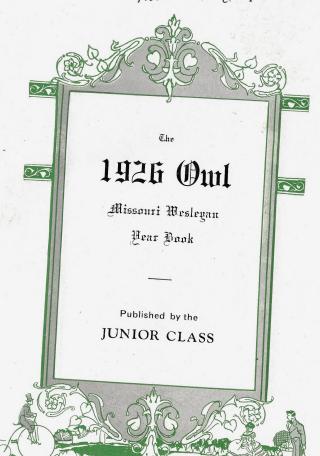
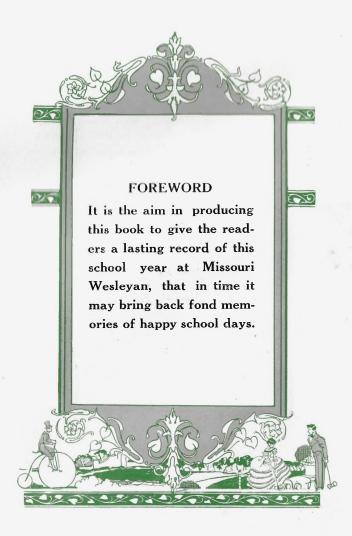
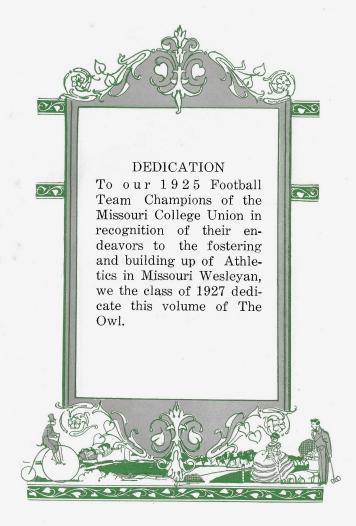
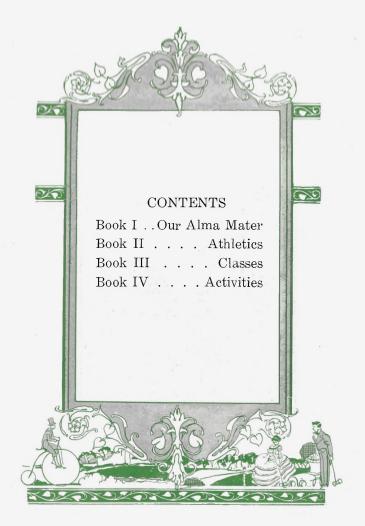


Leon E, Fleener In memory of my kustandmer. Leon E Fleener











PRESIDENT E. F. BUCK

To serve and to build up has been the continued aim of President Buck. He is throwing his entire, splendid personality into his work and is succeeding. With him at the helm, Missouri Wesleyan's future will be assured.





DR. CHAS, J. ENGLISH

our school.

President of Executive Board
This is the first year as president of
the board for Mr. English. We wish
him success in handling the destiny of



Business Manager of Missouri Wesleyan College.

Because he has made himself one of us, we consider him a loyal and close friend.



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DR. E. B. THOMPSON

Vice-President

He has in the past proven that he has our college at heart and that we are glad in the future, he will be connected with our school.



DR. BEN F. JONES

Secretary

Dr. Jones is a friend of our school, plainly shown by his chapel talks. The student body is his freind shown by the enthusiastic welcome he receives.



MR. A. J. ALTHOUSE

A staunch booster of Missouri Wesleyan and Cameron. He is acquainted especially with the financial aspects of the community.







MR. FRED WEIGHTMAN

We welcome Mr. Wightman as a member of the executive board. We assure him that he has the good will of the students.



HON, FRANK B. KLEPPER

We are proud to claim him as one of Missouri Wesleyans most trusted friends. He is one of the prominent lawyers of this community.



C. P. DORSEY

Treasurer

Mr. Dorsey has never failed to give his time towards helping make Weslyan a finer and better school.



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D. L. DALKE, A. B., A. M. Dean and Professor of Education. "Always busy but never too busy to be friendly."



H. C. KELSEY, Mus. B. Dean of Conservatory of Music. "No veneer—no sham—always himself."



TRUE TAYLOR
Registrar; Professor of Social Sciences.
"I live for those who love me,
For those who know me true,
For the future in the distance
And the good that I can do."



W. F. NULL
A. B., A. M.
Professor of Mathematics
and Physics.
"Working hard every
minute in fact giving
himself to us without
reserve."



CARRIE F. SHEPHERD Librarian; Art Instructor. "None but herself can be her parallel."



C. H. LAW
A. B., S. T. B., A. M.
Professor of Bible and
Religious Education.
"My life will be too short
for all I want to accomplish."

EDNA GARNER
A. B.
Instructor in French.
"They themselves are makers of themselves."



H. A. WYCKOFF
A. B., A. M.
Professor of Chemistry
and Bacteriology.
"We appreciate his definite knowledge of chemistry and Bacteriology, but far more than that we appreciate his zest to help us and to be one of us."



HELEN POHLE
A. B. M. A.
Professor of German and
Spanish.
"Somewhat abbreviated in
stature but not in speech.







MIRIAM LOWENBERG
Ph. B.
Professor of Home Economics.
"All things beautiful and

good must ever be a part

of you."



B. W. FOLSOM
A. B.

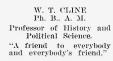
Professor of Public Speech
and Instructor in English.

"To climb steen hills

"To climb steep hills means slow pace at first —our solace in Forensics."



ADA L. GOODSPEED A. B., M. A. Professor of English. "Goodness is its own reward."





W. E. TRACY
Instructor in Band and
Orchestra.

Orchestra.

"Good nature is like a sumy day; it sheds its brightness everywhere."



I. G. SLAYTON A. B.

Instructor in Biology.
"Then give to the world the best that you have and the best buck to you."



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ESMA SOMERVILLE-SLAYTON, B. M. Instructor in Public School Music. "We love her for her own true worth."

VERA HERRING

"A friend who knows all

about you and likes you just the same."

Dean of Women.



R. C. KINNE
A. B.
Instructor in Chemistry.
"He isn't so serious as he looks."



GRACE HENDERSON
Graduate Averill School
Instructor in Expression
and Dramatics.
"She has a quiet way of

being popular."

W. N. COLLINS B. S.

Athletic Director.
"Bill is now in his third year" as Athletic Director. On account of his personality and ability he is considered one of the best coaches in the Conference."



JESSIE C. TRACY Instructor in Violin. "No legacy is so rich as a pleasing personality."



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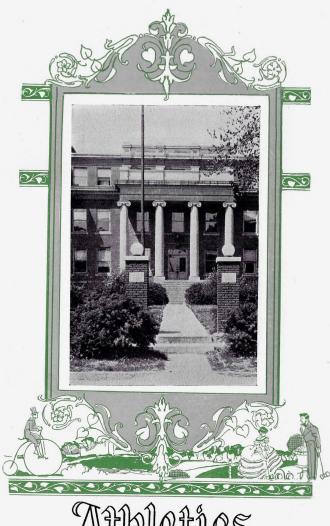


ESTER VINVENT B. M. Instructor in Piano and Theory. "You must know her, and you will declare her your friend."



BLANCH DEEM В. М. Instructor in Piano and Ensemble. "Always busy, always accomplishing."

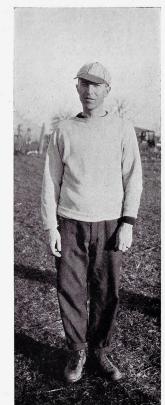
MAUD GIBSON A. B. B. S. Instructor in Teachers Training. "We like her because she is a true lady."



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W. N. COLLINS, Athletic Director

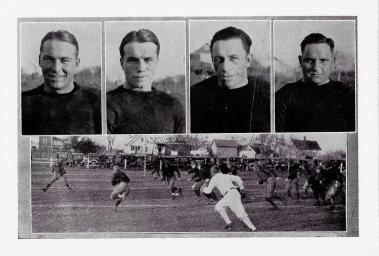
Success in athletics has been the rule at Wesleyan since the coming of Coach Collins. This year his football team succeeded in obtaining the title of Missouri College Union Champions. Coach Collins himself and the regard with which he is held by his men are large factors in this success. His track team was second in M. C. A. U meet last spring losing the deciding relay by only a few inches. In basket ball this year he raised the standard of the team higher than that of former years





J. FOSTER POLAND Assistant Coach, Football

"Ing" was one of the few quarterbacks who could do everything that was expected of him. This year he was engaged in teaching the boys some of his old tricks. He deserves much credit for helping turn out a championship team.



CAPTAIN WHIPPLE, L. H.

Captain Whipple proved to be a good leader. With that never say die spirit he encouraged the men to fight 'till the last.

CAPTAIN-ELECT GRANTHAM, R. H.

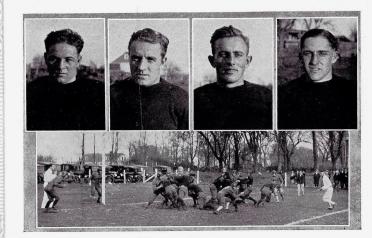
Grantham was chosen by his teammates to lead next years team. He is a great defensive man and is a deadly spiker. He can always be relied upon for a gain through the line. His knowledge of the game will make him a valuable leader.

RALPH HULSE, L. T.

A pretty spiker, a deadly tackler and a hard hitter, that's Hulse. He was a man who used his head as well as his body and for his good work was awarded an all state position. "Farmer" has played his last game for Wesleyan.

WILLIAM GILCHRIST, R. T.

One year at guard, two at center and his last year at tackle is the record of Gilchrist. Billy is a fighter and will be missed by the next year team.



WILLIAM McCULLOUGH, G.

Billy plays at either guard or tackle. He can be depended upon to get his man. He has one more year at Wesleyan.

RALPH PARKS, L. E.

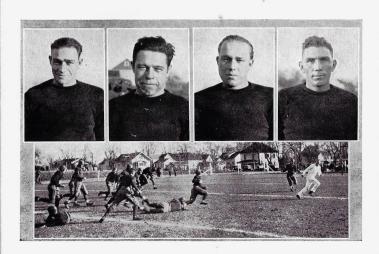
"Toad plays an end position and does it well. He was placed on the all state team by Missouri sport writers. He is big and fast and as a pass catcher he cannot be beaten.

CARROL HENDERSON, C.

"Zip" plays center using his 190 pounds to a good advantage. His educated toe brings many points to the "Owls." He has one more year to be with us.

