas. '37; Student Council '37; Chairman Civic Committee '38; Sec'y '38; Chairman Student Council '39; Gymnast '38, '39; Awakener '38.

STANLEY WISNIEWSKI

Stahoo



AUGUST ANANIA
Gus
ΦEK

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Gumbo

JACK CHRISTMAN
Chris

ROBERT DUERR
Poucho
ΦEK

JOSEPH CIESIELSKI
Joe
ΦEK

CLARENCE EDMONDS
Jelly Belly
ΦEK

THOMAS COLLETTA
Bomber
ΦEK

RICHARD FRAZER
Fanny
ΦEK

DORIS DIESTEL
Dodo
ΔΨK

ALLAN JOHNSON
Doc
ΦEK

EDITH KERN
Eddie
ΦΔΠ

EDNA JUDSON
Ed
ΔΨK

GLADYS LANG
Gladie
ΔΨK

NELSON LEHSTEN
Punchy
ΦEK

EDWARD LEIBINGER
Slug
ΦEK

VICTOR MIKITY
Vic
ΦEK

RUTH MacGUIRE
Mac
ΦΔΠ

EMIL MIKLAS
Slim
ΦEK

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Groundie

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WARREN STEELE
Warren

CHARLES SUTTON
Sut

ROBERT WENDELN
Wimpy

BRUCE WHITAKER
Bruce

CLASS PROPHECY

ATKINSON—Manager of Light Heavy Weight Champion.

BINKLEY — Basketball Coach at the Altoona High School.

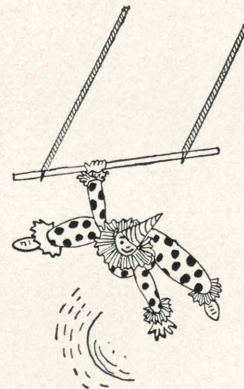
BOWKER—National Table Tennis Champion.

BROGAN—Assistant Professor of Education and History at N. C. A. G. U.

BUTLER—Manager of Detroit Tigers.

CHESTNEY — Professional Basketball Player with Kautsky's.

GASSER — Walter Winchell's right hand man.



GOLDENBERG—Coach of American Olympic Gym Team.

GUTERMUTH — Basketball Coach of the "Jeff Red Devils."

KLOESZ—President of Kingan's Packing Company.

KUHN—Humor Editor of the "Police Gazette."

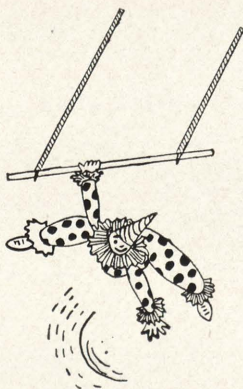
CLASS PROPHECY

McCRACKEN—House Wife.

MUENCH — Physiotherapist at the
Riley Hospital.

MUNZ—Acting Dean at Vassar.

SIELSKI—Editor of "100 Tried and
Tested Recipes."



RILEY—Football Coach at Notre Dame.

SIGEL — Fencing Instructor at West
Point.

SMITH—Prima Ballerina of the Joos
Ballet.

WARNKEN—Instructor at the Daven-
port Turnverein.

WISNIEWSKI — Professor of Anat-
omy at the John Hopkins Uni-
versity.

CAPPELLO — Owner of the Fifthe
Avenue Fashion Shoppe

MOULTON—Part Owner of a Miracle
Speed Car.

CLASS WILL

ATKINSON—His Strength to Colletta.

BINKLEY—His Booklet "Night Life" to Ciesielski.

BOWKER—His Basketball dead eye to Mikity.

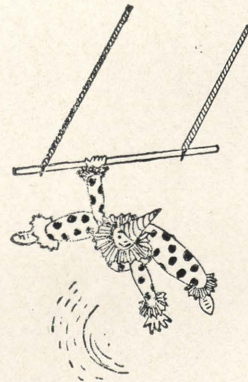
BROGAN—"Rear flyaway" to Overburg and Palmer.

BUTLER—His Book "School and Women" to Leibinger.

CAPPELLO—Her "quilling" to Kern.

CHESTNEY—His Curly locks to Jack Christman.

GASSER—Her book, "Break Up And Make Up" to Judson.



GUTERMUTH—Her Pout to Skerker.

KLOESZ—His endurance to Taperman.

KUHN—His Humor to Duerr.

MCCRACKEN—Her "outlines" of History to MacGuire.

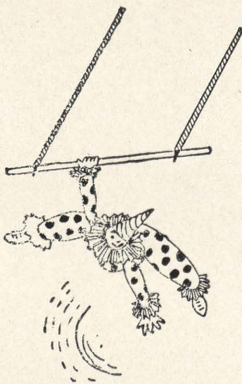
CLASS WILL

MUENCH — Her strength to Margie White.

MUNZ—His power of concentration to Baltz.

RILEY—His optimism to Johnson.

-SIELSKI—Her crawl stroke to Ruth Youll.



SIGEL—His physique to Walter Pauli.

SMITH—Her flexibility to Ruth Baecher.

WARNKEN—His Speed to Jelly Belly Edmonds.

WISNIEWSKI — His enthusiasm to "Gus" Anania.

MOULTON—Her slenderness to Gladie Lang.

GOLDENBERG—His "inverted Cross" to Miklas.

TO N. A. G. U. — Its ability to extract something from nothing.

To My Son

Do you know that your soul is of my soul, such a part
That you seem to be fiber and core of my heart?
None other can pain me as you, dear, can do,
None other can please me or praise me as you.

Remember, the world will be quick with its blame
If shadow or stain ever darkens your name—
“Like mother, like son,” is the saying so true,
The world will judge largely of “Mother” by you.

Be yours, then, the task, if task it shall be,
To force the proud world to do homage to me,
Be sure it will say when its verdict you’ve won.
She reaped as she sowed, Lo! this is her son.

From Mrs. Munz to her son, Bill.

The Turnerbund and The Maintenance Fund

In the course of a review of a recent book, the reviewer had occasion to mention Columbus, of whom he said he "was a stout heart with an idea." This description reminds one that notwithstanding all that has been said about America's lack of traditions, it is singularly rich in traditions of this spiritual nature.

Passing by the discoverers and explorers, we come to a long succession of groups of people, who are as truly described as "stout hearts with an idea" as Columbus. Remembering the first terrible winter of the Pilgrims, one cannot doubt their sturdiness of purpose; and the establishment of Harvard College only sixteen years after that disastrous winter testifies to their faith in their ideal that every man needs and is entitled to an education.

