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THE CAMPUS BEAUTIFUL

Nebraska boasts of her great part in the war, of her traditions, of her faculty, and of her famed alumni. She boasts of championship football teams, of ambitious students, and of pretty girls. Nebraska has much for which to be proud, also, she has much for which to feel ashamed. Like most other schools, she has those things which she wishes to hide from the outside world. The glaring deficiencies of our campus, are now beginning to attract attention from thoughtful observers, and we hope that something will be done by the "powers that be" in the near future to make more pleasing to the eye, the present status quo of certain parts of the campus.

A pile of rubbish, a tumbled-down shack, and an unsightly pig-pen, greet the eye of the visitor who, perchance, takes a stroll about the new campus on the east side of Twelfth street. The view south and east from Bessey Hall is particularly displeasing to the eye, for here one catches a glimpse of new "washing" flung to the breeze from second-story windows, and witnesses a stately chancicleer leading his dutiful flock. This is the place where we are attempting to fashion a University.

Wonderful possibilities lie ahead for the creation of a "campus beautiful." The shacks, clothes lines, pig-pens, hen houses, and unsightly alleys can be demolished at comparatively small expense, and in their stead might be substituted rolling greens, tennis courts, flower gardens, shady nooks, and all the potential attributes of landscape architecture. The minds of our legislatures, are slow working. The purse strings of the State rest in the hands of that conservative class, the land-owning farmers. Appropriations for the benefit of the University are far below the amount that we should have. We are fast falling behind the standard of other states, and the time has come for us to get into the race again. With our wealth, we can offer no excuses. Why let another summer go by without expending a few hundreds to ameliorate the present unspeakable condition of our campus?

THE RALLY

Get behind the new plans for Ivy Day! Tomorrow morning the entire student body (we know that only a small fraction can get inside the Chapel) should harken to the call, and add their support and spirit to the rally that has been scheduled to boost for Ivy Day. It is the best kind of Nebraska spirit that gets behind the opposition after the verdict has been announced. So bury all misgivings, and BOOST.

PROFESSORS' SALARIES AGAIN

Did you ever stop to think, while pondering on the current bits of campus problems, such as college democracy, or school spirit, just how important the professors are to this old school of ours after all? It's great to get into deep discussions about the latest dope on the effects of the war and argue whether Bolshevism will upset the world or not (though privately we do not bother our minds about whether or not we sympathize with them—we really can't seem to see the connection between them and our little campus problems any way)—yet let us depart from such weighty interests for a moment and consider the professor.

Why are they here, these persons who are vitally important in this institution, when for instance, the wages of a carpetner or some such industrial worker exceed by some little amount the maximum wages of an instructor in this or any other university? Apparently there is some attraction here if our professors do not seek other fields which have been so plentiful since the war began, and which have been sought by others than college teachers in so many more cases than one would imagine.

Were you aware of the fact too, that in the last two years, with strained conditions before the war, and the great increase in the cost of living during the war, the average salary of the professor has not been raised, that many teachers cannot comfortably live on the incomes they receive without additional work in some other line? That in proportion to the cost of living, faculty members receive about one-half what they were paid ten years ago? We somehow seem to gather from these little things that it is not wages that the professor is attracted by, but rather the enjoyment which he may get from his profession. Indeed he has a great deal to overcome in his main business of seeing that nearly everybody gets through, and what is his recompense? A rather well known subject to be sure, but still in our idle moments may it not serve as food for thought?—E. H.

CONVICTIONS

Some of us pride ourselves on our convictions, when perhaps we should speak of our opinions or our prejudices or even our obsessions. There is a difference.

They should acquire convictions—convictions that give strength to character and force to opinions. The man of conviction is the man of action and of personality—and of success.—Michigan Daily.

UNI NOTICES

Dellian Literary Society
All Dellian members are asked to be present at a business meeting, to be held Monday evening, March 31, at 6:30. Election of officers. Please be prompt.