GOLDIE BOURETTE, G. B.

Sport writers call him a jagged streak of lightning but Jewell now thinks of him as a complete electrical storm. His broken field running is a feature and as a field general he is hard to beat.



PAUL IMES, R. E.

This was Paul's first year on the squad but he performed like a veteran. His punts have saved many a game for Wesleyan. He has one more year to go.

LAWRENCE METZ, F. B.

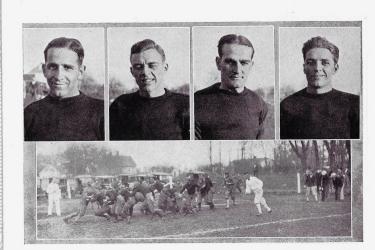
Metz was a Freshman who made good. He is an excellent man on the defense as well as offense. We are counting strong on him the next three years he is to be with us.

WILLIAM MEEK, G.

"Big Bill" as he is known, is a tower of strength in the line using his 250 pounds advantageously much to the distress of the opposing team. This was his first year.

CLARENCE PIEPERGERDES, G.

"Piep" hails from Stewartsville, Mo. His 6 foot 2 inch and his 190 pounds were a main force in Wesleyans line. He has two more years to go.



PAGE PENDLETON, H. B.

This was Page's first year with the team. He makes up what he lacks in weight with his fast shifting running.

JAMES KLEPPER, C.

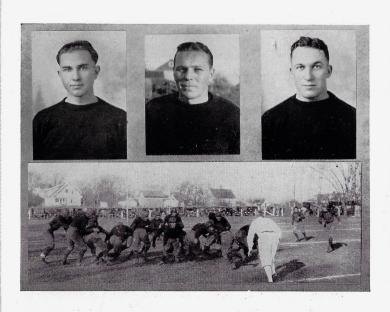
"Denny" is another Freshman who made good. He is a hard fighter and a willing worker. He has three more years to fight for the Black and Red.

HERMAN CASEY, G.

Casey made his letter as a lineman. Although he is light he "went through and got them." This was his first year on the team.

ROBERT JAMES, G.

Although it was his first year out for football Bob proved to be a real fighter. By the end of the season he was holding down a regular beith at guard.



HAROLD COKELY, H. B.

"Coke" made his letter at half. He was a good dependable man both on the offense and defense. He has one more year to go.

JAMES SHULTZ, H. B.

This was Jimmy's fourth and last year. For three years he has made the all state; 2 years at guard and the other at half. A broken leg in the Westminster game kept him out the rest of the season.

FRANK SHERARD, L. E.

Sherard made good at an end position. He played good ball the first of the season but sickness kept him out the last part,

1926

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Review of Football Season 1925

The Missouri Wesleyan Football team got off to what at first appeared to be a bad start, losing the first game (a non-conference encounter) to Kansas Wesleyan University, played at St. Joseph. The losing jinx followed the team to Warrensburg, where it was defeated by the State Teachers College.

When the real season opened and the conference games began, the jinx was left behind, and it soon became apparent that a championship team had emerged from the Missouri Valley encounter, leaving the latter with the small end of a 21 to 0 score. Then the conference games began to fall into Wesleyan possession one by one. Central College came with a large band, but went home smarting from a 28 to 0 defeat. Westminster was defeated at Fulton in a nerve racking game which was finished after dusk. Tarkio was the next victim of the Wesleyan's march toward victory. The game with Kirksville Osteopaths resulted in a win for Wesleyan.

Then came the crowning conflict of the season, the clash with our ancient rival William Jewell. As dusk fell over the campus, the Wesleyan heroes found themselves the undisputed champions of the Missouri College Union.

SCHEDULE FOR 1925

	Se	ore				. 8	Score
Jackson University .		0	Wesleyan				28
Kansas Wesleyan		14	Wesleyan				6
Warrensburg		3	Wesleyan				0
Missouri Valley		0	Wesleyan				21
Central		0	Wesleyan				28
Westminster		14	Wesleyan				17
Tarkio		12	Wesleyan				28
Osteopaths, Kirksville .		0	Wesleyan				19
William Jewell		0	Wesleyan				19
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		43					166



Boys Basketball Team 1926

SEASON RECORD

		-S	core				S	core
Chillicothe			25	Wesleyan				20
Platt College			32	Wesleyan				20
Jewell .			32	Wesleyan			·	21
Jewell .			21	Wesleyan				15
Rolla .			20	Wesleyan				27
Drury .			29	Wesleyan				31
Drury .			13	Wesleyan				29
Rolla .			19	Wesleyan				17
Rolla .			7	Wesleyan				38
Culver-Stockton			32	Wesleyan				26
Kirksville			22	Wesleyan				28
Missouri Valley			21	Wesleyan				32
Westminster			44	Wesleyan		,		18
Westminster			44	Wesleyan				14
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Basketball Season 1926

Coach Collins basketeers made a very good showing this year, being one of the best teams ever put out at Wesleyan. In team work they were very eccentric, sometimes rising to the heights of perfection and then going down to the depths.

At the first of the season the team had difficulty in scoring. The teamwork was good but their ability to hit the basket was nil. Thus a few games were lost.

With the beginning of the second semester, McKee took the center position and the Collins aggregation began to run more smoothly. The Rolla "Miners" were the first win for the team, several other victories following shortly after.

The road trip proved very successful to the Wesleyan team which won four of its six games. It was a real test to make this trip as all parts of the state were visited, the team also spending a day in St. Louis.

Capt. Hulse, Dague, Greenwood, and O'Neal alternated at foreward positions performing in faultless style.

McKee and Lower at center were both good men. McKee joined us the last semester and exerted all his energy to produce a winning team. Lower, a hard fighter alternated at foreward.

At guard positions were, Whipple, Grantham and Miller. All these men were good shots as well as defensive men, many a long shot being made from the center of the court by one of these men.

Hulse and Whipple are the only men lost to next years squad by graduation. With the other old men back and the addition of new material we are expecting a good showing next year.



Girls Basketball Team 1925-26

SEASON RECORD

		Score				S	core
Palmer		9	Wesleyan				29
Camden Point .		8	Wesleyan				38
Platte College .		7	Wesleyan				57
Central College		13	Wesleyan				33
Camden Point .		12	Wesleyan				14
Maryville .		38	Wesleyan				23
La Grange College		12	Wesleyan				27
Culver-Stockton		6	Wesleyan				22
Maryville .		32	Wesleyan				24
La Grange .		0	Wesleyan				52
Palmer		15	Wesleyan				43
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Girls Basketball, Season 1926

The Wesleyan "Red Jackets" had this year the most successful season they have ever had. Their record was that of winning nine out of eleven games played.

They started the season with a bang, winning the first five games easily, no team seeming able to bother them.

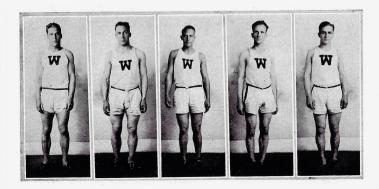
January 30, in Goodrich Gymnasium one of the most hotly contested games of the season was fought with the Maryville State Teachers College. The first three quarters the teams played to a tie, but then with their superior team work the visitors won. Again later in the season the 'Red Jackets' lost to the Maryville team.

Much credit for the team is due to the tircless efforts of Coach Slayton. For three years he has worked with the girls and developed a team of championship caliber.

Credit is also due to the girls on the second team. It was their fighting spirit which kept the first team in trim. No team can be produced without opposition, the stronger the opposition, the stronger the team, we are proud of our second team.

Losing only Captain Shepherd by graduation and with the host of veterans led by Ruby Daniel, Coach Slayton has much to look for next year.





CAPTAIN JOHN CLARK

"June" proved to ge a good leader as well as a good athlete. To end his successful career he established a new record in the high hurdles and ran on the record breaking half mile relay team.

CAPT.-ELECT JAMES SHULTZ

The greatest compliment paid to any athlete is to say that he put out "every ounce of energy" to win. Because of his records and sportsmanship the boys saw fit to elect him captain and the school knows that he will make good.

FRANK SLAYTON

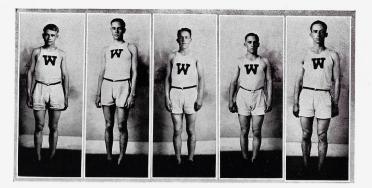
Frank was the best distance man Missouri Wesleyan has ever had. He always gave all his strength to win. He has won letters in Football and Basketball.

EVERETT CLEMENS

Clemens is another man who made his letter at the quarter mile. He ran his best race at the Jewell Meet.

EMMETT WYRICK

This was "Tubby's" first and last year on the squad. He was a hard worker running on the mile relay team.



VICTOR COY

"Vick" came to the front this year as a dash man. His ability to win has made him a valuable man for Wesleyan. We expect a lot from him the next two years.

PAUL IMES

Imes has developed into one of the best half-milers in the conference. He is also a good quarter man running on the mile relay team.

HAROLD BANGS

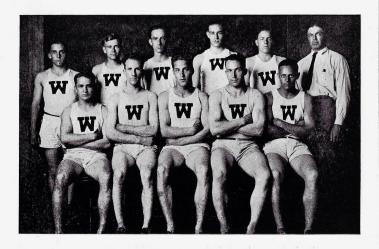
Harold was a good quarter-miler. You can always depend on him to do his best. His work at the state meet was of high caliber.

GOLDIE BOURETTE

"Pewee" was the only Freshman on the squad. His work is in the hurdles, dashes and jumps. He was a member of the half-mile relay team.

LEVY ROBINSON

Two years ago Levy ran on the mile relay but this year took up and made a success of the javelin. He was Wesleyan's best bet in that event.



Track Records at Wesleyan

EVENT	HOLDER	TIME	
100-Yard Dash	Shultz	. 10.	
220-Yard Dash	Shultz	. 22.9	
440-Yard Dash	. Coy	52.3	
880-Yard Run	Sewell	2:02.1	
One-Mile Run	F. Slayton	4:52	
Two-Mile Run	F. Slayton and Miller	11:09	
High Hurdles	. Clark	15.4	
Low Hurdles	. Clark	25.5	
Mile Relay	(Coy, Imes, W. Slayton, Bangs) 3:27	
Half-Mile Relay	(Temple, Clark, Shultz, Ream)	1 :35	
Pole Vault	. Clark	11 ft. 3	in.
Shot Put	. Conklin	40 ft. 9	in.
Javelin	Robinson	169 ft.	
High Jump	Medley	5 ft. 10	in.
Broad Jump	Medley	22 ft. 1½	in.

