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Students Work For The Government

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There are some twenty students attending Goshen College who are on the payroll of the federal government as represented by the National Youth Administration. This organization is one of the many instituted by the present administration to aid in the distribution of funds to needy persons in this period of economic recession.

The N.Y.A., as it is known to most people, has as its object the distribution of funds to schools and institutions of learning. The money expended is part of the relief money set aside by the federal government. The money is distributed in proportion to the enrollment and in some cases in proportion to the actual need exhibited in the place under consideration. The money is used to pay students for various kinds of work done for the school or under its supervision. The student does not actually receive the money but it is credited to his or her account in the payment of debts. The net result is that both the student and the school are aided for the student receives aid in his expenses and the school gets a great amount of necessary work done. The N.Y.A. divides the kind of work that may be done under it into several divisions. Goshen College has at present 26 students on the N.Y.A. list. Let us notice who they are and what they do. Fred Blosser, Waldo Kines, Herbert Troyer, Clifford Yoder, Samuel J. Miller, and Marie Brubaker are doing clerical work in the various city schools where they do typing, filing, grade papers, etc.



PROFESSOR SMITH TO RECEIVE PH. D. DEGREE On April 14 Professor Smith took the final examination for his Doctor of Philosophy degree at the graduate school of Indiana University. The degree will be conferred June 5 at the annual commencement exercises. Professor Smith has a major in American History and minors in economics and government. He has written his thesis on "The Political Career of Schuyler Colfax to His Election as Vice President in 1868." Colfax was a Hoosier of South Bend. He was a prominent member of the house of representatives during the Civil war period and served as speaker of the house from 1863 to 1869. In 1868 he was elected vice-president on the Republican ticket with Grant. After his career as vice-president he retired from public life. Professor Smith is a native son of Goshen College. He received his B.A. here in 1928, and his M.A. at the University of Michigan the following year. He spent the summers of 1930-32 at the University of Chicago in further graduate work. He had two years leave of absence, 1935-37, which he spent at Indiana University where he will receive his degree.

Charles Ainlay Wins Peace Oratorical Contest

The RECORD is very happy to report that Charles Ainlay, a sophomore this year, won first place in the Indiana collegiate Peace Oratorical contest held at Marion College on Friday evening, May 5. The contest is made up of representatives from eight colleges in Indiana who compete for the prize. We are proud to report that Charles was placed first by four of the seven judges of the contest. Students from Wabash and Manchester placed second and third in the contest. Professor John Umble accompanied Charles and took several other students to hear the contest.

Mr. Ainlay has consented to allow us to print his oration in full. This manuscript has already been sent to the national contest where it will be in competition with the winning orations from 24 other states. The oration follows:

Carl Miller, Martha Ramseyer, and

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SPRING TERM STARTS

Spring is here again and if you haven't gotten out to see it in the new grass and spring flowers you have probably noticed a number of new students -36 to be exact. We all accept spring as a fact when the "Spring-Termers" troop in.

This year the enrollment has risen over former years, and we find our spring students coming from Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, and Illinois. Indiana leads with 30, Iowa follows with 3, Kansas with 2, and Illinois trails with 1. We welcome all the spring term students and invite them to make themselves at home with us.

CLASS TRAVELS

Dean Bender has announced tentative plans for a visit with his social problems class to the Michigan City State Penitentiary. This is one of the projects included in the course of study in this subject which deals with crime, poverty and other related problems of society. As the plans are at present the class will make the visit on Saturday, May 13, and will spend most of the day making the trip and touring the penitentiary. The class will probably engage a bus and use several cars in addition to care for transportation.