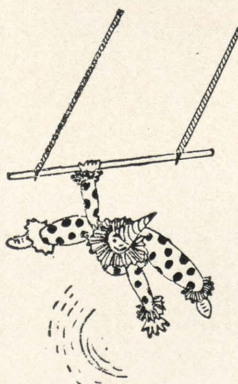
Such groups of people continued to come for more than two centuries. About the middle of the 19th century, that period of storm and stress in Europe, there came a group of Germans, who brought with them an idea that was to be of great significance to education in the United States—the idea of physical education.

Although burdened with the necessity of learning a new language, of adjusting themselves to a new social order, of finding opportunity to earn a living, these Germans immediately set about organizing little societies, not only for social intercourse, but also for the preservation of their ideal. Like the Puritans when they established Harvard College, like all people who have an absolute faith in a principle, the North American Gymnastic Union, as the society came to be known as early as 1851, not content with keeping their theory alive for their own benefit, opened in 1867 a school in which teachers were trained and sent out to teach in the schools of the land, thus making a gift not only of their sound idea of physical training but of teachers to impart it. Two things are notable about this school. When it was established, the Turnerbund and its idea were new, and the society did not resort to the method that is so common in these days, of calling out, "Good people, I have a fine idea; chip in and help pay for it." Instead, they went down into their own pockets, many of them no doubt, not bursting with opulence, and paid for their own school. The students of Normal College have cause for pride in this tradition of course and self-respect that is in the very foundation of their school.

The other interesting thing about the College is that it has never abandoned, even in a small way, its idea that the primary purpose of physical education is to develop a sound, strong body, that will enable its possessor to enjoy his physical life, and to do with greater efficiency and with pleasure to himself any intellectual or spiritual tasks that may be his. All other aspects of physical education are subordinate to this. There must have been times when the fledgling college was being moved from one city to another when more students and more money would have been welcome; but never for the sake of these has it wavered in its principle.

For good reasons the Turnerbund has elected to change the manner of support for the college and to establish a maintenance fund for that purpose. For the sake of physical education this ought to succeed. Professor Babbitt of Harvard has said, that the small college, adequately endowed, is the hope of any educational ideal. It is not tempted by a great student body and a huge endowment to spread itself over the whole universe of education; yet by reason of its security of income it can hold to what it believes to be the truth. The friends of the Normal College and the alumni, to whom the school has given an interesting means of livelihood, dear friendships, and an honorable professional standing, will surely respond to the call.

Since reading the book review, I have thought of our school often, not in terms of our plain housing and modest equipment, not even in terms of the splendid work that has been accomplished, but as an inspiring procession nearly seventy-five years long, of "stout hearts with an idea." It seems only a just reward for these valiant spirits that there should be a reasonable financial security for the school and its sane system of physical education which they founded and have supported.



SECOND RING ACTIVITIES



AL

Atkinson
Christmas

Student Council



Sitting—Chester Kloesz, Mr. Schreiber, Lorraine Smith, Mrs. Hester, Ruth Youll.

Standing—Dick Roberts, Edna Judson, Don Heintz, Evelyn Morgan, Joe Goldenberg.

Pan- Hellenic Council



Sitting—Betty Gasser, Bill Munz, Millie Muench.

Standing—Mr. Schreiber, Mrs. Hester.

Student Council

The various committees of the council have, for the past year, been competently handled by the chairman.

The social calendar included such memorable events as: the Freshmen Welcome Dance, the Homecoming Dance, and the Graduation Dance.

The Civic Committee handled the monitor system very effectively. This committee also assisted Mr. Rinsch in proctering all final examinations.

Mrs. Hester, faculty sponsor, entertained the council in her home on one occasion. It is needless to say that everyone had a good time.

Pan-Hellenic Council

Each of the Greek letter organizations at the Normal College is represented on the council by one of its members. Besides these representatives, two faculty members serve on the council.

During the past year the constitution was revised. Changes were made eliminating rushing entirely from the program of activities. The council feels that the changes made should reduce misunderstanding among the organizations to a minimum.

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The circus is a silly thing;
Full of clowns on mat and ring.
What better theme could our class give,
To enlighten one of how we live?

Our bosses are a funny lot,
They joke a bit, and "beef" a lot
But when we're mired in the sand,
They're there to lend a helping hand.

As we go laughing on our way,
In spite of troubles dark and gray,
We find as day is through and closed,
Things aren't as bad as we supposed.

When we disband at close of things,
To find what summer months will bring.
We're always anxious to return,
To the circus, to laugh or frown, and learn.

Jack Ovenburg.



JACK CHRISTMAN
Assistant Editor

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Delta Psi Kappa

The Psi Kaps at Normal, have enjoyed a most successful season. In a way, we have also helped the student body to enjoy itself, by sponsoring several successful bowling parties, and a most enjoyable skating party.

With the initiation of Ruth Baecher, and Marj. White and the pledging of Billy Hoffman, we feel that the Psi Kap future is brighter than ever.

To our alumnae, patrons and patronesses, we extend our profound gratitude for your encouragement and help throughout the year.

The Chapter at present is centering its efforts on the compiling of a new song book. Each sister chapter is to submit its two best songs and these will be grouped together and printed.

With another school year almost completed, Delta Psi Kappa closes her books with satisfaction, confident of a successful future.

Phi Epsilon Kappa

The activities of the Alpha Chapter of Phi Epsilon Kappa fraternity throughout the year were many and varied. A year of interesting and absorbing work comprised our program calendar, but also a year in which we suffered a tragic loss; that of our former president William Munz. So high was his place among us, so great his contributions to our cause, that we have planned an annual presentation of a Wm. H. Munz Memorial Award to the graduating Junior, who in the estimation of the faculty, has shown the highest all-around academic and extra-curricular achievement while at the Normal College.

An election for new officers was held Feb. 19. The following Sophomores were elected to office: Richard Frazer, president; Joe Ciesielski, vice-president; Nelson Lehsten, secretary, and Edward Leibinger, treasurer. They were initiated into their new duties by the pledging of ten new potential members: Donald Chestney and Ralph Sigel, Juniors; August Anania, Carroll Gould, Sophomores; Paul Romeo, Nick Collis, Bertram Chalmer, Carl Lakosky, Walter Mikolajek, and Thomas Marshall, Freshmen.

The Homecoming tri-fraternity dance, an exceptionally well participated in and enthusiastic intramural program, and other relative business rounded out a successful year of activity.

The Founder's Day Banquet was held April 22. There was a large turn out, and an enjoyable evening was had by all. This year's banquet was even a greater success than last years.



ΔΨΚ

Sitting—Edna Judson, Lorraine Smith, Millie Muench, Gladys Lang.
Standing—Marjorie White, Elaine Polcsek, Ruth Baecher, Ruth Youll, Peggy Van Pelt, Betty Hoffman, Mary McCracken, Doris Diestel.



