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JEWELL-WESLEYAN DEBATE

Both Teams Fought Hard and Presented the Subject in a Most Interesting Manner.

On Tuesday, May 2, 1923, Missouri Wesleyan and its enemy of long standing, Wm. Jewell debated the question, "Resolved that the Cabinet Parliamentary System of government should be adopted in the United States." We were of the affirmative while Jewell supported the negative. Mr. Romaine Wood, as first speaker of the affirmative, pointed out the defects of the present system of U. S. governments. Mr. Simons, negative, refuted the argument and disregarded the supposed fallacy in the American government. Mr. Wilbur Moore, the second affirmative speaker, cited clear examples of successful Cabinet Parliamentary regime and the reason for the success. Mr. Hamrick of the negative gave the weak points of the system and held that if U. S. government has worked why should it not continue to do so. Mr. Emerson Brown, our third speaker, presented a most logical and concrete argument. In theory he adopted the Cabinet Parliamentary System to the U. S. so that our system of government would not suddenly become disrupted, but in a way that one method would gradually merge into the other. His points were presented so sanely and were so practically adaptable that the audience could readily see the advisability of a change of governmental system.

Mr. Love of the negative agreed that this might work in theory but never in practice and that the question of the evening was one of practical application.

The rebuttal was indeed interesting. Mr. Brown cleverly "drew a laugh" on the negative.

From the decision of the judges, Jasper is in need of a "Mascot," for the decision was three to one, in favor of the negative. However, we offer no allibi; for, tho we have

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"THE MASCOT"

Comic Opera Was Up to Missouri Wesleyan Standards—Several Stared in Their Parts.

For several years, the Choral club of the college, under the direction of Professor Kelsey and the head of the expression department, and with the aid of the orchestra, has presented an opera for the consideration of the people of the town. These operas show that things are being done at Wesleyan, besides furnishing a very pleasant means of entertainment for the people of the town.

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings, May tenth and eleventh, the "Mascot" was given at the high school auditorium. Although this opera is much lighter than "Faust," which was given last year, it was no less interesting than that heavier opera. The "Mascot" is a bright, musical and entertaining opera, and it was exceptionally well staged and well sung by the Wesleyan Choral club. Much of the success of the production is due to the untiring efforts of Professor Kelsey and Mrs. Overton. The orchestra, under the direction of Professor W. E. Tracy, added much to the interest and beauty of the opera.

The principles were elaborately costumed, and the choruses were very pleasantly dressed. The stage settings were well arranged and well suited to the piece.

Christine Kendall, as Betina, the "Mascot" who took luck to every-one she met, was a sweet and charming heroine. Clifton Fiddick, as Pippo, the shepherd lad, who loved Bettina, and who arose to fame in the last act, used his full baritone voice and splendid acting to win his audience to him. Bayard Conklin was a perfect Lorenzo, the pompous, self-assured, but unlucky Prince of Piombino. As Fiametta, the princess, daughter of Lorenzo, Elsie Ingram was pleasing in voice and acting. Luther Swift

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COMMENCEMENT WEEK

The Inauguration of Ernest Ferguson Buck as President of Missouri Wesleyan College.

SUNDAY, MAY 27

10:30, a. m., Baccalaureate Sermon, M. E. Church, President E. F. Buck.

7:00, p. m., College Vesper Services, College Campus.

MONDAY, MAY 28

2:00, p. m., Annual Art and Home Economics Exhibit.

8:00, p. m., Exercises of Academy and Commercial Departments, College Chapel.

TUESDAY, MAY 29

8:30, Inaugural breakfast, given to Dr. and Mrs. Buck by the Executive Board and the Faculty. Aesthesian-Excelsior hall.

9:00, a. m. to 5, p. m., Art and Home Economics Exhibit.

10:00, a. m., Annual meeting of the Board of Trustees.

10:30, a. m., Inauguration of President Ernest Ferguson Buck, M. E. Church.

(1) Academic Procession. Speakers: Dr. E. F. Buck, president-elect; J. C. Baker, president of University of Illinois; Isidor Loeb, acting president of Missouri University; Dean Tisdal of the College of Arts and Science, Missouri University; Abram W. Harris of the Board of Education of the M. E. Church. Executive Board of the college. Delegates from other schools. Alumni Faculty. Seniors of college.

(2) Charge to the President, J. C. Baker.

(3) Address, Dr. E. F. Buck.

3:00 to 5:00, p. m., Reception for President and Mrs. Buck, Missouri Wesleyan Guild, College Library.

5:30, Alumni Banquet.

8:00, p. m., Alumni Contests, College Chapel.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30

9:00, a. m., Annual meeting of the Alumni.

12:30, Informal luncheon at Presbyterian Church. Addresses by

representative ministers and laymen.

2:30, p. m., Commencement Address and Conferring of Degrees, M. E. Church.

8:00, p. m., Lawn Fete, Aesthetic Literary Society.