THE TESTIMONY OF YOUTH

I am simply an American youth. Any name I am to make for myself is yet to be made. In a world of great men, of presidents, of kings, and of dictators. I rightfully feel very small, very humble. Yet speaking now, I no longer feel small nor scarcely humble, for the words I speak are not merely mine; they are the words, the thoughts of youth itself. In my youthful fancy I have often dreamed that I might speak to every president, every king, and every dictator, and that in the front row I might see the four leading statesmen of Europe, Hitler, Daladier, Chamberlain, and Mussolini. My words would not change, nor would I be ashamed of them, for I speak with the assurance that I echo the words of youth the world over. The English boy might say it differently; the German lad might even have to whisper it, but I am convinced that in each heart,

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Y. W. C. A. COMMITTEES ARE ANNOUNCED

Pauline Liechty has posted the following list of names as the ones to serve on the various committees in the Y. W. C. A. for next year. They will take office at once and continue until April of next year.

The first name on each committee is the chairman.

Extension: Marjory Yoder, Clara Lehman, Anna Lois Bucher, Miriam (Continued on page 4) Page Two

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IT'S TIME TO WASH WINDOWS!

With the return of nice weather comes that task of every housekeeper, the



Jail Service

On Sunday, April 30, the jail service was in charge of Howard Zehr. Alfred Zook, Dana Troyer, Phyllis Hartzler and Carol Glick gave four messages in song. Robert Schertz spoke on the subject "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." There were seven prisoners in the jail and they seemed to appreciate the service very much.

Vespers

The College Vesper service was conducted by the chorus on April 30. The A-Cappella Chorus gave the program which was given on the tour during vacation, making a few changes in numbers to fill requests from local people. The program was very well given and much appreciated.

Collegiate Chorus

The collegiate chorus, under the direction of John Duerksen, is making progress, and plans to present several programs in the near future. The first public appearance since Christmas was made Sunday evening, May 7, at the Holdeman Church near Wakarusa. Here the chorus met with a choral group of that congregation. This group has been preparing selections for the coming literary convention, and requested the co-operation of the collegiate chorus in a program at its home church. The collegiate chorus plans to sing with the literary chorus on May 21, and will give a program at North Goshen on May 14 if present plans are carried out.

job of washing windows. The other day I noticed that the windows of my room were very dirty, in fact, so dirty that the out-of-doors was off color several degrees. The accumulation of the winter had made the glass dull and dingy. I do not know whether it was the weather or the windows, but any way I washed my windows that afternoon.

I was surprised at the change that took place in the room. Things took on a bright and cheery look that made it a more inviting place in which to live. It seemed like a part of the sunny outside could now move in and stay. It was a pleasure to look out the windows now for you could see things in their true light.

While these thoughts were running through my mind, I began to think of those people who are continually looking out on life through windows clouded with hate, envy, pride, selfishness, stubbornness and greed. I wondered whether we have any such on the campus this year. If we do, perhaps we can institute a little window washing on the spiritual aspects of life.

When we think of the many joys that may be had in Christian fellowship which are so easily lost by having dirty windows through which to view the actions of others, can we sit by and do nothing? I think that I can detect a little bit of malice in the actions of some people lately. Some folk have been flaring up over little things.

Friends, let's wash the windows of our souls of those sins that prevent us from seeing others in a true light.

-B.

HOW DO YOU DO?

Our recent enthusiastic lecturer, Mr. Jones, presented a challenge in what he called his best thought for the day. He said, "It is not the fact that I am living that is important, but the quality of the living that I do."

Allow me to paraphrase a bit: It is not the fact that you are a student at Goshen College that is important, but the quality of studying that you do. You are making Goshen College exactly what it is. But again it is not the fact that Goshen College exists that is important, but the quality of college it is. This depends partly on you. Your being here requires thought. Everybody thinks (sometimes at least), but it is not the fact that you think that is important. The quality of the thinking is of greater import.

Peace Program Given

The college has been co-operating with local churches as well as congregations in other states, giving peace programs in which new aspects of our peace problems are presented. On Sunday, May 14, John Umble, John C. Wenger and Guy Hershberger will take part in a peace conference in Illinois.

