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## THE FIRST LAP

**Achievements in Scholastic, Athletic, and Social Fields Prepare Way for Happy Holiday Season.**

Three more days and over one hundred and fifty of the big Wesleyan family will be clamping shut that old battered suit case preparatory to going home to enjoy the Christmas holidays with mother, father, and the kids. Three more days and two hundred and four of the big Wesleyan family will go home to dormitory or residence to fling that old Spanish book to the farthest corner, there to remain until January fourth when the bells will again buzz out at old Jasper. In the interim what wonderful times are going to take place.

Those wonderful times that are to take place have been well merited by a most successful four months' period of scholastic work at Wesleyan, by the completion of a championship football season, and best of all by ninety days of the best fellowship the school has ever experienced. Dr. Harmon in a recent chapel address asserted that only three or four in our big family this year were not trying to help themselves or the school which was generous enough to harbor them. Grade returns show consistent and conscientious class room work. On the Athletic field Wesleyan first of all has retained her reputation for playing every game clean. Besides accomplishing this feat, our football team has emerged from the fray branded as a championship team by declaring Kirksville S. T. C., Jewell, and Wesleyan as joint contenders for the pennant. The campus has this year been destitute of cliques and volumes of gossip which in themselves destroy the spirit of any school on whose campus they find a place. With these achievements in mind it is but little wonder that this Christmas season has been prophesied as a most joyous one. May we dispense the Wesleyan spirit wherever we go and bring back to the old school on January fourth a

## A VISITOR FROM GALILEE

**A Shepherd Boy From Palestine Speaks at Missouri Wesleyan Chapel.**

Last Wednesday morning Mr. Stephen Habousch and Mrs. Habousch brought a message to Missouri Wesleyan quite directly from the River Jordan and the Dead Sea. Mr. Habousch is a Galilean by birth, though he assured his auditors repeatedly that he is now an American, an adopted son. Had there been no other message, the man himself would have made a fascinating study with the peculiar and subtle blending of the oriental with the American love of imaginery, choice of words, flashing wit, appreciation of the heroic, keen appeal for progressive thinking, scorn of superstition, patriotic loyalty.

During the chapel hour Mr. Habousch brought intimate pictures of his own shepherd life among the Galilean hills—a modern boy in an ancient world, still carrying his rod and his staff and his cup of oil, tending his uncle's flock and giving them much loving care for his name's sake—a family pride.

Then from his own normal experience he interpreted the Shepherd Psalm, closing effectively with the gracious salutation still in use as an expression of gratitude, "My cup runneth over."

The program at the Methodist church in the evening was more pretentious—a travelogue, the shepherd's flute music, handsome costumes of Palestine, and moving pictures of the Modern Damascus, Bethlehem, and Jerusalem with surrounding valleys and hills. These were taken by Mr. Habousch himself in 1913 and 1920, and were most interesting and instructive.

Wentworth has abolished reveille combining it with breakfast call. A very acceptable change of schedule no doubt.

redoubled energy to make Wesleyan and ourselves great.

## THE END OF THE RAINBOW

**The School of Expression Appears in a Pleasing Little Play.**

On last Thursday and Friday night, if you happened to be at the Cameron High School, you found at "The End of the Rainbow" just that for which we are all searching.

To begin with, everything went off beautifully. The Hesperian orchestra played in its usual good manner.

The costumes, make ups, setting, everything, in fact, was so attractive you might easily have imagined yourself in one of our larger theatres.

The cast of characters was as follows:

Robert Preston, a lawyer, Emerson Brown; Douglas Brown, a football player, Howard Froman; Dick Preston, the groom, Raymond Kinnie; Nellie Preston, the bride, Clara Clark; Stanley Palmer, Hawkins the Butler, Enos Stambach; Ted Whitney, captain of varsity team, Romaine Wood; Jack Austin, Preston's secretary; Robert Russell; Marion Dayton, a ward of Preston, Angela Buzzard; Louise Ross, (Miss Grayson), Adah McCullough; Phyllis Lane, a football enthusiast, Marguerite Frazier; Kathleen Knox, chairman of the rushing committee, Georgia Amich; The Imp, a freshman, Jean Swiger; Emily Elliott, with a conscience, Ina Wachtel; Jane, a maid with a taste for literature, Goldie Diven; Mrs. Brown, step mother of Douglas Brown, Ina Wachtel; Polly Price, Corona Dillener; Elsa Ernest, Mildred Crider; Marjorie Arnold, Helen Boxx; Marie Swift, Helen Hainline; Molly Bruce, Mary McKee, all of the Theta Phi.

Margaret Frazier and Howard Froman were especially good in their parts. Oh! and wasn't Jean Swiger the cutest little "Imp". And the bride and groom, weren't they comical? And Molly, and Hawkins!

