

PRELIMINARY PLANS FOR CONFAB GIVEN

Teachers Association to Be Hosts on October 29 to 31.

Special dinners and an evening entertainment at which the Lincoln teachers association will be hosts and hostesses will be features of the opening day of the Nebraska State teachers association district 1 convention in Lincoln October 29 to 31, it was announced Thursday.

Some of the distinguished speakers who will appear on the program will be honor guests during the evening, according to plans.

The dinners are scheduled for 6 p. m. at the University club, the chamber of commerce and the Lincoln hotel. Miss Frances Ash of Lincoln is chairman in charge of the chamber of commerce dinner for rural teachers.

The University club dinner for men will be arranged by a committee headed by C. L. Culler. Frank Luther Mott of Iowa City will be guest speaker and music and other entertainment will be provided.

Arthur Guiterman, poet-humorist of New York City, will be speaker at the Lincoln hotel dinner for women. Mrs. T. V. Goodrich is chairman of the committee in charge.

A. C. Folsom, president of the Lincoln teachers association is arranging for the evening entertainments when all those attending the convention will be guests.

SANDAHL ASSUMES EDITOR'S POSITION

Cliff F. Sandahl, editor of the Daily Nebraskan during the first semester of last year, has been officially appointed acting editor of The Nebraskan by the student publication board.

Sandahl's appointment was made to fill the vacancy caused by the illness of Gene Robb, former editor of The Nebraskan. The publication board states that the appointment of Sandahl as acting editor, rather than editor-in-chief was due to the fact that he is not enrolled as a student in the summer session.

KIRSCH AT ATKINSON

Dwight Kirsch, assistant professor in the department of drawing and painting, will spend the rest of the summer vacation at Atkinson, Neb.

Cuban War Relics Now in Hands of Nebraska Society

The flag which flew over the headquarters of the counsel general at Panama in 1893 has become the possession of the state historical society.

The flag along with the cap, a fencing sword, a pair of fencing masks and a number of commissions was presented to the society by a daughter and nephew of General Victor Vifquain.

General Vifquain was one of the commanders of the third Nebraska regiment during the Cuban war, serving as a commander after the resignation of William Jennings Bryan. The general also was one of the leading military men of early Nebraska having made his both at Crete and Lincoln.

The Historical society has a set of spurs which General Vifquain wore during the Civil war at which time he commanded a regiment of Illinois troops which distinguished themselves for bravery.

DOG IN THE MANGER

By Joe Deming.

THE fan mail still continues.

Here is the latest:

Dear (?) Mr. Deming:
I have read your recent column with considerable amazement. It seems strange that a young man should be capable of writing anything so damaging to one of the oldest of American institutions, our splendid educational system. Such disrespect immediately brands you as a thoroughly dangerous person who has departed from the tried and true principles of right thinking and clean speaking.

Sincerely,
(Signed) ELMER D. BEADFIELD.

WELL, Elmer, you have the advantage of me. You see, I don't know who you are. In any case, you seem thoroughly familiar with me, "the splendid educational system," "old American institutions" and all the finer things of life. I'm sorry, but I find myself decidedly at a loss, when confronted by your strange hold upon the eternal verities. However, I will do my best.

You know, Elmer, I wasn't aware that I had struck such a death blow to "one of the oldest of American institutions—." When I passed the teachers college this morning, they seemed to be doing business, quite as usual. Perhaps you took things a trifle too seriously, Elmer.

STILL, there are parts of your letter that I cannot ignore. Elmer, I read that concluding portion of your letter with care, and then started to examine myself for those telltale signs of moral degeneration. Was I becoming a "thoroughly dangerous person" or was I not? That was the question.

Well, Elmer, you are right. My sin has found me out; I'm on the downward path. I actually swear occasionally, which is positive proof that I have departed from the principles of "clean speaking," and I don't think as you do, so I must have abandoned the "principles of right thinking," as well. Elmer, tell me. Is there no hope?

WHERE is that good old Cornhusker spirit one hears so much about during the football season?

