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Athletics In Education.

Yesterday a contributor to the Morning Mail column and apparently a friend of the athletic department stated that football is "a swell advertising scheme - no outlay and a big profit." That is just what we have suspected for a long time-a big profit. But even so, we may be wrong, for the athletic business has not fared so well this and last year.

Let us look at this matter thru the corner of our eye, for to subject the athletic department to a direct gaze seems to make them uncomfortable, and we do not want anyone to be uncomfortable when there is no reason for it. First we are told that football is necessary to make a lot of money so that other athletics may be carried on for the benefit of the students of the whole university. Then, when gate receipts for athletics fall off, and some curtailment in expenses becomes necessary, the athletic heads get together and devise a system of curtailment of the minor sports, the sports makes enough money to pay high salaries to boys! the coaches. When a cut is necessary, the sports that do the students the most good are

the ones that get cut If athletics for physical development are to be a part of education then the state can pay ments of education. But no, the state does not for them. As for the censorship of suits, a do this. Our university here has an athletic special committee could be appointed or maybe its nose at anybody. This system caves the pittalls of Pen Woods. have to pay taxes to support the athletic prosame ones who pay the taxes, and especially business. Maybe the depression will be re-from the university students, who pay high pressed. Oh, well, we can go swimming in ics at the University of Kansas. prices, much too high, to see what someone the river Styx together. else has induced them to believe is exceptional entertainment.

So, after all, the self-supporting athletic department gets the greater part of its income TO THE EDITOR: from the people of this state. It would cost the people no more if they paid it by taxat.on than it does by \$2.50 a seat. In fact, the athsame as any other department its heads and instructors would be paid in accordance to the measurably from these classes. service rendered. Of course, admission to the games would be charged and some revenue students who have taken a greater interest in would be taken in, but the prices would not need to be so great nor would the students have to pay very much for their athletic tickets. Students should be allowed to buy tickets who attend. Sharing a common interest, these for athletics at a very small cost, and they should not be "loyal-Cornhuskered" into buying them.

There is still the element that insists that football is "good" advertising for the university. Now what on earth does a public institution with no profits to make want with this kind of advertising. The best thing it could do for itself would be to build up an institution that gives the students a real, honest to goodness education, so that it can point with pride to the men and women it has turned out. interesting to them. and not to the football team as its greatest achievement.

Even the university has a reputation for football, no thinking person is going to reason; out that because the football team is good, the graduates of the school are well educated men and women. There just isn't any connection it before, especially in social situations which between having a good football team and a good educational institution. So the fact that he football team advertises the university cannot be considered much of a benefit to the institution. The type of reputation that football gives the university has no connection with education, and does not draw knowledgeseeking persons to the university, even the it is erroneously claimed by those engaged in the TO THE EDITOR: football business that character is developed

in the players. The real purpose of athletics in any school satisfactory. is to develop fine physical specimens, not huge conveniently without a gridiron.

Athletics should be a part of education, but this ungodly monster, football, has ceased to become a part of education; it is a commercial put einders there so the students can get stuck enterprise similar to any other business. Those in the cinders instead of "Good Old Nebraska" who are connected with this business have mud. built up all kinds of excuses to justify it and

keep the public thinking that it is a boon to the "soft" youth of today, while at the same time we find that the "soft" youth is not the type that is encouraged to go cut for football. It is the big, strong fellow that gets to do all the playing.

If the president of the Wyoming university lowa Nutrition Expert Says would start peeking into cars at night on the Nebraska campus, he would probably get hit on the heat with a bottle.

### 4 Thought

For Vacation.

The all-important Christmas season ap- countries, have been handed down proacheth and claimeth all of the attention of college lad and lass. "When are you going home and what are you going to do!" are the great questions of the day. A few will take home a book or two to study, some may work, most will be home for a vacation and some much needed sleep.

There is one thing that might be done to good advantage during the recess and that is the settling of the problem of what to take Cakes From Foreign Lands.' for next semester. Registration for resident students for the second semester will begin th day school opens after the holidays and

continue for a week. Most students have a pretty good ic they must take, what they would like ke, and what they should take. On almost everyone's schedule there is room for two or three elective hours. Discussion of what this elective should be with the parents is not at all an

are the propelling force which keeps the world rolling. Ideas on an old subject by those intimately concerned should be of great benefit. Considering the schedule with parents should be a part of college life.

The editor's peanut wagon is doing good business even if the whistle doesn't work so good. The peanuts are too salty for some folks ,however.

### MORNING MAIL

The New Swimming Hole.

TO THE EDITOR: Neptunes and Aphrodites won't get to bathe simultaneously in Nebraska's new swimming that do reach a good many students who are pool. The dean of women's office must have not brawny enough for football. Does this look an obvious reason for this ban; however, I can't see it. The joint use of the pool might as the the athletic heads are interested in the majority of the students? No, they are interested in seeing that their football machine body itself. Tish, tish! Those awful college

There could be a chaperon system. There are life guards anyway. Sunday, if it wouldn't be desecration, is a good time to have a point use of the pool. Public pools are open on Sundays. I know that the boys and girls would for them just as they do for the other depart. promise to behave if this privilege were allotted board which operates all by itself. It is self the responsibility might be centered on the suporting, they claim, and therefore can thumb life guard. Swimming pools ar safer than the Public Should Know Percent

people money, it is claimed. The people do not have to pay taxes to support the athletic program and hence are money shead every year, that the woild is going to hades. University But even the the money does not come from students will be forced to pay extra ducats taxes, it coms from the people of the state, the to swim together at public pools. This helps same ones who pay the taxes, and especially business. Maybe the depression will be re-

'Dancing With Tears . . .'

