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CRACKSQUAD MAKES SEVERAL APPEARANCES

CADETS GO ON LONG TRIPS TO
WICHITA, HOISINGTON,
GREAT BEND

During the past few weeks the crack-squad has made five trips, two being all day ones. The three shorter trips were to McPherson, Assaria, and Solomon. At McPherson the boys drilled between halves of the Salina-McPherson basketball game. At Assaria they appeared before a meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association, and at Solomon they drilled at the conclusion of the Chamber of Commerce banquet.

On March 22 the cracksquad visited Wichita and drilled in the Forum at the grand opening of the basketball tournament of the Women's National Amateur Athletic Union. Major Clem and Mr. Tolbert, who accompanied the group, had some business to attend to in the interest of the school and this gave the boys quite a little free time to do as they pleased. Cadet Lucas, who lives in Wichita and happened to be home on a pass, joined the boys and introduced a number of them to some of his girl friends. He also took a few cadets to visit the plant of the Cessna Aircraft Company of which his father is business manager. The St. John's crowd left Wichita late in the evening and arrived back at school shortly after midnight.

On April 2 the squad took its longest trip to Hoisington and Great Bend, making appearances at both places. At the former place they drilled at the intersections of Main and Walnut Streets after having first marched in parade led by the municipal band. At Great Bend the squad gave its exhibition in the Parks' Memorial Shell on the city square where a big tractor show was going on. That night the boys were the guests of the Chamber of Commerce in the Holmes Restaurant. Later they attended a reception and dance at "The Studio." The Reverend Francis Nale of the Great Bend Episcopal Church sponsored this affair. At eleven o'clock the party left for Salina and arrived back at school two hours later.

NEW GAME ROOM HAS BEEN RECENTLY OPENED

The good sized room in the main building formerly used as the science class room and later as the "Smokers Club" has recently been converted into a game room. A number of tables and chairs have been purchased for it. At one end stands a large bookcase on the shelves of which have been placed numerous games, including checkers, parchesi, monopoly, jig saw puzzles, and many others.

The boys in the junior school particularly are enjoying the game room. Here they are able to make more noise than they could when they congregated in the school parlor which is very near the office. They are also no longer liable to be called down by faculty members who bring guests to the school parlor and find things in disorder.

THE SAINT JOHN'S CRACKSQUAD



Lent is Fittingly Observed at School

The Reverend Leonard Mitchell Holds
Many Inspirational Services

Lent was indeed a profitable season for the St. John's cadets. The Reverend Leonard Mitchell conducted many services which were a source of inspiration to all.

Mr. Mitchell celebrated Holy Communion twice weekly, on Sundays and Wednesdays. During Holy Week he had the Communion daily, omitting Good Friday only. On Wednesday at regular morning chapel he said the Litany. About three times weekly he made short talks on the Bible lessons, giving his interpretation of certain passages.

During Holy Week Mr. Mitchell gave a series of meditations at the morning chapel services. He used as his subjects: the garden of prayer, the garden of sorrow, and the garden of the sepulchre. On Good Friday he conducted a shortened form of the three hour service. He spoke on the four kinds of crosses: the cross I make myself carry; the cross others make me carry; the cross I make others carry; and the cross God gives me to carry.

On Easter Day all the cadets who are members of the Episcopal Church made their Communion.

Basketball Squad Sees Important Game

Attends Championship Contest of Kansas
and Nebraska Teams

On February 27 the basketball team accompanied by Coach Mosher, and Lieut. Lantz motored to Lincoln, Nebraska, to attend the Nebraska University and Kansas University championship basketball game. The snow which was falling when the journey started ceased to fall about the time the party crossed the Nebraska line.

When the party reached Lincoln at about 10:30, they immediately registered at the Cornhusker Hotel. Before lunch they visited the state capital and were introduced to Governor Roy L. Cochran.

In the afternoon the crowd scattered. Some of the boys attended the swimming meet between Iowa State and Nebraska University; others attended the indoor track meet between Nebraska University and Kansas State.

At night all saw the game between Nebraska University and Kansas University at which time the former won the championship.

Next morning the crowd slept late and returned to Salina, arriving early in the afternoon.

SENIORS SPONSOR FORMAL DINNER ATTRACTIVE PROGRAM IS GIVEN

The formal dinner held one evening during the latter part of February was primarily a senior affair. The members of the class assisted in planning it and getting the dining room in readiness. They put the pennants on the walls and set up and decorated the tables, using orange and black as the color scheme.