On the same day a group of faculty and students under the leadership of Dean Bender will be in Archbold, Ohio, to present an evening service on this topic. This program will take the form of a panel discussion.

CHORUS ITINERARY

The Goshen College A-Cappella Chor-

With this issue several new editors begin work on the RECORD. Our purpose is to present a colorful, interesting picture of the campus and its activities. The important thing here is that the RECORD is to be published and not the fact that any of us have been chosen to do the work. It is the quality of the RECORD that counts. Our goal is to put out the best RECORD possible on the campus of Goshen College.

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THE TESTIMONY OF YOUTH

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which is made the same as mine, there exists the same message.

Youth is a beautiful period of lifeit is the time when everything is before one, and life spreads out as a glorious adventure. For each of us there is one great ambition-it is to succeed, to do something really worth while with our lives. We realize that not all will succeed. We understand that the road is up-hill-that a fight is involved, but it is the sort of challenge that lifts the chin and sends the blood racing through the veins. Youth welcomes a fighta fair fight-we only ask fair play. Yet we can see nothing of sportsmanship, nothing of fair play about the organized murder that is war.

Several years ago I had the opportunity of witnessing the running of the Kentucky Derby. I shall never forget the thrill I felt in watching those horses as they ran side by side, straining each muscle in their endeavors to reach the post first. Now in my mind's eye I see another race. In this race, at the end of the first lap, the horses are compelled to dash through a hail of bullets, and at the end of the second, if they survive the first, through a cloud of poisonous gas. The race is over now, and see the winner, maimed but victorious. He struggles across this finish line and collapses. But where in our hearts can we find it to cheer, to applaud, as we look at this poor creature, and the bodies of those strewn on the track behind. There is nothing of beauty, nothing of sportsmanship about this. It is downright brutality. My vision shifts now, and I see the veteran hospitals throughout the land with their thousands of names on the waiting list. Names of persons who were once fine, spirited youth, but who are now but mere shells of humanity. I see the mothers and sweethearts of the boys-their hair prematurely gray, their lives hopelessly empty. To the youth of today, whose minds from childhood up have been saturated with the grim reality of war, these are the only pictures that we can see. To us war is simply wrong, just as wrong as it is to strike down a child in the street. Yet, the world seems quite satisfied that only the matter of time separates us from another great war. We simply await the word from Europe that it has begun again. The bugles will blow, the drums roll, and youth, no matter what he is doing, no matter what he is planning, will be expected to shoulder a rifle and march off to his fate. That is what happened in the last war and every war preceeding. But before this goes too far. I should like to address my words directly to those four imposing men in the front row. Gentlemen, the fate of the world rests in your hands. It is for you to decide whether we shall have peace or war. For the past year you have been

threatening one another, making demands which time and again have carried matters to the precipice of world disaster. You seem quite assured that whatever happens you will be backed by the fighting strength of your nations. You would be quite shocked, would you not, if you suddenly discovered there was no one to fight your war. You would be quite terrified, would you not, if the four of you were given guns and told to settle it among yourselves. Always before you have tasked and bullied your youth into doing the dirty work. Always before, after you have made the war, you become the best protected people in the world. Of all the people likely to suffer, you, yes, you who made the war, become the most secure. And youth, who has the least to do with the whole proceeding, youth, to whom war is most repugnant and most distasteful, is expected to fight the battle.

It is only fair that before going further you understand our attitude. No, you have not asked for it, you have never asked for it, but you should know. We are not like horses. We will not be driven to the post for some blind cause. Youth is strong in the conviction that war is wrong-that it cannot, that it must not be. He has been squirming in his seat, now he rises. The war-mad dictator has been sorely hurt by my words. Eyes flaming, fists clenched, he shouts, "But the Reich, young man, the Reich, it must advance." To which I should reply, "Sir, with all respect for you and for the Reich, let us have this understanding; the Reich is secondary to my life. We resnect and admire your ability, your leadership, but before you make one more step, one more demand, remember this -there is no one to fight your war." As the dictator sits down the prime minister rises - "But my dear young fellow, the honor of your country." To which I should answer. "It is a beautiful thing, honor, but without life it is nothing - nothing but an empty shallow word. Therefore I say, the contribution of youth to the honor of his country, shall be reflected in peaceful living, in his refusal to snuff out ambitious, young souls."

to the world problems. Knowing that if any war is declared, you will be the first four men to lose your lives, I am sure that somehow you will find a peaceful settlement."

