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TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1927

"INCIDENTALLY STUDENT"

"To guarantee that participation in college sport would be more completely restricted to college students incidentally playing football, than to perpetuate a condition wherein at every college there are at least a few men who are in spirit simply athletes incidentally attending college," President Ernest Martin Hopkins of Dartmouth college, according to an Associated Press dispatch, has proposed a plan of reform in intercollegiate football which would limit varsity teams to sophomores and juniors, and would put all coaching in the hands of undergraduates.

The wire report states further "He (President Hopkins) said that although he did not feel the worst that had been alleged against college football was necessarily true, tendencies toward such conditions are more rapid than commonly recognized, and I believe that intercollegiate football is in a more hazardous position than is generally supposed among its friends."

Realizing that it is impossible for any single college to transform of itself existing evils, President Hopkins proposes a formal organization of a limited number of eastern colleges and universities where the plan might be tried out.

President Hopkins, the report explains, was at one time a graduate manager of Dartmouth athletics. He is a man who is richly in sympathy with college athletics and not a dreamy purist who would abolish the whole works. His proposal as a result should have added weight in university councils.

Athletes incidentally attending college, instead of college students incidentally playing football. That's the big trouble with college athletics today, and it's the situation President Hopkins hopes to eliminate.

It doesn't take much thought and reflection on the part of a student who is not altogether asleep to the world about him, to see that a great many athletes come to university (to Nebraska among all the others) for no other reason than to be on the teams, to make a letter, and to bask in the gladiatorial glory of stadium and coliseum.

What is even worse, there are many athletes in American universities who come not entirely of their own free volition, but were "sold" on the idea of a university career by alumni, and coaches in particular, who were out to get "material" for the varsity teams. Nebraska's record in this respect has been fairly clean, but it is not without blemish either.

It is this prostitution of college education for the sake of athletics which is slowly but surely arousing a public reaction which in the end will probably lead to some sane reform such as the Dartmouth president is advocating.

All true friends of colleges and universities should lend an attentive ear to the proposal, and watch with concern the progress of the experiment if it is ever tried out.

American colleges and universities are in a well-nigh ridiculous predicament. Posing as institutions of higher learning, they have in part degenerated and become a mere background for the highly organized business of college athletics. This degeneration may not be so marked among the average students who are here to really get an education, but it is quite marked among those whose interests seem primarily athletic, and among those whose BUSINESS it is to turn out the athletes.

If there is a reform it will probably be started in the East by the same schools which were leaders in creating this frankenstein intercollegiate monster. Here in the West we are still in the stadium-building stage—or rather to put it more truly, we are still in the stadium and coliseum-paying stages. We've got to keep on in order to meet the payments.

Our athletics have virtually ceased to be amateur in nature. They can't any longer be considered purely amateur athletics when the gate receipts are mortgaged many years ahead to pay for expensive structures. The universities have simply got to put out good teams, winners if you please, in order to attract enough spectators to fill the empty seats, and the empty coffers.

Competition is becoming keener. It's an economic competition in large part too. That's why we have everywhere more and more all-year-round coaching and practice. That's the only way to compete with other schools which are doing the same thing in order to win more games, attract more crowds, and pay for their piers and tiers of concrete.

In this competition and the exaggerated glory given to the participants we find the root of most of the excesses of "athletes incidentally attending college"—a condition which the head of one of the country's most famous private schools is proposing to remedy.

It is a condition which has risen up so slowly, and has been so much the product of exaggerated and, may we say, misinterpreted and misled school loyalty, that a great many people are not fully alive to it.

In fact there has arisen a belief in some quarters that everything can be criticized and talked about—except the sacred bull of college athletics.

Why this should be the one most touchy question on the campuses of scores of universities, it is difficult to explain. Probably it has become so because its defenders have been too alert in rushing to arms whenever a word of criticism has been uttered.

And yet, there are few people who will refuse to admit that there have been, and that there are gross abuses to the college athletic system. At a neighboring western college, for instance, it is common knowledge that the football team for several years has been nothing but a hired group of athletes incidentally attending college. Another university just recently has embarked on a campaign of "getting the men". All university teams are not composed that way entirely, but too big a percentage of them are.