ΦΕΚ

Sitting—George Kuhn, Edward Atkinson, Frank Bowker, Bill Munz, Harry Warnken, Chester Kloesz, Joe Goldenberg, Jim Butler.
Standing (middle)—Allan Johnson, Robert Duerr, Dick Roberts, Jack Ovenburg, Joe Ciesielski, Huntley Riley, Victor Mikity, Dick Frazer.
Standing (last)—Tom Colletta, Jim Regenfuss, Nelson Lehsten, Emil Miklas, Robert Ploetz, Edward Leibinger, Clarence Edmonds.

ΦΔΠ



Sitting—Edith Kern, Betty Gasser, Martha Washburn, Elizabeth Gutermuth.
Standing—Margaret Daigger, Violette Cappello, Ruth MacGuire, Dorothy Moulton, Frances Raaflaub, Betty Dressel.

The Alpha Chapter of Phi Delta Pi has taken great strides during the course of the school year. Two of its former pledges, Elizabeth Gutermuth and Martha Washburn, were initiated and are now enjoying the privileges of active members. After working diligently on Rush Books for the girls eligible to join an organization, our efforts were well rewarded when four girls accepted our bid. Our new pledges this year are: Margaret Daigger, Betty Dressel, Dorothy Moulton, and Frances Raaflaub. We know these girls will continue to help Alpha grow.

The program for the year included a swimming party and theater party for the entire school. Then too, there were numerous nights of fun for members only. These parties were arranged to stimulate the "Phi Delt Spirit" of Alpha.



Press Club

Sitting—Ruth Youll, Gladys Lang, Jack Christman, Edna Judson, Ruth Baecher, Marjorie White.

Standing (middle)—Chester Kloesz, Robert Duerr, Joseph Ciesielski, Thomas Colletta, Edward Leibinger.

Standing (last)—Paul Chappelle, James Regenfuss, Nelson Lehsten, William Baltz, Jack Ovenburg, George Kuhn, Walter Pauli.

At the end of our Freshmen days, a few of the present Sophomores thought it would be an advantage to Normal if some sort of society were formed to further school publications.

During the fall semester when money was appropriated for the student paper, an embryo, The Press Club, was formed. Ruth Youll, as chairman of the Publications Committee, selected the staff of the Awakener.

Jack Christman was chosen as the Editor-in-Chief.

Press Club meetings were held regularly and plans were made for each separate edition of the paper. Cooperation of the staff members was so great that additional pages had to be added to satisfy the student interests.

Whoever edits the Awakener next year, we hope will have as much pleasure out of it as we have had.



CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 7—School begins for Class of '39— Could it be that the Juniors are that thick that they need a month extra to get in shape? Anyhow Mr. Rinsch sure made them toe the mark and saw to it that they had plenty to keep them busy.
- 10—Open House at Athenaeum—The mighty Juniors did their best to help Mr. Martin display the type of work done at the Turners Gym Classes. Of course they all enjoyed the refreshments and typical German music in the Athenaeum eater in the evening. It wouldn't be Normal College without a favorite German song.
- 11—Junior Picnic at Riverside—Oh, yes, the class did take time out from studying once in a while to have a little fun. Leaving the baseball bat in the bus; eating

lunch among the mosquitoes; and walking all over Riverside Park looking for the other half of the class; all comes under the heading of fun—Could be!

- 30—School Officially Opens—What a sight! The Frosh timidly (?) walking around the massive halls and Campus of Normal College and the upperclassmen, very matter-of-fact explaining the advantages of a small school. Its hard to say who is more curious—the Frosh about the school or the upperclassmen about the Frosh.

OCTOBER

- 3—Classes Officially Begin—No time is wasted in getting things started. It's these first classes that make it easier to go up and down the stairs backward—Oh—how those poor muscles ache!!
- 9—Picnic at Kernell's Lake — After Joe Goldenberg finally straightened out the little matter of the

busses we went merrily on our way. Although it was fun playing all the games, going for walks, and dancing to Rosalie's playing, the best time of all was joining the long line for f-o-o-d! Of course some went thru the line three, four or even five times; but then the appetites at Normal College never were small.

14—Psi Kap Bowling Party—These Normalites sure roll a mean bowling ball—And what follow-thru! Sometimes they follow-thru half way down the alley. The main attraction of the evening was the excellent service rendered by the very capable pin-girls.

22—Freshmen Welcome Dance — At last we get a chance to see this budding freshmen class in action. The team of Ricigliano and Steele caused as much of a sensation as Diestel and Weissmueller did the year before. Oh, well, just one big happy family of Jitterbugs!

28—Phi Delta Splash Party — When we say splash that's what we mean! Imagine all the Normal College huskies splashing at the same time—the pool all but overflowed. Key-rash! "Why didn't some one tell me the board wasn't up!?"

31—Halloween—The Goblin's 'll get you if you don't watch out! There were more than Goblins down at the Circle for their annual celebrating. Of course, the Frosh entertained with their nursery songs and the upperclassmen did their best to look dignified—(Oh, well, it was Halloween and masks were allowed.)

NOVEMBER

4—Psi Kap Skating Party—Whoops! Why is it one skate insists on

going in the opposite direction of the other? How they ever got thru that basketball game on skates without anything more than "injured pride" is a wonder to all.

24—Thanksgiving Day — Everyone turned out for the Tri-Fraternity Dance—they needed a little exercise to work off the enormous Thanksgiving Dinner and besides it was an excellent opportunity to meet all those who returned for Homecoming.

25—Homecoming Dance — My how dainty the girls looked in their pretty party frocks—Could this be Normal College? It must be; there's a group singing German songs and quenching their thirst.

DECEMBER

3—Normal's First Basketball Game at Home — The whole school cheered and cheered; all the side-line coaches gave their best advice; the team played hard and fast—but—alas—we lost to Oakland City!

10—Intra-Mural Bowling Tournament—Just look at those pins go down! Some one sure must have been practicing hard — It must have been the Sophs, as they finished on top.

21—Christmas Vacation Begins — 14 days of vacation and then we go to the station—back to—dear old Normal College.

JANUARY

5—First Classes of New Year—Everyone returns with new clothes and Resolutions.

14—Basketball Game — Again the whole school cheered and cheered; the side-line coaches gave



their best advice; the team played hard and fast but—alas—alac—we lost to Rose Poly.

FEBRUARY

2—Final Exams—My goodness, did we have all this in class? Too bad the questions weren't on what we studied. We did too study!!!

14—Basketball Game — The whole school cheered and cheered; the side-line coaches gave their best advice; the team played hard and fast—Surprise!—we beat Huntington!!!

24—Corrigan Hop—Nothing but the best for Monsieur (even if the girls were broke for a week) The vegetable corsages were very impressive and healthful too, with a little salt.

25—Basketball Game — The whole school cheered and cheered; the side-line coaches gave their best advice; the team played hard and fast—but—alas—we lost to Taylor.

MARCH

4—Basketball Game — The whole school.....etc. Surprise of surprises!! We beat Anderson!!