WESLEYAN-JEWELL DEBATE

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won few victories this season, Wesleyan has made a long run towards the goal of efficient debating. "Shure—it's a long lane that has na turnin' and before us we see the wide bend."

"THE MASCOT"

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had a hard part in Frederick, the Prince of Pisa, lover of Fiametta, but he played it exceptionally well. Kenneth Crawford well portrayed the character of Rocco, a wealthy farmer. These were the principal characters, but the opera would have much missed the voices of those others in the cast who did not have parts of quite so much importance.

This opera was a very worthwhile performance, and anyone who did not see it missed something very good.

SENIOR RECITAL

On Monday, May the seventh at eight o'clock a large crowd gathered at the chapel to hear the recital of Miss Elsie Mae Ingram, graduating from the voice department and Miss Lois Lawson from the expression department.

Miss Ingram interpreted each selection with perfect clearness, her last selection, "Ah, Since Vainly I Now Implore Thee" from "Donna Caritea" bringing out the quality and the wide range of her contralto voice. Miss Lawson portrayed the characters of her readings and four act play with unusual ability. Especially in the play, "The Fortune Hunter," she made the audience see and live the characters along with her.

Both young ladies were most becomingly dressed. Miss Ingram wore a dress of black lace over satin. Her slippers were black satin. Miss Lawson's dress was of flame chiffon velvet trimmed in metal. She wore slippers of gray suede.

They were assisted by Miss Clara Boone, accompanist and Miss Sims, violinist.

SOMETHING SOMEONE MISSED

Our Y. M. C. A. meetings have been well attended almost every meeting night. We have had some very able speakers and all have been benefited by attending.

Dr. Reed gave us a heart to heart talk in his usual manner of leaving us material upon which to think. He knows so many ways of leading students on until they unconsciously express themselves in the broadest sense.

Fermon Sewell as leader, opened the meeting for a free discussion upon the "College Student and His Spare Hours." Some of us never realized just how much spare time we did have until attending that meeting. We learned too how others looked upon our method of spending that time. Practically each individual had something to say.

Professor Null gave a very interesting discussion in the way in which only Prof. Null can give them. He is a man who doesn't waste any words as every word he says has its own meaning.

One meeting was dismissed on account of the recital given by Misses Lois Kennish and Fairie Jones. Professor Wyckoff was to give us a very interesting lecture. He gave it the next meeting night however, that is, got started on it when our time was up. It was so interesting that all present voted that he continue it the following Tuesday night. Mr. Hopkins was with us the next meeting night however and Professor Wyckoff is to give the remainder of the lecture at our last meeting. Every one is urged to be present. A Prof. Wyckoff is not heard everywhere.

On May 22 a joint program of the Y. M. and Y. W. is to be held in the chapel. Every one is asked to aid in this exercise by being present. We had a wonderful program last year and expect to give you a good program this year.

The Y. M. C. A. appreciates the efforts of each and every one who has helped make it a success this year. The officers of the "Y" can do nothing alone but with the splendid effort of the others the Y has stood the test well. Come again next year and let's boost for the "Y" from the very beginning. A good start is half the battle.

Miss Lela Posey of Green City visited last week with Mary Cordle.

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SENIOR RECITAL

The college auditorium was filled to capacity Friday evening, April 27, with relatives and friends of Miss Margaret Frazier, to hear her graduation recital in expression. A pretty stage setting was made perfect when, at eight o'clock Miss Frazier appeared in an evening gown of black lace over silver satin, and her accompanist, Miss DuBois, in a dainty pink taffeta.

The first three numbers were light and in keeping with the spring season; these were followed by Suderman's "Magda," which showed careful study and fine interpretation. Her piano number, Rachmaninoff's Prelude, and also the vocal solo, "April, My April," were a delight to her audience, showing her mastery of the other arts, as well as that of expression. The last number "The Twelve Pound Look," by Barrie was proof of Miss Frazier's versatility.

The accompaniment work of Miss DuBois was indeed excellent, and the orchestra under the direction of Prof. W. E. Tracy, added much to the pleasure of the evening.

DAILY-O-GRAMS

MONDAY

Eddie Kurz cleaned his room, not because it needed it, but because he needed the exercise.

TUESDAY

May 8th—It snowed so hard, Gilbert Temple lost his way while going down to Rice Hall and ran into the stucco wall before he knew where he was.

WEDNESDAY

Dean had a severe cold because he thought spring was here, and put on his "summers."

THURSDAY

Everyone almost went to sleep in Chapel because the "Mascot" kept them up so late the night before.

FRIDAY

The recital by Goldie Diven and Kenneth Crawford was attended by a large audience.

SATURDAY

All who couldn't find a fish-worm or a pair of knickers stayed at home and made themselves have Spring fever.

SUNDAY

Miss Lippelt and Miss Munsell must have had a game of horse-shoes, for when the dean called for all to stand who went to church, they remained seated.



