

Five hundred freshmen at Syracuse University participated in the first of interclass rivalries on Crouse Hill. They were eager to show their superiority over the hundred sophomores who were armed with fifteen bags of flour each awaiting the onslaught of the green-liddars. As the signal was given, the yearlings swarmed up the hill and met the barrage of flour bravely and after quite a struggle were acclaimed victors.

Interesting Facts On Old Pawnee Confederacy Disclosed In Tour

Many interesting facts about the Pawnee Indians who formerly lived in the Loup River valley were discovered by Mr. E. E. Blackman, curator of the Nebraska State Historical Society, which is located in the basement of Library Hall. Mr. Blackman makes a tour of exploration in some part of the state every year. A hundred years ago, the Pawnee Confederacy flourished in the valley. There were three tribes, the Choin, the Skidi, and a third called the Noisy Pawnees. The Skidi were ruled by Knife Chief and afterward by his son, who is noted for many brave and noble deeds. It was he who banished the inhuman rite of the torture rack from among the tribal customs, and at another time he rescued from death a beautiful Cheyenne maiden, who was intended for a sacrifice to

the Morning Star. Late in life he passed to the Kappy Hunting Ground, and some day upon the site of the grave a monument will be erected to the memory of this humane aborigine. Mr. Blackman has determined that the Pawnees came from Texas to Nebraska about six hundred years ago. At first they lived on the high hills back of the river in grass houses, but with the coming of horses, they began moving down toward the river, and building houses of earth, which were warmer and more substantial. The Pawnees had their own story of the creation. They believed that the Great Spirit had created them right in the Loup Valley, and then taught them the growing of corn, and the other practices by which they lived.

Student Council Members Show Eighty Per Cent Average in School Classes

A survey was recently made to determine the personnel of the Student Council. There are twenty members elected annually in the spring of the year, who hold positions on this board. The scholarship, campus and social activities of members of the Council were investigated. The results are: Fifteen students, on the Council, have neither "conditions," "failures" or "incompletes" for the last semester of 1926. One student has one condition, one student a failure and two have incompletes. Twelve of the twenty students have never had conditions or failures, during their college years. The scholastic average of the entire group is about eighty and five tenths per cent. Two of the senior women are members of Mortar Board, two of the senior men are members of the Innocents. Two of the junior women are members of Silver Serpent, junior women's honorary; one member is secretary, the other treasurer of that organization. Three of the junior men representatives have appeared as Nebraska representatives in debates against other colleges. Three

members act as Council representatives on the varsity dance committee. Four members are active in work on the Daily Nebraskan one member is business manager, one is assistant managing editor, one is assistant news editor and one is a reporter. One of the members is an "N" man in baseball. Twelve are members of national social Greek Letter societies and six of these hold offices in their respective chapters. This information was gathered for the satisfaction of the Council itself which has recently been considering suggesting to the Faculty committee that they as a body be allowed to act in minor cases of discipline. The Council has not, as yet, taken definite action in regard to scholarship but it is quite possible, according to recent announcements made by Council officials, that members not classed in the "B" or average class in their scholarship will be asked to resign from the body in order that students capable of keeping to this standard be allowed to fill their places.

Prize for Trade Problem Solution

The extent to which college courses in economics and business administration enable students to solve practical business problems is to be measured this fall by Senator Arthur Capper, of Kansas, and a group of business experts. Senator Capper, author of a bill to end destructive price wars, heads a committee seeking the best solution of the price-cutting evil. Suggestions have been sought from students and professors of colleges in all parts of the United States. The student or professor who presents the suggestion of most practical value will not only receive a money prize of \$1,000 for his ideas but will have the satisfaction of seeing them adopted as the basis of action by business men and legislators. The special prize of \$1,000 has been offered by Dr. Edward Plaut, New York manufacturer, specifically for the best college plan for the maintenance of standard retail prices. "What we are after," said Dr. Plaut, in sponsoring the competition, "is a real solution of this trade problem. The answer is vital to the future success of American industry. The method of presenting the plan is unimportant. We are seeking ideas, not rhetoric. A large number of men in wholesale and retail trade have already submitted their plans. They are thinking clearly and constructively on this important question and show good business judgment. I am interested to see how the winning college plan compares with the best suggestions from business men." Dr. Plaut is a graduate of Princeton and received his doctor's degree

