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BOYS ENJOY CAMPING OUT

Spend Nine Days Near Junction City.
Fire Course on Rifle Range

The annual spring encampment was held this year at Camp Wa-shun-ga, fourteen miles south of Junction City. This camp is owned by the Lutheran Church, and during the summer various religious organizations hold conferences there. On May seventh the cadet corps began their outing, making the journey of some sixty miles in trucks and private cars.

For the first time in St. John's history the boys did not sleep in tents. They occupied two large buildings known as Barracks and in the center of these were partitioned off rooms in which the faculty had their quarters.

Only a few of the several buildings were used by the St. John's corps. One of them was the kitchen with a mess hall attached. Another was fitted up as a school room where boys delinquent in any of their classes were given special study periods. Another was used as a store where candy and soda pop could be purchased. In the rustic chapel at the extreme end of the camp Chaplain Mize conducted short daily religious services. The lavatories were equipped with faucets and shower baths. A swimming pool with a spring board and a slippery slide was located a short distance from the buildings.

The first two days of the encampment were not particularly pleasant. There was much rain, and a decided chill in the air. But when the sky cleared, the sun came to stay.

All the faculty had special duties, and the cadets took turns serving on the various details. In the mornings a two hour session of school was held for boys who needed special work in any of their studies. On certain afternoons groups were taken over to Fort Riley to fire on the rifle range.

A great part of the time the boys were free to do as they pleased. They swam in the lake and took trips in canoes and boats. They played games and enjoyed hikes over the countryside.

On May 16th the encampment came to an end. On the whole it had been a most pleasant one.

MAKE GOOD RECORDS UPON RIFLE RANGE

The results of the firing on the high power range at Fort Riley during the spring encampment were most satisfactory. A number of cadets showed great improvement over what they had done on the small range in the school basement.

Here are the names of the top men and their scores:

Experts—Keraus, 231; York J., 225. Sharpshooters—Thornton, 215; Willard, 215; Finder, 214; McCoy D., 214. Marksmen—Williams, 200; Maker L., 119; Jones P., 197; Erickson, 197; Becker, 192; Condon, 192; Fletcher, 190.

Ashford, Kesselring, May, McCoy C., Pace, Stackelbeck, and Tissaw also made creditable scores.



THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 1936

Top row (left to right): John York, Russell Charles Anderson
Middle row: Buell Pace, Waldo Paul Haythorn, John Leonard Finder
Bottom row: John Vincent Condon, Dwight Spencer

Commencement Schedule

Saturday, May Twenty-Third

9:30 a.m.—Athletic Field Day
4:00 p.m.—Class Reunions
5:00 p.m.—Battalion Parade Perkins Field
9:00 p.m.—Senior Dance School Gymnasium

Sunday, May Twenty-Fourth

8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion, School Chapel
11:00 a.m.—Baccalaureate Service, Christ Cathedral
Preacher: Very Reverend Francis R. Lee Hastings, Nebraska

Sunday Afternoon

3:30 p.m.—Military Field Day Competitive Drills Perkins Field
6:00 p.m.—Buffet Supper Dining Room (Parents and Invited Guests)
8:00 p.m.—Presentation of Diplomas and Awards School Gymnasium
Commencement Address: Very Rev. Hewitt B. Vinnedge, Ph. D. Salina, Kansas

Monday, May Twenty-Fifth

9:00 a.m.—Last Formation Presentation of Commissions and Awards
Lowering of Colors
Dismissal

BANQUET FOR LETTERMEN

Earl Kauffman Gives Address. Coach Moshier is Toastmaster

The school dining room was the scene of a most delightful affair on the evening of April 24 at which time the Lettermen had their annual banquet. Each boy was privileged to bring a young lady. The guest of honor and principal speaker was Mr. Earl Kauffman, Director of Physical Education, Washburn College. Coach Philip Moshier acted as toastmaster.

The dining room had been most artistically decorated. Pennants adorned the walls, and the tables were covered with strips of crepe paper of orange and black, the school colors. Red tapers were set up at intervals.

