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# Western Normal Leader

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## The Correspondence Department.

(By Prof. Beach)

The new certificate law of Kansas provides that all candidates for teacher's certificates must have had one year of high school work or its equivalent before the year 1912, and that before 1917 all teachers must have had four years of high school work or its equivalent. The extraordinary crop failure last season in all the territory belonging to the Western State Normal School compelled many young people who had planned to be in school to seek gainful occupations. These two considerations were the subject of much earnest discussion by the faculty during the latter part of the summer session of 1911.

Just at the beginning of the August vacation a meeting was held to consider the outlook and it was decided that the best solution of the problem was to offer free correspondence work. The new department was as advertised during the month of August and the first students were enrolled at the beginning of the school year in September.

The real necessity for undertaking such work was made apparent by the instant response to offer. At the close of the fourth week of the term 126 students had enrolled in correspondence work from 34 counties.

The counties with the number of students from each were as follows;

Barton 1; Cheyenne 1; Clay 1; Dickinson 2; Edwards 1; Ellis 6; Ellsworth 3; Finney 2; Geary 2; Gove 4; Graham 27; Hamilton 1; Lane 2; Logan 9; Mitchell 2; Neosho 1; Norton 5; Osborne 1; Pawnee 1; Phillips 1; Pottawatomie 2; Rawlins 3; Rice 2; Rooks 9; Rush 2; Russell 10; Saline 4; Scott 2;; Sheridan 3; Smith 1; Thomas 8; Trego 2; Wallace 1.

A study of the enrollment shows that the department is helping just the class of people it was intended to help. Of the total number 85 have had teaching experience and a still greater number are the holders of teacher's certificates. They are by no means all young teachers for ten have taught ten years or more and they include two county superintendents.

The list of subjects asked for shows that teachers are looking forward toward meeting the requirements of the new law. The following are the subjects now being given with number of courses in each; Agriculture 1; Commerce 5; Civics 1; Drawing 3; English 4; Geography 1; German 1; History 6; Latin 3; Mathematics 4; Pedagogy 3; Sewing 1.

Another significant fact is that only 40 of the correspondence students have ever been enrolled in the school as resident students and



### NORMAL ENTERTAINMENT FUND

#### Treasurer's Statement for September.

##### Receipts:

Chaut'a IO U's red'm'd \$ 6.00  
 Boat Rentals..... 10.80  
 Faculty Assessment.... 42.18  
 Lyceum Lecture Course 506.00 \$564.98

##### Expenditures:

Balance on note at bank  
 given to cover deficit  
 from last year..... 48.58  
 Lyceum Lecture Bureau  
 Ratto ..... 65.00 113.58  
 Balance on hand Oct. 1.. \$451.00

Which? Algebray or Algeberry?

Mr. Applegate attended the teachers' association here last Saturday.

Prof. Shively has evidently not forgotten sparks and engagement rings.

Miss Cora Covalt left for her home in Moreland last week. She may not return until the beginning of next term.

The Seniors and Juniors have at last chosen their class colors the former having selected blue and whit and the latter, violet and olive green.

Miss Florence Ackerman librarian at Plainville visited the Normal two days this week. She expressed herself as being greatly pleased with the school here.

Prof H. L. Kent who has charge of the correspondence and institute work at Manhattan met many of his old friends while in the city the latter part of last week. He delivered an address to the teachers at the association on Saturday.

### BASKET BALL.

One day last week the Seniors and First Years challenged the Juniors and Sophomores for a game of basket ball. The challenge was accepted by both the girls and boys of the challenged classes and the games were played that evening. Some fast and furious playing was done as is shown by the final score which was 4 to 1 in favor of the Juniors; the girls line up was:

#### Seniors

#### Juniors.

Cora Covalt	F.	Georgia Forkner
Eva Hargitt	F.	Flora Hargitt
Ella Hoxie	C.	Margaret Evans.
Mary McCarthy	C	Florence Peppiatt.
Ada Law	G	Mae Dyer
LoRee Cave	G	May Gill
Flora Allen,		Sub.

The boys game was extremely exciting all the way through and savored somewhat of football. The Senior boys undaunted by the overwhelming defeat of the Senior girls plunged into the battle and came off victorious with a score of 13 to 6.

The line up was as follows:

#### Seniors

#### Juniors.

Ed Davis	F.	Frank Carmen.
Orren Lahman	F	Clarence King
Martin Peterson	C	Harry Neilsen
Ed Beeby	G.	Robert Terrill
Vernon Bice	G	Dave Leighton

Miss Macintosh left Wednesday night for Kansas City to see "Pinafore" which is being played there this week. This light opera will be given at the Normal auditorium sometime next spring and as Miss Macintosh will have the direction of the stage work she will probably be able to make good use of her observation of the play in Kansas City.

