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The Executive Committee is composed of the Officers of the Alumni Association, the Editor of the Alumni Quarterly, and one I. S. N. U. Alumnus who is a member of the Senior College.

To Members of the I. S. N. U. Alumni Association:

Are you a member of the class of '64, '74, '84, '94, '04, '14, '19, '21, or '23? If so, remember that members of these classes are to hold reunions Wednesday afternoon, June 4th, at I. S. N. U. Mr. Nathan A. Harvey, 1884, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, is to be the speaker for the afternoon. At noon on Thursday, June 5th, the annual alumni dinner will be held. You are invited and urged to be present and add to the joy and good fellowship of these occasions. Let your class spirit and school spirit be manifested by your presence at Normal during commencement week. Reservations for the dinner at one dollar per plate should be sent in not later than Monday, June 2nd.

During the past year the response of the alumni to the call for loyalty to and support of the Alumni Association had been very gratifying. The activity among alumni and former students has resulted in forward movements which promise to be farreaching in their influence.
Through the co-operation of alumni and former students the work of organization for effective service has been started. There are now about thirty I. S. N. U. Clubs in the state. We hope to double the number in another year. Be on the lookout for opportunities to assist in this work.

The Alumni Association has many opportunities for service which are becoming more and more apparent. These opportunities are becoming almost necessary services that must be rendered for the advancement of the interests of our Alma Mater. The problem which now confronts the executive committee is how to take advantage of these opportunities, how to render these services with the limited time and money at our disposal. The work of the Alumni Association should grow and expand. The problem before the Association now is HOW CAN THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE PROVIDED WITH THE MEANS NECESSARY FOR BRINGING ABOUT THIS GROWTH AND EXPANSION? The solution of this problem is of vital importance.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

In accordance with Article IX. of the constitution we are hereby publishing one proposed amendment to the constitution. For your information we also publish a proposed amendment to the by-laws.

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Article IV., Section 2 of the Constitution. Proposed to amend to read: These officers together with the editor of the Alumni Quarterly and one I. S. N. U. alumnus, who is a member of the Senior College, elected annually in May by the Senior College Classes, shall constitute the executive committee.

Article II., Section 5 of the By-Laws. Proposed to amend to read: At the Annual Business Meeting of the Alumni Association the treasurer shall present a financial statement, based upon his audited accounts. This statement shall be published in the August issue of the Alumni Quarterly.

**ANGELINE VERNON MILNER**

Thesis by Charles William Perry

*Editor's Note—When the Alumni Quarterly was reorganized in January, 1922, our readers will recall that the financial condition of the Alumni Association necessitated some changes which would keep down the expense of our publication. With this result in mind the Executive Committee decided to eliminate the extra, heavy paper cover and the long special articles which had been big items of expense. We are not yet “rich enough” to return to our former habits, but we are offering in this issue a special article which we feel will be of interest to all our readers. The title explains itself. Even the members of the early classes have met Miss Milner as they have come back for various reasons to the Old School; and every student who has been in the University since the establishment of the Library has known her and appreciated her willing services. We, therefore, are very happy to offer to our readers the following sketch of the life of Miss Milner written by Charles W. Perry, one of this year's seniors.*
PREFACE

One of the first faculty members that the student entering the Illinois State Normal University learns to know is the librarian, Ange V. Milner. The library lessons which are required of all bring them in touch with her, who, in many cases, helps them to plan their work and to arrange for the best time in which to take their library lessons. In this way I became acquainted with Miss Milner.

Interested in the Library Lessons and liking the class work so well I talked with Miss Milner about working in the library during my spare hours. She gave me some simple tasks to do at first and upon my doing them satisfactorily she gave me other tasks to do.

I have worked in the library every term that I have attended school, the major part of my work being done in her office. This gave me the opportunity of coming under her direct supervision and help, and I am grateful to her for the interest she has taken in my welfare. Most of the work was her business correspondence, and the preparing of statements and requisitions for the library which gave me a glimpse of her official life and to a great extent, her personal life.

Ange V. Milner was born April 9, 1856, in Bloomington, Illinois, in a house located just north of where the Illinois Hotel now stands. Living in Bloomington and Normal all her life, she has really grown with the towns. The combined population of Bloomington and Normal in the early 60's when Miss Milner was only a little girl, approximated 8,000 and in the years that have passed she has watched and shared in the growth that still continues in those cities. She has said that she could see a considerable distance over the prairies from her home in early days.

She always had a delight in books, and her mother, who had received an excellent education in Boston, always made it her duty to see that the children had good books to read. She learned the alphabet before she was two years of age, and could read before she was four years old although she had her own system of pronunciation. Her father would read to her and she would follow him. In one story that he was reading he came to the word orphans, but she said, "No, No, papa, ochapans." Another example was the word "rhinoceros" which she pronounced, "richusness." One of her tasks at home was to take care of the books which she would arrange according to size and color. It was her pleasure to select certain books and put them away until Sunday when she would read them to her younger brothers and sisters. On Saturday afternoon, it was the custom in their home to put away all playthings except their dolls, because they had to be quiet on Sunday.

Her mother, who had been a governess before her marriage, taught her children at home in their early years. Miss Milner was not a strong and sturdy child and because of this and the fact that the Bloomington schools were inferior to the Boston schools, her mother would not let her go to the public school, but when she was eleven and one-half years old she attended a small private school for a short time. The subjects taught did not exactly correspond with public school work. She understood mental arithmetic much better than the school children, but had had very little instruction in practical arithmetic. She was always one of the youngest in her class. For about two years she attended the Elementary Department of Major's College which was located in the north part of Bloomington. She entered Bloomington High School in the fall of 1870, though she attended for only one year, dropping out because she was not strong enough to continue. She has said that this was a great mistake because she should have been allowed to take a few subjects and to progress as her strength would permit.

On leaving school she went to Brookline, Massachusetts, where for a year she visited an Aunt. She then returned to Bloomington, and again entered the High School, taking a few subjects only, though she never
graduated. After leaving the high school she had private instruction in French and German.

During the summers of 1875 and 1878 she attended the Vacation School of the Illinois State Laboratory of Natural History which was held at the Normal University. The subjects taught in this school were in the field of Biology, both elementary and advanced classes being provided for. *A History of the Illinois State Normal University* gives the following statement regarding this vacation school: "It will be seen that the amount of work done was tremendous; and yet it was so new, so varied, and intrinsically so interesting that the students found themselves refreshed and rested rather than worn out at the end of the term. The class separated delighted with the results of their studies and expressing a lively desire to continue it in the future."

In the late 70's Miss Milner organized a club for the purpose of studying American literature. The membership of the club consisted of young people. This club did some very good work in American literature. Miss Milner was the president but when she went to Brookline, Massachusetts in the fall of 1878 the organization, not having her guiding hand, turned into a Buggy Riding club and later disbanded.

Miss Milner also belonged to the Palladian club organized in the 70's by Mrs. Humphreys of Bloomington. So popular was this club that the applications for membership exceeded the membership limit and in order to provide for the excess number, another club was organized—The History and Art Club. The first book studied in the Palladian Club was Lubke's *History of Art*. Miss Milner's first public appearance as a member of the club, was made at a joint banquet of these two clubs when she was one of the speakers. It must have been a successful appearance as both her mother and she were congratulated. She laid her success to brevity, and to the novel way the toast was given—in rhyme form.

Miss Milner is now an honorary member of the History and Art Club, having become active in this club at the time the Palladian Club disbanded in 1885, when members of the Palladian club were given the opportunity to join the History and Art Club.

Miss Milner's schooling was never completed, but in spite of this fact her education has been thorough, due to active interests in literary clubs and private reading. In the short time that she was actually in the school room, she did not receive as much of the drill part of education as she now wishes she had. However, all the work has been a help in making her services as a librarian a success.

One day in August of 1880 while talking with Mr. Forbes, who was in charge of the Illinois State Laboratory of Natural History and who also had charge of the vacation school that Miss Milner had attended, he told her that he wanted someone to mount botanical specimens for him. She suggested the name of a friend, but he said that he wanted her to do it herself. She took up this work and enjoyed it very much. When nearing its completion, Mr. Forbes asked her to catalogue his scientific books, saying that he would help her and that she could have some of his books that he had secured from the Library of Congress on cataloguing. She was more than interested in this type of work and did considerable studying in library technique. All the instruction that she has had in library training was from Mr. Forbes, Mrs. Galliner, who, for many years, was the librarian of the Bloomington Library, and her own studying of books on that subject.

The condition of Miss Milner's health in 1884 required her to give up this work and she went to St. Paul, Minnesota, where she visited with relatives and friends for several months.

