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# GOVERNOR NORRIS

To listen to the woeful tale so often told bearing on Kentucky's ignorance and crime, one is apt to conclude that our greatness lies wholly within the past. But if we only pause a moment and cast an observing eye around us, we renounce our hasty conclusion, and regret having formed it. For indeed we may still be proud of our State.

The greatest thing produced by any country is its manhood and womanhood. In this lies the pride of Kentucky, and surely justly so, for there is scarcely a state in the union that has not felt the influence of some Kentuckian.

To the credit of the institution and those in charge of the Lyceum course, within the last two years, we have heard from the rostrum of our Chapel Hall three Kentucky-born men, who were at the time holding, or had previously held, the position of chief-executive of another state. Namely:—Ex-Gov. Folk, of Mo., Gov. Hoch, of Kan. and Gov. Norris, of Montana. However the last mentioned is to a Normal student more than merely a Kentuckian, for he is really a graduate of our own school.

Gov. Norris was born on Marrow Bone Creek, in Cumberland County forty-six years ago. Following his attendance at the public schools of that county, he entered the Glasgow Normal. When in 1884 that institution was moved to Bowling Green, where it assumed the name of The Southern Normal, he came to this city and continued his work in the newly-named institution, from which he graduated in 1885. The year following he taught in the Southern Normal, after which he went to Hunnington, Tenn., and there engaged in teaching. A year later he returned to Bowling Green and took up the study of law under the firm of Sims and Dubose. Following the completion of his course he went to Montana, to practice his profession. He was soon elected to the State Senate, of which body he was chosen President. His work while in the legislature was of such a type, that at the expiration of that term of office, he was easily elected Lieut. Governor of the State. Upon the resignation of the Governor he assumed the duties of that office, and discharged them

so ably that at the expiration of the term, he was elected Governor, the office which he now holds.

## COMMENCEMENT WEEK

By Gordon Wilson.

There is no doubt about the assertion which has been often made that the Commencement Week of 1910 was the greatest in the history of the Western Normal. The classes were far larger than they have ever been. Enthusiasm ran high. Beginning on Tuesday evening, July 19, it was one continuous feast of good things, until the last program was rendered, July 21. Numbers of graduates and former students found their way back to the dear old Normal to catch some of the spirit that is always abundant during Commencement Week.

Music for the various programs was furnished by the Normal Orchestra and the School of Music and was a marked feature of the week.

On Tuesday evening the Elementary Class numbering forty held its graduating exercises in Van Meter Hall, with Miss Reid presiding. The program follows:

International Peace . . . . . Fred Blankenship  
Necessary Elements in Success . . . . .  
The American City . . . . . Miss Heady Dunnegan  
Uncharted Seas. . . . . Miss Maud Meguia

This large class is only a part of those graduating in the Elementary Certificate Course within the year, sixty having received diplomas at the end of the spring term.

At chapel time Wednesday morning, July 20, the Junior Class of eight received Intermediate or Four-Year Certificates. Though the class was small, it was composed of some of the best material in the school.

The following were the main features of the program:

The Secret of Success—Love  
Your Work . . Miss Gertrude Griusley.  
Talent Crowned, Genius Crucified . . . . . G. C. Morris.  
What? How? Why? . . . . . E. E. Gardner  
A Teacher's Dream . . . . . Miss Zola White

In After Years . . . . . Jake Farris.  
Address . . . . . Col. J. M. Williams.  
Diplomas conferred by Supt. Mark, Louisville.

Immediately after this program was rendered the Alumni Association held its annual business meeting in which Miss Mattie Reid was elected president for the ensuing year and Miss Ruth Alexander secretary.

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock the annual Alumni address was delivered by a graduate of the old Southern Normal, and now a man eminent in the political world, Gov. Ed Norris, of Montana. His speech, which appears elsewhere in the Elevator, was full of vigor of the old-time Kentucky oratory and was enjoyed by a large audience.

After the address, the Alumni banquet was given at the Y. M. C. A. building. Col. J. M. Williams with his usual dignity acted as toastmaster on this occasion.

Other speakers and their subjects were:

"Behold a sower went forth to sow."—J. E. Wright..

What shall be done with the tares?—Ches-terfield Turner.

"The harvest is white and the reapers are few."—R. P. Green.