TRACK REVIEW

Missouri Wesleyan enjoyed another very successful track season in 1925. The men coached by "Bill" Collins seemed unbeatable—and looked well in every meet.—Not a defeat was regstered in dual meets.

Maryville State Teachers College was our first opponent of the season. Although they put up a game fight they were defeated by the Wesleyan "Owls." The work of Imes, Bourette, and Shultz was very commendable in this meet.

The following Saturday saw the Wesleyan forces camped in Lawrence to attend the Kansas University Relays. Although we won no first places a very good showing was made. Clark placed fourth in the high hurdles, and Shultz took fourth in the 100 yard dash. The half mile relay team composed of Coy, Bourette, Clark and Shultz won their heat in the fast time of one minute and thirty-two seconds.

Coach Collins with a small squad of men attended the Drake Relays the following week. The mile relay team did very well at this meet.

Then came one of the thrillers of the season when the Collins troupe invaded William Jewell, the haunt of "Dad" Bowles. There was fast competition in every event. At the last of the meet, Wesleyan, by winning both the relays forged ahead to victory.

The state meet was held at Fayette, the home of Central College. After the most thrilling meet ever held by M. C. A. U., Central won out by the scant margin of three points with Wesleyan second. Shultz of Wesleyan set a new record in the one hundred yard dash; Clark did the same in the high hurdles and the one-half mile relay team made a new record of one minute and thirty-three seconds.

OUTLOOK FOR 1926

The chances for a championship this spring look very good. Five old men are back in uniform and showing up well. They are Capt. Shultz, Imes, Coy, Robinson and Bourette. With these veterans as nucleus and the proper work of new men with the cooperation of the student body should assure Wesleyan another victorious season.

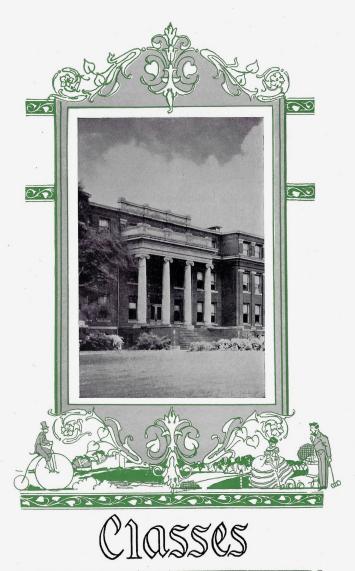
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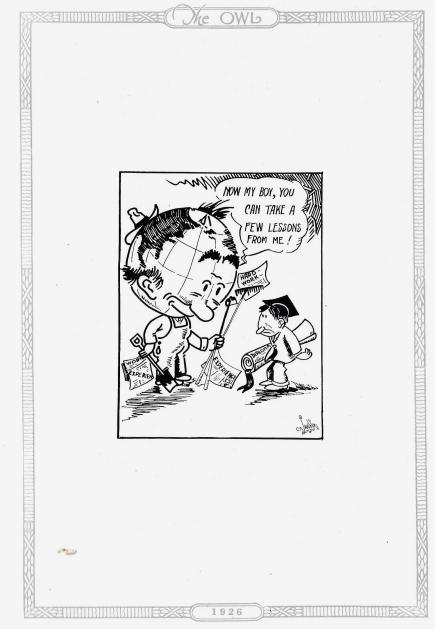
COLLEGE SPIRIT

No, not that bubbling, spasmodic effervescence of enthusiasm impelled by the antics of cheer leaders, or called forth by college songs and the impulse of mass contact, but something more. Not that intoxication of victory whose reaction is a pervading spirit of gloom when defeat shows her face, but more than even this. Not the hypodermic of leadership in a period of lethargy, but something deeper, more worthy, and unending. Not the impulse of the hour, but the dynamic of a lifetime. It may be the mother of Pep, or it may not be, all depending upon the particular brand of Pep.

College spirit is that great Something which fills empty halls with honest purpose and sacred memories; that flows into separate hearts and welds them together in a great social cause; that stirs into being new and worthy impulses, kindles unselfish ambition, cheers the plodder, inspires the genius, and opens the door of vision. It is that quality of devotion which keeps underpaid professors at their desks, and causes old graduates to rally around the flag of service when the need of Alma Mater calls. It is that pull upon the heartstrings, that overflowing of the wells of emotion when the strains of the Alma Mater bring the salty sting of tears. It is the spirit of service that calls into being effort in the classroom, on the gridiron, and on the stage of life, impelling one to give his best wherever he finds himself and whatever the occasion may be. It knows no defeat, fears no obstacle, never grows old, faces eternity with a smile, for its name is Life, and the college that has Spirit will never die.

Long thy sons shall sing thy praises,
And thy daughters too;
Hail thee Wesleyan, now and ever.
Loyal be and true!







**RALPH HULSE Rea, Mo.

Major History

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Basket Ball; Adelphian; Phi Kappa Delta; Criterion Student Council; Football; President of Senior Class. "As a Senior I am proud to be a Jew."

NILA GANFIELD Jamesport, Mo.
Major Chemistry

Phi Kappa Delta; Ruthean; Glee Club; L. I. D.; Theta Chi Delta. "Yes, she does seem to be interested in that creature called man."

TFLORENCE FARMER Cameron, Mo.
Major Mathematics
Ruthean; Glee Club.

"Already in the promised land."

LORRAINE COATES Maharin Meadville, Mo. Major Education

Aesthesian.

"Jokes of all kinds, ready cut and dried."

DERVIN SWEEM Cameron, Mo. 43 Major History

Adelphian; Y. M. C. A.

"When in the course of human events it becomes necessary for us to bluff, let us bluff." oforrest R. Brown Cameron, Mo.
Major Education
Y. M. C. A.; Excelsior.

"Always happy and full of life."

DJAMES SHULTZ Lucern, Mo. Major Education

Football; Track; Excelsior; Y. M. C. A.

"I can't tell a lie even when I hear one."

D'ANNA McVICKER Hart Cameron, Mo.
Major Education

Ruthean.

"Live while you're livin' 'cause you're a long time dead."

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathfrak{o}\mathrm{FLORENCE} & \mathrm{FRAKES} & \mathrm{Cameron, \ Mo.} \\ & \mathrm{Major \ English} \end{array}$

Criterion Staff; Aesthesian; Forensic Club; L. I. D.
"What shall I do to be known for-

ever?"

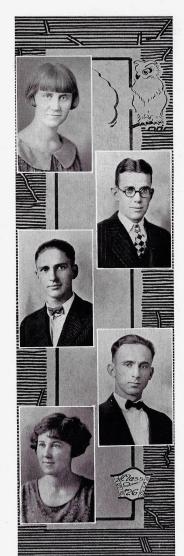
DW. ALLEN SEARCY Fairmount, Mo. Major Mathematics

Alchemist Club; Theta Chi Delta; Y. M. C. A.

"The next best thing to being wise, is to make people think you are."







OFLORENCE SHEPHERD

Powersville, Mo.

Major Home Economics Basket Ball; Ruthean. "The secret of her success is that she never wastes her time."

OWILBUR MOORE Cameron, Mo.

Major English

Adelphian; Phi Kappa Delta; L. I.
D.

"Bright but he lets people find it out for themselves."

DFRANCIS HILBERS Edgerton, Mo.

Major Education
Y. M. C. A.; Excelsior; L. I. D.

"If she is good enough for me, I'll
put her on my family tree."

ÖLEVY ROBINSON 4 Green City, Mo.
Major History
Y. M. C. A.; Track; Excelsior.
"Girls are a luxury, but I think I
will buy one."

+GOLDIE DIVEN Whipple Cameron, Mo.

Major English
Aesthesian; Dramatic Club; Glee
Club; Y. W. C. A.

"The kind of a girl we all want for
a friend."

DRALPH WHIPPLE Frotescue, Mo.
Major Social Science
Football; Excelsior; Basket Ball;
Y. M. C. A.; Criterion; Student
Council.

"Personification of preservence, reservation, and good judgment."

PAULINE DAVIS Cameron, Mo. Major French

Ruthean.
"Some day she will wake up and find herself famous."

OMILDRED DOWNING Cameron, Mo.
Major Home Economics
Alchemist; Owl Queen.
"Let the world slide."

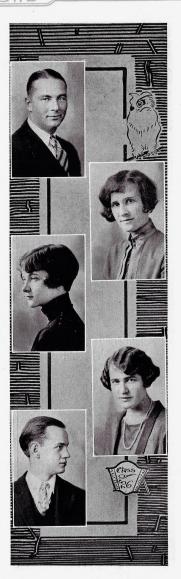
DEUGENIA FAIRCHILD

"The fates dubbed her 'Jimmie'."

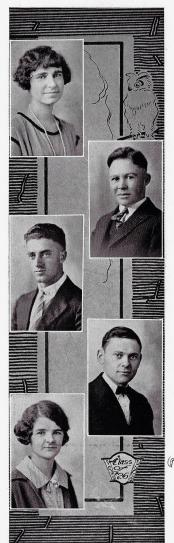
CHARLES TAYLOR Savannah, Mo.

Major Chemistry
Glee Club; Excelsior; Phi Kappa
Delta.

"I am a self-made man. I adore
my creator."







D'THELMA LEE SCHONK Cameron, Mo.
Major English
Scrub faculty; Ruthean; Y. W. C.
A.; L. I. D.
"If the world should end tomorrow,
let me die talking."

D†LEON FLEENOR Cameron, Mo.

Major Mathematics

Adelphian; Student Council; Alchemist; Theta Chi Delta.

"When I have nothing to say I say it twice."

OFREDE WILHOIT Cameron, Mo.

Major Agriculture
Excelsior.

"Secretly coveted by a siren."

D cJOE M. WILLIAMS Cameron, Mo.
Major English
Glee Club; Adelphian; Y. M. C. A.
"If he loves like he sings; what a
lover."

Cornelia Ensign Brown
Cameron, Mo.
Major Home Economics
Aesthesian.Ruthern, French Club
"Can always be depended upon."

MYRTLE LAIR Cameron, Mo.

Major Chemistry
Theta Chi Delta; Alchemist; Y. W.
C. A.; Criterion.

"Pep is so undignified, that is why
I like it."

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D VIRGIL LINDSEY Chillicothe, Mo.
Major English
Criterion; Excelsior; Y. M. C. A.
"Every whit a gentleman."

WALDRON JONES Macon, Mo.

