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## Atheism.

"Do Universities Teach Atheism?" is the subject of a discussion in a recent issue of the Canadian Home Journal by Sir Robert Falconer, the president of the University of Toronto.

Altho students are of the opinion that knowledge of scientific and philosophic subjects does not lead to atheism, universities have been accused of such an influence on various occasions.

Much discussion was started on the University of Toronto campus toward the last of February when the student newspaper was suspended by the student administrative council following an editorial discussion on atheism which declared that the majority of students are practically atheists. The matter was brought before the provincial parliament but referred to the board of governors who passed a resolution declaring the editorial untrue.

The opinion of Sir Falconer is significant as he is a leading educator in Canada. He states: "Movements of thought are strange currents. The university strives to understand them, and it also strives by its teaching to prevent its students from being carried away in a movement in a hysterical abandonment which will surely lead to tragedy. . . . I can think of no more shattering experience for a young mind than to go out into the rush of business life without some realization of the forces of thought and action which will drive him this way and that. . . . They (the teachers) challenge thought, and religious and economic faith, which must be strong enough to stand a little shaking."

And it is his opinion indirectly stated, that the faith of the majority of students is strong enough to stand a little shaking. Such an investigation should give the individual a greater appreciation of the philosophy of life which he has adopted—and greater consideration for the opinions of others—rather than the hastily improvised atheistic poise which critics conjure.

## WHAT THEY SAY

### Coolidge Takes a Vacation.

Columnist Calvin Coolidge—and his readers—will get a well earned rest this summer as the former president acts on his suggestion that the best brains of the country should take a vacation.

Perhaps it was in error to call the laconic Vermonter a columnist. Certainly he has little more in common with Will Rogers (or Arthur Brisbane) because of writing for newspapers than Will had because of his campaign in the pages of Life for the presidency in 1928.

Coolidge is going to write a column some day on the advantages of being obvious, he confided to Bruce Barton. It would be highly appropriate.

"Silent Cal" is entirely correct in the advantages of being obvious. Some of his contemporaries in writing could take lessons from him in that respect. The first essential is to have an idea, the second to express it so that nearly anyone who is apt to read what you write can understand it without undue exertion. Without this clearness of style the best of ideas are condemned to gather dust on book shelves.

The idea must be one that will not occur to the average person, but will seem reasonable to him when simply explained. Such ideas Coolidge has. With his lucidity of expression they constitute his sole claim to the attention of readers.

But if it were not for his name—and possibly the supply and demand value which their rarity brings to Coolidge words—the dour Yankee would have no market for his writings, even if he is so understandable, so near the common level.

Will Rogers is understandable too, and near the common level.

## ON THE CAMPUS

### THIRTY-TWO FROM HALL.

Of the thirty-two students from Hall county who have been attending the summer session at the University of Nebraska, seventeen are from Grand Island.

Eight of the group are taking graduate work toward advanced degrees. They are Wilma Auchmuty Aller, Maude Caroline Holden, who will teach at Greenwood; Stella Murphy, a teacher at Grand Island; Lee Perry Black, athletic coach at Sidney; Otto August Niess, who will be at New Berlin, Ill.; Leslie F. Stewart; Dwight Francis Aller and Raymond J. Flanigan. The last three named will return to teach at Grand Island.

Nona Beth Clifford, junior, who will teach at Columbus; Ethel W. Dennis and Mildred Evelyn Dennis, freshmen who will be at Grand Island; Pauline C. Good, senior, who will teach at Ravanna, Mo.; Ethel Bernice Huegel, another teacher from Hall county, taking junior work; Elizabeth Jane Reimers, senior, and Floyd Hott Runkel, senior who is teaching at Grand Island, are all taking work in Teachers college.

Kenneth R. Keller is a senior in the college of arts and sciences and Fred O. Schueter is also completing his work in the same college.

The three students from Alda are Kathleen Elizabeth Carragher, freshman in teachers college; Lois Evelyn Gallup, sophomore in college of business administration and Margaret Canaher McCormick, graduate student who will teach at Heartwell.

Of the three women registered from Cairo, two are taking nurses training at the college of medicine at Omaha. They are Helen Dora Rasmussen, junior and Winifred Lucille Ruth, sophomore. Lyda Dell Burry is a senior in the school of fine arts.

Eldon P. Cunningham and Ernst Lyle Miller are from Doniphan. Both are graduate students and both will return to teach at Doniphan.

Of the seven from Wood River, four are in teachers college. They are Kathryn Cecilia Hoye, freshman; Alice H. Moore, junior; Ida Ermeline Taplor, freshman who will teach in Cairo; and Honora Hazel Moore, also a first year student who will be at Cairo.

Lorna Leon Durtachi, who will teach at Louiston, is a junior in the arts and science college, and Naomi Catherine McGuire is a junior in the college of agriculture. Cyrus E. Hoekstra is taking graduate work.

### FRANKLIN HAS SIX.

Of the eleven students from Franklin county who have been attending the summer session at the University of Nebraska, six are from Franklin.