The seniors and their lady friends as well as several members of the faculty and their partners sat at a long table arranged in banquet style. The faculty members without dates and the under-graduates occupied their regular tables in the dining hall.

The meal was all that might be desired. The most important item in the main course was individual T-Bone steaks. The

dessert consisted of strawberry short cake.

At the close of the meal a short musical program was presented. Accompanied by Mr. Ralph W. Reitz, the St. John's quartet composed of Bigley, Thompson, McCoy D., and Williams sang two numbers "Kentucky Babe" and "Shadow March." Then followed without piano accompaniment a medley sung by a group of boys from the first floor of the barracks who call themselves the "Barbershop Harmonizers." The personnel of this organization is composed of Keraus, Jackson, Gadeke, Breyfogle S., Breyfogle V., May, and Williams.

When the dinner came to an end, the seniors were given passes so that they might spend the remainder of the evening with their lady friends.

ST. JOHN'S TO KEEP FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

ALUMNI ARE URGED TO RETURN
EIGHTEEN SENIORS ARE
GRADUATING

The year 1937 is an important one for St. John's School for it marks the fiftieth anniversary of its founding. The institution is making a special effort to get all the alumni possible to return for the commencement festivities and promises to have entertainment for them a little out of the ordinary. Not merely is this a year of reunion particularly for graduates of the five year periods, but it is a year of reunion for everybody.

St. John's has not had a very active alumni organization in the past. Back in 1906 there was one known as "Old Boys of St. John's." All graduates as well as boys who had attended the institution for at least two years were eligible for membership. For some reason or other this organization seems to have broken up. It was succeeded in recent years by another alumni association, inactive at present.

Captain Paul M. Simpson, now head of the mathematics department, has helped much toward keeping the school in touch with its alumni. Capt. Raymond R. Shideler, former bursar and instructor, likewise has done much along the same line.

Major Clem is at present trying to contact all alumni and is inviting them to return this year for a visit to their alma mater. There should be more visitors than usual as eighteen seniors are graduating, the largest class in many years.

Below is printed the Commencement program. However, it is subject to change.

Saturday, May Twenty-Second

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

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TEAM WINS RIFLE MATCH AGAINST MINNEAPOLIS

The match in which the St. John's rifle team fired against the Minneapolis Junior Rifle Club on the evening of April 3 resulted in a victory for the cadets, 925 to 780. The shoulder to shoulder contest was held in the school indoor rifle range. The captain of the winning team Lieut. Joe Keraus led the scoring with a 98. The cadets were supervised by Lieut. Evans, and coached by Lieut. Keraus and Sergt. McCoy D. The Minneapolis team was coached by Undersheriff C. E. Parks, Henry Ward, and Rolla Geisen.

During the rest periods a demonstration pistol match was held between Undersheriff Parks and Lieut. Keraus. The former was small bore pistol champion in the state last year.

The St. John's rifle scores were as follows:

Keraus, 98; Jackson, 97; McCoy C., 95; Williams, 93; Willard, 92; McCoy D., 90; Tissaw, 90; May, 86; Musick, 86.

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An Invitation

To the ALUMNI of St. John's:

It is fitting that the former sons of St. John's be invited to participate in the Golden Anniversary of their school.

During the year I have been associated with this institution it has been my pleasure to welcome a goodly number of former students who were passing through the city and came to cast that fond backward glance over remembered scenes. One graduate still recalled the commotion down town when the news of the declaration of war with Spain came to Salina. This man, Mr. Gudge of Pittsburgh, Penn., wandered through Vail Hall remarking at the changes that have taken place therein during the past thirty years.

We are glad to see the old boys at any time but extend to them a particularly cordial invitation to revisit old scenes and renew old acquaintances on the occasion of the Fiftieth Commencement, May 22-24.
R. L. CLEM

LOST

Lost! five minutes! What are you going to do about it? Turn over, yawn, and lose another five minutes, most likely.

If you were the owner of a fine hundred dollar diamond ring, and were to lose it, what would you do? You would become worried; you would advertise in the newspapers and make every possible effort to find it. And this, of course, would be the proper thing to do.

