

THE WOMAN'S SECTION

The Woman's Point of View

It has been suggested that a Collegiate Equal Suffrage association be organized at the university of Nebraska for self-education of the members in suffrage, through the reading of the classical arguments and the history and recent records of woman suffrage, and through practice in public speaking on suffrage.

Such a plan is bound to be met with much opposition, but no one can deny that the organization would be immensely beneficial to the equal suffrage movement.

Many of the prominent women of the faculty and the well-known girls

in school are very enthusiastic over the proposed plan, for they realize that the association can be very influential in the election 'n 1918.

Schools where chapters have been organized are Barnard college, Bryn Mawr, Goucher college, Mt. Holyoke, Milwaukee-Downer college, Oberlin, Ohio, state university, Radcliffe, Randolph-Macon Woman's college, St. Lawrence university, Swarthmore college, Syracuse university, Vanderbilt university, Vassar, Wells college, Wellesley, Western college, Woman's college of Western Reserve, and Wisconsin university.

THERE'S A REASON

The edition today was originally planned to belong entirely to the Engineers, but as it has always been con-

ceded that the best engineering is done by the women (and the advertising was contracted for), the "Woman's Page" will have to run, whether the men approve, or no.

SOCIETY

BETA BANQUET

Alpha Tau chapter of Beta Theta Pi held its twenty-eighth banquet in the Garden room at the Lincoln hotel, Saturday night. About ninety men attended. Francis W. Shepardson was the guest of honor.

Harry A. Reese, '91, was toastmaster, and toasts were given by the following: John Stoddard, '17; Ralph Wilson, '12; Norman Curtice, '20; Herbert Ryan, ex-'16; Charles C. Smith; Francis W. Shepardson, '82.

The out-of-town alumni who attended were, Glen Barnes, William Neville, Fairbury; Wells R. King, Crete; Walter Robinson, Cecil Riggs, Waterloo; Clyde Burton, Pawnee City; William Ritchie, Bridgeport; Thomas M. Murphy, Kansas City, Mo.; F. W. Shepardson, Chicago; C. C. Smith, Jr., Davenport, Ia.; Stuart Sweet, William Putt, N. S. Marshall, Manhattan, Kan.; John Knittle, Vermilion, S. D.; Wallace Wales, Warren Howard, H. McKinney, R. S. Doud, Arthur Klopp, H. Ryan, R. G. Thompson, Loring Elliott, G. Loomis, H. Sisson, ex-Senator Norris Brown, E. G. McGetton, Ev. Burke, Omaha; Hugh Birmingham, Atkinson; E. Gallagher, O'Neill; and George Dutton, George Hansen, Merle Sims, Hastings.

TRI-DELT FORMAL

The twenty-second annual formal party of Delta Delta Delta was held at the Lincoln hotel, Friday evening. The grand march was led by Lulu Shade and Earle Young, and Ramona Troup and Elmer Harrison. When the march was finished the couples formed the Greek letter delta and sang Tri-Delt songs. Decorations were in silver, gold and blue.

Prof. and Mrs. Paul H. Grumann chaperoned the party. The patrons and patronesses were, Prof. and Mrs.

E. H. Barbour, Prof. and Mrs. Grove E. Barber, Mr. and Mrs. C. Klose; Mr. and Mrs. Phil P. Easterday, Mrs. D. M. Butler, Mrs. S. S. Hadley. The out-of-town guests were, Bertha Koepfel, Nebraska City; Dorothy Dunn, Weeping Water; Janet Barnes, Tekamah; Margaret Tourtelot, Adams; Ethel Piel, Omaha; Sadie Rathlow, Helen Bennet, South Omaha; Bettie Rubelman, Tecumseh.

DELTA TAU BANQUET

The twenty-second annual banquet of Delta Tau Delta was held at the Lindell hotel, Saturday night. Hugh Meyers of Omaha was the toastmaster, and the following responded to toasts: C. W. Meeke, Imperial; H. E. Prince, Grand Island; C. J. Harner, Lincoln; H. J. Schwab, '16.

