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Scholars And Activities.

Phi Beta Kappa, (pronounced Phee, if you please) has made its formal announcement of newly elected members. The imposing list includes forty-six seniors, thirteen men and thirty-three women. The figures make the reader ponder for a moment.

Why more women than men?

Is it because they are more intelligent than men? Or is it because they study more diligently their assigned readings? Or is it because there are more men instructors than there are women? And then again, maybe it is because women are involved in fewer extra-curricular activities that require any appreciable amount of their time.

A more important point brought to light by the list is the general exclusion of students prominent in campus activities. Is it because they are less intelligent? Granted that some of them are, but we doubt if the statement will hold for the majority, or even a fair minority.

Not a member of innocents in the list. Not a member of the staffs of the major campus publications. Not a major or even a minor athlete in the list. Only two members of Mortar Board in the list.

A clear separation of activities and scholarship, if in fact P. B. K. and scholarship are really synonymous.

There must be a reason for this. Now if, as is frequently stated by members of the honorary, attainment of that glory is a prerequisite for success in life, then the present campus leaders in extra-curricular fields will be failures. This would make failures of most of the so-called campus leaders. We say so-called, because it is evident that there are many misfires in extra-curricular activities. The big majority, however, can be taken as a safe criterion for judging the group. And for this group to have attained even a small measure of leadership among six thousand other students must mean something, and must indicate at least a reasonable chance for success in later life.

Considering the activities men and women and the Phi Beta Kappas in this light, there is very little to choose between them. Both have very fair chances to succeed, the one group no more than the other.

The puzzle, of course, depends upon what is meant by the word "success." If it means a more or less confined, isolated, intellectual-research, continuous grind sort of a life, with success depending very little upon social contacts and relations with other people, then the average P. B. K. will win and the average activities man will fail.

If, on the other hand, success means enjoying social contacts, getting along with people, liking them, helping them, and even knowing how to fight with them on occasion, as well as concentrated brain-work and development of new ideas in whatever vocational field is chosen, then the activities man will win and the honor student will fail.

Both of these examples are perhaps a bit exaggerated, for they represent extremes, and extremes are seldom reached in actuality. They do, however, represent what we believe to be a fair criterion.

Current Comment

To most of us, there is no percentage in confining our learning to books alone. More than half the knowledge of the world, and useful knowledge, too, cannot be found in books. Yet books are the only doorway to Phi Beta Kappa honors. Psychologists perhaps might find some fundamental "defense activity" causing students to plunge the more deeply into books when discouraged at their progress in other lines of endeavor. It has been done, at least; how truthfully and accurately, we cannot say.

Incidental sidelights on the process of honoring scholars bring to the fore many other points of interest.

And does Phi Beta Kappa select scholars, for example, do high grades necessarily mean scholarship? No, always, it is admitted.

And does Phi Beta Kappa select scholars, or does it make a blind choice of all those with high grades? The answer, self-evident, brings with it thoughts of occasional cribbing, occasional cultivating of instructors with an eye to securing higher averages, frequent cramming for examinations rather than careful study for the sake of knowledge, and other practices equally prevalent.

Phi Beta Kappa sits complacently on top of the heap, and sits with folded hands. It presents keys for grades, and fails to account for the more than occasional discrepancies between high averages and real scholarship.

Oswald Makes a Hit!

A contributor deplors the lack of any good music on our campus. Why on earth, he laments, can't we have a little light opera, put on by students?

There seems to be no reason. The Glee Club

has, indeed, languished. Likewise university choruses work. Likewise a little classical music, once in a while, at the downtown theaters—or rather, theatre—is evidently out of the question.

Student-produced light opera. It's an idea, whether it would be called good music or not. And we rather believe it might not be so bad. The difficulty, Oswald whispered in our ear, was in trying to persuade the director of the school of fine arts that such a feature was needed.

Thumbs down! said the director. No reasons. Oswald thinks perhaps no one wants to take up the matter because it would mean a little extra work for the victim. Perhaps, again, Oswald is not so dumb!

Clearly it is a worthy project, and might be pushed without much opposition, even from professional reformers and itinerant critics. Of course, the costumes would of necessity be carefully censored by the society for the prevention of cruelty to co-educational eyes. Otherwise the productions might give rise to a Great Moral Issue, of which we already have a plenty, thank you!

If all the college students in the whole wide world were laid end to end, we imagine they would be just as ornamental and fully as useful as they now are.

MORNING MAIL

Aha! Another Movement!

