

First Year Students
Take Oath To Nebraska

"I was asked to speak concerning the ideals, the traditions of the University. Three great forces underlie your presence here today: first, — the people of the state who believe in education, second—the education and forethought of your parents who made it possible, and third—your own efforts.

"Along the line of University ideals my mind recalls the remarks of a noted educator who, speaking before the biggest congregation ever gathered in this assembly, stated that elementary education rests on three supports, the body, the soul, and the intellect. A sound and vigorous body is necessary for all educational work. The highest spiritual and religious desires may be secured from the agencies organized for such purposes. It is necessary at all times to work in harmony with the other

able the students to reach the highest, the best, and most worthy planes of educational attainment.

"If you succeed in reaching these you will satisfy your own aspirations and receive the applause of the commonwealth which makes this higher education possible."

Following the address by the Chancellor, an ode to Nebraska University was read by Genevieve Clark, president of Mortarboard. Miss Clark was followed by Miss Amanda Heppner, dean of women, who addressed the freshmen girls.

Miss Heppner said, "On behalf of the women of the University I extend to you a cordial welcome. The campus belongs to you. This meeting must convince you beyond a doubt that the faculty and students are vitally concerned in your happiness and success. The nature of this success will depend in a large measure upon your attitude towards the new environment and your readiness to accept the spirit of friendliness and helpfulness which confronts you on every side. Your problem then is the matter of proper adjustment. The young women are fortunate in having a social center, Ellen Smith Hall, where they will find many opportunities for self-expression and enduring friendships."

Miss Heppner said that the best medium for this self-expression is participation in activities. Holding aloof from all activities would be as serious a mistake as indulging in too many activities.

"It is unnecessary to make any compromise in the ideals and principles which have been inculcated by previous training. The failure to adhere to proper standards would be an irretrievable blunder. Your chief reason for coming to college was the desire to acquire learning. The student must realize that studies must come first. Too often the student talks of 'getting by,' too rarely of getting superior grades. Your adjustment would be a failure unless you are equally successful in developing the mind and the personality. Four wonderful years with immeasurable opportunities lie before you. Will you not make the most of them?"

Guy Chamberlain, one-time president of the Innocents, spoke to the freshmen on the subject of University scholarship. In brief his talk is as follows:

"Imagine a group of people as large as this group buying tickets for the Notre Dame game. Imagine them coming from many miles, paying railroad fare, hotel bills, and all manner of expenses and then staying away from the game or sitting at the game and paying no attention to it. What would you think of them?"

"Yet a large number of students come to the University, pay for a room, pay the University fees, and all other expenses necessary to attend and yet pay little or no attention to their studies."

"The taxpayers maintain this great institution at enormous expense for you to receive a better education. There are many traditions of the school and one which the freshmen are expected to uphold is the tradition of scholarship. Nebraska graduates are holding important places in all fields of the educational world. It is up to this class to see that none of its members drop out, to see even that none fail to pass an hour."

"Anyone with due application can secure a passing grade. The great reason for poor scholarship is lack of application. Will you raise the institution, through higher scholarship, in the minds of the people of the state and the legislature; and make it 100 per cent effective in reaching the educational ideals of a great university?"

Ed Weir, football captain, said, "On behalf of the athletic teams I welcome all the freshmen. We want you to fall in line with the rest of the school and show the spirit that wins games. Remember school work is first. We know that on the athletic field where many good men are lost each year through poor work in their studies. Let's get together and make it a big year for Nebraska!"

Captain Weir was followed by Coach Bearg who told of his pleasure at entering the school with the freshmen. He said, "You freshmen are the ones who will make this school in the next few years plus the freshmen who will come in the next years. The freshmen and I are enemies until Saturday I hear. But after Saturday let's all be friends."

Coach Schulte said that the freshmen class coming in 2200 strong was to add to the strength, honor, and glory of the school. He closed with the statements, "If you are yellow or a cake-eater, the campus is too large and too fine for you. Get off! There are no schools as large as this in America which are as fine as this. Come in with reverence for the old traditions. Wear the cap or button as you should. Wear it every day. Wear it until you win the Olympics. You entered of yourself. I want to ask you to support the football team and other campus activities and to play the game as they play it."

