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## WINTER DAYS BRING SKATING ACTIVITIES

CAMPUS IS A REGULAR SHEET OF  
ICE. BOYS PLAY GAMES  
OF HOCKEY

Despite the discomforts of chapped hands and faces, the recent cold spell brought joy to the hearts of most of the cadets. The thick coat of hail, after melting a bit and freezing over, made almost the entire campus a skating pond. However, certain places were improved by artificial means. The fire department came out and flooded the east drill field and the boys themselves got out a hose and sent a stream of water on the terraces in front of the barracks.

The boys had great times. They played games of hockey and tag and competed in races and contests. As another form of activity, a number of the boys rigged up a big sled out of lumber the school furnished. This they attached to the school truck and had one of the faculty members drive them around.

Many of the town children came out to use the St. John's skating rinks. One night the cadets invited their lady friends to skate with them. When they tired of outdoor sport, the couples went inside and danced in the dining room to the tune of a victrola. They were served refreshments of cocoa and cookies.

## SIX NEW BOYS HAVE ENROLLED IN SCHOOL

Within the past few weeks six boys have enrolled at St. John's.

Hayes Big Eagle, Hominy, Oklahoma. He attended St. John's last year but during the past fall term went to the Missouri Military Academy. He is sixteen years old and is a freshman.

Paul Riley, Pratt, Kansas. He attended the Pratt Junior High School. He is fifteen years old and is in the eighth grade.

Burke Stanard, Denver, Colorado. He came to St. John's from East Denver High School. He is fifteen years old and is a sophomore.

Clayton Musick, Denver, Colorado. He attended East Denver High School. He is seventeen years old and is a junior.

Joseph Scarry, Denver, Colorado. He came to St. John's from the Billings (Montana) Polytechnic High School. He is fifteen years old and is a sophomore.

Donald Bailey, Hutchinson, Kansas. He attended Hutchinson High School. He is seventeen years old and is a senior.

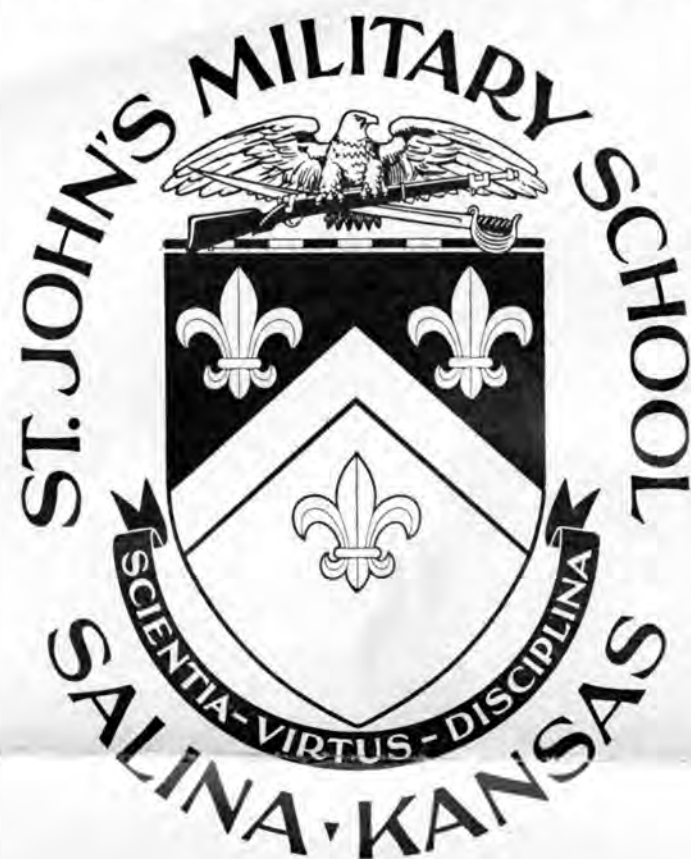
## BOYS ON BASKETBALL TEAM HAVE NEW SUITS

Early in the present season the members of the St. John's basketball team blossomed out in their new suits. The trunks are of black jockey satin trimmed in orange. In the side is a piece of orange and black elastic to prevent the satin from tearing. The belt is of orange and black.

The jersey is of black silk trimmed in orange. There are black numbers on each side.