The maid with a taste for literature! Well, certain it is that her ravings fascinated the audience.

Then, there was a vampire of course, and Ada McCullough acquit-

ted herself admirably in that part.

Bob and Marion are especially deserving of praise; it was they who found at the end of the rainbow, not the pot of gold for which every one thinks he is searching, but "one's heart's desire", true happiness.

It is hardly necessary to add that every one who took part in the play did himself justice, and Mrs. Overton is to be highly commended for the attractive production. It was her patience and her genuine interest which made the play.

#### ALUMNI NOTES

Chester Butterfield, '13, has been visiting relatives at Cameron over Thanksgiving. He is in the U. S. Health department service as bacteriologist at Peoria, Illinois.

Rev. Gay C. White, '04, has been made District Superintendent of the Mitchell, S. D. Methodist District, and is now living at 320 McCabe St., Mitchell. The Dakota Wesleyan is located in that city.

Rev. Geo. H. Zentz, '06 visited friends in Cameron recently. He is pastor of the Methodist church at Bemidji, Minn.

Miss Pauline Harper, '09, writes that she is enjoying her work very much as teacher of public school music in Denver.

Susie Benson-Howard, '09, whose health was so seriously affected by an attack of flu several years ago, has regained her strength. She is living in Urbana, Illinois, where her husband, C. G. Howard, expects to take his Doctor's degree in Law at the University next June.

While Homer Lee Prather was not an alumnus of Missouri Wesleyan, it is not out of place to make mention of his death in this column. Since three and one-half years of his college work were done at this school. His last year was finished at Tarkio College, where he was graduated in 1895. He died at Newton, Kansas, Sept. 15, 1921. At the time of his death he was Representative of the 54th district of the Kansas State Legislature. He was a loyal member of the Methodist church, and his influences in every good cause was widely felt.

#### "KILL THE TENORS"

##### Men's Glee Club Maknig Good Promise for the Year.

Being an old alumnus of Missouri Wesleyan, having graduated in '19, and visiting friends in Cameron, I came out to see the old school.

Just as I opened the door of the Arts Building, and stepped into the hall, my ears were assaulted by a thunderous voice roaring something about "kill the tenors". Following the direction whence this voice came I entered the chapel and beheld, not a scene of carnage as I expected, but a group of fine looking chaps who seemed to be having much fun at the expense of one poor, lone, red-headed tenor.

My entrance caused a momentary pause, and suddenly a familiar form bounded from the platform and came running toward me. With delight I hailed my old friend, who in answer to my query, "What do you think you are doing here?" replied—"Singing my boy, singing and working. And listen, work is the word. Never before has any club been so enthusiastic over its program as the club this year. They are always on hand to practice and often stay overtime.

See those fellows up there? Well that's all that's left out of thirty-five men who came out at the beginning of the year. Yes sir, twenty men, and what's more, four of them are to be eliminated, and we don't know yet who they're to be. Professor Kelsey had us all give our measurements for sweaters, you tell 'em we are, just like last years, but that doesn't signify we've made the club, because there are twenty-two counting Stambach and Professor Kelsey, and only eighteen sweaters were ordered. Oh, I'll tell you it's nip and tuck for a place.

Yes, there are several old men back and some new ones, too. Professor Kelsey said that this was the best balanced club he has ever had. How does that sound to an old timer, pretty good, eh?

And boy—talk about music. Say, we've got it. All kinds. Some of its so big and great that it makes you tingle all over, and pretty, my, my I should say. And some of it makes you stand there and just pat your feet. We've got so many pretty tunes that we just can't decide which one we like the best.

Well, I can't say just yet, though

I think we'll get out soon after the holidays. And in the spring we will get to make a trip of a little over a week. Oh, I'll tell you it's worth a fellows time and trouble, just for the fun of singing."

Then my friend was called away, and left to my own thoughts I couldn't help but feel proud that such an organization was going to represent my old alma mater, and Professor Kelsey certainly deserves much credit for his faithfulness and patience.

#### "A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM"

"What is thy name, O youth?"

"Hamlet".

"What is thy occupation?"

"The Merchant of Venice!"

"Why art thou so sad?"

"Because of a strange 'Midsummer Night's Dream'".

"What was the dream about?"

"Love's Labor Lost".

"Wilt thou tell me more?"

"As you like it".

Certainly, though it be a 'Winter's Tale'".

"Well, it concerns a 'Comedy of Errors'".

"Who made the errors?"

"The Merry Wives of Windsor'".

"What caused them to make errors?"

"They were told by the fair maiden's father to accomplish 'The Taming of the Shrew'".

"Was anyone else concerned in the affair?"

"Yes, 'Two Gentlemen of Verona'".

"How did matters progress?"

"Measure for Measure' until the 'Twelfth Night'".

"What happened then?"