Following the excellent meal Coach Moshier made presentation of the athletic awards for the year. They were as follows:

Football—Anderson, Becker, Culp, Finder, Fletcher, Haythorn, Kesselring, May, Maker L., McCarty, McCoy D., Olsson, Patton, Prather, VerBrugge, and York J.

Basketball—Maker H., Maker L., McCoy D., Patton, and VerBrugge.

Manager's Award—Golden and Willard.

The lettermen then elected Fletcher captain of next year's football team. When called upon, the captain elect made a few remarks.

Mr. Kauffman, who next spoke, compared life to a baseball game. He considered the cases of certain young college men of his acquaintance who either made failures or successes. He made allusions to striking out, trying to steal bases, making home runs, etc. One of the young men who made good was none other than Coach Moshier with whom he had been associated a number of years in college.

Following Mr. Kauffman's speech the banquet came to an end.

CRACKSQUAD GIVES CREDITABLE DRILLS

Within the past few weeks the Crack-squad has made three public appearances.

On the first occasion the boys drilled on a Sunday afternoon in Memorial hall before the district meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the auxiliary. Mr. William Hoffman of Hutchinson, State Commander, introduced the squad.

A few days later the squad drilled on the ball room floor at the Masonic Temple between numbers of a dance given by the Chamber of Commerce. Earlier in the evening the boys had attended a banquet given by the Chamber of Commerce at which the members of the Soil Erosion Committee of the states of Kansas, Oklahoma, and Nebraska were guests of honor.

Early in May the squad drilled before the general assembly of the student body at Marymount College. Preceding the exhibition Captain Larson sang the songs "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life" and "Little Mother of Mine," one of the Marymount young ladies accompanying him upon the piano.

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GRADUATION

Commencement is here with its "good-byes" and "good lucks." It is an important time in the lives of the Seniors, a number of whom have been at St. John's for four and five years. They are encountering an important turn in the track, which to some will mean college; to others, a starting out into business.

We are proud of the members of the class of 1936 and believe that their records in future years will be as good as the boys in many of the classes which have preceded them. We believe that the same St. John's spirit which has enabled them to accomplish worth while things at school will inspire them to do even better things in the future. They have fought a good fight so far. May they keep on to the finish!

The St. John's Ghost

Part IV

A hush fell over the low-vaulted room as the Grand Cyclops rose from his throne, adjusted his pointed hood, and smoothed his flowing white robe. Simultaneously the two Imperial Wizards on either side of him bowed their heads in veneration. The members of the Board of Dragons standing nearby extended their tall lighted tapers. Their lord and master was about to speak.

"Brother." The Grand Cyclops addressed the candidate for initiation kneeling before his throne, who seemed to be extremely nervous and who was trying to wipe on his sleeve his head which was dripping with water. "Your ordeal is nearly over, and you are on the very threshold of learning all the secrets and mysteries of the Imperial Order of Isaac. But first you must submit to an acid test. You must don the garb of our patron saint, the Glorious Isaac himself, and make a pilgrimage beset with many dangers." His Imperial Majesty clapped his hands. "Produce the holy vestments."

Stepping forward, the two Wizards draped a snowy garment over the candidate's shoulders. They encountered some trouble in slipping the hideous mask with its red glass eye and grey beard over the drenched head. Strange to say a few moments before when the candidate was supposed to kiss a sacred relic, a shin-bone of Saint Isaac, his head had been doused instead into a tub of water.

"Rise." The trembling figure stood up his feet. Stretching out his hand as if to impose a blessing, the Grand Cyclops smeared a bit of phosphorus over the mask. Then in the shaking hand he placed a card upon which the letter "I" had been burnt.

"Take this sacred emblem of our Order," he commanded, "and place it at the foot of the bed of our arch-enemy, Captain Leo. Beware. Go. The Royal Bugaboo will start you on your journey." This distinguished personage, springing from a corner, seized the candidate's arm and caused him to give a scream of terror.