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Some persons around here consider it almost a disgrace to be caught studying. The world has need of such—as day laborers.

Ford Hall has suffered many indignities this year. Poor old building, we hope that next year will bring it more considerate tenants.

Debate is now well established here. The Pi Kappa Delta has received three new members and interest in general is increasing. Why not start now to boost debate for next year?

In closing the year as editor of the Criterion I want to express my appreciation of the constancy and efficiency of the staff. I turn my duties over to one who is thoroughly capable, Miss Bangs. We all wish her the best of success.

Miss Marguerite Bangs, Mr. Wilbur Moore and Mr. R. D. Wood have been accepted as members of the Pi Kappa Delta.

George Cline in History economics class—"Prof. why don't you write the answers on examination this time and let us guess the questions"?

THE MARYVILLE MEET

On last Friday, May the fourth, our ever-victorious track team journeyed up to Maryville and handed the Teachers a decisive and over-

whelming defeat, to the tune of 76 to 46, twenty-nine of the Normal's points coming thru forfeiture.

The meet was called without the javelin, discus, pole vault, and mile relay being run off, to enable the visitors to make their train.

A stiff breeze handicapped the participants somewhat but notwithstanding, good time was made in several track events.

Clark was high point man with four firsts while Slayton was second with a first in the mile and seconds in the half-mile and two mile runs respectively.

Slayton afforded amusement for the audience in the two mile by consistently coaching "Spark Plug," the lone and ultra diminutive Normal entry, for the first seven laps. "Champion" (?) failed to stay in talking range the last lap, however.

Three outstanding disappointments marred the meet: Lack of a crowd, lack of competition, and the failure of a number of the Wesleyan boys to catch the train despite frenzied (?) efforts on their part to do so.

The summary:

One-mile run—Won by Slayton, Wesleyan; Bronson, Wesleyan, second. Time, 5 minutes and 5 seconds.

100-yard dash—Won by Clark, Wesleyan; Temple, Wesleyan, second. Time 10:2.

440-yard dash—Won by Sewell, Wesleyan; Davenport, Maryville, second. Time 54:1.

120-yard hurdles—Won by Clark, Wesleyan; Smith, Maryville, second. Time 17:3.

Shot-put—Won by Lattin, Wesleyan; Schultz, Wesleyan, second. Distance, 35 feet and 10 inches.

Half-mile run—Won by Sewell, Wesleyan; Slayton, Wesleyan, second. Time 2:12.

220-yard dash—Won by Clark, Wesleyan; Reams, Wesleyan, second. Time 22:4.

Broad jump—Won by Castle, Wesleyan; Johnson, Wesleyan, second. Distance, 19 feet and 7 inches.

High jump—Won by Maple of Maryville; Goodwin, Maryville, second. Height 5 feet and 7 inches.

Two-mile run—Won by Hicks, Wesleyan; Slayton, Wesleyan, second. Time 11:10.

220-yard low hurdles—Won by Clark, Wesleyan; Wilson, Maryville, second. Time 28:1.

Half-mile relay—Won by Wesleyan. (Reams, Schultz, Temple, Clark). Time 1:37.

JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

The junior-senior banquet held in the gymnasium at six o'clock, May the second, was in every respect successful. The room was decorated in senior colors red and white, a large senior pennant hung at one end of the hall; the flowers were pink and white carnations. An excellent five course dinner and witty toasts made the evening most enjoyable. Miss Atherton, president of the junior class was toastmistress. Dean Dalke pronounced the invocation. Miss Angela Buzard spoke on the subject, "When the Past Meets the Future." In response Mr. Conklin, the senior president made some remarks centering around the thought "Ere we Part." President Buck gave the last toast, which was a mixture of good thoughts and good stories. More than once the hope was expressed that there might always exist the same good will between college classes as existed there at that banquet occasion. The seniors go out from school; the juniors are seniors and so it goes. Each year is a step. The expressed hope of those who spoke was that the step might always be upward.

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Sometime ago the girls of the Y. W. C. A. received a Christmas present of a large can of Jessamine tea, from the "Y" of our sister college, Hua Nang in Foochow, China.

Saturday each member of the association received an invitation written in Chinese characters and English words inviting them to an afternoon tea the following Monday.

When the guests arrived they were shown into the parlor where Chinese lanterns and incense were burning, and where curtains of Chinese design were hung. There they were seated in Oriental style on cushions.

Mrs. Buck, Miss Herring and Miss Munsell were special guests of the "Y."

Mrs. Reed our faculty advisor presided at the tea table. She was assisted in serving by several girls, after which all were introduced anew to our sister college by the following program:

- WelcomeMyrtle Lair
- ReadingClara Clark
- Vocal Solo.....Marie Steel
- The College of Toochow.....
-Ada Williamson
- Send the Light.....Sextette
- Chinese.....

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Teacher—"How much time did you spend on your history last night?"

Student—"All night."

Teacher—"How is that?"