Shortly after returning from St. Paul, her mother's health prevented her from doing any work away from home, her mother's illness being of such a nature as to require constant care and Miss Milner served as head nurse for several years.

One day in the fall of 1889, her sister Laura, who was attending the Normal Uni-
versity, came home with the news that the two literary societies had offered to give their libraries to the school provided the school would organize a library, catalogue the books, and keep their libraries as distinct units of the new library. Her sister was very anxious for her to apply for the position of cataloguing the books, but Miss Milner said that if they wanted her they would send for her and that she would not apply. However, due to her sister’s attitude she decided to apply for the place.

She sent her application to President Hewett and in a few days received a request for a recommendation. She wrote to Mr. Forbes for this and in a short time received word from him that he had mailed the recommendation direct to President Hewett. Several weeks passed and she heard nothing about the position so gave up planning on it. One day in the latter part of January, 1890, her friend, Fanny Fell, who at that time, was a member of the University Faculty, was at Miss Milner’s home and Miss Milner spoke about the position. A week later she received a postal card from President Hewett asking her when she could start work, that the school was ready for her to begin. She sent word that she would start the following Monday, February 1.

During Miss Milner’s many years of service, she not only has had an interest in the work of the University but an active interest in the work of Library Associations, both State and National. She is a charter member of the Illinois Library Association, organized in January, 1896, at the State Capitol, Springfield. It was always her desire to attend every meeting of the association and she did so until her deafness prevented her from following the program to advantage.

At a meeting of the State Association during the Christmas holidays of 1906, there was considerable agitation for electing Miss Milner president for the next year. But because the next meeting was to be held at the University of Illinois, where a man could work to better advantage the Library Association thought it best to select a man as their president for the next year. Therefore Miss Milner was not elected president but she was elected Second Vice-President instead.

Ten months later she received word from the secretary of the association that she had just received a letter from the President saying that he could not accept the position and had therefore resigned. The first vice-president resigned a week later and therefore it devolved upon Miss Milner to be Acting President for the remainder of the year and to arrange for the program which would take place only two months later.

Miss Milner then had her hands more than full. The place of the meeting had been changed to Bloomington, and Miss Milner planned to have one of the sessions at the Normal University Library. She told the University Faculty her plans—to have some of the members of the faculty to speak, to have Mr. Westhoff lead the music, to give all visitors present, a copy of Professor McCormick’s number of the Normal School Quarterly, A Topical Guide to the Study of the History of Illinois as a souvenir, and to serve refreshments. As soon as she had finished presenting her requests to the faculty, John Keith, a member of the faculty, made the motion that Miss Milner be given everything she wanted and the motion was carried unanimously.

The annual meeting was a success. At the opening session Miss Milner was elected President and she filled her place during the meetings very efficiently. Many said it was the best meeting ever held by the association. One of the men present, Mr. Roden, now the Librarian of the Chicago Public Library, in presenting Miss Milner with a plant in behalf of the men librarians present referred to the givers as “the fast vanishing race of men librarians,” who wished to express in this way their appreciation of the piece of work done in this particular meeting.

Miss Milner is also a member of the American Library Association and is interested in every movement for the betterment of libraries.
Soon after the Declaration of War in 1917, Professor Ridgley was appointed by President Felmley to be chairman of the War Service Committee. Miss Milner was selected as one of the members of that committee and because of her unusually great interest devoted herself to the work. The committee’s activities were organized along five lines and Miss Milner was in charge of two of the five, the War Roster and the arranging of the permanent file for the library.

She also represented the American Library Association with its war service work in collecting magazines and books in Normal for the soldiers. She was given splendid assistance in this work by Mr. D. C. Lufkin of Normal.

When the fact is considered that any person in military service who had ever attended the Normal University during the regular terms or summer terms was a member of the War Roster, one can readily see the huge task before Miss Milner and her assistants. The War Roster today has 821 men and women listed, giving important information as far as it could be gathered for every person on the roster. It required days, weeks and months to get this material into usable shape. Over 1000 business letters and hundreds of personal letters were sent out for the purpose of gathering this information. This part of the work was done by the several members of the War Service Committee. Miss Milner examined local newspapers and checked any item which concerned a member of the roster. These items were cut out and filed in the proper folders by those assisting her. Several young people assisted with this work at intervals. Of them all there was one, Kenneth R. Pringle, who took hold of it at the age of 14 in his high school freshman year. He persevered with it and became a partner whose interest, understanding, and devotion equaled her own.

In addition to this voluminous undertaking, Miss Milner wrote approximately 600 personal letters during the war period every-one containing messages of cheer for the receiver.

This War Roster and File are of lasting value to the school. In fact, it has been of use already. At the time of the death of John L. Feck, a senior in the Normal University, detailed information concerning his military career was immediately available. This would have been impossible if thorough work had not been done at the proper time. The state historical library has said that this file is one of the most complete in Illinois.

Miss Milner has always had interest and pleasure in writing poetry for various events. She wrote several poems during the World War on the war and the university. The titles of some of her poems written during this period are I. S. N. U. in February, 1918, Winning the War, and Afterward.

Miss Milner had been employed merely to catalogue the library, but on an examination of the situation, it was decided that it would also be best to classify the books as well as to catalogue them. Since this task can never be completed, as new books are always being added, the Normal School Board appointed her as the librarian in the fall of 1890.

During Miss Milner’s thirty-four years of service, the library has grown from a few thousand volumes to more than forty thousand volumes and thirty thousand pamphlets. During these years the library has made several moves and now it has a building of its own. However, it is again over crowded and needs expansion.

Our librarian has an interest in everything and everyone connected with the school. She is always ready to serve those asking for guidance and assistance. Many instances could be given but time and space will permit only a few.

The literary societies have made Miss Milner an honorary member of their organizations. The Philadelphian Society was the first to do it. In the fall of 1891, one of the girls was very homesick and some of
the boys spoke to Miss Milner about it. Miss Milner, in her usual interest, arranged to take the young person home to supper and for a group of the young people to come after supper for the evening. All had a good time and a week or so later, Miss Milner was elected an honorary member, which she says is due to giving the boys something to eat the night they were at her home.

One of Miss Milner's services is the gathering together of all material for the intersociety contest. She always stands for fair play on the part of all the debaters and through her efforts in seeing that all get fair play, the Wrightonian Society elected her to honorary membership in their society.

In helping the faculty, Miss Milner spends a great deal of time. She never gives up a task until she knows that it can not be done. Thorough searches for missing books and the careful scrutiny of catalogues for books wanted by faculty members are examples. Mr. Manchester tells the story of going to Miss Milner's office and asking for a book, not knowing the name of the author, title, color of book, size, shape or anything that would help Miss Milner to identify the book. Miss Milner told him to wait a minute and she went to Mr. Ridgley's office and brought back a book. "Is this the book you wanted?" Mr. Manchester said that it was. In speaking about the value of our library, Mr. Manchester has told the story of going to a city to give some addresses in a County Institute. He did not take any books or reports with him because he would get them from the Normal School Library located in the city. But to his surprise he found that the library had none of the government reports that he wanted as they destroyed them, not bothering with them in their files. Such is not the case in our own library. All reports and pamphlets are kept even if they are not classified and shelved promptly. We have them and if they are asked for Miss Milner will find what is wanted.

It is a custom of Miss Milner to examine all the periodicals, when they are received, for any articles that would be of interest to the various members of the faculty and to write them notes calling attention to these articles. She also does this for students when she comes across an item of value and remembers that a student is making a special study of the topic.

When a student wants help in securing information and has spent a reasonable length of time and then comes to Miss Milner for suggestions and help, the student is given Miss Milner's whole attention until the task is completed. She gives all the time necessary to give the student the best the library has, and, in many instances, she writes to other libraries asking to borrow books on the subject wanted. This is especially true with those working on their senior theses.

Miss Milner, however, has no patience or sympathy for the student who comes to her for help at the eleventh hour. He receives very little help, and in cases of extreme carelessness, no help at all. He does, however, receive a "lecture" about doing his work promptly, and coming early for any help that he may want.

Her interest in the students does not cease when they leave the school. She is always ready to give them help and during the school year she receives many letters asking for help. She answers all these letters, giving places where additional information can be secured if needed, and inviting the student to write again if he still needs more help.

At times Miss Milner's office work is very heavy and difficult, and in these busy periods she is delayed in getting the work done by the necessity of stopping to give help to those that come to her. I once suggested to her that she put up a sign stating that she would not be free to give help until a certain hour. No, she would not do that, she said—she was there to give help to those needing it, and she would get her own work done the best she could and when she could.

