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# DENY VACCINATION CAUSE OF DEATH Dr. Lyman Issuer Statement on Death of Mabelle Venner, '20 FALSE REPORT IN PRESS

Both Physicians Attending Co-Ed Quoted as Attributing Death to Blood Poisoning

The statement in Lincoln papers that Mabelle Venner, '20, of Eagle, who died at a local hospital Sunday morning, lost her life as an indirect result of vaccination has been strenuously denied by University authorities, and by Dr. F. L. Wilmeth of Lincoln and Dr. W. O. Bridges of Omaha, the physicians attending Miss Venner. In a statement to The Nebraskan Dr. R. A. Lyman, of the college of pharmacy, in charge of the recent vaccination in the University, declares that both doctors give blood poisoning as the cause of death and that they found no evidence whatever to indicate that the infection had any connection with her vaccination.

Miss Venner was vaccinated at her home in Eagle during Thanksgiving recess. When taken ill at Christmas time her wound was practically healed.

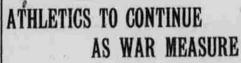
attending Miss Venner, was credited in one Lincoln paper as having said that Miss Venner died from secondary infection following vaccination. According to Dr. Lyman, Dr. Wilmeth gives blood poisoning as the cause of death and authorizes his name in connection with the statement to that measure was the decision reached by effect. The same paper, refers to the the National Collegiate Association at order for vaccination given by University authorities as compulsory. Officers of the institution have pointed stitutions from over the country were out the falsity of this statement. The represented at this meeting. Dr. E. J. order urged vaccination in order to Stewart was the University of Neprovent the spread of the smallpox braska representative. epidemic, and required that all those connected with the University be either vaccinated or examined daily. The ruling was in no way compulsory, University officials point out, and re- in the meeting. All opposition was for a record length of time this year. quired no one who had scruples silenced, however, when letters were

door, is the large painting "La Paresse," by Lawton Parker. Among the most striking pictures used as the centers of their respective walls are "La Paresse," "The Irri-discent Pool," by William Ritschell, "Youth," by Gardner Symous, who painted "Winter Glow," which was here last year, and Honeycomb of Light," by Jonas Lie, a large picture of New York's lighted skyline in the latter part of the afternoon. T. Luis Mora has a picture "The Fortune Teller," which is a very unusual one only

appealing to a few people. The 38 pictures on the east wall are all by Jonas Lie; most of them were painted at time of the building of the Panama Canal and represent the huge cuts, cranes and locks used in the construction. One especially interesting, "Heavenly Hosts," 18 showing the cranes in action.

There are pictures by Prof. Blanche Grant, Mrs. Dean R. Leland and Mrs. Edminston.

The gallery opens to the public at 1 o'clock Tuesday and remains open a month. The proceeds will go to the Red Cross. There will be a stockholders' and contributing members' reception at 8 o'clock Tuesday and Dr. G. W. Lowrey will give an address Tuesday evening. Single admission for University students twenty-five cents and season tickets fifty cents.



Dr. Wilmeth, the Lincoln physician National Collegiate Athletic Association Makes Ducision

#### During Holidays .

College athletics will not be abolished but rather encouraged as a war a meeting held during the holidays in New York. All leading athletic in-

There has of late been much criticism of the schools for continuing athletic activities, and it was thought against vaccination to take the treat- produced from both Secretary Daniels College Anthology Asks

NEW YEAR'S EVE QUIET FOR STUDENTS

**General Ruling Bars University** Watch-Night Celebrations

MANY AT THEATRE PARTIES

Work to be in Full Swing Today-A Number of Students Returned Late.

year out and the new year in last night with the least demonstration in many a year. Many indulged in no celebration whatever, trusted Father Time to complete the change without their aid and finished up the year with a few hours of French or Spanish.

No University parties were permitted after 8:30 o'clock under the general University ruling and those students who desired to celebrate enjoyed midnight matinees at the theatres or danced from one year to the other. Some organizations held meetings Agriculture, University Farm, Lincoln, early in the evening with year-end Neb. programs and then adjourned at 8:30 o'clock, the individual members either to call it good or seek further amusement. Nearly all of the churches held services and students celebrated with the Young People's societies. Practically every class was held

yesterday according to schedule and work will be in full swing on the first day of the year for the first time within the memory of most of those connected with the University! A number of students returned late yesterday afternoon feeling that they must make the week's vacation as long as possible. One professor, however, reported that in five classes which he had during the day not a member of the class was absent.

