

School Notes.

By Prof. W. C. Slater.

Miss Ruth Harbeck, of the Department of Drawing has been elected to an elegant position in the Ortonville, Minn., city schools at a salary of \$75. per month. She will teach Manual Training and Sewing as these are her specialties, and will have full power of organizing the department according to her individual tastes, since these subjects are being introduced for the first time. We rejoice in her success and congratulate her on being elected to this fine position. Miss

Harbeck entered our schools at a big disadvantage but has risen to the situation carrying on her work with entire satisfaction. We bespeak for her the same success with which she has met here.

Miss Harbeck is still absent on account of sickness and Miss Larson has charge of the fourth grade. Miss Harbeck may not be able to return to school until next week.

Our attendance is so small and scattered that the grade teachers have decided to dispense with the usual annual grade entertainment. The standard set by the present faculty is high and will remain as a landmark in the memories of parents and friends of the institution, serving as a gage by which our successors may be measured. We deeply regret the necessity of this action since we had gone to the expense to send to New York City for material for this final exhibition and desired so much to even excel our former attempts in this line.

The Basket Social to be given for the benefit of the senior class, will occur Friday evening, April 26, in the opera house. The Ladies Club will join in assisting in this enterprise, as they too are anxious to secure Dr. Montgomery, from an educational standpoint. The ladies will mask and, with their baskets, will be sold to the highest bidder. This will be the social function of the season and the boys cordially invite the public and especially young men—and everybody as there will be enough ladies and baskets for all.

The writer has been chosen by Webster Merrifield as one of the readers of the high school manuscripts. The papers of classified schools hereafter will be read by superintendents and teachers of first class schools. Misses Carpenter and Kasper have been placed on the available list of readers and will in all probability receive some of the papers for correction.

Perhaps an explanation of the standing of our high school would not come amiss as many do not understand the nature of the high school course as presented in North Dakota; all first class schools are placed on an accredited list by the best colleges and universities, providing the required amount of work is done for admission into the freshman class of said institution. Hope State High School will and does prepare each and every student for a college course provided the boy or girl elects their course which will prepare for entrance into a reputable institution. In this institution two courses are offered, namely; the classical and scientific. In the classical course are found the following subjects: Eng. I., II., III., IV; Latin Gram, Cæsar, Cicero, Virgil, Algebra Plane Geom., Solid Geom, and Higher Algebra, Physiography, Botany, Physics, Chemistry, Economics, Gen. H's. and Eng. History. This amount of work will admit any student into any good institution. The scientific course differs from the classical in that two years of German are required instead of four years of latin. Of course those who go to college should take the Latin course and those who don't and therefore cannot enter a good school should shoulder the responsibility and not blame the institution. Thus far nine young people have graduated from this high school since its organization and all but one have taken the Latin and are thoroughly prepared for entrance into any good school. John D. Baldwin entered the freshman class at the University of North Dakota and had credits to the good. Earl Hughes and Ray Nelson will enter the dental department of the University of Minn. with the full requirements complete, and Emma Slingsby, who enters the University of N. D., next year can enter the freshman class without conditions. Every good institution requires latin and every boy or girl who contemplates a college course should take it in the high school or else remain a "prep" until their latin is made up. The classes in latin in this institution have been started right and with proper care and instruction a strong department can be maintained.

Perfect Spelling in First Grade: Sydney Kraabel, Mary Cassell, Douglas Stark, Tommy Roney, Frank Dorrance, Adah Ehred, Harold McDonald.

Perfect Spelling Lessons in Second Grade- 1. Ralph Clutter, 2. Albert Lockwood. 3. Eunice Iseminger. 3. Alice Hanchett.

Perfect Spelling in Fifth Grade: Grace Harness, Earl Cassels.

Perfect Spelling in Sixth Grade: Mayme Milligan, Blanche Van Dusen, Oscar Johnson.