

## SOCIAL DELEGATES DISCUSS PROBLEMS OF LOCAL ACTIVITY

### Sixth Institute Meetings Are Center of Light on Problems.

### Burt County Sends Official Delegate to Session From Oakland.

With good attendances at each discussion period the Sixth Social Work Institute has, during the past few days, been considering the means of stimulating local development in social work with the realization that the state department of public welfare, the university, and the state conference of social work all have distinct contributions to make.

"These contributions, however," declared Miss Lillian Johnson, who is directing the meetings, "can be made only through the continuous cooperation of clubs, civic organizations and individuals who are able to analyze the problem in their respective communities and ask for advice and assistance."

An example of community interest which has immediately been aroused is provided in Burt county. Here the clubs and organizations have sent Miss Kate O'Connor as official county representative with expenses paid. This interest is said to be due partly to the fact that Senator Newman, one of the signers of the county unit plan bill (Continued on Page 3).

## ENGINEERS STUDY POWER PROJECT

### Surveying Group Near Ashland Studying Hydro-Electricity.

In order that they might secure practical experience in surveying and in solving various civil engineering problems, thirty-eight students have been studying a hydro-electric project at "Camp Nebraska" near Ashland this summer under the direction of Clark E. Mickey, chairman of the department of civil engineering.

The project, as constructed by the students, involves building a canal from the Platte to the Elkhorn river and the building of two reservoirs in order that water may be stored for power purposes. Under the plan, water would be taken from the Platte river at a point southeast of Valley and conveyed east to the Elkhorn river. A diversion canal would then take the water from the Elkhorn river into reservoirs. Such a project would be capable of developing 15,000 horsepower a considerably larger power plant than ordinarily in operation in the state.

Altho the work is undertaken as if the project were to be started at that time, the entire plan is as yet only a study developed by the civil engineering group. That this particular project, however, is a most practical one, has been the opinion of those connected with the work.

Aiding Professor Mickey in the supervision of the work were I. A. Crone, instructor in applied mechanics; D. H. Harkness, instructor in civil engineering, and R. M. Clute, engineer with the (Continued on Page 4.)

## DENTAL PROFESSORS PLAN SUMMER TRIPS

A few of the Dental College Professors are planning short vacations at the close of the summer session.

Dr. A. H. Schmidt and Dr. R. E. Sturdevant will spend a few days fishing on the Platte at Schuyler, Neb.

Dr. F. Griess plans a trip into Canada with his wife.

## Students Discuss New Class Schedule Plan

Although few comments have been received at the office of the director of the summer school regarding the proposed elimination of afternoon classes the suggestion has aroused considerable favorable discussions among students. Reports have been made to the Nebraskan that a petition is being circulated by certain students who wish to make the plan effective next summer.

## PRAIRIE SCHOONER IS READY FOR PRINTERS

### Summer Issue of Literary Journal Will Be On Newstands Soon.

Editorial preparations for the summer issue of the Prairie Schooner have been completed and it will soon be off the press. Dr. Lowry C. Wimberly, editor of the magazine, reports that material for this issue has been drawn from a wide range of sources. The following contributors are authors of articles, poems and short stories in this number:

Jack Boone, Henderson, Tenn.; Merle Constiner, Akron, Ohio; Kenneth C. Randal, instructor at Michigan Agricultural college; R. Irvington Odell, New York City; Earl Cranster, Omaha; Raymond Kresensky, Bellevue, Iowa; Benjamin Appel, New York City; E. L. Jacobs, Missouri; Patricia Buchana, Lake Taneycomo, Missouri; Nita Muriel Thurston, Sherwood, Oregon; Maud E. Uschold, Lacon, Ill.; Jane Groom Love, Washington, D. C.; Eva Lou Wildey, Denver, Colo.; and Prof. Wm. F. Thompson, Prof. M. S. Peterson, members of the University of Nebraska department of English.

## Museum Preparator Plans Eastern Trip

Henry Reider, preparator in Morrill hall museum, leaves Aug. 1 for a vacation in the East. He plans to spend several days inspecting the exhibits at Field Museum in Chicago.