With only three weeks of school left before the final examinations neardelinguents and Phi Beta Kappa aspirants are all getting down to work with grim determination for a period of grinding, and prospects are that that there would be a hard fight on New Year's resolutions will be kept

year. Poems are received from any student attending college anywhere in the country. All students having any talent at writing poetry are urged by the editorial department of the Anthology, to send in their best work. All poetry should be sent to the

following address. Mr. Henry T. Schnittkind, Ph. D.,

editorial department, the Statford company, publishers, 32 Oliver street, TO Boston, Mass.

SPECIAL WINTER COURSE AT SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE

Forty dollars is the estimated cost of taking a special course, including University students saw the old all expenses, at the School of Agriculture this winter. From January 21 to February 18 special courses in nearly all agricultural subjects will be given. This four weeks' term will be especially for men, and boys over fifteen, who are able to get away from the farm for only a month at a time. Among the many subjects to be taken up will be rural architecture, beef cattle judging, animal pathology, all branches of dairying, entomology, farm management in all phases, plant pathology, poultry raising, and Nebraska soil conditions. Further information may be secured by addressing the Principal, School of

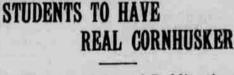
## **PROF. O. J. FERGUSON HEADS** ENGINEERING COLLEGE

#### Former Dean, Major O. V. P. Stout, Enters Active

Military Service

Professor O. J. Ferguson, of the Electrical Engineering department of the University, has been made acting Dean of the Engineering College, because of the entrance of Dean O. V. P. Stout into the active service of the army. Major Stout will be stationed at Camp Lee, Petersburg, Virginia, after January 5, 1918.

The new acting Dean is a graduate of the University of Nebraska of the class of 1903. He received his masbers degree in electrical engineering at Union College in 1909. Until the autumn of 1912, Professor Ferguson was engaged in commercial electrical work, when he came to the University as head professor of electrical en-



Is Final Decision of Publication Board

ECONOMIES EFFECT

Plan to Have Military Features and Yet Give Accurate Picture of Campus Life.

That the students are to have a representative Cornhusker, and not a war book, as had been proposed, was the final decision of the Student Board of Publication, at a meeting held Friday evening.

It is the aim of Wayne Townsend, editor-in-chief, to turn out a year book that will both reflect the work done by Nebraska men at the front, and the activities of the students who have made Nebraska's school year. The war material will be specialized but not to the exclusion of campus news. The annual will contain as usual, pictures of upper classmen and of organizations, but will omit the joke and other more frivolous sections, which would be inappropriate under the present conditions.

A meeting was held at the request of the student members of the Board Friday noon, before vacation, to discuss the character of the Cornhusker. At a former meeting it had been decided to have a "War Cornhusker" this year instead of the usual year book. This plan as adopted met with general disfavor among the students because such a book would contain no material from the campus, and would in no way represent student life. All presidents of school organizations were present at the meeting Friday and expressed themselves unanimously for a representative Cornhusker, in the nature of the annuals recently published, reduced and modified, and containing an especial section devoted to Nebraska men who are in the service.

At the meeting Friday noon Dean Stout appointed Prof. L. W. Chase, Wayne Townsend, and Katharine Newbranch, junior student member of the board, to act as a committee to outline a Cornhusker to meet as nearly as possible with the wishes that had

ment.

Miss Venner was a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority and was one of the most popular co-eds in the sophomore class. She received her grade school education in Lincoln, and attended the Temple high school, connected with the University, before matriculating.

Dr. Lyman's statement follows: "To The Daily Nebraskan:

"The statement with reference to the death of Miss Mabelle Venner as it appeared in the daily papers of a few days ago was misleading. I have taken the matter up with Dr. F. L. Wilmeth of this city who attended her at the time of her death and also with Dr. W. O. Bridges of Omaha who was called in consultation upon the case. Both of these physicians have stated to me personally that Miss Venner died of a general septicemia, commonly known as blood poisoning and that there was no evidence whatever that the infection which resulted in her death, had any connection with the vaccination. Furthermore- the above named physicians have authorized me to use their names in connection with this statement in the daily papers.