Following the talk by Coach Schulte, Robert Lang administered the "Nebraska Oath" as follows:

"I promise that I will work strenuously to maintain the highest standards of University scholarship, real-

izing that I am here primarily to study and to learn. I swear that I will earnestly strive to be a red-blooded, square-shooting, fair-playing Cornhusker; that I will strive to maintain Nebraska as one of the greatest universities in the land; and that I will love and honor the Scarlet and Cream."

Professor G. E. Condra then made a plea for the freshmen to live up to the pledge, to "fight it out along the lines of the pledge, to get the Scarlet and Cream into your hearts and minds." Professor Condra then supervised the taking of still and motion pictures of the class on the lawn southeast of the administration building.

BANKERS AND FARMERS CONFER AT AG CAMPUS

Ninety-three bankers and farmers from Douglas, Sarpy, Cass and Otoe counties, attended the second day of the banker-farmer conference in session at the Agricultural College this week.

These meetings are a part of the Nebraska Banker-Farmer Plan of co-operation instituted within the last few months. The program is in charge by members of the College faculty.

The interest is increasing as shown by the increase in attendance of twenty-three over yesterday.

The program is the same each day except for a few minor changes. Prof. Myron H. Swenk, state entomologist, spoke on Hessian fly control substituting for Dr. L. Van Es. The Hessian fly has given some trouble in the section of the state represented and it was thought best to make the change.

T. H. Pollock, prominent banker of Plattsmouth, was leader of the group.

some of the class if too much stress is put on the paper written—the very surprise is apt to upset certain students who are really very well informed on the work, and cause them to fall down badly. The more points the instructor has with which to supplement examination grades, the more fairly he can grade.

Of course one favorite answer is that grades are not everything, and it is only what the student actually knows that counts anyway. But this is a make shift answer and is no solution whatever.

More times than a student is aware, his grades are used to classify him in the opinion of his fellow students. Even one who assumes to care the least about his own grades, when he wishes to give another his highest recommendation will say, "He is a good student and makes grades," and for this reason, the capable instructor will use fairness and consider as many factors as possible every time he makes out the reports.—The Oklahoma Daily.

casting. The furnishings are such that will absorb little or none of the sound, and the sugar cane insulation of the room insures faultless acoustics.

Students at the University of Illinois with one unexcused absence in military tactics will be required to take the final examination this year, under a new ruling. Formerly a grade of B in class work was all that was required for exemption.

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Want Students To Get Acquainted

placed her as one of the popular entertainers on the campus, has a few special numbers for the occasion. Dorothy Abel will give an interpretive dance depicting interesting side-lights in modern life.

The decorations will be designed to pay homage to the freshman class. Punch and wafers will be served throughout the evening. The usual admission fee of 35 cents will be charged.

This party will be given in honor of the class of '29. Both upperclassmen and freshmen are cordially invited to attend this "get acquainted" mixer for it is one of the first opportunities given to the student body to extend the hand of welcome to the freshmen, to aid in acquainting them with University customs, ideals and spirit.

The All-University parties are one of the older traditions on the campus. The students have shown their approval of these social events by the large attendance throughout the year. Six parties were held last year. Starting out with a "get acquainted" mixer at which over 700 students were present the parties were distributed evenly over the school season.

This year one extra party has been added to the six of last year. Several of these parties will be held in honor of University traditions. The custom of holding the parties in the Armory will be followed until the new field house reaches final completion. The dates for the parties are: October 24 (Homecoming), November 21, December 13 (Christmas), January 16, February 13 (Valentine), March 27 (Spring party).

FAIR GRADING

Even an amateur reformer can find plenty of reform, though sometimes he cannot do much good along the line of actual improvement of existing evils. Most of them are not reformable.

More storms of criticism probably have been directed against the grading system than even the weather. Perhaps it would be better to say grading systems, for the methods used in rating students class work averages evidently range from careful consideration to more simple guesswork. Some professors have been accused of grading the papers by throwing them downstairs.

Charges of favoritism are in nearly all cases unjustified. A great deal of the unsatisfactory grading occurs because the work of the student is not considered from enough angles by the instructor. Most frequently an instructor is inclined to lay far too much stress upon the examination.

The more considerate teacher watches the attitude of the student in class, his interest, any evidences of work being done outside the class room, his comprehension of the course. That teacher watches for foolish remarks, signs of a poor understanding of the subject, and for carelessness.

Unexpected quizzes are unfair to

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