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THE CAR SITUATION

appears today an interview with Dr. T. J. Thompson, dean of student affairs, which outlines the present status of the investigation of student cars for the Board of Regents.

Many student leaders who had been consulted as to the problem or who had been advised of the progress material. To many of the students, it will be interesting stairs? to see the care and forethought which has been put into this problem by Dr. Thompson and Professor Schramm, following their appointment by Acting Chancellor Burnett to conduct the investigation.

The entire investigation has not been conducted on a basis of establishing reasons for supporting certain conclusions reached before investigation. It has been conducted, on the other hand, in a sincere attempt to find out what the situation really is.

Student groups at this University have been consulted as to the problem and remedies. Some are still working on the question. Critical surveys have been made showing that the problem is largely a Lancaster county problem, rather than an out-state problem as is the case in some institutions. Other schools have been consulted as to their problem and methods of meeting

The result has been the conclusion by faculty members to whom results have been presented that there is much less justification for action than was presumed in the motion last fall of the Board of Regents. Consequently, investigation will be continued.

To many students, it will be highly gratifying that results up to the present, do not furnish sufficient grounds for restriction without further investigation. Of much more ultimate significance, however, is the manner in which the problem has been attacked. There has been no attempt to ride rough-shod over the student body. There has been the utmost attempt to secure student view-point and cooperation. If the problem continues to be treated in this manner, the student body may rest assured that if regulations are enacted, that they will be ones worked out after careful consideration as being for the best interests of all concerned.

how many are really going to be influenced by the can-equipped student. didate's campus activities.

The faculty committee on student organizations yesterday followed up the recommendations of the student council for the abolition of class societies with the abolition of the six mentioned by the Council and also, Valkyrie, honorary social class organization.

The faculty committee has taken a most significant stand upon this matter. They have taken the position that if the students desire certain action, that it should be granted, if at all feasible. In view of the absence of outstanding reasons for retaining the societies, and in view of favorable student opinion, expressed through their governing body, the student council, the action of the faculty committee was logically to be expected.

At the same meeting, the committee took another interesting step. Recognizing the change in conditions today from the period when card-parties were prohibited, the committee repealed an obsolete regulation. Repeal of such out-of-date rules from time to time will be most helpful in securing enforcement of rules governing university students.

It was a valuable day's work by the committee from the standpoint of the students. It should not be forgotten, however, that there are other regulations which might well stand reconsideration and revision.

YOUNG CRIMINALS

A visit to the state penitentiary is sufficient to convince one that the hardened criminal is being replaced by the fairly well educated, young man of college years. At a recent meeting of the parole board the morning was chiefly occupied by young men who were tails, the horrible ruthlessness of the slayer, and the seeking to be paroled out of the state reformatory, at attitude of the victim are colorfully portrayed. The least a good part of the applicants were from that in-

One of the youths had served three years for robbing a store and locking up the town marshall. A second youth had served two years for being an accomplice in an attempted store robbery. He had been the one to stand guard while the store was being looted.

It is with a certain amount of pity that one witnesses such a session of the parole board. Young men, apparently just at the age when they ought to be in college obtaining something of an education, come up seeking for another chance to do the right thing. They are questioned, and scrutinized, and re-questioned, and are dismissed after they have sworn that they will go right if given another chance in society. No doubt citizens, and there are others who will undoubtedly come before the court again.

It is not an iron-bound rule that the university man will always turn out to be an asset to society. Indications are often directly contrary to this. But it is agreed that the chances of a university student going straight are greatly enhanced. He has a better sense of what is right and what is wrong, and he has built up a habit of moral discrimination.

One comes from a hearing of that kind with a depressed feeling, and with a better appreciation of what is being learned in college.

ANOTHER SUGGESTION

Now another bit of criticism has been valued by man" with lurid tales of murder and crime? T. in the Losp Box. Upon investigation it has been

found that the statements made concerning the statue are in no way overdrawn. Is further comment neces-



Daily Nebraskan readers are cordially invited to contribute articles to this column. This paper, however, assumes no responsibility for the sentiment expressed herein, and reserves the right to exclude any libelous or undesirable matter. A limit of six hundred words has been placed on all contributions.

"All covered with dust it stands"; Eugene Field's words might well be applied to the statue of Michigan on the landing of the library stairs. And not only covered with dust but with the dirt and grime of several years. Statuary in school buildings frequently suffer from embryo artists and lack of care. Why this should automobile proposition was taken up

If a statue has any purpose at all in such a place In the news columns of The Daily Nebraskan there besides filling up space it must be to display an ideal matter and presented suggested recof beauty. How can this be accomplished when the ommendations for regulation if any sculpturing is disfigured with unnecessary dirt?