"Your Majesty!" protested the Wizard sitting to the right of the throne.

"Silence!" thundered the Grand Cyclops. The Bugaboo and his charge disappeared through the narrow entrance.

Leaning over, the Wizard whispered to the Grand Cyclops, "Borack, you should have heeded me. You ought to have told him to avoid the second floor where Yerxa is walking his post. The other two sentinels have been tipped off and everything is O. K. Remember too, Octave won't be on hand to help. She's got cold-feet since the Colonel started this night guard duty."

The Grand Cyclops, though a little worried, merely said, "Pooh! pooh! he will come back all right."

"Probably so," said the Wizard, "but we are taking too many risks and before long are going to get caught. It's a wonder the game wasn't up the other night when we removed that block of stone and scared Rastus. I vote that after tonight we discontinue meeting till things have quieted down."

The Grand Cyclops did not seem inclined to discuss the matter any further. Perfect silence was in order. The pilgrim was taking an unusually long time.

"Cheese it!" Instantly the tapers were extinguished. His Imperial Majesty and his court scrambled for shelter behind any objects they could find. New light flooded the room. Colonel Nemo and Bishop Boniface, lanterns in hand, entered with Cadet Yerxa bringing up the rear. Between them marched the pilgrim himself, the hideous mask hanging on his chest and his hair still wet, this time with perspiration rather than with the water doused upon it when he kissed the sacred shin-bone of Saint Isaac.

Una was sitting on the front porch as Leo ascended the steps to speak with her. She was watching the long line of cadets on the demerit squad headed by Cadet Borack, no longer an officer. The Grand Cyclops and his court hung their heads as if they felt keenly the indignity imposed upon them. Cadet Yerxa, now wearing sergeant's chevrons on his sleeves, had charge of the squad.

"And to think, Leo," said Una after the young captain had seated himself by her side, "the St. John's ghost is no more. Both you and I suspected either Borack or Octave. The whole thing was part of the initiation of a cadets' secret society, and 'here was a new ghost every time.'"

Leo laughed. "I must tell you a secret, I even suspected the Colonel the other day when I saw him handling a poker and a piece of cardboard. How silly that was! But it beats me how those boys dug out that room adjoining the basement for their meeting place and kept the entrance concealed."

Just then Sergt. Yerxa dismissed the demerit squad, and Borack paused a moment to speak with Octave, who was coming up the walk.

"I'll bet they are discussing us," said Una. "See those nasty looks floating in our direction. I hope Capt. Decimal really does send Octave to the convent. I wonder whether she and Borack will ever try to get even."

"I wonder," said Leo slowly.
The End.

PARK AND LAKE ARE
CLOSED TO PUBLIC

The recent closing of Brown Memorial Park near Abilene brought regret into the hearts of many of the boys. Here they had spent their past two spring encampments and here they had gone for many pleasant outings.

Not many months ago Mr. C. L. Brown, who built the park and maintained it, died. The securities with which the place was endowed do not provide sufficient revenue to keep the park up or pump water for the lake.

The bathing pavilion will be closed this summer. The Boy Scout and Girl Scout organizations who have camps on the shore of the lake will have to go elsewhere. A few weeks ago the fish were seined and placed in other lakes and streams in the vicinity.

The Seniors

Russell Charles Anderson, St. Paul, Nebraska. Second Lieutenant. Fourth year at St. John's. Hopes to attend the University of Nebraska.

John Vincent Condon, Leadville, Colorado. Private First Class. First year at St. John's. Expects to attend next year the Junior College at Roswell Military Academy or Culver Military Academy.

John Leonard Finder, Ogalalla, Nebraska. Sergeant. Second year at St. John's. Plans to go to an aviation school at Dallas, Texas.

Waldo Paul Haythorn, Ogalalla, Nebraska. Second Lieutenant. Third year at St. John's. Hopes to attend the University of Nebraska.

