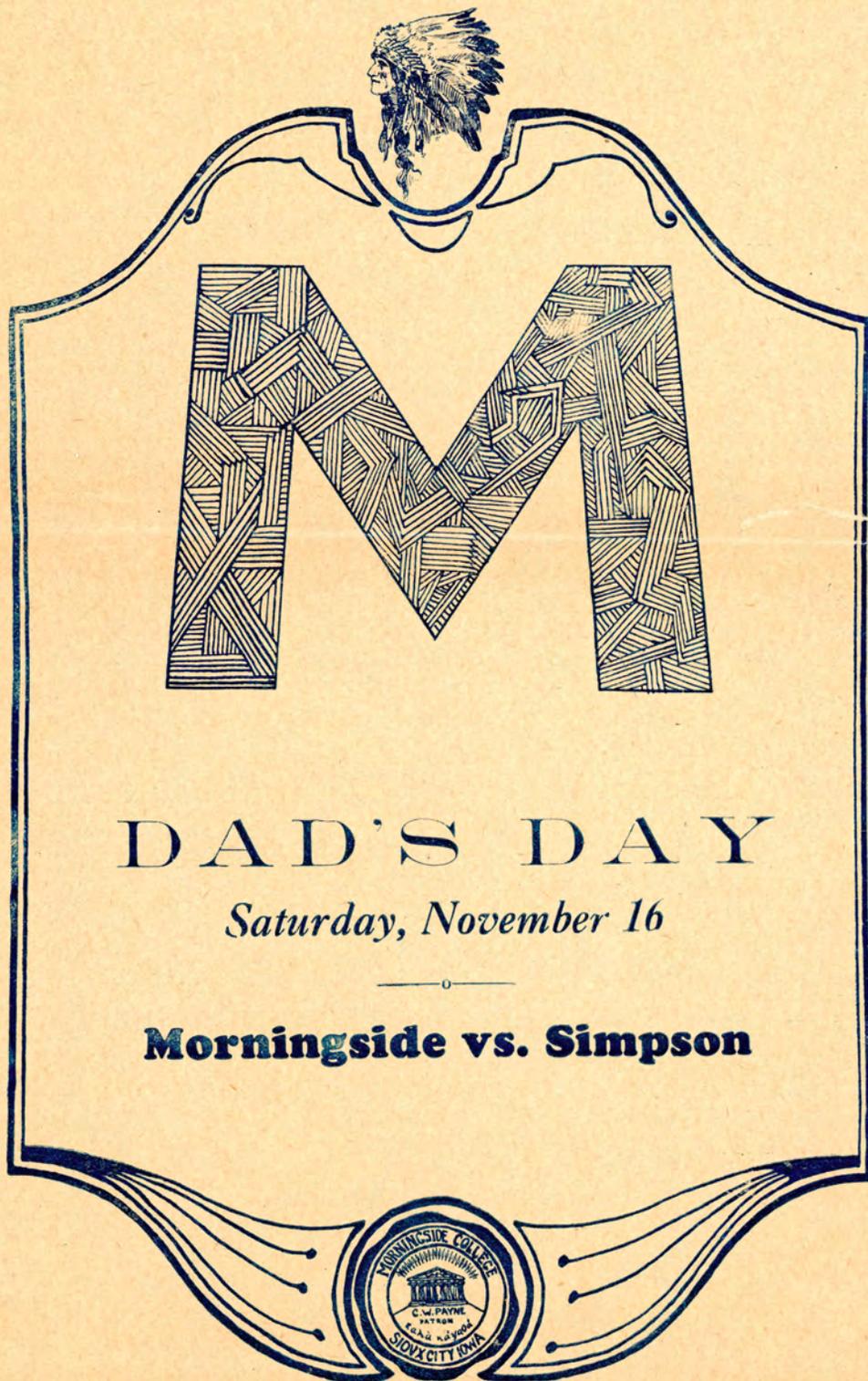


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Morningside College is to have a science hall. That is the welcome news conveyed to alumni and students in an announcement by President Frank E. Mossman in a report before the Northwest Iowa Conference session at Eagle Grove, Iowa, October 26. A committee composed of Dr. M. E. Graber, Dr. T. C. Stephens, and Professor J. A. Coss, has been chosen to study and choose the plans for this new building.

The urgent need of a new science hall is too well known to need any comment. The science hall is, after all, a very essential part of the equipment needed to keep Morningside College on a par with other institutions of its enrollment. The program of science has been enlarged each year for several years until the equipment of the laboratories and the "barn" have become inadequate.

The work done by these departments of science of our college is personified in the men who have been placed in the field of science. Many of them are holding responsible places in universities and colleges of the world, while others are leading the field in responsibility in factories and laboratories throughout the land of science.

Happily for the students of the college the lack of adequate equipment is to be overcome by the building and equipping of a new science hall on the campus in the spring. The crowded condition of laboratories and classrooms will be cared for by commodious rooms and enlarged means of handling the condition. The plans which are being presented will amply provide the necessary room for several years and mean that Morningside College students will have as good opportunities for scientific study as any other students of the smaller colleges.

The new science hall which goes under construction early in the spring is the second building which is a part of the fourfold building plan of the Forward Movement of Morningside College. The Forward Movement building plan has already given our Alma Mater the most modern and the finest Women's Residence Halls in the state. The third and fourth buildings under construction are the new library and the gymnasium.

Morningsiders! These plans show that Morningside College is a growing school and one of which you may be justly proud. Our college is successful in scholarship, forensics, music, and athletics, besides providing an elaborate plan for religious and social growth.