TO THE EDITOR:

We are being told everyday that the world is headed for the bow wows, and then the person who states the hypothetical idea elaborates by talking about the deprecation of music, art, drama, etc. I have always thought that such pseudo reformers have been playing around too long in rain storms or swimming pools, but in one of their assertions they are quite right.

Music, such as we have inflicted on our ears, is generally not so good. We get "jazz" at our dances, "jazz" for a nearly steady diet over the radio, and in fact, "jazz" is practically all we have an opportunity to hear.

"Jazz" is quite all right in its place, but why doesn't someone realize that it does have an only place, and not the whole field? There is a great collection of fine music that has been written by excellent composers, but we hardly ever get a chance to hear such things played or sung.

Last year an effort was made to start having some light opera productions, but as usual, the effort came to no good. Dean Thompson was in favor of the idea, and he even suggested that it might be possible to stage a light opera in place of one of the University players productions. The idea sounded mighty fine, but like most good ideas, cold water was thrown on it.

There are a great number of young men and women who come to our university, fresh from light opera productions in secondary schools, and in all probability, would enjoy continuing the same work in the university. The facilities afforded the average student in a musical way are decidedly poor.

We never hear of our Glee Club any more; in fact, no one in the office knew whether it was still functioning or not. We have a chorus class or two that meets rather spasmodically, but the type of music that is sung does not appeal very forcefully to the students. Why isn't it possible to have a light opera club or something to that effect, with a glee club large enough and versatile enough to put on a "show" worth watching?

Arthur Babich, director of the Stuart theatre orchestra was talking the other day about the type of music he received orders to play. He said that his manager practically insisted that he give the public only "Peanut Vendorish" songs, and then he started a lengthy dissertation in which he stated that the only reason he had to play such things, was the fact that his manager did not know the true pulse of the theatre public.

Mr. Babich was high in his praise of the Kosmet Klub productions, for he recognizes the fact that it is a step in the right direction. Why isn't it possible to listen to some of the "hits" that were written by Victor Herbert, Rudolf Friml, or Gilbert and Sullivan? Why can't an organization be started that can promote the production of one or two of the truly fine light operas?

OSWALD.

He entered the restaurant. His eyes wandered about and finally came to rest on the cash register. It cost him \$3.60 to get out of there.

A caution to bridge players—if playing with any young lady never lead diamonds—they seldom return them.

Little Susie was a drug addict, but strange to say when she went to New York and made the stage she became a great success. What part did she play—oh, she took the heroin part. (It snows, you might as well give up.)

The electric chair is a fine example of period furniture. It often comes at the end of a sentence.

Bill's father was on the section gang, so the boy, deciding to follow in his father's footsteps, came down to the university and took up track.

Quite often soapbox orators see red, but they beat it at the first appearance of the "bulls."

Clothes make the man—but how about Gandhi?

The sweet, young thing married the old man because she believed he was rich. He was really broke, the discovery of which led her to believe that she had taken his name in vain.

A prisoner recently assaulted the warden as he was being released from prison. It seems that it was the prisoner's birthday and the warden merely wished him many happy returns.

The national health authorities report a great decrease in sickness since the advent of prohibition. The greatest item of reduction is the number of colds caused by draughts from swinging doors.

A certain young man was headed



Signs of Spring.
 An apple pie calling to its young. A musk ox out musking. A couple of banty roosters getting the low down from an Austin. The swaggering walk of a couple of young "blades"—of grass. A young maiden doing her wishy-washy.

Nature usually "springs" from winter to summer. From all indications so far she's just going to step from one to the other this year.

The old oracle said, "Beware of the ideas of March." Must have been thinking of the peroxides.

The discontinuance of trolley service to Uni Place and Havelock has already caused its share of grief. Last Sunday a young man was seen standing on the corner of Thirteenth and O. An officer who watched him for some time finally arrested him and took him to the station on a charge of vagrancy. When the magistrate asked the young man to explain he said, "Believe it or not, judge, I was only waiting for a street car."

KANSAS U WILL NOT HAVE INVESTIGATION

Governor Woodring Defends Institution in Public Statement.

LAWRENCE, Kas.—The University of Kansas will not be put to such an investigation as Oklahoma university is now having, if conditions do not change and other factors enter to change the attitude of Governor Harry Woodring who made public part of a letter which defended the university against the attacks of an irritated parent who had withdrawn his daughter from the university because of alleged conditions there.

Governor Woodring in his reply said: "I have been in close touch with the authorities and student council at the University of Kansas and I personally know that every effort is being made to correct any undesirable conditions that may exist there. I think our state university is in its moral environment is far above many others, and I feel sure that conditions there do not justify many of the reports."