Rev. Hale pastor of the M. E. Church was a Normal visitor one morning recently.



a large majority have never attended any higher school. They are the hard working, energetic teachers of a new country that has denied them good school advantages. Many of them are the best teachers in their counties and all of them are eager to take advantage of every opportunity that is afforded them. Surely the Western State Normal can engage in no activity that will bring better returns than to bring opportunity to the door of this class.

Miss Jeanette Chandler, sister of Cordia Chandler who was in school two years ago, enrolled, last week

Teachers sometimes find works on pedagogy a little formal and dry. There are a number of books on the market, however, written in story form that are exceedingly interesting reading and possess great pedagogical value. Among the best of these are the following which the Management class last term found very fascinating and helpful:

"Evolution of Dodd", William Hawley Smith.

"The Story of My Life", Helen Keller.

"Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," Kate Douglas Wiggin.

"Miss Minerva and William Green Hill", Frances Boyd Calhoun.

"Jean Mitchell's School," N. D. Gilbert.

"For the Honor of the School", Ralph Barbour.

"The story of A Bad Boy", Thos. Bailey Aldrich.

"The Golden Age", James Baldwin.

"Little Citizens", Myra Kelley.

"Emmy Lou", George Madden Martin.

"Life of Alice Freeman Palmer," George Herbert Palmer.

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## Foot Ball Notes

There is to be a series of three games between the two societies (If all hands are willing.)

Harry Neilson is coaching the Lits for the coming games.

If a regular football game is as hard on some of the boys accordingly as the practice has been there will be some use for the hospital.

At the present writing there is some talk of Chat Picken taking the Lycum football boys to coach for the coming games with the Lits.

We are glad to see so many men out of it.

We hope that none of the students will compose the other ninety-seven verses to the parody on Casey Jones and go crazy from the effect.

The following must be cooled and sung to the tune of Casey Jones:

### Winchester at Foot Ball.

Windy said just before he quit  
There is too many bosses that I'll have to fit.

I'll study German until I'm pale  
But never on the gridiron will you see me sail.

So he went to the gym and hung up his suit

And up to his German, Snort did scoot  
Studying this German is a pleasure to me

But never a pleasure in football I see.

The Freshies and Seniors had a basket ball game

Snort went into it to win his fame.

This basket ball is surely fine dope

But German grammar is my only hope.

James Winchester commonly known as Snort or Windy decided football was a rough sport for him.



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### EDITORIALS.

Prin. Picken predicts that the visit of Hon. Champ Clark at this particular time will mark a new epoch in the history of our school. The deeper significance of his visit is this; the Dolliver-Davis bill which makes provision for federal aid in the establishment of agricultural high schools was defeated under the former Speaker of the House. The Speaker as we all know wields a tremendous influence over the legislation of that powerful body and this bill being frowned upon by Speaker Cannon and some of the influential committee men, the bill naturally failed of passage. Hon. Champ Clark seemed in sympathy with the new agricultural high school movement and it is hoped that through his influence federal aid will be secured. Ours is one of the few agricultural high schools

west of the Mississippi River and in his visit here Hon. Clark had the opportunity to see for himself the great possibilities of such schools and therefore the expediency of federal aid.

We owe an apology to Miss Lena Brown in that her name failed to appear in the "Class of '11" of our last issue. Her name was at the head of the list but by some mistake in printing, the entire line was omitted. However, Miss Lena is engaged in teaching a Graham County school this winter.

There is lots of difference between a big man and a little man. But one of the chief differences we have noted lately is that when a little man comes to town he doesn't create the slightest stir in the social atmosphere, but when a big man arrives on the scene it starts a breeze strong enough to set all the flags waving and all the hearts to beating in response to the patriotic stimulus. In fact to set us all in a whirl. Such was the coming of Champ Clark.

We regret that owing to lack of space it was necessary to omit a number of articles last week.

Word comes to us that Donald Frankenberger may return to Hays this winter to finish up his work at the Normal in case he cannot get his work at Ottawa arranged to his satisfaction. "Buzz" will always find a welcome at the Normal.

The annual faculty picnic was held on the creek Wednesday afternoon the gentlemen members providing preparing and serving the refreshments.

We understand that David Leighton is "teaching the ladies how to dance."