Student—"I slept on it."—Ex.

Peg—"Pete, there's a spider on the ceiling."

Pete, (typewriting)—"Well, step on it and quit bothering me."—Ex.

Red—"Mick, why don't you eat your dinner?"

Mick—"I'm waiting for the mustard to cool."

EXCELSIOR NOTES

Saturday, April the 28th, a week and a half ago, the Excelsior quartette, (Taylor, Ayres, Rapier and Howard), together with Miss Elsie Mae Ingram, pianist, and Miss Goldie Diven, reader, embarked in one of Henry Fords productions for the northwest—Missouri, of course. The first concert was given that night at Forbes City, one of the charges of Homer Massie; the second, Sunday morning at Quitman, the temporary residence of Charles Taylor's parents. The same night at Rockport they gave their third program and the members agreed that it was their best performance as no eggs were thrown, and it was concluded that the audience was at least not bored. Monday afternoon was the climax of the trip, in the form of a picnic dinner on the off side of the Nodaway river. The last appearance was Monday night at Maitland, the home of several Wesleyan students and the town where Miss Mabel Colaw is teaching. They came back to their Alma Mater Monday night and Tuesday morning. With the exception of losing a lot of sleep and having to explore byroads of which a goat would be ashamed, they experienced a very good trip.

Prof.—"Your recitations remind me of Quebec."

Peg—"Why"?


Prof.—"They are built on a bluff."

Tommy—What would you do if a boy kissed you on the forehead?

Gladys—I would call him down a little."—Ex.

"Why keep that school girl complexion?" asked the Senior, as he brushed off his coat lapel.

Dean—"I notice that some people who are taking campustry have engagement rings in their voices."



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LIBERTY WINS INVITA-
TION TRACK MEET

The Third Annual Invitation Track meet held at Missouri Wesleyan college, Friday afternoon, May 11th was won by Liberty High school with a total of 32 points. The meet brought together about 150 athletes from fifteen different high schools of Northwest Missouri. The schools entered, in the order of their finish and the number of points scored by each are as follows: Liberty, 32; Trenton, 18; Braymer, 14; Brookfield, 13; Lathrop, 11; Cameron, 7; Kidder, 6; Plattsburg, 6; Chillicothe, 2; Maysville, 0; Mirabile, 0; Easton, 0; Savannah, 0; Polo, 0.

E. W. Cochrane, sport editor of The Kansas City Journal-Post, was official starter for the meet and he ran off the events in a highly commendable manner. He was assisted by Coach E. A. Davis and by members of Missouri Wesleyan's "W" association.

The track was in excellent condition and this, together with the ideal weather, was partly responsible for the record time made in numerous events. Contests were conducted in thirteen events and in these thirteen events, eight previous inter-scholastic records at M. W. C. were broken and one record tied. Records broken were in the 100-yd. dash, 120-yd. high hurdles, mile relay, one-half mile relay, 880-yd. run, shot put, discus, and broad jump. The 220-yd. dash record as held by Wilcox of Liberty was again equaled by Wilcox.

The results of the various events are given below and also the previous inter-scholastic records as held at Missouri Wesleyan in each event.

100-yd. dash—Wilcox, Liberty, first; Wooden, Braymer, second; Hamilton, Trenton, third. Time 10 1-5 seconds; previous record 10 2-5 by Wilcox of Liberty.

120-yd. high hurdles—Holmberg, Plattsburg, first; Kay, Brookfield, second; Winslow, Kidder, third. Time, 16 3-5 seconds; previous record, 17 4-5 seconds by Lewis of Cameron.

Shot put—Wooden, of Braymer, first; Jordan, Liberty, second; Biggerstaff, Cameron, third; distance, 44 ft. and 3 inches; previous record 41 ft. and 7 inches by Wooden of Braymer.

440-yd. dash—King, of Liberty,

first; Proffet, Trenton, second; Bangs, Cameron, third. Time 55 4-5 seconds. Previous record 54 4-5 by Yates of Liberty.

Pole vault—Walker, Lathrop, first; Lawton, Brookfield, second; Newman, Chillicothe, third. Height 10 ft. 6 in.; previous record 10 ft. and 8 inches by Loomis of Braymer.

220-yd. low hurdles—Hammond, Trenton, first; Kay, Brookfield, second; Mackey, Kidder, third. Time 28 4-5 seconds; previous record 28 seconds by Shouse of Liberty.

Mile relay—Trenton, first; Chillicothe, second; Liberty, third. Time 3 minutes 43 4-5 seconds; previous record, 3 minutes and 46 seconds by Cameron.

Discus—Jordan, Liberty, first; Wooden, Braymer, second; Pence, Liberty, third. Distance 114 ft. 1 inch. Previous record, 101 ft. and 4 inches by Wooden of Braymer.