But every week that passes by, some of us lose several study periods, or perhaps an entire day of school. Do we become worried? Do we make any effort to regain the lost time by extra study? I am sorry to say that the majority of us do not. Why? Because we do not realize the value of an education or of the pearlstring of moments called time.

Let us hope that each of us will from day to day realize more the value of an education, and resolve in our minds and hearts to put forth every effort to attain one. Not only should we do this for the benefit of ourselves, but also for the benefit of those who, through their confidence in us, have made it possible for us to be here.

HIGH AVERAGES

6th Month of School

Upper School	Lower School
Gordon 93	Stokes 86.9
Musick 92.5	Clem 86
Thompson 90.5	Morrison 81.8
Stanard 89.3	York 80.6
Lotker 88.3	
Breyfogle S. 87.4	
Ver Brugge 87	
Maker L. 86.5	
Breyfogle V. 86.2	
McCarty 85	

A Prison Courtship

I am going to tell you the story of a strange prison love affair which I once heard. It made a great impression upon me at the time, and it often comes into my mind during chapel services here at St. John's. I always think of it when hymn 480 is sung, one verse of which tells of a prisoner who leaps to lose his chains. Again it comes up when I hear the voice of some little fellow in the Junior School tower above those of the other boys during the singing of a hymn. I see the teachers and some of the cadets smile and crane their necks, trying to discover the identity of the young "song bird."

Here is the story:

John and Priscilla were inmates of one of London's prisons. Convicted of petty theft, each had been given a free meal ticket, but they had exchanged glances as they passed each other in line in the great prison courtyard. It was a case of love at first sight. But how could they do their courting for there were strict rules against fraternizing between the men and women prisoners? Attendants were too much afraid of losing their jobs to deliver secret love letters.

Each morning the prisoners were marched into the chapel which was divided by a high partition into two sections, one for the men, the other for the women. On a certain morning John thought of a most unusual way to get a message to his Priscilla. In the singing of hymn 68, his voice towered high above the others in the latter part of the first verse. It went this way:

The world is very evil
The times are waxing late.
Answer if you know me
I've just nine weeks to wait.

When hymn 480 was sung presently, a woman's voice in a very high pitch made a most extraordinary ending to one of the verses:

Blessings abound where'er He reigns
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains.
When you and me have lost our chains,
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Of course the wardens and matrons were furious at this breach of discipline. But questioning of the prisoners at the conclusion of the service revealed nothing.

A day of two later John dared to communicate again with his lady love. A verse of hymn 69 sounded like this:

Brief life is here our portion
Brief sorrow, short lived care.
I got your message, honey.
When times up I'll be there.

And during the singing of hymn 480, a woman's shrill voice rose above the others:

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King.
It's easy if you come to that
But first we'll try the chaplain's hat.

Indignation again rose in the ranks of the matrons and wardens. For the next few days they exercised unusual vigilance in chapel. But there was no need for this, because Priscilla and John had found a new means of communication. When the chaplain visited them daily in their rooms, it was customary for him to place his large hat on the table. The lovers were able to divert his attention elsewhere long enough to extract a little love note from under the band and tuck another in its place. This worked beautifully until the weather became so warm that the chaplain started making his rounds bareheaded. The course of true love never does run smooth!

A few days later Priscilla whose heart was burning with love for her John, chimed forth in one of the hymns:

Let the sweet hope that Thou art mine
My path of life attend.
Dear John, let that sweet hope be mine,
I'm with you till the end.

This time it did not work so well. Priscilla was discovered, and under the threats of a bread and water diet confessed everything, even the part that the chaplain and his hat had played.

How the officials laughed when they discussed this most unusual courtship



LIEUT. JAMES F. LANTZ

DIRECTS BOYS IN CHOIR

Lieut. Lantz, the St. John's music instructor, is doing good work with the cadets who sing in the choir at Christ Cathedral, Salina. Besides meeting with them frequently during the music period at school, he takes them to the regular rehearsals down town on Thursday nights. On these occasions the boys prepare their next day's assignments at a special study hall. The boys in the choir include: Boggs, Breyfogle S., Breyfogle V., Bigley, Gadeke, McCoy D., Thompson, Willard, Williams, and Jackson.

Throughout the year Lieut. Lantz has taken an active part in the musical life in Salina. Not many weeks ago he appeared in recital at one of the churches. He recently sang the leading male part in Bach's "Coffee Cantata" presented at Kansas Wesleyan University.