Major Education

Excelsior.

"Every man has his own style, like his own nose."

DOMILDRED ROBISON (Subber Cameron, Mo. Major Education
Glee Club; Octet; Ruthean.
"Opportunity had her gloves on when she knocked at my door."

+PEARL MORTON Cameron, Mo.
Major Home Economics
Aesthesian.
"I don't believe in luck because I
never had any."

Oʻʻ ELZA REDMAN Maysville, Mo. Major History
Phi Kappa Delta; Y. M. C. A.;
Adelphian; Glee Club.
"Ford Halls prima hombre."



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HAIL, ALMA MATER!

Hail to Thee, our Alma Mater!
Hail thee, Wesleyan dear!
May our love to Thee grow greater,
Every passing year!

CHORUS

Long thy sons shall sing thy praises,
And thy daughters, too,
While the school its watchword raises
"Loyal be, and true."

Years have crowned thy name with glory
Battles have been fought.
As thy sons have made the story,
Deeds of valor wrought!

CHORUS

Forward by the grand endeavor, Upward press thy way! Hail thee, Wesleyan, now and ever, Brightly shine the day.

CHORUS

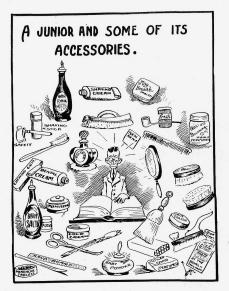
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MILDRED DOWNING Owl Queen

Photo by A. S. Brown

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DHAROLD COKELY Skidmore, Mo.

Excelsior; Theta Chi Delta;
Football; Alchemist; Editor
"The Owl."
"A dog fancier."

CHOHN A. BOWMAN Cameron, Mo. Adelphian; Theta Chi Delta; Alchemist; Owl Staff; Band; Orchestra. "Majoring in Campustry."

WILLIAM O'NEAL Cameron, Mo.
Adelphian; Basket Ball; Class
President; Owl Staff.
"Ain't love grand?"

+MARION CONKLIN Cameron, Mo.
Ruthean; Glee Club; Owl
Staff.
"Quiteness hath its virtue."

DLEMAN PAGE Green City, Mo. Y. M. C. A.; Adelphian.

"Frequents the region of Rice Hall."

+CARROLL HENDERSON

Lathrop, Mo. Adelphian; Y. M. C. A.; Football: Track.

"The terrible Swede."

D VICTOR COY Sheridan, Mo.
Owl Staff; Criterion; Student

Council; Excelsior; Track; Liter-

ary Society Council.
"Peppy Yell Leader."

+ AMY LOOS Hart 12 le Cameron, Mo. Aesthesian.

"Can always be depended upon."

Aesthesian; Owl Staff.

"Can be found at all times in book store."

DHERBERT DAGUE Haxtun, Colo.
Excelsior; Jew.
"He keeps the girls warm."

+WILLIAM BASYE Osborn, Mo.
Adelphian; Y. M. C. A.
"Always having trouble in
Latin."

+FRANCES MILLER Imes Linneus, Mo. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A.

"Her giggle is infectious."



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+MARTIN GRANTHAM

Stanberry, Mo.
Adelphian: Football; Basket
Ball; Owl Staff; Criterion.
"Never seen without his better half."

MILDRED BETHARDS
Ruthean.
"Participant in many love affairs."

IA'NN M. FILLEY Cameron, Mo. Adelphian; Owl Staff; Glee Club; Stadent Council; Y. M C. A. "What, no women?"

JOE GREENWOOD Sampsel, Mo Adelphian; Glee Club; Cornet Quartet; Band; Orchestra; Y. M. C. A. -'Conscientious Joe."

δ EULA MILLER Bookidmore, Mo. Aesthesian; Band; Orchestra; Glee Club.
"Has she got naughty eyes?"

+PAUL IMES Ridgeway, Mo.
Excelsior; Y. M. C. A.; Football; Track; Glee Club; Alchemist; Theta Chi Delta.
"Will be ruled with an irou hand."

HAROLD WOOD Jamesport, Mo. Adelphian; Alchemist; Student Athletic Manager. "General has capitulated at last."

DGEORGE B. REED St. Joseph, Mo Glee Club; Excelsior. "Blond Apollo."

DORTHY JONES — Cameron, Mo Ruthean; Dramatic Club; Y. W. C. A. "Nannic's shadow."

NANNIE SIMPSON Cameron, Mo Ruthean; Y. W. C. A.; Dramatic Club. "Dorothy's shadow."

THE FLOYD POLLOCK

Powerville, Mo Excelsior; Y. M. C. A.; Student Council; Glee Club; Owl Staff. "One of Wesleyan's wild young men."

ROBERT JAMES

Pattonsburg, Mo. Football; Y. M. C. A. "Beau Brummel?"

OPAUL BROWN
Adelphian.
"Exponent of style, wit, and romance."





FRANK J. KLÍNE

Minneapolis, Minu Adelphian; Dramatic Club. "Authority on all subjects."

HELEN QUIGLEY Cameron, Mo. Glee Club.
"A nice, quiet girl."

WILLARD YOS Green City, Mo
Adelphian; Student Council;
Y. M. C. A.
"There are but few men who
know their own heart."

+HUGH GARNER Cameron, Mo Adelphian; Student Council. "Source of most of Wesleyan's devilitry."

*LUCY SHAW Garrer Cameron, Mo Girls Glee Club; Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "Has lost her crowning glory."

FRANCIS MILLER Linneus, Mo
Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A.
"Her giggle is infectious."

EMORY LOWER Mound City, Mo
Excelsior; Basket Ball; Y. M.
C. A.; L. I. D.
"A good basketeer."

THIS IS ABOUT TO GET SERIOUS!



LORA DONAHUE Grayson, Mo
Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A.
"A worker of no mean conscience."

ARABELLE GOODMAN Osborn, Mo. Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A. "A Florentine guardian."

D DAVID FOSTER Cameron, Mo. Excelsior, Y. M. C. A. "He gets ahead by using the one he has."

D LOUISE ARNOLD Cameron, Mo
Aesthesian, Glee Club.
"She lost her dog."

D LOIS DOUGLAS Cameron, Mo Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A. "What's in a name? I expect to change mine."

+ HAROLD KUEBLER Pamona, Kas Excelsior, Glee Club. "Passed by a Kansas censorship."

FLOYE SWAN Hannibal, Mo. Ruthean, Y. W. C. A., Forensics, "If you ain't got love, you ain't got nothin'."

AGNES MEYER Oregon, Mo. Ruthean, Y. W. C. A. "Her favorite flower is the Holly."

MINTA CAMPBELL BandsCameron, Mo Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A. "The art of doing good passes every other personal joy."

OPAUL CRAWFORD

Adelphian, Forensics.

"Life is a serious business; what charm hath girls for me."

EULA STOTTS Jamesport, Mo Ruthean, Y. W. C. A. "One of the twins."

EMIL DEITERICH Wyaconda, Mo Excelsior, Y. M. C. A. "Full of fun and pep."

LOIS GOULD Laclede, Mo Aesthesian, Glee Club. "Men are such troubles; you can't live with them and can't live without them."

MAYNARD JONES Chillicothe, Mo. Adelphian, Glee Club.
"I'll be there in a minute, Dean."

IRENE MOON Samedian Cameron, Mo. Ruthean, Glee Club.
"If her world were the moon, who would be the man in it?"

CUMA LAY Hamilton, Mo. Ruthean, Y. W. C. A. "The other twin."

DRUTH PITTMAN Quentham Maysville, Mo. Ruthean.
"Tream, laugh and be merry, for tomorrow—"

WILLIAM LOMAX Laclede, Mo. Adelphian.
"Nothin to do till temorrow."

GRACIE MAY COOPER Sheridan, Mo Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A. "Truly she hath the eye of an artist."

HUGH GARNER Cameron, Mo Adelphian, Y. M. C. A. "Still water runs deep."

DEAN RYBOLT Grant City, Mo Execlsior, Y. M. C. A. "Abbie of the Jews."

DOROTHY DUNCAN Coy Savannah, Mo. Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A. "If you leave things too long, they Hardin."

MARGARET AYERS Macon, Mo Ruthean. "Thinks high school boys are O. K."

EVERETT VANDERSLICE
- Adelphian Stewartsville, Mo.
"I rather like Wesleyan."

BERNICE KRANZ Laclede, Mo Aesthesiau, "Why do you accuse me?"

NELLIE B. EVERETT Clar Osborn, Mo. Aesthesian.
"Attached to a dignified 'Prof'."

FERN BASYE Moore
Senior in Expression, Aesthesiau,
Y. W. C. A.
"I'll get my education and Moore
too."

STELLA HENRY Osborn, Mo Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A. "Can I keep a secret? I'll tell the world."

DVIOLET FAIRCHILD Kansas City, Mo Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A., Glee Club. "A soloist of fame and renown."

EDWARD KAGAY Stewartsville, Mo. Y. M. C. A., Glee Club. "Eddie of the Glee Club Trip."



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JOHN SHEEHY Cameron, Mo. Adelphian, Dramatic Club.
"Almost too jolly to be a preacher."

FLOYDE McNARY Mirabile, Mo Aesthesian. "Don't take me for a boy."

GOLDIE BOURETTE Maysville, Mo Football, Track, Alephian, Dramatics."
"I'd walk a mile for a Campbell."

LOIS ALLEN Bowman Cameron, Mo Ruthenn, Basket Ball, Glee Club. "She took Dick to the Ruthean banquet."

LESTER LUTES Grant City, Mo Adelphian. "Just stickin' around."

NELLIE FOSTER Herger Cameron, Mo Aesthesian, Glee Club. "Always has something to say."

FREDERICK JONES Cameron, Mo Adelphian, Alchemist Club. "What, no girls in heaven? Then just leave me here."

LUCHLLE KAY Nelson Osborn, Mo Ruthean, Football, L. I. D. "Another Bobby in the Kay family."

DHERMAN CASEY Cameron, Mo Football, Adelphian. "Pollowing successfully in the steps of John D."

PEARL DANIEL Cameron, Mo Aesthesian, Dramatic Club. "Her thoughts are not always at school."

MARION McNARIE Hamilton, Mo
"Good cheer is no hindrance to a
good life."

EVA MAY MEDSKER Lind Skidmore, Mo. Aesthesian.
"She was sorry when Virgil got stung."

CLARENCE PIEPERGERDES
Stewartsville, Mo
Student Council, Football, Alchemist, Adelphian.
"Doc, one of much dog fame."

