SHAKESPEARE SOCIETY STANDS STRONG

Up to the present time the work of the Shakespeare Society has been very pleasant and helpful to each girl. That delightful drama, "Romeo and Juliet," whose author is the one whose immortal name we bear, has been the topic of study. For the past few weeks there has been quite a "stir" among the members which has caused outsiders to cast interesting glances as much as to say, "Well, what are these Shakespeareans going to do now?"

The entertainment which was planned for Feb. 22nd, but decided more convenient for March the 22nd, will reveal the secret.

We hope that all the Normal students may be prepared to enjoy one of the best affairs in the history of the Normal.

COMENIAN SOCIETY.

Motto: Then give to the world the best you have, and the best will come back to you.

Colors: White and gold; flower, daisy.

The following is a list of the names of the officers for the year:

First Term.
Mabel Thomas, president.
Winnie Ward, vice-president.
Neil Miller, secretary.
Tula Townsend, treasurer.
Maurine McQualty, critic.
Lucile Beall, recorder.

Second Term.
Sarah Dinmore, president.
Maurine McQualty, vice-president.
Martha Harris, secretary.
Hilda Beyer, treasurer.
Abina Erde, critic.
Myrtle Parks, recorder.

The Comenian Society has for its study this year, China. That which has created special interest is the discussion of the life of the Chinese girl. We have found that she has not the freedom and privileges which the average American feels herself entitled to. Miss Hornsby has done much towards increasing interest among our members. Besides this, we have tried to improve ourselves along other lines. We have planned our diversions in such a way as to give helpful hints for practice in the school-room. We are also training ourselves to conduct our meetings strictly according to parliamentary usages.

PIERIANS.

The Pierian Society has been true to its pre-established name. It holds its own with the other societies both in number and accomplishments. We have a crowd of earnest, faithful girls, true to their work, and most of all, we have Mrs. Shaver for our leader.

Our purpose this year is to study Child's Literature, basing this study upon some selections from Longfellow. The Pierian officers for this year are:

First Term.
Minnie Jones, president.
Winnie Cole, vice-president.
Kathleen Common, secretary.
Hattie Harkey, treasurer.
Lucy Schweb, recorder.
Mary Barnwell and Leta Jones, wardens.
Jane Alspa, critic.

Second Term.
Lucy Schweb, president.
Ora Roberson, vice-president.
Lot Jones, secretary.
Herman Miller, treasurer.
Mabel Thibam, recorder.
Ethel Marshel and Elizabeth Ralston, wardens.
Minnie Jones, critic.

"WORK OF THE EVERY DAY SOCIETY.

The Every Day girls feel that thus far, we have not failed entirely, in accomplishing something worthwhile. Our meetings have been interrupted a few times by bell games and picnics, but it was school patriotism that distracted our attention and we lost nothing by it. At present we have fifty wide awake active members who never fail to bring up their share of work and responsibility.

Our programs have been based on "The Great Women of Today," and we have tried to appreciate the substance of our study and to get out of them a little of the profit and inspiration they are able to give us. Miss White, in her talk on Jane Adams, "The New Human," Mrs. Villis Flagg Young and her work in Chicago, inspired in some of us, at least, a desire to do something big and grand, something worth while, where ever we may be placed. From the goodness and modesty of Queen Wilhelmina we get lessons of nobleness in thought and deed. We have tried to appreciate Mrs. Grace Darkum Dodge, Mrs. Anne Rice Hogan, Frances Barnett, Kate Douglas Wiggin, and other delightful writers of the day. We have studied sketches of their works such as "Rebecka of Sunnybrook Farm," and "Mrs. Wiggin of the Cabbage Patch," Mrs. Ruggles and her large family of boys and girls, from "The Bird's Christmas Carol," entertained us most delightfully at one meeting.

But we are planning to cultivate a garden out of doors as well as in our hearts. If you come back to the Normal next September, your eyes will be gladdened by beautiful golden chrysanthemums,—our society of flowers,—growing in the shade of the old old buildings. We are resolved to make the remainder of the year remembered down through the annals of the Every Days as the most enthusiastic and happy period of its history.

A Toast to "Our Step-mother."

Here's to:
The Friend who is nearest;
The Teacher who is dearest;
The Leader who is noblest;
The Woman who is sweetest;
The Idol of the Every Days—Miss White.

Our Yeal.
Wish 'em out! Wring 'em out!
Hang 'em on the line.
Every Day! Every Day!
Any Old Time!

THE WORK OF THE IDYLLICS.

The standards set by our society have ever been high and we are proud to say that we have not lowered them.

