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**Contemporary
Comment**

**The Old and
The New.**

What is the most effective and
beneficial pedagogical method for
professors on this or any other
campus to pursue?

The Daily Texan, which this
year has published its opinion and
the opinion of papers representing
other schools as to the professor
most universally appreciated, goes
a step further in showing the two
schools of philosophy as to teach-
ing on this campus.

Professor A—"I think that my
lectures, representing research
done during the greater part of
my life, are good enough as they
are. They won't be changed under
any conditions. They were good
enough for the ones today."

Professor B: "I never intend to
give my classes the same soap
year after year. Of course the roots
of what I shall say will be funda-
mentally the same, but the branch-
es springing from these roots will
be different. With governments
changing daily, history is in the
making. Why should I close my
eyes to what is happening and con-
tinue to give stereotyped lectures
in a fast-changing world?"

There are the two systems in a
nutshell. "A" is a conservative and
"B" is a liberal. One is pouring out
the same material he poured out to
your father and the same he will
pour out to your son. The latter,
with the more active mind and the
more energetic will, realizes that
"times are transfixing." He does
not live in the past.

Suppose they were both teaching
chemistry. "A" would make you
spend two-thirds of the semester
learning long involved formulae,
equations, and problems. The other
would take up chemical bases of
the foods that should be eaten;
chemistry's part in building up
stronger bodies and healthier
minds; chemistry's effect on her-
edity. Students under "A" would
forget their formulae as soon as
the final examination was turned
in; students under "B" who would
have obtained material in classes
correlated with actual life would
take away with them something of
value.

Were the two teaching govern-
ment, the conservative would stick
to the old forms of government
set down in September, 1789, and
teach year after year the constitu-
tional relations of our system. The
liberal would give this constitu-
tional framework as a background
and then treat to a greater degree
the administrative side of govern-
ment, which is by far the most im-
portant in 1934, 145 years later.

In January, 1934, one professor
asked on a history exam this ques-
tion: "What kind of a new deal did
the people in the medieval towns
demand? How did they get it? In
what ways was it like President
Roosevelt's new deal?" Another
in a similar course framed the
same question in this way:
"Enumerate the objects of a guild
merchant."

This shows the difference. Which
question necessitated the most orig-
inal thought? Which instructor
had brought the course closer
home to the student?

These two schools of teaching
have been outlined. Under which
system would you prefer your chil-
dren to study?—Daily Texan.

Ag Column

BY
DICK JACKSON
and GORDON HOBERT

The Ag-Y boys are really in the
harness this year and are going
places. Last week they had a
meeting to which so many men
turned out that they hardly had
room to hold them. Why is this
so? Well, for one reason they
take up subjects which are of
great interest to the students and
for another reason they have a
spirit or feeling of something deeper
which is valuable to a college
man who is here in the university
subject to temptations and associ-
ations which are apt to lead him
astray unless he has some one to
set an example and some one to
help him so that he will not feel
out of place if he does the right
thing.

If you haven't attended these Y
meetings then it is time you be-
gan. They help develop a broad
mind and a true spirit of Chris-
tianity without which very little
can be accomplished. The next
meeting will probably deal with
armaments and world peace, so
come out and voice your opinions
on the subject.

Last Saturday Professor Brackett
and a committee headed by
Vance Balfour did a little survey-
ing to see if a level place could be
found where a skating rink could
be made without too much ex-
pense. The best that could be
found was a place that had a nine
inch drop in 200 feet. This place
would require lots of water to
bring the level up and in the mean-
time would lose a lot of the water
due to seepage. The plot men-
tioned was very small and, accord-
ing to Mr. Brackett, it is not ad-
visable to try to do anything with
it. However, the Ag college stu-
dents have something to put across
in this skating rink and it can be
done by starting in the late spring
or early fall. Uncertain weather
conditions around this vicinity is
another reason for not spending
too much on such a project this
year.

Col-Agri-Fun skits are being
rapidly whipped into shape before
the holiday season begins. A wide
variety of skits will be offered this
year and all of them will be top-
notchers as far as side splitting is
concerned. Remember the money
made from these skits is put into
a loan fund so some worthy stu-
dent may continue his education
in this university. In what better
way could you spend your money?
I ask you now.

Al Ebers was up last Wednesday
with his male choir. They sang
some Christmas hymns for the
service held at Ag college that eve-
ning. Music lovers really had rea-
son to love music when they heard
the soft and perfectly blended
tones Al's choir produced. Al has
done some wonderful work in his
community both before and after
he graduated. He is one of the
best examples we have of a college
boy who went home and made
good.