The Daily Nebraskan does not condemn college athletics as such. Nay, The Nebraskan is heartily in favor of more and more athletics for more and more

students—real body-building athletics which will better fit students for their long strenuous lives as leaders in their communities. But The Nebraskan is not blind to the fact that there are accelerating tendencies in the present system of top-heavy, gate-receipt athletics which merit the earnest consideration of all true lovers of higher education from the college president down to the newest freshman.

In Other Columns

Tale of A Kiss

(To My Ray of Sunshine)

Those lovely lips in Nature's hue,
That smile so sweet, so tempting too,
Poor fluttering youth, what could I do?
My heart called out with passion true:

With brutal force I clasped her tight;
She was so frail, so wondrous light,
Yet she began a fearless fight,
And lo, my eyes turn brownish bright!

In stalked a husky boorish lad:
"Leggo my wife, you collar ad!
Get out!" he cursed, "or I'll run mad."
And so I left, more wise than sad.

—S. W. S.—McGill Daily

Courtesy to Dance Chaperones

Some persons say a dance can not be held without chaperones. Others say a dance is a failure if you do not have chaperones. Officially the first conclusion is right. The second one depends on the individual, or perhaps two individuals. Recognizing the fact that chaperones are a requisite of each social function, it is expected of students to pay some respect to those who make possible these affairs.

Sitting in an out-of-the-way place three hours is no pleasure to these persons. Playing bridge all evening becomes irksome. Occasional chats with dancers at least would add a variety to the evening. Seldom do students make it a rule to greet the chaperones. They apparently are not aware of the governing body's presence. Frequent visits and dance trades should become the rule, not the exception.

Making chaperones enjoy the evening contributes to the success of any dance. It eliminates the last-minute worry of telephone calls to assure the dance.

—Indiana Daily Student

The College Bred Cop

Something seems to have happened to the college bred cop. According to a laconic dispatch from Evanston, Ill., where he was on trial, he has been fired for incompetence. Thus an interesting experiment in college vocational training is subjected to the handicap of an alumni failure at its very inception.

Just what were the shortcomings of Evanston's young chief of police one is left to surmise. The dispatch doesn't tell anything except that he failed to make good. It would be interesting to know whether it was the young man who failed or his method. So far as practical results are concerned, of course, the two are inseparable. Still it is possible that the scientific method in the hands of a more skillful director might have worked out, or the young man with a practical instead of a theoretical training might have delivered the goods.

At any rate Evanston apparently will have to go back to a chief who knows nothing about police problems except what he has gained through directing traffic, pinching drunks, catching thieves and locating cleverly concealed stills.

—World-Herald

A Dead Soldier, or a Healthy Husband

'Way back at the beginning of time, so far as the university is concerned, an Iowa State Legislature provided for higher education at public expense with the proviso that military training and home economics would ever be a part of the curriculum.

True to the visions of its forefathers, the university continues to offer military training—not only offers it but insists that the freshmen and sophomores accept it. It is a tribute to the men that they take the uncomfortable dress and long walks without a murmur. They see it, apparently, to be their duty.

Home economics, also, is offered by the university. It is optional, however, with the result that the average co-ed takes the time for make-up and dancing practice rather than for instruction in home-making. She finds it to be more practical in procuring a husband—she thinks she does, that is, because she gets more dates.

The truth of the matter is that college men still dust off the same measuring sticks grandfather used when it comes to selecting a wife. While they may date the make-up and the active feet, when it comes to taking a mate they do not select a dancing partner.

The standards set up long ago still exist; good looking, good natured, and a good cook. In these days of the co-opener the accent has come to be placed on the "cook", especially a week or so after the knot has been tied. Men of Iowa do not object to military training; most of them had rather become a healthy well-nourished husband than any kind of soldier, living or dead.

—Daily Iowaan

Exchange Studentships

The idea of "exchange studentships," conducted on the principle of "exchange professorships," has been advocated somewhat, as a means of broadening the vision of the usual provincial college student. The plan in practice would consist of having certain students transfer their campus affiliation for two or three months of the year for the purpose of absorbing the outlook and organization beyond the borders of their own particular little field.