Yet all this is but a vision, I must stop pretending. There are no presidents, no kings no dictators, and I am simply an American youth whose words will probably never reach their ears; yet they should know, this-the testimony of youth. It is not that we blame the leaders for all that has happened; it is not that we belittle the sincere efforts of some. But it is the realization that now, in the crisis that confronts us, the balance that sways so dangerously between war and peace rests in their hands, their actions, their decisions. It is not that we are afraid; but it is with calm realism that we understand that if there is to be war, we are expected to fight it, we are expected to die for it. Is it wrong for us to resent this? Is it wrong for us to ask for peace? We may never be Shakespeares, or Lincolns, but is it wrong for us to ask this chance?

Yet Germany and Italy go on expanding, and England and France and their allies attempt to encircle. And it is all very much as one man so ironically remarked, "Why speak of peace-war has already been decided upon." Yet in the darkness of all this that is Europe today, there beams now and then one light of hope. It burst into view at Munich, and it shines still, though precariously dim. Our greatest hope for peace lies in the fact that war is unpopular and that the leaders, I care not whether they be presidents, dictators, prime ministers, or kings, must respect the expressed will of the people. We have little opportunity to speak to these men, but each of us does have the opporunity of helping to bring to the surface this, the very undercurrent of human thought, in a gushing, undeniable stream. You say that you want peace? Then act for peace. If there is any fighting to be done, let us fight now, for peace. Yet if we are to be truthful with ourselves, we must admit how little we have done in the past. How often have you written your congressmen? How often have you spoken for peace? Yet, we can speak and write for peace every day of our lives. Personally, I welcome this opportunity to take my stand, to pledge my life, my talents, whatever they may be, to the furtherance of the cause of peace. And you, if you sincerely want peace, can make your pledge to me-I will live for peace. When the world does this, there will be little cause for worry about the war of tomorrow. I cannot help feeling a surge of joy from within as I picture the war-lord, desperately pushing his way through the mass of youth, searching each face for some look of belligerance, only to find there, peaceful faces, faces that say, "We cannot fight your war. We will not kill our buddies."

Now it is the president who speaks. "And what then, do you propose to do about the changing balance of power? How shall you answer the demands of the dictators? How shall you meet the present crisis?"

To all of which I can merely answer, "Gentlemen, I have solved none of these problems. I have not even tried. I make no pretensions—I am a poor state man — I am simply youth that wants to live. You may go back to your negotiations, your demands, and your counter-'emands, but go with this understanding: what you say and what you do should be said and done with the full realization that there is no one to fight a war. Knowing this, I am sure that somehow you will find an answer

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AVON-AURORA BANQUET

The Auroras were the guests of the Avons at their hacienda in the heart of Mexico on Friday evening, April 28. Bessie Benell welcomed the guests to this strange and fascinating land and invited them to become acquainted with the country; its people and their customs.

The guests discovered to their happy surprise that "Lista de Platos" spelled menu which consisted of Frutus Coctel, Chilli Triquitraque, Ensalade de Pimiento Verde, Sobremesis e Hostia and Cafe.

The program was so instructive that before the evening was over even the German farmers in the group felt perfectly at home in their new environment.

