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GOVERNOR RECOMMENDS

Education Board Merger

Plaster Falls, Cracks Open In Union Wall

Architects, Contractor Check Bad Spots, Plan Necessary Repairs

Eight months after completion, the Union building, Nebraska's pride, is beginning to show cracks in the plastering of several rooms in the east and west wings. And several of the doors in the building won't latch.

The cracks are not large ones in most cases—just numerous little ones. Most noticeable are those just above the door in the faculty lounge on the second floor. Here, a small piece of plaster has fallen and the cracks cover an area of about 10 square feet.

In room 316, just above the lounge, a similar network of cracks may be seen. Other unsightly spots are in the southeast corner of the game room on the second floor where the air conditioning pipe seems to be moving away from the window frame and around an air conditioning outlet in parlor A on second.

Prof. Linus Burr Smith, chairman of the department of architecture, said it would be impossible to ascertain whether the plasters were defective without a chemical analysis. Another theory is that the Union is settling as most buildings do. It is not a serious matter. Said Prof. Smith, "It's just one of those things."

The architects of the building have looked over the defective spots, and the construction company has offered to repair the plastering.

Organist Porter Plays Tonight

Lincoln Music Fans to Hear Recital at 8:15

Hugh Porter, nationally known concert organist, will be featured in a recital at First Plymouth Congregational church tonight at 8:15 under the sponsorship of the Lincoln Organists Guild and First Plymouth church.

Donald Ketting, president of the Guild and personally acquainted with Mr. Porter, speaks very highly of the organist, saying that "for once Lincoln people will have a chance to hear some bonafide organ music."

Known as one of the more brilliant among the up and coming organ virtuosos, Porter has presented recitals in all the major music centers of the country. At the present, his official positions include those of organist and choirmaster of the Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas, in New York, organist for the New York Oratorio society and a member of the faculty of the Juilliard musical foundation.

Admission to his recital tonight is 50 cents. Tickets may be purchased at the school of music from Guild members, or at the door.

One More Card Makes 77 For Students to Fill Out Next Registration Week

Students will be happy to learn that during registration week they will have 77 cards to fill out in place of the usual 76. The additional card is one bearing the impressive name of the "Student Union Activity Reference Card." It will contain questions to aid the Union in determining future programs and plans that the students will like best.

Questions concerning favorite games, hobbies, leisure time interests, and activities will make up the questionnaire.

W.A.A. to Honor Barbs at Party

Games to Feature Unaffiliate Event

Unaffiliated girls at the university will be honored at a sports party given by the women's Athletic Association this evening, from 5 to 6 o'clock in the girls gym.

Elnora Sprague as the barb representative on the W. A. A. council will have charge of the party. The girls will be organized into new independent teams for intramural participation. Girls from the same part of the state will be combined on the same team.

Girls are requested to wear low heeled shoes for the games that will be played, ping pong, aerial tennis, Nebraska ball and badminton.

Union Puts On Old Five-Reel Melodrama

Students to Jeer, Cheer at Old-Time 'Flicker' Performance Sunday

Flourishing moustaches, bustles, and sideburns will abound when Bonnie Parsons and the barber shop quartet swing out on such tender old melodies as "Take Back Your Gold," "Second Hand Rose," and "Only a Bird in a Gilded Cage." These songs, with "No, No, a Thousand Times No," will tear at the hearts of all who attend the old time free show at the Union ballroom Sunday at 4:00 o'clock.

"Westbound Limited," a genuine five reeler of way back when, will furnish thrills and chills to the audience. Boogie and cheering will be permitted with the audience urged to use no discretion.

Old Timers Wow Wisconsin.

Bonnie Parsons needs no introduction to Lincoln. She has been singing with local orchestras for several years and last summer was

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War Correspondent Admires U. S. College Individualism

Richard Richards Here For Lecture Series

Despite the fact that his last three years have been spent covering Europe's major political crises, the Spanish war, and the Sino-Japanese fracas, where he observed death, starvation, destruction and terror, unknown to the layman, Richard Richards, British newspaperman and lecturer, has gathered facts and information which provide a most vivid contrast between the United States and his own Britain. Richards is in Lincoln for a three week lecture schedule.

Richards is an admirer of the American educational system of schooling. "I like the American college because the students make the college," he said. "In England, the educational system is so old that precedent makes it impossible for the student to be more than just a cog, unindividualistic, in the great machine of learning." He also pointed out that only students who have very wealthy parents are able to attend English colleges.

Greek Groups "Marvelous."

He believes that fraternities and sororities are "marvelous" things. "We British lose out on this point for the friends that you meet and make, as well as the training that a student will gain from this life,

Kosmet Play Competition Closes Soon

Tentative Deadline Set for January 31; Fifty Dollars to Be Awarded

Campus playwrights wishing to submit an entry in the competition recently opened by the Kosmet Klub to find a suitable vehicle for its 1939 spring show, should be prepared to file their manuscripts by 5 o'clock of Tuesday, Jan. 31, according to a tentative deadline announced by Don Moss, Klub president.

Klub members will probably pass upon an official deadline at their next meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 10.

Moss requests that all persons thinking of entering the contest, which carries prizes of \$50, get in touch with the Klub immediately, either by filing their name in the organization's office on the third floor of the Union, or by speaking to some Klub member.