LEONA DEEM Brookfield, Mo Ruthean. "Has to take care of 'Pete'." HOMER OCKER Cameron, Mo Adelphian, Alchemist, Band. "A rare combination of Chemistry and Music."

STELLA HENRY Osborn, Mo.
Aesthesian.
"No. I don't care for Moore."

CLARENCE BYERS Cameron, Mo
"A writer and wit of local fame."

DORIS KUEBLER Baner Pomona, Kas. "A Kansas Sunflower."

PAUL HIBBS Brookfield, Mo Student Council, Editor -in- Chief Elect. Adelphian. "Missouri Wesleyan's Collar-Ad."

DFAYE WYATT Wheaton, Mo Aesthesian, Senior in Music. "The look in her eyes that lies and lies."

ROBERT MILES Chillicothe, Mo. Adelphian, "A good Fair-Sex mixer."

DEDNA POTTER Cameron, Mo.
Ruthean.
"The smile that never wears out."

CHESTER MANSFIELD
"Little Chester in Wesleyan comics."

DOROTHY WILSON Rothville, Mo. Glee Club, Ruthean. "The Swedish girl with the mysterions age."

BRADFORD EVERETT

Adelphian Stewartsville Mo "Likes Cameron as a neighboring town."

FLORENCE GOODMAN Cameron, Mo Aesthesian. "Likes a joke—on the other fellow."

WILBERX MOORE Osborn, Mo.
"His ideals are high, but he runs with a Base(y) fellow."

VIVIAN KEUBLER Stratte Pomona, Kas. Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A. "Foxes are sometimes sly and cumning."

PAGE PENDLETON Marceline, Mo Adelphian, Football.
"Oh. pshuw, what's the use to worry?"

RUBY DANIEL Cameron, Mo Ruthean, "W" Association, Basketball. "Pretty good at making baskets."

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STELLA CROCKET unionville, Mo.
"Likes to read the music by the
Page."

RUTH KEMPER Cameron, Mo.
Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A., L. I. D.
"She lives among the books."

STEPHEN H. SIMS Lathrop, Mo. Alchemist.

"Built for comfort and not for speed."

DOROTHY DUNCAN Cox avannah. Mo. Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A. "If you leave things long enough they will Hardin."

FLOYD KINNE Cameron, Mo. Adelphian, Y. M. C. A.
"The Prof's brother."

BRACIE MORLAN Towersville, Mo. Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A.
"Her doubting Thomas doesn't doubt."

FLOYE SWAN Hannibal, Mo.
Ruthean, Y. W. C. A., Forensics,
L. I. D.
"One of the water birds."

D DAVID FOSTER Cameron, Mo. Excelsior, Y. M. C. A. "Good and jolly, that's David."

LORENE LAWSON Osborn, Mo. Ruthean, Y. W. C. A.

"Lives with a Miller in the Dorm."

MARGARET WOOD Cameron, Mo.
Aesthesian, Glee Club, Y. W. C. A.
"I'd rather be a little girl, than
grown up like you."

WILLIAM LOMAX Luclede, Mo. Adelphian.

"Laclede, the home of General Pershing and myself."

GRACE FRAKES Laclede, Mo. Aesthesian.

"So quiet and meek you would never know that she was near."

MILDRED MORRISON Osborn, Mo. Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A. "Laugh and the world laughs with you."

GRACIE MAE COOPER
Sheridan, Mo.
Aesthesian, Y. W. C. A.
"Truly she hath the fame of an
Artist."

PAUL PETERS Cameron, Mo. Adelphian, Y. M. C. A., Alchemist.

"A philosopher and thinker."

MAYNARD JONES Chillicothe, Mo. Adelphian, Glee Club.

"I'll be there in a minute Dean."

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FIRST PRIZE POEM

ODE TO MISSISSIPPI

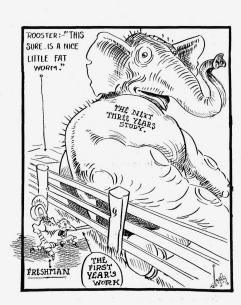
Father of Waters, you comfort me When I am blue, unable to see The good in man and the joy in life, When I see nothing but toil and strife.

The thought of the many lives you help Without a single thought for yourself, Helps me to see service I may do, If to the Creator's plan I be true.

Your surface seems so quiet and still, When of the world I have had my fill; I love to come and confide in you To tell you my troubles not so few.

From you I learn to joyfully go
Expecting small thanks from those I know,
Willingly serving where e'er I can
In my place helping the needs of man.

By Floye Ernestine Swan, Sophomore.





PAUL, KOCHAN Maysville, Mo
Adelphian; Y. M. C. A.; Phi Kappa
Delta.
"Tis virtue indeed that leads the
Freshman Class."

HAZEL, STEWART Murdock, Macon, Mo Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "Miss Herring just can't keep her quiet."

ORPHA POLLOCK Powersville, Mo
"Thelma's body guard."

LEON L. WALKER Green City, Mo Adelphian. "A good Walker, but likes to Roe."

DRUBY FOOR Meadville, Mo Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "Her blushes are sublime."

GRACE FRAKES Laclede, Mo.
Aosthesian.
"The back seat is something to be fought for, either in the room or the automobile."

EMMA LEE THOMPSON Stewartsville, Mo "Always the same."

MARY CLARK Savannah, Mo Aesthesian; Dramatic Club; Y. W C. A. "No wonder the Freshmen have all their pep with Mary to keep up their rep."

EDNA MORLAN Badley Pollock, Mo Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "Of all the winds a Gale suits her best"

D.J. BENJAMIN PRUGH Grant City, Mo. Excelsior; Y. M. C. A. "Bennie wastes no time."

LONEDAW GOVER Cameron, Mo. Y. M. C. A.
"Recently acquired to our great joy."

DONALD ISENHART Kingston, Mo
"He speaks when he is spoken to."

HATTIE HOERMAN Washington, Kas. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "A perfect lover."

ESTER BORDERS Ludlow, Mo Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "Oh maiden with the meek blue eyes, what hidden mischief in them lies?"

DORIS KUEBLER Bester Pomona, Kas. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "Her interests were far from here."

EILLEEN KRANZ Laclede, Mo.
Aesthesian.
"Kranz is her last name, but she
says it won't always be the same.'

HELEN ROE Brookfield, Mo Ruthean. "Wavy hair allures her."

IMOGENE MAGGART Reger, Mo Aesthesian: Y. W. C. A. "No—I never kiss any man but my brother."

ALICE BENTLEY Watson, Mo Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "Nelson used to say he liked me but them days are gone forever."

ALICE McCLURE Weatherby, Mo Ruthean; Y. W. C. A. "Darkness holds no fears for me with my big lover near."

ROY HOLLENBECK Shelbyville, Mo. Adelphian; Y. M. C. A. "Roy is a nice boy, or seems to be but Agnes says Bring back my lovin to me!"

BERNICE RHYBOLT Grant City, Mo. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "A nice sweet little girl."

LOUIS SHULTZ Lucerne, Mo
Excelsior; Y. M. C. A.
"The Shultz grin—personified."

RUTH POOR Polo, Mo. Aesthesian; Basketball; Y. W. C. A. "One who wore the green cap."

THELMA TROTTER Union Star, Mo Ruthean. "A future teacher."

FERN CLEVENGER Hamilton, Mo Aesthesian. "The bright black eye, the melting blue, I cannot choose between the two."

SUSIE EVANS Converse, Mo Basket Ball; Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A "A Basket Ball hero."

GERTHA STARK Laclede, Mo Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "A timid little dark-haired maid, of her teachers is not afraid."

WILFRED ZIEGLER Bethel, Mo Adelphian; Y. W. C. A.; Glee Club. "He met the enemy and won."

EARL A. OBERG Osborn, Mo.
Adelphian.
"An Osbornite of talent."



MARCELINE FROST Mameron, Mo Ruthean; Basket Ball. "It really doesn't pay to be deliberate."

CLARENCE H. STEVENSON Savannah, Mo.

Excelsior; Alchemist.
"When he speaks something is said."

CLARA VAN HOOZER Y. W. C. A. Martinsville, Mo "Quite reserved and working hardever good grades on her report card."

HOWARD HENRY Lakelle, Mo.
Excelsior: Y. M. C. A.
"He upholds the modesty of the Freshmen."

VERA LOU SAXER 5 84 6 Bethauy, Mo. Ruthean; Accompanist Men's Glee Club. "Has taken a likeing for chemists."

LAWRENCE METZ Braymer, Mo. Excelsior; Football; Y. M. C. A. "A coming football star."

MAUDE JACKSON Hunder Cameron, Mo. Ruthean; Basket Ball.
"Exhibit 'A' of what student should he".

HELEN GILCHRIST Ruth Cameron, Mo Ruthean. "De don't dare razz Helen for she has too many large friends."

LAVERN MERITT Cameron, Mo
"A preachers son."
Excelsior; Y. M. C. A.

MARGARET HEWITT Maysviile, Mo. Ruthean; Phi Kappa Delta; Glee Club. "That pleasing personality."

DCLEO HARDIN Stanberry, Mo Excelsior; Y. M. C. A.; Band. "Seen with Long and Stevenson."

RICHARD KAY Osborn, Mo Adelphian; Y. M. C. A. "Following the footsteps of Robert."

FERN STUBBLEFIELD Cameron, Mo. Ruthean; Y. W. C. A.
"Time may unfold what the tape measure hides, she may grow tall and with the clouds abide."

CLIFTON COPE Kingston, Mo. Excelsior: Y. W. C. A. "A second Edison."

EVELYN ENGLAND Cameron, Mo. Y. W. C. A.; Basket Ball; Ruthean. "'Ev' can sure knock the boys out if she makes the effort."

LAWRENCE GREENWOOD

Sampsel, Mo. Adelphian; Basket Ball. "Rice Hall dishwasher's entertainer."

DOROTHY CRAWFORD Cameron, Mo Ruthean; Y. W. C. A. "It really pays to be deliberate."

BERT RUSHTON Princeton, Mo. Adelphian.
"Once a school teacher, but now our shick."

GERTRUDE GANFIELD

Jamesport, Mo. Aesthesian; Glee Club; Y. W. C. A "Gertrude the song bird our little canary, a great many burdens can easily carry."

JAMES KLEPPER Cameron, Mo Adelphian; Football; Student Council; Y. M. C. A. "A good boy is James, as conscientious as Prof. Null."

NELLIE THOMAS Turney, Mo. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "A studious sort of girl."