Five of the students from Franklin are taking work in Teachers college. They are Esther E. Fruhling, junior who will teach in Lincoln; Ruth Eleanor Fruhling, a sophomore who will be at Naponee this year; Hattie Walker Hager, sophomore and teacher at Franklin; Anna Lee Kemper, also a sophomore who will return to teach at Franklin, and Conaway Pence Beaver, who is taking special work.

Earl W. Wiltze is taking graduate work toward an advanced degree. He will return to Franklin this year.

Three students from Hildreth are enrolled. They are Vera Irene Eklund, sophomore in Teachers

college who will teach at Hildreth; Verna Christina Freeman, junior in the same college and a teacher at Sumner, and Kurt William Lenser, a senior in the college of arts and sciences.

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### SIX FROM BEAVER CITY.

Of the sixteen students from Furnas county who have been attending the summer session, six are from Beaver City.

Four of the group are taking graduate work toward advanced degrees. They are Maude Saum Goble, Glenna Marie Stockton, Frederick Stanton Archerd and Robert Woodson Harman. Maude Goble and Frederick Archerd will teach in Beaver City this year. Doris Lucille Robinson, who will teach at Curtis, is a sophomore in Teachers college. William Fergus Johnston, also a sophomore, is taking work in the college of engineering.

Mary Lucille Swayze is the only student from Holbrook at the university. She is a sophomore in the college of medicine at Omaha.

Lillian Pearl Buell, sophomore in Teachers college, and John C. Minnick, sophomore in arts and sciences, are from Cambridge.

The three students from Oxford are Martha Jessie Jones, a junior in Teachers college who will teach at Danbury; Warren Edgar Dolan, senior in the college of arts and sciences, and Frank O. Simon, junior in Teachers college. Both Mr. Dolan and Mr. Simon will return to teach at Oxford.

From Arapahoe are listed four students. Glenn Jarvis Curry, who will teach at Grand Island, is a senior in Teachers college. Sara Murphy is a junior in the same college. Robert Milo Carter is a senior in the college of arts and sciences and Harold William Benschel is a junior in the college of business administration.

### Hitchcock County.

Five of the eleven students from Hitchcock county attending the summer session are from Trenton. Four list Stratton as their home and the other two are from Palisade and Culbertson.

Three of the five from Trenton are studying in the graduate college for advanced degrees. They are Frank James Bell, who will teach at Trenton; Ida Mae Johnson Bell and William Gerald Whitford. Irene Hall Pfehm Funk, who will teach at Trenton, is a sophomore in Teachers college and Evan John Moses is a senior in the college of business administration.

Three of the four from Stratton are taking work in Teachers college. They are Owen Andrew Baker, senior; Norval B. Dame, freshman, and Vern J. Updike, junior. Loral Ellis Dunn is a sophomore in the college of arts and sciences.

Hilder Marie Lind is the only student from Culbertson. She is a senior in Teachers college and will teach at Culbertson.

Gladycy Eloise Sallade of Palisade is a freshman in Teachers college. Altho not included in the county totals as her home is located in Hays county, Sella I. Price is registered from Palisade. She is a sophomore in Teachers college.

### MULLEN HAS THREE.

Three women from Hooker form the entire representation from Hooker county at the summer session.

Ruth Carolyn Andrews is taking nurses training at the college of medicine at Omaha. She is a freshman. Iola Lela James, who will teach at Mullen this year, is a freshman in Teachers college. Vera Maude James is a freshman in the college of business administration.

### EIGHT FROM HOWARD.

Eight of the ten students from Howard county attending the summer session are from St. Paul. The other two towns represented are Farwell and Elba.

Of the group from St. Paul, five are taking work in Teachers college. They are Elvera E. Bisgard, freshman who will teach at St. Paul; Amelia A. Covey, junior who will also teach at St. Paul; Ethel M. Hansen, junior who will be at Farwell; Marie H. Komsack, freshman and a teacher at St. Liberty, and DeLoras M. Walters, sophomore who will teach at Cushing.

Myrtle B. Erickson, who is a sophomore in the college of business administration; Paul F. Bertuenk, graduate student, and Paul Harvey, freshman in the college of agriculture, are other students from St. Paul.

Lillian Zavitka, who will teach at Elba Consolidated and is a sophomore in Teachers college, is from Elba. Adelaide Francis Gnasster is from Farwell. She is a freshman in Teachers college and will have a school in Howard county.

Three of the summer students are from Craig. They are Geraldine May Davis, Marvel Bess Davis and Cecil Earl Davis. Geraldine will teach at Craig, Marvel at Pilger and Cecil will be at Eustis during the coming year.

### THOMAS COUNTY.

Three students are from Thomas county. All of them are from Thedford. Mrs. Bonnie E. Fauquet is the only woman who has been attending the summer session. She is a freshman in Teachers college and she will teach this year in Thedford. The other two students are Mr. Paul E. Fauquet and Mr. Philip Henry Vogt. Mr. Fauquet is a senior in the college of agriculture, and he will teach this year in Cherry county. Mr. Philip Henry Vogt has been taking work in the graduate college. He will teach in Thedford.

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