Miss Lillian E. Dimmitt

Thirty-seven years ago in February, Miss Lillian Dimmitt, dean of women in Morningside College, became an instructor in Morningside College. Since then, with the exception of one year in which she studied in Rome, she has been working for the interests of the students of Morningside College. Miss Dimmitt is Professor of Ancient Languages and counts among her former students many outstanding men and women. The following article was written regarding Miss Dimmitt in 1907, when members of the Junior Class dedicated the annual to her:

"All honor and praise to one whose character entitles her to a place among Iowa's noblest women, whose name will ever be proudly mentioned in connection with Morningside College, whose sympathetic interest has endeared her to the heart of every student—our beloved professor, Miss Lillian E. Dimmitt.

"Miss Dimmitt came from Illinois Wesleyan University to Morningside as an instructor in February, 1893, before those most trying years in the history of our institution. Then when its future was overshadowed by financial difficulty, and the faculty, disheartened and discouraged, one by one took their leave, she remained. Through all those dark days when hope was low, her energy surmounted difficulties, her tact and judgment harmonized contentions, her sympathy gave new courage, her self-sacrifice created new inspiration.

"During the following years when, thanks to our beloved President and the kind assistance of loyal friends, brighter days dawned, these same characteristics were intensified; and as our college has grown in numbers and reputation, she has grown in usefulness and influence. Since 1893, with

Miss Dimmitt and Dean Graber Play Great Part In Life of Morningside Men and Women

the exception of 1903-4 which she spent at the American School of Classical Studies in Rome, Miss Dimmitt has been in our midst an example of ideal womanhood, a leading member of the faculty, a most loyal promoter of all college interests, and a faithful friend to the student, one to whom he could go at any time for comfort and advice; and when the students of Morningside College enumerate the blessings of their college life, not least among them is the privilege of knowing Miss Dimmitt. For, as a woman of noble character, of high principles, of broad mind, of unselfish motives, of tender kindness, and "inseeing" sympathy, she has seldom been equalled. This state has yet to produce a teacher who is more thorough, more conscientious, more inspiring, or one who keeps the student more interested and who creates in him a stronger love for the classics.

"When we pause to think of what she has done for our college and of her far-reaching influence, we find that words can but feebly express our appreciation of her true worth. As this volume goes out to our friends, we know that all who have ever known her will join with the Juniors of '06 in the words, 'We love her.'"

These words of praise were written by the class of 1906 in dedicating the annual to her, but how true these words are now. Each year of her work in Morningside College has made them more vivid to each individual student, and as the classes come and go the numbers of her friends and admirers increase.

Dr. Graber Holds Many Degrees

Dr. Myron E. Graber, dean of men in Morningside College and Professor of Physics, has become, through his relationship with the men of the college, one of the most loved of the faculty. Dean Graber, as he is called by the men students, has helped build a spirit of cooperation among the men of the college that has never heretofore been equaled in the student



Dean Myron E. Graber

group. The fraternities in Morningside College have a high standard of life on the campus. During Dr. Graber's work as dean of men the fraternities have moved from the third floor halls into houses of their own where rooms and meals are furnished at a nominal rate.

Dr. Graber has an interesting career as a scientist and is considered an authority on physics by science men of the country. He is a graduate of Heidelberg University, having received the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts at that university and the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Iowa. He is an ordained minister and a graduate of the Heibelberg School of Divinity. He has held fellowships in the University of Chicago, the University of Iowa, the Iowa Academy of Science, and the Ohio Academy of Science, and is a graduate student of the University of Ohio.

He is a past president of the physics section of the Ohio Academy of Science and of the Iowa Academy of Science and is a member of the Sigma Xi scientific fraternity. Dr. Graber is a Member of the National Association of Deans of Men.

A tribute to the work of Dr. Graber is given in the type of men that are out in the field of business, and these men must attribute their success to the fact that through the aid of this great dean of men they were able to get work and go through school, whereas without this aid they could not have been able to complete the course. A builder of men is the tribute that we can give to Dean Graber, and that is really what life is—the building of men and finishing of dreams.

Alumni and Ex-Students Enjoy Sioux Day Festivities

Homecoming to the alma mater became a reality to several hundred ex-students and alumni on Sioux Day, October 19, when the largest number of former Morningside College students gathered for a day of renewing acquaintances and reviving memories. Members of a student committee composed of Lucille Claerbout, Louis Croston, and Clarence Johnson had the campus decorated with wigwams and a large football, and a number of the posts were covered with Maroon and White strips. The goal-posts were covered with Maroon and White for Morningside College and the Green and White for North Dakota. Each of the fraternity houses was cleverly decorated to represent some phase of Sioux Day.

Friday evening at seven-thirty about four hundred Morningside College students gathered in front of Main Hall and held a "pep" meeting and then paraded with lighted torches to Peters Park, where another "pep" demonstration was held with Yell-leaders Beebe and Garber in charge. Lowell Crippen, quarter-back of the Maroon team gave a short talk. Later in the evening the students gathered on Fourth street and snake-danced through the streets and went through the Martin, the West Hotel, and the New Orpheum Theatre. Considerable interest was shown by the crowds downtown as the Morningside College students paraded through the streets.

Saturday morning the "Awakening Chorus," "Beat North Dakota," rang out from the fraternity houses and the freshman houses. These cries were indicative of what the students of the college expected to do to the North Dakota University team in the afternoon.

The chapel service in the morning was attended by a large crowd of alumni, ex-students, and college students. Dr. Alexander G. Ruthven, president of the University of Michigan, gave his first address since his inauguration at the university in the Sioux Day chapel. Dr. and Mrs. Ruthven were the guests of the day and were entertained at luncheon at noon. The class of 1903 held a reunion on the

third floor of Main Hall at which several of the members were present and enjoyed an hour renewing old times.