Her office work is increased because of "technical points." These "technical points" are one of Miss Milner's ways of express-
ing her attitude toward the red tape made necessary by the operation of the Civil Code of the state government at Springfield. One can not appreciate the difficulties under which she is working if he is not familiar with the operation of the code. A few examples may make this point clear to the reader. In the ordering of books needed by the library, a requisition has to go to Springfield for approval and it is then usually sent out by the Springfield office to various book dealers for bids. The lowest bidder gets the order, and about three or four months after the books have been requisitioned they are received at the library. Formerly, Miss Milner after getting her book list ready would have it approved by Mr. Felmley. The order was then sent to a book dealer and the library would have the books within two weeks. Another interesting example is the ordering of periodicals and newspapers for the library. Miss Milner makes up her list of the periodicals needed and sends them in. However, the Springfield authorities cut off those items that they consider not essential. For example, at one time in one particular order, a Year Book was requisitioned, but was cut off by the Springfield authorities. Miss Milner requisitioned this book time after time, after her characteristic manner, until she finally secured it. Anyone can see how provoking such experiences are. Although Miss Milner’s system of bookkeeping is not standard, she knows just how to find necessary figures, and keeps an accurate record of all the receipts and expenditures of the library.

Those who have come into touch with Miss Milner are well aware of her characteristics. She is self-sacrificing, always willing to do the tasks asked of her, forgetting the fact that the doing of them requires more than her official time. Her thoroughness in the doing of each duty is noteworthy. When a request for help comes to her, time is no question because the topic will be completely covered when she has finished. She is very shrewd and quick-witted, and can quickly understand what a student wants. This is because of the fact that she concentrates on the task in hand and thinks about nothing else. Her helpfulness is also an asset as she devotes herself thoroughly to the problem and when it has been solved she forgets it and takes up the problem of another. Miss Milner is very grateful to those that help her and show their appreciation for what she has done. On occasions when some of the library student assistants have taken her home, especially when the weather is bad, she has expressed the deepest appreciation of such courtesies.

Miss Milner also has time for the social life of the school and she enjoys intensely all the social activities which she attends. Because of her interest in the welfare of the school she has the title of “Aunt Ange” which title she enjoys very much. Her interest, however, is not limited to social activities but includes a great interest in the athletics of the school. She has given some splendid “pep” talks at our pep meetings. Miss Milner went to one football game, during which game it rained, however, she did not leave but stayed until the end. She was surprised, nevertheless, in seeing other spectators leave the athletic field because of the rain.

A brief survey of her physical, temperamental, intellectual, moral, and religious makeup will be of interest to all.

She is below the average in height, and of slender stature. Her great power of endurance is unusual; seemingly, her energy never gives out. She has great recuperative powers which are a blessing to her when indisposed. Her step is elastic, her bearing erect, her enjoyment of the mere act of living constant. Her movements are rapid, yet we all receive the impression of calmness from her actions. Her face always draws instant attention, the question of beauty never entering a person’s mind, because so immediately is the sense of its nobility, its abounding life, and its searching appeal. She has beautiful soft white hair which is always well dressed.
Miss Milner has been deaf for nearly twenty years and, of course, this fact handicaps her greatly in her work but she is, nevertheless, most skillful in grasping a situation and determining a course of action. She is not sensitive about her deafness and is most grateful for her acousticon which is beyond value to her.

Miss Milner's temperament is an ardent one. She enters intensely into everything she does. Her sense of humor is very vivid and she can always appreciate the funny side of a situation. When Miss Milner has had an extremely hard day and is crowded with duties she often says, "I find the days are long enough but not wide enough," or "I wish there were six of me." She has always had the habit of keeping things for fear that they might be of use to someone at some future time. This causes confusion in her office and yet the ability she has to find what she wants, when she needs it, is remarkable.

Thus far we have considered only her physical and temperamental sides. Her intelligence has the same quickness as her other characteristics which leads her into the heart of a task and permits no side issues to enter. She can catch the point of any discussion quickly and she has the ability to detect the state of mind of the person asking for help, which is valuable in making the right kind of judgments. Miss Milner's power of concentration is surely an expression of intellectual power. To be able to decide one topic without letting anything else interfere is a power that the majority of us would appreciate having. This power of concentration probably accounts for her ability in remembering things. She can recall many events that occurred in Bloomington and Normal as far back as the 60's and 70's. The first happening she remembers as a child was at the age of two and one-half years. An uncle was visiting in their home and she remembers his coming to the nursery with what he had caught while hunting. In going over some books in the library she would sometimes make the statement that certain books had been used quite heavily in the 90's. Her memory is of a great help to her when she is looking for missing books, or solving problems.

Her physical handicaps have made her keenly sympathetic to others, especially to those having handicaps. She holds an assistant "sharply to the mark" when he is physically fit, but no one can be more generous to aid in any way when there is a possibility that best results are lacking because of some physical or mental trouble. Her sympathy is increasing as she grows older. She understands that everything has two sides and reserves judgment until she knows both sides. In one case that she and the assistant librarian were discussing, the assistant expressed a harsh judgment and Miss Milner said, "Oh youth is so cruel."

Miss Milner is a keen observer, she knows facts when she sees them and they are called by their actual names, with no disguise. She likes plain things and enjoys the simplicities of life. Tact is a characteristic that we all desire, yet it is one that Miss Milner does not fully possess. This lack of tact is because of her belief in the goodness and kindness of others which causes her to forget that others do not always hold the same opinion. Her intentness on getting others to understand what she means, makes her forget to weigh her method of expression and, therefore, often incurs unintentional offense. She realizes her tactlessness and makes a conscious effort to remedy it. Miss Milner is thoroughly imbued with courage. Nothing can prevent her from doing what she considers the right course. Her life is one living example of courage.

Miss Milner is a member of the Swedenborgian church or the Church of the New Jerusalem. She has been a member since childhood. Her life is a living example of the Golden Rule and she is truly living the two commandments given to us by our Master, Jesus Christ.

Feminine as Miss Milner is, she did not have any sympathy in the movement for the agitation of Woman Suffrage. However, now that women have voting privileges she considers it her religious duty to vote and
to be a good citizen, and, therefore, has an active interest in the work of our government, both Federal and State. In politics, she is a believer in the Republican Party and its principles.

All these characteristics, instincts, and habits are doing their part in making Miss Milner a librarian of whom we are justly proud. Her services are appreciated by all that have ever been connected with the Normal University.

CHARLES WILLIAM PERRY.

EDITORIALS AND TRIBUTES

BANDUSIA WAKEFIELD, '65

Merely the return of an Alumni Association due notice marked “Deceased” and we know that Miss Bandusia Wakefield has passed from this earth. Consulting the Alumni Register we find that in 1917 Miss Wakefield was living at Point Loma, California and was working for the cause of Universal Brotherhood. Her record reads as follows: principal of high school, Winterset, Iowa, 1871-73; principal high school, Emporia, Kansas, 1873-74; Farmington, Illinois, 1874; high school, Bloomington, 1875; grammar and arithmetic, I. S. N. U. 1875-81. She was a teacher for nine years. The list of organizations in which she held membership gives us some clue to her later interests—The Sioux City Scientific Association, International Brotherhood League, and The Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society constitute this list. The latter organization has a colony at Point Loma, California. Miss Wakefield did considerable writing. Among her published works are short articles entitled “The Doctrine of Rebirth,” “The Law of Karma,” and “The Seven Principles of Man.”

ELLA SMITH CHIPMAN

On February 13, 1924 at the home of her son, William O. Chipman, in Webster Grove, Missouri, Ella Smith Chipman (Mrs. Jerome) passed away. Mrs. Chipman was not a graduate of I. S. N. U. but she was one of its early students. She was a member of the pioneer family of Smiths. William Hawley Smith, the noted lecturer and writer, who died about two years ago, was her brother. Funeral services for Mrs. Chipman were held in St. Louis at the home of another son, John B. Chipman. Interment was made in Bloomington.

Mrs. Chipman spent a large part of her life in Normal. Her husband, Jerome Chipman, who passed away some eighteen years ago, was postmaster at Normal for several years. Prior to filling that position he was in the grocery business with C. G. Johnson. Later he engaged in real estate and insurance. After his death Mrs. Chipman went to live with her son in Webster Grove.

With Mrs. Chipman’s going Normal has lost another pioneer. She was a woman of culture and refinement, and possessed of a keen business acumen. Her many fine traits of character brought her many friends who will miss her.