D HOWARD SAUCEMAN Mound City, Mo Excelsior; Dramatic Club. "Hokum for short."

JULIA DIVEN Parest 25 Cameron, Mo Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "She does right well for a little girl."

WILLIAM SIMPSON Cameron, Mo Excelsior; Y. M. C. A. "We sometimes wonder about 'Bill'."

MRS. VIVIAN EDWARDS
Hamilton, Mo
Aesthesian.
"We used to 'Miss' her but now it's

WALTER C. WELSH Brookfield, Mo. Excelsior; Y. M. C. A. "Ford Hall's danger signal."

GRACE SCHLEICHER^{S. ev} (ameron, Mo Aesthesian. "Not a bad sort of a girl at all, and she's improving too."

NELSON MILLER Mound City, Mo. Excelsior; Y. M. C. A. "Girls—I can't belong to all of you."

GRACE PENNY **iad*** Cameron, Mo Ruthean. "Save your pennies and you will soon have dollars."

HARRY LONG Hamilton, Mo
"He is, literally long."





CHARLES CAMPBELL Cameron, Mo. Excelsior; Y. M. C. A.; Glee Club. "Another of Rice Hall visitors."

MRS. C. C. PRICHARD Cameron, Mo. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "She never gets tired of laughing."

HERBERT GALE Cameron, Mo.
Adelphian; Y. M. C. A.
Cornet Quartette.
"Music adds a great deal to ones

FERN LEDGERWOOD Cameron, Mo. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "After all college is a place of getting education, you know."

GLENN WARDERS Marysville, Kas. Excelsior: Glee Club; Y. M. C. A. Pi Kappa Delta; Criterion Staff. "I am Warders from Kansas."

ELSIE McCULLEY Cameron, Mo. Aesthesian; Girls Glee Club; Y. W. C. A. "She rather likes a Jew."

IDA PLUMB Altamont, Mo.
Ruthean.
"She too. has an attraction far
from here."

NEVA GARNER Coccomordameron, Mo. Aesthesian: Y. W. C. A. "Always gone over the week end much to Joe's disgust."

DBYNUM W. ELSTON Cameron, Mo. Adelphian; Y. M. C. A. "To sleep it is a gentle art, well worthy of my time."

EDNA MAE PLANCK The Bethauy, Mo. Ruthean; Glee Club.
"Rather enjoys the excitement of fires."

PEARL SHULTZ Hat Lucerne, Mo. Aesthesian; Basket Ball; Y. W. C. A. She can change her name, but she will always be a Shultz."

WILLIAM MEEK Maysville, Mo. Football.

"Sees in Wesleyan a chance to play football."

PAULINE McWILLIAMS, Cameren, Mo. Ruthean; Y. W. C. A.
"A friend of all—especially boys."

OTHELMA FERRIS Cameron, Mo.
Ruthean; Glee Club.
"Is affiliated with Standard Oil."

VIRGINIA WITT Craw Sured Cameron, Mo. Ruthean.
"One must get a little pleasure out of life, don't you think?"

BASIL NICHOLS Cameron, Mo. Y. M. C. A. "Our taxi man."

EULALIE JORDAN Lineville, Iowa Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "Her stay with us was short."

D.W. D. CROW
Adelphian.
"We still wonder at the size of his pedal extremities."

MABEL PURDY Harris, Mo.

Aesthesian; Expression; Y. W. C. A.

"A dignified school mor'm."

FLOYD McNARY Mirabile, Mo. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A.
"No, that's not a boys name."

MARGUERITE BRAND Osborn, Mo. Ruthean; Dramatic Club. "I don't believe in foregoing pleaswure, work and play in an equal measure."

SARA CHRISTIAN Rockport, Mo. Y. W. C. A. "Some talk little, some talk never, but she like the brook goes en forever."

JESSIE MAY MILLER Utica, Mo. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "The unusual strawberry blond."

VERN PURDY Harris, Mo.
Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A.
"Takes care of her little sister."

ODARRELL D. LYONS, Stewartsville, Mo. Adelphian: Glee Club.
"A fat man with a thin voice."

MARTHA KELTNER Completeneron, Mo.
Aesthesian.
"Quiet, but enjoys life just the same."

LEROY HENRIDICKS Osborn. Mo. Y. M. C. A. "Impetious and explosive."

HELEN DUNLAP Winston, Mo. Aesthesian; Y. W. C. A. "One of the Chemistry sharks."

FRANK E. SHERARD Gillette, Wyo.
Adelphian; Football.
"He tackles—anything."

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MERLIN GROOM Maysville, Mo.
Track; Y. M. C. A.
"A fast man—in track."

VILLA EOLA FENDER Jamesport, Mo. Y. W. C. A.
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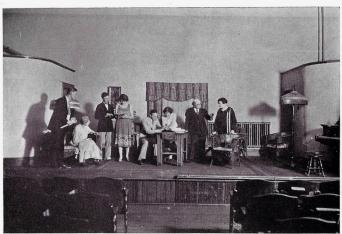
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M. W. C. Dramatic Club

MISS GRACE HENDERSON, Director

Scene from "Kempy"—a clever 3 act comedy drama, and feature play of the year, was presented in the College Chapel March 12, 1926.

At the regular meetings, held the first and third Monday nights of each month, one act plays, directed by members were brought before the club for criticism. Many of these were studied and presented at chapel periods and various entertainments throughout the year. Among those presented at other meetings were: "Where But in America;" "Christmas Chimes;" "Will O' The Wisp;" and "Our Aunt From California."

Officers and Members

First Semester		Second Semester
Goldie Diven	President	Ruth Pittman
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The Excelsior Literary Society, believing that all things outlive their usefulness, revised to a great extent its constitution immediately upon the opening of the school year. The pick of the freshman class flocked to the fold of the Excelsior Literary Society and they were properly taken in and initiated. With this fresh blood infused into the organization there was a great spirit of Excelsiorism that jerked the society from its slumber and placed it at the top of the list.

During the year, the Excelsiors appeared in numerous open programs and plays of every manner. The twenty-sixth annual banquet was the big event on the calendar and will long be remembered by those present. On top of all these activities the Excelsiors feel proud in the fact that they have men holding down positions in the strongest school activities. Football, debate, basketball and track have had Excelsior men holding the strong positions in those activities. All in all, the Excelsior year has been one to be looked back upon with pleasure and a good deal of pride.

The two men who acted as president of the Excelsiors and did much toward its success, in fact were the main cogs in the Excelsior machine, are David Foster and Victor Coy.





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Aesthesian Literary Society

Motto—Be not satisfied with present attainments, for when growth ceases, decay has already begun.

Colors-Purple and gold.

Flowers-Purple Aster and Golden Rod.

OFFICERS

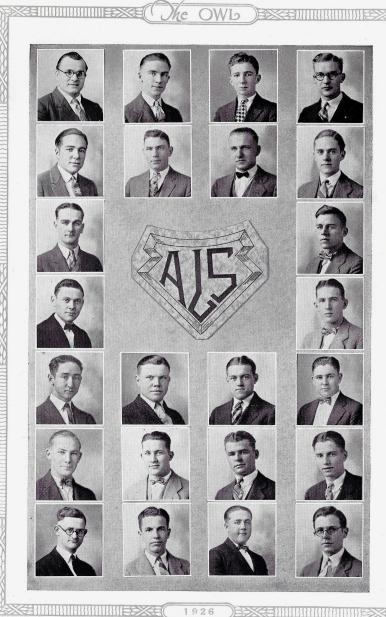
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	Pianist	
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Bernice Kranz)	/Julia Diven
Florence Frakes		Pearl Daniel
Louise Arnold	Curators	Violet Fairchild
Fern Basye		Eva May Medsker
Eula Miller)	Louise Arnold

A short time after Wesleyan was founded, the Aesthesian Literary Society was organized by Mrs. Proctor, wife of the president of the college in 1887. Aesthesian's ultimate aim is to help every girl discover truth, beauty and goodness. We started the year 1925-26 with seventy-four members. The Banquet, Literary Contests and Lawn Fete are annual occurences and are entered into with pep and enthusiasm, and with these have come the rewards of service, joy and personal growth.



Y. W. C. A.

First Semester	OFFICERS	Second Semester
Violet Fairchild	President	Agnes Mever
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Agnes Meyer	Devotional	Ethel Nicholas
Thelma Shonk	Finance	Goldie Diven
Jessie Miles	Missions	Fern Ledgerwood
	Athletics	
Ethel Nicholas	Social	Dorothy Jones
Cuma Lay	Pianist	Harriet Hoerman
Floye Swan	Chorister	Mrs. Pritchard





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Adelphian Literary Society

Under the motto "Esse quam Videri" Adelphianism has continued to thrive and progress through the year 1925-26. The loyalty manifested this year by the Adelphians to Missouri Wesleyan, to their society, and to each other is not a new phenomenon but the continued expression of that ancient Adelphian spirit which is the very existence of our society.

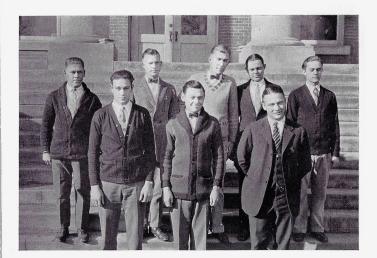
The reenactment of those "older rites and ceremonies" which cling to our ritualism and which are spoken of profanely as our initiation, inspired those members of the neophyte group who felt the thrill and call of Adelphianism and aspired to membership in the sacred body in a way which was expressed in higher ideals as well as in greater and better directed effort in all lines of collegiate activity.

The eighteenth annual banquet, held at the I. O. O. F. hall on March 9th will long linger in the memories of our members and those fair guests who spent there a most delightful evening. Were there any of the attendants missing the next morning at the seven-forty-fivers?

The members were found throughout the year in the high places of responsibility and honor. The society is justly proud of the records its members have made in literary, athletic and musical endeavors and most of all—of their patient application to the old scholastic grind and the results there attained. On the front line in every activity, their modest boast, we notice, can be applied equally well to those old Adelphians, who continue to honor themselves and the society by their contributions in the world outside. The slogan "Once an Adelphian, always an Adelphian"—how often we hear it repeated and see its fruitfulness year by year. Adelphians first and last, each and all, for the betterment of the society and what it symbolizes and for M. W. C.