"'Much ado About Nothing' caused 'The Tempest'".

"How did matters end?"

"Sadly, indeed, I am told; yet 'All's Well That Ends Well'".

#### EXCELSIORS

On account of the meetings held at the Methodist Church for several weeks, the Excelsiors have had no society programs. A short session was held, however, just before the play last Thursday night, and plans were made for the future. An open program will be given by the Aesthetesians and Excelsiors very soon, but in the meantime the regular closed programs every Thursday night will be worth while, too.



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**"THE LIGHT ETERNAL"**

The services at the Methodist Church last Sunday evening were enjoyed by one of the largest audiences ever assembled there. The large audience was a compliment to all who took part in the program of the evening.

Everyone joined heartily in singing "Joy To The World" after which Rev. Howard, of the Christian church offered an excellent prayer.

The first special number was the overture, "Midnight Dream" given by the Hesperian Orchestra. It was a very pleasing number. Following this Professor Tracy played a trombone solo, "The Holy City". It was unusually well rendered.

The cantata was well given and it was evident that there had been an earnest effort on the part of every individual who assisted in making it a success.

The chorus work was especially pleasing and inspiring.

Each soloist did well, showing that he had spent a great amount of time and careful study on his particular part.

Dr. Gale, after thanking those who had taken part in the program, gave the closing prayer.

We are certainly indebted to Professor Kelsey for his arranging such a beautiful program, and to the Hesperians for their ready assistance. To all of these and the choir members, thanks.

**PARTY AT MISS CLEVELANDS**

On Monday evening, December the fourth, Miss Helen Cleveland gave a party for a group of her friends, and Oh! Boy! but the fun we did have.

There was the fun of looking at pictures, (some of which she may not see again?), playing Rook, and singing.

We were not there but a little while until there was something said about candy-making. And you should have seen folks scramble to the kitchen. Oh my, but the real pleasure of having real butter and cream to use in the candy. It made one wish to be back on the farm.

Well the candy was finally made and if there was any left it was just because we couldn't hold any more.

We all had a good time and if Mr. Cleveland isn't too angry for having to hunt his shoes the next morning we hope that Helen will entertain again.

**CHRISTMAS 1921**

With the Yuletide comes the pleasure of extending to our many friends and fellow citizens the

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### THE HOME-COMING DAY

#### Aesthesian Literary Society Indulges in Happy Social Affair.

Thanksgiving was the home-coming day for all the children and the grand-children of grandma Smart, on one side of the house, and grandpa Strawtick on the other. Grandpa came over early to help grandma get ready for the children. And, what a happy pair they were when the young folk began to come in.

The first to arrive was Alexander Strawtick with his wife, Rose, their triplets, twins, two maiden daughters, two small sons, and a rich young aunt.

Soon the Wellfeddens parents, with family of plump, happy little ones came. So good-humored and saucy were they that grandma and grandpa were quite horrified at their actions.

Father Lovehappy and family had not been at home for so long that the grandparents did not recognize some of the younger children. Sam had been away in the navy, too, for several years, and June had just returned from M. W. C.

Widow Tickelpitcher, who had lost her husband in a recent railroad accident, appeared to be faring well with her small family of six. They were exceedingly well trained in behavior.

Can you imagine the joy that came to the old hearts as they watched the youngsters in their games of tag and ring-around-rosy; as little Willie said his speech and sang his song; and as Bill, daddie's big boy, said his piece? The children all showed that they had been given strict discipline—of course no child can help dropping his gum or candy on the floor, and other children can not refrain from scampering after the dropped gum or candy.

Had you been grandfather you could have heard him say to grandmother at his side, "Oh, Samantha, don't you remember the speeches you used to say? You were always the sweetest little girl anywhere, your curls were mighty near as long as little Bess's there." And grandmother could have been heard

to answer, "Yes, John, and I remember the speeches you used to say. Seemed like they were always better than those other boys made. I always liked to hear you say speeches, John." Then they said some more things that you could not have heard, but everybody heard the call for the nephew, Rev. I. M. Smart.

Of course the younger ones did not all understand, but the other people wept with joy as the wedding ceremony took place in the next few minutes.

As Thanksgiving Day drew near its close, the children all left, wishing grandma and grandpa Strawtick many more happy years.

The following Aesthesian-Excelsior program was arranged for Thursday night, December eighth:

Solo, Christine Kendall; talk, Fayette Rapier; mandolin and guitar duet, Mr. Hawk and Mr. Wood; reading, Goldie Diven; solo, Kenneth Crawford; stunt, Cara Clark and Ralph Hicks; eight-hand number, Veda Shafer, Gladys Spalding, Lois Kennish, Mae Wehrli.

#### Who Could It Be?

Joe Pick—Don't know what's wrong with my watch, but it's fast.

Glenn Filley, 'S easy; it's the woman in the case.