SARA HUNTER AYERS, '72

Mrs. Sara Hunter Ayers, well known school teacher, died at her home in Chicago on February 5, 1924. She had been in ill health the past four years. Mrs. Ayers went to Chicago in 1872 after her graduation at I. S. N. U. and had lived in Englewood ever since that time. Starting teaching at the Lakeview School, Mrs. Ayers later taught for several years at the Carter School at 61st and Wabash Ave., and during the last twenty years of her teaching she was assistant principal and teacher at the Hegewisch School.
Mrs. Ayers was very active in church work, having taught both the young men's and the young ladies' classes in the Englewood Presbyterian Church. She is survived by her husband, William E. Ayers, and by two sisters, Anna W. Hunter and Mrs. L. T. Regan, wife of Professor Regan of the Sherman Park School in Chicago. Professor and Mrs. Regan were both members of the class of 1870 at I. S. N. U.

Mrs. Ayers was a teacher for nearly fifty years. That mere fact shows that her life was one of service to mankind. What more fitting tribute would any one wish to have!

FRANCES FLETCHER, '02

Frances Fletcher, member of the class of 1902, died on February 21, 1924 in the Philippine Islands, where she was principal of the Easter School at Baguio. The message of her death, which came to friends in Streator, Illinois, with whom she has made her home for a number of years while teaching there, came as a complete surprise.

A letter had been received from her only a few days before the cablegram announcing her death. In this last letter no mention had been made of her illness which resulted in an operation from which she did not rally.

Miss Fletcher's life was interesting and varied, but not devoid of hardships and disappointments. She was born in Sedalia, Missouri, on March 22, 1876. When she was five years old her mother died, leaving her and a three year old brother to the care of a stepfather, who soon gave both the children into the care of the maternal grandmother. The grandmother realizing that she could not live to see the children grown beyond childhood, asked the Home Finding Association to place them in good homes, so she would know that they were well cared for. The little girl was most fortunately and happily placed, but the boy was not happy in his foster home, and in trying to locate him satisfactorily, the Home Finding Association lost track of him. This was a lifelong grief to the sister, who never ceased to hope that she might find this one blood relation. He may be living still, but his sister did not find him.

Miss Fletcher's foster parents gave her a high school education, after which she worked her way through I. S. N. U. After graduation most of her life was spent as a teacher although her teaching was interrupted a number of times for other things. At one time she gave up her position in Streator to return to Onarga, Illinois, to care for her foster mother during that mother-friend's last illness. At another time she attended Columbia University Teachers College long enough to receive her bachelor's degree. After the war she entered newspaper work, being employed as city editor of the Streator Independent-Times and later as special writer for a newspaper in Paris, Texas. Much of her teaching was done in Streator, but she also held positions in Calumet, Michigan, and in the Normal Schools at Plattsville, Wisconsin and Winona, Minnesota. A few years ago she went to Dallas, Texas, to do Girl Scout Work, in which she was so successful that Mrs. Herbert Hoover's attention was attracted and she was offered the task of introducing Girl Scout Work into the Philippine Islands. Her work there had only begun when her death brought it to an end.

BERTHA DUERKOP, '04

Word has been received at Normal of the death of Bertha Duerkop, who passed away on Saturday, February 23, 1924, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Roy Miller, at Henry, Illinois. Miss Duerkop was a member of the class of 1904 at I. S. N. U. She received her bachelor's degree at the University of Illinois in 1911. She had taught with marked success in the schools of Illinois, and at the time of her death was teaching in the LaSalle High School. Her home was in Sutter, Illinois, where her mother, brothers, and sisters reside.

ALICE WATSON SHERMAN, '04

A statement from Frank B. Sherman, 230 S. Scoville Ave., Oak Park to the effect
that his wife, Alice Watson Sherman, passed away in June, 1922 is all the announcement we have of Mrs. Sherman's death. She was graduated from I. S. N. U. in 1904, after which time she remained in Normal as the Seventh Grade Critic Teacher for two years. Later she spent a year at the University of Chicago and another year at the University of Wisconsin. The Alumni Register does not state whether or not she received her degree from either of these institutions, but it does tell us that she was married on August 14, 1907 and that she was the mother of one son and one daughter.

GEORGE J. FOSTER

We feel that no more fitting tribute could be paid to Mr. Foster than the following editorial from the Vidette:

"Mr. George J. Foster, superintendent of grounds and gardener, died at his home on Broadway on March 26.

"For five years Mr. Foster has been a familiar figure on our campus, in the school garden and in the green house. Wherever he was found he was busily engaged in his work, which was largely with plants. "Carlyle has said 'Blessed is the man who has found his work; let him ask no other blessedness.' If this may be taken as a criterion Mr. Foster was peculiarly blessed. He was devoted to his work. He loved the plants that he grew and cared for. In fact his was the work of a lifetime. When he was quite a young man he began the training for work as a nurseryman and never changed to any other business. He was always a learner in his special field keeping on hand the best and latest books on horticulture and gardening. He was, also, interested in simple, practical experiments with plants. Last summer he raised a number of seedlings of the interesting oriental gingko tree. In the green house at the present time there are a few seedlings of the cucumber tree, Magnolia acuminata, that he started a year ago, a tree that is difficult to propagate.

"It was not his work alone but his personality that endeared Mr. Foster to the school. All who knew him even slightly recognized his staunch character, his efficiency and courtesy. And those who knew him best appreciated, also, his kindly spirit and gentleness, his considerateness and his willingness to serve."

THE UNIVERSITY FOR THE QUARTER

COMMENCEMENT WEEK

It is quite proper to look forward before looking backward, so the program for commencement week is the first thing to which we would call your attention under this section of the Quarterly. Pick out from the events scheduled below the ones that most interest you and plan to attend them.

May 30—Friday, 8 P. M., Joint Meeting of Philadelphia and Wrightonia, in the Auditorium.

May 31—Saturday, 8 P. M., President’s Reception, Fell Hall.

June 1—Sunday, 10:30 A. M., Baccalaureate Address, Rev. Charles T. Baillie of the Second Presbyterian Church of Bloomington, Speaker, Auditorium.

June 1—Sunday, 7:30 P. M., Annual Address before Young People’s Associations and Concert by University Choral Society, Auditorium.

June 2—Monday, 7:30 P. M., Student’s Reception to Graduating Classes, Fell Hall.

June 3—Tuesday, 4 P. M., Spring Festival, On the Campus.

June 3—Tuesday, 8:15 P. M., Senior Play, “The Detour,” Auditorium.

June 4—Wednesday, 2 P. M., General Meeting of Alumni, Address by Nathan A. Harvey of Ypsilanti, Michigan, In Auditorium.

June 4—Wednesday, 3 P. M., Reunions of the classes of ’64, ’74, 84, 94, ’04, ’14, ’19, ’21, ’23 in rooms to be assigned.
June 4—Wednesday, 8:15 P. M., Graduation Exercises of University High School, In Auditorium.


June 5—Thursday, 12:30 P. M. Annual Alumni Dinner, Fell Hall.

FOUNDERS DAY

Founders’ Day was celebrated at I. S. N. U. on Saturday, February 16. There were two distinct phases in the celebration this year, one of them looked forward, the other one brought out reminiscences of the past. The “Forward Look” had first place on the program and started at 2 P. M. R. Staker, Vice-President of the Alumni Association, presided; Jessie M. Dillon, President of the Alumni Association, extended a very cordial greeting to all those present.

Prof. H. A. Bone of the I. S. N. U. Faculty gave the first address and talked on “The Influence of Leadership.” He pointed out that there are potential elements of leadership latent in all young people; that leadership properly developed has the power to help solve the problems that confront the world in every age; that true leadership always stimulates to greater effort; and that the power of leadership lies as much in the ability to discover latent ability as it does in any other phase of the work of leaders. He said that one of the weaknesses in the development of leadership is the desire for change and he pointed out in this connection the frequent moves which young school superintendents make in their efforts to find their own power. Mr. Bone favors having a young superintendent stay in one community until he has solved at least one of the problems of that community, or has helped to solve it. Students trained in the Normal Schools must become leaders in the communities in which they teach.

Prof. R. E. Hieronymus, Community Adviser of the University of Illinois, was the next speaker. His subject was “The Influence of I. S. N. U. Students and Alumni on the Educational Interest of Illinois.” Mr. Hieronymus said that the real job of I. S. N. U. Alumni is to become leaders in their communities. He encouraged the idea of the I. S. N. U. Clubs throughout the state and expressed confidence that they will be a great help to the institution which they represent. In speaking of material help for institutions of learning that are in reality state institutions, Mr. Hieronymus said that he believes the time is coming when state schools will be given gifts of money and equipment just as private institutions are given these things. He mentioned a number of instances where this has already been done in Illinois.