from Columbia. As both a college and a business man, he is interested in seeing whether the better plans come from American colleges or from the ranks of trade itself. Details of the contest, which closes November 1, have been sent to professors of economics and business administration. The jury of award, headed by Senator Capper, includes Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, chairman of the National Consumers League; Dr. Melvin T. Copeland, Harvard School of Business Administration; Nelson B. Gaskill, former Federal Trade Commissioner; G. Barret Moxley, ex-President of the National Association of Wholesale Druggists; A. W. Shaw, publisher of "System"; Dr. Frank T. Stone, president, National Association of Retail Druggists; and Herbert J. Tily, president, National Retail Dry Goods Association.

There were two students from England registered in the University of Nebraska summer session this year.

Seven students from France attended the University of Nebraska summer session this year.

Three 1926 students of the University of Nebraska summer session come from India.

Two students from Ireland attended the Nebraska University summer session this year.

One student from Japan attended the University of Nebraska summer session this year.

One student from Hungary attended the University of Nebraska summer session this year.

Initial Drill Reveals Difficulties Of Playing in University Cadet Band

Hats off! Along the street there comes a blair of bugles, a ruffle of drums; and co-eds hearts are beating high. Hats off! The band is passing by! Tall men and short men, fat men and slim men, little men playing enormous horns—almost as large as themselves, and big husky six-footers toying with tiny piccolos and diminutive clarinets.

The "old" men walk very erect and with a decidedly military bearing, while the freshmen, for the most part, do the best they can to keep in line and play at the same time. Thus the cadet band at its first drill of the season—but, wait and see. In a few weeks time every man will have been transformed into a resplendently uniformed and well drilled unit of that indispensable organization, the band.

There are sixty-five men in the band this year. This is slightly less than the accepted number, seventy. There are only seventy uniforms and for this reason the band can never contain more than that many men. Only five freshmen were taken in this year although about thirty-five tried out. The remaining nine new men are sophomores.

There is perhaps no organization on the campus which works harder

for the promotion of school spirit and renders more valuable service at games, rallies and other occasions when the students assemble together than the cadet band. Rain or shine, the band is always on the job, putting pep into every one, and taking good care that there is never a dull moment during the affair.

Under a new ruling freshmen are not released from drill because of membership in the band. They can, however, drop drill after playing in the band one semester. One hour's credit is given band members through the military department. This credit is not given freshmen when they are taking both band and drill their first semester in university.

The band will have with new additions to its uniforms this year, namely, leather belts and military pouches. As in military science, a ten dollar deposit must be paid upon receiving a uniform. This is refunded when the uniform is returned. "Prospects are fine for a good band this year," said Mr. Quick, when asked his opinion on the subject. "The main reason is that we have practically all old men in the band this year, having taken in only fourteen new members." This is Mr. Quick's ninth year as director.

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CORN BORER HAS BECOME MENACE

Prof. Swenk Believes That Nebraska Farmers Should Take Steps To Prevent Spread

Professor M. H. Swenk of the department of entomology represented Nebraska at the second annual European Corn-Borer Conference and Tour, which met at Toledo, Ohio, and toured a section of the corn borer infested area in the United States and Canada, September 23-24-25. Control measures were discussed in the meeting, he said. The sentiment of the meeting seemed to be that the European corn borer is the greatest menace that has ever faced American agriculture. The only effective control that has as yet been developed is that of destroying corn crop residues and maintaining a

quarantine over the infested area. Professor Swenk does not feel that Nebraska is in any great danger from the borer but he said that should an infestation become as great in this state as in some of the infested area, Nebraska would face economic ruin. He also is of the opinion that all the corn belt states should interest themselves in the campaign against the spread of the borer, and that the people of these states should be informed of the seriousness of the situation.



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