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West Entrance of the New Gymnasium



Photo by W. E. Barr

Some interesting and important facts about the new structure

SENIOR CLASS
PRESIDENT SENDS
OUT LETTERS

Virginia Lurton Smith, president of the 1925 Senior Class, is using some of the swift flying summer days to make plans for the class, and has already set in motion movements looking toward the setting up of a standard of such high class ideals that it cannot fail to bear a fine fruit of unity, good comradeship and service. She is sending out letters to all members of the Senior Class who are returning in the fall, urging the idea that Seniors should express the high school ideal, both in scholarship, attitude and demeanor, and especially in strict obedience to the school requirements. She is making a strong appeal to the class to live up to this standard. This thought she will again present to the class at a hall meeting to be held the second day of school, when Miss Mills will be asked to speak to the class. Officers will be elected at that time.

THE Mid-summer Hyphen shows its readers a view of the west front entrance of the new Gymnasium, which is now practically completed, and more than realizes the claim of its architects, Messrs. Asmus and Clark of Nashville, that nothing to equal it exists in this section of the country.

Most important in the building program which the school laid down and inaugurated in the spring of 1923, was this new gymnasium, which now, finished, furnished and equipped, is among the most complete and costly in any American school for young women. It contains every appliance and provision for healthful exercise, and every facility and convenience for the successful operation of a modern, and up-to-date School of Physical Education. It possesses floors of terrazzo and hardwood, stairways of iron with concrete treads, making it essentially fireproof, and with automatic heating and ventilation, an abundance of lockers, wardrobes and showers, a swimming pool with the water heated

by the violet ray machine, and regulated according to the weather, could hardly offer greater comfort and security, in a physical sense.

The building is very handsome in appearance, and delightfully roomy and airy. The proportions are 142 feet long, by 53 feet wide, exclusive of passageways and stair halls. It is connected with the Academic and Administration building by broad passageways, and its exterior walls are faced with brick which matches that building. A slate roof, and cut stone trimmings are additional features of substantial construction. During the latter part of the past session, the swimming pool, with its raised roof and visitors' galleries was a constant source of pride to students and school management alike.

The building is three stories, the ground floor containing four bowling alleys, a set of commodious lockers and shower rooms, 782 in number, and a large linen room connected with the showers. For these baths, a thermo-

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ANNUAL REUNIONS
OF W.-B. STATE
ASSOCIATIONS

The summer has been marked by several important and notably successful social reunions of the State associations of Ward-Belmont students the membership of which includes present, former and future citizens of the school. It has been a custom of some years' standing to bring together the memberships of the Kansas and Missouri memberships in a joint gathering for a handsomely appointed luncheon, at the Hotel Muebach in Kansas City. The Illinois members hold a separate celebration at points which were chosen each year, by a committee appointed for the purpose. This year Louisiana and Chicago meetings have also been arranged.

The Kansas-Missouri luncheon took place on Wednesday, June 18, with

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