Robert Leonard Maker, Hominy, Oklahoma. Captain. Fifth year at St. John's. Hopes to attend the University of New Mexico.

Buell Pace, Denver, Colorado. Second Lieutenant. Fourth year at St. John's. Hopes to take up aviation at some flying school.

Dwight Spencer, Kansas City, Missouri. Private First Class. First year at St. John's. Hopes to attend Park College, Parkville, Missouri.

John York, Salina, Kansas. First Lieutenant. Fourth year at St. John's. Expects to prepare for Annapolis.

OUT OF FINALS

The following cadets were excused from the final examinations in certain subjects, their average being ninety per cent or above: Becker—E. E. History; Fletcher—Business Arithmetic, M. E. History; Gordon—English, Geometry, Latin, M. E. History; Goodfellow—Algebra, English; Keraus—Chemistry; Ashford—Social Civics; May—Economics; McCarty—Business Arithmetic, Chemistry; McCoy C.—Economics, French; Stackelbeck—Business Arithmetic; Thompson—Chemistry, Economics, French; Ver Brugge—E. E. History, Social Civics; Willard—Chemistry, Physical Geography.

The following seniors were excused from the final examinations in certain subjects, their averages being eighty-five per cent or above: Anderson—American History, Business Arithmetic; Condon—American History, English, Trigonometry; Finder—Business Arithmetic; Haythorn—Economics, Physical Geography; Maker L.—American History, Economics, English, Physics; Patton—Economics, M. E. History; Spencer—Business Arithmetic; York J.—American History, English, Physics, Trigonometry.

ENJOY DAY'S OUTING
HELD AT STATE LAKE

On April 25, which was a holiday, Captain Brown took fifteen boys on a picnic out to State Lake about twenty-two miles distant. The party left in the school truck as soon as possible after breakfast.

Upon arriving at their destination the boys were delighted to find the pavilion open and row boats available for rental. Before long everybody was out on the lake. Some of the boys rowed their boats to secluded coves where they took short swims in the water none too warm. Others enjoyed exploring the various arms of the lake and landing on the several islands. Around noon the crowd ate dinner at the picnic grounds at the far end of the lake. The meal consisted of "weenies"—they were cooked over a fire—potato salad, cold baked beans, bread and butter, and bananas. Near the picnic grounds some men were fishing, who happened to have along with them two or three extra poles. These they loaned to the boys and also furnished them with some bait. One boy became so interested in his fishing that he wouldn't even stop to partake of some dinner. The cadets caught four fish which they presented to the men who had furnished them with the poles and lines.

JOKES

Haythorn: "What do you call those tiny little white things in your head that bite?"

Thornton (modestly): "I know the name, but I don't like to speak of such things."

Haythorn: "I fooled you that time, didn't I? All I meant was your teeth. They're white and they bite, don't they?"

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Williams: "How did you like my drawing?"

Stackelbeck: "Great! That one of the fried egg was so natural it nearly made me hungry."

Williams: "Fried egg? That drawing was of a sunset."

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Anderson: "That stone hit my head and went flying into space."

Virginia Ryan: "H'm. Did the doctor get it out?"

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Coach: "You're kinder to a dumb animal than you are to me."

Miss Mize: "You try being dumb once, and I'll be kind to you."

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Plummer: "Do you really think fish is a brain food?"

Mitchell: "It can't be. Tissaw eats a lot of it."

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One cadet is always talking about his family—what a fine family tree he has. Yes, every tree has its sap.

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Kesselring: "I do my best work when the lights go out."

Corky: "Oh, you Romeo! Oh you ladies' man."

Kesselring: "You misunderstand me; I often work as an electrician."

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Spencer (3 years from hence): "I have made some money, and I want to do something for dear old Saint Johns. I don't remember what studies I excelled in."

Captain Brown: "In my classes you slept most of the time."

Spencer: "That's fine. I'll endow a dormitory."

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York J.: "What are you so sad about, girlie?"

Marguerite Tracy: "I was just thinking that this will be our last evening together until you call again tomorrow evening."