At two-thirty one of the largest homecoming crowds for several years gathered on Athletic Field to see the football game between the University of North Dakota and Morningside College. The game, taken by the score 26 to 0 for North Dakota University, does not indicate in any means the interesting game that was played. Two long runs of sixty-one yards each by a man named Burma, one of the best football players to grace the field for quite awhile, raised the crowd to its feet twice in five minutes for the spectacular. Burma also scored one of the other touchdowns early in the first period by a line plunge and began the scoring. Late in the last half Garrett, fleet halfback for North Dakota, galloped through the Maroon line for a touchdown to complete the scoring.

There were Morningside stars, too, with "Rabbit" Goldberg and Andrews bringing the crowd into frenzy when they broke loose for a couple of long runs. The Maroon attack failed to function when points were needed. Late in the last half Haviland, reserve fullback, ran a kickoff back fifty yards but was stopped near the forty-five yard line and Morningside was unable to score.

After the football game the crowd gathered in the Alumni Gymnasium for a get-together and spent two hours listening to a program put on by members of the faculty and members of the Radio-Keith Vaudeville. Confetti, hot-dogs, balloons, and streamers helped make the entertainment a success and gave promise that this will probably become an annual affair to take the place of the barbecue which was formerly held on the campus following the game.

The Sioux Day this year was one of the largest and most complete programs ever put on at a homecoming event, and each year it is expected that more alumni will gather on the campus to enjoy a few hours together.

Professor James J. Hayes, popularly known as "Jimmy" by those who have the privilege of knowing him personally, has built a dramatic organization in Morningside College such as very few colleges or universities can boast. He is in athletic terms what one might call an "All-round" player, having an interest in all types of dramatic work. Professor Hayes is considered an authority on the puppet show, and his ability has been indicated by the showing of his students, Olin Doane, Maynard Heacock, and Wilson Taylor, who made long trips through several states this year giving an exhibition of the puppet show work.

Professor Hayes has planned the following work for his Dramatic Club:

The Dramatic Club plans for the year include five full-length programs and seven meetings of the Club at which one or more one-act plays will be presented.

The first play of the year is to be

Prof. Hayes Has Elaborate Plans for Dramatic Club

the Joseph Jefferson version of "Rip Van Winkle," played with Professor Hayes in the lead, Mrs. Smith in the part of Gretchen, Rip's wife, and Professor Parlette in the part of Derrick. Professor Van Horne will play the part of Nick Vedder the Innkeeper in this all-star performance. The other parts will be taken by members of Alpha Psi Omega, the honorary Dramatic Fraternity.

The second play of the year will be Barrie's "A Kiss for Cinderella", presented especially by the classes in Production and Play Coaching.

The third program will include two religious plays, probably Yeats's "Hour Glass," and Marlowe's "Doctor Faustus." The former of these is to be taken on a tour of the churches

for the Sunday evening services; the second is to be presented later at a lecture meeting of the Sioux City Woman's Club.

The fourth play will be presented by the Classical Fraternity in conjunction with the Dramatic Club. As this year is being celebrated in all the colleges of this country as Virgil year, the play "Dido", a modern dramatization of a story from the "Aeneid," has been chosen as the play for the year.

At Commencement time a Shakespeare play will be presented as usual, but this year not by the Senior Class as always before but by the Dramatic Club.

There will be a one-act play tournament under the auspices of the Dramatic Club in the spring and a masked carnival party in the middle of March.

As two of the literary societies plan to put on plays this year, the schedule of plays will be a very full one.



The Morningside College Men's Glee Club Has Itinerary of Twenty-five Towns

An itinerary of twenty-five towns has been announced by the manager for the Morningside College Men's Glee Club for its nineteenth annual tour, which begins on Sunday, December 1. The glee club has been accepted in twenty-five high schools and will sing before the assembly of both grade-school and high-school pupils. The plan of the Men's Glee Club is to visit five or six high schools each day, giving a short program, and to present each school with advertising material and a 1930 annual. This idea has been carried out each year and it met with such success that the management has decided to further

the program with considerable enlargement. The men sang to over ten thousand young people last year, and it is hoped that with this large itinerary the men will sing to over fifteen thousand people this season.

During the year the club intends to visit the high schools of Sioux City and the surrounding towns and to give two concerts in the city besides going on side-trips to smaller towns near Sioux City. The itinerary includes towns in the northern part of Iowa, the southern part of Minnesota, and the eastern part of South Dakota.

Lester McCoy, instructor in voice

in the Morningside College Conservatory of Music, is the director of the 1929 Men's Glee Club. Lester was formerly a member of the glee club for three years, being president in his junior year in the college. For two years he was instructor in the Danbury High School but resigned his work to assist in the Morningside Conservatory of Music.

The Men's Glee Club has a membership of twenty men who will present a varied program of chorus singing, comic selections, and sacred music. The club will also carry an instrumentalist and vocal soloist.

Dr. Ruthven's Sioux Day Speech

The educator usually finds little difficulty in giving a talk if he can choose his subject, for there is always open to him the opportunity of complaining of his job. In fact it seems ever to be the "open season" on educational institutions, and criticism comes not alone from those connected with them. In one form or another, and especially during a dearth of news, we may expect critical articles in journals, magazines, and newspapers generally, not only by informed persons but also by authors who cannot be expected to accept any responsibility for righting the wrongs which they feel they have discovered in the institutions devoted to the instruction of the youth of the land. How often are we informed that we are not training students to earn a living, or that we are doing this to the sacrifice of culture; that we are fostering mediocrity by levelling students to a standard, or that we are catering to the privileged; that we are neglecting the humanities in favor of the sciences, or that we are omitting due attention to the sciences in the consideration given to the humanities! On these and similar questions one can take either side, get very earnest and even heated, and be confident of securing a hearing at any time.