Programa

Salud Epestos—Bessie Benell Acordeon Seleccions—Maxine Stouder and Margaret Davenport (guests from New Paris) Donkey Serenade—Maurice Burkholder So This Is Mexico—Haidie Enss Mexican Travel—Vernon Schmidt

Trovador-Male Quartette

VESPERIANS

On May 1, the Vesperians joined peppily in singing the pep song as the first part of the program. Esther Kolb gave a book report of "Grandma Called It Carnal". Annabel Troyer reviewed her last journey from India. Pauline Liechty sponsored the Hobby Riding Feature, during which Esther Detwiler, Lois Johns, Shirley Erb and Doris Stuckey each pantomimed her own hobby. The comical "Wieners" was then read by Mildred Hess. Elsie Birkey explained her hobby notebook, called the "First Time I Ever-". The concluding number of the program was a vocal duet by Thelma Hostetler and Ella Mae Hooley.

AVONS

On Monday, May 1, after roll call was taken on the steps between first and second floor in the Science Hall, the Avons left in the general direction of the dam, loaded down with all sorts of queer impedimentia. Some distance north of the dam, along the river, they settled down to the business of conducting a pancake fry. Against a large, hollowed-out stump Frances Barnard superintended the building of a fire, helped by several of the more industrious Avons who carried the wood. Alta Schertz mixed the batter. Elizabeth Plank and Carol Beller took charge of the skillets and Doris Beller poured the batter. Eileen Bachman, Clara Lehman and others helped at places where they could sid in the cause. Everybody helped in the process of eating the cakes, some getting to the place that they could use a fork to take syrup from a can. With their appetites spoiled for supper, the Avons adjourned for the day.

the following program was given on the general topic of "Vocations:"

Agriculture—Lester Culp; Business —Paul Moyer; Medicine—Melvin Glick and Radio—Milton Smucker.

CAMERA CLIQUE

The Camera Clique presented a public program on the evening of May first at which time pictures were shown of scenes in Glacier National Park.

The members of this organization are not conspicuous for their activities but they have quietly studied the technique of taking and developing pictures. Those who have observed the work of these boys are congratulating them on the progress they have made in their field. It is to be hoped that the organization will continue to help people become proficient in this fascinating hobby and pastime, photography.

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College song

ADELPHIAN-VESPERIAN OUTING

On April 28 the Adelphian and Vesperian Literary Societies met in a meadow along Plymouth road. Softball games played their part by providing for relaxation. After dusk a bonfire was built and lunch was served. The following program was given:

Reading—Ella May Weaver Guitar Solo—Thelma Houston Tall Story Contest—Esther Lehman, winner; John Leatherman; Kate Yoder, Dana Troyer Star Lecture—Melvin Glick

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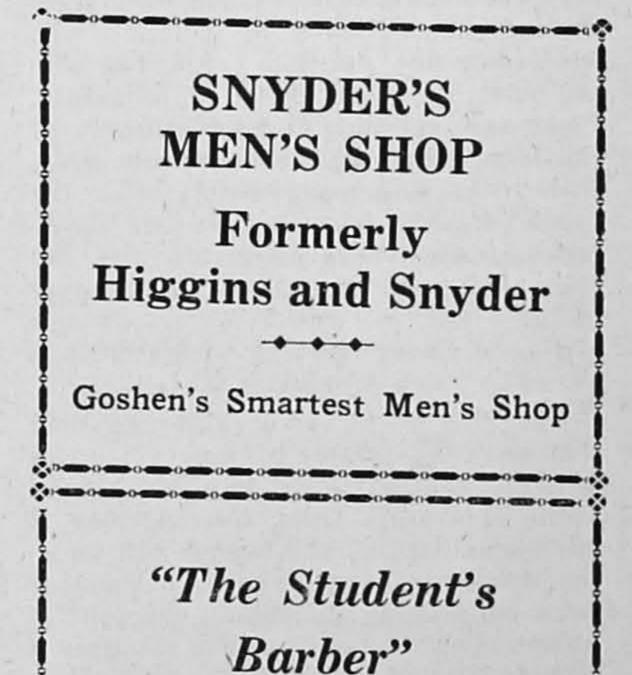
AURORAS

The meeting for May 1 was in the form of a parliamentary law drill. Reuben Widmer, the attorney of the society, had charge. As is usual in such meetings the interest ran high on the various motions, amendments and the problems involved.

