

## Legislator recommends consolidation

**Dr. A. Miller favors principle of election**

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political. Miller feels that the election of members to this board would make it free from politics and at the same time would give all parts of Nebraska equal representation.

"The purpose of one State Board of Higher Education is to develop a sound program for higher education in Nebraska. Apparently there is considerable overlapping and duplication in what the normal schools are trying to do. The normal schools were founded for the purpose of giving training to teachers, but the tendency at the present time is for these schools to assume the duties of teaching university subjects. Nebraska cannot afford to support five universities. I believe also, that the University of Nebraska should eliminate the work which it does that could be done by normal training schools," Miller said.

Miller feels that it is quite possible that a single board would eliminate the rivalry that now exists between the normal schools and the university; eliminate and prevent waste of money; raise and improve the standards of education.

The normal schools of the state are afraid that they will be reduced to a junior college status. They apparently feel that their schools would be the ones to suffer under the single board. The experiences of the states who have tried the one board idea have proven the opposite. The university has been the one which has been hurt and the normal schools have gained by such a consolidation.



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One of the major objections to such a plan might be that a single board may jeopardize the status of \$590,000 worth of bonds now held by the state to construct dormitories in the four state Teachers' colleges. Miller's answer to this is that the normal schools would continue and their enrollment would probably increase. If such is the case, the bonds should have every attention as at the present.

"Another objection," Miller said, "might be that the present boards receive no salary and if the work were thrown onto one board it might mean that it would be necessary to pay considerable salaries to attract good men as members of such a board."

"My only interest in this matter is that of carefully considering the merits, if any, to such a proposal and when the hearing is held it must be determined that such a consolidation would react favorably on the educational system and the taxpayers of the state, otherwise I would not care to prosecute further such a proposed consolidation," Miller concluded.

Meanwhile, Chairman Schultz's only comment was: "Theoretically, the proposed measure is a step in the right direction. Practically, it is doubtful."

"This bill provides for the election of a six man board from six districts in the state. If that is done, there is a great possibility of log rolling between some of the educational institutions to receive more than others. If the board is appointed by the governor, you will again have the same situation."

"If the human element could be eliminated from politics, it would be a most desirable setup. I wish to go into details of this measure before giving a definite statement as to my position. I wish to receive information from other states where one board is now in operation."

## Girls rifle club sets practice schedule

Practice hours have been arranged for the girls' rifle club and each member should have at least two practices a week. When determining the participants for the meets the scores of these practices will be considered. Practice hours are Tuesday and Thursday at 5, Wednesday from 4 to 5, and Saturday at 11.

## Mild winter brings light theft season, reports Regler

Nebraskans don't steal unless they're driven to it, if statistics tell the truth. Coupling weather statistics with those from Sergeant Regler's office, one might conclude that he needn't worry as much about his overcoat being stolen in warm weather.

Virtually no loss from thefts of wearing apparel has been reported to Sergeant Regler during Nebraska's mildest winter in many years. During past years, at the advent of zero weather (of which we have, as yet, had none this season) Sergeant Regler has been made to feel like a check stand on bank night with the calls for missing coats and jackets.

Despite the fact that it has been such a poor season, Regler warns those who lose property by theft to report their loss early. "Much loss in the way of wearing apparel as well as books and other property could probably be avoided if a description of the property were phoned in to my office as soon as it is missed," Regler stated.

## Elliot lectures open tonight

**Noted religious worker to visit NU for week**

A. J. "Dad" Elliott, genial veteran of religious work with university students, will open a week's visit on the Nebraska campus with a convocation tonight at 8 o'clock in Parlors XYZ of the Union.

Nationally famous, "Dad" has recently returned from a world tour of studying the countries in which there is tension between the church and state, has solicited the international student point of view on religious matters.

A service particularly for Ag college students will be conducted by "Dad" this afternoon at 5 o'clock at Epworth Methodist church, and he will be presented at a special Ag convocation at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Monday thru Friday, "Dad" will meet with students for a discussion seminar in Room 315 of the Union at 4 o'clock, carrying on the discussion begun at Sunday's convocation.

## Teachers puzzle over differences

**Student ability varies average adult to genius**

AUSTIN, Tex. (I.P.). Individual differences in students frustrate the teacher, the Texas commission on co-ordination in education has discovered.

By the time students reach college, they will range in ability from the ninth grader to college senior and in scholastic aptitude from "average adult" to "genius," the report reveals.

The problem facing educators today is to reconcile these facts with educational procedure, Dr. H. T. Manuel, director of research for the commission, points out.