CHANTS

BY CHANCE.

One of the most interesting and
entertaining Christmas vacations
imaginable will be spent this year
by Don Buell in New York City.
He is going to the metropolis for
the purpose of making a survey of
current stage successes, on which
he will make addresses to various
groups upon his return. This series
of lectures which he is planning
will cover the plays he reviewed,
and on noted playwrights. Among
the current hits he plans to see are
"Within the Gates," "Valley
Forge," "The Great Waltz," "Child-
ren's Hour," "Romeo and Juliet,"
"Farmer Takes a Bride," "L'Ang-
lon," "Anything Goes," "Ode to
Liberty," "Merrily We Roll Along"
and "Gold Eagle Gray." Mr. Buell
plans to revisit the Yale campus
and spend some time at the mili-
tary academy at West Point with
relatives.

A candlelight service will be pre-
sented at the First Plymouth Con-
gregational church, 20th and D
streets, this coming Sunday eve-
ning, Dec. 23, at 7:30 o'clock. "The
Star of the East" by Kriens, con-
sidered one of the most beautiful
of all Christmas cantatas, will be
sung by the Carillon and Antiph-
onal choirs under the direction of
Wilbur Chenoweth, organist and
choirmaster. Soloists will be El-
shein Bignell Matson, soprano; Doris
Cole Clapp, alto; Sydney Peppie,
tenor; and Hermann T. Decker,

bass. The public is invited to at-
tend.

The cast of "Yellow Jack" is still
diligently rehearsing every even-
ing. Some of the members of the
large cast have been announced in
this column; however, there are
still so many more, we will let you
in on a few who will appear. Hal
Greer will be seen as an "officer of
the Kenya Colony Government;"
Melvin Fielder has been cast as a
"Major in the Royal Air Force;"
Delford Brummer will be a "labor-
atory assistant" and Pete Sump-
tion's dog "Whiskers" will be "the
dog." Don Buell will be Adrian
Stokes; Paul Bogen will be seen as
Kraemer, Louis Gotoroff is sched-
uled to be "Dr. Carlos Findlay" and
Roy Squires will be "William
Crawford Gorgas."

For all you students who will be
in Lincoln this Saturday, and have
all your Christmas shopping com-
pleted, the Children's theater pro-
duction "Tom Sawyer" will be a
grand place to spend the afternoon.
This presentation is under the aus-
pices of the Junior league and be-
ing directed by Miss Pauline Gel-
latly. A cast of twenty-three is in
the play, and many favorites of the
University Players will appear.
Some of the cast are Bobby Ager,
who was such a hit in "Wednes-
day's Child;" Era Lown who will
soon appear as "Dr. Walter Reed"
in the coming drama, "Yellow
Jack;" Arthur Bailey, also seen re-
cently in "Wednesday's Child;"
Leila Irwin, Florence Smerin,
Delford Brummer, Dixie Betzer
and many more. Two performances
will be given; one at 9:30 and an-
other at 2:30 o'clock, both at Tem-
ple theater. This is the first Child-
ren's theater production given thus
far this season.

**NEBRASKA BLUE PRINT
GOES ON SALE FRIDAY**

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Nuernberger stated. His article,
explaining the typical log in sugar
refineries, will appear in a future
issue of Chemical and Metallur-
gical Engineering, a national pub-
lication.

A special article in this issue of
the Blue Print will introduce Roy
L. Cochran, governor-elect and
prominent engineer, to engineering
students. Sir Francis Bacon, the
eminent scientist, will be discussed
in an article by Dean O. J. Fer-
guson of the engineering college.

A caricature of Prof. J. W.
Haney of the mechanical engineer-
ing department fills this month's
humorous page. Enginews, a regu-
lar feature, is included in the
December issue, as well as news

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tures.

The Christmas theme has been
portrayed in the Blue Print's cover
design, a contribution this month
of the architectural department.

**CHILDREN'S THEATER
PRESENTS FIRST PLAY**

(Continued from Page 1.)

Ann Kinder and Janet Moon will
also have parts in the play.

Maureen Tibells as the "white
rabbit" will make the announce-
ments, and William Quick will be
in charge of music between the
acts.

Provisional members of the Ju-
nior league will act as ushers.
They are Miss Anne Bunting, Mrs.
Lewis R. Ricketts, Mrs. E. J.
Faulkner, Mrs. Charles Stuart, Jr.,
Mrs. Lawrence Finney, Mrs. J. H.
Ellis, Miss Jane McLaughlin, Miss
Virginia Foster, Mrs. Harry Car-
son, Mrs. John Carr, Mrs. Heath
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