For at least two reasons much of the criticism which has been directed at our colleges has little result. Schools, like other social institutions, are in part molded by their environments, and little understood tendencies in education creep into our educational organizations, often unnoticed, and when observed frequently against opposition, for the reason that they reflect the needs of the world. Again, attacks upon our institutions of higher learning are in part ineffective because schools are slow to change. While this slowness to respond to criticism is frequently interpreted as antagonism to change, it is in part fortunate, because the educational world has in the past permitted and even sponsored too many ill-considered experiments. Not yet can we treat the youth of our land as guinea pigs. If one ruins an experimental guinea pig one can put him out of his misery, but if one ruins a boy or girl in an educational experiment one may expect to have him or her under foot for some time. Wise educators thus favor a reasonable conservatism in developing their institutions. Furthermore, it is inevitable that our schools should be conservative, for to

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an ever increasing extent they are partaking of the nature of large and important businesses so complicated that disaster is to be feared when changes are made other than as the result of successful and carefully controlled experiments. Even an impractical professor can see that such an intricate and expensive machine as the modern college cannot be thrown out of adjustment with impunity.

Because it is easy to attack and difficult to change the policies and methods of our colleges, educators seem to have developed an insensibility to criticism which, while doubtless of value, should not be carried so far that college administrators blind themselves to changes that could and should be made. Particularly does this apply to the need for adjusting educational institutions to the needs of the modern world, and to the desirability of recognizing the significance of the changes in educational policy and methods which are quietly being effected as the result of pressure from without. The modern college cannot exist as a microcosm unrelated to its general environment and educators, of necessity and to an increasing extent, have to consider extramural as well as intramural conditions affecting our institutions.

I now propose to discuss a problem confronting our colleges which is daily becoming more apparent and important, and one which is fraught with good if it is controlled but which certainly has potentialities for evil if allowed to develop without relation to the main functions of our institutions.

Service is today a word to conjure with, even in the educational world. When material or favorable public opinion is needed, we find it convenient to speak of the service the college renders to the community, the state, and the nation. By this term "service" we are coming to mean not assistance to the student nor the contribution of the college to society through the training of youth, but direct and material aid to adults in their individual or group struggles for existence. It is a good talking point in pleading for funds if our zoologists have identified an insect pest for the farmers, if our engineers

have effected improvements in the automobile, if our chemists are able to certify as to the character of our drinking water, or if our medical men have discovered a new cure. A survey of American institutions of higher learning is certain to reveal that work of this kind is being done in increasing amounts for the world outside of the college walls, and so far has extramural service been developed that we find today firmly entrenched in our educational institutions great service departments, such as hospitals, laboratories of engineering research, bureaus of business research, and other units, spending thousands of dollars each year and offering fellowships and research assistantships for economic work in ever increasing numbers.

There is some logic in the arguments advanced by citizens of the state for economic service from the colleges. For some time it has been recognized that, owing to the rapid advancement in knowledge, every generation of graduates should be and probably is better trained than the preceding one. Furthermore, members of graduating classes are constantly being warned that their education is not finished, and they are frequently informed that even after graduation they will be considered a part of the college. If these points of view are to prevail it may be observed that to keep faith with its students the college must provide facilities for post-graduate study, and when such study is encouraged and made possible there can be no reasonable argument against the providing of other technical advice of material assistance to graduates. These premises, with the further one that all colleges belong in some measure to the citizens of the state as well as to the alumni, lead to the conclusion, far from unreasonable, that these institutions may be looked to for such assistance as can be given to the world at large. In other words, several fair questions may be asked of our institutions of higher learning. Having the facilities, including men and equipment, to solve the problems of civilized man, because they aim to train men who will attack these problems in the future, is it not sheer waste for our colleges to refuse to offer service because it is practical,—first to the alumni and, second, to the public at large? Is it not a perverted specialization which insists that the professor be an insufferable aesthete proudly aloof from the craftsman? Should not the teacher exhibit a combination of the

theorist and the practical performer? We believe that no college is too small to assist the community in practical ways, and that it has a clear duty to provide assistance to the extent to which this can be done without sacrificing the major function of these institutions.

Whatever answer we are inclined to make to these and similar questions the fact remains that, either because they recognize the justice of the claims of the citizens of the state or the propriety of requests from the alumni, or because it is to their material advantage so to do, the schools are introducing service departments and one may properly say that service has become a more or less recognized and actively growing function of our institutions of higher learning. If I am correct in my diagnosis of the situation, I may now proceed to point out some of the dangers of uncontrolled development of extra-mural service activities.

One danger, in my opinion, is that with the growth of service activities too much of the time and interest of the teacher will be consumed in other than teaching duties, or, from another point of view, that the teaching of students will be made an activity subordinate to those concerned with the assisting of adults. Amidst all the welter of educational fads and furbelows and general unrest it is still clear that the principal function of the college is the instruction of youth during the four or seven years following his high-school career. Once we have admitted that service is a function of the college we are immediately confronted with the necessity of determining how much we are justified in reducing the teaching load of the men engaged in practical work. The solution of this problem involves a comparative study of the value of service and the value of teaching in the units concerned. No member of the staff who spends his entire time instructing in the classroom will look with pleasure on an arrangement whereby a colleague is permitted to devote a considerable number of his working hours to tasks devoid of irksome routine and exceptionally pleasant because within his general field of interest.

