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**A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION.**

An article by Frederic J. Haskins scoring the arts and science colleges of today appears in Friday's edition of the Evening State Journal. It pictures the dabbling into a large number of subjects, which is required of the arts and science student, then continues: "Now, remember that no man is going to learn about anything unless he is interested. How many men are you going to find who are interested in all of these things. He cannot afford to be much interested in any one of them. If he were he would not learn enough about it to do him any good. He must be just a little interested in each of them. But in the nature of the case only about one man in a hundred feels any interest in more than one of these things which he must study, and most of them feel no interest in any of them."

We differ with Mr. Haskins in our opinion, the normal young person is interested in everything. If it is presented in a talking manner. To be successful after his graduation a person must have a great variety of interests. The vocation by which a man earns his living is only one phase of the complex life of today. Citizenship, religion, social life are a few of the other phases. Every person should be able to rub shoulders with men and women engaged in widely varied vocations. Every citizen who helps regulate the lives of others should have some understanding of their life. The arts and science student must cultivate an interest in many things before he can be successful in college. Hence the student who succeeds in the arts and science college has a good foundation for later life.

Another part of the article reads: "The man of marked individuality is not comfortable when he gets to college \* \* \* At best he becomes the sort of a fellow who is known in every college by the name of 'somehead.'" It seems to us that the modern college or University develops individuality. If a student wishes to bury himself in some scholastic pursuit to the exclusion of all other activities, no one will interfere. Of course he will be unpopular in school the same as he would be outside, but his more socially inclined schoolmates will find enough students of their own type that they will not attempt to drag out the bookworm. The student who cares for things outside his scheduled studies soon finds that he must assert individuality or he will be passed by unnoticed. Surely the liberal college is not a hindrance to the development of individuality.

**THE SALARY QUESTION.**

In a recent letter to one of the local dailies a member of the faculty points out the fact that American colleges today are deteriorating in their teaching forces. Low salaries for instructors and high wages on the outside for college trained scientific men are given as the causes of this approaching collapse in the faculties of the Universities and colleges. True, we see professors devoted to their work, worn by their ceaseless efforts to make their specialty better, to learn and to teach something new to the younger generations. Faculty members who have spent decades in the services of their colleges running on the same, or comparatively the same, salaries that they received years ago. Expenses are high and the professors must mope them. But they cannot do this on the present pay.

The open-minded, progressive people of the country are realizing, just as the students are realizing, that, if these low salaries continue, only second or third rate men can be found who will take the places of the really trained men on college faculties. This means a lower standard of education for the colleges and Universities and also means that the nation will retrogress mentally. The United States is foremost in a multitude of things, commercially and industrially, but to add this lead she must be a "top notcher" mentally. Science is taking the greatest part in world development of any branch of learning. Men will not take up scientific work unless there is some goal to work for that makes devotion to the work worth while. A few men will do this for the sake of learning, but the world needs more than a few instructors for her many colleges and Universities. Graduate students are being placed in positions as instructors in many institutions, among them Nebraska. It is surprising how many colleges are forced to take in graduates of the year before to perpetuate some of their departments for the next few years.

Times are hard. That is admitted. But times are never so hard that a nation which is the banking place for the world, the food-producer for the world, the most resourceful of all the nations, must let its educational institutions become inferior to the institutions of countries who are head over heels in debt. These nations realize the value of education and are taking the short cut and certain road to success by getting at the source of progress, education. Nebraska is a great state in a great nation. Prosperity has dropped into Nebraska for the past few years and her crops have been greater than ever before with few exceptions. Yet the educational institutions are being run by the same men at the same salaries as in years gone by. New men are being added to the faculties of the colleges each year. Many of them are inferior instructors, but they can be obtained for the small salaries that the state offers. It is high time that the backward movement of education in America was stopped. Nebraska stands high in literacy and because of her standing, because of her prosperity, because of her tendency to retrogress it is mandatory that she make some move to uphold her educational standards and to progress mentally. The whole question rests in the salaries of her instructors. Quick, clean, open, businesslike action is necessary.

**Dr. Lees Compiles Interesting Table**

A table of statistics, presenting a careful analysis of the grades given by all officers of instruction in the University in the year 1919-20 in all subjects to all students in their classes, has been prepared by Dr. J. T. Lees, Provost of the University, and submitted in mimeograph form to members of the faculty.

The table was compiled, Dr. Lees states, in response to a request from members of the faculty who desire to know how their grading compares with that of other professors and other departments. The remarkable thing about the compilation is that the grades for all classes for the first semester average within 2 per cent of the average of all grades in the second semester. The grades for second semester run higher than those in the first semester in nearly every case. The grand average for all departments for the first semester is 79.04 per cent and for the second semester 81.2 per cent.

There is quite a marked difference in the average grades ranging from 72.8 per cent as the lowest, and 90.5 per cent as the highest in twenty-nine of the thirty-five departments.

From a society column of a college paper: "The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a diamond ring, an emerald pin together with many other things in cut glass."—Bx.

He—"Did you hear about the couple that got locked up in the garage?"  
She—"No."  
He—"Lizzie Ford and one of the Dodge brothers."

**UNI NOTICES**

**Ex-Service Men, Attention.**  
American Legion dues for 1921 will be received now. Join the University post, No. 145, while you are in school by paying the adjutant your dues for the new year. You will find him in his office on the first floor of the Temple.

Frank B. O'Connell, state adjutant, writes: "Put it up to the gang straight. Tell them that they must pay their dues this month or become a 'draft dodger.' They certainly don't want to drop out of the Legion, now that it is just getting a nice start and is beginning to really do things. Open season on non-Legion men is now on. Go out and bag 'em! Put your old Post over the top with a substantial gain."

