

**Probation Is Now Abolished**

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 twenty-five years of my connection with the University," stated Dr. Pool, faculty member of the Council, in a discussion which preceded the offering of an amendment, "and the probation seems to have become milder, but it is still bringing unfavorable comment upon the fraternity system."

After the meeting was called by the chairman, faculty member E. F. Schramm, the subject of the meeting was stated as probation week, and Doctor Pool was called upon to give his views on the question. Doctor Pool is an old friend of the fraternity system, but expressed his displeasure with the way in which the so-called "picked men" of the University were conducting themselves in this matter which concerns their very existence.

**Frankforter Expresses Views**  
 "We know that fraternities are doing good work," explained Professor C. J. Frankforter, third faculty member, "but do the outsiders? You fraternity men parade your silly actions before everyone, but keep your good actions concealed. This is not true of all of the Nebraska fraternities, but the action of any one reflects upon the entire system."

Two years ago the Interfraternity Council limited the time of probation week to three days, and ruled that all probation should be carried on within the respective fraternity homes. There were few violations of the latter rule, but the activities carried on within the homes left their marks upon the pledges.

All signs and notices collected by students staying at dormitories at Brown university have been confiscated by the police force and faculty.

**Perseverance Is Vital Says Miss Conklin**

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 top by irregular study or thought." The faculty is always glad to help students, for that is one of their duties. Miss Conklin stated that any student could get valuable information and pointers, if they would take the trouble to get in touch with the instructors.

**Students Have Not Changed Much**  
 Miss Conklin believes that students are the same now as they were years ago. They have much greater opportunity to learn, due to the great advance in methods and knowledge. But they also have the car, the radio, phonograph and the airplane which has a tendency to rush things too much. Living in fraternity and sorority houses has a tendency to limit the amount of privacy and seclusion which is advisable to proper thought. "How many students now take the time to sit in a secluded place and really think seriously about what they are doing, or whether they are doing it right?" asked Miss Conklin emphatically. Her tone implied the answer—not very many.

Miss Conklin has been a leader in romance language circles for many years, and has been studying her chosen subject since she was a child. She lays down no set rules for learning new languages. She believes that merely keeping in mind those factors which are necessary to success in any line of endeavor, will bring advancement quicker in language than in any other subjects of study.

**Grumann Says Art Exhibit Is Outstanding**

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 school of painting without the stiff, posed figures one finds in many of the old works; there is the modern naturalness and simplicity without the modern splashy, riotous coloring and carelessness in execution.

This picture tells its story well, nothing could be more real than the elderly cattle buyer, perfectly balanced on his horse, while judging a herd of cattle grazing in the valley.

**Painting of Taos Is Good**  
 Berninghaus "One of the Old Men of the Pueblo" is a painting of Taos.

It is one of the big pictures of the exhibit according to Professor Grumann who considers it marvelously well done.

Robert Brackman in painting "In My Studio" evidently was concentrating himself on the portrait rather than the background. The portrait itself is very good, showing the modern style, but the background is poor in perspective and the room has a sort of a squeezed appearance.

A picture by George Luks is sure to attract great attention for Luks is one of the most prominent of living painters. In his picture, "The Breaker Boys" he shows a skillful use of large masses. This picture is done in a powerful manner and has to be viewed from a proper angle to be appreciated to the full extent. One lady found that she enjoyed the picture much more if she formed a sort of a telescope with her hands and looked at the picture with one eye.

**"Nude" Was Awarded Prize**  
 "Nude" by Samuel Halpert was awarded the Norman Waite Harris Bronze Medal, valued at \$300. The opinion of this picture by visitors to the exhibit varies greatly. The figure of the woman is done in a very realistic manner, but the background is rather scenic.

"Portrait" by Helen Wilson is a charming picture and is done very well. Miss Wilson is a local artist. The Chicago Art Institute, from which this exhibit was obtained, has selected pictures from the newer artists to a great extent. This creates an interest in the exhibit for it offers Lincoln people opportunity to see the works of artists who have never exhibited in Lincoln before.

**Etchings Are Shown**  
 Along with the exhibition of paintings there are an exhibition of the Gregg collection of etchings and a

display of original cartoons. These exhibitions which will close March 17, are open every day, and the University has made arrangement that all students in the University may view them at no cost to the students. Student interest in the exhibits has been increasing, there being over a hundred visitors in the galleries last Sunday.

**South Dakota Students And Faculty Give Books To University Library**

Vermillion, S. D., Feb. 23—Students have come to the rescue of the library at the University of South Dakota, which, because of lack of funds, has been unable to supply the necessary books for supplementary reading in many courses. Classes in business commerce, sociology, economics, and psychology have contributed various sums for the purchase of books to be put on the library reserve shelf.

Members of the University faculty, also, have donated a number of books to the library for the use of the students in their classes, and the librarian has given several books of a general nature.

The dean of men at Iowa State College has issued the statement that four out of every ten men in college are affiliated with Greek letter fraternities.

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**Date Is Set for Initial Contests**

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In addition to the usual examinations in English, mathematics, history, languages and sciences a five point examination has been provided for high school seniors only; it will consist of an examination in English Composition, Algebra, a foreign language, which will be given in the forenoon. In the afternoon a composite test including the natural sciences, social sciences and English literature will be given.

**Committee Is Chosen**  
 The following committee has been selected to act in conjunction with Acting Chancellor Burnett, the dean of the Teachers College, W. E. Seacock, and the University Examiner, representing the University of Nebraska, as the committee in charge of the academic contests in the various

districts as provided for in the Nebraska State Teachers Association: Principal Will French, Lincoln H. S., Principal F. G. Masters, Omaha, Nebr., Superintendent F. S. Hook, Wayne, Nebr., Superintendent Evan L. Flory, Grant, Nebr., Superintendent C. R. Herrie, Indianola, Superintendent F. L. Austin, Gordon, Nebr., and Superintendent E. W. Smith, Red Cloud.

The period from February 4 to 18 has been set aside as an "open session" for the co-eds at Williamette college to exercise their right under the leap year session.

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