The alumni who attended the banquet were, L. N. Edson, T. Mayne, Council Bluffs; H. R. Mulligan, A. W. Moser, R. H. Manley, Omaha; I. Marvin, Fred Miller, Beatrice; R. B. Laird, Sidney, Iowa; B. F. Sloan, Geneva; C. W. Harvey, Fairfield; Fred Harvey, Plymouth; T. M. Shepherd, Carleton; L. Millikin, Ord; J. D. Millikin, Ralph Ross, John McGurk, David City; John Carrol, Fremont; B. Boyles, Alvo.

KEARNEY CLUB BANQUET

The Kearney club of the university of Nebraska, had its annual banquet at the Lincoln last Saturday evening, April 15. About forty Kearneyites were present including the following guests of honor: President and Mrs. Geo. A. Dick of Kearney normal, Dr. and Mrs. A. O. Thomas of Lincoln, and Miss Alice Stanley, the deputy state superintendent.

Miss Constance Rummons who was graduated at the mid-winter commencement in February, is teaching at Herington, Kansas.

Miss Olivia Pound, A. B. 1895, A. M. 1897, has been asked to appear on the program of the meeting of the classical association of the middle west and south, at Chicago, April 21, for a discussion. She is one of the vice-presidents of the association.

Leta Stetter Hollingworth, '05, whose thesis for a doctorate at Columbia university was accepted and published sometime ago, is to come up for her degree next month, and writes that "if all goes well," she will have her Ph. D. in a few weeks. She takes her degree so long after the publication of her thesis for the reason that her outside work as psychologist for the New York clearing house for the feeble-minded made it difficult for her to get in her required course work. Her husband, H. L. Hollingworth, has lately been made associate professor at Co-

lumbia. He had served about half the time necessary before promotion at Columbia, but had a very excellent offer of a full professorship elsewhere, hence his rapid advance at Columbia.

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RELIGIOUS LIFE DEPT.

WHAT CHRISTIAN STUDENTS OWE TO THE UNIVERSITY

By Evans A. Worthley

Mr. Leland has spoken of the somewhat formal relationship which existed between religion and education in the early development of the state universities, indicated by the insignia of the institutions and by their charters and official documents. But because they represented a significant departure from the accustomed curriculum of older universities and colleges in that little emphasis was given to studies of a theological or religious nature, it was inevitable that some misunderstanding should arise. So we find Thomas Jefferson writing to a friend in 1822, in reference to the University of Virginia: "In our university you know there is no professorship of divinity. A handle has been made of this to disseminate the idea that this is an institution, not merely of no religion, but against all religion. Occasion was taken at the last meeting of the visitors to bring forward an idea that might silence this calumny, which weighed on the minds of some honest friends of the institution."

It is something of a far cry from Jefferson's day to ours, but in a questionnaire with which I am dealing, I have the statement of a member of this graduating class that "I have always had the impression that the state university was such a worldly place that you would forget there was religion. I have never been able to forget it. I

am afraid, however, the inconsistency of Christian students makes it hard for those who are not religiously inclined to become Christians" So long as it is possible for a student to come to the university with that kind of an anticipation it will still be necessary at each "meeting of the visitors" to emphasize the true opportunity which exists for the culture of the religious life in the atmosphere of the modern university.

We do not have space to discuss the cause of this widespread attitude towards the state universities. The generous advertising of the unusual, both in the conduct of students, and in the utterance of professors, has played its part. The correcting of this impression is the matter of first importance. It cannot be accomplished by bringing a few "visitors" to the university. Mr. Jefferson's idea was a good one, but it is very slow in operation. A sample of the university must be carried to the "visitors" in their own communities. That student who, either in the university or outside of it is inclined to display his disregard of religion, must be pardoned because of immaturity, or prejudice, or both. Certainly he does not represent his university, and if he is fair, he will seek to have that understood. On the other hand, the student whose way of

thinking regarding the religious life has been broadened and deepened by their being here should ask themselves whether they do not owe it to their fellow students and to the university to manifest their life, here and elsewhere, with that wholesome and unaffected emphasis that can neither be misunderstood, nor fail to yield a harvest of approbation on the part of all who may be influenced by the "contagion of a good life." And who are not?

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