11—Gym Meet — Cincinnati went down to defeat as usual.

17—Joint Turning—What a work-out, but it sure was fun. We'll never forget Dr. Sputh and his Jewish gymnastics.

29-31—Mid-West Phy. Ed. Convention — With lectures, meetings, luncheons, and best of all the dances. Of course, we all left for our spring vacation.
Last Minute Exam Cramming—
Graduation.



BROSIOUS LIFE

What's this, 7:30 already? Is that the sweet sound of the bugle or just an early Wisconsin bird, making all that racket? The question is, shall we open our eyes and look at the clock or just take a chance that it was the birds we heard.

Oh, oh! There's Mess Call. Now we have to hurry or no breakfast for us! Why must this water be so cold? One thing this camp lacks and that's running hot water. Oh well, breakfast is waiting. No one can complain about this food. The fellows always insist on seconds and the girls would too—but you know how hard it is to keep your waist-line and still eat this Wisconsin food. They all have hopes of working it off on the track; but we shall see!

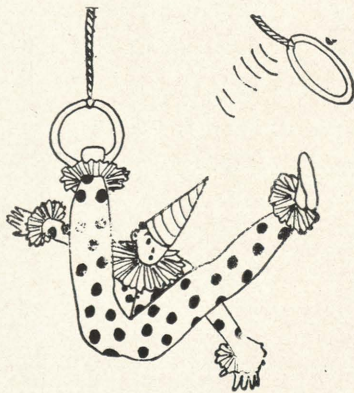
Hurry and get your cabins cleaned. It won't be long before inspection. Every cobweb means four points off. Use every broom, chair or even your cabin-mates' shoulder to reach the high ones. "Perfect order and no cobwebs," is our motto. Imagine our embarrassment when the inspection grades are announced at assembly and we hear "'B', dust and cobwebs." How could we have missed any!

Now for a vigorous workout on the track. "Everyone run four times around the track and do a few conditioning exercises," is the first order for the girls. After that our stars perform. Milly and Lee really throw the basketball and have a perfect technique with the hurl ball. There's Mary Mac trying out a "walk in air" to increase her already A—running broad jump. Next to her

at the high jump is that "Jeffersonville Flash," Gutie, perfecting her western roll. Her aim is to reach 4'6". Just watch her go! Over at the shot-put we find Gladys doing right well with that 8 lb. shot. Skerker believes in keeping that record she made in standing broad jump in Buffalo. That girl really jumps. Through it all we find Violette really working up a sweat, working as she's never worked before. There's the bell and that means it's the fellows turn now.

Here they come, eager and ready to break all records. There's many stars among the boys too. There's Warnken running around the big tree working up speed to jump right over the jumping pit in running broad. Speaking of jumpers, there's Butler, Weismueller and Goldenberg trying to learn the best technique in high jumping. Then there's the Altoona flashes Bink and Ches doing all right at the hurl ball (Bink follows Ches around to put his shoulder back in when he

throws extra hard.) Over at the shot we find Brogan putting that 16 lb. shot like a real star. Could that be Christman over there trying his best with the discus? He's doing all right, too. Anania is there, but he's using the javelin to exhibit his skill. Speaking of skill there's Pauli trying to get a little of it worked into his mile. Give these boys a chance and they could have an Olympic team all their own.



Now that track period is over, we're all ready for a nice cool (or should I say cold?) dip in the lake. Most people dip in and right out again. However,

the squad leaders do their best to keep us warm by providing ample work for all. There's nothing can equal a swim in the waters of Lake Elkhart on a brisk June morning.

Food, food! That's the main idea, now that all our work for the morning is finished. If we hurry, we may be first in line—of course, if someone else hasn't gotten there first. Where is Chestney? Why doesn't he blow that bugle? He would if he knew how starved we are. There he is at last! Does this food hit the spot!

After dinner the entire camp is quiet—Why? Because most people are either sleeping or reading the letters they got before going to dinner. This rest period is over all too soon, and the classes of the afternoon go on as usual. One canoeing class lasts until supper, and there is another after supper. Work, work! Did we hear some one say, "Nothing but work?" He really doesn't know Camp Brosius if he did. Doesn't he remember all the fun we had at our evening programs and on date nights?

Remember the unique costumes that the students created at our masquerade? Who could ever forget Stan as the famous French painter Rembrandt? Then

A collage of 15 black and white photographs from the 1940s, depicting various scenes of youth recreation and social activities. The photos show groups of young people in swimwear, posing, playing games, and socializing outdoors near a body of water. The images are arranged in a non-linear, overlapping fashion, typical of a vintage photo album. The subjects are primarily teenagers and young adults, mostly of European descent, dressed in casual summer attire like swim trunks, one-piece swimsuits, and light-colored shirts. The settings include grassy fields, a wooden dock, a body of water with a small boat, and a wooden building. The overall tone is nostalgic and captures a moment of carefree summer fun.

the large attendance and not the thirst that caused this calamity. Everyone enjoyed the braunschweiger to the utmost, and the evening was a success for all.

When it was the girls' turn to entertain they did their best to duplicate a radio program. Among the artists present were Prof. Quiz, Buck Benny and his players and Walter Winchell with all the gossip of the camp. Never shall we forget Buck Benny (Mrs. Hester to you) piloting Wild Nell of the plains (Vi to you) to her tragic end.

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One of the most enjoyable evenings was the Saturday nite the freshmen gave a dance in Jahn Hall. Everyone had such a fine time that the old ban of 10 o'clock call to quarters was lifted and taps postponed until 11 p. m.

Although it wasn't an evening program, who could ever forget that exciting trip into the swamps? Never before has an entire student body been lost at the same time. Even Mrs. Hester was at a loss where to go. We trudged on and on with only the occasional call "Clearing ahead" to lead us on. The flowers we saw were beautiful but the swamp was too wet for comfort. George Graf did his utmost to lead us on the right path. He finally did, but only after climbing thru fences, going under fallen trees, and doing our best not to sink in any further than the knee. Lehsten's misfortune was the only feature that kept the day from being a complete success. Of course Mr. Schreiber didn't come; but then there's no place for a car in the swamps. That day will long be remembered and enjoyed by all who went.

Another memorable event was "Stunt Nite." Each cabin contributed its bit. All the acts were unique, but no one will ever forget Brogan and Goldenberg doing their hand to hand balancing act. Wasn't it "No. 8" that caused all the trouble- Of course Jack's jokes (?) helped too.

For the last official nite of camp a "Farewell Campfire" was planned. The Indian tradition of burying the spirit of camping was carried on throughout. Everyone will remember the candle-lighting ceremony. As the candles floated out into the lake and disappeared, we realized that just as these candles silently drifted away, so do the many happy days spent at Camp Brosius.