The warm up is made of black wool with "St. John's" in orange letters on the back.

## THE SCHOOL SEAL



On account of numerous inquiries concerning its interpretation the St. John's School seal is printed along with certain information. Unfortunately it is not possible to reproduce it here in colors.

The seal first appeared in the 1930-31 catalogue. The details were the work of Bishop R. H. Mize and Col. R. W. Perkins, the school commandant, who made a study of several books on Heraldry. Below is given its interpretation.

**Crest:**—A wreath bearing an eagle with extended wings resting on a rifle and unsheathed saber.

**Shield:**—Orange and black with gold chevron and three fleurs-de-lis.

**Motto:**—Scientia—Virtus—Disciplina (Learning—Vigor—Courtesy).

**Description of Crest:**—The eagle is fearless, possesses far vision, is resourceful, and is resting in an attitude of protection. The rifle and saber are emblematic of the defense of our State and institutions. The wreath has been taken from the Coat of Arms of the State of Kansas in which St. John's School is located.

**Description of Shield:**—A gold chevron and three fleurs-de-lis surmount a field of black and burnt orange (the approved school colors) which indicate religious and scholastic activities. The fleurs-de-lis taken from the shield of the first Bishop of England, symbolize the three Bishops of Salina who have been in charge of the school; also that St. John's School has furnished soldiers to the federal government for three campaigns—Spanish-American War, Mexican Border, and the World War.

### Substitutes for Drill

During that time when the school grounds were covered with ice and snow and much could not be accomplished in a military way outdoors, Lieut. Evans provided substitute activities for the daily drill period. He divided the corps into three groups who took turns in working in the armory, firing on the rifle range, or hiking in the country. The boys in the first group occupied themselves in taking apart and cleaning the new rifles recently received. The boys in the second group received instruction in handling the rifle and in firing. The boys in the third group generally hiked in the woods to the north of school and engaged in numerous sports, one of the most popular being that of sliding down the steep embankment on either side of Mulberry Creek.

### New Rifles Have Come

The school armory makes a good appearance these days with its display of new army rifles. These arrived not long ago from the Rock Island Arsenal in exchange for old rifles. Three kinds of rifles were included in the new shipment—Winchesters, Remingtons, and Eddystones. It has been a job to clean the new rifles and get them ready for use on account of the grease and chemicals that had been put on them to keep them from rusting. Every piece had to be taken apart.

New rifle racks and cleaning stands have been installed in the armory. Also a new bulletin board has been set up. Here information about each rifle can be gained at a glance. Keraus, who is in charge of the armory, deserves much credit for putting things in such a good shape.

## CADETS BEAT TESCOTT HIGH SCORE 31 TO 29

AT CLOSE OF LAST QUARTER  
VER BRUGGE MAKES SHOT  
TO WIN GAME

On February 2 the cadets defeated Tescott in the St. John's gymnasium 31 to 29. The game was tied at 29 all with thirty seconds left to play when Ver Brugge, cadet forward, hooked a one handed shot through the hoop to win the game.

The Tescott team passed the ball brilliantly and shot accurately to keep ahead all the first half. The score at the end of the half was 12 to 14 in favor of Tescott.

In the third quarter the cadets began to find the basket. With Patton, Ver Brugge and Jackson coaxing the ball through the hoop St. John's pushed ahead of Tescott to lead 22 to 18 as the last quarter started.

Midway in the fourth quarter the cadets were leading by 8 points, but Fender and Dunmire, a clever pair of performers from Tescott, loosed a shower of late goals to tie the score. Ver Brugge got the tip-off, whirled, and made a one handed shot that broke the tie and ended the game. The game ended as the ball was thrown up at center.

## MRS. PRATHER GIVES DELIGHTFUL READING

One afternoon not many weeks ago Mrs. Kathryn B. Prather, mother of Cadet Nelson Prather, read to the cadets a selection from "The Four Marys" by Agnes Sligh Turnbull. She chose that part of the book dealing with Mary of Bethany. It began with the visit of the Wise Men to the home of the parents of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, on the way to Bethlehem to bring their presents to the Christ Child. It included the raising of Lazarus from the dead by Jesus and ended with the incident in which Mary anointed Jesus' feet with precious ointment.