The cosmopolitan education which would result might belittled to that broadening influence which is supposed to result from traveling. It is questionable as to whether such a system could be worked out effectively in any great number of cases, without considerable detriment to the student's progress in an organized university course. Any exchange period of less than a year would necessitate an abrupt re-adjustment hardly comparable to the situation in an exchange of professorship. An instructor takes his lectures and methods ready-made to the new environment, is on the receiving end of the experiment and must conform to the new situation.

The advantages of such diverse points of view, and such broadening contacts, are well worked out in graduate schools, where students are allowed to pursue their particular study under the best instruction available.

Unfortunately the present connotation with the campus "wanderer" is not such as would encourage the average student to change schools frequently. The difficulties of transferring credits and meeting graduation requirements, added to the scholastic ill-fame which may attach to constant transfers, rather deters such experiments.

It seems doubtful whether any organized attempt to foster exchange studentships will be successful without some special provisions for caring for such technical difficulties and for faculty recommendation of students suited for the experiment. For the thoughtful student who desires to broaden his own educational vision, the plan offers an idea for voluntary and individual application.

—The Daily Iliad

Notices

TUESDAY, MARCH 22

Meeting Tuesday at 7 o'clock at Ellen Smith Hall.
Alpha Kappa Psi
Meeting Tuesday March 22 at the Commercial Club Room at 7 p. m.
Theta Sigma Phi
Theta Sigma Phi will meet in SS 218 at 5 o'clock, Tuesday, March 22.

Rehearsal Tuesday at seven o'clock at the Temple building in room 204. Bring paper and pencil.
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23
Rehearsal Wednesday from 5 to 6 at the Temple building room 204.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24
Rehearsal Thursday from 5 to 6 at the Temple building room 204.
FRIDAY, MARCH 25
Union will hold its Annual Girl's meeting, Friday, March 25, at 8:30, at which time the Union girls will be hostesses to the Union boys and to guests. Everyone is cordially invited.

MONDAY, MARCH 28
Mechanical Engineers
Meeting Monday, March 28.

GILMAN SPEAKS AT CONVOCATION

(Continued from Page One.)
chagrin. But the harm that he had done could not be killed.

"He threw China into chaos and into the hands of these various armies. There is no one who knows how absurd it is to call China a republic than China herself and this is why they are disturbed and this is what they are fighting about. So China is still waiting for her Washington."

"China has a remarkable school system but all the money has been stolen and so this school system is not working now. There is a remarkable railway system but this too is not working because the bandits have taken all the money from them. But there is just one brilliant exception to these military leaders. In the papers you hear about the "so-called" christian leader. There is no reason for the term "so-called" because he will allow no looting or thieving in his groups of soldiers which is unusual for a Chinese general to do.

Sun Yat Sen Movements
"Sun Yat Sen felt that China should become a republic and brought about a revolution in 1905, but he was betrayed by his friends who went into the revolution hoping to get something for themselves. Then the people of China stretched out their hands to America and Great Britain, but what could we do for such a small number of a revolutionary party. Whatever America would do would be on the wrong side because she has grown to be such a big and important nation."

Some sort of birth control measures are also needed in China but they will not listen to this because they would say that you are trying to decrease their population that much quicker and that America might come over there twenty-five or fifty years quicker.

The Chinese custom service is a wonderful thing because it is controlled by foreigners. The postal service is also remarkable for this same reason, and it would be very unfortunate for China to disrupt this service. China is bound by the great family system and so would do anything for the family. But with a foreigner as "boss," the family cannot interfere with business.

Sun Yat Sen in his third great

book says that the great need of China today is for a large amount of foreign capital and foreigners to take care of this. Most of the students of China only read the first book and then stop but the third book is a very important one and should have as important a place as any of the others.

"I believe that Sun Yat Sen and this southern government will do a great good and create a new day for China."

Professor Taylor, an old friend of Rev. Gilman, introduced the speaker of the morning.

Just before the address Professor Taylor announced that next Sunday at the Temple there would be a discussion group on "China". This has grown out of the Pan-Pacific conference held here recently.