880-yd. run—Bangs, Cameron, first; Riddle, Liberty, second; Miller, Lathrop, third. Time, 2 minutes and 5 seconds. Previous record 2 minutes and 8 3-5 seconds by Riddle of Liberty.

Broad jump—Cross, of Lathrop, first; Hamilton, Trenton, second; Newman, Chillicothe, third. Distance, 20 ft. and 10 inches. Previous record 20 ft. and 2 1-4 inches by Casteel of Cameron.

One-half mile relay—Liberty, first; Trenton, second; Easton, third. Time 1 minute and 37 seconds.

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220-yd. dash—Wilcox, Liberty, first; Wooden, Braymer, second; McDonald, Trenton, third. Time 23 4-5 seconds. Previous record 23 4-5 seconds by Wilcox of Liberty.

High jump—Lawton, Brookfield and Winslow, Kidder, tied for first; Holmberg, Plattsburg, third. Height 5 ft. 4 inches. Previous record 5 ft. and 8 inches by Herndon and Shively of Braymer.

High Spots of the Meet

The high-point men were as follows: Wooden, Braymer, 14; Wilcox, Liberty, 10; Lawton, Brookfield, 7; Bangs of Cameron, Kay of Brookfield, Holmberg of Plattsburg, each 6 points; Cross of Lathrop, Hammond of Trenton, Walker of Lathrop, King of Liberty, each 5 points.

Liberty placed in 8 events; Trenton in 6; Brookfield and Braymer in 4 each; Cameron, Chillicothe, Kidder and Lathrop in 3 each, and Plattsburg in 2.

Liberty took 5 firsts; Lathrop and Trenton 2 each; Cameron, Braymer and Plattsburg 1 each; and Brookfield and Kidder tied for 1.

For all around performance, Mr. Wooden of Braymer was an outstanding man. He entered in 4 events and placed in all of them, capturing 14 points, and these alone, putting Braymer in third place.

In the dashes, Wilcox of Liberty showed his heels to all contenders. He won first easily in the 100 and 220 yard dashes and he saved the half-mile relay for Liberty by overcoming a 20-yd. handicap to break the tape 6 yards ahead of a Trenton man, his closest opponent.

The meet was a great success and if it has been influential as a drawing card to Missouri Wesleyan college, such meets should be more strongly encouraged.

Bernice Hopper spent the weekend with Betty Slayton at Lathrop.

Miss Hutchison of Rothville, Mo. visited last week with her cousins, Alice and Lloyd Cameron.

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The students at Missouri Wesleyan college have made the following selection of officers for 1923-24: Criterion Staff for 1923-24—

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“What color is preferable for a bride?”

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The optimist fell ten stories;

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—Exchange.

Florence Cobb of Savannah spent Saturday and Sunday at Rice Hall.

Mrs. E. A. Davis went to Wichita, Kansas last week to see her niece who is ill.

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JEWELL TRACK MEET

What was doped to be a hard fight turned out to be a walk-away and Wesleyan won the annual dual track meet with William Jewell by a score of 80 to 42. Wesleyan showed well and won all but three of the first places. In the distances Wesleyan with Slayton, Sewell, and Bronson easily were superior. And in the dashes Clark and Ream walked away.

Jewell was strongest in the field events winning the shot put, javalin and high jump. But Wesleyan took seconds in these events and besides won the discus, broad jump and the pole vault. Clark was the high point man winning 20 points—first in the 120-yard high hurdles; 220-low hurdles, pole vault, and 100-yard dash. Slayton was second with 13 points—first in the mile and 2 mile and second in the half-mile.

Captain Sewell won the 440-yard dash and half-mile.

Croy won the discus throw.

Johnson won the broad jump and Ream the 220-yard dash.

Dad Bowles remarked after the meet that the M. I. A. A. title lay between Wesleyan and Springfield. So let's pull for the gang when they go to the state meet at Tarkio next week.

GEORGE:

"In the gloaming, Oh my darling,
When the lights are dim and low,
That your face is powder painted
How am I to know?
Twice a month, I have to bundle
Every coat that I possess
To the cleaners, won't you darling
Love me more and powder less"?

SIS:

"In the gloaming, Oh my darling,
You can bet your life, I know
That your cheeks are sharp with
whiskers
Tho' you do not tell me so.
If I powder, I must do it
Or else suffer great distress.
Buy a razor, won't you darling?
Lather more, I'll powder less."

Miss Vera Herring spent the week-end at her home in Kansas City. Miss Asher had charge of Rice Hall while Miss Herring was away.

The Criterion wishes to extend its sympathy to Ruth Moser in the death of her mother. We regret that Ruth cannot be with us the remainder of the term.