Our work for this year has been Nature Study. At the beginning of the term, Mr. Nelson gave us an inspiriting talk on the culture of flowers. At the same time each member drew a card bearing the name of a flower which it was to be her duty and pleasure to cultivate during the year. Many of these flowers may be growing in Miss White's room.

At our various meetings we have had many instructive talks by the different members. Our enrollment this year has been large. At present we have members who are ever willing and anxious to carry on the work of the society. The ideals of these members are high, and it realized, will add more glory to the name Idyllic. Though these ideals stand for knowledge and usefulness, yet they are modern enough to allow a great deal of pleasure. This was well demonstrated at our last meeting, which was one of the most enthusiastic we have ever witnessed.

The following are the Idyllic officers for this year:

First Term.
Faye Hardimon, president.
Adile Henderson, vice-president.
Rosie Stolaioff, secretary.
Eva DIY, treasurer.
Beula Wynne, critic.
Myrtle Glover, recorder.
Minnie Austin and Frank Hardimon, wardens.

Second Term.
Martha Pollard, president.
Lou Alice Landl, vice-president.
Bettie Currie, secretary.
Alice Atkinson, treasurer.
Alice Schley, critic.
Maggie Harvey, recorder.
Virgie Lee Johnson and Irene Atsup, wardens.

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WILL IT.

The rolls of the seven literary societies of the Normal register the names of something like one-half the students. The other half feel either that they have no time for such work or that it is not worth the candle.

As for the former opinion, there is some ground for complaint. The strenuousness of Normal life is too much for the average student, even when he has nothing but class room affiliations; add to these the demands of athletic, artistic, social, and religious needs out of which have grown numerous organizations, and life in him soon becomes hopelessly complex. Considering this complexity, and the fact that the literary organizations follow regular school lines more closely than do any of the others, it is rather to be wondered at that so many as one-half should be enrolled. Also, this enrollment has been sustained for seven or eight years. We doubt whether any of the other State schools will show a like record.

To try to account for it is to answer the second question, are the societies really worth the candle? We believe they are, not alone for the work they are actually doing, but for the vision they embody of work they may do. The purpose of the boys' societies is avowed: training in public speaking; the purpose of the girls is not even evident to those who measure only with the yardstick of yardstick. They are supposed to pursue each year a well mapped out course of study. They usually do not. But, after all, that course of their own importance. The test of success is: have these two hundred and fifty girls learned the strength of organization with a method of conduct, and, above all, the relation of the individual to the organization? That can be answered only by the work the members undertake when they go out into their work. It has been answered by the record they have made in promoting organization which has been the means to various ends. It is through such organizations that they are making up Horace, school gardens, play groups, and social centers.

There are many stories of success of society members among those things that we have no time to tell here.

If, then, it is true that the societies are important in training students for this work of leadership, the question arises, what about the other half? What, in their case, is the substitute? Usually there is no substitute. Is it not true that those who do not engage in society work are the patient, diligent diggers who more than any others need the self confidence that they may gain there? And why do they not engage in it? As far as we see, for two reasons: First, they are not sufficiently urged by the society members themselves; secondly, they are not sufficiently encouraged by the faculty. We believe that both of these elements are to the different students a vestige that they have not yet responded to. We hope that in the new day that is beginning for the Normal school this duty will come in for its share of attention.

On March 16, the Idyllies and Every Days will hold a joint debate on the virtues of the various ideals. Perhaps the question will be, Resolved, That the Pen is weightier than the Pan; or, perhaps, that Romance is weightier than the Range. We shall see. Until then we wait with breathless expectation. The Idyllies contend that no man is eligible to the judgeship.

Y. W. C. A.

On last Thursday afternoon the Y. W. C. A. girls met with Miss Martha Pollard as leader. The meeting was one of great interest to all present, the subject being the promises of the Bible. Many of the girls gave references, and quoted the promises that held them the most good, in times of need or disappointment. The girls are doing a great work and we especially urge all Normal girls to be present at our next meeting.

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THE PARABLE OF THE STUDENTS AND THEIR TIME.

Then shall the Normal students be likened unto the ten virgins who took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

Some of them are wise and some of them are foolish.

They that are foolish take their time and do nothing with it; but the wise use their time wisely in studying and thinking. While the time is passing the foolish play.

And one day the cry is made: "Behold, the end of the term approaches, go ye out to take your tests."

Then all the wise arise and trim their pencils, and the foolish say unto the wise, "Give us of your notes for our memories have failed us." But the wise answered and said, "Not so, for we need them for ourselves, go rather to the book and study for yourselves."

