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#### Welcome, Class of 1932.

From various high schools and academies in many states of the union, a crowd of freshly graduated youngsters has issued forth and has descended upon Augustana college, enthusiastically de-manding an education and "what have you?" The newcomers are indeed welcome, and the AUGUSTANA OBSERVER hastens to add its greetings to the many already extended to the class of 1932.

Annually these freshmen come, and by their number complete the roster of Augie students. However, mere presence does not entitle anyone to a place in the life of Augustana college. The freshmen can be accepted as true Augieites only when they have proved themselves worthy.

Freshmen, you must accept your obligation to enter into the study life and social life of the college. You must realize that Augie demands genuine and honest scholarship. You must feel your responsibility as representatives of the institution. You must enter into the fellowship of the student body. You must share the interests and responsibilities of your fellows. Then, as you thus earnestly enter into college life, you will reap benefits in proportion. You will learn the meaning of what we vaguely call "the Augie spirit."

True, the college has a great obligation to you, and you may be sure that Augustana will strive hard to fulfill its end of the unspoken agreement made when you come to this campus as a student. The college will serve you well, as thousands of grateful alumni would be glad to assure you.

If there is any question in your minds it cannot be "Is the college good enough for me?" but rather, "Am I good enough for the college?" And of course you are. All we ask is that you prove it.

#### Augustana's Greatest Tradition.

Every college has certain traditions which its students accept as the background of campus life, and which reflect the character of the institution. At Augie there are some traditions, such as the freshman green cap and the annual pajama parade, which are mere harmless bits of nonsense which do much to add pep and color to college life.

There are other traditions, however, which are altogether serious in nature. Among these is the honor system, which demands that every student shall voluntarily conduct himself with strictest honesty in examinations and all other school work.

Undoubtedly, the honor system is the finest and most worthwhile

# AUGIE USES \$15,000 FOR CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

Approximately \$15,000 was spent on improvements on the campus over the summer vacation, most of it being expended on remodeling the former Ladies' hall into new quarters for the Conservatory department.

On the outside the building has been painted, new roofing put on, and the porches have been removed. Inside, partitions have been torn down and the interior rearranged to provide two large class rooms, sixteen studios and practice rooms, and the conserva-tory office. New flooring has been laid in the rooms, with a special thickness of deadening felt underneath to make each room almost perfectly insulated against outside sounds.

Other important improvements are the remodeling of Cable hall into a laboratory for the geology classes, and of Room 14 into a classroom, the erection of new bleachers with a capacity of 700 on Ericsson field, the painting of the dome on the main building, the purchase of furniture and fixtures for the seminary library, and the purchase of seven dozen desk chairs for the college.

Besides this, the chapel organ has been overhauled, new gutters and roofing put on the gymnasium, a new ash conveyer purchased for the heating plant, and several other minor improvements made.

### **RELIGIOUS BOARD IS BUSY IN PLANNING CAMPUS ACTIVITIES**

The religious board of Augustana college, consisting of Rev. Herbert Swanson, student counsellor, chairman, Dr. Andreen, president of Augustana college, Miss Dora Carlson, dean of women, Sigfrid Engstrom, president Lutheran Students' association, Ida Stenstrom, president Berean Bible class, Earl Gustafson, president Sola Fide bible class, and two representatives of the seminary, Raymond Swanson and Ragnar Moline, has already held several meetings this term, planning the religious activities for the campus this year.

Sunday evening services are to be held every week, as well as the Tuesday night prayer meeting. The religious board reports that the work so far has been very gratifying. A new plan to secure attendance at the Sunday evening services and prayer meetings was suggested by Dr. Andreen and adopted by the board at its meeting Tuesday evening. This plan SALE OF GREEN CAPS includes the election of individuals in both girls' and boys' dormitory who will make a personal effort to inform the campus students of the meetings and secure their attendance.

# SUMMER SCHOOL HAS DURING SUMMER WEEKS 150 STUDENTS; MANY **COLLEGIANS INCLUDED**

This year the summer session of Augustana college had a larger enrollment than ever before Nearly one hundred fifty students attended the session. Of these nearly three-fourths were teachers, although the number of college students has increased year by year, this being no exception. By attending two summer terms it is often possible to finish college in three years, and many are taking advantage of this opportunity.

Thirteen college and two high school courses were taught by a staff of seven members, including Professors A. R. Wallin, director of the summer session, H. C Yingling, O. L. Nordstrom, S. V. Simpson, W. E. Cederberg, H. F. Staack, E. F. Bartholomew, and F. M. Fryxell. This year was Professor Staack's first as a teacher in the summer school.

The session opened with exercises in the college chapel June 18. Dr. E. F. Bartholomew, professor of English literature, delivered the address of welcome, since Dr. G. A. Andreen, president of Augustana college, was absent. The session continued six weeks. The tennis courts and swimming pool provided for recreation, and the Denkmann Memorial library was kept open.

All those connected with the summer term felt that it was a decided success. The results have been so gratifying that the session has been made an integral part of the college program.

### WINDSTORM DESTROYS FAMILIAR LANDMARK

An old friend of Augustana students has gone from our midst. The old familiar shade tree which has kept its silent station near the west end of Old Main since the founding of the institution no longer spreads its sheltering branches over a goodly portion of the front lawn.