This is the second time that the cadets have had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Prather. A year ago last Good Friday she read for them from "The Wife of Pontius Pilate."

Mrs. Prather has the reputation of being one of Kansas' foremost readers, and has presented programs before audiences all over the state. She is a graduate of Kansas City University, Horner School of Expression. She has also studied under Walton Pyre of the Chicago Musical. She is a member of the Kansas Authors' Club.

## INFORMAL DANCE IS HELD IN DINING HALL

The St. John's dining hall was the scene of a delightful informal dance on the evening of January 16. The room looked most attractive with pennants on the wall and the lights dimmed with colored tissue paper. An electric victrola furnished the music. Mrs. Prince, Mrs. Clem, and several members of the faculty were the chaperons.

The affair started at eight-thirty and continued until eleven. The cadets who had dates were allowed until midnight to get back to school.



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## MAKING MISTAKES

Experience is a sound teacher, and it is most effective where the pupil is willing to learn. There is little fear of lack of success for the man who profits by his mistakes and learns by them not to repeat the error.

It is wise to harken to this experience that our mistakes may be fewer and not repeated. But for our friends, in business and otherwise, we would prefer the men and the women who have made mistakes.

There are only two conclusions we can draw about the man who never makes a mistake. One is that he never does anything, and therefore cannot do it wrong. The other is that he is not frank enough to reveal his error, but will seek to hide it by other errors that he hopes will balance the account.

Why be afraid of an honest mistake? Everyone worth while is guilty of them—if there is guilt. The test is not in erring. It is, rather, in having the manhood to seek to correct the blunder.

## Scribbling

Though school children all over America differ greatly from one another, there is one thing many of them have in common. They delight in writing and carving their names over the school buildings and mutilating their text books and defacing them with idle scribbles. People often wonder whether back of all this is a contempt on the pupil's part for school life with its restrictions or whether it is just a carefree method of getting a certain amount of energy out of the system. The latter opinion is the one more generally held.

Child Psychology teachers have written articles giving the results of their observations concerning textbook scribbling. They have discovered that the outstanding theme of the scribbling is the exhortation to the public not to steal the book: "Steal not this book for fear of strife, for the owner carries a big knife," "He who steals this book steals trash."

Here are other scribbles that frequently occur: "In case of fire, throw this in," "Do not open until Christmas," "Pray as you enter," "Ye who enter here, leave all hope behind."

Occasionally, a mischievous student may attempt to bait the person who happens to take up his book. He will write preferably on the front page:

"If my picture you wish to see  
Look on page 103."

He knows that any one who happens to read this will turn to the page indicated, so on page 103 he will put something like this:

"I claim your patience a little more  
Turn to page 204."

He will compose two or three more verses of the same nature telling where the picture is to be found. When he thinks he has gone far enough, he will probably draw a picture of a donkey and write a

few words comparing the reader's likeness to it.

Once a class in English was studying, "Selections from English Literature," by Payne and Hill. Several facetious boys scratched out the "i" in Mr. Hill's name, and inserted an "e" in its place. This new rendering of the authors' names probably reflected the way the study of the book reacted on them.

Another English class had as its text a book called "Our English." Some of the pupils prefixed the letter "S" to the title making it read "Sour English."

A youngster does many strange things, but one of the strangest is his practice of scribbling in his textbooks. In no way does he show better his carefree and optimistic attitude toward life.

ENTERTAIN GROUP OF  
YOUNGER BOYS AT A PARTY

On the evening of January 29 Capt. Brown and Lieut. Hidalgo gave a party for the freshmen and junior school boys. The affair took place in the mathematics class room.

The boys played numerous games including "Consequences," "Hurly-Burly," and "Marching to Jerusalem." Capt. Brown had a supply of candy on hand which he awarded to the winners in some of the contests.

A running spelling match caused a great deal of excitement. When the word to be spelled was called out, the contestants had to pick from a box cardboard letters of the alphabet and carry them one at a time to the far end of the room and put them in the proper order at a designated place.

At nine-thirty the crowd went to the dining hall and had refreshments of hot chocolate and sandwiches.