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Pace says he wishes they would invent something to rub on his whiskers so they would grow in. Then all he would have to do is bite them off.

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Husband: "Aren't you ready to go yet?"

Wife: "Tell me, doesn't my gown look as if it were slipping off my shoulders?"

Husband: "No, let's go."

Wife: "Well, you'll have to wait. It's supposed to look that way."

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Miss Mize (over telephone): "Are you the game warden?"

Game Warden: "Yes, ma'am."

Miss Mize: "Well, I am thankful I have the right person at last. Would you mind suggesting some nice games for me to use when I entertain my girls' Sunday School class next week?"

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BASE BALL GAMES

Baseball has been started at St. John's as a new competitive sport, taking the place of track. Although it got under way rather late, three games were played and closely contested. Bennington, Ada, and Ledville all succeeded in winning from St. John's in seven inning games.

Patton, pitcher, was elected captain and the following boys have shown proficiency as ball players: Jones, P., catcher; Condon, first base; Erickson, 2nd base; Ver Brugge, 3rd base; Culp, short stop; Williams, Fletcher and Golden, outfielders. The utility men are Hearn, Tissaw, Thompson, McCoy D., Willard, and Becker.

The team has shown steady improvement each game it has played. This is the first year St. John's has had a base ball team and enough interest has been shown to insure its continuance in following years.

GOLF ACTIVITIES

Golf, another new sport introduced this year, has found many followers. Golf clubs sent from home, borrowed and rented, have been used by the aspirants. St. John's has no golf course but plenty of room to learn the fundamentals of wood and iron shots. Twice a week, sometimes oftener, the golfers go to the Northview public course where they attempt to break par.

Stackelbeck, Erickson and Pace, who have all had experience in golfing, have shown improvement from the early season play. Novices in this sport are Tissaw, Thornton, and York. Many others who wished to play were unable to secure the necessary equipment. Stackelbeck and Erickson shot the lowest scores, both turned in 39's, par being 33. There are indications of having a competitive team next year.

FILM SHOWING SCHOOL
NEARING COMPLETION

The picture which Mr. Tolbert is taking of St. John's School and its activities is rapidly taking form. A number of the sections have been shown before the cadet corps, and it seems to be the unanimous opinion that they could not be better.

The boys have been showing a fine spirit of cooperation. The filming of the picture has necessitated their giving up many moments which otherwise would have been free. They have had to change clothes a number of times and have had to dress up in the various outfits of the athletic teams. Many have been particularly helpful in moving around the arc lights, in transferring the camera from one place to another, and in laying the special lines of wires from the main fuse box to carry the extra electricity.

Mr. C. G. McCargar, a Salina photographer, has been assisting with the lighting. To produce the proper lighting effects in the chapel required a great deal of pains and trouble.

The picture will not be completed until after the close of school. Mr. Tolbert wishes it to include some of the commencement activities.

EIGHTH GRADE BOYS
TO GET DIPLOMAS

Seven boys are graduating from the eighth grade this year and will receive their diplomas at the exercises to be held Sunday evening in the school gymnasium. They are: Hayes Big Eagle, Hominy, Oklahoma; Robert Jones, Littleton, Colorado; Eugene Mitchell, Kansas City, Missouri; Richard Plummer, Kansas City, Missouri; Robert Putney, Wichita, Kansas; Lewis Suggs, Goodland, Kansas; Jack Tissaw, Severy, Kansas.

This is the first year at St. John's for Mitchell, Putney, and Suggs, and the second year for Big Eagle, Jones, Plummer, and Tissaw.

BANDIT CAR WRECKS
IN SCHOOL GROUNDS

Cadets returning from late pass on Saturday evening April 18 found a good deal of excitement on the campus. The police were on hand questioning different people, an abandoned wrecked car was being guarded, and water was pouring forth from the fire hydrant which had been broken off.