Fred McFarland (having run over a dog)—Sir, I will replace the cur at once.

Irate Owner—You flatter yourself, young man.

Ray Dice—Is the Dean in his office?

Goldie—No, he has gone out after his lunch.

Ray—Will he be back after his lunch?

Goldie—Hardly, that's what he went out after.

Gob—I am so sore from motor-cycling, I can't stand or sit.

Katie Bond—If you are telling the truth, you are lying.

Messrs. Dieterich and McCoy were seen last week looking at a small bungalow on West Fourth street.

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No joys, apparently, are unallowed. Even when we are thinking happily of the Christmas holidays, comes the edict, "We shall have a test in this class next recitation hour." Some one is always taking the joy out of life.

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### NEW JOY AT M. W. C.

"Watch out, that's my sore arm!" How many times, of late have you heard that cry? It seems to be quite a fad, this matter of getting vaccinated. If you see anyone giving you the "cold shoulder" it is probably because his vaccination is "taking." Don't be offended, but just put yourself in the other fellow's place. Soon his arm will be well, and he will again be your friend.

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### XMAS VACATION CLOSE AT HAND

Some one once said of winter, "The melancholy days have come, the saddest of the year." But, when winter approaches that part of itself known as Christmas holidays, the little verse might be made much brighter and more pleasant if it were changed to, "Glad vacation time has come, the cheeriest of the year."

Christmas is a life-saver in many ways. Then it is that with the help of a well-directed hint or two, we come into possession of the much-

needed pair of kid gloves, or the longed for set of cuff-links. Then it is that Faculty members see the excitement under which the students are laboring, and suddenly become quite merciful, maybe. Then, oh, greatest of joys, then it is that we carefully pack our belongings into the old carpet-bag, dress up in our Sunday clothes, throw our gaberdine over our arm, and sally forth, having in mind as destination the old home town, dad and mother and brother and sis, and last, but not the very least, some of mother's fruit cake and roast turkey.

Aye, verily, Christmas is a joyful time.

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### THE CAMPUS STROLLER

I thought I'd visit Ford Hall the other day and while passing down the brightly lighted (?) corridor, I heard a voice saying, "I killed a mouse; I killed a mouse." Who was it but the brave Chi Ryan carrying the corpse of a half grown rat. He was waving a square, picket shaped weapon which he had evidently procured somewhere between the College and Third street and was cutting all sorts of antics, displaying "the mouse". Chi had discovered the animal while renovating a certain room and now an inmate of Ford Hall is without a roommate.

As I walked on to the north end of the hall, strains of sweet music broke upon my ear. Upon inquiry I learned that Joe Pick had traded his baritone for a slid trombone and was learning anew, much to the sorrow of his neighbors. I may say that I made my escape quietly. I stopped at Hook's for a while one evening last week preferring that to Ford Hall music, and heard some men discussing various matters, among them, the Thanksgiving game. They each had a word to offer as to why the team lost. Most of them seemed to know just why it was, yet were unable to reconcile themselves to the fact. I am just wondering how such "Royal Rooters" and others would support a losing football team, should such a thing occur at Wesleyan. Anyone can support a winner, and we've had a winner for five years, but it takes a "Loyal Rooter" to be a good loser.

I strolled down to the basketball game between the Sophs and Freshies, which, by the way was a real battle. There seemed to have been several who rather lamented the vic-

tory of the Sophomores. They evidently had something "at stake."

Very often I hear, "when are you going home?" Evidently most of the students are aware that Christmas vacation begins Friday. The stroller wishes you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and perhaps I shall be in a better humor after a rest, myself. See you again sometime.

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### SIDELIGHTS ON CHAPEL SPEECHES

(As Seen by Us)

All human beings love good listeners; all chapel speakers love good listeners; therefore we arrive at the somewhat astonishing conclusion, that chapel speakers must be a little bit human.

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The only sure Royal Road to Success is to keep your fingers off the light switches and your scrap paper in your pockets.

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Texas is really inhabitable after all.

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There is some good in Arkansas. The "Star Beams" column with its stories of Gap Johnson of Rumpus Ridge, Ark., with his many children and hounds is entirely misleading as to the real value of its citizens.

"We are indeed fortunate this morning, etc."

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We are especially indebted to Miss Nowlin for her splendid talk on the "Walls of China". She has the first hand information to give us and it is always to be greatly appreciated. Her audience could not fail to be impressed by her handling of the topics of the "Great Walls of Ignorance, Disease, and Superstition which Surround China". Miss Nowlin is now in this country to gain the newest steps in the rural school system to take back with her to introduce in China. The crying need of China is Doctors, Teachers, Agriculturists, and Preachers. We shall gladly welcome her back at any time when she can return.

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"If you don't know, then your faculty will not either."