## HIGH AVERAGES

## Fourth Month of School

Upper School	Lower School
Gordon 94.3	Stokes 85.5
Thompson 91	Clem 84.2
Breyfogle V. 90.8	York 81.6
Lotker 88.5	
Kesselring 88.2	
Breyfogle S. 87.8	
McCarty 86.8	
Ver Brugge 86.3	
Venneberg 86	
Maker L. 85.5	
Willard 85.2	
Thornton 85	

## Table Manners

"If you love me as I love you,  
No knife can cut our love in two."  
Oh yes it can, and cut it quick,  
For should you cultivate the trick  
Of eating with the self-same knife,  
I would be off of you for life.

"The rose is red, the violet blue;  
Sugar is sweet, and so are you."  
But not so sweet that should you stoop  
To making noises with your soup,  
I would find within the hour  
That you and love had both gone sour.

"Trouble and pain and want and ill  
Would never make my passion chill."  
But if you spill things on your vest  
Or smack your lips with too much zest,  
Or from your saucer drink your tea,  
You'll get the well-known gate from me.

"Sorrow I could bear up underneath."  
But should I see you pick your teeth  
Or spear your bread; or if I viewed  
You in the act of gulping food,  
I'd hand you, thereupon, a lime;  
And thank my stars I'd learned in time!  
—Selected.

Waldo Haythorn withdrew from St. John's the beginning of the second semester after taking a half year of post-graduate work.

## LOCAL NEWS

Recent visitors at St. John's included Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Riley, Pratt, Kansas; Mrs. Gladys Gadeke, Wellington, Kansas; Mrs. J. F. Gadeke, Pratt, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jackson, Hutchinson, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Karl Venneberg, Hays, Kansas; Mrs. Kathryn Prather, Elmdale, Kansas.

This past month in English the seniors read on the outside "The Rise of Silas Lapham;" and the sophomores, "The House of the Seven Gables." The juniors are now reading "David Copperfield."

At a recent meeting of their class the seniors elected McCoy D., president, and Patton, secretary.

Wedding bells were responsible for Bill Fletcher's failure to return to school after the Christmas holidays. On January 2 Bill was married to Miss Myrtle Barker of Hominy, Oklahoma. This was his fourth year at St. John's.

On January 25 Lieut. Lantz went to Kansas City with the Salina Y. M. C. A. wrestling team of which he is a member. His team wrestled with the Central Y. M. C. A. team and Lieut. Lantz won the match in which he competed.

Punching the bag is now popular with some of the cadets. Both Kesselring and McCoy C. have purchased bags for use in the gymnasium.

Early in January Mrs. Leonard Mitchell spent a few days at school. She is connected with the music department of the Yankton College at Yankton, South Dakota.

The day after the Tescott game was a holiday. The cadets were free from after breakfast until dinner time that night. Many of them took lunch in town.

## Promotions

The following promotions have been made since the last "Skirmisher" came out:

Lieutenant Kesselring to Captain.  
2nd Lieutenant McCarty to 1st Lieutenant.  
1st Sergeant McCoy C. to 2nd Lieutenant.  
1st Sergeant Willard to 2nd Lieutenant.  
Corporal Lloyd Bigley to Sergeant.  
Corporal McCoy D. to Sergeant.  
1st Class Private Culp to Corporal.  
1st Class Private Thompson to Corporal.  
1st Class Private Breyfogle V. to Corporal.

INDOOR TARGET PRACTICE  
IS NOW TAKING PLACE

The "pops" and "bangs" resounding from the basement this year are more numerous than usual. Under the barracks firing has been progressing for some time on the rifle range. The new pistol range in the long corridor adjoining the furnace room has just started operations. McCarty has charge of the pistol range; Keraus and McCoy D., of the rifle range. At St. John's the greater part of the target practice is postponed until the second semester. All cadets first master the principles of sighting and of handling the .22 calibre rifle. They then fire a course, shooting from the prone, kneeling, and sitting positions.

In past years St. John's has produced rifle teams with especially fine records. They have competed most successfully with other teams throughout the state.

## JOKES

Ver Brugge (proudly): "My picture was in all my home papers last week."  
May: "How much reward did they offer?"

Davis' deviated septum is getting as famous as the proverbial operation so many of the ladies like to discuss.

Mrs. Mize: "Austin, do you remember what the equator is?"

Austin: "It's a menagerie lion running around the earth."

Mrs. Prince: "Oh dear, dear! I took such a lot of trouble planning tonight's salad and hardly anybody touched it."

