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Laying the Corner Stone.

Circular of Correspondence Work, by Prof Beach.

The thirty-first day of October, 1911, will go down in the annals of the new Model Agricultural High School as the day that marked a great epoch in its history namely the laying of the Corner Stone.

An excellent home talent program was arranged for the occasion. It was not necessary to import a great speaker as for other similar occasions, for we have one right with us—Prof. A. M. TenEyck who is a past master in everything pertaining to agriculture and who delivered a most excellent address on Progress in Agriculture.

Promptly at 10:15 the Normal and a number of townspeople assembled in the auditorium to listen to the program, the first number of which was an instrumental duet by Mrs. Shively and Mrs. Wiest. Prin. Picken then introduced the speaker, Prof. A. M. TenEyck. Following the address was the deposition of articles in the box to be put in the Corner Stone. The first article to be placed in the box was a collection of autographs deposited by Prin. Picken. They consisted of a number of recent petitions bearing the signature of almost every student in school. A complete file of cards was then deposited by A. H. Kerns.

Issue of "Leader" by May Gill.

Fairchild's report, with cuts of District School, by Miss Stone.

"Educational Agriculture" by Prof. Main

Latest issue of local papers, by O. Lahman.

Records of classes and societies were then deposited with the roll of officers and members of each, by the following individuals:

Literati, Prue Mongan
Lyceum, LoRee Cave
Y. M. C. A. Lloyd Law.
Y. W. C. A. Little Moore.
Student Council, Robert Terrill,
Clarence King.

Athletic Asso. Claude Bice.
Senior class Mary McCarthy.
Junior class Mae Dyer.
Sophomore class, Flora Hargitt
Freshman class Jean Cave
Second Year Normal Tom Reed
First Year Normal Ada Law.
Model School, Chas Bissing
Model Rural School Alice Craig

A stone raising committee was chosen, consisting of A. D. Hass, C. A. Picken and Claude Bice, representing the enrollment for the first year of the Normal. A procession was formed, led by Clyde Ward and Marvel Bissing the youngest representatives of the Model Rural School who carried the box containing the deposits. On reaching the build-

ing these "Young Americans," together with Elaine Sites, representative of Post Graduates, Minnie Leiker of the Model School, Alice Craig of the Model Rural School, all the class presidents, Prof. Ten Eyck and Prin. Picken, mounted a platform that had been erected on a level with the corner stone where each one personally assisted in laying the Corner Stone by placing a trowelful of mortar around the box. The stone raising committee then slowly raised the Stone to its final resting place and it closed down over the box containing the precious collection of records and documents, completing the last detail of the ceremony attending the laying of the Corner Stone.

This Agricultural High School undoubtedly has a great future before it. It is probably the only High School of its kind in existence in connection with a Normal School and having for its double purpose, the study of the Science of Agriculture and the training in the art of teaching it.

The dedication of the new building will take place on June 23, 1912, the tenth anniversary of the founding of this institution.

Most of the Normal students participated in some ghostly demonstration or other last Tuesday night. (Oct. 31.) Of course (?) none of the Normalites were responsible for the heterogeneous collections on the porches of a number of the Faculty homes.

dustrious and studious bunch of students. If you want to see the most incidents you ever beheld, visit the Normal for about three days preceding the final ex's at the close of the term.

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Occasional special programs have been arranged for the general exercise period by the various classes. The Seniors will give their program sometime this month, the Juniors in December and the others after the holidays.

The Domestic Science girls were seen promiscuously feeding people taffy Tuesday morning.

Look out for the Ladies' Minstrel Show sometime before Thanksgiving, probably. It's going to be great.