**CHAMP CLARK.**

On Monday evening Hon. Champ Clark Speaker of the National House of Representatives, arrived on the eight o'clock train, was conducted to the Normal where the reception committee awaited him and within thirty minutes from the time the train stopped, was on the platform speaking to a large and enthusiastic audience. He came all the way from Lexington, Ky. to deliver this lecture having spoken in Lexington on the Saturday evening previous.

Champ Clark early began his public career having taught school before he was fifteen, and at the age of twenty-three was a college president. He has been a prominent figure in Congress since his first appearance there in 1893.

The subject of his lecture was "The U. S. of America in the Twentieth Century." His introduction was short and led right up to the main part of the lecture. He gave three quotations which he said he hoped everyone would remember especially emphasizing the last; they were as follows: "This is a new and exceptional age" "America is another word for opportunity," and "Our whole history seems a divine providence in the universe."

He said the aim of his lecture was to answer the pessimists who are going around over the country asserting that the world is going to the dogs and throughout the lecture he gave convincing proof of the fallacy of that assertion.

At the close of the lecture, a reception was tendered to Hon. Clark in the library soon after which he left the city on the midnight train.

The weather conditions for the evening were ideal, the house was well filled and everyone went away feeling very much pleased at hav-

ing seen and heard the great Congressman from Missouri.

Prof. Bird and Hon. M. H. Mulroy went to Salina Monday morning to meet Hon. Champ Clark.

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### A SURPRISE.

On Tuesday evening, Oct. 3, a number of young folks met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Morgan from whence they proceeded in a body to Neva Bell's home where they found Miss Beulah for whom the surprise had been planned, the occasion being her departure the following Thursday for Baldwin, Kansas, where she and her mother will make their home this winter.

The surprise was complete and after allowing Miss Beulah sufficient time for the complete recovery of her breath, the party of young folks immediately proceeded to make merry with games and music but being attracted by the beautiful moonlight outside, the houseparty soon resolved itself into a lawn party and a delightful evening was spent. The time sped all too quickly however and at rather a late hour the guests repaired to the house where light refreshments were served after which they departed with a feeling of deep regret at Beulah's approaching departure. Beulah was a former student of W. K. S. N. and though her absence from among us with probably be only temporary, yet her many friends regret to see her leave. The farewell was double in its nature as Martin Peterson better known as "Pete" who was present at the party left the city that night for some point in Nebraska where he expects to remain the greater part of the fall. Most of the guests present at the party accompanied him to the train and made his last minutes in Hays as pleasant and lively as possible. He expects to return to W. K. S. N. sometime during the winter.

### Gleanings From the Club.

Quite a number of students enrolled at the club since the last number of the Leader, among them are Mr. Noll and Mr. Neilson two of our former students. The crowd is getting jollier every day.

The last two weeks have been very busy times at the club during meal hours on account of the many challenges sent out by the different classes represented.

The "Expounder of the Constitution" is the star boarder at the club at present, for further particulars inquire at headquarters.

Mr. Earl says if the meat products would take as sudden a drop as he did the other day, Wall Street would certainly tremble and board would be at par.

News from reliable sources reach us and inform us that Jean has undertaken quite a difficult task that of studying Law.

LoRee Cave was heard to remark that she has consumption, and we honestly believe she has at least she seems to be able to consume almost everything set before her.

The season is drawing near when mashed potatoes will have to be used for dessert instead of ice cream.

We notice Robt. Terrell eats his fruit with the skin on, we would like to see him try a pine apple.

Esther Shively was on time last Tuesday morning. Glad to see you first at last, Esther. You have always been behind before.



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Though the five number Course last year was handled at a net loss of about fifty dollars, the faculty have such faith for next year that they are expending above twenty five dollars more than the cost of last year course.

At the opening of the Summer Term Mr. George R. Tilford of Leonia, New Jersey, comes to our faculty as the permanent head of the Commercial Department. Mr. Bird will devote his entire time in the future to the Science Department.

Mr. Tilford is a graduate of the State Normal School of Kansas at Emporia, and handled the Commercial work in that institution for a year. His wife was, for a time, a member of the Emporia faculty in the Department of Public Speaking.

Mr. Johnson enjoyed a visit from his brother of Rowllins County a few days last week.

Misses Charlotte Paul, Beulah Bell, Mrs. J. Brooke and Mr. M. Bixler visited chapel Wednesday, April 27.

H. E. Pearce has once more joined our ranks.

Earl Clouse, better known as "Sham," made a little auto trip to Russell Springs last Thursday.

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