"Is the laborer worthy of his hire?"—H. K. Cole.

"Woe to him that offends one of the little ones."—L. B. Tanner.

"The W. K. S. N. S. exists that the children of Kentucky may have life and have it more abundantly."—H. H. Cherry.

Among the number of those who responded were; Dr. J. N. McCormack, Regent J. Whit Potter, Mayor Townsend, Mr. Arch Wilkins, and Supt. E. H. Mark, of Louisville.

Thursday morning from the usual chapel time until almost noon was given over to echoes from graduates, visitors, and former students. State Supt. Regenstein made the opening speech, one full of the spirit of Henry Clay. Dozens of others of the good old times contributed to the program, making us of the present Normal year wish that we had entered the school when Ed Norris and Alfred Livingston were boys. Yet

we know it is not contrary to reason to believe that chieftains of future years are now being trained in the normal.

The crowning glory of the week was the graduating exercises of the life class on Thursday evening, July 21. "From peak to peak, the rattling among," we had risen higher and higher toward Olympia's sacred height and this evening's program served to place us far beyond where ambitious Bellerophon went in his attempt to reach the home of the immortal gods. We were fortunate in having Dr. Len G. Broughton, the famous Atlanta divine, to deliver the class address.

The program for the evening was the following:

On the Firing Line . . . . . Miss Loraine Cole.  
Three Score and Ten . . . . . J. D. Spears.  
Address . . . . . Dr. Len G. Broughton.  
Presentation of Certificates  
State Supt. Regenstein.  
Resume . . . . . President Cherry.

Forty-eight received Life Certificates. Thus ended the last program of the year. It is our earnest hope that all future commencements will be characterized by the same unity of purpose, the same boundless enthusiasm, and the same interest in the welfare of the Kentucky child.

## A LIBRARY NOTE.

As an expression of an interest in the school there have come to the library two donations. Major Obenchain has contributed a number of books and a file of magazines. Mrs. Claud Meredith has also donated a file of good magazines.

In these gifts we see an appreciation of our institution and a sympathy with our work. These, as such have always been, and always will be, are duly appreciated by the Student Body, and all concerned.



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6. W. C. Bell.
7. J. D. Burton.
8. J. L. Harbourt.
9. W. E. Miller.
10. Laura Chambers.
11. Chesterfield Turner.
12. Ruth Alexander.
13. J. B. Johns.
14. B. O. Hinton.
15. Mamie A. Thomas.
16. Jno. D. Spears.
17. Blackburn Spears.
18. Hontas Dunn.
19. H. G. Guffey.
20. Myrtle H. Duncan.
21. Katesie C. Bailey.
22. Minnie Lee Shugart.
23. Jas. A. Caldwell.
24. Faith Kimball.
25. Pres. H. H. Cherry.

26. Dean A. J. Kinnaman.
27. Lora Goodwin.
28. T. Elbert Guill.
29. Anna Campbell.
30. W. S. Taylor.
31. Nellie Smith.
32. Alfred L. Crabb.
33. Mrs. T. H. Napier.
34. Ezra E. Baucom.
35. Mary V. Campbell.
36. Chas. T. Cannon.
37. Nancy H. Shehan.
38. E. Y. Allen.
39. Mollie S. Milner.
40. Annie B. Ray.
41. Bertha E. Gardner.
42. Loraine Cole.
43. Alva E. Tandy.
44. A. J. Boatwright.
45. Henry M. Pyles, Jr.
46. Elizabeth Drake.
47. Jas. B. Holloway.
48. Lena Polmore.
49. Nett'e B. Depp.
50. Leland Bunch.

## THE OPENING

The fourth annual opening of the Normal took place in Vanmeter Hall, Tuesday morning, Sept. 6, at 9:30 o'clock. The two preceding days had witnessed the arrival of a continuous army of students. The number was now greater than it had been at this time of any previous year, and still they continued to come.

The faculty were present with assignments for the following morning, which they proceeded to give forth without mercy or hesitancy. There were enough old students present to pilot the new, so we embarked without any delay, and soon found ourselves riding the waves of the unexplored deep.