Mr. Hieronymus’ suggestion of financial assistance prompted Supt. S. K. McDowell of Bloomington to suggest that the Alumni Association of I. S. N. U. start a campaign for an additional $150,000, which added to the $150,000 appropriated by the last legislature would give I. S. N. U. an adequate gymnasium.

A goodly number of delegates from the various I. S. N. U. Clubs were present. The following clubs gave reports: Peoria, Sangamon, Green, Decatur Town Club, Livingston, Macoupin, McLean and St. Clair. A letter was read from Madison Co.

There was informal discussion of the subject of whether or not the I. S. N. U. Clubs in Illinois should admit to membership the alumni of other Illinois Normal Schools. A motion was made that the assembly go on record as not favoring this membership in the I. S. N. U. Clubs, but that we cooperate in the organization of clubs similar to the I. S. N. U. Clubs by alumni of the other schools. A motion to table the motion carried so no action was taken. This matter will be taken from the table some time, so we pass it on to our readers in order that they may be getting their own ideas straight on the subject when it comes up for a vote.
Joseph C. Carter of the class of 1870 spoke informally of his life at the Old Normal, how he happened to attend this school, what sort of a place it was in those early days, his first school teaching experiences and many other interesting things which had come to him through his contact with I. S. N. U.

The afternoon meeting closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and those in attendance scattered for the short period between the close of the afternoon meeting and the reception which was held before the dinner at Fell Hall.

Nearly 200 alumni, students, teachers, and other friends of I. S. N. U. gathered at Fell Hall for the Founders' Day Banquet which was served at 6:30. Immediately after partaking of the delicious dinner served by the Domestic Science Department those assembled moved into the beautiful Fell Hall living room where Miss Jessie M. Dillon, President of the Alumni Association, presided most graciously at the closing event of the day, the unveiling of the portrait of former President John W. Cook. This portrait was presented to I. S. N. U. by the classes who graduated during the nine years of Dr. Cook's presidency, and a few other special friends of his.

Miss Dillon introduced Miss Ange V. Milner, as the first speaker, who talked on "Normal Students of Yesterday, To-day, and Tomorrow." Having come in contact with all the students who have attended Normal since quite an early time, Miss Milner's viewpoint was most valuable. Needless to say she expressed belief in all the types who enter the old portals, even the seemingly careless and thoughtless ones. Miss Milner is one of the members of the older generation who has faith in the youth of today and tomorrow and her faith is always sincerely expressed.

Mrs. Nettie B. Dement, County Superintendent of the McLean County Schools, spoke on the subject "The Relation of the I. S. N. U. to McLean County Schools." Mrs. Dement expressed a hope that I. S. N. U. may continue to grow and to furnish an ever increasing number of trained teachers for our great state of Illinois.

Miss Louise Seibert, Principal of Franklin School in Bloomington, very happily and aptly expressed the fine feeling that exists between the Normal University and the Bloomington City Schools in her talk on "The Relation of the I. S. N.U. to the City Schools." Miss Seibert registered a plea that those in charge of the professional training in I. S. N. U. place before the prospective teachers the fact that principals, superintendents, and other supervising school officers are in positions to be of service and not to criticize, and that problems taken to the supervisors can often be quite easily solved.

President Felmley then spoke on the topic, "The Founders of the Normal School." In his happy and reminiscent manner Dr. Felmley spoke of the efficiency of the work done by former presidents and teachers and by the citizens of Bloomington and Normal when the founding of a normal school was being agitated. He also paid marked tribute to those sturdy men who came from the old Bridgewater Normal in Massachusetts. Among those mentioned especially by Dr. Felmley were Presidents Hovey, Hewett and Edwards, and Professors Thomas Metcalfe, Henry McCormick, and Charles DeGarmo, and Mr. Jesse Fell who was a resident of Normal and a member of the State Legislature when the bill for the establishment of a teacher training school was up for consideration.

Although never a student at I. S. N. U. President Felmley always seems to be imbued with the fact that those pioneers in his chosen field of labor were the finest of the fine and his deep appreciation of their efforts never fails to bring a glow of enthusiasm to his hearers.

The closing address of the evening was made by Hon. Francis G. Blair, who spoke directly on the work of Dr. John W. Cook as it affected I. S. N. U. and the educational field in general. In his effective and characteristic manner Mr. Blair dealt with Mr. Cook as a teacher, a friend, and a man,
speaking of the good fortune that had come to those students who were in school when he did the actual teaching in the classroom. He tried to bring to his hearers a picture of the man himself, “a picture,” he said, “more vivid than any canvas could portray.” Together with his tribute to Mr. Cook, Mr. Blair spoke also of his deep appreciation of the instruction, friendship, and privilege of working with both Dr. Livingston C. Lord of the Charleston Normal and with Dr. David Felmley of our own Alma Mater.

The portrait of Dr. Cook was unveiled by his daughter, Mrs. Agnes Cook Gale, of Chicago. This memorial to the memory of one who for over thirty years was associated as student, teacher, and administrative officer with I. S. N. U. is now hung in the Main Office in “Old Main” where it will remain to greet Mr. Cook’s old friends when they visit I. S. N. U.

GIFFTS TO THE LIBRARY

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, a noted preacher, lecturer, and woman suffrage worker, made provision in her will for a special edition of “The Life and Work of Susan B. Anthony,” by Ida Husted Harper, such special edition to be distributed to the libraries of this country. Dr. Shaw made this provision because she felt that this particular work so adequately expressed the value to Miss Anthony’s services to the cause which she made her life work.

David Belasco, the noted dramatic producer, has sent the library an autographed copy of “The Merchant of Venice” and also a signed copy of “The Life of David Belasco” by William Winter.

Miss Milner is very anxious to have histories of the various counties of Illinois and she is making a plea for these compilations wherever she can reach I. S. N. U. friends. Can any of the Quarterly readers supply the I. S. N. U. Library with a history of their own home county or of the county in which they are teaching? Such contributions will be very welcome at Normal and one of Miss Milner’s letters of appreciation will more than repay the givers of the gifts.

DEBATING AT I. S. N. U.

A Vidette editorial of February 27 states that there are at least 15 good debating teams in I. S. N. U. this year and makes a plea for the same enthusiastic support of the debating teams that is given to the athletic teams of the school.

In a triangle debate between Normal, Lombard, and Bradley, I. S. N. U.’s negative team, composed of Cornelius Henze, Raymond Fildes, and Charles Hormback, won at Lombard, while our affirmative team, Clarence Coursey, Robert English, and Kenneth Pringle, lost at Bradley.

In a debate with Eureka College Normal lost both affirmative and negative. These teams were composed of Freshmen and Sophomores and The Vidette lays the blame for losing to the inexperiencen of the debaters.

The national convention of Pi Kappa Delta, the forensic fraternity, met in Peoria on April 1, 2, and 3. During this convention the Girls Debating Team of I. S. N. U., the Girls Debating Team of Colorado Agriculture College and the Girls Debating Team of the Kansas State Teachers College of Pittsburgh met in a triangle debate. Our team drew the Colorado girls and was defeated, but the I. S. N. U. representatives were none the less proud of their own school’s team. All these events are splendid experiences and some one has to lose.

EXTEMPORE SPEAKING CUP

A. Livingston & Sons of Bloomington have presented I. S. N. U. with a beautiful silver loving cup to be presented to the winner of the extempore speaking contest held prior to the State Normal School Oratorical Contest. Fred Graff won the cup this year.

STATE ORATORICAL CONTEST

Normal won two of the three events in the State Oratorical Contest held at Ma-
comb on March 28, Flora Seass winning in reading and Lottie Nelson winning in oratory. Macomb won in extempore speaking. All I. S. N. U. followers of the team report a wonderful time in Macomb.

+++ PHYSICAL DEMONSTRATION

The 20th Physical Education Demonstration was given on March 4th. These exercises never fail to attract a large audience.

+++ EDWARDS MEDAL CONTEST

By referring to the State Normal School Contest the winners of the Edwards Medal Contest can be discovered, but we mention them here again because it is not fair to pass over this annual event which has meant so much in the life of I. S. N. U. since the very early days. Flora Seass won in reading and Lottie Nelson won in oratory

+++ I. S. N. U. AT TWO STUDENT MEETINGS

I. S. N. U. was represented by Cleo Curtis and Anna Marie Laine at the eleventh annual Illinois State Volunteer Conference held in Decatur March 7-9.

At a Student Conference held in Riverside early in February and Normal School sent Wilhelmina Migge and Frank O'Neal as representatives. At this meeting none but students were present. The Student Council selected the I. S. N. U. delegates.