Y. W. HOPES FOR 1923-24

With the close of a school year in sight, we the Y. W. girls feel that a very worth-while year has been passed. But we cannot be satisfied with this year's accomplishments, and already we are planning more and better things for next year. We are looking forward with a wider vision to the accomplishment of more good than ever. It is our hope to make the Y. W. indispensable to every girl, a real living factor in the life of the school. And this, as we all know, must begin at the very first of school, when we welcome the new girls and help them start upon their life at Wesleyan. We are making plans for this now, but we need more plans, and we are asking for them and for the co-operation and help of every Y. W. girl and all others who desire to help us. The Y. W. is above society, for in it we all are sisters. So with this in mind, let each and every one of us begin now to lay a foundation upon which our next year's work may be builded. And let us come back next year with a new vigor, prepared to make the Y. W. year of 1923-24 the best and happiest in the history of the school.

The last month the senior class of the high school has been drilling daily on the play, "Come out of the Kitchen." Due to the large class two separate casts are being prepared, one performing each night. The play is to be given Tuesday and Wednesday night, May 15th and 16th.

Lancaster—"I dreamed last night I was eating shredded wheat and when I awoke half the mattress was gone."

Jay—"Did you ever kiss a girl when she wasn't looking"?

Jack—"Not when she wasn't good-looking."

Noah was a righteous man,
Nor spake he profane bunk,
But who can tell what Noah said
When the elephant brought his
trunk.—Ex.

Red Jones, (pointing to an item on the menu in French)—"I'll have some of that, please."

Waiter—"I'm sorry sir, but that's what the orchestra's playing right now."

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LAWN FETE

For years it has been the custom of the Aesthesian Literary Society to present, on the closing evening of the school year, a Lawn Fete. This year we hope to make it better by building our stage and scenery on the athletic field, where the bleachers may be used by the audience. The singing and dialogue parts given by Mrs. Slayton and Mrs. Overton will be made distinct through the use of an amplifier. The orchestra will assist. The society is grateful also to the faithful help of Miss Herring, our faculty sponsor.

A biblical drama, "Jeptha's Daughter" will be presented in pageant form. In the opening scene Jeptha and his soldiers are returning home from battle, victorious. Jeptha has previously made a vow, that if successful he will sacrifice to his God—the first thing

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A CLINGING VINE

The vine outside my window,
As the chilly wind goes by,
Seems dark and cold and lonely
There beneath the leaden sky,

But it sings
And it clings
Beneath the leaden sky.

The clinging vine is happy
For the sun is warm and bright;
It smiles a smile that's lovely
And it says the world's all right—

While it sings
While it clings
It says the world's all right.

I watch the vine and wonder
As it lonely or happy seems,
And through its modest being
There's a ray of message gleams—

As it sings
As it clings
A ray of message gleams.

It's hope that keeps it clinging,
And that makes its arms entwine,
A hope of life worth living
In a world like yours and mine;

So it sings
And it clings
In a world like yours and mine.
—F. R., Adv. Comp.

Mary McKee returned from St. Joseph Sunday morning. She was accompanied by her mother who went to her home at Humphrey on Monday morning.

Coach Davis spent Sunday at McKendree college where he will coach athletics next year.

Everett Byer in Spanish—"Miss Lippelt if I were dying my last word would be Adios" to make sure I know my Spanish.

A fool, a flapper and a fliver make a combination that should be quarantined."—Ex.

To those who are interested it might be well to note that Eugene Solel is staging a "come back."

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PROF LAYTON HAS RESIGNED

Prof. J. E. Layton has announced his acceptance of a position offered him at the head of the piano and organ department of Parsons College, Fairfield, Ia.

The announcement followed a conference with President E. F. Buck of Missouri Wesleyan during which Prof. Layton tendered his resignation to the college here.

For sixteen years Prof. Layton has been in charge of piano and organ at Missouri Wesleyan and the department has greatly developed during that period, requiring assistance in handling its large enrollment.

Prof. Layton studied extensively in this country and in Germany and is recognized as having an unusually broad technical education. He will teach in the summer school at Wesleyan before going to Fairfield in August.

His new position is a distinct promotion for him.

Cameron friends of Prof. and Mrs. Layton and their son and daughter, Pauline and Billie, will regret their departure but follow them with hearty well wishes.

M. W. C. STUDENTS ENTERTAIN

On Mother's Day, a group of Wesleyan students gave a special program at Mr. Rapier's church near Hamilton. In the morning the Excelsior quartet sang two selections and Dr. E. B. Thompson preached a splendid Mothers' Day sermon. Then followed a basket dinner. At two o'clock the young people gave a program. Miss Mildred Robison sang a solo; Mr. Howard and Elsie Ingram sang a duet; Mr. Taylor sang a solo; Miss Clacy Dennis gave a reading, and the quartet furnished a number of selections. There was a large attendance and everyone enjoyed it all, notwithstanding the fact that some are still suffering from too much fried chicken.

This Commencement is the fortieth anniversary of "Jasper" and the thirtieth anniversary of the first college graduate from Wesleyan. Because of this fact the Alumni are especially interested in the exercises of this year, and one very active in assisting in them.

Bob—"See any change in me"?

Johnny—"No, why"?

Bob—"I just swallowed fifteen cents."