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To become a successful Arabic linguist, swallow buttons.

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Sssh-sh-sh, wake up, old top, it's time for the march.

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### BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Bureau of Education at Washington has published a bulletin on the "Opportunities for Study at American Graduate Schools" to encourage the flow of students from European countries. The report states that "Foreign students are annually attracted to American higher institutions in large numbers. They are to be found in every type of college or university, pursuing courses of all sorts and of every degree of advancement. Professional courses in engineering, agriculture, dentistry, and medicine have enrolled the majority of them. This is evidently because of the belief that American institutions have developed methods of training in these and certain other technical lines which are more concrete and practical than those employed in the institutions of Europe and Latin America.

"Both American and foreign educators have, therefore, been led to consider carefully the desirability of encouraging this flow to the United States of students who seek non-professional higher education. The consensus of opinion appears to be that while such movements tend to promote international understanding, and hence are desirable, the greatest benefits are likely to be reaped by those who come to the United States for advanced study after the completion of their liberal training at home. They are more mature, and therefore better able to represent and interpret the spirit of their own nations, better able to comprehend the life and purposes of the United States, more likely to return to their own countries when the period of university training is ended."

In this connection, it is interesting to note that the Department of Labor has recently issued an order exempting from the provisions of the three per cent immigration law students from foreign countries coming to the United States to study in American Colleges and universities.

"A college education is no longer an unproved quantity," states Pro-

fessor A. Caswell Ellis, in a report prepared for the United States Bureau of Education. "Measured even in terms of its financial value alone, it has now a definite standing. Professor Ellis took 15,142 names of successful men from the encyclopedia, and divided them into college and non-college men. He found that there were 277 times as many college-bred men who had amassed great wealth as there were non-college men.

Professor Ellis points out that although less than one per cent of Americans are college graduates, yet this one per cent has furnished:

55 Per cent of our presidents; 36 per cent of the members of congress; 47 per cent of the speakers of the house; 54 per cent of the vice-presidents; 62 per cent of the secretaries of state; 50 per cent of the secretaries of the treasury; 67 per cent of the attorney generals; 69 per cent of the justices of the supreme court.

According to the figures given by Professor Ellis, the college man's chance for eminence is 870 to 1, as against the non-college man.

### DOINGS OF THE RUTHEANS

#### I. SETTING—

1. Time, Thursday, December 1, 4:15, p. m.
2. Place, Ruthean-Adelphian Hall.

#### II. MAIN CHARACTERS—

President and Secretary who announced the extemporaneous program, and the victims.

#### III. PLOT DEVELOPMENT—

1. Reading, Jean Swiger.
2. Piano Solo, Carol Meyer.
3. Extempo, Faye Bridges.
4. Vocal Duet, Pauline Wiley and Helen Deems.
5. Debate: Resolved that all the Rutheans should bob their hair. Affirmative, Louise Ferris, Lola Demoree; negative, Mildred England, Helen Ambrose.

#### IV. COMMENT—

No criticism could be offered for the first and second numbers except that of praise, for each of these two girls is always ready to entertain you in her own talented way.

Faye Bridges chose for her sub-

ject, "Vaccination", and discussed two very important phases of the question, namely: You should be vaccinated, and you should not be vaccinated. In her opinion, vaccination should be on the right arm instead of the left, in order that legitimate excuses for the missing of notebook might be offered. She considers vaccination unnecessary on the grounds that quarantine is a rare joy, for during the weeks of isolation you can read that new book you can never find time to read, make candy, and enjoy yourself in many ways.

Pauline Wiley and Helen Deems selected a once-popular song for their duet, and rendered it in an affective and affectionate way.

"All Rutheans should bob their hair," affirmed the affirmative, "because it affords only the sum of three minutes to dress when the hair is bobbed; the girl gets down to breakfast on time, and she gets fifty-seven minutes more of sleep; it is sanitary; there are no rats, and it is more easily 'laundered'; bobbed hair makes all girls good-looking; and it breaks more hearts".

"Ah!" said the negative, "but bobbed hair is too common, the wearer has the appearance of an overgrown child who is too old to be cute; and bobbed hair is extremely immodest, or it shows the ears to the masculine sex. Hair is the crowning glory of women," the negative furthermore asserted.

"What is your authority for that statement", retorted the affirmative.

"The advertisement of Woodbury Soap in the December Ladies' Home Journal," was the reply. And there was no further question the statement.

The decision of the judges was in favor of—but that would be giving it all away. "Only time will tell".

### NARROW ESCAPE

Miss Lippelt: Miss Damaree, you received a very low grade. You just passed.

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Miss Lippelt (surprised) Why?

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Newest song hit—"Mabel, Use Radium in Your Lip Stick so I Can Find You in the Dark."

Vaccinated

Doctor Bumble-bee: "Where do you want to be vaccinated?"