Stackelbeck: "Salad? Why we boys thought it was a new way of arranging flowers."

Williams: "I am going away to study singing."

Bigley: "Good! How far away?"

Joan: "We've been waiting a long time for that mother of mine."

Kesselring: "Hours."

Joan: "Oh, Gus, this is so sudden."

Farmer: "Didn't you see that sign marked 'Private, No Trespassing?'"

McCoy C.: "I never read anything marked 'Private.' I passed that stage long ago."

Capt. Brown: "Willard, sit up straight. Take that gum out of your mouth and stick your feet in."

Tissaw (whispering in Latin class): "What is this strange smell I notice?"

Lotker: "Maybe it's the dead language."

Lucas: "No, I think it's the rotten grade I got last month."

Capt. Simpson (in Chemistry class): "What is the formula for water?"

Culp: "H—I—J—K—L—M—N—O."

Capt. Simpson: "Nonsense."

Culp: "Well, the book says it's H to O."

McCarty: "How would you like to have dinner with me tonight?"

Doris: "Oh, Jerry, it would be fine."

McCarty: "All right, I'll see if I can't get permission from Lieut. Evans to sit over at your table."

Science says the air you breathe and the food you eat during the day weigh about the same. Johnny West certainly must have a job taking in the necessary amount of air.

Thompson: "So you went to a bull fight in Mexico last Christmas? Who won?"

Lieut. Hidalgo: "It was a toss up."

Thompson: "Do bull fighters get killed very often?"

Lieut. Hidalgo: "Never more than once."

Marmduke Henry McKenny  
Leaned over to pick up a penny.

An auto whizzed by  
And now the poor guy  
Has gone where he doesn't need any.

Capt. Brown: "Lavery, give me a sentence containing the word 'fascinate'."

Lavery: "Randall had a vest with nine buttons on it, but after a while he could only fasten eight."

Was Jackson sore when he had his senior picture taken the other day.

Jackson: "Now be sure to make my picture attractive."

Photographer: "That will be five dollars extra."

## LAUGHLIN CLOTHIERS

SALINA, KANSAS

# SPORTS

## CADETS BEAT SOLOMON IN HARD FOUGHT GAME

On January 26 St. John's on its own court beat Solomon 36 to 23. On the first tip off the Solomon team got the ball and passed it in for a set up before a half minute of the first quarter was gone. After that the play was very slow. The end of the quarter showed a score of 6 to 3 in favor of Solomon.

During the second quarter the cadets began to pick up and closed the gap in the score, making it 10 to 11 at the half in favor of Solomon.

With Jackson inserted at the beginning of the third quarter St. John's went on a scoring spree. They passed the ball in, around, and over the Solomon team to make 16 points and hold Solomon scoreless.

With the score 26 to 11 in their favor at the beginning of the fourth quarter the cadets began to take it easy letting Solomon score 12 points while they made 10 but their lead was too much for the Solomon team to overcome.

Jackson was high point man with 13 points and played outstanding ball all the way around. McCoy and Ver Brugge each made 4 field goals and played good ball.

The cadet seconds won 15 to 13, thanks to 10 points scored by Stackelbeck.

The line-up:

ST. JOHN'S	Pos.	SOLOMON
Patton	F	Fitzwater
Ver Brugge	F	Bart
Jackson	C	Parmenter
Maker	G	Marchaise
Boggs	G	Wolf
McCoy	G	Hosley

## MARQUETTE DOWNS CADETS BY NARROW MARGIN

On January 19 Marquette on their home floor defeated St. John's, 24 to 22. At the last minute they made the necessary points to gain the victory.

As the first half closed the score stood 16 to 15 in Marquette's favor. Towards the end of the last quarter St. John's overtook their opponents and the score stood 22 to 22. But Roller, the Marquette center, made a spectacular one handed shot, and put the ball into the net and thus won the game for his team, 24 to 22.

McCoy D. led the cadets in scoring, and Schmitt and Musselwhite, Marquette.

## Athletic Board of Control

Early this month each of the four classes of the Upper School met and elected a member for the Athletic Board of Control. The seniors chose May; the juniors, Becker; the sophomores, Maker H.; and the freshmen, Maker L.