"DR. RUFUS A. LYMAN."

## **PROFESSOR GRANT TO DISCUSS ART EXHIBIT**

To Explain Illustrative Pictures at Convocation in Memorial Hall at 11 O'Clock Today

Professor Blanche C. Grant will discuss the annual January art exhibition now in the art gallery at 11 o'clock Convocation this morning in Memorial hall. Professor Grant will have several illustrative pictures in Memorial hall this morning from the exhibition.

Ninety-two pictures all extremely interesting make up the collection. Fifty of the pictures were collected by Mrs. Melville Johnson, the chief art lecturer at the Panama exhibition. Some of the members of the Art association, who have seen the exhibition year after year, say that it is the best one that has ever been here.

The strongest individual picture and the one which is noticed the first ing, N. M. by most since it directly faces the

and Secretary Baker, urging the continuance of athletics on an even broader scale than heretofore. It was pointed out that college athletics had a request asking all students who done more than any other one thing to develop the kind of men needed by the government now. It was urged 1917-1918 Anthology. All poems should that intra-mural sports be emphasized be substituted not later than March in particular, and that all students be

induced to take some part inthese sports. On the other hand, it is de-(Continued to Page Two)

Martin, Oliver It. sorgeant, K com-

Maryott, Gerald E., Company 4,

Mason, John Glenn, first lieutenant,

Matheson, Earl, second Training

Mathews, C. I., in wirless service,

Mathews, Robert James, Battery 2,

second R. O. T. C., Fort Snelling, Minn.

Matousek, A., in Quartermasters Re-

Mead, John Frank, lieutenant, In-

Meeker, Nathaniel H., Aviation Con-

Meisinger, Leroy, Headquarters De

Melcer, Jos. K., corporal, 355th In-

Melvin, Carl Gustaf, U. S. N. A., G

Melville, Geo., Camp Boone, Great

Menefee, Frederick N., captain, U.

S. R., Ordnance department, Old Land

Mengel, Carl W., 306th Regiment

Merchant, T. O., Supply company,

134th U. S. Infantry, Camp Cody, Dem-

Merriam, Benj. F., second lieuten-

Engineers, National Army, Camp Jack-

Office building, Washington, D. C.

company, 355th Infantry, Camp Funs-

fantry, Headquarters company, Camp

centration camp, Garden City, L. I.

312 Supply Train, Camp Pike, Ark.

pany, 5th Nebraska Infantry.

505th Engineers, Camp Lee, Va.

Camp, Fort Snelling, Minn.

serve, address is wanted.

fantry, address is wanted.

partment, 5th Nebraska

Camp Cody, Deming, N. M.

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N. Y.

Funston, Kan.

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Lakes, Ill.

son, Columbia, S. C.

Funston, Kan.

for Students' Poetry gineering.

The college anthology has sent out write poetry to send in their best work for possible inclusion in the 5, 1918.

The College Anthology is a publication of poetry written by college students, issued in the spring of every

University of Nebraska's Roll of Honor

Anyone knowing of men who are not listed here or of whom the University has had no previous record will

leave their names with Miss Annis Chaikin, alumni secretary. Be sure to give the complete name, address and

Martin, L., 355th Infantry, Camp ant, Aviation Section Signal Reserve Artillery, Camp Joseph E. Johnson,

Metcalfe, Theodore, commissioned in

Sixth Nebraska Regiment, Division In-

structor, lieutenant, Camp Cody, Dem-

Metz, Ivanhoe Kriebel private, Com-

pany 41, U. S. Marine corps, Paris

Meyer Carl Augustus, lieutenant.

Milby, Geo. A., second lieutenant,

Miller Chris J., Naval Aviation De-

tachment, care Goodyear, Akron, Ohio.

driver in Field service S. S. U. 30

Convois Automobiles, par B. C. M.,

U. S. Government Army, Paris, France.

Signal Corps American Expeditionary

Miller, John W., U. S. Naval Train-

Miller, R. B., B company, Headquar

ters Train and Military Police, Camp

Mizera, Frank, Fort Snelling, Minn. Moates, Guy Hort, P. F. C., Fort

Mohrman, Chas. H., L company, sec

Monbeck, Roy R., second lieutenant,

Engineers, U. S. R., Camp Custer, Kal-

Montgomery, Wayne Ashton, second

lieutenant, 8th Field Artillery, U. S. A.,

ond R. O. T. C., Fort Snelling, Minn.

ing station, Hospital school, Company

Miller, Harold P., first lieutenant,

Miller, Donald Walters, Ambulance

Medical Division, address is wanted.

first R. O. T. C., Fort Snelling, Minn.