### TRAINING SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

The Training School opened on Sept. 5 with an excellent attendance in all grades. The proposed plan of adding one grade each year, until there is a complete grammar school of eight grade is being carried out. This year the scope of the school has been enlarged by the ad-

dition of a sixth grade to be taught by Miss Sarah Edith Todd. Miss Todd will take her degree in Chicago University in Dec. and has been granted leave of absence until that time. She comes to us from the State Normal School of Valley City, North Dakota, where she has rendered efficient service. Miss Annie Williams of Warren Co. is acting as substitute in the absence of the regular teacher.

We are glad to note that Miss Caffee has completely recovered from her recent illness and has returned to her position as teacher of the first grade. Misses Louise Beasley, Jennie West, Flora M. Stallard and Sue Proctor are to be found in their regular places as teachers in grades two, three, four and five, respectively. Everything seems favorable for an eminently successful year's work.

### THE SCHOOL OF EXPRESSION.

The department of Expression had the most auspicious opening in the history of the school. The class is unusually large this year, and numbers among its members, not only teachers, but

men of the legal profession as well. Mrs. T. C. Cherry who is at the head of this department ranks first among the teachers of Expression, not only in Kentucky, but in the entire south.

### THE NORMAL FARM.

A regular class in agriculture was organized at the beginning of the year, and is now making rapid progress, under the direction of Dr. Mutchler. The work is not theory only, but practice and investigation as well. As proof of this, the class is at present engaged in picking a crop of stock peas that grew on the farm.

On Friday Sept. 23, the class, in charge of Col. Williams visited the Tennessee State Fair. This was a new feature of school life, but it proved to be a very pleasant and profitable trip. The girls, especially, returned very much in love with the Colonel. In speaking of the matter on the next day one said, "I used to think I wouldn't like him, but I just know he is the best old soul."

### THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC.

Along with the other departments, The School of Music had a great opening. The break that necessarily follows a change of teachers, was of only a few days duration. All concerned were soon adjusted to the new surroundings. Each department has started off with a good enrollment, and everything goes to indicate a great year.

### THE FIRST RECITAL.

The first entertainment of the year was the recital given by the faculty of the School of Music on the evening of September twenty-first. Even before the time for the program to begin, every seat on the lower floor of Vanmeter Hall was filled, and the large number who were turned to the balcony, soon gave it a crowded appearance. The selections were well chosen, and of course skillfully rendered, and were heard by an appreciative audience which responded with hearty applause.

## FACULTY NOTES

### MRS. ANDREWS (MISS PRICE.)

A feature of commencement week, not mentioned under that heading, was the marriage

of Miss Price, who for the past year was at the head of the Voice Department of the School of Music, to Mr. Andrews, a young business man of Bowling Green. The wedding occurred on the evening of July the twenty-first. Mr. and Mrs. Andrews spent the summer in this city, but have since moved to Texas, where Mr. Andrews is connected with a business enterprise.

In the person of Mrs. Andrews, the Normal has lost an efficient teacher, one who knew her task and performed it well.

The Elevator joins the student-body and faculty in wishing them all joy and prosperity.

### PROF. PERLING

There were few statements made from the rostrum last year that came as a greater surprise than the announcement of Prof. Perling's resignation, which was made near the close of the Summer Term. Mr. Perling had, since Jan. 1907, been connected with the institution, chiefly as teacher of History. He has always manifested an intense interest in anything pertaining to the welfare of the Normal, ever ready to give it his hearty support. He had won the love and esteem of a large number of students, to whom his leaving was a source of regret, but there was another work calling him. Mr. Perling is now located in New York.

### PROF. STRAHM AND MRS. SETTLE.

The first task assigned at the beginning of the term was to make the acquaintance of two new teachers, Prof. Strahm and Mrs. Settle. Well, to use common language, it has proven a very pleasant task. Really, we are just perfectly delighted." Both have taken their places along by the side of the other members of the faculty, and even at this early date, they conduct themselves as though they had come about the time Prof. Alexander made his first visit.

Prof. Strahm is Dean of the School of Music and Mrs. Settle has charge of the Department of Voice culture.

### VACATION ACTIVITIES.

Prof. Cherry did some institute work, but stayed at his little home down on the river long enough, as he says, "to grow fat." However, this is not yet true to such an extent that his weight has become an incumbrance.