The Pup: "On the leg."

Doctor: "Which one?"

The Pup: "Left front on the ankle".

Fresh (looking at Statuary in Mackay Hall) "I know why the ancient Greeks practiced disarmament."

Soph: "How come?"

Fresh: "Look at the way they made poor Venus."

Football season is over and basketball is now taking its place.

Oh you vaccinations.

A group of thirteen hikers of the Maryville College had a nice hike from Maryville to Barnard.

Clark of Kentucky Wesleyan won third place for that school in a cross-country run.

Tarkio College is one of the eight schools to share in an Ohio man's estate. Nice luck for Tarkio.

Tarkio was very much pleased with the Zedeler Quintet. Their program was well selected and well rendered.

Kirksville reports a decided increase in enrollment for the winter term.

Warrensburg is planning to provide hospital care for sick students. A very worthy project.

Jewell reports a strong debating class this year.

McKendree has a total score of 167 to the opponents 2.

Maryville College has almost one hundred students enrolled in the Correspondence Course.

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## TELLS OF CHINA

### The Great Wall Described and How It Typifies The Chinese Told by Miss Nolan.

Miss Maoel Nolan, a Kansas City girl, who has been doing missionary work in China, with headquarters at Too Chow, for the past few years and is now back in the United States to better equip herself to cope with the drastic situation in the far East, made a forceful and clear cut appeal in behalf of the poor and suffering in China to the students of Missouri Wesleyan college at the chapel hour Tuesday morning.

Miss Nolan portrayed the gigantic wall across the northern boundary of China, that world wonder which was built before the time of Christ and stands as a predominant characteristic in that great mass of uneducated, famine swept people

The pitiable existence of the majority is spent in the confines of many walls. Walls are built around the dwellings. Then there are the greatest walls of all—the walls of ignorance, superstition, sickness and heathenism.

Eight out of ten babies die before they reach the age of two years, according to Miss Nolan. There is only one doctor to every 3,000 people while in the United States there is a doctor for every 500 people.

In the last decade a vast change has been gradually sweeping over the country. Two railroads have pierced the great wall which stood for so many years a barrier against progress. Hospitals have been built and are being operated by christian missionaries and schools are being provided. Missouri Wesleyan has a sister college at Foo Chow which is partially kept up by our Wesleyan students.

Miss Nolan's appeal was for more college men and women to take up the work as teachers, doctors, agriculturists, ministers or what ever their work might be among those whose need is so great.

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## Y. M. C. A.

Our meeting on each Tuesday evening is being well attended. More of the students are attending than at the beginning of the semester.

We had a splendid meeting last Tuesday evening. Mr. A. Runyan was leader. His subject was "The Place Prayer Should Have in the Individual Life." The subject was ably discussed and each man present realized the necessity of the prayer life.

At the close of the service the gospel team chairman called for volunteers who would go out to represent the college in gospel team work. A fine response was made. Five teams, each composed of four men, were organized. These teams are now busy arranging their programs and service dates. Immediately upon return to college after the Christmas holidays, the teams will begin their work.

The Y. M. wishes all a Merry Christmas.

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We are taking the following interesting article from the Central Christian Advocate:

The Y. M. C. A. did efficient work in Catholic Poland. One of the Archbishops of Warsaw in his endeavor to give the Y a black eye, has aroused the resentment of his people.

The Polish women war workers published the following resolutions: "We Polish women are proud of this two years' long service with the Y. M. C. A. As Poles, we are deeply thankful for all it has done for our heroic brothers, sons and husbands".

A Catholic paper, the Glos Polski says, "We accepted the services of the Y. M. C. A. organization during the war, at times very critical on our front where we did not have any of our Polish institutions rendering help to our soldiers. All the Y. M. C. A. has been with us at the most dangerous posts; therefore it would be more than mean to throw mud on the Y. M. C. A. when danger is over".

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Miss Bryant: Enlarge your vocabulary! Here you have used "cry" three times. Why not use "weep"?

Ralph Hicks: Huh! Say, who ever heard of a war-weep?

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## THE SCRIBBLER

### Contributions From the English Department. ....

#### Going Home

When I think of going home, it is with mingled emotions, hard to describe, but full of throbbing restlessness. There seems to be a queer void inside of me that only the sight of my father and my mother can fill. I can but feel how lucky a girl I am that I have them waiting for me at Christmas time. And they are counting the days, too, until I come. Isn't it just wonderful to have a home, and precious parents, and a sister? Is it surprising that I am just impatient to go home?

EUGENE FAIRCHILD.