+++ SCHOOL ELECTION CANDIDATES

On April 25, too late for the Quarterly to get the returns, will be held the annual school election. Petitions have been accepted by the Student Council for the following candidates to fill the various student offices for next year: Editor of Index (one to be elected) Robert Evans, Charlotte Manchester; Editor of Vidette (one to be elected) Henry Firley, Velma Horn, Lois Foster; Oratorical Board (four to elect) Fred Graff, Floyd Cunningham, Dorothy Hibarger, Lillian Gottschalk, Helen Edwards, LeRoy Martin; Lecture Board (four to be elected) Lucile Dennis, Francis Oxford, Edward Schilling, Cornelia Smith, Neva McDavitt, Don Roberts, Flora Seass; Apportionment Board (two to elect) James Schroeder, Harold Gallaspie, Carl Firley, Florence Blackburn.

+++ ATHLETICS

The I. S. N. U.-Wesleyan Annual Thanksgiving Football Game, the result of which we failed to report in the February Quarterly, took place with rain above and with plenty of mud underneath, but it was played in spite of the weather and a splendid crowd of enthusiasts looked on. The score was 13-7 in favor of Wesleyan, but since it was the first time in three years that Normal has scored in this annual event, the Normalites were quite happy.

A review of the results of the basketball season reveals the following information:

- Normal 30, Charleston 22; Normal 10, Bradley 37; Normal 9, Wesleyan 17; Normal 35, Macomb 24; Normal 34, Lincoln 15; Normal 14, Eureka 25; Normal 11, Milikin 21; Normal 16, Charleston 38; Normal 23, Bradley 20; Normal 27, Lincoln 18; Normal 13, Eureka 18; Normal 13, Wesleyan 40; Normal 36; Illinois College 25.

- Total Normal points, 288. Total opponents' points, 338.

For the past few years Curriculum Basketball Tournaments have been the order of the winter season at I. S. N. U. This sort of arrangement comes nearer giving athletic opportunity to all who desire to participate than does the mere selection and coaching of the school team with its necessary substitutes. It is surely a step in the right direction. Curriculum K, known as the "Aristocrats," has held the winning honors for the past two years. They were hard pressed this year by the Aggies, nicknamed "Hayshakers." The manual training team is called "Wood Butchers," while the team from the commercial department is commonly spoken of as "Pen Pushers." Curriculum baseball schedules are now under way.
The spring baseball schedule for I. S. N. U. is as follows: Charleston, April 25, there; Illinois College, May 1, here; Bradley, May 6, here; Eureka, May 10, here; Wesleyan, May 20, there; Illinois College, May 23, there; Wesleyan, May 27, here; Eureka, May 29, there. The baseball season is short, but if you, Alumni Reader, live near enough to attend any of these games the team will be more than happy to have you root for Normal from the bleachers.

THE FACULTY

Prof. O. V. Mongerson is filling the place of Prof. Fred D. Barber in the physics department.

Miss Jessie E. Rambo of the home economics department attended the Mid-Western Vocational Education Conference held in St. Louis from January 17 to 19.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS

A NEW CLUB

The P. E. Club, which is composed of those students who are majoring in physical education, has been sanctioned by the Student Council and has begun work in earnest. The object of the club is to bring about closer cooperation among members of the club and to develop a greater love for the out-of-doors. One feature of the regular programs will be to talk over and discuss valuable articles which each individual girl has not the time to read and think over by herself, and to talk over the problems that confront all teachers of physical education when they get out into practical work.

Y. W. CABINET AND OFFICERS

On February 29 at the annual business meeting and election of the Y. W. the following officers were elected: President, Rose Stimpert; Vice-President, Elizabeth Scott; Secretary, Ruth Adams; Treasurer, Pauline Olinger.

The new president has announced the following cabinet members for the coming year: Student Council, Charlotte Manchester; Finance, Lois Watt; Social, Florence McAfee; Social Service, Hazel Turner; Publicity, Lois Foster; Undergraduate Representative, Gertrude Manchester; Rooms, Norma Hussey; World Fellowship, Florence Blackburn; Bible Study, Dorothy Hibarger; Meetings, Neva McDavid.

AMATEUR LYCEUM BUREAU

The Illinois Eta Chapter of Pi Kappa Delta has started an Amateur Lyceum Bureau. All talent is secured from the students of the University and all those applying for places on the various programs must submit their particular contribution to a committee from the forensic fraternity. Announcements of the talent and programs offered were sent out to people in Bloomington, Normal, and surrounding towns and a number of splendid programs have been given. This service is offered in order that the students who have talent in music, reading, public speaking, etc., may have experience in appearing before audiences composed of others than their own fellow students. It is splendid training and the efforts of this fraternity are to be especially commended.

At a party held recently at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Sorrenson the following faculty members were initiated into the fraternity: President David Felmley, Professor W. A. L. Beyer, Dean O. L. Manchester, and Professor A. W. Phillips.

The following twelve student pledges have been announced: Robert English, Clarence Coursey, Raymond Fildes, Cornelius Henze, Charles Hornback, Helen Edwards, Elizabeth Schenfeldt, Frank Weller, Dorothy Hibarger, Maude Selby, Lottie Nelson, and Fred Graff.
1875

Just when the Alumni Quarterly Editor makes up her mind that the issue under construction will have to go to press without any representation from those whom we of I. S. N. U. term “The Old Timers,” some one of these pioneers writes to Mr. Wells and expresses a real, live, up-to-date interest in “Old Normal.” Such a letter came not long ago from W. S. Mills of the class of 1875. He says: Though no one now at the old school was there in my day, all names are strange, I can’t lose grip on the Quarterly. I enclose, etc.” Don’t the hearts of the younger generation beat just a wee bit faster because of such loyalty as this? Mr. Mills recently retired from the teaching profession and is living quietly at his home at 352 Clifton Place, Brooklyn, New York.

We have to jump ahead 25 years now and come down to the Mediaeval Ages of I. S. N. U., to the class of your business manager and editor. I. N. Warner, ’00, in a letter to Mr. Wells thinks the “Quarterly ought to be most agreeable to that great class of ‘Naughty-Naught,’” since as how two of them are on the staff.” Lack of confidence because of acquaintance may be one reason the class of 1900 is not represented by one hundred per cent membership in the I. S. N. U. Alumni Association. Who knows? Mr. Warner is teaching at the Plattsville Normal in Wisconsin and says that the faculty there is about one-tenth I. S. N. U. with Mina Hendrickson, 1906, F. T. Ulrich, 1905, and himself, 1900, all there.

Clara Erbes, ’02, writes from the Philippines of a trip she expects to make during the coming year. She has completed her work at Clatbalagan, and will travel through China, Japan, and India. From India she will go with a friend to Palestine, thence Egypt, and then to Europe. After spending several months in Spain, they will go north through France and Germany, spending altogether a year in travel. Miss Erbes has enjoyed her work very much, and extends greetings to all teachers and friends.

Ceatta Larrick, ’10, who is teaching in Lake Bluff, Illinois, spent the spring vacation with her parents in Bloomington.

Prof. George Cade, ’10, former principal of the Thomas Metcalf Training School, now associated with the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, visited his brother, Carroll C. Cade, in Normal the latter part of February.

Announcement has been received of the birth of Jean Pifer on December 5, 1922. Miss Jean is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Pifer of 1620 Lake Ave., Wilmette. Mrs. Pifer was Rose Baker of the class of 1912 and she has recently renewed her membership in our Alumni Association.

President Felmley received a letter dated April 5, 1924 from Ray D. Walston of the class of 1915. Mr. Walston said he had been thinking of Normal and so just sat down and gave a report of himself to Mr. Felmley. He taught at Northwood, Iowa for a year after his graduation from I. S. N. U. and then entered the army. After the war he returned to Northwood and took up his old position as teacher of Manual Training and Printing. He remained in this position for several years with the exception of a slight intermission when he was plant foreman for a concrete and tile company in Northwood. Later he finished his college
work at Stout Institute and is now teaching Printing and Sheet Metal Work in the high school at Flint, Michigan. He says that his work is very practical and that the school print shop does a great deal of printing for the various departments of the Flint schools.

Mr. Walston related a number of his own memories of Normal and asked to be remembered to the members of the faculty who were at I. S. N. U. in '14 and '15.

1916

On March 1st the engagement of Irene Guttery to Rev. Louis P. Jensen, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Delavan, was announced at the home of Mrs. A. E. and Mrs. Elmer Brown in Lincoln, Illinois. Waneta Guttery of the class of 1918 was also present. She is teaching in Mt. Pulaski.

