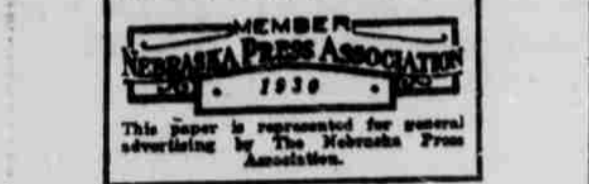


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A Matter for The Legislature.

Anton Jensen, former instructor in the university, has accused the University of Nebraska administrators of misusing funds. In a letter addressed to members of the incoming legislature and sent out during the Christmas holidays, Mr. Jensen cites instances in which he believes the administration has played Santa Claus to fraternities and sororities in the purchase and exchange of building sites.

Since the letter of complaint was addressed to members of the legislature, we are content to leave the matter to that body. Misuse of university funds would be of direct interest to their representatives.

The Nebraska is, and should be, concerned with the administrative conduct of this university. In fairness to Mr. Jensen, we have published his criticisms of certain officials, but we do not vouch for the authenticity of his charges.

In a brief post script, Mr. Jensen intimates that the building program outlined for the university is impractical. In his opinion, the proposed campus will be sprawled over such a large area that students will be unable to walk from one side of the campus to another in the allotted between-hour periods.

Some universities have chosen to spread their halls over a large territory, while others have preferred to concentrate their structures. We are certain that, no matter how far apart the proposed buildings may be, students will be given ample time in which to make connections.

Somebody is complaining about the number of queens elected around here. Maybe that's the only way we can have queens—elect 'em.

Things We Never Hear After Vacation.

AL: Hello, Bert. Glad t'see yah. Hava big vacation?
BERT: Well, hello, Al. Happy New Year. Hava big vacation?
AL: Not bad, thanks. How's yours?
BERT: Okay. Go home?
AL: Yeah—for a few days. Had a swell time Christmas eve.

The cramming done over the family dinner table doesn't compare to what will be done in the next three weeks.

Ticket Takers

In an attempt to plug up leaks in basketball gate receipts, the athletic department has taken a stern attitude in the enforcement of the no-transfer rule concerning season tickets.

transfer rule concerning season tickets. It has long been the practice of some students to loan or sell their basketball tickets to individuals outside the university and underserving of the student price reduction. The department was justified in trying to eliminate this unfair trading, but many students have objected to the manner in which the change was effected.

This department depends more than any other on the goodwill of students for its success, financial and otherwise. Yet it is continually stepping on the toes of its true backers with some act which, though correct in theory, is unwisely executed.

Perhaps the note prohibiting the transfer of student tickets at penalty of cancellation has been printed on the books for years. Lack of enforcement, however, has rendered it so obscure that its sudden reappearance was as unexpected as the enactment of a new rule.

Counting the week before and the week after, we have four weeks of Christmas vacation.

MORNING MAIL

Guessing Games.

Following its ancient custom of always doing something new and different, the athletic department sprang another surprise the Friday night preceding vacation on students who attended the basketball game between Nebraska and Pittsburgh.

The athletic department gave no advance warning of this change in the program. Never before had students been asked to present student identification cards, accompanied by a ticket, and it is only natural that they should resent this high-handed manner of handling things.

If the athletic department must make such rules, they should at least give some advance notice. There is no use in making it a sort of guessing game—see who can guess what will be required to get into the games.

Our Queens.

According to an Associated Press dispatch of last week, the powers at the University of Oklahoma are setting out to eliminate their flourishing crop of campus "queens" and likewise a large number of their alleged "honorary" societies.

This popular sport of electing queens begins about Thanksgiving time with the election of Nebraska's sweetheart. The lawyers, who have probably elected more candidates for these various positions than any one else, get into a huddle and proceed to pick the lucky lady for the Kosmet Klub.

After having "glorified" one lucky miss (?) we turn our attention to the really serious task of electing an honorary colonel. According to the rules for this annual scramble, the "maydets" are supposed to choose their fair commander. The result is generally, that the candidate with the largest and most persistent body of poll watchers, usually stationed at the north end of the Temple, gets elected.

The final spurge of the year comes with the election of the May Queen, which, my children, is really something. At least that is what the Mortar Boards say. Of course, they constructed some new ground rules last year, but isn't it funny that it is always a Mortar Board that is finally chosen for the Ivy day outburst?

On the whole, we think that perhaps Nebraska should follow its southern neighbor's example. President Bizzel of the Sooner school described all this activity as being "prep schoolish."

example. President Bizzel of the Sooner school described all this activity as being "prep schoolish." If so, heaven protect Nebraska. We'll be getting a grammar school rating pretty soon.

Pay As You Go.

Do Nebraska students really want a student union building?

They have said so many times—in political platforms, in letters written to The Daily Nebraskan and in speeches before the Student council, Interfraternity council and other campus organizations.

If they really want a student union building are they willing to pay for it?