## Educational Misfits Form Problem For Teachers Who Must Help Them

An opinionated analysis of the reason high school pupils fail has been made by editorial writers on the New York World-Telegram. According to this analysis the 'wholesale failure of pupils' is one of the most important problems facing school authorities. The editorial follows verbatim:

"In the report of the superintendent of schools, out today, a single paragraph is devoted to the general problem represented by the fact that more than a third of the pupils who enter high school fail.

The statistics presented, however, are not so silent. They reveal, if properly studied, that 37.8 percent of the pupils in high school for the year ended June, 1930, were unable to do the work offered. This compares with 35.6 for the previous year, an increase of 2.2 percent.

There can scarcely be a more important problem facing the public school authorities than the wholesale failure of pupils who if offered courses suited to their talents might come thru with the exhilaration of success instead of the discouragement of failure.

The single paragraph bearing on the subject of high school failures, written by Nathaniel Altholz, director of commercial education, reads:

"How to salvage the enormous mass of misfits that never become adjusted to our present type of training but hang on in high school just long enough to satisfy the compulsory education law is a formidable problem. The solution seems to lie in the establishment of more trade schools and the offering of shortened business courses in high school coupled with a citywide plan of segregation and direction of pupils along channels

## GENERAL INCREASE IN SUMMER ATTENDANCE

### Graduate Registration Plays Important Role In 1931 Totals.

A general increase in summer school enrollment over that of last year has been reported from the majority of schools over the country, according to a preliminary statement of summer session registration received today by R. D. Moritz, director of the summer session. Of special interest is the increase in the number of students taking graduate work during the vacation period.

In many schools the number of graduates taking work is nearly as great as the undergraduate group. In Illinois, 1922 of the 3088 are graduates while in Indiana 802 of the 1974 have degrees. Outstanding graduate enrollment in other schools follows: Iowa, 2067 out of 4381; Iowa State, 609 out of 1490; Missouri and Rolla, 1114 of 2268; Nebraska, 717 of 2713; Stanford, 653 of 1111; Texas, 1127 of 3603.

A comparison of 1931 registration as compared with that of last summer follows, (1930 totals are final summary; 1931 figures only preliminary report):

	1930	1931
California	6040	5447
Colorado	2883	3197
Columbia	13800	14000
George Washington	1633	1971
Illinois	2553	3088
Indiana	1896	1974
Iowa	3933	4381
Iowa State	1467	1490
Kansas	1741	1774
Michigan	4320	4310
Missouri & Rolla	2480	2268
Montana	555	568
Nebraska	2644	2713
New York	3763	3831
Northwestern	2717	2642
Penn State	3202	3712
Stanford	1248	1111
Texas	3126	3603
Washington	2937	3475
Wisconsin	5171	5000

The 1931 totals will be increased slightly when final reports are submitted. At Nebraska, the figures will be increased by the social institute course which is held during the last two weeks of the session.

## Agents Misrepresent Extension Subjects

That certain agents are attempting to sell correspondence courses in Nebraska by claiming that they are approved and accredited by the extension division of the university has been reported to A. A. Reed, director. Such statements are misrepresentations, declared Professor Reed, as the extension courses are never sold by agents nor does the extension division recognize commercial subjects sold in such manner.

## CIVIL SERVICE OFFERS ENGINEERS POSITIONS

### Candidates For Engineering Positions Should Apply Before Aug. 21.

Open competitive examinations for associate and assistant engineers have been announced by the United States civil service commission and received today by Dean O. J. Ferguson of the college of engineering. Positions for associate engineers are open in the branches of aerial navigation, aeronautical construction, heating and ventilating, and telephone and telegraph. Candidates may apply as assistant engineers in the branches of construction and heating and ventilating.

Applications must be on file with the U. S. civil service commission at Washington, D. C., not later than Aug. 21. Competitors will not be required to report for examination at any place, but will be rated on their education, training and experience.

General requirements include a degree in engineering from a college or university of recognized standing. Where the applicants have completed only two years of an accepted engineering course, there may be substituted a year of experience in strictly technical work of professional grade. Those applying for the position of associate engineer must have had three years of recent, progressive and responsible professional experience or postgraduate study. Assistant engineers should have two years of similar experience.