#### Just Dad

He is just dad, we all say, but we do not always mean things as we say them. Dad is the best pal we have. He is always doing things to please us and never lacks time to enter into our sports. Who was it that taught us how to swim and dive? Dad of course. Do you remember the praise you received at school when you out pitched the Lone Star player and won the day? It was dad who taught you how to throw that 'drop' and the 'in curve', that fooled Nig Jones. And what fun you have in riding your bicycle that dad got for you last Christmas. It is dad who gives us advice that helps avoid trouble, and enables us to get along in this world. If we sometimes say, "He is just dad", in a careless sort of manner, yet in our hearts we value him with a love that is almost sacred.

ELZA REDMAN.

#### Just My Big Brother

He can do almost everything I ask him to do, can this big brother of mine. No matter if it is working an arithmetic problem or tying the guide strings on my new kite, he will show me how or else do it himself. He teaches me all the new football plays that he learned at college, and sometimes he comes out and coaches our team. And once he acted as referee when our team played another. He taught me to swim, and once when I got the cramps he pulled me out. And when he is in a crowd of boys and girls, he always speaks to me if I come by, and does not ignore me as some other boys' big brothers do.

It is no wonder he is so popular; just look who he is. He is my big brother. ROBERT KAY.

#### Just Sis

A good scout—one who laughs with you, good-naturedly at you, and makes everyone else laugh with her—is Sis. Thirteen, too tall, too skinny, she is the very imp of mischief and perversity, and the unexpected is always expected in her. For you she is a staunch ally, always sympathetic, always willing to do what she can to make you happy. When you are hurried, she will do part of your work; she will stand up for you, when mother begins scolding. You disagree at times, but usually you are just good pals, with the years between you erased. Your friends and your enemies are hers; loyal ever, she is "Just Sis."

MILDRED ENGLAND.

#### Advanced Composition

"O'mon fellers, let's get a move on. Gee, I thought that last bell never would ring. Say, Beanie, are you sure nothin' won't happen to your kite up in th' hayloft? Don't suppose no one else knows about it? I'll loan you all of my string to help fly it." This from Bat-eye, leader of the gang.

There are gangs and other gangs, just as there are boys and other boys. The school boy must, at some time, belong to a gang, or I doubt if he can be a real boy. Great is the thrill thereof to the new boy, who, after standing rigid tests, is admitted a full fledged member of that wonderful gang.

Happiness, that is the cornerstone. No provision is made in home, school, or church for forming gangs. It would be drudgery if Arty's Ma had to remind him of the secret

session Saturday morning in Jim's backyard. She may have to use every brand of persuasion she knows of, to get that same young son started on Saturday afternoon to his dancing class. There's something wrong if these conditions are reversed. The boy's very life seems to be wrapped up in his gang. Happy? Well, he just is.

Honor and honesty—these are the two great lessons learned in the gang. The leader energetic and resourceful, is a genius at thinking up mischief. He wouldn't be a leader worthwhile, if he couldn't scheme twice as many jobs as his followers were able to handle. However, he instills into every mind a sense of honor, wherein they stand or fall in light of their qualities and deeds. Personal rights and property are respected in the gang as nowhere else.

Horror—this is most people's idea of a gang of boys. It is true that five or seven of these lads will play more pranks of every sort than will a solitary boy. But such play strengthens and does not weaken a lad's moral fibre. If grown-ups only realized more the wealth of material for training in the average American gang, they would foster and develop this gang spirit.

EILLEAN KAY.

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## ...FEW PRESENT BUT FUN PRE-VAILED

Hello, there, where were you Saturday night? We missed you at the party. What party? Why, the Freshman party, of course, didn't you hear about it? No, there were not many there, but we sure did have fun! Oh, there were about forty there, I think—rather a small percent of such a large class, wasn't it?

What did we do? Oh, when we went into the door, Thelma Firkins stood there, giving out little slips of paper, tied with black and red ribbon. We looked at the slips, and found the name of a college written on each one. There were four different colleges, the Hardnox University, the Goodtime University, the Doolittle Institute and the Wisefoax Institute. The funny thing about it all was that all of these schools had adopted the Wesleyan colors. Now wasn't that queer?

We had an Indoor Track Meet, with various stunts. Oh, no, I can't tell you about all of them, I haven't time, but I will tell you some of the funniest ones. When we had the "Standing Broad Grin", you should have seen Cora Carter's five-inch grin. She beat all the boys on the grinning proposition. Make her grin for you some time; it's very interesting to watch her. But when it came to the "Continuous Glum" most everybody dropped out. Jo and one of the twins, Lola, I think it was, were among those keeping a straight face for two minutes, but I can't remember exactly who else did it. Clarence White declared that he could do it, but he was the first one to laugh.

Then in the one-yard dash, you should have seen Hicks. What did he do? Why, he put his marshmallow on the floor, so as to ease the strain on the string. Frenchie swallowed his marshmallow, string and all, he was in such a hurry to win the race for his college.