Chancellor Speaks.
 Chancellor E. H. Lindley, in speaking of the letter this noon said: "It was a thoughtful and gracious act of Governor Woodring." He went further to say that Governor Woodring, when Chancellor Lindley was in Topeka last week, showed him the letter which he received and said that he wished to stop such reports.

Accusations Strong.
 Reports which had reached here earlier today indicated that the parent's letter was rather

towards a wrestling championship, until he became bothered with a weak stomach. After that he couldn't keep anything down.

In the Kentucky derby it's the horse—in a stew—well sometimes we think it's the same thing.

MISS LEE TELLS OF NATIONAL MEETING

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prevailing conditions of unemployment in the larger cities.

While in Chicago, Miss Miller also visited the New World's Fair building which is being erected at this time on the lake front. The Aircraft, a temporary building, and Administration hall, a permanent building, were almost completed and were of modern architecture. Chicago also was astir over the present mayoralty campaign.

Play and Work Related.
 Further stressing the relationship between recreation and industry, Dr. Lillian Gilbreth a prominent consulting engineer spoke on "The Effect of Motion in Industry" in which she stated that she hoped that workers in factories may eventually come out at the end of a day's work physically weary but not mentally fatigued and dull, attaining such an effect by putting the spirit of creation and competition into the day's work.

MILESTONES

April 7, 1901
 Members of Kappa Kappa Gamma spent a pleasant afternoon at the state farm. From the end of the car line the party went to a hay rack to the farm. Once arrived, they were presented with the key to the farm, and converted the butter and cream at their disposal into fudge in short order.

A picked team from the scrubs defeated the varsity baseball nine by a score of 4 to 0.

1911
 An article in the Nebraskan described the old boulder which is still located south of the sun dial and fountain between the library and administration buildings. The rock, of granite, and of glacial origin, is worn and polished, and the upper side is almost perfectly flat. On its surface there are numerous markings and hieroglyphics, among which are a perfect impression of a human foot and a less perfect one of a hand. The general design covering the upper side is that of two creased lines, one curved into an arc and the other straight, so that the imprint resembles that of a crow foot. The stone was believed to have been an object of worship among the original Americans.

BRAZILIAN IS STRUCK BY STUDENT ATTIRE

Visiting Instructor Says Great Contrast Here to Own Country.

PALO ALTO, Calif.—Slouching attire of Stanford men and coeds find an appreciative critic in Prof. Gilberto Freyre, Brazilian scholar and new member of the history department, who has come here this quarter after spending last fall in research work at the libraries of Lisbon and Coimbra in Portugal.

"The architecture and the palms of Stanford suggest Brazil," he said in giving his impression, "but in outward appearance, your students could not offer a greater contrast to the formality of universities in Portugal, where all students go about in black berets and long black robes, substituting politics for football—the latter characteristic also of Brazilian students."

Portuguese Practical.
 The traditional American-born idea of the Mediterranean college student serenading, with a rose above the ear, is exploded by Professor Freyre. The Portuguese student is most practical, he declares.

Freyre has been a recent spectator of revolutions in both Brazil and in Spain.

Here to conduct a lecture course on the history of Brazil, Freyre gives a significant glimpse of the possibilities of South America. Engineers, industrial chemists, geologists, and medical students are in demand, he says.

For the Stanford student with a yearning for fame and fortune in the relatively unexploited southern continent, Professor Freyre recommends knowledge of adaptability, a good general education, and a fluent knowledge of Spanish, unless in Brazil, where Portuguese is spoken.

Summer School in Rio.
 A summer school for American students has been established in Rio de Janeiro, with some of the best Brazilian scholars as lecturers. Increasing attention is being given in Brazil to American history and literature, and modern American economists and sociologists furnish popular texts.

"As a Brazilian I am delighted to find at Stanford an excellent library on Brazilian history and literature, the Banner collection of inferring rare and valuable books," Freyre concluded.

AMES TO PLAY LUTHER IN INITIAL BASEBALL GAME

AMES, Ia.—Luther college of Decorah has been scheduled to open the Iowa State home baseball schedule, April 17 and 18. Luther has met Iowa State three times on the diamond, winning three victories from the Cyclones. Negotiations are also under way for a game with Central college May 20.

ALL SOULS UNITARIAN CHURCH

Subject, April 12—"The Twofold Nature of Beauty."
 12th & H Streets

IF YOU want to be WELL DRESSED This Spring

THEN YOU should by all means READ Friday's issue of the DAILY NEBRASKAN

It will be full of style notes for men and women. Don't forget, Friday is the day of the big

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