There was no meeting March 24.

ADELPHIANS

The meeting May 1 was called to order by the president, Lawrence Burkholder. After a short business meeting Sieber, Ina Springer. Devotional: Ella Mae Weaver, Frances Barnard, Lola Schertz, Eunice Weaver. Bible Study: Nancy Hernley, Freda Maust, Mary E. Harnish, Mildred Witmer. Mission Study: Kathryn Yoder, Ella Mae Hooley, Carol Glick, Annabelle Troyer. Social: Eleanor Reist, Edith King, Nellie Esch, Betty Kate Lee, Haidie Enss. Membership: Alta Schertz, Esther Kolb, Elizabeth Plank, Doris Stuckey. Finance: Thelma Hostetler, Charlotte Zehr, Phyllis Hartzler, Glennis Gingerich. Church Relations: Eunice Schrock, Kathleen Zehr, Virginia Stalter, Ruth Smith.



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DEAN BENDER TRAVELS WEST AND EAST

During the past week H. S. Bender visited three places in Kansas and one in Pennsylvania. After leaving Goshen College Friday morning, April 28, he spent some time at Hesston College. On Saturday evening, April 29, he gave an address at Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kansas. He spoke twice at the annual convention of the Kansas Mennonite Teachers Association at Newton, Kansas, on Sunday, April 30. Tuesday, May 2, he attended a meeting of the Historical Committee of the Mennonite General Conference at Scottdale, Pennsylvania.

WORKING FOR THE GOVERNMENT

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Miriam Sieber are working as library assistants at the college. The work consists of typing and filing, tending the desk and other work of a similar nature.

Pauline Blosser, Mary Harnish, Beulah Smith and Paul Moyer are working in the Registrar's and Business offices where they are engaged in secretarial work and book-keeping. Ivan Baumgartner, Reuben Widmer and Howard Blosser are in the chemistry department where they have charge of the various laboratories. Ivan and Reuben have the General Chemistry sections while Howard takes care of the Organic and Quantitative Analysis. In addition, he has been doing some research work for Dr. Miller. A separate section of the N.Y.A. is given over to research and survey work. Under this division several students are helping their professors work out projects for publication. Nancy Hernley is transcribing old letters and documents, which have been recorded on microfilm, for Dr. Hershberger who is using the material in his research work. Doris Stuckey is helping Professor Umble prepare material for a book to be entitled "Mennonite Pioneers". Carol Glick helped Miss Royer prepare her quarterlies during the first semester and is now dividing her time between the Business Office and work for M. C. Lehman. Richard Yoder is working for H. H. Hartzler on a genealogy while Wilma Smith is doing the same sort of work for Dr. Hertzler. Elizabeth Plank and Ella Mae Hooley are assisting the Kindergarten schools of the city and also doing some secretarial work here at the college. Edward Friesen and Ernest Smucker are employed on the campus maintenance force Paul Blosser is used as assistant in the gym and on the athletic field.