The Honor Roll today contains the remaining "M" names which are on file at the alumni office.

the year in the University at the time of the persons withdrawal.

Infantry

Texas.

ing, N. M.

Island, S. C.

forces France.

Logan, Colo.

amazoo, Mich.

Fort Sill, Okla.

6. San Francisco, Cal.

Cody, Deming, N. M.

Professor Ferguson is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and of the Sigma Xi scientific fraternity. He has written text books on electrical negineering and electricity, that are used in many schools of the country.

several vacancies in University com-

Moore, Eugene, U. S. S. Oklahoma.

Moore, Milan S., captain, 5th Ne-

braska Infantry, L company, 134th U.

S. Infantry, Camp Cody, Deming, N. M.

Moore, Roy W., D company, 112th

Engineers, 37th Division, Camp Sheri-

Morehouse, Nye Franklin, captain,

Morris, Lafayette Irwin, lieutenant,

Morris, Thurston J., lieutenant and

adjutant, 5th Battalion, 163rd Depot

Brigade, Camp Dodge, Des Moines, Ia.

ters Corps, Camp Dodge, Des Moines,

Mortenson. Crawford, Quartermas-

Moser, Ellsworth, provisional second

lieutenant, 36th Infantry, Regular

Army, first R. O. T. C., Fort Snelling,

Moser, Reuben Allyn, first lieutenant,

Mulac, Jaro, Medical department.

American Expeditionary forces, 8th

Medical Supply Department, D. C. M.,

Munger, Arbor Day, Company 1, M.

Munson, C. S., Brigade Headquar-

Murphy, Lawrence L., second lieu-

Murphy, Roland Edison, second R.

Myers, Roy C., Aviation Section Sig-

tenant, first R. O. T. C., Fort Snelling,

O. I. C., Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

ters, Division 88, Camp Dodge, Ia.

O. T. C., Fort Snelling, Minn.

Medical Reserve Special T. B. Work,

Fort Beaureguard, Alexandria, La.

care postmaster, New York, N. Y.

dan, Montgomery, Ala.

U. S. A., Europe.

Infantry.

Minn.

Minn.

Montgomery, Willard Scott, Coast nal corps, address is wanted.

Paris, France.

day evening the Student Board of Publication met and accepted the book as outlined and approximately reduced by the committee. No fixed price has been set but there will be a reduction, probably amounting to a dollar or seventy-five cents.

been expressed by the students. Fri-

#### C. L. REIN SPEAKS AT LOUP CITY UNIVERSITY CLUB MEETING

C. L. Rein, of Lincoln, discussed "The University and the War," at a meeting of the Loup City University of Nebraska Club, December 27. Orpha Marie Outhouse, '10, was elected president of the club for the coming year at the meeting; Frederic Leschinsky, '09, vice-president; Maree Ohlson, secretary.

Pursuant to the suggestions contained in Dr. Rein's remarks, the club secretary writes Annis Chaikin, alumni secretary, that the club declared itself in favor of a candidate for the state legislature who would interest himself in the real needs of the University in general.

### LAW COLLEGE DEBATERS LOSE TO KANSAS CITY

Missouri Veterans Take Unanimous Decision on Merchant Marine Question

In a hard-fought contest against veteran debaters representing the Kansas City college of law, Nebraska debaters were defeated by a unanimous decision at Kansas City Friday, December 21. The men defending Nebraska's side of the argument were Earl Jeffrey, '18, Elmore Schaberg, law '20, and James G. Young, law '20.

The debaters did creditable work throughout and at no time showed signs of surrender. Jeffrey put forth one of the strongest arguments of the whole debate and was highly credited by some of the officials who were presiding.

Young showed Schaberg and strength in their debates and gave their opponents a hard battle in their respective rebuttals.

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corps, Camp Kelly, San Antonio, Jacksonville, Florida.

The withdrawal of Dean Stout leaves (Continued on page two)