Miss Irene Guttery will receive her master's degree in religious education at the University of Chicago this year. She is also a graduate of Dennison University, as well as of I. S. N. U. The date of the wedding was not stated in the announcement we received.

A letter from Carrie U. Fisher of the class of 1916 says that the Quarterly is always welcome and that she reads every word of it. That is welcome news to those of us who compile it. Miss Fisher goes on to say: "This is my third year here in Pennsylvania teaching Religious Education in the public schools of New Brighton. Since I am the director and the one and only teacher for 1075 boys and girls you may be sure I am busy." Her address is 703 10th St., New Brighton, Pa.

1918

Dudley Courtright, '18, of Kankakee, spent the week-end the last of February with his mother and father in Normal.

1921

Melba Cline, '21, was a guest at the January Rostrum Dance.

1922

Verna M. Vandervoort, '22, who had been teaching in the Hawthorne School in Bloomington was married on March 26 to Forrest D. Dryer of Randolph, Illinois. Mr. Dryer is a farmer and the young people are making their home on his farm near Randolph.

A month before the wedding Miss Josephine Moore of the class of 1900, who is the principal of Hawthorne School, gave a beautiful dinner party at which time the announcement of the approaching marriage was made.

Verna Collins and Eunice Day have been week-end visitors to Normal since the Christmas Holidays.

1923

John P. Canan, '23, is in Chicago studying law. His address is 1759 W. Adams St.

Oscar Dale, '23, is teaching in White Hall, Illinois. He was in Normal recently.

Florence Comisky, '23, who is teaching in Harmon, spent a few days recently with her sister, who is an I. S. N. U. student.

Mary Fitzpatrick, also has a sister attending I. S. N. U. and she finds it convenient to come down from Dwight for an occasional week-end visit.

April 5 and 6 seemed to be especially popular Home-Coming dates for the class of 1923. Among those who have been reported as visitors during those days are Harley Milstead of Moline; Albert Stuhmer of Bushnell; Marion Strong of Oak Park; James Dominetti of Oglesby; Lena Bell of McNab; Lawrence Barber of Wood River; and Mr. and Mrs. Noble Puffer of Hartsburg. I. S. N. U. cannot claim Mr. Puffer. He is a graduate of our neighbor institution, Illinois Wesleyan, but Mrs. Puffer was Miss Lilian Olson of Oak Park and a member of the class of 1923.

NEWS FROM MISS STARK

Friends of Miss Mabel Claire Stark, formerly assistant teacher of geography at the I. S. N. U. have received word from her at
her home in Berkeley, Cal., where she is instructor in geography. She writes most enthusiastically of the climate and the natural beauties of that part of California. Miss Stark also mentioned Mr. and Mrs. Bentley, former Normal residents who are now residing in Berkeley.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

At the State Championship High School Basketball Tournament at Urbana, Elgin High School finally defeated the team from the little town of Athens. It is interesting to I. S. N. U. people to know that the principals of both high schools are Normal graduates. William S. Goble of the class of 1893 is principal of the Elgin High School and Henry Van Arsdale Porter of the class of 1915 is at Athens.

Mary McMurry, a member of the 1924 class at I. S. N. U., was married on March 30 at her home in Normal to Dr. Hubert B. Hines of Waukegan. Dr. Hines is practicing dentistry in Waukegan.

Harley Seybold, '22, Robert Ryan, '23, and Jim Sterling, '22, were all in Normal over the same week-end in February.

**SENIOR COLLEGE GRADUATES**

Alice Sperry, 1916 and 1923, has fully recovered from her serious illness with typhoid fever and is planning to do some special work at I. S. N. U. during the mid-spring term.

B. C. Moore, 1894 and 1923, who was for sixteen years County Superintendent of McLean County, is now Superintendent of School at Eureka, Illinois. This position came to Mr. Moore unsought when it was known that he would probably be available for public school work after his retirement from the county work. His efforts in behalf of the schools of McLean County have placed those schools on a very high educational plane. Mr. Moore was succeeded in the county superintendent's office by Mrs. Nettie B. Dement of Lexington. Mrs. Dement is not an alumnus of I. S. N. U. but has lived, as it were, under its shadow all her life, and her assistant in the county supervision work is Alta E. Orendorf of the class of 1916, so the county superintendent's office in McLean County is still connected with the Old Normal.

It is interesting to find among the candidates for the bachelor of education degree this year so many who are already alumni of the university. A goodly number have stayed for the four consecutive years, some of whom received their diplomas in 1922, but did not go out into the professional field at that time; others who received their diplomas last year had enough extra credits so they might stay this year and receive their degree. Two of the class are graduates of the Southern Illinois State Teachers College at Carbondale. The list follows: Agnes Allen, '21; Mabel Bare, '15; Lela Bennett; Veda Bolt, '23; Edna C. Brewner, B.A., Illinois Wesleyan; Alice Brown; Ethel Mae Buckley, '12; Ruth Clendenin, '20; Minnie Irene Darling, '22; Mildred Patricia Holmes; Hazel Mae Holloway, '21; Grace M. Jenne; Zola Kemney, '18; Anna Marie Laine; Wilhelmina Migge; Alice Morrison, '22; Lois H. Morrow, '19; Lottie M. Nelson, '21; Louise R. Parrish, Ruth S. Peck, '22; Dorothy E. Rodman, '21; Ida Wells Scott, '23; Hazel Merret Winegarner, '19; Ruth Harrison, B.A., University of Illinois; Celia Gebhart; Lee F. Bridgewater, '23; Ray Brown; John C. Chiddix, John C. Deem, '23; Robert W. English, '20; Raymond E. Fildes, Carbondale; Hugh W. Garnett, '22; Glen H. Hendricks, '23; Cornelius F. Henze, '23; Paul Huffman, '19; Charles W. Perry, '21; Leonard R. Schneider, '22; Dorr Miller Simer, '23; Parke Harvey Simer, '23; Charles K. Watkins, Carbondale; E. E. Wacaser; Thomas E. McCue, '20; May L. Caldwell, '21; Florence Hutchins; Inis Mathew, '22; David O. Ritz, '15; Bertha Wilson, '02; Harold C. Shields; Earl E. Lippquist.
I. S. N. U. CLUBS

CHICAGO NORMAL CLUB MEETING

The Chicago Normal Club is completing arrangements for the annual meeting which is to be held May 17th this year. The meeting will be held in the Fraternity Room of the Great Northern Hotel. There will be a reception beginning at 12:30 P. M., followed by a luncheon at 1:30.

Mr. Elmer W. Cavins is to be the guest of honor. Hon. Francis G. Blair, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, is to be the toastmaster. A program of short speeches by Mrs. J. D. Cunningham, Mr. Charles B. Hitch, President David Felmlley, Miss Jessie M. Dillon, and others is being prepared.

The annual meetings of the Chicago Normal Club are looked forward to with a great deal of pleasure and a large attendance is expected this year. All alumni, and former students and teachers of I. S. N. U. in and about Chicago are eligible to membership in the Club and are invited to the annual meeting. Reservations for plates should be sent in advance. Mrs. Ora J. Milliken Bloom, '06, President, 5815 S. Maplewood Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

I. S. N. U. LUNCHEON AT PEORIA

"Fair Normal’s" red and white furnished a glowing contrast to the drab day when one hundred and two members and friends of the Peoria I. S. N. U. Club met at the Y. W. C. A. on Friday, March 21, for their first annual luncheon, a feature of the convention of the Central Division of the Illinois State Teachers Association.

Scarlet and white bands set at intervals with spicy red carnations centered the tables while the I. S. N. U. monogram on the place cards repeated the crimson touch.

The singing of the school songs furnished an appropriate keynote for the enjoyable program which followed the luncheon. Miss Eleanor B. Watson of Peoria, president of the local club, was an interesting and witty toastmistress, introducing each speaker in pleasing fashion.

County Superintendent J. A. Hayes in his five minute discussion of "Memories" spoke of the friendly intimacy existing between instructor and pupil at Normal, contrasting this democratic equality with the convention-bound restraint often prevalent at other institutions.

I. D. Tauleneck of the Community High School of Minier, Illinois in discussing "Normalism" brought out the point that the Normal Clubs were transforming passive and unconscious "Normalism" into active "Normalism" through unity and community service.

M. R. Staker of the Department of Education of I. S. N. U. spoke of the value of the clubs for organization not only to the University but to teachers in their daily work.