Dr. Manuel urges teachers to revise their teaching methods on an "individualized philosophy," so that the slow student would not be given the same instruction as the more adept.

"This most urgent problem of finding how to educate the masses and yet treat each student as an individual is the problem of every teacher, administrator and student of education, he says.

Among his suggested remedies are: "Learning" the students before teaching them, furnishing vocational guidance, giving remedial work to students having special difficulties, using tutorial methods and special conferences to supplement ordinary work.

## Gerald Gillan to read paper to engineers

A paper read by Gerald Gillan, engineering senior, will be the feature of the next meeting of the student branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers. The meeting will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 in room 315 of the union.

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## Government opens exams to scientists

**Agriculture department to fill 21 research posts thru Civil service**

University students seeking a lifetime career in the field of science will soon have an opportunity to compete for several positions with the world's largest research institution—the U. S. department of agriculture.

Senior students graduating this spring may take civil service examinations for 21 of these junior professional positions with a starting salary of \$2,000 a year. Application blanks may be obtained at the nearest post office named in the examination announcement, or from the civil service commission, Washington, D. C. Ask for Announcement 18 and Application 8. Applications must be on file with the commission's office in Washington by Feb. 27 from states east of Colorado, and March 2 from all other states. Applicants qualifying for entrance will be notified of the examination place and date.

### Regional laboratories.

Value of basic research is rapidly gaining public esteem. As a direct result of this popular appeal, the department this year is establishing four regional laboratories. Each will employ a research staff of about 200 technicians. The department, as a whole employs a technical staff of about 10,000 persons.

As reflected in the careers of scientists in the employ of the department for several years, young persons accepted for positions this year will have opportunity for advancement, both professionally and financially.

There is a graduate school in the department, with an enrollment of 1,600, offering graduate work accepted for advanced degrees by all major universities. In Washington and vicinity are four universities offering advanced degrees. Their courses are arranged at hours convenient for federal workers.

Salaries from \$2,000 to \$6,500.

Salaries of technical workers range from the \$2,000 a year entrance figure to \$6,500 a year. Civil service status assures permanency for able workers, and provides a liberal retirement plan that insures a comfortable living in old age. Many scientists who have reached the retirement age in recent years have spent from 35 to 50 years in the department.

## Ohio survey lists 'mortality' causes

**Classroom failures, no money most common**

CINCINNATI, O. (I. P.) Failure in classroom studies and financial difficulties are the two principal reasons for students dropping out of Ohio colleges before the completion of their four year programs, a study reported at the University of Cincinnati reveals.

The two year cooperative survey reveals that five other factors which contribute to college attendance "mortality" among Ohio students are these in the approximate order of their decreasing frequency:

Lack of interest in continuing their college work, illness, disciplinary action on the part of the colleges, a need for the students' presence at home, and death in the students' families.

The University of Pittsburgh Men's Council has established a Tuxedo Exchange agency for formal-less students who wish to go to formal dances. Students will provide the tuxes to be rented.

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## Nebraska farm youth rebuild old fashioned entertainment

**University extension division helps revamp 'old time literary circle' as core of rural 'fun' program**

"The old time literary circle" has been streamlined and brought up to date by several hundred young Nebraska farm men and women who believe in formulating their own entertainment of a wholesome nature. As a part of the Rural Nebraska Youth, organized quietly and sponsored by the University of Nebraska ag college extension service for young men and women in rural communities above 4-H club age, this organization is growing slowly and soundly in 18 outstate counties. It is under the general direction of county agricultural and home demonstration agents.

### Home Cooked Refreshments.

From 25 to 80 persons turn out for what may be a social hour or a serious discussion. Even the refreshments consist of home cooked food brought to the gathering places.

Newton W. Gaines, extension community organization specialist

## University press prints music book

**School problem volume also published by NU**

Two new books for the extension division are now on the university presses. They are "Music in the Small Schools," by Miss Hazel Kinsella, and "Supplementary Standards for the Twelve Grade School Buildings," by Dr. K. O. Broady of the department of school administration at the university and Merle Stoneman.

These books will be the third and fourth of a series dealing with the problems of small schools being published by the extension division.

## WAA sponsors bowling party

**Miss Bowen directs coed sports event**

Women's Athletic association sponsored the second bowling sports party Saturday from 1 to 3 o'clock. Twelve alleys were opened to the university women for the first hour and six for the second.

Pauline Bowen, of the W. A. A. Council, had charge of the party which was well attended by the coeds. This is the second bowling party to be held this year.

## Hoffman Cancelled

**Ex-Governor Hoffman of New Jersey, scheduled to speak at the Union today, will not make his appearance.**



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