Particularly disturbing to harmony among the members of the staff is the disparity in salaries which arises with the development of service activities. Larger salaries and more

rapid promotion tend to accrue to the faculty member engaged in investigations of direct economic value, for it is obviously easier to obtain funds for work in business and industrial fields than it is to enlist support for educational activities. This is the second danger to which I would direct your attention. It is a very real one since it concerns the morale of the staff. The argument that discrepancies in salaries due to the demands of industry and business are unavoidable is not pertinent. A teacher of chemistry may obtain a higher salary because he assists a soap manufacturer for part time, but unless the professor of Greek with no opportunity to add to his income is paid proportionately, we are depreciating his work and lowering the standard for instructors in the field.

A third danger is that the college itself will be drawn into giving of material support to extra-mural service to the disadvantage of the other work. We certainly cannot reduce the teaching facilities of the colleges for these are not in excess of the needs of education. At the same time, it is easy to omit a part of the whole cost of providing service in considering projects proposed by individuals or firms. It may well be argued that even items of overhead should be considered in estimating the cost of a service activity, and that it is a misuse of funds to devote to other purposes appropriations made to cover costs of instruction.

Probably the most important danger in the development of this function of educational institutions is that it may get out of control. Signs are not wanting that this is a tail which may easily grow until it is capable of wagging the dog. I do not refer here alone to the amount of money and time involved, but to the fact that outside support may reach such proportions as to guide promotions, fix salaries, interfere with curricula, and in general disturb the academic machinery. The inevitable result of such a condition would be the lowering of educational standards, and the transformation of our colleges into trade schools.

After watching this situation develop for a number of years and noting the effectiveness of various attempts at its control, I beg leave to offer some suggestions designed to protect the teaching activities of our institutions of higher learning.

First: Administrators should frankly face the fact that service must now be considered a function of the college, and with this in mind should concern themselves with a study of conditions with a view to determining the extent to which the function is to be encouraged and the proper methods of control.

Second: To avoid the obvious dangers of too extensive and rapid development of extra-mural service, activities of this kind should be organized into units definitely related to the other departments. Experience would seem to indicate that such service units should have independent budgets, that in administration they should be intimately associated with all of the teaching departments with which they are related, and that their salary scales should be definitely related to the salary schedules of other units.

Third: That academic standards may be maintained and the proper emphasis in education be insured, instruction with credit should be given and degrees granted only through the allied teaching departments.

Fourth: The service units should be entirely self-supporting, even to the extent of providing for all overhead expense.

It is believed that the general method of control just outlined would not too greatly restrict the assistance which the colleges can give to their alumni and the community and would, at the same time, insure a proper balance of the objectives of these institutions.

These remarks in so far as they favor extra-mural contacts may sound strange from an academic man who believes that the primary business of a college is to cultivate the consciences, ideals, aspirations, and thinking powers of man and only secondarily to teach him how to attain material success. But we believe that the college should be freed from the hypocrisy and mystery which tend to enshroud it, that it should be developed on a sane and realistic basis, that it is not remote from the world of fact, but, like the individual, has, and should have, numerous environmental relations, and finally that the growth of such functions as extra-mural service need not defeat other and more fundamental objectives of our educational institutions, if their significance is understood and if their development is properly controlled.





Professor Leo Kucinski

Leo Kucinski was born in Warsaw, Poland. He received his early training at the Warsaw Conservatory of Music. In 1914 he came to America to further his training at Oberlin College and the Cleveland Institute of Music.

He has appeared as soloist all through the eastern and western states and has gained an enviable reputation as a virtuoso violinist. He is head of the violin department of the Morningside College Conservatory of Music, conductor of the Sioux City Community Symphony Orchestra, organizer and first violinist of the Morningside String Quartet, and supervisor of stringed instruments in the public schools of Sioux City.

During the past summer Mr. Kucinski and Mr. Parkinson organized

and directed the Okoboji Band and Orchestra Camp at Spirit Lake, Iowa. This school will meet each year, and

plans are to make it a large institution in a few years if the interest of last year is indicative of the future.

The Sioux City Community Symphony Orchestra In First Concert Nov. 21

Founded as the Morningside College Symphony Orchestra several years ago, the Sioux City Community Symphony Orchestra has grown into one of the foremost musical organizations of Sioux City, and credit must be given to the untiring work of its talented director, Professor Leo Kucinski, head of the violin department of the Morningside College Conservatory of Music. Professor Kucinski took over the direction of the orchestra six years ago when it had a membership of thirty-five instruments, and now through his excellent directorship it has grown to a complete instrumentation of fifty-five musicians. Practices are held once a week, and several special practices are called before concerts for preparation of the programs.

The first concert this year will be held in the Central High School Auditorium on November 21, with two presentations being given, one for the children of the Sioux City Public Schools in the afternoon and one open to the public in the evening.

Several events are planned each year in which the orchestra takes a part, including the production of some great oratorio in conjunction with the Morningside May Festival in the first part of May. During the May Festival a combination of the Sioux City Community Orchestra and the South Dakota University Orchestra makes an ensemble of over one hundred instruments and plays a pro-

gram prepared by the combined group of players. This annual concert has attracted hundreds of people for audiences each year in both Sioux City and Vermillion, South Dakota, where it is given.

The Orange City Choral Association and the Sioux City Community Symphony Orchestra gave a joint recital in Orange City this year, and the same group presented the program for the delegates to the annual meeting of the Federation of Women's Clubs, which was held in the Masonic Temple last spring. The concert of the Orange City Choral Association has become an annual event, and the plan for this year is to present the "Messiah." The work of this organization is under the direction of Mrs. Hoppers, a prominent musician of Orange City.

The orchestra appeared in two concerts in Central High School last season, and Professor Kucinski indicated that there would be three evening concerts this year and two children's concerts. The children's concerts are to be a part of the program of music planned by the public schools of the city this year.