David Felmlley, President of I. S. N. U. commended the type of teacher who remains in a community because of her interest in it. He spoke of the growth of Normal and its present enrollment of over nine hundred. Dr. Felmlley felt that Normal students could prove to the world by their work the worth of going to Normal. He pled for help in the securing of enlarged appropriations and in the transfer of control of funds and policies to the governing board of the University. The present double system under the Civil Administrative Code hampers efficiency and speed.

W. B. Canopy of the Community High School of Delavan, Illinois, Dean O. L. Manchester of I. S. N. U., and Miss Jessie M. Dillon, president of the I. S. N. U. Alumni Association, curtailed their talks permitting a tardy but enthusiastic crowd to scatter to the various sectional meetings of the afternoon.

President Felmlley has met with and spoken to four groups of I. S. N. U. alumni and former students since the county and city clubs have started to organize. He was
at the meeting of the Decatur I. S. N. U. Club, at Peoria for the luncheon held during the Central Illinois Division of the State Teachers Association, at East St. Louis twice, once for the St. Clair County Club meeting and once for the Southwestern Division Meeting. He reports very enthusiastic gatherings at all these places. We regret that we have not received definite letters about the meetings which we are not reporting in full. An I. S. N. U. Luncheon was held also during the South Central Division Meeting in Springfield, but no report has come to Alumni Headquarters.—Alumni Headquarters, by the way, is rather a scattered location. It does not move, but at all times it is in several places. You will find its address by consulting the addresses of the Alumni Quarterly Staff. Those addresses with the addition of I. S. N. U. at all times constitute the present Alumni Headquarters. Do you suppose we will ever have real ones such as some universities have?

**FORMER STUDENTS NOT ALUMNI**

**WEDDINGS**

Miss Madeline Hoffrichter, a student at the University last year, and resident of Fell Hall, was recently married to Mr. James Ratcliff. The homes of both young people are in Kewanee, where Miss Hoffrichter was teaching. Mr. and Mrs. Ratcliff drove to Bloomington the week-end following their wedding, attended the Varsity Club Dance, and had a good visit with old friends.

Josephine A. Clark, who has been attending I. S. N. U. for the past two years, and Clyde Davis, a former U. High Student, surprised their friends recently by announcing their marriage. Mr. Davis is now employed at the Broadway Garage.

**CAN ANY ONE HELP MR. RUSH?**

The following letter will be of special interest to classes of the early 80's, but it holds much enthusiasm for all Phils, and some for all those who are now taking an active part in the work of the two literary societies. It is from Jacob Rush, who did not graduate, but who is one of Normal's most devoted friends. He lives at Winslow, Illinois. The letter was written to Mr. Wells, our Treasurer.

My Dear Mr. Wells: May I ask a favor of a Philadelphian who won laurels for his beloved society?

"I entered I. S. N. U. in 1884 at a time when it was considered a great honor to participate in the annual inter-society contest, a time when society spirit was so high that the annual contest was for weeks and weeks the all-absorbing topic of conversation. I was fortunate enough to be drawn into the Philadelphia Society, more fortunate by far than were the society and its faithful workers. At the end of the first term I received such a baptism of fire that after a lapse of nearly forty years my blood is still at fever heat, my whole being permeated with enthusiasm, loyalty, and love for my school society.

"That year Philadelphia made a clean sweep, winning all seven points, though quite a few in the audience were of the opinion that Misses Glidden and Gray were entitled to the decision on the paper. That was a matter that rested with the judges and doubtless they felt fully justified in giving the decision to Misses Blanchard and Deck. Later the essay and declamation were substituted for the paper, which in the final summary counted two points and whose authors were styled "editresses."

"Messrs. Will and Hieronymus won the debate for Philadelphia in that memorable contest with hands down. The next year, '85, Philadelphia again won a signal victory over her old rival winning every point except the oration, Mr. Hieronymus, a fine speaker and a very strong student, going down to
defeat before his opponent, John H. Fleming, a natural born orator.

"Since the birth of The Vidette until quite recently I have been a subscriber to the weekly school paper and I have kept a record of every contest with one single exception, 1911. In 1911 the Vidette was either lost in transit or not sent out by the management. In every effort to hear from said contest I have met with disappointment.

In May, 1893, The Vidette published in tabulated form the contest record of the two societies to that date as reported by a committee of three members from each society, said report accepted as authentic and to be forever authoritative to date. By the aid of said report, I am able to compile a record of every contest (except 1911) since its initiation in 1858.

"I am too loyal a Philadelphian, too proud of her noble record and achievements, too jealous of her rights, not to challenge the claim made by The Vidette a year ago that "Wrightonia needs to win one more contest and two points to tie Philadelphia." By conceding seven points to Wrightonia in 1911 she has yet to win ten points to tie her rival. Such a claim spurs me on to redouble my former efforts to come into possession of the missing link in the long chain of heroic battles. Any assistance you can render will be gratefully received and highly appreciated.

"I am enclosing a check for two dollars for a year's subscription to the Quarterly. I am doubting the price because the management is short of funds. Can't understand why the Alumni should not give whole-hearted support. Though not an alumnus I should not like to be without the Quarterly.

"I believe that intra-school debating is as profitable to the debaters as inter-school debating and that it is more beneficial and more stimulating to the members of the school.

For some time I have wished to do something to stimulate such debating in U. High. My conclusion has been that, if the debating and literary societies of University High School had a trophy to compete for in debate, the above object might be accomplished. Therefore, I am presenting to you a silver cup to be competed for under the following conditions:

1. The trophy is to be kept in University High School study hall and is to be the property of the society winning it until it is won from them by some other society.

2. The trophy may be competed for twice each year, once in the fall term and once in the spring term. (More than two debates may be held each year provided the society holding the cup does not object.)
3. The society wishing to compete for the trophy must challenge the holder of the cup early in the year.

4. The possessor of the trophy is to submit a question for debate to the challenging society within one week from the date of the challenge is received. The challenging society must choose the side of the question it wishes to defend within one week from the time the subject for debate has been submitted to it. (These time limits may be changed upon agreement between the officers and advisers of the societies who are to debate.)

5. The judges of the debate are to be chosen preferably from outside the Illinois State Normal University, but if chosen from the faculty of that school, the judges so chosen must not have any member of either society in their classes.

6. All further arrangements for the debate may be made by the officers and advisers of the two societies.

"I had expected to present the trophy to the winner of the Thalian-Rostrum debate this fall, but as that debate has not occurred, and believing that the trophy should be in possession of some society, I have no alternative but to present it to the winner of the debate last year. I herewith present this silver trophy to the Thalian Debating Society of University High School to be held by them until it is won by some other society under the conditions stated above.

"Ferd C. McCormick."

After the letter was read, Ethelwynne Penrith, President of the Thalian Debating Society, made a speech of acceptance, stating that Thalian was proud to be the holder of this cup and hoped that she would hold it forever.

Thalian won the first debate from Rostrum and in consequence has held the cup all winter. An appropriate case has been made and the combination of cup and case add a note of interest and beauty to the high school auditorium. Rostrum has now challenged Thalian and it remains to be seen what society will be the proud possessor of the trophy at the end of the school year.

SENIOR CLASS GIFT

The Class of 1924 has presented University High School with a handsome banner on which is inscribed in gold lettering "U High." The banner is of heavy woolen material, seven feet long and two feet wide, very attractively made with the school colors of green and gold. The letters of block type are of gold, and are inscribed on a field of green surrounded by a border of gold.

HIGH SCHOOL DEBATING SPONSORED BY I. S. N. U.

I. S. N. U. is taking an active part in the formation of a state league which will foster high school debating as the state high school athletic association fosters and sponsors high school athletics. Debating is becoming a very active part of the activity of most high schools throughout the country. Wide community interest is shown and this surely bespeaks a more active interest in our schools by the adults who should know what the present-day high school is like. It is so different from the high school of even a generation ago that the men and women, the fathers and mothers, have to be educated in its intricate interests or they will be left behind in the rush of youth to take the lead.

THREE WEDDINGS OF U. HIGH ALUMNI

Benjamin Briggs of the class of 1912 was married a short time ago to Miss Katherine Brereton of Pekin. Mr. Briggs is at present employed as salesman by the O. G. Johnson Company of Minier.

On March 10 Cecil Short of the class of 1922 was united in marriage to Mr. Fred Celville. Since her graduation from U. High Miss Short has been employed at A. Livingston & Sons in Bloomington.

John Felmley, son of President Felmley, who graduated from U. High in the class of 1914, was married on February 12 to Miss Estella Hixon of Evansville, Indiana. The ceremony was a quiet one and took place at high noon at the home of the bride in Evansville. Mr. Felmley is with the Simmons-Dick Construction Company.