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OUR VARSITY PARTIES

Dean Amanda Heppner has asked fraternities and sororities not to schedule house parties on the evenings Varsity Dances are to be held in the University Coliseum. Members of the University Party committee have telephoned each Greek letter organization with the same message. Now it is heard around the campus that the Dean of Men will take the same attitude. The opinions of these persons are worthy of the attention of fraternities and sororities when they plan parties in the future.

The University Party committee is doing all in its power to put this idea across to the students as a more or less unwritten law which in the future will be adhered to. The committee realizes it will be difficult to take these steps at once. Before the second Varsity Dance was held, every fraternity and sorority was notified of the affair and asked not to schedule house parties for that night. All but one Greek letter organization agreed; one sorority would not answer favorably. Those who were willing to cooperate were in an overwhelming majority, however, and the plan is getting along fairly well.

No steps for enforcement will be taken this fall, announces one member of the committee. If the Greeks can be made to see the principle involved without drastic rules, so much the better. The committee hopes to accomplish its aim by Christmas. Dean Heppner and Dean Chatburn, however, could easily put the taboo on parties by refusing to schedule them for certain evenings when the organizations come up in advance to make arrangements. At present, all that is done is to remind the people that they are scheduling their parties on the night of a Varsity Dance, and asking them to refrain from this in the future.

October 30 seems to be a logical date for house and downtown parties. There is also a Varsity Party scheduled for that evening. Perhaps in this case we can overlook the fact, for the Greeks have not become acquainted with the idea of giving up parties. But after that date the Varsity Party committee hopes to have the complete cooperation of all Greeks in school.

It is "Do or Die" for the Varsity Parties this year. If we are to get away from our selfish, undemocratic social habits we must do it now. We now have a dance floor large enough to accommodate all who wish to come and a Party committee which is working hard and doing all that it can to make the Parties a success. All that is needed is a willingness on the part of the student body to cooperate with the committee and make the dances the sort of general University parties they should be. And how much better it is to cooperate willingly in this or any other affair than to be forced to comply through rules or laws.

KANSAS HOSPITALITY

One of the main benefits of a trip to an out-of-town football game such as the one played last Saturday is the chance to observe another institution and compare it with our own. Those who take such trips should take advantage of this opportunity to learn first hand of the functioning of another University.

Among the things which made the most lasting impressions, the Kansas hospitality was the thing which will be remembered longest. We think that it would be well for the Nebraska students who were there to take a lesson and pass on the idea to the others here at home. Lawrence, to begin with, is smaller than Lincoln and thus people know more of their townsmen. It is true that in a university town, everyone caters to the students. But when there you feel like one of the town-folk. People on the street speak to you and are continually at your service to you. When riding and walking about the Kansas campus men and women all speak to you whether they know you or not. They all seem to be extremely pleased when they can in some way aid you.

At their Varsity parties they all bring partners but every dance is a "cut-in" or "tag" dance. It is considered an insult if the person tagged refuses to give up his partner. It is truly a "mixer".

Nebraska has never been known as an enthusiastic school, but we

could do much more to make our guests feel at home. We have three more home games—three more chances to improve on our hospitality. May we profit by our trip to Lawrence and convert that Kansas hospitality for the remainder of the season.

WHAT IS AN "F"?

About this time of the year when examination and other papers are being returned, the very perplexing question of "What is an 'F'?" again arises. Among the freshmen especially is this a matter of great concern. And "F" is not the only letter of the alphabet whose meaning is being queried, "E" and "D" and many others are just as mystifying. And the freshmen, in their mystification, naturally turn to the upperclassmen for enlightenment, but what are we to tell them? How can we tell them anything when we do not know ourselves?

Just what does "F" mean? Does it mean "fail", more commonly known as "flunk", or does it mean "fair"? And "D"—does it mean "poor" or "passing" or something else? And what is the highest grade, "A" or "E"? And does "D" mean delinquent or just passing?

These few questions serve to illustrate the perplexity which may, and often does, arise over the subject of grades. And to all this conglomeration of letters the numerical system of grading and you have the present system as it prevails at Nebraska. Nearly every professor has a system of his own and most departments seem to feel that it is quite necessary to have some unique method of grading.

There is nothing essentially wrong with all this; no one is being cheated. But it is confusing and nonsensical, and there is no good reason for it.

College Press

(The Minnesota Daily)
The comparison of foreign educational standards and methods with those of our country affords a very interesting problem—particularly when one finds that the results from the methods of the old world are more satisfactory than those which the "enlightened" new world has to show. In some fields this is not entirely true; taken as a whole, however, the European is better equipped, in a shorter time and with more thoroughness than is the American student. This fact has been brought more forcibly to our attention in the visit of Dr. Heinrich B. Prell, of Tharandt, Saxony, who has recently told us that students entering a German university are at least two years ahead of American students. That is, the German student has completed many of the courses—particularly in the field of language—before he matriculates into a University, that the American student does not come to until he begins his collegiate year.