The capable leadership of Professor Kucinski and the interest of musicians of this city and of surrounding towns have made possible this great organization with an ever-enlarging program. This orchestra has grown from a small college organization into a professional organization of which any city could be justly proud.

The
Sioux City
Community
Symphony
Orchestra



FROSH WIN ANNUAL CLASS DAY EVENT

The third annual Freshman-Sophomore Day ended at five o'clock, October ninth, when the Freshmen pulled and tugged the Sophomores through the historic Floyd River and consequently won the day's activities by an overwhelming score. This Freshman-Sophomore Day has taken the place of the old-fashioned hazing and has proved to the satisfaction of both the faculty and the upperclassmen that it is the best method of taking care of the spirit which makes conflict between the classes an annual affair or tradition.

Two Morningside track men were in charge of the day's program, Wayne Menter and Elmer Hansen, and were assisted in putting the events over by our popular football captain, Fletcher Kettle, who was the announcer. Several events were held for the men and women of the two classes. A wheelbarrow race, a monkey and crab race, a three-legged race, a singing contest, and a rugby football game made up a part of the morning's program. At noon the Women's Athletic Association served a lunch and the hungry contestants were fed.

Following the lunch two boxing contests were held and then the crowd adjourned to the football field, where the Freshmen and Sophomores battled to a scoreless tie on the gridiron. The game was hard fought and some former high-school football players "strutted their stuff" for the varsity.

After the football game the two classes carried their battle-arms to the Floyd River, where, after a half-hour of pulling, the Sophomores conceded their defeat and were pulled through the mud and icy-cold water of the Floyd River. The Freshmen were victorious and proved themselves an addition to the ranks of Morningside College in sportmanship and conduct.

SIMPSON-MORNINGSIDE GAME IS FEATURE OF DAD'S DAY, NOVEMBER 16

By action of the student council, Dad's Day, which has been held in the spring for several years, will be changed to the fall this year with an enlargement of the program to take care of the increased attendance which everyone feels will come from the change. The features of the day are to be the football game between Simpson College and Morningside College and the annual banquet in the evening in the Women's Residence Halls.

A dad's day chapel with a Morningside College dad as the speaker is to

be the first event of the day, and the men of the college will furnish a program. The Men's Glee Club will make its first appearance of the season at the Dad's Day Chapel. Following the chapel an inspection of the buildings and the campus has been planned to occupy the attention of the visitors until noon, when the fraternities and freshman houses are to be the hosts to the dads.

At two-thirty the dads will be the guests of their sons at the football game between Morningside College and Simpson College on the athletic field. This game promises to be one of the hardest games of the season, as Simpson College has one of the best elevens in the history of the school. The game is creating a good deal of attention over the state as it is the first time that the Maroons and the Simpsonians have met in recent years in an athletic contest.

After the football game the men are to adjourn to the Women's Residence Halls, where they will be guests at a dinner given by their sons and where a program of music and toasts will close the activities of the day. The fraternities and the freshmen are planning to give the dads a real treat in the way of a Dad's Day, for which preparations are already begun under the direction of William Danforth, president of the Student Council.

CAROL LARSON HONORED BY STUDENTS SIOUX DAY

Students of Morningside College gave Miss Carol Larsen the highest honor which is in their power to give a member of the senior Class during the year's events by electing her "Miss Morningside" for Sioux Day. Miss Larsen was presented to the large assembly of alumni and students by William Danforth, president of the student council, following the chapel services.

Miss Morningside was given the place of honor in the parade down town. At the football game in the afternoon between North Dakota University and Morningside College she was the guest of honor and during the intermission was presented to the large crowd in front of the grand stand, where she was received with a tremendous ovation by the witnesses.

Miss Larsen, as the honor indicates, is one of the outstanding members of the student group, having taken part in several departments of the school work besides being an excellent student. Miss Larsen was president of the Women's Athletic Association in her junior year and was presented with the MC sweater in her junior year for her work in athletics. She

is a member of the Morningside Chapel Choir, is vice-president of the Y. W. C. A., is assistant instructor in women's athletics, and is a resident in the Women's Residence Halls.

Miss Larsen is the fourth Morningside College woman to receive this honor. Miss Hazel Surber, last year's guest of honor, was unable to leave her work as an instructor in the Manning High School to attend the Sioux Day festivities. The women who have been Miss Morningside prior to Miss Larsen are Miss Hazel Surber, Manning, Iowa; Miss Elizabeth Mead, Sioux City, Iowa; and Miss Lois Jack, Iowa City, Iowa.

ORCHESTRAL CHOIR OPENS SIOUX CITY CONCERT COURSE

The Russian Symphonic Choir directed by Basil Kibalchich makes its first appearance in Sioux City November sixth opening the 1929-30 season of the Sioux City Concert Course.

Basile Kibalchich, conductor of the Russian Symphonic Choir, was born in Thernigoff, Southern Russia, in the center of a region which is rich in folk-lore, folk-songs, and a popular love for choral singing, hardly equalled in any other part of the world. Mr. Kibalchich showed musical talent at an early age and, when he was only twelve, he was called to lead a large choir in the city of his birth, and a special stand had to be built for the budding conductor.

He studied the violoncello as his instrument in the Petrograd Conservatory and composition in the class of Rimsky-Korsakoff. In 1906 he was at the head of the most famous of Russia's choral organizations, the now rechristened Leningrad. Since then he has toured Russia as choral director, has led the choir of the Russian Cathedral of Geneva, as well as the choir of the Russian Cathedral in Paris, and has appeared throughout Europe in the capacity of choral conductor.