WAS A PRETTY PROGRAM

May Day Events Charmed Large Crowd of Admiring Friends of School Pupils.

The annual May Day program given by the pupils of the public schools, Friday was enjoyed by a very large crowd. The sun hid its face but if any other smiling faces were missing, they are yet to be discovered.

The queen's throne was erected in front of the south entrance to the school building and was very beautifully and lavishly decorated.

The queen, Mabel Maxwell, attended by her maid of honor, Marian Conklin; her ladies in waiting, Marie Maier and Mildred Williams, and little flower girls, was escorted to the throne and crowned with great dignity after which the program arranged for her entertainment was given on the south lawn.

There were two May poles—one on the east side and one on the west; around one, the south side children gave their dance, while the north side children wound their gay ribbons around the other.

Then followed a number of attractive dances and folk games which were all well done. The children in their dainty dresses of many delicate hues looked like a garden of beautiful flowers of variegated tints. The effect of the whole was beautiful even on such a gray day.

The high school orchestra furnished music throughout the entire program in a most commendable manner.

The J. C. Baker, who will deliver the commencement address is a son of Dr. B. W. Baker who was president of Missouri Wesleyan a number of years ago.

Teacher—"Now children which of you can describe a caterpillar"?

Tommy—"It is an upholstered worm."

Shaffner—"How does the moon affect the tide"?

Hicks—"Not at all. It only affects the untied."

Willis—"Mr. Bing beats his wife up every morning."

Gillis—"How cruel."

Willis—"He gets up to see what time it is."—Ex.

Mrs. John Boone of Helena came last week to visit her daughter, Clara, and attend the opera.

Jo—"Rhena, has anything funny happened in your class"?

Rhena—"Nothing I want printed."

SPEECH AND MUSIC CONTESTS

The final event of the Annual High School Meet was held at the Disciples church at 7:45 o'clock, Friday evening. President E. R. Buck of M. W. C. presiding. Contestants from Braymer, Gilman City, Maysville, Liberty, Trenton entered the contests which were quite spirited.

The judges gave first place in the music contest to the Girls Quartet of Trenton. This quartet beat 13 other entries at the recent contests held in Maryville. Second place was awarded the Girls' Glee club, Cameron, and third place to the Girls' Octet of Braymer.

In Declamation, Virginia Rice, Liberty received first place; Nadine Nichols, Cameron, second; Mary L. Vogelgesang, Gilman City, third.

In Extemporaneous speaking J. W. Clark Maysville received first; John Browning, Gilman City, second and Paul Crawford, Cameron, third.

There was but one entry in the oratorical contest, C. O. Senior of M. W. C. academy. The medals were awarded by Dr. E. F. Buck.

The judges in the music contests were Prof. Brown of Kidder Institute, Miss DuBois of M. W. C., and Mrs. Blanch Sams-Crookshank of Maysville. In the Public Speaking, Prof. Leaker of Kidder Institute, Mrs. F. C. Fay, Chillicothe and Mrs. W. E. Conklin, Cameron.

Jo Amick entertained with a "wiener" roast in honor of her friend, Mr. Fred Schott, of Kansas City.

Mrs. E. F. Buck, Marion and Maxwell recently reached Cameron from their former home in Winfield, Kansas. The Criterion bids them hearty welcome, and promises a social call as soon as the "President's Mansion" is completed.

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"Yes, I saw you with her."

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KADEMY KORNER

In the rush of college events at the close of the school year, we must not forget that the academy is doing some things which are quite worth while. Here are some of the things they are planning for.

The eleventh of May, the academy will be represented in the Inter High School Oratorical Contest by Mr. Senior.

On May the twenty-sixth the entire Academy is planning to have an afternoon picnic, given in honor of Professor Taylor and the senior class.

The senior academy play, "Mr. Bob" will be given on the twenty-eighth of May. The cast of characters is:

Philip Rayson.....Clarence Senior
Mr. Brown.....Francis Rose
PattyGrace Holiday
JenkinsCharles Campbell
Miss Becky.....Vera Dudley
Mr. Bob.....Katherine Voorhees
KatherineHelen Smith

The academy commencement exercises will be held directly after the senior play. Dr. Buck will give the commencement speech and award the diplomas.

Since the academy is a very vital part of our college, we should all plan to attend and support the things which it undertakes to do.

Miss Margaret Frazier and Mrs. E. A. Overton went to Kansas City where a hearing before Miss Clarissa Harrold and Mr. Gilbert Horner, of the Horner Institute of Fine Arts, had been arranged for Miss Frazier. After hearing Miss Frazier, Mr. Horner offered her work as reader, soloist and accompanist with a company of nine artists on the Premier Redpath-Horner chautauqua circuit. Miss Frazier has signed a sixteen weeks contract, and has already gone to Kansas City to begin rehearsals before starting on the tour.