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First Semester		Second Semester
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Wm. O'Neal	Vice-President	Paul Kochan
Leon Fleenor	Secretary	James Klepper
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The Young Men's Christian Association

Cabinet 1926-27

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Laverne Merritt	
Herbert Gale	Treasurer
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Floyd Pollock	Music
Joe Greenwood	Pianist
Joe Williams	Chorister
Prof. True Taylor	Faculty Advisor



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Ruthean Literary Society

Motto—Vite sin litteris moro est. Color—Cardinal and Straw. Flower—Red Rose

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	Second Semester
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Secretary	Ethel Nichols
Treasurer	Grace Sydebotham
Chaplain	Anna McVicker
Chorister	Margaret Hewitt
Literary Critic	Ruby Daniel
Pianist	Eula Stotts
Sergeant	Nannie Simpson
Criterion Reporter	Floye Swan
	President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Chaplain Chorister Literary Critic Pianist Sergeant

All through the year the Rutheans have shown their individuality.

Contrary to the usual customs in college circles, the reception for the new girls was held at a home instead of being held in the college gymnasium. Miss Lois Allen was the hostess at this occasion and a delightful time was had by all those in attendance. As a result of this individuality, the exact number of new girls desired was taken into the society.



Wesleyan Glee Club

The Club this year under the able direction of Dean Herbert C. Kelsey has experienced one of the best seasons of any Weslevan Glee Club. The chief reason for its success was the untiring efforts of Dean Kelsey, and the Club wishes to extend to him a vote of thanks for his labors,

On November 7, the Club was invited to appear at the St. Joseph Flower Show, where they sang to large and appreciative audiences.

The spring tour began March 18 and continued for thirteen days during which time seventeen concerts were given. The following towns were visited in the order named: St. Joseph, Mound City, Maitland, Skidmore, Burlington Jct., Stanberry, King City, Albany, Grant City, Bethany, Ridgeway, Lineville, Ia., Mercer, Ravanna, Spickard, Trenton and Jamesport. This is the first year that any Wesleyan Club has ever sung out of the state.

The home concert which was to have been given on April 6, but due to the inclement weather was postponed until April 22, and was a great success. A large and appreciative audience greeted the Club in this, their Seventh Annual Concert at the M. E. Church.

The Club was very ably assisted by Miss Goldie Marie Diven, reader for the Club for the third consecutive year, Miss Vera Louise Saxer, Pianist, Mr. Herbert Gale, Cornetist, Mr. Charles Taylor, Bass Soloist, and Mr. Joe Williams, Baritone soloist for fourth year. The services of Miss Diven and Messrs. Taylor and Williams will be sorely missed next year, and it will be hard to fill the vacancies left by these artists.

PERSONNEL

Dean Herbert C. Kelsey, Director

Vera Louise Saxer, Pianist

Goldie Marie Diven, Reader

Herbert Gale, Cornetist

First Tenor Baritone

Edward Kagay Joe M. Williams, Pres.

Maynard Jones Ralph Whipple, Sec. Harold Keubler Forrest R. Brown

Charles Campbell George Reed

Darrell Lyons Wilfred Zeigler

Second Tenor Bass

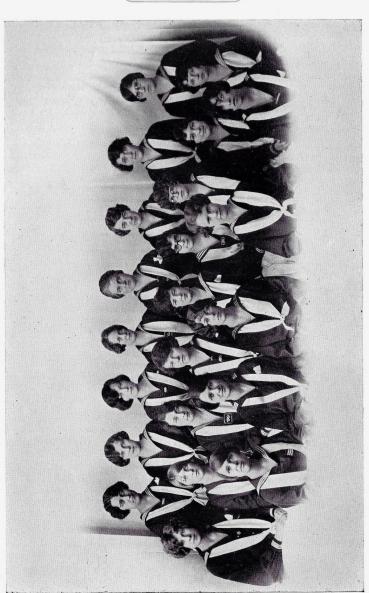
Bazzell Foxworthy, Lib. Lynn M. Filley, Bus. Mgr. Floyd Pollock Paul Imes

Joe A. Greenwood, Ass't PianistCharles Taylor

Glenn Warders

Hadley Crawford, Ass't Lib.





Ladies' Glee Club

OFFICERS

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Secretary	Nellie Foster
Librarian	Lois Allen
Director	Esma Sommerville-Slayton
Pianist	Mary Louise Arnold
Reader	Irene Moon

The Ladies' Glee Club of 1926 has not only kept up the high standard of its predecessors but it has raised that standard and has been acclaimed by those who know, the best Ladies Glee Club in the history of the college.

The Club owes much of its success to its efficient director, Mrs. Esma Sommerville-Slayton, who gave unselfishly of her time and effort in its behalf.

The Club achieved new laurels the past year by broadcasting from WDAF, Kansas City Star, February 14th. While in Kansas City they also sang in three churches. February 27th they gave a program at the White Temple, St. Joseph. March 19th the Club started on their annual spring tour, giving concerts in Chillicothe, Brookfield, Linneus, Laclede, Marceline, Norborne, Carrollton and Lathrop.

PERSONNEL

First Soprano Second Soprano Lois Allen Eula Miller Lois Gould Florence Farmer Mildred Robison Gertrude Ganfield Thelma Ferris Edra Mae Planck Marian Conklin Elsie McCulley First Alto Second Alto Nellie Foster Dorothy Wilson Nila Ganfield Hattie Hoerman Helen Quigley Violet Fairchild Margaret Hewitt Lucy Shaw Irene Moon Margaret Wood



STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council functioning in it's second year of existence has been able to handle many problems of the student body. It has been in a measure the co-operative agency between the students and the faculty. When in session the members of the Council have been eager to discuss both sides of any question that may have arisen, regardless of prejudice or fear of reproach. The members of this council represent the different groups and activities of the student body.

Some of the matters discussed were relations of the studen body in general and particularly the Freshmen class for the first semester, election of officers of student body, members and Criterion Staff and conduct of students on the campus.

Members	of	Student	Council

First Semester		Second Semester
Ralph Whipple	President	Ralph Whipple
Ralph Hulse	Senior	Leon Fleenor
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Hugh Garner	Adelphian	Paul Hibbs
Victor Coy	Excelsior	Willard Yos
Violet Fairchild	Y. W. C. A.	Agnes Meyer
Floyd Pollock	Y. M. C. A	Charles Campbell



Missouri Epsilon, Pi Kappa Delta

Missouri Epsilon chapter of Pi Kappa Delta experienced a successful forensic season against many of the colleges strongest in debate in this section of the country. Wesleyan debaters engaged in 18 encounters on the platform. Of the 15 decision debates Wesleyan won 7. Prof. Folsom, Wilbur Moore, Charles Taylor and Paul Crawford comprised the delegation in attendance at the National Convention of Pi Kappa Delta, held at Fort Collins, Greeley and Estes Park, Colo. Moore and Taylor debated, winning from St. Olaf College of St. Paul and losing to the Colorado Teachers and Dubuque U. Crawford entered Extemporaneous speaking.

The varsity won all debates on the home platform. The ladies had a strong team but were able to secure only one debate. This they won from Park.

Other activities of the chapter included presentation of Oscar Wilde's play "The Importance of Being Earnest." The members of the cast were: Ruth Pittman, Irene Moon, Ruth Ballinger, Floye Swan, Wilbur Moore, Charles Taylor, Paul Peters, Elza Redman and Paul Crawford.

The Pi Kappa Delta question, "Resolved: That the constitution of the U. S. should be amended to give Congress power to regulate child labor," was used in all debates.

DEBATE RECORD AND PERSONNEL OF M. W. C. TEAMS

Feb. 5-Tarkio Freshmen, here, Kochan and Russell, neg. Lost. Feb. 19-Park ladies, here. Hewitt, Swan and Ganfield, aff. Won.

Feb. 23—Freshmen vs. Palmer College at Albany. Warders, Russell, Kochan, Neg. Won.

March 2-Park here. Moore, Taylor and Crawford. Neg. Won. March 4-Baker U., there. Redman, Taylor and Moore, Aff. Lost.

March 8-College of Emporia, here. Taylor, Crawford and Moore. Aff.

March 15-Jewell, here. Moore, Taylor and Crawford, Neg. Won.

March 16-Ottawa U., there. Russell, Kochan & Crawford. Neg. Lost. March 17-Wyoming U., here, split team. Moore on Aff. and Taylor on Neg. Audience decision to Aff.

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d; Assistant Sec., Flove Swan.

ur year record in debate. Chas.

graduate this year. Other

Taylor, Dean Dalke, Pres. E.

d Peters, Carroll Russell, Paul

March 19-Jewell, there, Crawf Moore & Taylor. Aff. Lost. Russell. Aff. No decision.

March 25-Carthage, here. K

March 26-Washburn at Ton

March 27—Emporia Teacher The officers of the chapter

Charles Taylor; Sec-Treas., Paul Wilbur Moore leaves Weslevan Taylor, Elza Redman and R

members are Prof. B. W. Fol F. Buck, Margaret Hewitt, Nil.

Kochan, and Glenn Warders. The

. members are keenly looking forward to next year's battles on the platform and hope to maintain the Wes-

leyan forensic record.































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SECOND PRIZE POEM

FIRESIDE NOSTALGIA

Do they miss me at home I wonder?

Do they notice the vacant chair?

Would the hearth fires burn any brighter

Tonight if I were there?

Do they miss me at home I wonder?

Do they miss me at home and care?

Would loving arms open to clasp me

Tonight if I were there?

Do they miss me at home I wonder?

Do they notice the piano is still?

Do they long for the hymns I play softly

And Humoresque with its thrill?

Do they miss me at home I wonder?

Do they know I'm lonesome and blue?

But the question that troubles me now is,

Do they miss me more, or do you?

Bracie A. Morlan, '27.

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The large plantation on the hill, the Dyke estate, was known to everyone in the country for miles around. Mrs. Archibald Dyke was a tall, aristocratic lady with white hair and a mysterious past; who had inherited the estate from her husband's father after he had died several years before, on the thirteenth day of the month. No one had ever seen Mrs. Archibald before, except Uncle Billy Baldwin, the oldest and "curiousest" man in the little southern village. Uncle Billy could—and would—sit by the hour and tell wonderful stories of the times when the house on the hill was filled with company and the roads with tallyhos.