STUDENT OPINION

To "Student Opinion":
I have read, with interest, the recent discussions on university social conditions contained in the Daily Nebraskan. I confess, however, that the purport of these student expressions has been somewhat puzzling to me. Just what is their aim? Are they the mere sentimental musing of individuals or are they meant to direct attention to some general state of dissatisfaction? Personally, I can't help thinking that they are charged with insinuation. For, surely, the social strata of a university can only be a complement and product of conditions in general. It is necessarily not an indication of the conduct and policy of the university in every field of its work. And since the course of a vessel is determined by the man at the helm, when "Corn-Shucks" so artfully brings in the names of Professor Alexander and Dean Engberg is he not resorting to subterfuge? If there is any criticism to be made of course and conduct why not be open enough to direct it where it properly belongs. If there be just ground for complaint, let us not suppose that the man at the wheel is not big enough to listen thereto with willingness and fairness. But let us not resort to indirection. Idle abstractions are dangerous. If the dissatisfaction with social conditions is a fibre of the same thread as that recent campus parley, which has been bantering the question, "Why has our university fallen from a Class A to a Class C institution during the last few years?" Let these correspondents come out on the open field. Neither the university officials nor the student body want any more apologetic dodgings.
OBSERVER.

ALUMNI NOTES

F. W. Bellamy, '08, was a caller at the university yesterday, visiting some of his former professors. Mr. Bellamy was a prominent member of the football team while in the University. He is now a successful business man, dealing in autos at Salmon, Idaho.

Friends of Shirley D. Babbitt, former instructor in the department of rhetoric, have received word from him that he intends to spend some time studying in an English university. Mr. Babbitt entered the service two years ago and has been for some time in France.

John N. Bennett, who took his master's degree from the University of Nebraska in 1899, has recently been elected president of Doane College. He will be the third president that Doane has had. Mr. Bennett is the brother of Mrs. Samuel Avery. For several years he has been a professor in the mathematics department at Doane.

Professor Sanford of the Latin department has been ill for several days with tonsillitis.

Lieutenant William H. Baumann, who graduated from the civil engineering department of the university in 1915, visited his former professors and friends on the campus last week. He was commissioned first lieutenant in the "regulars" of the Coast Artillery Corps at Fort Monroe, Virginia, where he acted for a time as battery commander. Later he was sent to Fort Columbia, Washington, where he served in the coast defense. At the time of his resignation from the army, February 10th, Lieutenant Baumann was stationed at Camp Stuart, Virginia.

STUDENT CONFERENCE MEETING SUCCESSFUL

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Dr. Minackuchi, a native of Japan, spoke Saturday afternoon on the "Japanese Question." He maintained that the yellow peril was mainly a matter of yellow journalism and contended that the true relation between the countries was peaceful except for the vivid imagination of some American journalists.

Mrs. W. T. Elmore, who has spent a number of years in mission work in India, spoke in regard to the women of the orient. Rev. James B. Brown, of University Place, spoke Sat-

urday evening on the Syrian situation.

TWO TOWNS MAKE BID FOR IBSEN'S 'DOLL HOUSE'

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Noyes, Hiland Noyes, David Fell, Dwight Slater, Harold Banta, Paul Dobson, Ivan Hedge, Ray Lyman, Melvin Newquist, Harold Richards, Geo. Thomson.

Ruth Curtice left Saturday for her home in Ames, Ia.

Viola Drollinger, '18, of Talmage, Helen Reher, '18, of Wilbur, and Leona Woods, '17, of Superior, were guests at the Alpha Delta Pi house for the weekend.

Margaret Tourtelot, '20, went to Adams for Saturday and Sunday.

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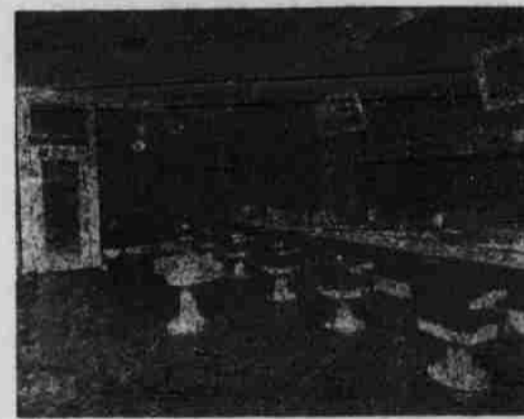
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