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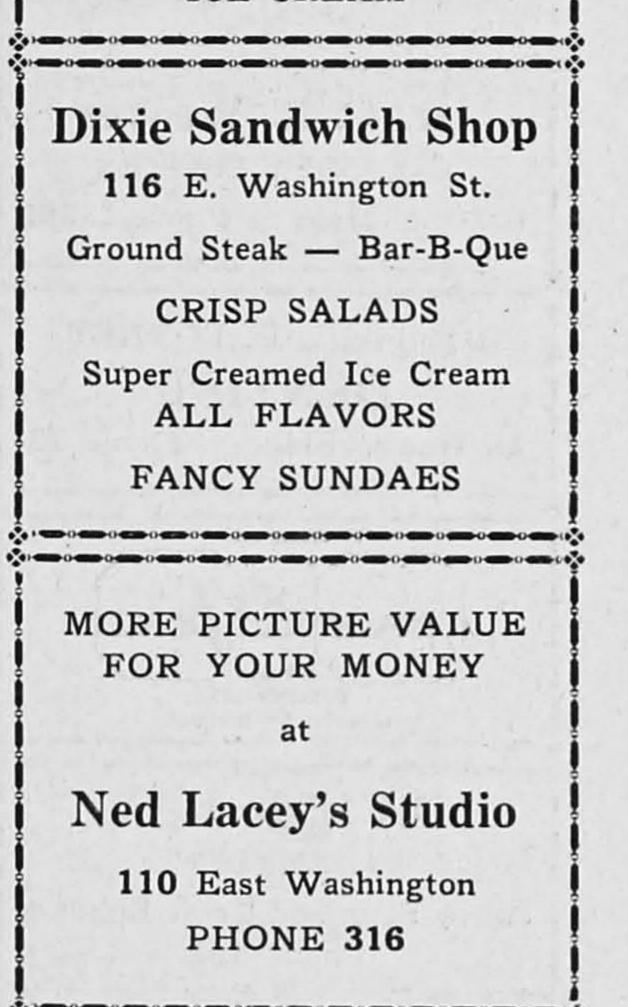
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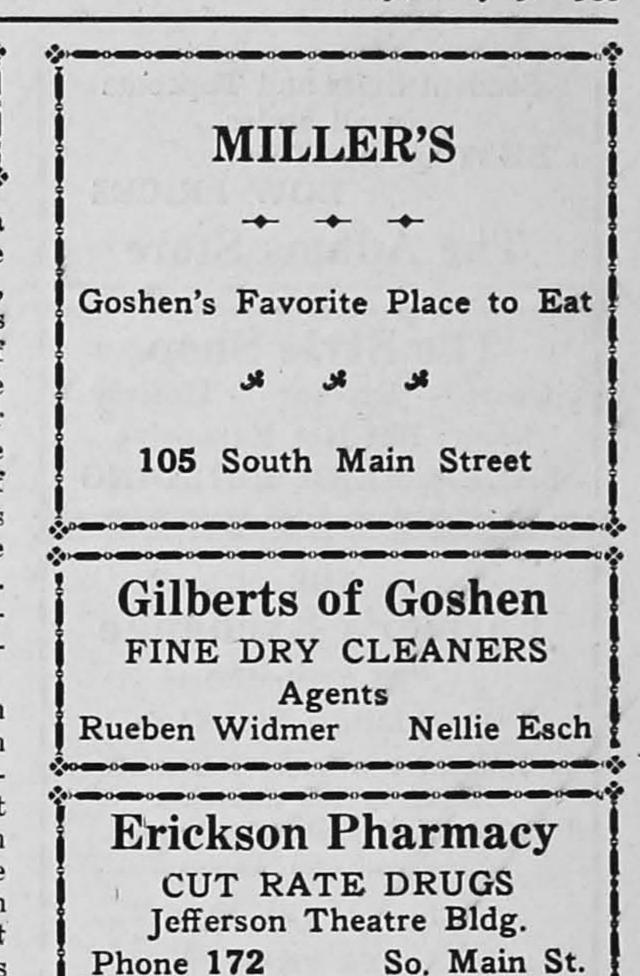
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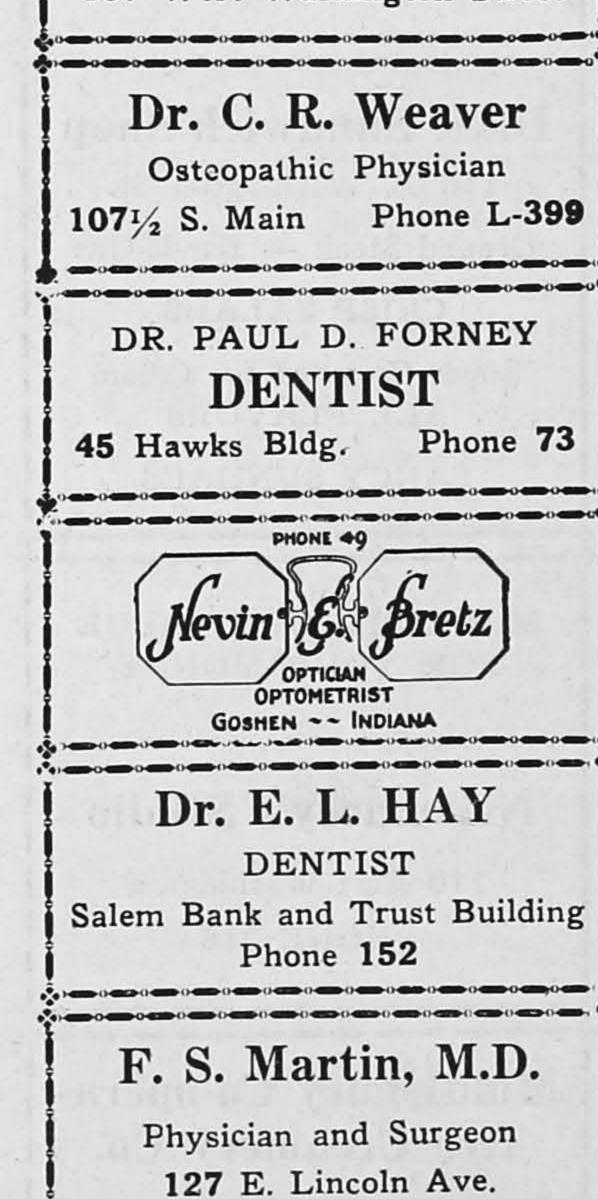
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Faculty News