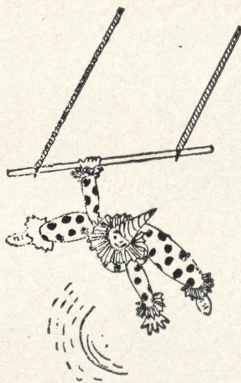
GIRLS CAMP ATHLETICS

TRACK AND FIELD

The sophomore girls, with six contestants pitted against the freshmen's fourteen, won the annual track meet with a score of 31-14. Aided by more practice and experience in these activities, the sophs captured all first places and many of the second and third places.

However, there was no lack of competition. Results in each event show that many of the scores were close, and that only by summoning an extra surge of power could one contestant better the score of another. This was especially true in regard to the standing broad jump event, where McCracken nosed out Skerker by only five-tenths of an inch.

As far as the sophomores are concerned, it is hard to place winning honors upon any one person. Each worked in cooperation with the group as a whole by competing in activities in which she is best. Victory was not for the individual, but for the sophomore class.



In the freshman group honors were also evenly divided, with Youll, Van Pelt, Lang, and Skerker all accumulating the same number of points, bringing about a four-way tie for first place in individual scoring in their class.

SWIMMING MEET

Out to win after their defeat in the track meet, the frosh speedily avenged themselves by gaining a 16-11 victory over the sophs in the swimming meet.

Ruth Youll, taking two first places and one second, turned out to be the star performer. Smith, however, was a very close runner up for scoring honors with her three third places and one first.

Repeating their freshman performance in the boat races, Smith and Muench again rowed their way to victory, winning over Lang and Youll in the freshman boat.

Track and Field Summaries

Round Arm Basketball Throw

1st. Smith	85'
2nd. Van Pelt	80'
3rd. Lang	78'

50 Yd. Dash

McCracken	}	tie
Muench		
Time: 6:8 seconds.		

Overhead Basketball Throw

1st. Smith	49'5"
2nd. Skerker	40'
3rd. Youll	39'8"

Running Broad Jump

1st. McCracken	15'
2nd. Gutermuth	14'8"
3rd. Gasser	14'2"

Hurl Ball

1st. Muench	90'
2nd. Youll	78'
3rd. Van Pelt	76'

Standing Broad Jump

1st. McCracken	8'5/10"
2nd. Skerker	8'
3rd. Muench	7'9"

Shot Put

1st. Smith	30'7"
2nd. Lang	29'3"
3rd. Kern	27'

High Jump

1st. McCracken	} tie 4'3"
Gutermuth	
2nd. Gasser	4'2"

Aquatic Summaries

50 Yd. Free Style

1st. Youll
2nd. Baecher
3rd. Smith

50 Yd. Back Stroke

1st. Youll
2nd. Washburn
3rd. Smith

50 Yd. Breast Stroke

1st. Washburn
2nd. Gasser
3rd. Smith

Diving

1st. Smith
2nd. Youll
3rd. Kern

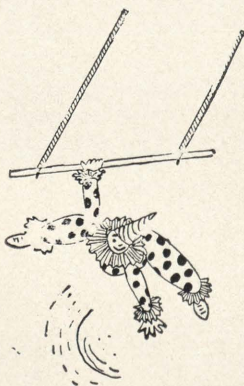
MENS CAMP ATHLETICS

TRACK AND FIELD

As the season at Camp Brosius neared its end, the two classes felt their class spirit reach a new high as they trained for the event in which they hoped to win points for their class.

The Sophomores displayed the same confidence that carried them through previous contests, and on the day of the meet they found a green but determined Freshman class. The meet was a keen one all the way but the Sophomores again bettered the efforts of the Frosh. One of the outstanding events was the 50 yard dash in which Butler nosed out his classmate Harry Warnken; but Warnken came back to win the 100 yard dash with ease.

As the sun was dropping into the West and the boys went to mess, some difficulty arose over the betting of desserts on the meet with the result that high level of rivalry between the classes was maintained, and both classes looked forward to some future date when they would again clash in competition.



SWIMMING MEET AND BOAT RACES

The swimming meet was held under the capable direction of Bill Munz and the Freshmen attempted to match their spirit against the confidence of the Sophomore men. The final results gave the upperclassmen the swimming supremacy for another year.

In the men's diving there was plenty of keen competition and skill as exhibited by Weissmuller, Ploetz, and Brogan.

In the War Canoe Race the Sophomore and Freshmen crews broke fast, but the second year men gained the lead, and although the yearling crew made a strong bid for the lead at the half way mark it was the Frosh who trailed in the victor's wake.

Track and Field Summaries

100 Yard Dash

1st. Warnken	10:5
2nd. Taperman	
3rd. Kuhn	

High Jump

1st. Butler	5 ft. 2 in.
2nd. Weissmuller	
3rd. Regenfuss	

50 Yard Dash

1st. Butler	6 sec.
2nd. Warnken	
3rd. Goldenberg	

Broad Jump

1st. Warnken	19 ft. 6 in.
2nd. Goldenberg	
3rd. Taperman	

Mile

1st. Aberson	5:20 min.
2nd. Kloesz	
3rd. Palmeri	

Hop, Step, and Jump

1st. Warnken	40.95 ft.
2nd. Goldenberg	
3rd. Chestney	

Shot Put

1st. Brogan	31 ft. 6 in.
2nd. Weissmuller	
3rd. Pauli	

Discus

1st. Christman	98 ft.
2nd. Leibinger	
3rd. Graf	

Hurl Ball

1st. Christman	132 ft.
2nd. Chestney	
3rd. Kuhn	

Javelin

1st. Binkley	128.9 ft.
2nd. Anania	
3rd. Wisniewski	

600 Yard Relay
Sophomores

Aquatic Summaries

50 Yard Free Style

1st. Brogan
2nd. Weissmuller
3rd. Munz

50 Yard Back Stroke

1st. Munz
2nd. Bowker
3rd. Sigel

50 Yard Breast Stroke

1st. Sigel
2nd. Ploetz
3rd. Anania

Diving

1st. Weissmuller
2nd. Brogan
3rd. Ploetz

Medley Relay
Sophomores



B A S K E T B A L L

Varsity basketball was again one of the most popular sports of the annual program. During the early part of the season the team was definitely not clicking and as a result, lost several close games. The Anderson game was the highlight of the season. The game was nip and tuck throughout, until the closing moments when our team staged their winning drive.

Although next year's team will be without the services of Binkley, Bowker, Butler, and Chestney, the remainder of the team, composed of Taperman, Christman, Sutton, Schlopkokl, Prendergast, Mikolajek, and Steele should be able to carry on where this year's team left off.

Kneeling—Jack Christman, Warren Steele, Walter Mikolajek.

Standing—Dick Roberts, Robert Binkley, Charles Sutton, Jim Butler, Don Chestney, Frank Bowker.



