

## The Diary of Hiram Stepfast, Esq.

(Editor's Note: This interesting dairy was found only a few days before we went to press. Its value is so great that it is being given a permanent place in the Aggie. Little did our friend Hiram dream of his notes and meditations going down to posterity, and in his almost daily musings one gains an insight, not only into his simple mind, but into the life at N. W. S. A. So, as you read these lines bear in mind that Hiram wrote seriously that he might have a remembrance of his school days. No doubt he misses his diary keenly, but his loss is our gain. It is printed just as it was written by Hi.)

Sept. 29—Well, I'm on the train now. Laft home at five this mornin. I sort er hated to leave and when I saw my pet caf looking at me so soleful i thot id break down. But I didnt. Guess its quite a way to Crukstun at the Nortwest Skole.

P. M.—Arrived hear alrite. at 3 oclock. A big red bus met me. My what a lot of peple got on that bus. A feller asked me for my trunk chek. I wasnt goin to give it to him at first, cause ma told me to be careful bout what i gave to people. The bus took me to a place they called hom Ek. I dont see what they called that for. There was a lot of people wating for mister Maliner. Their were so many that I had to wate an awful long time. Gee, but I get tired. When my turn at last come Mister Maliner rejestered me and gave me something he called a skedule and told me klasses would start to morrow. He told me i a froshmen. I like him alrite even if he is a little fellow. Guess he must own the whole nortwest skule. He told me to go to stepns hall and stay. I went their. Thier were a lot of girls there but I seemed to be the only boy. One of the lades there told me that I was in the wrong place. At last I found my rite rum and then i want to bed.

Sept. 30—I got up at five this morn. Thot brakfast was at six as at hom. Nobody was up yt. Gee they must be lazy hear. I thot breakfast wuld never come. At last some fellows got up and at last some more got up and we went to have brekfast at the dining hal were Mrs. Tomsun and Mrs. Lipit live. Mrs. Tomsun is short but Mrs. Lipet is long. Wen I got there some one was playing the peano and a lot more were standing up. At last some one rang a bell and all sate down. Wen brekfast was over we to Klass. I missed my englush class for I cluld not find room No. 8. Their is some girls in my other klas some are good lok-ing and others are not.

Oct. 1—They had a powow to nite. A lot of fellows talked but I did not think they were very good. I bleeve I could do better myself. We went over to the girls house and sang songs for them. I wonder if any of them herd me sing.

Oct. 2—It was hard to get up this morning. Im getting sort of aquanted. I wached some fellows chasing bals today. They seemed to work awful hard. I asked one fellow how much money they got a day. He said nothing I think they are very foolish to work so hard for nothing.

Oct. 3—Everyone is tawking about the game tomorrow. I herd them tawk about Avery and Peterson and Windsath and some others. Wonder who they are. At supper Malinar sad there will be no classes to morrow afternoon because of the game.

Oct. 4—There wasnt not many classes this P. M. as Maliner said. It was with Red Lake Falls. I saw the game. My how those fellows rolled around and ran after that ball. A lot more people stood and looked on and yelled. I yelled two.

Oct. 5—I went to Bible class this morning. Klark tawked to us. I like Klark. I went to the dinning hall tonite. Some of the school teachers sang and tawked. They were pretty good.

Oct. 6—There were society meetings tonite. All the officers tawked. Gee they must be good societies. I tried to join one.

Oct. 7—I tried to talk to a girl tonite. But she did not seem to appreciate me.

Oct. 8—Mr. Mlinar announced the Aggie Board meeting to nite. Think Ill join that board.

Oct. 9—Went to orchestra practice. I wanted to play my mouth organ but they didnt want to hear me. Ill bet they dont know what they missed.

Oct. 10—Mrs. Genung got mad at me to day because I did not no my public speaking. Gee but I feel blu. Hope I get a letter from Ma tomorrow.

Oct. 11—Some folks went to Fergus Falls to play football today. Gee I didnt know that they played football their.

Oct. 12—Went to church today. Went to sleep and lost my nickel. Wonder if the janitor will keep it.

Oct. 13—I had my picture taken today. Bet Ma will be proud of me.

Oct. 14—Gee we had a good program tonite. It came over the radio.

Oct. 15—Got locked out of my room. Mr. Ocock let me in again. Got a post card from Ma. My bantum rooster got run over by a Chivalay coop. Wonder if Ma will send me anything of him.

Oct. 16—My washing came from home, and I'm glad for I have only one clean shirt left.

Oct. 17—I went to Frenchies rume tonite, and so did Jim, Larence, Mick, and not long before Malinar joined us.

Oct. 18—I guess I must have shined about fifty pairs of shoes tonite. Connery came in.