The baseball season started with a bang as the Jr.-Sr team defeated the Sophs 5 to 2 in five innings. Liechty, the Soph's pitcher, held his opponents scoreless until he ran into a streak of wildness in the fourth inning. Five walks, a hit by Clif Yoder and an error by Gingerich produced five runs for the Jr.-Sr. team. Gunden went in as relief hurler and stopped the rally. The Sophs got their first run on Liechty's double and Hooley's single early in the game. A walk, an error and a single by Hemmingway produced the other run. Yeater pitched for the Jr.-Sr team.

On Friday evening the Jr.-Sr. team met defeat at the hands of the Frosh by a score of 3 to 1. The Frosh combined two walks, two errors and a hit by P. Blosser to make all their runs in the first inning. R. Yoder scored the only Jr.-Sr tally in the fifth. Both teams displayed a decided weakness at the plate as the Frosh made two hits and the Jr.-Sr. team three. Ziegler and L. Burkholder worked for the losers while J. Weaver and Shoup were the batteries for the winners.





Famous Sayings

Folks are still wondering what Melvin Glick meant when he began his little talk at the Vesperian-Adelphian outing on the subject of "Astronomy" by saying, "My favorite star is not out tonight!"

Some of the boys are trying to decide what Mrs. G. F. Hershberger told her little son, Paul, after he found that it was rather dangerous to ride a tricycle down the little grade beside the Adelphian pool. Yes, he fell in and when he got out he began to accuse the tricycle of conspiracy in the matter until his mother appeared to settle the trouble.

Samuel Bucher was trying to find out from Lawrence Burkholder the difference between first and second year Greek. Larry's answer was very short and to the point, squelching Sammy completely. It was, "One year".

We are wondering whether there should be a new definition for the various chemistry courses after hearing "Tiger" Troyer explain that organic chemistry is chemistry of the organs and inorganic chemistry is chemistry of



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