The present tour of Basile Kibalchich with his Russian Symphonic Choir is his fifth of this country. Their tour will extend from coast to coast and will include many engagements.

Mr. Kibalchich has discarded the antiquated methods and musical traditions of choral singing as exemplified by the old Italian and German schools. He has gone beyond the development of the nineteenth century and has successfully developed a new form of vocal ensemble. He has taken the symphony orchestra as his model and has given each voice of his choir the same value as each instrument has in the modern orchestra.

News Items from Our Alumni

—1905—

Dr. Herbert B. Saylor sent his greetings to Morningside College in a letter from Des Moines, Iowa, where he and his family are located. We are always glad to hear from our alumni for, we are proud to have alumni such as Morningside College boasts.

—1909—

S. O. Rorem and Mrs. Rorem are located in Lebanon, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Rorem is the superintendent of schools. Mrs. Rorem is a graduate of the class of 1910 and was formerly Lucille Warnock. Mr. Rorem tells of a Morningside Alumni meeting held in the Woodstock Hotel in New York City on September 28. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pierce and son Burdick, Fred Seaver and daughter, the Reverend Donald J. Walton and Mrs. Walton (Bessie Reed), Clark Scott, and Edward Backmeyer, all of New York City; Harry West and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chipman of Columbus, Ohio; and Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Rorem and daughter, Janice, of Lebanon, Pennsylvania. We are glad to hear of these alumni luncheons. Send in the reports to the Alumni News Letter.

—1929—

Bliss Dean, formerly connected with the Sioux City Y. M. C. A., is now athletic director at Gowrie, Iowa, and has some good athletic prospects this year. Dean was a reserve on the football team and was called on to play in several games last season.

Edgerton Ballachey has entered the University of Minnesota and gives his address there as 1117 Southeast 7th avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota. While in Morningside College Ballachey created quite a name for himself as a tennis player, winning several tournaments.

—1927—

Homer Smothers is publisher of a football manual that has received the congratulations of several coaches in the northwest territory. Smothers is located in Valley City, North Dakota, where he is connected with the public schools. Smothers played football somewhat extensively while in Morningside and is a successful coach.

Arthur W. Henke writes that he has been transferred to the Methodist Episcopal Church at Washington, Iowa, and that his address is 509 W. Washington Street. Mr. Henke was graduated from Charles City College in 1904 and was formerly located in Oelwein, Iowa.

A note from Albert B. Gilbert, of Auburn, California, expresses his sorrow at being so far away from Sioux City that he could not attend the Sioux Day activities but sends his best wishes for success. Mr. Gilbert was a member of the class of 1903,

A letter from Fred J. Seaver in New York City also extended the best of wishes to the Maroons in their game on Sioux Day and expressed the desire for success in every move of Morningside College.

An announcement from Centerville, South Dakota, informs us of the wedding of Virginia Price to J. Paul Freeburn on the sixth of August in Centerville.

President A. G.

Ruthven is Alumnus of Morningside, '03

Great honor came to Morningside College when an alumnus, Dr. Alexander G. Ruthven, '03, was recently elected president of the University of Michigan. Dr. Ruthven was a visitor to his alma mater on Sioux Day, October 19, when he delivered his first public address following his election to this high office.

Dr. Ruthven is a native Iowan, having spent his youth in Ruthven, Iowa, where he was graduated from the high school in 1898. Following his graduation from Morningside College he took advanced work in the University of Michigan, and later became instructor in zoology there.

In 1910 he became professor of zoology and head of the museum of the university, later becoming head of the department of zoology. Last year he was invited to become dean of administration, and during the summer session this year was the acting president of the university. He was unanimously chosen president at a meeting of the board of regents early in October, 1929.

The News Letter, on behalf of the alumni of Morningside College, is happy to extend congratulations to Dr. Ruthven.

—1903—

The class of 1903 has its reason for being proud this year, as one of its members has reached the peak of educational honor by becoming the president of the University of Michigan, and with due honor it greeted him on Saturday, October 19. Several of the members were unable to attend

the reunion in the Main Hall of the college, but a few returned to honor the man of the hour, Dr. Alexander G. Ruthven.

This class of thirteen members has raised from its midst two college presidents, Dr. Ruthven and Dr. Frank E. Mossman, an honor of which very few classes may boast. The members of the class of 1903 were: George F. Barsalou, pastor of the Congregational Church in Maquoketa, Iowa; Mrs. E. M. Buchner (Pearl Woodford), Chicago, Illinois; Mrs. L. W. Crane (Sophie Hieby), San Diego, California; the Reverend Albert B. Gilbert, Auburn, California; the Reverend George B. Gilbert, Pierson, Iowa; M. F. McDowell, business man, Sioux City, Iowa; R. J. McIsaac, fruit grower, Parkdale, Oregon; Frank E. Mossman, president of Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa; Hans Nissen, deceased; A. G. Ruthven, President of the University of Michigan; the Reverend David M. Simpson, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Goldfield, Iowa; Lorne F. Smylie, superintendent of schools, Jordan, Iowa; and Alva R. Toothaker, Landscape Artist and Nurseryman, Sioux City, Iowa.

Hundreds of High School Athletes to Be Feted, Nov. 9

The high-school football teams of the entire northwest section of Iowa, the eastern sections of South Dakota, and the eastern part of Nebraska have been invited to take part in the first High School Day at Morningside College. Coach Saunderson has announced that he expects several hundred athletes to take the opportunity of seeing the Morningside College eleven meet the Nebraska Wesleyan team here on November 9.

Several events are being planned for the guests, and stunts between halves will entertain the visitors. A sight-seeing trip of the campus and the buildings is a part of the program. The Morningside College band is preparing a concert for between halves of the game.