As the school year goes into its final stages and as the "GYMNAST" goes to press, the varsity baseball team is looking forward to a successful season. This year's team will be largely composed of last year's players along with several promising Freshmen. The pitching department is well fortified with Miklas, Binkley, Lando, and Guenther, while Schlaplokl appears to be the leading candidate for the catcher's job. The infield will be made up of veterans, including Frazer, Bowker, Butler, Lehsten, and Taperman. In the outfield Wisniewski, Chestney, Roberts, and Sutton appear to be the garden men.

The schedule has not been released as yet but with the team taking Coach Schreiber's course and getting in plenty of practice, we may find the Phy Eds playing .500 baseball.



Kneeling—Dick Roberts, Cosmo Lando, Warren Steele, Charles Sutton, Walter Guenther.
Standing—Stan Wisniewski, Robert Binkley, Jim Butler, Emil Miklas, Nelson Lehsten, Frank Bowker, Dick Frazer.

B A S E B A L L

G Y M T E A M

The Gym Team completed an undefeated season with a victory over the U. of Cincinnati Team, and continued its success in the Indiana A. A. U. Meet.

The team this year was well represented by all three classes and thus assures us of plenty of veteran material upon which next year's team can be built.

Joe Goldenberg was the outstanding performer, but was supported by a well balanced squad including Edmonds, Reyburn, Romeo, Pauli, Brogan, Marshall, Mikity, Atkinson, Wendeln, and several others.

Although several members of the team will be lost through graduation, we feel that the other members along with next year's freshmen will comprise a team which will continue the success that has been enjoyed by the recent Gym Teams.

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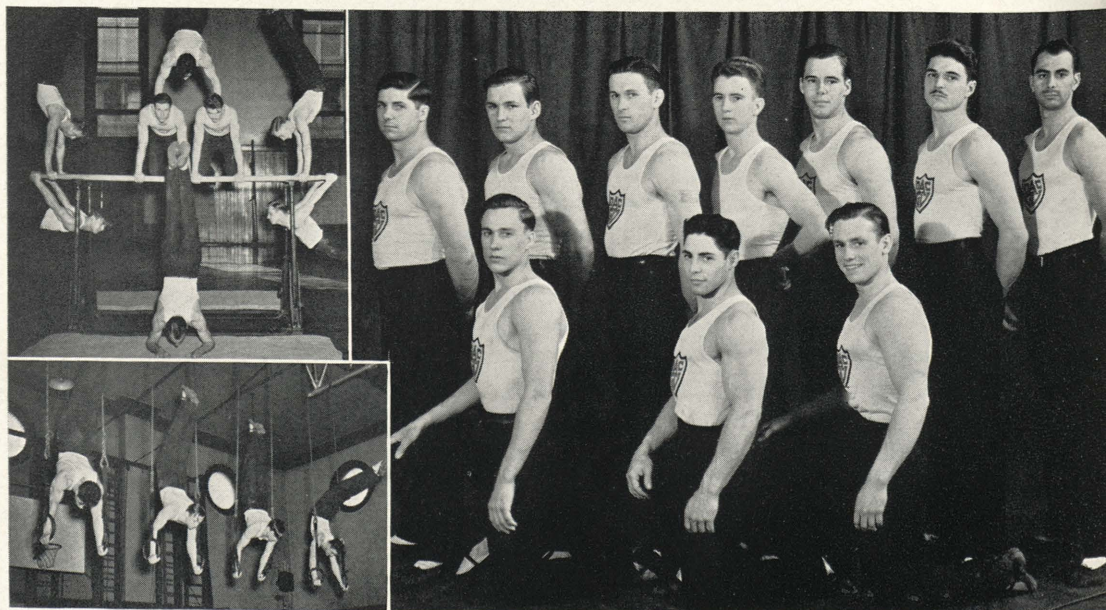
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Normal College..... 54
University of Cincinnati..... 9

Kneeling—Thomas Marshall, Joseph Goldenberg, Clarence Edmonds.

Standing—Jack Brogan, Victor Mikity, Walter Pauli, Edward Atkinson, Robert Wendeln, Samuel Reyburn, Paul Romeo.



B O X I N G



Kneeling—Edward Leibinger, Donald Heintz, Walter Guenther.
Standing—Thomas Colletta, August Anania, Joseph Ciesielski, Walter Pauli.

This year the Normal College entered a team of nine in the South Side Turner A. A. U. Boxing Tournament. They were matched against the best pugilists in the city and county, and two of the boys won the championships in their respective weight classes, while several of the others battled into the semi-finals.

Ton Colletta annexed the 135-pound novice crown, Ed. Leibinger took top honors in the 147-pound novice division, and Joe Ciesielski was runner up in the 175-pound novice class.

The team this year was composed mostly of Sophomores and Freshmen; so next year Coach Treichler will have an experienced squad ready and anxiously awaiting the A. A. U. Tournament.

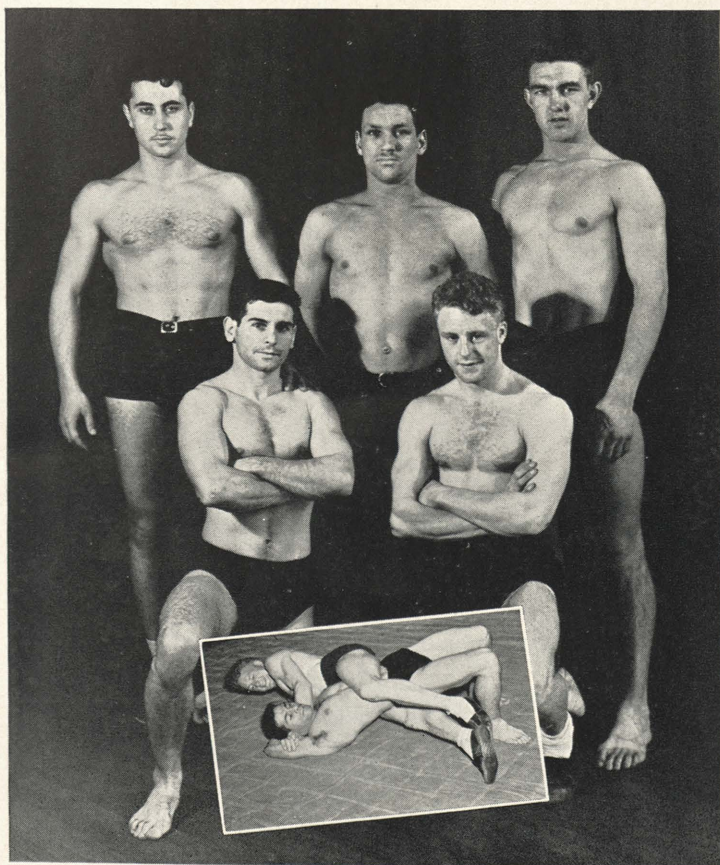
W R E S T L I N G

Wrestling again appeared on the competitive sports program with the entry of the Normal College Squad into the Indiana A. A. U. Tournament.