Three faculty members are also members of the Athletic Board of Control. This year they are Major Clem, Lieut. Evans, and Coach Mosher.

The Athletic Board of Control has general direction of athletics at school. Among its duties, it regulates the awarding of letters and imposes penalties for any violation of rules. It also prescribes rules for the intra-mural contests.

At the last Enterprise basketball game Mr. Tolbert took some pictures for the new catalogue.

## MARQUETTE IS BEATEN BY ST. JOHN'S TEAM

On January 12, St. John's defeated Marquette on the Marquette gym 24 to 20. They passed the ball briskly and moved in for a number of good shots.

The cadets with Patton leading the way held a small lead throughout the game. Once Marquette pulled to a 16 all tie, but the soldiers soon scored two more baskets and two free throws to take a safe margin.

Roller and Musselwhite were the only Marquette players to score, the latter making 4 goals, and the former 6.

Patton played good ball for the cadets and was high point man with 12 points.

## CADETS ARE VICTORS IN GAME WITH KIPP

The St. John's cadets opened the basketball season on December 15 with a 30 to 15 defeat over Kipp.

The game was marked by a last quarter rally, led by Ver Brugge and Patton, cadet forwards, who suddenly found the range of the basket and turned a close game into a rout in the final 8 minutes of play.

Through the first three quarters Kipp led, 5 to 4, then 8 to 7, and finally 12 to 11, but immediately after the final quarter started, the soldiers began to make their passes bring open shots. Ver Brugge, Patton, and Jackson finished with 10, 9, and 8 points, respectively.

Ralph Martin, clever little Kipp forward, bagged 11 points for high point honors.

There are three more basketball games this year. They are:

Feb. 16—Talmage, here.  
Feb. 23—Solomon, there.  
Feb. 26—Kanopolis, here.

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## MAGICIAN PRESENTS ENTERTAINING PROGRAM

With the proverbial 'eyes as big as saucers' the cadets viewed the performance put on for them by Huntington the Magician on the evening of January 11. He was assisted by a young man in a bell boy's uniform who acted and moved as if he were a robot.

Nothing was too difficult for the entertainer to restore after it had been smashed. The rings he had borrowed from persons in the audience and battered up, he easily made as good as ever by using them as ammunition in a pistol and shooting them into a box. In the innermost compartment he found them, one dangling on a ribbon tied around a rabbit's neck.

Mr. Huntington even showed that he knew something about the art of cooking. He poured into Lieut. Evans' hat all sorts of impossible ingredients, set fire to them and the product was a cake. The Lieutenant's hat was not injured a particle by being put to such a strange use.

Another of his tricks was the making of pigeons disappear from a cage by merely passing a scarf in front.

Mr. Huntington performed numerous tricks with cards. He could link and unlink large rings which apparently contained no breaks in them.

Coach Mosher took the members of the basketball team to see the game played in Memorial Hall, Salina between Kansas Wesleyan University and Baker University and the game between Kansas Wesleyan University and Rockhurst.

At Christmas time Capt. and Mrs. R. W. C. Evans, of Rockford, Illinois, sent a number of their Salina friends pictures of their son, who was born last summer. The youngster is a handsome healthy looking baby. Capt. Evans is a former commandant of St. John's.

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### CRACKSQUAD MAKES PUBLIC APPEARANCES

The St. John's Cracksquad made two public appearances recently.

On the first occasion the boys put on their drill before the pupils of the Lincoln High School in general assembly. The president of the senior class introduced the Cracksquad. Following the drill one of the Salina teachers gave a talk on Interior Decoration.

On the second occasion the boys drilled before the Modern Woodmen of America at one of their evening meetings. Besides the drill several other numbers were on the program. There were vocal and musical selections; also a drill by the Abilene crack drill team. The use of axes instead of guns seemed rather odd to the cadets. Three gentlemen from headquarters of the Modern Woodmen of America made short talks.

When the program came to a close, everyone was served refreshments of jelly rolls and coffee. Then came a dance, music being furnished by an orchestra from Hutchinson. The cadets were told not to wait for introductions but to dance with whomever they wished.

The cadets had a fine time, and Lieut. Evans, who was in charge of them, let them stay until the last dance was over. It might be mentioned that Joe Keraus, bugler for the Cracksquad, seeing that the orchestra was lacking a trumpet player, offered his services and gave a new tone to the music.

