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Luncheon Club Resumes Activities

BASKETBALL LEAGUES FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Intramural basketball teams for men and women have been organized under the direction of Mr. Bjorgum. Five men's teams and 8 women's teams have been organized with a total of 94 participants. The men's teams, which are composed of 5 regulars and 2 substitutes, are captained by Ray Meyers, who leads "The Dragons"; Marvin Klampe, "The Berries"; Gene Ernster, "The Hillbillies"; Ardell Kemnitz, "The Jailbirds"; and Clem Owen, "The Mayflowers." The women's teams and their respective captains are: "The Hawks," Vernie Turner; "The Eagles," Lois Elda Howard; "The Saw-Horse Team," Louise Fulton; "The Doo-hickies," Besse Morgan; "The Plucky Players," Martha Wilson; "The Cubs," Lucille Hart; "The Kittens," Mildred Jensen; "The Bluebirds," Annie Laurie MacDonald.

Games Scheduled

Men's games are played every Friday night, starting at 7:30 in the school gymnasium. Games in the girls' league are played on Tuesday evenings between 7 and 10 o'clock.

Both leagues will continue during the entire basketball season, and the champion squad will be determined on a percentage basis. The team losing no games will have a percentage of 1000 and the rest of the teams will be ranked in comparison. In case of a tie for the championship the two teams will play for title. According to Mr. Bjorgum, there is a possibility that one of the men's intramural teams will be entered in the city commercial league along with the varsity squad. (Cont'd P. 3)

SCHOOL RULES ANNOUNCED

Dr. McMullen, at the general assembly, November 3, brought up the subject of school rules. It has never been a policy of E. M. N. S. faculty to draw up a set of rules by which everyone must abide. Dr. McMullen said: "We trust to the good sense of the students. However, there are two rules which we state definitely. First, a student is not allowed to change his place of residence without permission from the deans. Second, the student must notify the deans before leaving the city at any time. The entire student body should be willing to cooperate in the enforcement of these rules, since their observance is for the best interests of everyone."

OUR THANKSGIVING

Many Thanksgiving proclamations this year will state that in spite of our hardships we should be thankful. I want to turn this a little bit and say that because of its hardships the Eastern Montana Normal School should be thankful.

All of us believe in these days that education, or, in other words, life itself, goes forward best when inspired by an all-consuming purpose, but many of us fail to realize that this purpose should concern itself with something worth while and with something really difficult to do.

As a nation, we have been, during the period of prosperity, knocking over men of straw. This is a mildly pleasing business because it is funny to see the straw fly, but it really does not make for physical endurance, mental improvement nor spiritual up-lift.

Character is best forged under the hot pressure of difficult achievement. Again I say that we as an institution should be thankful because we have the zeal-inspiring purpose to enrich the schools of Montana, and in achieving this purpose we meet difficulties that many times seem as insurmountable as the Rocky Mountains which form our sky line. —L. B. McMullen.

Senior Party Tonight

Arrangements have been completed for the senior all-school party to be held in the Commercial Club ballroom tonight, at 8:30. A great deal of interest and curiosity has been aroused throughout the school concerning the affair. Seniors in charge of arrangements are non-committal on the matter, and have not been induced to disclose any of their elaborate plans.

According to Madge Manuell, general chairman, the party has been planned around a hard-time theme, and all students have been requested to attend in costumes for the occasion. An extensive program in a humorous vein has been arranged and the refreshment committee promises lots of "eats." It is rumored that a real bar has been installed where "beer" (?) will be served to the thirsty, and that there will be a bread-line for the hungry.

Mr. Manion and student-helpers have been surprised in the Washington Building while constructing a mysterious-looking contraption that very much resembles a bull. They would not disclose anything concerning the animal, other than that it will be a part of the program at the party. The great amount of activity centering around the affair, and the unusual posters decorating various prominent places in the Administration Building would indicate that the Senior Class All-School Party will prove to be something totally out of the ordinary in school entertainment.

A directory of county superintendents has been aiding the Education Department in preparing a mailing list of graduates and students to whom materials concerning the school may be sent.

Dean Line Speaks

Robert C. Line, dean of the School of Business Administration of the University of Montana, spoke to the student body at a general assembly held Tuesday, November 3, at 11 o'clock in the Babcock theater. The subject of his address was "Cooperative Education," a description of the Greater University of Montana. Having been a member of the State Educational Board, Dean Line was able to give the students some comprehensive information about the units of the Greater University. In the course of his speech he told where the various units are located and the specific advantages and opportunities each one has to offer.

The State Normal College at Dillon and the E. M. N. S. are sister institutions, having as their common aim the preparation of students for the teaching profession.

The Northern Montana College at Havre gives a two-year course which prepares for higher learning in liberal arts and the professions at the state university and elsewhere.

The State Agricultural College at Bozeman is mainly, as its name suggests, an agricultural training school. Yet it also gives excellent training in special fields, such as home economics, secretarial work and engineering.

The School of Mines, located in Butte, is a school of mining engineering.

The State University at Missoula has many fields of higher learning in Liberal Arts, Law, Music, Art, Journalism, Pharmacy, Forestry, and Business Administration.

Did you know that one's "crazy bone" isn't a "bone" at all?

RECORD CROWD IN ATTENDANCE

The first meeting of the Luncheon Club this year was held in the school gymnasium on Armistice day, Wednesday, November 11, under a new plan worked out by the faculty and Student Council, with Dr. McMullen as its leader. There were 325 in attendance, including faculty members and guests. This is the largest attendance in the history of the club. The entire student body was present with the exception of about ten members.

Because of the large school attendance this year it was deemed impossible to continue the luncheons under the old plan, with weekly meetings in the Commercial Club, and the meals served by the Commercial Club caterers. Under the new plan the luncheons are to be held in the school, and the food prepared by the school. Two meetings are to be held each quarter.

Faculty Prepares Eats

For the first luncheon the entire faculty was in charge of the menu and preparation. Food was cooked in the Grey Shop and brought to the gym, where it was served family style. The menu consisted of baked ham, escalloped potatoes, rolls, strawberry jam, pickles, cookies, coffee and milk, with fresh fruit as dessert. Twenty-four girls in blue and white aprons acted as a serving committee.

The gymnasium proved to be almost an ideal place for the luncheons. One long table was placed across the far end of the gym, with five other tables running the length of the room. The Armistice Day motive was carried out in the decorations by means of large American flags on each of the four sides, and red and blue ribbons on the white table cloths. The bowls of fresh fruit further decorated the tables. (Cont'd P. 3)

ARMISTICE DAY SERVICES

The Eastern Montana Normal School students attended the Armistice day program at the Babcock theatre, held there at 11 o'clock.

Miss Myrna McNeil rendered an organ concert immediately before the services. After the invocation by the Rev. A. H. Nerison, Mrs. A. H. McCrum gave the reading, "In Flanders Fields." The auxiliary quartet followed this number with a song. The speaker of the day was the Honorable H. L. Myers, who recapitulated the chief events of the war.