—1919—

The address of Mrs. J. P. Wassenaar is 815 First Street North, Newton, Iowa, according to a letter from Mrs. Wassenaar. Mrs. Wassenaar tells us of the death of Paul Burton Wassenaar, three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wassenaar (Miriam Fish) who died at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Fish, in Ida Grove, Iowa, August 7, after suffering from the rabies, which came as the result of a bite from a dog. Mr. Wassenaar is a representative of the New York Life Insurance Company in Newton. The Wassenaar's have another child, Margery Jane, 5.

—1923—

Leroy H. Rouse writes to the Alumni News Letter telling us that he and Mrs. Rouse are still in Huron, South Dakota, where Mr. Rouse is a professor in the college. They send their best wishes for the success of Sioux Day, being unable to attend the festivities. Mrs. Rouse (Muriel DeWitt) is a graduate of the class of 1924.

—1914—

A letter from John Kolp tells of the birth of Florence Lillian, born July 11, at Manson, Iowa. Mrs. Kolp (Marie Sebern) was a member of class of 1917. Mr. Kolp is the cashier of the Farmers' Savings Bank in Manson, Iowa, where he is a very successful business man.

—1927—

Margaret McCoy is teaching in the Sergeant Bluff High School and indicates by a letter that she is continuing her journalistic efforts by beginning the issue of a paper in the school. Miss McCoy was editor of the Collegian Reporter during her senior year in Morningside College.

—1928—

Members of the faculty and student groups were shocked and deeply saddened by the news of Miss Frances Lucke's death, the result of an automobile accident near Alton, Iowa, on September 30. Miss Lucke, who was a graduate of the Morningside Conservatory of Music, was returning from a visit with relatives at Paulina, Iowa, when the accident occurred. The sympathy of the alumni and friends is with her parents, who survive her. Miss Lucke was beloved by everyone who knew her.

—1927—

Frank Henderson is athletic coach in Scotland, South Dakota, again after spending a year at Avon, South Dakota. Mr. Henderson began his school work in Scotland but later accepted a position at Avon. This year

he was offered an increase in salary if he would again accept the work in Scotland. Henderson was on hand at the opening of the Maroon football season October fifth.

Donald McIntosh, superintendent of the Avon, South Dakota, High School, is beginning his third year at Avon and reports a fine student group this year. McIntosh saw the first game of the season on the Morningside field.

Reports from Donald Keys inform us that he is beginning his second year in the University of Colorado, where he is taking a course in Medicine. Keys formerly taught in the George High School.

Roxanna Schaper has been elected to the principalship of the Allen, Nebraska, High School, where she has been teaching for two years.

Adolph Van Citters, more familiarly known to athletic fans as "Bud" Van Citters, accepted a position as coach in the Mapleton High School. He was formerly at Laurens, where he created an enviable record in athletic teams. "Bud" was a member of the North Central Conference basketball champions in 1926. Van Citters was perhaps the most versatile athlete ever turned out by the Maroon institution.

Robert Snyder received his master's degree in Science from the University of Iowa this summer. Robert was editor of the Collegian Reporter for two years while in college and was prominent in social activities of the college.

Marinus Jensen is the superintendent of schools at Sergeant Bluff and is very successful there. He has several Morningside College students and graduates on his teaching force. Jensen was captain of the track team and specialized in the high jump.

Foster Swartz, former Maroon quarterback, is a floormanager at the Kresge Company in Sioux City. He has been with this company since his graduation in 1927.

—1929—

Lisle "Red" Berkshire has recently been elected Boys' Work Secretary at the Y. M. C. A. at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and according to recent reports is happy in his new work. Berkshire was prominently connected with the Senior Class last year as president of the class. He was a debater and a member of Pi Kappa Delta. During his student days he took part in Y. M. C. A. work in the College, and he is an experienced worker with boys.

Paul Brinkman, former Maroon football and track man, is coaching at Avon, South Dakota, and has a fine team this year. Brinkman visited the Morningside College campus October fifth to see Morningside give Augustana a 40 to 7 trimming. Brinkman was president of the student council last year and was active in debate, music, and athletics. He is joint holder of the North Central Conference pole-vaulting record.

Henry Boone was another member of the last year's football team who responded to the call to see the first Morningside College game of the season. Henry played end on the football team and forward on the basketball five while in college.

Anne Aalfs is instructor in English in the Kadoka, South Dakota, High School and was back in Sioux City for the Augustana College game. Anne says she is enjoying her work very much. She spent the summer in Chicago studying social work in the Chicago factories, where she worked as a bookbinder.

Hazel Surber, Miss Morningside of last year's Homecoming, returned to visit schoolmates and relatives October fifth. Miss Surber has a position in the Manning High School this year. She was a prominent member of last year's Senior Class.

Stanley Dittmer, who will graduate at mid-year, has accepted a position as director of the Morningside Presbyterian Choir on Morningside Avenue and has a choir of over thirty voices and an orchestra. Dittmer is prominent in Morningside College musical organizations being a member of the Men's Glee Club, the Morningside Chapel Choir, and the Sioux City Community Symphony Orchestra.

Roy Jennings is one of the instructors in the Salix High School. Jennings was a member of the cheering squad last year. He took a leading role in raising the standards of the work done by the Dramatic Club.

Helen Empey, a graduate of the Public School Music course of the Morningside Conservatory of Music, has charge of the music in the Cleg-horn Public Schools. Miss Empey was a member of the Morningside College Chapel Choir for four years and was a student on the violin with Professor Leo Kucinski.

Announcements are out regarding the marriage of Aileen Eberly, a former student, to Emmett Barrett late in September. Mr. and Mrs. Barrett plan to remain in Lawton for the present.

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