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This issue of the Elevator is the product of the new band of workers. Doubtless, for this reason, the reader will assume more of the spirit of a critic than he would on other occasions, and in most instances, when the end has been reached, judgment will be passed upon the ability of those in charge, and the wisdom of those through whose influence we were given control. However, we hope the contents of this number are such that it will, at least, prove acceptable to the faculty, the students, and any into whose hands it may chance to fall. Should there be

any serious blunder, it is due to an error in judgment and not to a lack of interest or effort. Take this copy at what it is worth. It is the best we could give you this time; but we shall endeavor to do better the next month, then better the next, and so on, to the end of the year.

Let us here express to those who kept "guard over its destiny" last year, our appreciation of their services. They took the material all in chaos and darkness, gave it form and shape, cared for it through the year, and turned over to us a thriving school paper, supported by an army of loyal subscribers and fired with the spirit and enthusiasm of the normal.

Certainly, first among those who deserve commendation, (so much so that personal reference is in place) is the name of Alfred Crabb. It is largely due to his untiring effort and zeal that the Elevator is the paper it is. It matters not what it may become in the future, to him is due the honor of being its founder.

We are not finding any fault with Miss Price for taking advantage of the promotion, in fact we are not sure that she was altogether responsible for the act, for it does seem that somehow when a teacher becomes connected with the School of Music there is no escape. The question with us, is, not "why she leave," but that we are again so peaceably situated, "How long are we to remain unmolested?" Neither is it a question of who? but of which one first?

Mr. Perling's reasons for leaving have always been rather vague, and in the light of all the past events, it seems more plausible that he left to escape what he thought to be the inevitable. Now if this be true, and there is no serious event pending, the poor fellow ran from danger when it was no where near. For if we limit our vision to the Normal proper, the scene is bewildering. There is one, two, three, well, the number is shocking, but worse than that, the unfortunate group, seem to have no prospect of the long-sought relief.

Strictly speaking every student is an editor of the Elevator; but that the material may be properly organized it is necessary that a few

selected for this work. These, (about twelve in number) compose a group known as the editorial staff. In selecting the associate editors, it was the intention to choose persons who not only have the ability, but who are so situated that they can devote more or less time to the work. We believe they are all well-qualified, earnest, and loyal students, and while we are not quite bold enough to say they are the best available, certainly there are none better.

As the paper belongs to the student body, it is just that all have a part in its management. If on reading it, you find something which you

think is not best for its welfare, please feel at liberty to tell us. Suggestions and criticisms either favorable or otherwise, we shall at all times appreciate. By "Student Body" we mean all, those who are in the field as well as those at home.

We had intended to have our first issue ready by October 1, but changing printers and making other necessary adjustments have thrown us behind. Hereafter it will be the aim of the staff to have the first number ready for distribution by the last of September, and then other issues at the last of each succeeding month.

## FACULTY NOTES

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Dr. Kinnaman spent four-fifths of the summer in institutes, telling jokes. The remaining one-fifth he stayed at home with Mrs. Kinnaman.

Dr. Mutchler: "I spent it resting."

Col. Williams, in Chicago. "Took three courses; worked pretty hard."

Prof. Alexander squandered away a part of the time in an Institute, expounding the theory of "a divided by b" also made a tour to Falmouth, Guthrie, and other points in the North and far West.

Prof. Green went to Chicago, and came back looking much younger.

Prof. Stickles spent the time at his home in Southern Indiana. Gave some time to hunting and fishing. "Lived like a country jake, as I used to do."

Miss Reid took a much-needed rest at her country home near Louisville. "An uneventful summer."

Prof. Webb went fishing and swimming in a creek of east Tenn.

Miss Frazee: "I spent it visiting, chiefly at my brother's home in Fayette Ind."

Miss Adams acted the part of a wise lady, and sought at the first opportunity a ranch in Nebraska. "A delightful time."

Miss Jarboe acted the part of a good little girl and went home to mother. Launch parties lots of company, but a mighty good time. Of course Miss Ragland did the same thing. "Cooked and moved, the biggest job of my life."

Prof. Leiper, soon after the close of school, with Mrs. Leiper and daughter left on a special car for the home of Mrs. Leiper's mother at Cornsring, Tenn. The Prof. says he raked hay, fed the hogs, and made himself useful in general, but other authorities say he spent most of the time sitting on the stumps in the meadow reciting Virgil and Horace to the harvest hands.