Several years ago a civic club in an Omaha high school cleaned up the building's statues. Some were scrubbed with soap and water and others were painted. The effect was immediate and miraculous. Why can't of the investigation are already conversant with this something be done about that eyesore by the library

In Other Columns

THE LECTURE SYSTEM

Hamilton Holt, president of Rollins college at Win-feels there are only two reasons for ter Park, Florida says, "The lecture system is probably regulating student cars. "Granting the worst scheme ever devised for imparting know- that students operate cars with the ledge. It assumes that what one man has taken perhaps permission of their parents," stated a life time to acquire by the most painstaking obser- Dr. Thompson, "for the University to vation, hard thinking, long-continued reflection and prohibit the use of cars, it must esperhaps the use of his creative imagination, can be tablish either one or both of the two relayed or spoon-fed to another, who has not gone following: through a like process. A lecture may serve to inspire a student who has some familiarity with his subject and between scholastic attainment and to put in proper perspective in his thoughts thereon. student operation of cars. It invariably discloses the personality-good, bad, or indifferent-of the lecturer."

A lecture course at its worst is represented during quizzes when the student does not dare to trust to believing that parking congestion is his memory. His notes are his only salvation and these not sufficient reason for car restricare composed of incomplete, incoherent sentences. Ac- tion. "Congestion can be handled cording to statistics only ten percent of the American by proper parking," he pointed out. students study two hours in preparation for one class period, ten percent do not study at all, while the intervening 80 percent spend from 20 to 50 minutes provide parking space for those who, in preparation for class.

Some students keep in mind only the grade they want to make and not the idea of mastering the subject. Every thing is mechanical because they do not have to think things out for themselves. They take city." down the most important statements that the instructor makes and try to memorize these statements.

If it is true that a student remembers that which he discovers by himself or that which he has to hunt When the men vote for Prom Girl we wonder out, then Hamilton Holt's idea would result in a better the fact that the University of Illi--The Oklahoma Daily.

A SCHOOL FOR MURDERERS

On perusing back copies of various metropolitan in a town of from twenty to twentynewspapers, there are certain stock headlines which re- five thousand whereas Lincoln and occur again and again as items of predominant interest its suburbs have a population of well throughout a given period. During the Lindbergh period past the seventy-five thousand mark, which is now on the wane the favorite phrase in big Investigation will go on this setype was: "LINDY TAKES ANOTHER HOP" or "AS- mester, according to Dr. Thompson. PARAGUS ON TOAST, AT WHITE HOUSE FOR Included in the efforts during the LINDY." During the Hickman period now at its zenith semester will be a comparison of the popular headline is: "HICKMAN BELIEVED IN-SANE" or some other phrase dear to the hearts of sensationalists and gore gluttons. But if the great letters used to tell of the every day actions of a mere man are quite harmless, it is a different matter as regards the blood-curdling homicidal write-ups devoted to murders. The man who shoots his wife in a very obvious and clumsy fashion rarely gets beyond the second or third page. The chap who uses a bread knife, does his own post mortem, and taunts the police with boasts of his cunning and devilish brutality is sure to find a place on the front page with Lindbergh and the presi-

If people have turned away of late years from the chilling murder stories of Edgar Allen Poe it is because some newspapers have outdone. Poe at his own game. Whereas Poe was content with vivid impressions, the newspapers insist upon rendering an exact understanding of the situation, where the murderer stood, what implement he used, how he made his get-away, and other points of interest to the up and coming young crook. Diagrams are employed if necessary, methods used by the police are discussed. But above all, the deeffect of such accounts upon the general public cannot be said to resemble that produced by a blood and thunder detective story upon an excitable youth, for in the case of the newspaper, the story itself is shadowed by the sombre fabric of reality. Men of responsibility see life's problems in the pages of the daily paper. But twisted minds of morons, perverts, and the rabid "dogs of society" nurse the latent germs of their hydrophobia upon these murder stories. Every detail is treasured away in a volcanoe of evil, a seething whirlpool of suppressed desires, the subconscious mind of the potential criminal. When the wavering balance of restraint and self control is overthrown, mad-men are ready with the experience of a thousand murders behind them. They have learned in the newspaper school by studying their some of them will grow into capable and self respecting lessons on the front page. They know how to slash a juglar vein, how to torture their victim, how to avoid the police. They are careful not to fall into the errors of their predecessors.