Vacancies now open for applicants include the position of associate aerial navigation engineer at Wright field, Dayton, O.; associate telephone and telegraph engineer for research and development work for the signal corps at Fort Monmouth, N. J.; and vacancies in positions of associate and assistant construction engineer, supervising architect's office, treasury department. The entrance salary for associate engineers is from \$3,200 to \$3,800, and for assistant engineers, \$2,600 to \$3,200.

## OPEN BIDS FOR SWIMMING POOL LAST WEDNESDAY

Bids for the new swimming pool to be built at once in the basement of the coliseum were opened in the office of L. F. Seaton, university purchasing agent and operating superintendent, Wednesday afternoon. The contract, however, will not be let until the bids are thoroughly investigated, Mr. Seaton said.

A committee composed of Mr. Seaton, John K. Selleck, business manager of athletics, and L. E. Gunderson, finance secretary of the university, is in charge of awarding the contract.

## University Herds Kept Out of Fair

Show cattle from University of Nebraska herds will not be on exhibition at the state fair this fall since the elimination of the open steer class, according to Prof. Ray Thalman.

Other prize cattle at the agricultural college are being groomed for the three large national livestock shows—the Ak-Sar-Ben at Omaha, the Kansas City Royal Livestock Exposition and the International Exposition at Chicago.

## AG CAMPUS CHOSEN AS SITE OF FINAL ALL-SUMMER MIXER

### Singing of Artist Harriet Cruise Kemmer Is Featured.

### Commences At 9 O'clock In Student Activities Building.

Tonight marks the sixth and final all student party of the 1931 summer session. It will be held in the student activities building on the college of agriculture campus, beginning at 9 o'clock.

This summer's series of mixers have all been sponsored under a new plan. Previously such affairs were organized by university officials. This summer a student executive committee was inaugurated and eight students were selected to work with Prof. E. W. Lantz in the formation of a definite recreational program. In addition to the six parties, two picnics have been held, thus providing entertainment each Friday of the session.

Record crowds and genuine student co-operation have made such affairs extremely successful.

Tonight's program will be featured by the singing of Harriet Cruise Kemmer, radio singer, accompanied by Harold Turner, pianist in a downtown theater.

Admission prices to the affair remain at ten cents per person. Reason for location of the dance at the agricultural college is because of numerous student requests.

## UNIVERSITIES ARE UNDER SCRUTINY

(From the Daily Cardinal). University systems in America have been under piercing scrutiny of late and the findings of the investigations reveal serious problems to be existing in the colleges. The inquest of the federal office of education found that one of the most serious problems arose from presence of both fraternity and sorority houses on the same campuses. Visiting between fraternity and sorority members was found to be loosely regulated in the sixty-nine land grant colleges investigated. Eleven of the institutions reported women could go to men's houses for other than scheduled social events. Control is generally left in the hands of the Pan-Hellenic council and student organizations.

In the thirty schools reporting that women were permitted to attend only duly announced social events the rule is frequently broken. The report brought out that regulations were lax until the students in some way met with disaster, and then they were punished severely. The office of education maintained that the answer was not stricter regulation but closer co-operation, more real interest by authorities and more assistance in avoiding difficulties.

## INSTRUCTOR ENJOYS KINDERGARTEN WORK

Mrs. Florence Noyes of Chadron a visiting instructor this summer from Chadron Normal, is having a very successful time teaching her kindergarten class. She enjoys her work a great deal but her students also seem to get much pleasure from being in her class. She is working on an advanced degree.

## PARISIAN VISITOR PRESENTS CURIO

Miss Sarah Vance, who has returned to Lincoln after a year in Paris, has given the university museum in Morrill hall a woman's broton which she secured in Britany collection in the downstairs gallery where a pair of carved wooden shoes, loaned by Miss Marjorie Shanafelt, is on display.

GRADUATES PAY VISIT. Drs. Ralph Ludwick, class '09, Lincoln, and Miles Banks, class '30, Fairbury, visited the dental college Wednesday morning.