### Reserve Officers Meet

On alternate Thursday evenings the Group School of the Reserve Officers in Saline County and the vicinity hold meetings at St. John's School. The class is under the guidance of Major E. C. Mead who is Unit Instructor of 517 Coast Artillery in Topeka. Lieut. Evans is the secretary of the organization. At the meetings Regular Army officers who have been detailed to civilian instruction give instruction and talks, taking up various phases of military theory.

On more than one occasion buffet suppers have been given for the officers. At the invitation of Lieut. Evans some of the St. John's cadet officers have attended these. The members of the Group School have frequently availed themselves of the opportunity of firing on the St. John's rifle and pistol ranges.

### Preaches in Chapel

The parable of the sower and the seed was the subject of the sermon the Reverend Mr. Mitchell, the St. John's chaplain, preached on the morning of January 31. Instead of going down town to the cathedral on account of the bad weather and the slippery streets the cadets had service in the school chapel.

Mr. Mitchell referred to the Sower as God, the seeds as the word of God, and mankind as the soil. It is up to us to make ourselves receptive of the seed which is continually coming our way.

Mr. Mitchell took up in turn the various kinds of soil upon which the seed falls and is not productive. In this connection he brought out the various attitudes that tend to hinder our reaping a fruitful harvest; we may say it is up to God, who is responsible for our being in this world, to see that we develop in the right way. It is our duty to put forth every effort to receive the word of God and let it mold our lives. We must shut out bad habits, and strive to overcome temptation. We must do everything to put ourselves in the right attitude with God.

### EDUCATIONAL MOTION PICTURES ARE SHOWN

Several educational motion pictures have been shown to the cadet corps the past few weeks.

One was called "Jewels of Industry" and depicted the making of carborundum and aloxite, abrasives made by man harder than nature's abrasives.

Another dealt with sulphur and nickel. The forced steam process by which sulphur was mined was shown. The mining and refining of nickel was pictured as well as its uses in making alloys so necessary in modern industry.

Another film dealt with the production of monel metal, showing its imperviousness to the forces of the elements and the destructive qualities of acids and alkalis.

One sound picture was presented which was furnished by the Chevrolet Motor Company. The greater part showed the Chevrolet plant in operation. However, the first two reels had to do with making motion pictures and explained how pictures produced the illusion of moving. This section included the taking apart of a motion picture camera.

A few Saturday nights ago a five reel sport picture called "Around the Bases" was shown in the study hall. It was very exciting as well as humorous.

### ENJOY PRODUCTION OF "ROMEO AND JULIET"

Nearly the entire St. John's School attended the matinee of "Romeo and Juliet" when the screen version was presented on February 4. Through the courtesy of the management of the Watson Theatre both faculty and cadets were admitted at a reduced price. The settings built to portray Verona in the fifteenth century were magnificent. The acting was all that might be desired. Just the right amount of the lines were cut to prevent tediousness.

Prior to the showing Capt. Brown reviewed "Romeo and Juliet" in all of his English classes, making use of the photoplay guide. This guide is beautifully illustrated with scenes from the film and is divided into a number of sections devoted to such topics as the plot of the play, the making of the photoplay, learning Shakespeare's language, and the music introduced. At the end is a list of questions that may be profitably asked to students.

While laying a trap line in the woods near his home in Elmdale, Kansas, during the Christmas holidays Cadet Prather came across a part of the loot which had been stolen a few weeks before from the locker room of the College of Emporia. It was covered by leaves and consisted of watches, rings, bill folds, fountain pens, and pencils. Prather's find brought him quite a bit of publicity and the thanks of the owners of the stolen articles.

### New Courses are Offered

With the ending of the first semester on January 18 three half year courses came to an end. These were advanced algebra, Constitution, and international relations.

Three new classes were formed to take their places. Capt. Simpson teaches solid geometry using a text by Strader and Rhoads. Lieut. Evans teaches a class in economic geography with a text by Colby and Foster. Lieut. Lantz teaches psychology with a text by Robinson.

On account of the large size of this year's senior class it was not possible to offer either social civics or economics, courses usually offered. So many of the seniors had already taken them in their junior year.

Breyfogle S., Tissaw, and Ashford have recently joined the Cracksquad.

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