Post No. 45 dues are only two dollars for 1921. This is cheaper than dues for any other Nebraska post. (Signed.)

MILES V. GLOVER, Adjutant.  
CARL H. PETERSON, Commander.

**Palladian.**

The Palladian Cornhusker pictures will be taken Tuesday at 12:30 and Wednesday at 12:05. Please see notice in hall regarding which group you are in and make arrangements to change to other group if necessary.

**Phi Alpha Delta.**

Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity meeting 7:30 p. m. at Law Building Tuesday.

**Golf Players, Attention.**

Meeting of all University golf enthusiasts Tuesday, January 11, 7:30 p. m., auditorium, Social Science Hall. Golf Club will be organized.

**Block and Bridle Club.**

All members of the Block and Bridle Club are urged to attend an important business meeting at 5 at the Judging Pavilion.

**Poet's Pen**

**A Freshman Law.**

As one who peers at evening,  
O'er a casebook all alone,  
And reviews the many cases,  
It was said he should have known,  
So I turn the many pages,  
Till in shadowy design,  
I can see the smiling faces,  
Of those dear old profs of mine.

The gas light seems to strengthen,  
With a glimmer of surprise,  
As I read I 'low to rest me,  
Of the fate before my eyes,  
Then I light my pipe in silence,  
And there's visions in the smoke,  
But it's fate with my professors,  
And a flunk will be no joke.

And again I think of failure,  
And the chance once had had,  
With a prof I talked together,  
Of a future that made me glad,  
When I should be a lawyer,  
And with nothing else to do,  
But plead the tendered cases,  
And tease my stenog' to.

When I would be a justice,  
And rule the court my way,  
And make a few men foolish,  
On each bright summer's day,  
When was ever grateful,  
And I made so many dimes,  
I would turn my thoughts in rapture,  
And praise those profs of mine.

But now my dream is broken,  
By a stern reality of the fact,  
That a flunk is sure to get me,  
If I fail to use some tact,  
So I settle down to business,  
And I work with all my might,  
For some day I'll feel happy,  
When an L. L. B.'s in sight.

—Lyle G.

**Rouge.**

Your eyes are like unto the rays  
Of Luna's brilliant form;  
Your hair is touched by radiance  
Like sunset after storm;  
Your face enticing bids me love—  
But I'd not kiss in haste  
For I can see your lips are rouged  
And I can't stand the note.

**REESE MEMORIAL TO BE PLACED NEXT MONTH**

Many Graduates of Law School Plan to Return for Exercises.

A bronze tablet will be placed in the Law Building at a special memorial reunion of former law students of the University to be held February 15. The tablet will be placed in memory of Dean Manoah Reese, who was head of the Law College until 1903, when he was succeeded by Dr. Roscoe Pound, now dean of the Harvard Law School.

Many old graduates have notified Dean Warren A. Seavey that they will return for the exercises. E. A. Wright has written that he will make a special trip from Seattle to attend. Reunions of members of Phi Delta Phi, Phi Alpha Delta and the Order of the Coif, will also be held at this time.

**Hastings Plans Program.**

Former Dean W. G. Hastings of the Law College has charge of the program, to be featured by a memorial meeting at Law Hall in the afternoon, followed by a banquet and smoker at the Chamber of Commerce in the evening. Members of the Nebraska bar are invited to attend any or all parts of the program.

Dean Reese, in whose memory the tablet will be placed, came to Nebraska in 1871. From 1884 to 1890 and from 1907 to 1915 he was a member of the Supreme Court, being Chief Justice from 1908 to 1915. He became a member of the Law faculty in 1891, was chosen Dean of the College in 1893 and held this position until 1903.

**In Years Gone By**

**Five Years Ago Today.**

Dr. Stewart was elected Director of Athletics by the Athletic Board. An informal luncheon of the alumni of the University of Nebraska was held at Washington, D. C. in honor of the visiting delegates to the scientific meetings held in connection with the Pan-American congress.

**Six Years Ago Today.**

Nebraska State Historical Society held its twenty-eighth annual meeting.

**Nine Years Ago Today.**

Mr. La Flesche, a native Indian, gave an address at convocation on "Geography of the American Indian." The eighteenth annual art exhibit was held in Library Hall.

**Twelve Years Ago Today.**

The Cornhusker basket ball team defeated the Kansas State Agricultural team.

**Louise Pound Heads Resolutions Committee**

Miss Louise Pound of the Department of English was made chairman of the resolutions committee at the meeting of the Modern Language Association at Chicago last week, and she also served as a member of the nominating committee of the English section. She appeared upon the program. Miss Pound is a member of the national executive committee of the association.

**Our Inquiring Reporter**

Five persons picked at random are asked a question.

Today's question: What slang word do you hear the oftenest?

**Student 1:** I guess "you tell 'em" is the one I hear about as often as any. And, I might add, it is getting to rasp on my ear. If we must have slang, let's have something new and stop wearing the same old expression.

**Student 2:** Strang to say, "Ding bust-it" is the slang I hear the most. It's not the number of people I hear say it, but the number of times a few persons say these beautiful words.

**Student 3:** "Oh, ain't that hectle" has recently become a popular slang expression at our house. It had its beginning shortly before Christmas.

**Student 4:** For real, new, popular slang that is creating a monopoly at the house I offer you the verb "sapped." No matter what happens to you, you have been "sapped."

**Student 5:** At Ferry Hall every thing is "Ain't they lollies?"—ahhhhhha (rising and then falling of voice). I thought this was real "cuckoo" at first, but I finally got used to it.

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