Archie Dyke had been a tall aenemic youth with pale hair and eyes, but was very popular because of his wealth and hospitality. He had run away from home after a petty quarrel with his father, and a few years afterward the report drifted back that he was married. A year after this report came back, an imposing carriage with a liveried driver on the box had driven madly up to the tavern door and a young man with wild pale eyes demanded coffee for two. He carried it to the carriage himself just as Uncle Billy came up the street. Uncle Billy gazed with large amazed eyes at the smart equipage, for since Archibald had run away, nothing of this kind had been seen. As he neared it, he was able to see a very pale lady in a heavy black dress looking from the window, just as the coachman drove swiftly away in the direction of the old mansion where the "Judge" had shut himself up after his son's departure.

The next morning, before anyone was up, the carriage had driven away with its occupants, and the negroes informed the villagers that Archie and his wife had come home, but when the old man was assured of his son's marriage they'd had "an awful row and the old man kicked 'em out, bag and baggage, an' tole 'em not to step their foot inside that house no mo'—vessir.''

Years went by and the old man died, leaving a peculiar will with a clause reading, "I leave my house to my son's wife, if she can live in it long enough to pay her for staying. I enjoyed it seventy-five years—may she do likewise. But I doubt if she will."

The next week Mrs. Dyke, dressed heavily in widow's black, moved in. She established herself in the mansion to live alone and find out the mean-

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ing of the old man's will. The first night the servants had jumped from their beds, startled by a terrible shriek; but were calmed and quited by a white-faced, trembling Mrs. Dyke, who moved them to cabins a little distance from the house the next day. They gradually got over their fright but still felt that something "terrible s'picious" was the matter "up to the big house."

Little John Washington Johnson, a southern negro of the blackest type -and as all good negroes, very superstitious-walked cautiously through the "big woods" with Mrs. Dyke's washing. Just now he was living in a state of indescribable dread because he had been thirteen years old for thirteen days, a black cat had crossed his path, and a hoot owl had just inquired very dolefully "whoo-whooo-who are you-u-u-u?" It was growing dark and the mansion had an eery appearance in the bright moonlight and besides that "ole hootin' owl" might be anxious about him again. If he hooted, John knew he'd turn white. If he didn't have that old washing he'd run, but in spite of the washing he managed to trot the last few steps and arrive breathless. Mrs. Dyke, herself, opened the door. "Come right in, John Washington, while I get some collars. I forgot to send them." It was the first time he had ever been in the living room and he perched on a high stiff chair looking like an undergrown chicken. Only one candle was burning in the candlestick, and it blinked as if it didn't know whether to stay or go. He was alone and the grandfather clock was striking. John decided to count the strokes-nine-ten-eleven-twelve- It must be fast -Oh golly, was it !-it was striking thirteen. John got up with escape as his only idea. In his blind terror he ran against the table, the candle flickered and went out. Turning he stumbled, fell into the clock, and was still. He could only trust to Providence and Mrs. Dyke to get him out, and he hadn't much faith in either of them.

Mrs. Dyke came in, calling, "John Washington! Why, what's the matter? Are you hurt? Don't move until I get a candle." He was not hurt and there was no danger of his moving. He was frozen fast to that spot, clutching at something with his eyes closed tightly and his teeth chattering. The candle came and Mrs. Dyke picked him up. "What in the name of all the saints happened to you, Johnny? Tell me. Why child, you're actually pale!"

"Oh Missus, Missus, it strike thirteen times—the candle go out 'en the hootin' owl out in the timber hooted, 'en I run and I broke the clock. Oh golly—look!" And John Washington held up a folded paper. Mrs. Archi-

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Late that night, John stumbled home to an irate mother who welcomed him, hands on hips, saying, "You good fo' nothin' black chile. You done gone and had time to be to Jerushalem and back. I've got a right good notion to brain you."

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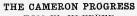
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The girl seated by the window, with an open book in her hand, was a pretty girl. She had soft brown eyes and un-bobbed auburn hair, which fell in wavy masses around her face. As she read, a look of disguest crossed her face.

The stenographer shifted her chewing gum to the other side of her mouth, and giggled.

"Yes," she said, "this is the best new dance I've learned yet. And, by the way, you should hear the new record I've got on the Victrola. It's a wow! Oh, Ernie asked me to go to the dance tonight! Isn't that keen? I wish you were gonna go, too.

Katherine McClure threw the book across the room and looked out of the window.

"Why on earth," she said to herself, "do people always have to pick on stenographers? For every hair-brained event that ever takes place, the blame is given to them. According to this writer a stenographer is incapable of any more serious thought than that of securing a date; of any more worthy deed than that of putting her make-up on straight. And yet, I wonder how, if we as a class are so frivolous, we carry on practically all the world's business? I wonder how we—Oh, there's the postman. Maybe I've got a letter."

There were several letters and one card for Katherine. She read the card first. It merely ran thus:

"Dear Katherine.

Will be home tomorrow—am stopping in Chicago today. I'll talk to you then. ${\bf James.''}$

Before she had finished reading the rest of her letters, the door opened and a girl, probably three years Katherine's senior, came in. If Katherine represented Irish beauty, this girl, Sibyl Laine, was a fair representative of the Anglo-Saxon. Katherine turned to her.

"Oh, Sibyl, just guess whom I heard from today!"

"I'm sure I don't know, please tell me, Katie."

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"From James!" she finally said. "From James—our beloved James Rae! And he's coming home tomorrow!"

"Tomorrow!" The tone, though indifferent was very low, almost a whisper. Sibyl tried to smile in her usual delightful manner and yet Katherine detected something in her face that she had never seen there before. It was only for a moment, and yet that look of pain and seute anguish could not be disguised. That look on Sibyl's face told Katherine something that, she had never even dared to think of before.

"When will he be here—at what time, I mean?" Sibyl finally broke the awkard silence.

"He doesn't say. Here, you read the card. I'm going out for a walk in the park; I need the fresh air and exercise. Won't you go along?"

"No, thanks, I think I'll go to bed and sleep off this headache. I'm not even going to eat any dinner."

"I'll eat down town. Bye, bye. Have a good sleep for me."

Once in the park, Katherine forgot all about her walk. She had come there to thrash out this problem all by herself. She seated herself on a bench, and began to think hard.

Why hadn't she noticed it before. Of course, Sibyl loved James; she couldn't help it.

Clean, wholesome, handsome James, with a heart of gold, and an intellect that few men possessed, coupled with good common sense and a keen business instinct! They had all three been such pals—just pals, too, until just before James went to New York this last time there had been an understanding between him and Katherine. He had not written—only this one card. And Sibyl had not suspected until today. She had never told her for some reason, but she on her part had never suspected how much Sibyl cared until today.

Dear old Sib! How much she had done for her! She had taken her when she was just fourteen years old, given her a high school and business education, and recognizing her talent paid for her lessons in piano, voice and expression. Sibyl herself had taken no piano and voice lessons. She

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had protested her indifference to such things, and had sworn that she could not even carry a tune. But one day, Katherine had come up to their room to hear Sibyl singing in such a clear, sweet voice that she at once knew that the girl had been bluntly lying about herself. Right there Katherine drew the line, and took no more lessons until she had finished her one more year of high school and her business course, and could pay for them herself. Yes, indeed, Sibyl had been a veritable mother, sister, friend, and guardian angel to her, ever since that day when she had found her half-starved, friendless, hopeless on the streets.

And this is the way I am to pay her back—she who has done so much for me, who has worked her fingers off for me? Am I to take away her life-long happiness, and leave only loneliness and emptiness before her? God forbid! Truly if I do this, the author of that article I was reading this afternoon was right. A beast! A silly, frivolous, selfish, ungrateful fool! Nothing more! I know James would love her, if it wasn't for me. He has a silly notion that he prefers me because I'm "peppier"—I guess that's the word to use.

"And yet, I love James. Why should I give up my happiness? Wouldn't the future be just as long for me—and just as empty? Life is so long, long, long—when there's nothing to look forward to. Oh, I could die for Sibyl—willingly—gladly, but I can't live hopelessly for her! I can't, can't! All my life before I knew her was just one ceaseless longing for an education, for the development of my musical ability, and for love. One ceaseless torture of hunger, cold, and longing! And now, at the supreme hour of my happiness, I must give it up!

The darkness descended, and a chill wind came up from the east, howling mournfully in the tree-tops. Hours passed, but there was no sign of life from the girl who sat still on the bench, head hidden in her arms, fighting one of those battles so common to men, and yet of which God alone is always the witness.

Finally Katherine arose quickly and started for home. Arriving in her room, she turned on a light in one corner, and drew from her small desk some stationery, ink, and a pen. She glanced at Sibyl. The latter was pretending to be asleep, but from her unquiet breathing and moving, once

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in a while, Katherine knew that she was not. There were tear stains on her upturned face.

With lips set in a firm, white line, and eyes burning like coals, she started to write. She ruined several sheets of paper, but finally managed to write this note.

"Dear James:

I'm glad you're coming, and I'd like to see you, but I just received a telephone message that my little nephew is sick, about to die, and I must go to see him—tonight.

"Forget about what we both once said, the night before you went away. It was all an illusion on my part, as I feel that it was on yours. For now I know, although I did not then that I love a boy whom I have known since childhood. You don't know him. Forgive me, won't you? And let's always be friends.

Katherine."

She sealed the letter and addressed it to James's home address. Then she woke Sibyl. $\hfill \hfill$

"Sibyl, honey, I've just received a telephone message that my little nephew is about to die. I must catch the eleven-thirty train. I don't know when I'll be back, but I'll write you often. I must pack my grip now."

Sibyl was out of bed in an instant, and together they packed the few clothes that Katherine would need for her short trip.

"Katie, won't you see James?" Sibyl finally ventured.

"I guess not, but I guess he'll live over it, and I know I will. Thanks ever so much for helping me get ready. Bye-bye!" Katherine kissed her and departed.

Outside Katherine ran all the way to the post office and slipped the letter into its place. Three days later, Sibyl received a letter written in Kaherine's hand-writing.

"Dear Pal:

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"I've sent my resignation to the boss.

"My little nephew pulled through all right.

Katherine."

Three years later, in a little sea-coast town in California a girl sat in a down-town office and gazed moodily out of the window. The girl had soft brown eyes and un-bobbed auburn hair, which fell in wavy masses around her face. In her hand was a letter, a letter announcing the marriage of Miss Sibyl Laine to Mrs. James Rae. Tears of happiness were in her eyes.

"Oh Sibyl," she murmured, half aloud, "you're so happy! I want so much to see you and to tell you how glad I am, but I cannot see you without seeing him, and that would only open old wounds. But I, too, am happy, for I have proved to my own conscience, beyond a single doubt, that a stenographer can do something worth while, as well as the more intellectual types of humanity!"

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