PLAYERS CLOSE 1927 SEASON THIS WEEK

(Continued from Page One.)
plots ever written, and centers around the narrow Jew, Shylock, who demands that Antonio forfeit a pound of flesh in payment of a bond he is unable to meet. The cruelty and hate of Shylock, the brilliance of Portia in defending Antonio in the great court scene, is probably the most famous single episode in dramatic literature.

The remaining cast follows:
Duke of Venice.....Ernie Lundgren
Prince of Morocco.....Cecil Schmitt
Salanio.....Thad Cone
Salario.....Werner Mall
Gratiano.....Jack Rank
Lorenzo.....Paul Pence
Tubal.....Carol Dubry
Launcelot Gobbo.....Paul Miller
Old Gobbo.....Elwood Ramey
Leonardo.....Alfred Poska
Balthazar.....Howard Cottle
Stephano.....Ruth Barton
Nerissa.....Helen Aach
Jessica.....Eloise McAhan

Matinees will be given Friday and Saturday at 2:30 as usual, and tickets may be purchased at the Ross P. Curdick store. This will be the last chance to see the Players this season, and "The Merchant of Venice" is well worth attending, not only from the point of the play itself, but also to have the opportunity to contrast this last and greatest of performances with the preceding ones, in stage arrangements and lighting.

Today at Rector's 25c
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Talks of eating at the Central Cafe
Buckwheat Cakes

A native of Pennsylvania, who for many years has lived in Nebraska, eats breakfast (and most of his other meals, too) at the Central Cafe.
Notwithstanding his many years in Nebraska, he has not forgotten the delicious flavor of Buckwheat Cakes, properly baked and with plenty of Meadow Gold Butter and swimming in a sea of syrup.
So regular is this man in his breakfasting, that upon seeing him seated at the first counter, the waiter in charge gives an order to the chef: "Buckwheat Cakes—must be well." This translated into the language of laymen, means that the cakes must be baked to a beautiful brown and must not be too thick.
The starch of buckwheat flour is firmer than that of wheat and requires a longer time for the action of yeast to make a batter from which palatable Buckwheat Cakes can be baked. And the Central Cafe chef, knowing this, stirs up his batter long enough in advance of breakfast so that the cakes baked from it are fully the equal of those baked by Pennsylvania housewives.

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(To be continued) 1325 P

One Nebraska Co-Ed is Learning How to Repair Farm Machinery

When any repairs are needed on automobile motors or on other motors on her farm home near Cozad, Nebr., Miss Isabel Lawless, junior in Teachers College of the University of Nebraska, is going to know how to make them. She is the only woman registered for the course in farm motors at the College of Agriculture this semester.

Miss Lawless goes into the laboratory determined to get all possible information out of her work. Putting on a pair of coveralls she experiments with the motors side by side with the men in the class. Because the man with whom she was working in the laboratory last week wanted to do all the work for her she asked the instructor that some one else be allowed to work with her on the experiment. Her request was granted. She is not afraid of oil or grease on the motors and takes them apart and puts them together skillfully.

Besides the course in motors Miss Lawless is taking a course in woodwork at the College of Agriculture. With sixteen other young women she makes useful pieces of furniture for the home. Cedar chests, kitchen utensils, sewing cabinets, end tables, and pedestals are among the articles they are making in the laboratory.

According to A. A. Baer, woodwork instructor, the young women are just as proficient in mechanical work as men if they are given the same opportunities.

"We are not trying to make mechanics of the young women," Mr. Baer said, "but rather to make them efficient in the homes they will have in the future. To be able to use a

hammer, saw, or chisel effectively is one thing that a housekeeper should be able to do. We want them to depend on themselves."

In a course in household physics the young women are taught the use of household appliances, included in which are the electric washing machine, mangle, refrigerator, and a number of kinds of lighting systems. Here again emphasis is placed on making the women home keepers and also to make them realize that the man on the farm is not the only one to handle the machines.

Waukesha, Wis., March 21.—When dynamite caps to be used in clearing a golf course exploded, Miles Loden, seventeen, captain of the Menominee Falls basketball team lost his right hand.

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New location—Basement of U Hall