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## 5.4-An Average Grade

Today an article appears in The Daily Nebraskan say ing that a 5.4 is the average grade here at the university And, furthermore, just what do grades mean?

Grades in college have as their main purpose to show the student how well he is doing in comparison with his dassmates. Rarley do they indicate the absolute amount of learning the student has soaked up during his semester's
exposure to a professor. In that respect, the grading system junked by the University a year ago in which percentages were reported was misleading. Did a 90 in a course indicate that the recipient had learned $90 \%$ of the course? Supposedly it meant only that this instructor believed that his student had learned more than the student who got an 85

A glance at the table given in the article shows some interesting things. Most grades tend to cluster around a 5 and they thin out as they move to the outer extremes. In other words, a 5 is about average, while an 8 or 9 indicates unusual ability or industry.

Many students, especially those who plan to enter graduate colleges, medical or dental schools, are interested to know whether they are in the top 10 or $25 \%$. Conse quently, this year instead of keeping students in the dark about such things, the registrar's office has compiled a table that clearly shows the average necessary to be in one of the charmed groups.

In an overall glance, it becomes apparent that grades are certainly not absolute items. They do mean a great deal in admittance to certain colleges and honoraries; they may mean something to potential employers. Far more impor tant, however, than these figures on a piece of paper is the sincere effort of each student to do creditable learning, re gardless of whether the result is a 5 or a 9.
-Louise McDill.


## Meddling With Melick

By M. J.
Where if the Constutional Assembly?
The proposed Assembly which was heralded long and loud by the front page of The Daily Nebraskan seems to have dropped from view, Not a line of print has issued

Bob Wallace and his constituents on the steering committee are quietly and diligently going ahead. The committee has set tentative and agenda.

The steering committee, composed of seven busy people, has managed to squecze out time for the project by devoting their lunch our each day. It's a long up-hill pull.

The work of the assembly is demanding. It is not pointed or in ay other manner associated with the activities which usually basque in campus glory. It's steering committee was asked to serve and i

Some of the results of the committee's action will be announced in the next few weeks, but the long hours of planning and checking information will go unnoticed into the annals of history to stan beside other worthwhite and unpraised projects.

So time out, for a brief tribute to the Constitutional Steering ommittee and to all other organizations who do their work quietly

## Veterans Must

Apply Now for Summer Term
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hould begin now to make nec-
wary arrangements for VA cerfificates of eligibility, Veterans Administr
nounced.
A veteran already in schoo
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the registrar's office or from VA the form should be sent to the VA regional office having jurisaiction over this University.
Veterans planning to attend Veterans planning to attend
summer school in the same instisummer school in the same insti-
tution in which they are now mental certificate to re-enroll.

## From the

 Front Page
## BY BRUCE KENNEDY

 Former President Hoove startling" spending which may be seriously imperiling our national economy. Congress, according to Hoover is entirely unawareof this spending. With the plan to this spending, With the plan home is very essential.
KATHY Fiscus, the little three-year-old California girl who fel rescued Monday but it was ap rescued Monday but been dead hree hours after her fall. The ascue will go down in history
as probably the greatest attempt of the century
SOME members of Congress de dared Monday that the farm program plan proposed by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan was fanastic. "An enormous amount of
money, funning into the 10 bilnoney, running into the 10 bil program," said one member.


## Music Teachers

 Conduct ClinicsSeveral members of the school of music faculty have directed clinics in various Ne
during recent weeks.
David Foltz conducted a choral limic for the northeast division of the Nebraska Music Educator confere
and 2.
Robert Stepp and Dayton Smith led an instrumental and choral concert featuring large groups in the evening. On the same day Dis Hanz and Jack Snider were schools in the Little Ten Organ schoois in the Latte Ten OrganOn On April 4, Don Lentz conwest section of the Nebraska Music Educators Conference. Meeting Chadron, the mass band re sert in the evening gave a con

Joint Ag Groups To Hear Raikes Raiph Raikes, prominent Ash-
land farmer, will be the featured peaker at a meeting of the comWednesday Wednesday
Mr . Raikes, an alummus of the show some moving pictures of his recent trip to Europe. The meeting will begin at $7: 15$ in room 301 of the Dairy Industry
building. building.
After the combined meeting,
the Block and Bridie lub he Block and Bridie club will cers The newly elected of offiwill be in charge of next spring's Junior Ak-Sar-Ben Livestock show. The Varsity Dairy club will also hold nominations for
its next semester officers.

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