You should have seen our "Stock Company" stunt. It was good. We had many famous actors and actresses in search of "something unusual" for the coming season. After Miss Bryant and Clarence White suggested some very clever plots, they were told to demonstrate their suggestions. And they did it, too, very cleverly. I think Jean Swiger should get an A+ in English, she remembered and quoted so well all

the rules for "plot" and "the essentials of a good plot". She said that the actors did not want anything "trite", but "originality".

Oh, those eats! We had fruit salad, chicken sandwiches, and hot chocolate with the marshmallows that were left from the "one yard dash". After eating all this, we were served with brick ice cream and two kinds of wafers. "Red" Shaffner looked like a regular chef with his white apron and carrying a tray. Ask Bill Warren which kind of wafers he liked best.

After the eats, we played "Faith, Hope and Charity", Ask Donald Stoller why he blushed so vividly; also ask him if he knows yet who kissed him. If he doesn't know, Wallace Theilman might be able to give the desired information.

Oh, yes, we had a good time, all right, and I sure hope we have some more parties like that one.

### AESTHESIAN-EXCELSIOR

Most of the students of M. W. C. were at the Chapel last Thursday night and heard the program given by the Aesthesian and Excelsior Literary Societies. For the benefit of those who were not there, a few facts concerning the evening will show them what they missed. Each number was very well rendered. Special mention should be made of the clever speech by Fayette Rapier, the reading by Goldie Diven, and the solos by Christine Kendall and Kenneth Crawford. These together with a guitar and mandolin number by Messrs. Wood and Hawk and an eight-hand piano selection made a very pleasing program.

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The Sophomore-Freshmen game was the most exciting, the game ending with the Sophomores holding a 2-point lead, score 27 to 25.

**POP CONCERT**

Last Sunday afternoon the Hesperian orchestra, under the direction of Prof. H. C. Kelsey, gave the second of a series of popular concerts. The following program was well rendered and was enjoyed very much by all those who attended.

March, "Hall of Fame", Allen; Overture, "Raymond", Thomas; fox trot, "Wang Wang Blues", Mueller-Johnson-Busse; violin solo, "Liebesfreud", Kreisler, Miss Neva Garner; selection, "Faust", Gounod; waltz, "Sari", Kalman; vocal solo, "Call Me Back, Pal O'Mine", Dixon, Enos Stambach; fox trot, "Canadian Capers", Chandler-White-Cohen; Nocturne, "L'Esprit de Nil", Vargas; march, "Bullets and Bayonets", Sousa.

Miss Garner responded to an encore with a beautiful song, "The Light of Another Day". That both selections were well executed was shown by the insistent applause.

Mr. Stambach sang well, and also gave an encore. The last chorus of "Call Me Back, Pal O'Mine" was repeated by members of the orchestra, an addition that was quite pleasing.

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Sure "nuff" there is to be a Christmas Bazaar at Kimes' store on Wednesday and Thursday, December 14 and 15. Girls, you will be sure to find clever little Christmas gifts there, so please look there before you go elsewhere.

A gospel team of five girls went to Edgerton last Sunday to fill the appointment of Rev. Borquin. Their morning service was a success, having heard of bootlegging being done in the little town, and of the hard fight the churches and Y. W. C. A. were putting forth, the girls were filled with enthusiasm for the evening service. In the evening the church was filled and the girls were pleased to see many young people in the audience. The theme of the evening program was, "The Young People's Place in the Church." The captain reports that the girls gave practical and spiritual ideas.

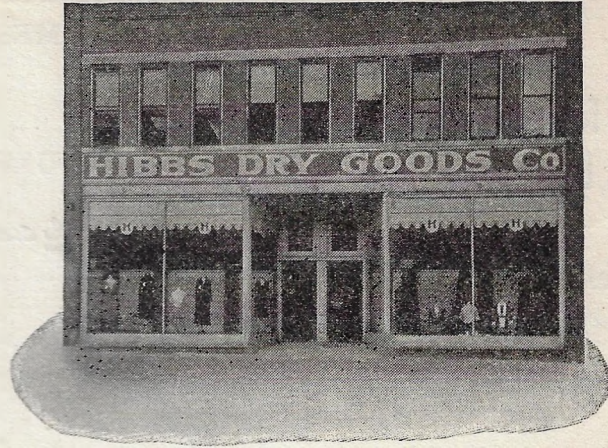
Ask the girls what the secret of their success was. The Y. W. C. A. hopes to have the gospel team work stronger than ever, after Christmas.

The Y. W. C. A. was exceptionally fortunate this week in having Miss Mable Ruth Nowlin, a missionary from China, with us. As leader of the regular meeting Tuesday evening she told many interesting things about our yellow friends across the seas and she also told of her own experiences, in preparing to go to China and since she has been there. She was indeed an inspiration to all the girls and especially to those who think of going into the mission fields.

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