Competition is open to any person connected in any capacity with the university. To the writer of the winning entry will go an award of \$40, while a \$10 prize will go to the runnerup. All manuscripts submitted will become the property of the Klub.

Song Contest.

In conjunction with the play contest, a competition to obtain suitable original songs is also being conducted. Only melodies need be considered at the present time, and for the best song selected for use in the show an award of \$10 will be made.

Plots will be judged on a basis of originality, cleverness of action and lines, ease of staging, and adaptability to the type of show traditionally presented by the Klub each spring. Of a musical comedy type, an all-male cast is used with feminine parts portrayed by men. Scripts should be in two or three acts with a running time of about two hours and a half. Staging necessary should not be too elaborate, and within the limited means of the Temple theater.

will stick with him for the rest of his life."

As for American girls, Richards declares that they are all very beautiful, cosmetically. According to Richards, in all his travels, in many different countries, he has never seen women as well versed in the use of cosmetics, or as poised and graceful as American girls. "Yes, English girls are beautiful too, but in a very simple way. And when they walk, it's not with poise and grace. They just walk!" He concluded his remarks on American femininity by comparing them to the Canadian mounties. "They always get their man."

No Hamburgers?

A drug store is unheard of in England, and as far as the Englishman is concerned, there is no such a thing as a hamburger stand. After a Britisher is 15 years old, he never eats candy or ice cream in public. "In London, if a man walked down Piccadilly with an ice cream cone in his hand, the next edition of the papers would carry a picture of the fellow with remarks concerning his eccentric ways," said Richards.

Concerning American slang, Richards believes that it is very interesting but he can find no reasonable excuse for it. In his own words, "Being an ordinary conservative Englishman, the interspersing of slang into good

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to Unify Normal School and Uni Administration

But Way of Choosing Single-Board Members Creates Great Problem

By Harold Niemann.

Gov. R. L. Cochran in his speech before the state legislature yesterday recommended placement of Nebraska's five institutions of higher learning under a single controlling board. The action would result in a saving for the taxpayers, the governor said.

In the form of a constitutional amendment, the governor's suggestion would result in consolidation of the Board of Regents which heads the University and the Board of Education for State Normal schools which heads the four state normal schools. At the present time, the six members of the Board of Regents are elected in their respective districts; the five members of the Normal school board are appointed by the governor.

Text of the recommendation from the speech given by the state executive reads:

Nebraska has five institutions of higher learning, the State university and four state normal schools, the state university being administered under the Board of Regents, the normal schools under the Board of Education for State Normal Schools. In my judgment, there is no more excuse for two state boards of education than there is for two boards of education in any local school district. It is my opinion that the cause of education can be advanced and a saving in taxpayers' money made by having one board of education in charge of all state institutions of higher learning. It is respectfully recommended that this session of the legislature submit a constitutional amendment that the people may have an opportunity to effect this saving."

The recommendation immediately aroused predictions, comment, and discussion in education circles. None of members of the Board of Regents was in Lincoln and could not be reached for a statement.

The greatest problem arising out of the proposal is, of course, how membership of the single board would be determined. If

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Prom Committee Holds First Meet

Cunningham, Kidd Appoint Committees

Beginning work on the Junior-Senior prom, committee members met last night to hear Co-Chairmen Roger Cunningham and Marian Kidd make subcommittee appointments.

Bob Waugh and Virginia Clemens compose the orchestra committee; in charge of the presentation of the prom girl are Fred Stiner and Elizabeth Waugh; publicity will be handled by Merrill England and Mary Steuterville; Jean Wolf and Virginia Wheeler compose the ticket committee; Grant Thomas and Mary Jo Henn are in charge of invitations.

Plans for the prom, which closes the formal season on the evening of March 3, were discussed. Two of the committees, that in charge of orchestra and the one on presentation must begin to function at once.



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No more excuse for two boards.

Uni To Give Radio Series

Prof. Diers' Classes Start Program Friday

Prof. Theodore Diers' radio classes will open a series of quarter-hours over KFOR Friday afternoon at 4:30 when they present to the radio audience a group of acts taken from the poems of James Whitcomb Riley.

The initial program, entitled "Jim Riley and His Folks" will be presented in the Riley style with the characters talking the Riley dialect.

Following this inaugural quarter-hour, the radio classes will continue each Friday at the same time with a program in their series known as "Epochal Discoveries of the Past."

To Dramatize Discoveries.

Discoveries and inventions that have made important contributions to the welfare of man will be subjects of the future programs of the radio students. Among the topics dramatized will be the discovery of radium, aluminum and insulin and the development of the process of vulcanizing rubber.

The programs will continue without stop through the examination period and into the second semester. At present the writing of the scripts and other production details of the program is carried on by the faculty, but later this work shall be placed in hands of the students who show the most promise.

Methodist Clubs Hold Joint Party Tonight

Phi Tau Theta and Kappa Phi, Methodist fraternity and sorority, will hold a joint party this evening in parlors X, Y, Z of the Union. Games and dancing to the music played by Capehart will furnish the entertainment.

Ruth Clark and Ellie Dann will be in charge of the party. About 100 are expected to attend. Rev. and Mrs. Drew, Miss Luvicy Hill, Miss Ruby Waters and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Paine will be hosts for the evening. The party will begin at 8 o'clock and close at 12. Refreshments will be served.