Coach Linhart was eager to find out just what material he had in this, his first year at Normal, and he picked his squad from the Freshman and Sophomore classes. The Freshmen who entered were: Rapelje, Potthoff, Gelormini, and Flint. Frazer and Anania were veterans from last year.

The Tournament furnished strong and experienced opposition from teams which were able to devote more time to practice; and although the grapplers from Normal College tugged and puffed, they were gradually eliminated with Frazer sticking it out until the semi-finals, where he lost a good bout to an experienced man from Indiana University. Our team ended in third place in the Tournament.

It appears that the fellows here at school are becoming interested in wrestling, and with the experience they gained in this year's tussles they should meet with much more success in the years to come.



Kneeling—Carmen Gelormini, Richard Frazer.

Standing—August Anania, Howard Potthoff, James Rapelje.



Sitting—

Mildred Muench
Ruth Adams
Ruth Baecher

Standing—

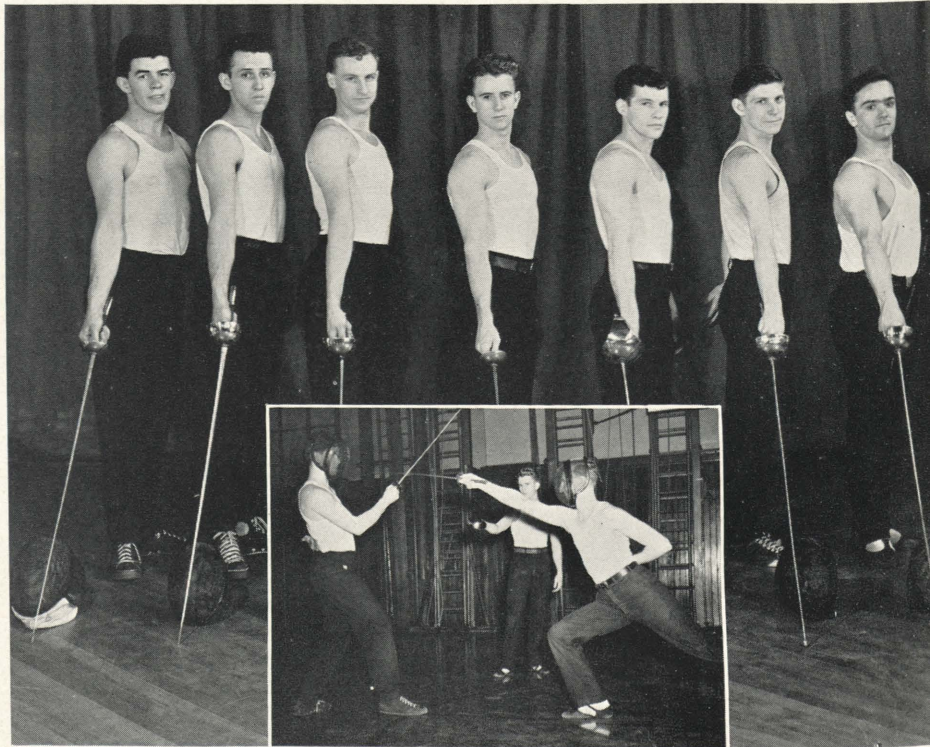
Harry Warnken
George Kuhn
Edward Leibinger

INTRAMURALS

The Intramural program was originated and is sponsored by Phi Epsilon Kappa Fraternity. Its purpose is to provide recreation for those who are not on the varsity team, but who are interested in that particular activity. The freshmen, sophomores, and juniors are competing to see who will gain possession of the Intramural trophy this year. For the past two years the present junior class has won the intramural trophy, and this year the sophomore class is trying very hard to give them their first set back. Each class selects a boy and a girl to represent them as their intramural leaders. Their duties are to select teams, present lists of the players and also to help the intramural chairman run off the games. The activities which are selected for the year are: volleyball, bowling, ping pong, basketball, baseball, swimming, and gymnastics. Proof that the intramural program is a tremendous success is seen in the interest and cooperation of all concerned.

F E N C I N G

The "term" fencing covers the use of three weapons: foil, epee, and saber. All three weapons were taken up by the Junior Class under the able guidance of Mr. Geo. Lipps. A few of the students have given exhibitions with all three weapons which were enjoyed by everyone. The team is anxious to do some outside fencing and negotiations are now underway for a meet with the Indianapolis Fencing Club after spring vacation. A meet with Butler was cancelled due to a heavy schedule on their part. A single elimination tournament in Epee was held in the Junior Class during the month of March and it was won by Don Chestney with Ralph Sigel runner-up. At the present a schedule for a Saber tournament is being drawn up, and the men are looking forward to it because this is their favorite weapon. The present team is small but next year it will increase in size when the Sophomores move into our places. The Junior Class wishes to thank Mr. Lipps for his guidance.

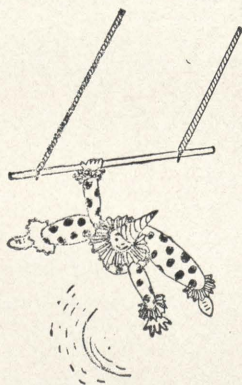


Standing—Huntley Riley, James Butler, George Kuhn, Edward Atkinson, Donald Chestney, Frank Bowker, Stanley Wisniewski.

GIRLS INTRAMURALS

The women's intramural program started off with a bang at the beginning of the year. With fine cooperation shown by participants and intramural leaders, all contests between the three classes were carried through with demonstration of enthusiasm, interest and fun.

First on the schedule was competition in bowling. Although many of the girls lacked experience in this type of activity previous to the meet, contestants were numerous, and each class had a full representation. From the very beginning the sophomore team was the favored quintet, and true to all earlier prophecies, came through with the highest score. Nevertheless, the juniors were not far behind the leaders, leaving the frosh in third place.



Volley ball practice between class periods heralded the approach of that game on the intramural program. The sophomores and juniors each entered one team, while the freshmen class made up two teams. A round robin tournament was drawn up and keen interclass competition began. The first game was played by the sophomores and freshman A team. The sophs, with superior and more experienced players, easily won. In following games the sophs continued to plough their way to victory, while the freshman surprisingly overcame junior opposition to win second place.

Hoping to avenge past defeats in bowling and volley ball, the junior team entered the basketball tournament confident that this was their opportunity for an overwhelming victory. Although the three teams were strong in all respects, the third year girls finished the season with an enviable record unmarred by defeat. The keenest competition was between the freshman and sophomore sextets.