CHAPLAIN AND MRS. MIZE
LEAVE SAINT JOHN'S

Late in February the Reverend and Mrs. Edward M. Mize severed their connections with St. John's School. On account of ill health, the former had to give up his duties last fall as assistant superintendent, chaplain and instructor of history, but Mrs. Mize continued teaching her classes in the lower school until she left.

Chaplain and Mrs. Mize are now residing in Minneapolis, Kansas. The chaplain has charge of the Church there as well as the one in the neighboring town of Bennington.

Both Chaplain Mize and Mrs. Mize, then Miss Yeomans, came to St. John's in September, 1930. They were married in January, 1933.

among themselves! They simply did not have the heart to punish the offenders.

A consultation of the books revealed that by strange coincidence John and Priscilla were to be discharged from prison on the same day. And on the happy morning of their release the chaplain married them in the prison chapel, the officials witnessing the ceremony and having the greatest trouble keeping straight faces upon this most solemn occasion.

JOKES

Capt. Simpson (in geometry): "Did you follow me when I explained this proposition?"

Gadeke: "Yes, sir, except when you got between me and the blackboard."

Capt. Simpson: "I always try to make myself clear but I can't make myself transparent."

We wonder why Lieut. Lantz's favorite melody is "The Organ Grinder's Swing."

Coach Mosher: "Watson, did you whisper while I was out of the room?"

Watson: "Only wunst."

Coach Mosher: "Davis, should Watson have said 'wunst'?"

Davis: "No, sir, he should have said 'twicet'."

A mystery to be solved. Where did a certain faculty officer and a blonde disappear to at the dance in Great Bend?

Lucas (in dime store): "I'd like some soap, please."

Girl: "We have just the thing for that peaches and cream complexion of your."

Lucas: "Now, ma'am, don't you soft soap me."

Cub's little legs
You might have thought
For drilling far
Were much too short.

But little legs
If they are strong
Will take a boy
On journey's long.

Why were the boys in Junior English so interested in Dora when they read David Copperfield? Was it that her name reminded them of another similar to it?

Lieut. Evans: "You say it's against your principles to break rocks for the new wall the senior class is building?"

May: "Yes, sir. Doesn't the Good Book say 'What God has joined together let no man put asunder'?"

Jackson: "Say, what's the idea of wearing my raincoat?"

Boggs: "You wouldn't want your sweater to get wet, would you?"

West: "Do you mind if we boys play in the hall, here a little while?"

Mr. Mitchell: "No, you make too much noise. You had better play in the hall below."



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SPORTS

Tournament Games

St. John's 18—Talmage 16

St. John's defeated Talmage 18 to 16 in the District Tournament at Solomon, Wednesday, March 3.

The cadets had previously been beaten twice by Talmage; once one point and on another occasion by two points.

The soldiers hopped off to a five point lead on two goals by Ver Brugge and a free throw by Patton. The quarter ended with the score five to two in favor of St. John's.

In the second quarter Fulton and Bebermeyer bagged goals for the losers while McCoy scored the only cadet goal of that quarter. The half ended in a 7 to 7 tie.

Going into the third quarter Ingalls got a free shot for Talmage while Jackson and Patton scored goals for the cadets. The third period ended with the score 11 to 8 in favor of St. John's.

As the last quarter started Talmage gave up trying to break through the rigid cadet zone defense and began firing at long range with Ingalls, Koelling, Nunnally and Fulton making connections, but Jackson's goal and free throws by Patton and Boggs kept the cadets tied with Talmage. Just before the game ended Patton made a one handed pivot shot from just outside the free throw line. The game ended 18 to 16 in St. John's favor.

Sacred Heart 36—St. John's 20

St. John's was defeated by Sacred Heart in the second round of the District Tournament 36 to 20, on Thursday, March 4.

Sacred Heart started off with a bang, jumping to a 10 point lead before Ver Brugge dropped in a cadet free shot. The score was 16 to 1 at the end of the first quarter.

In the second quarter St. John's settled down and with Jackson inserted in the lineup began to play better ball. Jackson scored 8 points in this quarter. The second period ended with the score 27 to 9 in favor of Sacred Heart.

In the last half St. John's outscored the Sacred Heart team 11 points to 9. Patton scored three field goals; Maker, one goal and a free throw; McCoy, a free throw; and Jackson, a free throw. The game ended 36 to 20 in Sacred Heart's favor.