Mary McKee has been quite ill but she is some better at present. She was taken to the hospital last week with the intention of having an operation but the doctors thought best to postpone it until school is out. We sincerely hope that she will recover soon.

Cleophas Colebridge was called to her home at Wathens, Kansas, Thursday to attend the funeral of her grandfather.

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SENIOR RECITAL

On Friday night, May 4, Goldie Diven, graduate in expression, and Kenneth Crawford, graduate in voice, gave their senior recital in the chapel, playing to a capacity house. This recital was a very pleasing one, and everyone present greatly enjoyed it.

Goldie read with her usual ability, and her pleasing personality radiated throughout all her numbers. The "Naughty Little Clock" made a very good opening number, being a musical number and of rather an amusing nature. Her dramatic arrangement of "Number Six," while full of pathos, was intensely interesting and held the attention of the audience. Her most ambitious reading, "The Dawn of Tomorrow," a play in three acts, was especially fine. It held a lesson for all hearers, and as Goldie portrayed "Glad," we could see her and hear her cheery words and feel the optimism of her sweet outlook upon life. In fact, Goldie made us feel that she herself was "Glad" in the excellent portrayal of this character. Her other characters were evenly balanced in the play, and it was the climax of her part of the recital.

Kenneth gave us an example of his usual good work, and the numbers he sang showed the excellent quality and range of his voice. He was his usual calm, self-possessed self, and gave us his best work. His rendition of "It Is Enough" from the Elijah was wonderful, as was also his interpretation of "The Three Grenadiers." All his numbers showed painstaking work and a real musical ability. Through his work in our Men's Glee club, the Male Quartet, and in the Methodist Church choir, Kenneth has become well known in and around Cameron, and a description of his musical ability is unnecessary.

The platform was beautifully decorated, and its simplicity made a good background for the work of the artists. Miss Diven wore a gown of blue and silver, and her dainty appearance greatly enhanced her reading; she looked so charming that no one had any desire to look elsewhere while she was on the platform.

Miss Boone wore silver gray, and Kenneth appeared in the conventional evening clothes.

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Tracy, and that of Miss Clara Boone as pianist, greatly added to the interest and charm of the recital.

Misses Lola and Lois McColloch, Christine Kendall, Helen Cleveland, and Messrs. Charles Burgess and Rex Orr acted as ushers; Romaine Wood was stage manager.

TOWN ITEMS

Coach H. F. Lawrence, Jr. won new laurels in the Northwest Missouri track meet in Maryville when his team finished second. It has been a long time since Maryville had made any considerable showing in such an event and the home people are praising Coach Lawrence for leading their men to victory.

The many friends and patrons of Dr. Cyril D. Brown will be glad to know that he is back in his office ready to care for his patients.

Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Compton attended the Osteopathic convention in Kansas City, Wednesday and Thursday, May 2nd and 3rd.

The Seniors and Juniors of the High school accompanied by the High school faculty drove down to Stoner's bridge Tuesday afternoon, May 1st for a picnic. A delightful time was reported.

S. J. Sloan, Thomas Fiddick, John Stade, Rev. J. E. Sheehy and G. S. Daniels were in Kansas City conferring with architects with reference to the proposed new L. D. S. church building. A commodious and modern church is under consideration if adequate funds can be obtained.

A company of national guardsmen maintained by the state may be located in Cameron through the activities of the Chamber of Commerce.

The sorrow and cares of the High school senior, have been taken into consideration and as a result the senior class of our local high school has been running at large ever since Friday, May 5th.

The operetta, "Feast of the Little Lanterns" presented by the Girls Glee Club of the high school, Thursday evening May 3rd, was largely attended and highly enjoyed by all.

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The thing of greatest interest about the pup dog is the manner in which he defies the laws of science and becomes two things at the same time. For example, he can be a pup dog and a collie or a pup dog and a rat terrier without any noticeable intermission. While this makes it a little difficult in addressing his mail, it furnishes a splendid means to cover one's ignorance of the characteristics of the various discussion in the animal kingdom by saying whenever we see a dog, no matter how old or large, "Isn't that a cute pup."

But pup dogs deserve their eminence. They are the most important member of the dog family. If it were not for them, the canine race would be sadly depleted, and rather than have civilization suffer for want of bull terriers and poodles we must cheerfully overlook such slight unconventionalities as are indulged in by pup dogs, namely: Scampering after mice in the coal bin and lying down with their capture on the spare bed; or searching out some rare bit of garbage and hiding it under the duofold where it is discovered a few weeks later and removed with the

The clinging vine is happy fire tongs and laid up as evidence that pup dogs are somewhat deficient in memory.

—R. W., Adv. Comp.

A recent letter from Dean Corn, who left Missouri Wesleyan two years ago, states that he has spent the past year studying in Germany and Switzerland. He is just now completing his work at Zurich, and expects to tour the continent with his bride during July and August, "a postponed honeymoon." He expects to finish for his Ph. D. at Harvard and Boston University next year.

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