Men fear most what they do not understand. The terror of the unknown is as old as human life itself. How would the potential murderer regard a law which worked surely and swiftly but in silence, a retributive justice of which he knew nothing except that it was powerful and certain? Would he reconsider his act if he knew that he was to fight a battle for his life afterwards, not on the public stage with a law court whose every device and weapon was known to him, not with a thousand sentimentalists crying mercy for him, but alone with his counsel before the law? Would he hold In a recent editorial attention was called to the his crime in a different light if he had never read of inconvenience caused at the library by refusing to un- other such crimes, if he believed himself alone, a Cain lock the doors before eight o'clock in the morning. among men? If he had not a hundred precedents for The doors are now opened at 7:50 in order to allow the deed, he would be rather at a loss as to how to students to chack in their books properly before eight proceed; his abnormalities would never be subjected to o'clock closes. This change meets the hearty approval the exaggerating influence of initiation. In fact why pander at all to the suppressed desires of the "Hick--The Minnesota Daily.

Social Calendar

Friday, Feb. 10 University Players, theatre, 8:15 o'clock. Delta Gamma formal, Lincoln hotel.

Sigma Phi Epsilon formal, Rosewilde. Pi Kappa Alpha, freshman house dance.

Alpha Gamma Rho, house dance. Saturday, Feb. 11 Phi Mu formal, Lincoln hotel, Venetian room).

Sigma Kappa formal, Lincoln hotel (Ball room). Omega Beta Pi, house dance. Delta Zeta, house dance.

Investigation in Student into political factions, and were sys-Car Issue Proceeds Queen caucuses. If this was done,

certainly some co-ed politician failed, (Continued from Page 1) if Rumor's May Queen, the non-sorby several student groups. The Incrowned on Ivy day. Well such ter-fraternity Council considered the restrictions were to be made. Their suggestions were in general approved by the Panhellenic Council. The question of student cars was also gone over by Innocents and Mortar Board, and by a joint faculty-student committee. Results of the investigations to date were also presented to fraternity presidents and vice-presidents at a meeting last Sun-

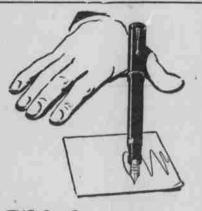
As a result of the investigation to date, Dr. Thompson reports that he

"1. That there is a relationship

"2. An increased moral hazard due to the operation of cars by students." Dr. Thompson expressed himself as "The University should recognize that it is a motor age. It should because of necessity or convenience or both, bring cars. As to parking be handled by cooperation with the

Lincoln is Larger

That student operation has not been restricted in any city of any size was also pointed out by Dr. nois was located in a town of 30, 000; Indiana University in a town of 18,000; the University of Michigan



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zcholastic averages of students oper- "oily six" and "slippery seven," the "dope," but by the downcast faces ating cars with those not operating senior class president this semester cars. He pointed out that the orig- you know. inal motion of the Board of Regents act, but merely provided for an in- no one but those in the selected thiranticipated no sudden, inconsiderate

'Dark Horse'

tions, if any, would be advisable.

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'oily-sixes' and "slippery-sevens,"

but certainly something went amiss

Rumor did think for a while that

the co-ed groups net to be outdone

by the less fair sex, had organized

tematically planning their May

Rumor Selects

in yesterday's election.

Of course, we can't say definitely; vestigation of the situation here and teen could give you the straight Mortar Board queen. at other schools to see what regula-

the swollen eyes and a number of other things, well, Rumor is willing

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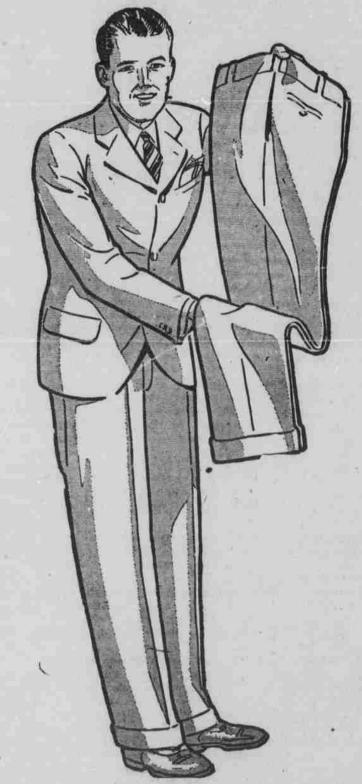
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