Basketball Results

First Team

GAMES WON—7 GAMES LOST—10

Salina 23—St. John's 18

St. John's 30—Kipp 15

Smolan 29—St. John's 26

Enterprise 19—St. John's 13

St. John's 24—Marquette 20

Talmage 22—St. John's 15

Marquette 24—St. John's 22

Kanopolis 33—St. John's 26

St. John's 36—Solomon 23

St. John's 16—Tescott 15

Enterprise 21—St. John's 20

St. John's 31—Tescott 29

Talmage 22—St. John's 20

St. John's 16—Solomon 15

Kanopolis 36—St. John's 35

St. John's 18—Talmage 16

Sacred Heart 36—St. John's 20

Player	Points	Fouls	In	Games	Percent
Patton	89	21	17	39	11 5.23
Ver Brugge	101	20	17	39	23 5.94
Jackson	117	17	13	48	15 9.00
Boggs	20	31	15	6	8 1.33
Maker H.	13	20	17	4	5 0.76
McCoy D.	44	23	17	20	4 2.58
May	5	5	3	2	1 0.60
Fletcher	2	0	1	1	0 0.50

Coach Mosher is the proud owner of a German police dog. It was a present from Jack Thornton's mother, Mrs. H. F. Maul, of Denver.

ARMY-NAVY GAMES

On March 31 intra-mural basketball games were played between the Army and the Navy. The rival clubs divided themselves into three different groups.

In the first game played by the youngest boys the Army won, 6 to 0. Riley and Bradley played outstanding.

In the second game the Navy got revenge 9 to 0. Breyfogle V. made eight of his team's nine points. Though he did not make as many points, Lucas of the Army played a fine game.

In the third game the Navy won 32 to 8. Ver Brugge and Patton led the Navy, the former making fourteen points and the latter, ten points.

CORPS GOES TO CAMP IN EARLY PART OF MAY

May 7th is the day. Unless plans are changed this is the date the corps will go into encampment. Then there will be from ten to twelve days of life in the open in which the cadets will have the opportunity to rough it and get back to nature.

Whether the corps will again go to Camp Wa-shun-ga, fourteen miles south of Junction City, has not been settled. Many of the boys prefer this site to any of the others because the sleeping quarters are located in covered buildings. Usually the rains wait to fall until St. John's goes into camp, and tents are not ideal under these circumstances. The close proximity of Fort Riley with its excellent rifle range is a point in favor of Wa-shun-ga.

Life at camp consists of a combination of duties and pleasures. Each cadet takes his turn serving on the various details which are necessary for the carrying out of the routine.

Every cadet will be required to do a certain amount of firing on the high power range. Those boys deficient in their scholastic work will spend a portion of every morning under a faculty member's supervision. During free periods the boys will have an opportunity for swimming, hiking, playing games and indulging in other forms of recreation.

MOTION PICTURES OF TRAVEL ARE SHOWN

During the past few weeks travel pictures were frequently shown just before evening study hall. Since they were only one or two short reels in length they did not interfere to any great extent with the regular evening schedules.

Pictures of the native life on the islands of Java and Bali were shown. Another film showed skiing contests in the mountains of Australia and another showed the great farming regions in Australia. Another dealt with Vienna and depicted something of the lives of the composers who lived there.

A number of the films treated of the British steamship industry. Vessels plying between various ports on the British Isles were shown. The great docks at Southampton with their modern machinery for loading and unloading cargoes were seen.

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ST. JOHN'S TO KEEP FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY (Continued from Page 1)

Sunday, May Twenty-Third

8:00 a. m.—Holy Communion, School Chapel
11:00 a. m.—Baccalaureate Service, Christ Cathedral
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: Judge Bayard H. Payne Nebraska Supreme Court
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LOCAL NEWS

Not many days ago Bishop Mize was at St. John's and visited a number of the classes. It seemed like old times for him to be here.

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McCoy D. and Austin were the guests of Mr. R. S. Cahill recently at the Kiwanis luncheon held at the Lamer Hotel. Austin's father, Mr. L. C. Austin, is a member of the Kansas City Kiwanis Club and is a good friend of Mr. Cahill's.

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The barbecue stand near the entrance of the park near St. John's has recently reopened. The place, which is not off bounds, has been receiving much patronage from the cadets.