As one interested in the development of the side of the student's life while in school, I feel that the social dancing class sponsored by the letic program would not cost as much, for if Y. W. C. A., and for all students, should be the athletic department were operated the paid a worthwhile tribute. I know a surprising may work a hardship for some number of students who have benefitted im-

> Both last year and this year I have known campus life, because they learned to dance at the Armory. While in the dancing classes they have made new acquaintances among the many acquaintances have grown into friendships. After learning to dance a new field for making friends is opened to them in the school and fraternity dances. They meet many new students at these affairs and so their acquaintance grows. I find that my fraternity friends as

> well as barbs are profiting from these sessions. Having learned to dance they go to more school affairs, meet more people, and learn to meet new situations. Hence, they are becoming more social and have a broader outlook concerning school life, and school has become more

> Interest in school is interest in education. and interest in education is interest in life, for education is life. Therefore they are learning something worthwhile for their whole life. Some of my acquaintances have gained selfconfidence where there existed a great lack of are met in social dancing.

> For this student development, by one who has been benefited. I wish to express my appreciation.

A DANCING SWEETHEART.

### More Mud Slinging.

The latest excuse of engineering students that have classes in M. E. building is at least

One student came to class late and told the muscular oddities, but well balanced, graceful instructor that his car got stuck in the mud physiques. This can be done very nicely and on the road south of the stadium. He also stated that by the time he rounded up a team of horses and got pulled out, he was late for class.

Perhaps in the years to come someone will

STUCK-IN THE-MUD.

Yule Practices Are Traditional.

AMES, Ia.—Use of Christmas cakes and breads and the practice of many Christmas customs, both in the United States and other from generation to gerneration as the result of superstitious custom

Mrs. Snyder, now home economics director for the American Poultry Industries, Chicago, discussed "Christmas Breads and

In European countries it is customary to fast during Advent, the four weeks period before Christ-mas. At Christmas the fast is broken.

Another reason for indulging ap-petites to the fullest at Christmas found in a legend of Scandanavia, from whence came the customs of many northern Euro pean countries. There a festival marked with feasting began the alien thought. The elders oftentimes have very good ideas as to what the student should take to build a better background.

Taking the problem home and discussing it with parents is by no means foolish. New ideas are the propelling force which keeps the world that country the feating began the marked with feasing began the marked with feasing began the marked with feasing began the feasing began the feasing began the marked with feasing began the feasing bea that country the festival was ap-plied to the eve of Christ's birth.

Because the old Yule feast was in honor of the gods, many of the cakes and cookies were made in the shape of animals which were sacrificed to them.

From England, which inherited many of its pastries and customs from Scandinavia, from Russia, Denmark Germany, Bavaria, and many other countries America has inherited recipes in addition to those developed here.

In some sections of Germany many kinds of cakes are spread on a table over night so that the Christmas angels, supposed to fly over the earth announcing Christ's birth, may pause and taste of them.

taste of them.

"Throughout Europe a common Christmas custom is to give friends and neighbors gifts of fine cakes and breads," said Mrs. Snyder. "It is hard to inagine a more personal gift than an attractive box of cakes and cookies, and if made from recipies comming from if made from recipes coming from foreign lands, they become touched with an additional bit of charm and

# KANSAS INSTRUCTOR

Cotton and Wool in Blankets, Says.

LAWRENCE, Kas .- In a radio talk over radio station KFKU this morning, Miss Viola Anderson, asdiscussed the proposed plans of the blanket manufacturers of this country to label all the wool blankets manufactured in such a way that the buying public will know the percentages of wool and cotton present.

"The percentage of wool alone," pointed out Miss Anderson, "does not tell the whole story in regard quality, and to place the emmanufacturers as well. It is possible to prepare cotton so that a warm, fluffy, soft blanket may be made. Cotton blankets have their piace as well as wool blankets.

There are legitimate uses for blankets containing all the way from 100 percent wool to 100 per-

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cent cotton. Other points, also, must be taken into consideration. For instance, with widely different grades of wool 50 percent of one is by no means the equivalent of 50 percent of another, as far as the quality of the fabric is concerned."

"While it is very desirable that the buying public know the per-centage of wool in the blankets," continued Miss Anderson, "that alone is not a measure of the real quality of the blanket, but the fact that fifty blanket manufacturers plan to put this marking into ef-fect does bespeak a great advance."

### GEOLOGY FRATERNITY MEETS AT 7 TONIGHT

Sigma Gamma Epsilon, geological organization, will meet Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at their usual meeting place in the basement of Morril hall. Clarence Nelson, president of the organization, urges all members to be present.

## COLLEGE LIBRARIES USED FOR RESEARCH

K. U. Director Says Public And School Reading Rooms Differ.

LAWRENCE, Kas.-That the general public libraries are largely for recreational reading as opposed to the college libraries which are mainly for the purpose of research study was the point stressed by G. M. Baker, director of libraries at the University of Kansas, in his talk this morning over radio station KFKU. To bring out his point more

clearly, Mr. Baker drew a comparison of what would happen should the public library and the university library be closed for a few days. Most grown ups would miss their daily or weekly novel and would turn to other things, but in the case of the university library closing, fully half of the next day's classes would be upset and recitations in classes later in the week would be badly shattered. Only courses in elementary sciences, for-eign languages, and mathematica would not be affected immediately.

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