A plan was suggested at a recent Student council meeting by which a small sum would be added to registration fees each semester to go into a union building fund.

But it will cause another drain on the already overburdened student purse. Many of those who have been loudly lamenting the lack of a central building for student activities will

with equal gusto oppose any increase in fees. They seem to forget that someone will have to pay for it.

The situation is very similar to that we find in our city, state and national governments. Citizens are continually demanding that the state perform new functions, build better roads, give better protection to public welfare and in the same breath asking for tax reduction.

Of course, it would be a fine thing if some alumnus with a big heart and a bulging purse would build us a home for student activities. We can hope for something like that but we may continue to hope for many years and still do without the building.

The university has too many other urgent academic needs to devote legislative funds to such a project. The building would be solely a convenience to students and alumni and the university cannot rightly ask the state to pay for it.

Students can expect some aid from outside sources but for the most part they will have to supply the money out of their own pockets if they want a student union building soon.

STANFORD COLLECTS OUT-OF-WAY PAPERS

Programs and Playbills to Tell Posterity of 1930 College Life.

About to make its debut at Stanford university, is a new venture in the stacks of the library called, according to reports, Stanfordiana. Programs, play bills, papers and ledgers are being carefully preserved so that a hundred years hence, posterity will be able to probe into the joys and sorrows of the university life since the beginning of the century.

"Don't throw away material that should be in the collection," urged Alice Hays, reference librarian, and in answer to her plea came some of the queerest things that could be accumulated in an effort to establish a historical collection for the Cardinals.

Shelves have been reserved in the collection for material relating to President Hoover, '95, for the works of the alumni and for volumes of Stanford publications past and present, such as the Stanford Alumnus, the Illustrated Review, the Sequoia and the Cardinal.

AMERICAN COLLEGES TEND TO URBAN TYPE

Institutions Find Defender in R. C. Whitford of Long Island U.

"The evolution of the American college," writes Robert C. Whitford, Ph.D., director of personnel, Long Island university, "has brought into existence during the last half century a new type of educational institution, the 'urban university.'"

"The urban university," continued Mr. Whitford, "has no unprecedented peculiarities. From the very beginning of modern higher education, universities have existed in or near cities. Indeed, some of the earliest universities were of the municipal type. Cologne, for example, is not Paris or Bologna.

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Saturday Classes Fail to Attain Object, Say Professors at Oregon

University of Oregon, Eugene.—The opinion that Saturday classes are failing to attain their object appears to be a fairly well founded belief among faculty members, it was revealed after some inquiry. Numerous reasons were advanced to substantiate the finding of Dr. A. E. Caswell, professor of physics, who made a survey some time ago and discovered that Saturday classes appeared to be failing to relieve the stress on buildings, one of the chief reasons for their inception, according to Dr. J. H. Gilbert, dean of the college of literature, science and the arts.

"Do Not Relieve." "The Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday classes should relieve the pressure on the buildings Monday, Wednesday and Friday but they do not appear to do so, as the results of my survey would indicate," said Dr. Caswell. "Therefore, it appears that they are not achieving their object. Incidentally," he continued, "I am not personally opposed to Saturday classes, but I believe that if they do not accomplish their object and demoralize the enrollment in the classes held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, they should be ruled out."

logna in the fourteenth century was due to an increase of political interference with the educational administration of the institution." Concerning the curriculum of the school, Mr. Whitford writes, "In curriculum, the urban university differs strikingly from its ancient and conservative prototypes in New England villages and even from the state universities of the Mississippi valley. It differs chiefly in being even more liberal than the most liberal of colleges. It does not disparage or discard the classics; it simply overwhelms them in a flood of 'practical' courses."

Prof. E. E. DeCou, head of the department of mathematics, that Saturday classes are more detrimental because of their awkwardness than beneficial. "I find," he says, "that they are awkward for a great number of the students as well as faculty members and cause difficulty in holding class together. Where students work on Saturday it creates

Total registration at the end of five days, in 1902, was 1,098 as compared with 1,175 the year before. Sixty-two of the entrants were to attend Omaha medical school while 32 had signified their

intention of entering the law college.

From a Nebraskan of Sept. 27, 1901: "M. J. Cronin, '01, junior law, has created quite a sensation among his acquaintances by walking from Lincoln to Buffalo, a distance of 1,200 miles, in sixty days. His diet during the trip consisted of shredded wheat biscuit, eggs and milk."

A free trip to Buffalo where the exposition was being held, with all expenses paid, was offered as first prize in a drive to secure subscriptions for The Nebraskan in 1901. Other prizes included a ladies' or gentleman's bicycle valued at \$40, and a repeating rifle.

First day's registration total in the university thirty years ago was ninety-five, which was about fifteen in excess of the number on the first day a year before that.

Professor Caldwell, returning from a trip to the Pacific coast thirty years ago, said he preferred the prairie to the flower gardens of California.

Omaha high school sent twenty-one to the university in 1901.

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