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Visitors at St. John's within the past few weeks included: Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Austin, Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Scarry, Denver, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Lotker, William Mix Lotker, Oberlin, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Bigley, Arkansas City, Kansas; Mrs. J. Pade, McCook, Nebr.; Mr. C. W. Watson, Tulsa, Okla.; Mr. E. L. Bradley, Wichita, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Riley, Pratt, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Williams, Cripple Creek, Colo.; Mrs. C. W. Orr, Palmer Lake, Colo.; Mrs. James McCoy, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Mrs. Frank Jackson, Hutchinson, Kansas; Mr. O. E. Enloe, El Reno, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Karl Venneberg, Hays, Kansas; Mrs. C. J. Lucas, Wichita, Kansas.

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The cadet corps sent Mrs. James McCoy, the mother of Lieut. Carson McCoy, some flowers when she was ill in a Salina hospital early this month.

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The Rev. R. H. Mize, Jr., of Hays, and a group of his choir boys were dinner guests at school the latter part of February. The party was in Salina to attend a concert in the Masonic Temple given by a boys choir from Vienna, Austria.

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On April 5 Lieut. Hidalgo addressed the Spanish Club of the Kansas State Teachers College of Emporia.

CADETS WATCH INTERESTING EXPERIMENTS

The liquid air demonstration which a group of cadets attended at the Washington High School, Salina, was both educational and entertaining. Mr. Morgan Rarick of the University of Kansas Extension Department conducted the experiments.

Liquid air has a temperature of about 320 degrees below zero. Among other things Mr. Rarick used it to freeze a carnation so that the petals could be crumbled in the hand like corn flakes. He froze kerosene and made it into a candle; he pounded a nail through a board with a hammer made of mercury frozen on the end of a stick; he froze peas, a wiener, and a rubber ball until they were as brittle as glass.

Another interesting experiment Mr. Rarick performed was that of filling with liquid air the tank of a model airplane, that had a compressed motor. When the surrounding air caused the liquid air to boil, the air given off ran the airplane around in a circle.

As a concluding demonstration Mr. Rarick saturated powdered aluminum and set a match to it. In less than a second the temperature changed from over 300 degrees below zero to more than 6000 degrees above with such a flash that if a person had watched it directly, his eyes would have suffered.

JUNIOR SCHOOL BOYS
ENJOY HIKE AND PICNIC

On a bright sunny day in March Lieut. Mosher, accompanied by Sergeant Bigley, took the boys in the junior school on a picnic. The crowd did not go in the truck but hiked a mile or so to some woods north of town.

Upon arriving at their destination the party played games including: follow-the-leader, hide-and-seek, hare and hounds. The boys also had fun using a steep embankment as a "chute-the-chutes." They did their sliding upon pieces of boards.

At one o'clock a fire was built for the purpose of cooking dinner. Coach Mosher warmed up some beans in a huge frying pan, and on sticks the boys toasted wieners. Potato salad, pickles, and bread and butter were also on the bill-of-fare. The party returned to school toward the middle part of the afternoon.

Affinity and Solidity

At 8 p. m. while Pa and Ma Helped entertain with Sis, Both John and May in distant seats Were far apart like this.

At 9 p. m. as Pa withdrew And sought his room upstairs, The lovers found some photographs And nearer brought their chairs.

At 10 p. m. Mama decamped— And then, ye gods! What bliss! Those lovers sat till nearly one About as close as this.—Exchange.

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St. John's School again has been invited to participate in the contest in patriotic essay writing sponsored by the National Society of Colonial Daughters with headquarters at Washington, D. C. A letter recently received from Miss Margaret Delano Gage, president, encloses a list of approved subjects and rules governing the contest. Essays may be written upon any subject involving patriotism and high civic details, but the five subjects listed below are particularly recommended this year:

1. The Inter-American Peace Conference.
2. War, The Supreme Menace Today.
3. Conservation of Our Forests.
4. Crime Prevention.
5. Advantages of Citizens' Military Training Camps.

The society's gold-bronze medal will be awarded at Commencement to the winner. The fact that he is an undergraduate should not hold a boy back from competing. In the past six years the medal has been won three times by a senior and once by a boy from each of the other high school grades.

Any boy interested in entering the contest should see Captain Brown. If he is in one of the English classes, he may arrange to substitute his thesis for certain written assignments.

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