Here is the story of the whole affair. A fifteen year old bandit, who had broken out of the reform school at Golden, Colorado was driving in a stolen car when he was given chase by the police. Not seeing the turn at the north end of Santa Fe avenue, the fugitive kept on into the St. John's grounds and wrecked the car on the fire plug. He then escaped in the darkness. In the stolen car was found \$150 worth of jewelry and clothing obtained a few hours before in a burglary at the little town of Wilson not many miles from Salina.

A number of the cadets from the barracks as well as the boys returning from late pass flocked out to see what was the trouble. After a while the police towed away the stolen car, and the water company came to repair the broken pipe. Then the cadets went to bed.

This is not the end of the story. About two o'clock, as Mr. and Mrs. Tolbert were stopping their car in front of the main building, a boy emerged from the darkness and asked Mr. Tolbert to take him down to the police station. He said he was the one the police were after, and had been hiding behind some shrubbery. Mr. Tolbert, who felt not any too much at ease, phoned the police. They were soon out to the school and took the bandit down to jail. It might be mentioned that two other boys escaped from the Colorado reform school at the same time this one did, and the three committed a number of crimes together. Two were arrested in Salina, and the third is still at large.

A Trip to the Zoo

Have you been to the zoo on a bright sunny day

When all the animals are enjoying their play

When the monkeys are swinging with greatest delight

And the lions and tigers at each other do bite?

The bears—how they caper and tumble around

And the elephants trumpet—gee, what a sound.

If you visit St. John's most any old day, You'll find things like these going on in full sway

There are squealings and pinchings and scamperings and chatter

And nudgings and pokings and toot horns and clatter

It will seem to you surely most any old minute

That the animals at the zoo aren't even in it.

OLD BOY NEWS

George Warren, '30, is studying Dentistry at the University of Nebraska.

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Russell Fowitz, '32, is now in the undertaking business at Alva, Oklahoma.

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Nelson Richards, '34, who has been attending the junior college at Kemper Military Academy, has made the National Honor Society.

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CAMP NOTES

First Lieutenant H. A. Trigg and Second Lieutenant G. J. Emmington, Reserve officers, stayed at camp and assisted with firing on the rifle range. They gained many friends among the cadets.

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A number of boys took canoe trips up stream flowing through camp as far as the Smoky Hill River. They had to carry the crafts over many shallow and rocky places.

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One evening the entire corps had passes to Junction City, the truck taking the boys to and fro. On another evening several boys started on a sight seeing trip in the truck with the intention of visiting the town of Woodbine, but on account of a flat tire the trip was not as long as planned.

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Horseshoes and base ball were popular games. Some boys found a few croquet mallets and balls and originated a game which they called "golf."

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Fishing and hunting were enjoyed by some of the boys. On more than one occasion the chef fried fish and rabbits. Once he was asked to cook some frogs' legs.

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Camp was located in a grove of trees. Under many of these were rustic benches where one could rest when one felt tired.

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The water was piped from Rock Spring Farm about a half mile away. More than one group of boys visited this farm and saw the water flowing from a hole in the hillside.

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One evening Mr. Tolbert came out and showed a lively western five reel feature motion picture. The camp has its own electric light plant, and this supplied the necessary current.

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One day Lieutenant Baker took a group of cadets into Fort Riley and showed them around. The boys were particularly interested to see the 13th Cavalry leaving on an over-night maneuver.

LETTERMEN'S DANCE

The dance following the Lettermen's Banquet on April 24 was held in the Japanese Gardens down town. Promptly at nine o'clock the orchestra known as the Ten Princes of Personality started playing. Most of the dances were either one steps or fox trots.

Mr. Tolbert took some motion pictures of the dancers. During the intermission the cadets were allowed to take their girls to one of the drug stores and treat them. At midnight the affair came to an end.

Making Money

What is the use in making money if in the end you cannot make friends? Both are essential.