The reasons for this old world superiority are many—chief among them is the spirit of thoroughness and efficiency growing out of the strong centralization which characterizes the European system. There is also the important fact that the foreign schools plunge their students at an earlier age into the more difficult courses of study. Take, for instance, the German system. When the student has reached the age of eight or nine years he has begun his training in foreign languages, and this is kept up all through his "grade school" years.

It has always seemed to us that there is a great deal of waste motion in our graded school system. Eight years seems to be a long time to learn only the A B C's and the three "R's"—and then not even to accomplish that thoroughly. In a comparison of European and American systems of higher education there are a number of elements present in the nature of the latter which make the analogy a little unfair. In the first place, the aim of the two systems are somewhat at

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Junior Meeting

There will be an important meeting of the Junior class in Social Sciences Auditorium at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, October 26. Officers will be elected and other important business will be transacted.

Inter-Frat Track

All fraternities intending to enter either the inter-fraternity track meet, November 3, or the inter-fraternity cross-country meet, November 10, should register at the athletic office immediately.

Chess Club

Meeting of the University Chess Club next Saturday evening at 7:30 in the Y. M. C. A. rooms in the Temple. All students interested in Chess are invited.

Y. M. Cabinet

The cabinet of the University Y. M. C. A. will hold its regular weekly meeting this noon.

Xi Delta

Xi Delta meeting Thursday evening at 7 p. m. in Ellen Smith Hall.

Green Goblins

Green Goblins meeting at 7 o'clock Tuesday evening, October 26, at Kappa Sigma house, 1141 H Street. It is necessary that each Green Goblin bring one paddle.

Dramatic Club

Special meeting of Dramatic Club, Tuesday, October 26, at 5 o'clock in the club room. Very important.

Angwan Contributions

Contributions to the Angwan are now being received at the office in the basement of U Hall. The next issue will be called the "War Number", to be distributed Armistice Day. Copy will be received until October 29. Contributors are invited to look over the exchange magazines in the office for ideas.

Iron Sphinx

Iron Sphinx will meet at the Delta Tau Delta house, Tuesday evening, October 26, at 7:20. All Barbecue tickets must be checked in. Send tickets with a representative if you can not be present.

Blue Print Has Engineering Discourse

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schools. They are vocational schools, high grade professional schools, and post-graduate schools. In this way all engineers would find their level in school and be trained to perform the particular phase of the profession for which they are best fitted.

A study of the model shipping terminal under construction at Mobile, Alabama, at a cost of \$10,000,000, is made by Major General W. L. Sibert. This is the only seaport of the State of Alabama and will have a profound importance in the development of the South. It is proposed to build, in connection with this terminal, cotton warehouses with compress, grain elevators, cold storage plants, coal-plant and any other facilities that the prospective commerce shows to be commercially feasible. The whole project will be built sufficiently high to give safe and complete protection from all Gulf storms. Several photographs of the immense project accompany the article.

R. L. Cochran, '10, State Engineer, tells of some problems met in road development in Nebraska. It gives concisely much interesting and authoritative information of Nebraska's attempt to build a comprehensive system of good roads. Gravel surfacing is approved for all highways throughout the state with the exception of those near population centers which should be paved. Nebraska's program is sound and is progressing nicely.

These follow several technical articles by engineers on the subjects: "Field Control of Concrete Mixers", "The Steel Pile Abutment", "Job Analysis", written by H. H.

Studio Assignments

Juniors to Hauck's, Wednesday, October 27

Albert Smrha, Anna Smrha, Robert Smrha, Hazel Snavely, Burton Snodgrass, Harold Snyder, Whilma Snyder, Wm. Snyder, Carl Scholof, Winona Soller, Tabien Solles, Gladys Soukup, Margaret Staton, Herbert Sterns, Jessie Sterns, Catherine Steel, Gordon Stiner, Eleanor Stenger, Jos. Stenner, Wm. Stephens, Rhoda Steven, Everette Stevens, Joseph Stevens, Lois Stevens, Monroe Stevens, Sylvia Steastery, Kenneth Stiles, Charlotte Stilwell, Samm St. John, Catherine Stocks, Marguerite Stockton, Archibald Storms, Ada Storts, Lloyd Strombeck, Albert Struve, Floyd Stryker, Wm. Louis Stuckey, Marjorie Stuff, Irma Suchy, Hazel Sutton, Bernice Swanson, Dorothy Swanson, Kenneth Swartwood, John Swartz, Athan Sweet, Florence Swihart, Verna Sykes, Victor Sylvan.

Fowler, John C. Schmidt, and C. A. Sjogren, respectively. The nomination for the hall of fame is J. E. Fochet, Brigadier General, Assistant Chief of the United States Air Service. The Dean's page treats with industrial standardization and its effects. He states that it is still a subject for thoughtful and fruitful study and expects it to play an important part in the development of the profession.

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