And while they went to study the examination came and they that were ready passed and the others remained behind.

Afterward the others came saying, "Teacher, teacher, give us a chance."

But he answered and said, "Verily, I say unto you, you must fail."

Watch ye, therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour when examinations cometh.

For the Normal School is as a man traveling in a far country who called his own servants and delivered unto them his goods.

And unto one was given five hours and to another two hours and to another one; to every man according to his natural needs.

Then he that had received the five hours he went and trifled with the same and used them not.

Likewise he that had received two was used them not.

But he that had received one went and dug in his books and learned his lessons.

After a long time the end of the term cometh and the reckoning with the students.

And so he that had five hours came and said, "Behold, thou wast not unto me only five hours and I have not had time to prepare my lessons."

He also that had two hours came and said, "Thou wast not unto me only two hours, and I could not learn my lessons."

His teacher answered and said unto him, "Thou careless and lazy student; thou knowest thou shalt pass if thou study and fail if thou tryest not."

"Ye shall be on the left hand with the goats where there shall be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth."

And the teacher shall say unto the wise student, "Well done, my good and faithful student, you have been faithful over a few things, I hope you shall be faithful over many things; enter then into the joy of possessing."

SENIOR MEETING.

The Senior Class met Saturday, February 17, for the purpose of discussing the Senior play. The matter was entrusted mostly to Mr. Thomas and Miss Sayres. Miss Sayres, in her inimitable way, discussed the nature of the play, and very cautiously hinted that it was rather slanty, whereupon that all-absorbing smile began to spread upon Mr. Thomas' face and gradually occupied almost the space from ear to ear. "Slanty, sentimental, and sophisticated," murmured he, and seemed to take great delight in one of his favorite expressions. "The play," continued Miss Sayres, "is to be a comedy, with fun in every part, and will be given March 20th."

Everyone is watching the "grand old Seniors," and we will give them something to watch for. Behold, Mr. P., the leading man, "because he is good looking and a loving lover." And Miss Pollard, the leading lady, what wonders could one not expect?

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Miss Francis J. Laird of San Antonio, has entered school. She was a student here last summer.

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ATHLETICS.

In the spring the athlete's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of sport; in the spring, the balls and raquettes are weekly seen upon the courts.

Much interest has been shown in the way of athletics this season. The Tennis Club, which was organized, has furnished much pleasure to all its members, and is developing some of them into expert players. Then too, our basketball teams are doing good work. Three teams have been organized; two, the "Gypies" and "Topsters," for the girls, the third for boys. Although only two match games have been played, a number of others will follow in which the Normal teams expect to be winners. The Gypies have started things right by winning their first game, and hope to lose not one game this season.

The baseball boys are working toward the same end, i.e.: to be winners; and by their faithful practice, but fair to accomplish their aim. It is true, Normal expects to take a leading part, but not without the help of the biggest and most important team of all—the team of "rooters."

Basketball.
The "Gypies" won their second match game of the season Saturday, Feb. 10. The game was played with San Marcos High School on the latter's court, and at no time was interest or excitement lacking. Although the High School team was somewhat smaller, their quickness and good playing kept their opponents continually moving and on the lookout. The Normal team did some good work in blocking the ball by under passes, and worked together pretty well. The score was 24 to 15 in favor of the Gypies. The line-up was as follows:

High School: Brevard, Ward, forwards; Harris, Johnson, guards; Ramsey, Reed, centers.

Normal: Putnam, Wadlho, forwards; Baldwin, Caperier, guards; Casey, Robison, centers.

A TOAST.

Here's to the Normal, the dearest and best
Of all our schools in this great South-west;
Here's to the faculty, long may they live!
The "strenuous" measures of each we forgive.
Here's to the Seniors, whom, 'ere an exam
Feign no unconsciousness, but how they do cram.
Here's to the Juniors, 'hoo, you dilly crowd!
Who make Seniors scornful, but faculty proud.
And here's to the Freshmen, so sinned and humble;
Here's hoping they'll finish without trip or stumble.

"Quen Sake."

Remember the Citizens State Bank when you have money to deposit.

Arrow Brand collars, 2 for 12 cents at Adams' White Sale. Better stock up for the warm weather.

Mr. McMeans has entered school to finish up his Senior work. He has been "wielding the rod" for a year since he left.

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Miss Pearsall (in Freshman drawing)—Mr. M., what destroyed the power of Venice?

Mr. M.—An earthquake, Miss Pearsall.

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Tfy charming face I long to see."
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