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SENIORS SEE PLAY
AT KANSAS WESLEYAN

The seniors of St. John's School and the Salina High School were the guests of the Black Masque Dramatic Club of Kansas Wesleyan University on April 23, when they put on their annual spring play, "The Young Idea" by Noel Coward. Captain Brown accompanied the St. John's group to the production, taking the place of Chaplain Mize who was unable to go. The performance was given in Sams Chapel in the administration building. It was directed by Charles H. Mead, Jr., head of the department of Public Speaking.

The play was a brilliant one containing much humor and many smart lines. The actors did particularly well, and one noticeable feature was that they all knew their parts. The cadets enjoyed "The Young Idea" and appreciate greatly their being asked to see it.

PICTURE SHOWS ARE
ESPECIALLY GOOD

The motion pictures shown in the study hall within the past few weeks have been of particular interest. Besides various short funny reels two features of some length have been shown. These were George Eliot's "Romola" and R. D. Blackmore's "Lorna Doone." Both of these books are on the reading list in the English classes. The latter is sometimes taken up for class study.

Three short educational films have been shown. One was on "William Shakespeare," which in addition to a biographical sketch included scenes about Stratford-on-Avon, such as the poet's old home, the grammar school he attended, and Anne Hathaway's cottage. The second picture, entitled "People Who Live on a Great Plain," showed conditions of life on the great plain in South America known as the Pampas and pointed out the influence of such a region on the development of people. The third picture was called "Our Daily Bread." It considered the evolution of the wheat industry and showed development of harvesting, threshing, milling, and baking, beginning with the primitive and concluding with the more modern apparatus.

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BOYS IN DRAMATICS
TO PRESENT PLAY

The evening of May 22 is the date the St. John's Dramatic Club has set for the presentation of its little play called "The Seventh Doctor." The cadets under the direction of their instructor Mr. La Velle F. Hicks have been working for some time getting ready for this production.

The play is a farce comedy consisting of many complicated situations and mix ups. The story deals with the blunders of a forgetful negro servant who calls in too many doctors to treat a lady feigning sickness so that she may get a necklace from her husband. When the doctors arrive, they are loathe to leave and cause much annoyance to the lady's husband who is of the nervous type. Finally the quack doctor takes the situation in hand and gets rid of his colleagues.

The persons in the cast are as follows: the nervous husband, Pace; Dr. Allen Path, Williams; Dr. Homer Path, Good-fellow; Dr. Rub, Tissaw; Dr. Molar, Willard; Dr. Vetter, Condon; Dr. Quack, Keraus; the negro servant, Breyfogle, S.

In addition to the play Mr. Hicks plans to put on one or two vaudeville acts. One of them is the courtroom scene which has been presented most enjoyably a number of times in the past.

Mr. La Velle F. Hicks, instructor of Dramatics, is establishing a camp this summer at Ward, Colorado, 75 miles northwest of Denver in the Roosevelt National Forest. Her boys may come to spend a week or any length of time. His prices are moderate.

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Promotions

The following promotions are made:
First Sergeant Jerry McCarty to the rank of Second Lieutenant.

Corporal Jack Finder to the rank of Sergeant.

Corporal Carson McCoy to the rank of Sergeant.

Corporal Jack Willard to the rank of Sergeant.

Private First Class Marvin Golden to rank of Corporal.

NEW MEDAL TO BE
AWARDED THIS YEAR

An attractive new medal is to be awarded at the commencement exercises this year known as the citizenship medal. It is awarded by the Salina post of Veterans of Foreign Wars. At a recent meeting of this organization the members voted that it be presented to the noncommissioned officer at St. John's Military School who shows the highest rating in leadership.

Representations of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln appear on the face of the medal and also the inscription "Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States." The reverse side is embossed with the Cross of Malta and has a space for engraving the name of the recipient.

Early in June Chaplain and Mrs. Mize will attend the College of Preachers held at the National Cathedral in Washington, D. C. The session will be conducted by Dr. Frank Gavin of the General Theological Seminary in New York and Dr. Wm. Urban of Yale University. The subject for discussion will be "Preaching in the Modern Mind."

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