Evidently the intangible thing known as school spirit must be confined to that particular period—the grid season—judging from the dormancy of students as regards other activities.

On the first page of today's Nebraska is a revelation of a possible deficit in last year's University of Nebraska year-book, the Cornhusker, together with announcement that more than 350 copies of that number are still unsold. What does all this indicate? Let's have some letters on this subject.

IT HAS been said that human progress moves in cycles. One look at Lincoln's crop of tree sitters should convince one that this applies to evolutionary progress, as well.

One usually fails to realize how many morons there are about us, until we are suddenly confronted with these morons, sitting in trees, doing marathon dancing, or going

in for any one of the hundred and one types of foolishness that occur to publicity seekers.

TO ANYONE who is seeking an amusing book to read, I would suggest Black Genesis. It is a collection of the animal folklore of the gullah negroes. Through its pages, we see the familiar figures of Br'er Rabbit, and all other charming Uncle Remus characters.

Although this book is reminiscent of the works of Harris, it is different, in that it is an exact and scholarly work, written in the gullah dialect of the south. In spite of its academic character, it is thoroughly humorous, and its casual references to God are sure to cause it to be banned in Boston before long.

Coed Discovers Plants Are Like Humans--Touchy

BY CATHERINE BRITTON.

Although it is much too hot in the greenhouse to be comfortable on days like these, there is much in them worth a few minutes of attention.

You find these tropical plants, such as the banana tree, with its green fruits just forming, and the rubber plants, too small to be productive yet. A giant cactus that touches the glass top of the greenhouse, bears its well known prickly fruits as unconcernedly as though it were right at home in its tropical jungles. These plants are used as stage settings for entertainments.

There is a little moss pond, overhung by a fern that droops like a miniature green waterfall. The pond itself is covered with a coat of moss that puts it right in with summer styles of "looking cool."

Many Flowers on Campus. Along the line is a rather small plant whose slender saw teeth are so attractive that one automatically reaches out to fondle them. Then, one jerks back in horror as its leaves fold together deliberately, like the pages of a book. It is the sensitive plant which, perhaps like some people, folds up and retires at the slightest affront.

There are still a few flowers left in the greenhouse over the summer, although many of them have been transplanted to the campus for the summer.

Besides aesthetic purposes, the greenhouses are maintained as helps to the botany students. The many moss and fern specimens are used for microscopic study, but there are also soil texture and moisture experiments "sitting" around for observation.

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AG COLLEGE ALUMNUS GETS HIGH POSITION

Addison T. Miller has recently been promoted to manager of the Minnesota State Experimental creamery, Albert Lea, Minn., according to word received at the dairy husbandry department of the University of Nebraska college of agriculture. The position is said to be one of the most responsible ones of the dairy industry. Mr. Miller graduated from the University of Nebraska college of agriculture in 1928 with a major in dairy husbandry. His home is at Lincoln.

FAMILY HEIRLOOMS PRESENTED SOCIETY

A number of family heirlooms which belonged to Dr. C. E. Bessey, well known botanist and a former member of the University of Nebraska faculty, were recently the state historical society by his son.

Elephant Fossils to Be Brought to Museum

Two members of the University of Nebraska museum staff, John LeMar and H. P. Reider, have gone to Stockham, Neb., where they will collect the fossils of huge prehistoric elephant, unearthed by a road maintenance crew working near there. The fossils will be brought to the museum in Morrill hall.

At the culmination of a discussion which extended throughout the winter, Carleton college women voted recently in favor of retaining the senior literary societies for women with slight modifications. The discussion had been mainly a struggle between the sophomore and senior classes.

Outdoor Sports Entice

Purchasing Agent Away

A fishing and boating trip in the Manitowish Waters, Land of the Lakes district, Wis., will occupy most of the vacation of C. W. Gienger, assistant purchasing agent of the University of Nebraska. Mr. Gienger will be gone about two weeks in August, and will stop in Chicago and Madison while he is away.

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