Although the frosh lacked sophomore experience, the former team fought its way to a hard earned victory, leaving the sophs trailing far behind in third place.

As far as the ping-pong contest was concerned, the outcoming results were known before the elimination tournament began. Lorraine Smith, living up to all expectations, was easily the winner. The junior class gained added points when the results showed that Mildred Muench was runner-up, leaving Ruth Baecher, sophomore, with third place.

During the entire intramural program, the scoring has been dominated mainly by the junior girls. Through their efforts and accomplishments, they have helped the Junior Class to maintain its lead in the intramural scoring.

The Junior name has been inscribed upon the intramural trophy for the past two years, and it is their hope to have the honor again this year.



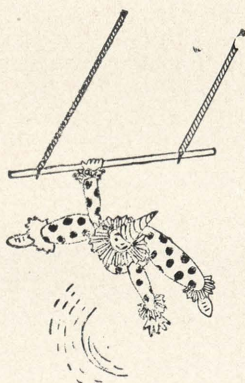
MEN'S INTRAMURALS

"Say, fella, what's the next sport on the intramural program?" Yes, that is what they say immediately following the completion of one event. This year the intramural program of the men is the most interesting and exciting since its beginning. The competition is very keen and the race is between the Sophomores and Juniors. The Sophs are trying desperately to obtain as many points

as possible thereby taking first place from the Juniors. To show that they were not fooling, they entered their entire class in the ping pong tournament. This year's program started with a volley ball tournament, which resulted in a Junior victory with the Freshmen coming in second and the Sophomores third. According to this start the Junior spirit has not changed since capturing the trophy the last two years. Following this the Juniors again stepped out in front and won the bowling meet, thereby strengthening their hold on first place. The Sophomores came in second. Immediately following Christmas vacation basketball came into the spotlight. As usual the games were full of spills and thrills. Although the Juniors had good intentions and high spirits, they gave way to their

rivals, the Sophomores, who came out on top with the Juniors and Freshmen finishing in a tie for second place.

After the smoke cleared in the ping pong tournament we found that a newcomer from the Freshman class, Charles Sutton, had defeated last year's champion, Jack Christman. Frank Bowker finished in second place with Chet Kloesz, also a Junior, finishing third. The winner received a medal which signifies his supremacy in this event.



The gym meet, which is the next event, promises to be exciting, and many upsets are expected. The classes are fairly well balanced and the results should be close.

Competition in baseball, swimming and gymnastics will be held after the spring vacation. Interest and enthusiasm is increasing as the program nears completion, but it still is undecided as to the winner. So far the Juniors are leading, with the Sophomores and Freshmen following in that order.



Professionalism in College

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There have been current in our daily newspapers and magazines many discussions concerning the professionalism that has been creeping into the athletic activities of our higher institutions of learning; particularly into that of football. This fact has been deplored by some of the leading men of the nation; yet, it seems, there is nothing being done to curtail this policy which the larger universities and colleges have adopted and openly practice. We as students of a profession which is vitally concerned with this perplexing problem should show more than a passing interest toward it. Mr. Hutchins, president of the University of Chicago, has made some careful observations, and has also pointed out a few possible solutions of this evil, in his article of December 6, 1938, in the "Saturday Evening Post." These we should be more than eager to consider. They may prove to be the stepping stones toward a higher ideal in athletics. Let us consider his discussion:

Athleticism in college is defined by Mr. Hutchins as an "over-emphasis on athletics." Athletics is a part of physical education, a proper function of an educational institution, and is wholly unlike athleticism, which is carried on for the monetary profit of the college through the entertainment of the public. Behind all the myths created to protect the ideals supporting athleticism, such as health, manhood, and public spirit, is the basic reason: gate receipts, money.

True, we must agree with athleticism when it remarks that athletics is good for the boy. But, the trouble lies in the fact that those who least need it receive the far too greater share of it. Where athleticism reigns, 75 per cent of the attention of the physical education staff is lavished upon that small fraction of the student body that makes the varsity. The Carnegie Foundation revealed that 37 per cent of all undergraduates engage in no athletic activity, not even intramural competition. This group plus those students who are doing graduate or professional work comprise approximately 50 per cent of the university students who are neglected because the colleges would rather overdevelop a handful of stars.

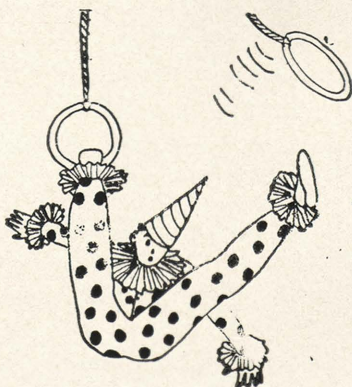
There are two principle factors which prevent immediate reform: prestige that winning teams confer upon a college and alleged profits accompanying such teams. There is a false notion poor teams indicate that the character of its students is in decay. Likewise the myth that donors, like the public and alumni, are impressed by football victories collapses when we see according to reliable

reports that bequests were greatest to those institutions that had unimpressive gridiron records.

Athleticism, like crime, does not pay. St. Mary's College furnishes us with a splendid example. Home of the "Galloping Gaels" whose football records were sensational year after year, its inexpensive academic efforts and immense gate receipts were unable to prevent it from being auctioned off to a bondholders' committee. The expense involved in building stadia, paying coaches, subsidizing players, traveling, advertising, and publicity is tremendous.

There are also several factors already operating to reduce athleticism. The rise of junior colleges where freshmen and sophomores only are educated is reducing the supply of athletic material for four year schools. Professional football may do to college football what professional baseball has done to college baseball. The U. S. Supreme Court has indicated that college football is business in a case of involving the taxation of gate receipts.

None of the above can be depended upon, however, to reform us. How can we reform ourselves? We as students of the Normal College, and prospective teachers of physical education should be especially interested. How can we as future leaders in the various sports effect a more equable distribution of athletic activity among the students of our educational institutions? We here at Normal heartily endorse intramural competition instead of emphasizing the development of a few stars in varsity competition. Our teams, whether intramural or varsity, are excellent illustrations that show that monetary remuneration is not a necessary stimulus to goad students into athletic activity. The success of our teams is dependent upon the individual initiative of every student at school and not upon a financial enticement.



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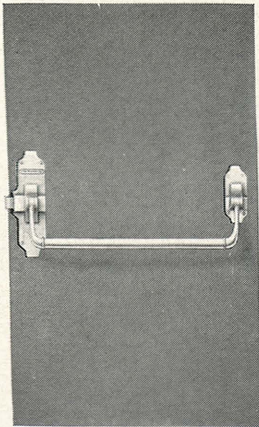
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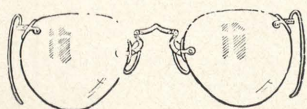
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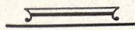
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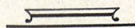
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