Prof. Marshall being of a serious nature, thought it best to go up to Bloomington that he might go to school a little more.

Miss Drake went to Boston. She assures us that nothing of the romantic nature has yet developed.

Miss Dickey took the other end of the road and went to Oklahoma. She, too, states that she left no possessions behind.

Prof. Gilbert visited institutes, schools and associations. "To much that needs to be done for any foolishness."

Prof. Clagett stayed at home and read Shelley and Keats. We found him here, at the beginning, stronger, younger, and happier than he has been for some time.

Miss McLean, spent her precious two weeks at her home in Lexington, Miss. "Entertained royally."

Mr. Seward remained at home, devoting most of the time to the science and art of fishing.

Miss Franklin reports a pleasant time at her home in Leitchfield.

Mrs. T. C. Cherry visited her home in Pennsylvania she claims to have had a delightful summer.

That supernumerary utility—man, known as Mr. Burns, did nothing but fish, well he did



make a dozen or more trips to Owensboro. Of course it is understood, that these were of a sensuous nature.

Prof. Cair wandered around over the country in search of an institute to which he might make a little speech. It is useless to add that his theme was physics and chemistry as applied by Uncle Remus.

Uncle Edd: "I stayed here and worked. Took my wife and the children to a picnic one day, and that cost me three dollars."

Grant: "I had a big time. Went fishing some and took a trip to Louisville."

## NORMAL NEWS

### TWO NORMAL TRIUMPHS.

Prof. C. T. Canon, now superintendent of the public schools of London, Ky., reports that work there is on the move, patrons are interested, and the school spirit is spreading. Four hundred pupils of the very best mettle have been enrolled already in the public school. We are not surprised at this great success when we learn that Misses Lottie Payne, Marie Gore Clyde Devore of the public schools and Misses Mamie Thomas and Hontas Dunn of the Sue Bennett Memorial School—all Normalites, are diffusing the spirit of the new and greater Kentucky.

H. L. Donafan, Life '08, who was called from Paducah to become the Superintendent of the Wickliffe, Ky., graded school and the Ballard County High School reports that his teachers are all Normalites. They are Misses Bertha Gardner, Lora Goodwin, Emma Downey, Verbel McMullen, Mrs. Grace Flatt and Mrs. Donovan. We also note with joy that four of these are Life Certificate graduates. Two hundred and sixty pupils have been enrolled and the people are thoroughly in sympathy with the work being done. We see the wisdom of Mr. Donovan in his selection of teachers and would say with him, "Get 'heer a Life Certificate, Yea, get two!"

Prof. J. F. Wethington writes that everything is on the upward move at Indiana University, where he is in school.

Rufus McCoy, who has charge of the eighth

grade in the public school and is teacher of mathematics in the High School at Cloverport, Ky., reports that the school opened with 250 pupils present. Two other Normal students are also there:—Misses Ora B. Hendrick and Eunice Jennings.

J. B. Johns, Life '10, has a good position at the school at Bradenburg, Meade Co., Ky.,

J. W. Whitehouse, Junior '10, is principal at Glensboro, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. McNeeley, two former Normal students, have charge of the school at Hickory Grove, Ky.

Misses Beulah Elliott and Inez Orr are teachers in the city schools of Mayfield, Ky.

Blackburn Spears, Life '10, is a teacher in the High School of Paducah.

Jake Farris, Junior '10, has charge of the Fifth and Sixth grades at Columbia, Ky.

J. L. Harbourn, Life '10, is instructing the Fourth and Sixth grades at McHenry, Ky.

Miss Lillian Monroe is teaching in English and History in the Natchez, Miss., High School.

Miss Rosa Lou Ditto is at Sedalia, Grav. Co., where she is teaching in the graded school.

Miss Gertrude Grimsley, Junior '10, is assisting Mr. Oscar Shemwell in the graded school at Farmington, Ky.

Miss Virginia Campbell Life '10, is a teacher in the school at South Carrollton, Ky.

H. H. Johnston, the maker of the famous hat speech in the Normal Congress, taught for a month in Draughton's Business College at Paducah after leaving here, and is now holding the governmental reins in the school at Osceola, Ballard Co.

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