On the evening of Aug. 20 a furious windstorm visited the tricities and departed with a sizable section of the old landmark. The part of the tree remaining upright was bereft of numerous branches, and it was absolutely necessary to remove the entire

tree. Former students returning to the campus will note with regret the barren appearance of the front lawn, which is now occupied only by the lonely and unshaded senior bench.

# PROCEEDS RAPIDLY

Observatory

THE BAREFACED BOY.

'Oh would some gift the giftie gie us To see oursilves as ithers see us!"

Thou hast my pity, college man, Nincompoop with summer's tan! With thy baggy pantaloons, And thy Ford bedecked with runes: With thy necktie filled with dash,

And thy drooping calabash, My heart is filled with thankful joy-

I never was a college boy. Ass thou art—the simpleton Is far ahead of you, my son. Let the literati holler

Bout the guy who seeks the dollar;

If learned men are all like thee, I thank my Lord, I'm bourgeoisie. Outward ignorance, inward bliss, The college man has only this.

One way to keep harsh words from passing your lips is to talk through your nose.

When the frosh graduated from high school, they were toasted, but when they come here, they get roasted.

We have been told that when we are on the tennis courts we are very like those Russian dramatists-that is, we make such queer plays.

Some people are so lazy that if they were drowning they would vell for someone to come and help them.

We jesters bless the freshie, The butt of every hoax, For he's the inspiration Of countless splitting jokes.

Our own political comment: Present conditions would lead us to think that the Democratic candidate is all wet.

Authors and bootleggers have little in common, but they both endeavor to have the "best cellars."

'You're as pretty as a picture," doesn't mean so much since the cubists and futurists have come to the front.

Always beware of misplaced confidence. That is, don't trust ourself too far.

"Come on children," said the cannibal mother, "get your hands and faces washed; we are going to have the new missionary for dinner today."

The Mexican president undertakes to execute all of the laws Under the direction of Ralph and all of his political rivals as well.

of all Augie traditions, and there is no reason why it should not be cherished and observed with much greater zeal than the less important customs, which are enthusiastically respected.

Every loyal Augie student must accept his individual responsibility in creating an "honor sentiment" so strong that the honor system will be respected as a thing alive and active, and not be considered a half ignored ideal.

#### Augie Greets Two Newcomers.

During the past two weeks, Augustana students have had opportunity to become acquainted with two persons who will be important figures in student life at Augustana.

Miss Dora Carlson comes to Augie well fitted for her new position as dean of women. Also, she has complete charge of the girls' new dormitory. In this position in the woman's building she is linked with the first material evidence of our "greater Augustana," and so her coming takes on an added significance. The AUGUSTANA OBSERVER joins Augie's many students and friends in extending to Miss Carlson a hearty welcome, and every wish for success in her new position.

Mr. Harold Almquist, late of the University of Minnesota, and better known as "Shorty," has come to Augie as coach of the Viking football players. His reputation as a gridiron wizard at footwork and headwork gives rise to visions of greater athletic successes for the Blue and Gold. Almquist has asked for support and appreciation for his football team, and certain it is that a football coach can obtain maximum results only when everyone is willing to co-operate and boost. Accordingly, let us renew our enthusiasm for the grand old game of football and help to make this season a definite success.

Definite arrangements, themes, and speakers for the various meetings were left in the hands of various committees.

### FROSH ATTEND SUNDAY **EVENING MEETING SEPT. 2**

"Religious Life on the Augustana Campus" was the topic of a luncheon meeting of the new students, held on Sunday evening, Sept. 2, in the college cafeteria. The meeting aws arranged by Rev. Herbert Swanson, student counsellor, and Miss Dora Carlson, dean of women.

The aim of the speakers was to acquaint the new students with the religious activities on the campus and arouse their interest in them. Dr. Andreen, president as also did several ministers and upperclassmen present.

Brunnell, sophomore from Chicago, the sale of green caps to members of the freshamn class is being rapidly pushed to comple-tion this week. Accodring to a recent check-up only a few of the yearlings have failed to purchase the distinguishing insignia of their rank.

Unclassified freshmen as well as regular freshmen will be expected to wear the caps. It is understood that an enforcement committee will begin to function at the beginning of next week. Failure of freshmen to wear the green headgear will result in generous applications of green paint, according to the committee.

San Francisco.-Henry Hughes, barefoot boy of the Pacific Coast conference, can kick a football as far barefooted as the average player can with his shoes on.

Hughes, a product of the Honoof Augustana college, gave a talk, lulu "barefoot league," is booked to become a regular fullback for when you are late for a date. the Oregon State eleven.

We wonder if the schools which teach aviation by correspondence utilize the airmail to reach their students.

. Pat met Mike on the street and gave him a Punch. Mike hailed Pat before the Judge, who gave the offender Life. Clever, n'est-ce pas?

We asked one of the frosh what he expected to be when he graduated. The answer was: "A lot older."

We have all read so much about "the appeal of youth." A father with two sons in college tells us that as far as he knows this appeal is "gimmie."

A monologue is a conversation between you and the girl friend

G. E. D.