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TO PLAY BIG PART IN SEMI-CENTENNIAL

UNIVERSITY WILL HELP CELEBRATE STATE'S BIRTHDAY

Programs include an Address by Colonel Roosevelt and Annual Pageant

The University will take a leading part in the semi-centennial celebration of Nebraska's statehood which will be held at commencement time in June, according to the complete program announced Saturday.

The celebration will bring two noted Americans to Nebraska, ex-President Theodore Roosevelt will give an address on "Americanism" on National Day, and Major General John J. Pershing, commander of the southern division of the United States army, and formerly commandant of cadets at Nebraska, will give the commencement address to members of the senior class on the campus on the morning of Statehood Day.

Pageant a Feature

One of the features of the celebration will be the third annual pageant, which will as usual be produced under the auspices of the University and will be enacted by students. Plans are well under way for its production, and a call will soon be made for cast members. It will be given on the athletic field evenings of the celebration.

Besides the part the University will play in the pageant, it will also be sponsor of an art exhibit of famous modern artists in the University art gallery.

The celebration is expected to bring thousands of people to Lincoln. Realizing the significant period in national as well as state history, the events, especially the speech of Colonel Roosevelt on "Americanism" will bear special import. General Pershing will also deliver a message which, in view of present events, will be heard with unusual interest.

The annual alumni oration will also be particularly timely. It will be given by Prof. Francis S. Philbrick, professor of law in the University of California, a member of the class of 1897. Professor Philbrick is an authority on international law, especially on Spanish-American relations, of which he has made a deep study, spending years in Cuba, Spain, and this country in source work. His address will be along the lines of international law, and his opinions on America's present position will be notable.

Lasts Three Days

Three days will be taken up by the celebration; beginning with Reunion day, Tuesday, June 12. Wednesday, June 13, is Statehood day, and Thursday, June 14, is National day. The alumni oration by Professor Philbrick and the third annual pageant will feature Reunion day, June 12. The address will be given in the afternoon and the pageant at 8 o'clock in the evening. The University commencement exercises will be held on the morning of Statehood day, Wednesday. General Pershing will deliver his address on the campus, and there will be a parade of alumni, faculty and students. The pageant will again be given in the evening.

Colonel Roosevelt's address on "Americanism" will be given on the afternoon of National day, Thursday, at the state capitol grounds, and at night the pageant is to be produced the third time.

On every evening of the celebration there will be fireworks and band concerts. The semi-centennial will also mark the opening of Nebraska's hall of

TWENTY CO-EDS ATTEND FIRST CLASS IN MOTOR DRIVING

About twenty co-eds attended the first class in motor driving at the Farm last Thursday given by Prof. L. F. Seaton. The date of the classes has been changed from Monday, Wednesday and Friday as first planned to Tuesday and Thursday at 1 o'clock in order that more of those interested may attend.

These classes are a part of the Woman's Naval Reserve program. Elizabeth Doyle, '17, is chairman of the committee in charge. All classes are held in the engineering annex and all girls interested may take the work.

FINNEY AND RELAY PLACE AT DRAKE

ARE NEBRASKA POINT GETTERS AT DES MOINES GAMES

Simpson Pushes World's Record in High Hurdles—Huskies Meet Ames Saturday

Des Moines, Ia., April 21.—Finney, hurdler, and the half-mile relay team, composed of Finney, Werner, Owen and Townsend, were the Cornhusker successful entries in the Drake relay games here today.

Finney won fourth place in the 120-yard high hurdles. Simpson of Missouri won the race in 14:45 seconds, 1.5 second slower than the world's record. Ames of Illinois was second, and Renick of Missouri was third, being pushed hard by Finney.

The half-mile relay brought out a big field of fast men. Northwestern won in 1:29:2, with Missouri second. Notre Dame third and Nebraska fourth. The time was 1.25 slower than the world's record.

The track team will start tuning up this afternoon for the meet next Saturday with Ames. The "Aggies" will put forth a field of veterans as they did last year. "Bear dope" on the track situation? Ames was brought back by the baseball team on their return from Iowa Saturday. It has been told that Packer and Paige, two of the "Aggie" stars had joined the army.

CO-EDS CLERK IN STORE TO HELP CAUSE

College Woman's Reserve League Aid Lincoln Women in Preparedness Day at Mayer Brothers

Nearly forty members of the College Woman's Reserve League clerked in Mayer Bros. store Saturday, assisting the Lincoln branch of the Woman's Reserve League in a preparedness day benefit. One-tenth of all the day's sales were given to the service league.

Each department was assigned to a group of Lincoln women and University girls who acted as hostesses and saw that all customers in their department received special attention. A large number of the wives of faculty members were among those who assisted in the work. Acting as a reception committee among others, were Mrs. Samuel Avery, Mrs. H. B. Alexander, Mrs. J. E. LeRossignoll and Mrs. Philo M. Buck, jr.

In the other departments were Mrs. Benton Dales, Agnes Bartlett, fame, were will be gathered portraits of the men who have been bulwarks in state history. It is expected to make the hall permanent, and famous Nebraska citizens will be added from time to time.

SCHOLARSHIP STANDING

Fraternities	First Sem., 1916-17		First Sem., 1915-16	
	Rank	Per Cent	Rank	Per Cent
Farm House	1	274.8	3	243.3
Acacia	2	244.6	1	257.2
Bushnell Guild	3	236.7	2	251.2
Silver Lynx	4	182.4	9	156.6
Kappa Sigma	5	182.2	16	98.3
Sigma Phi Epsilon	6	173.7	14	113.3
Alpha Theta Chi	7	173.0	5	204.4
Delta Upsilon	8	166.4	13	121.4
Alpha Tau Omega	9	165.6	8	160.8
Phi Delta Chi	10	158.3	9	145.7
Phi Kappa Psi	11	158.1	6	191.5
Phi Gamma Delta	12	151.7	7	179.5
Phi Delta Theta	13	150.2	20	77.2
Delta Tau Delta	14	143.0	12	137.0
Pi Kappa Phi	15	142.8	4	213.4
Sigma Nu	16	142.4	18	90.9
Delta Chi	17	141.8	17	97.9
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	18	133.5	19	82.6
Alpha Sigma Phi	19	130.9	10	145.7
Sigma Chi	20	120.0	11	137.9
Beta Theta Pi	21	80.7	15	99.5
Averages		163.9		147.7

Sororities	First Sem., 1916-17		First Sem., 1915-16	
	Rank	Per Cent	Rank	Per Cent
Gamma Phi Beta	1	297.5	9	244.9
Alpha Chi Omega	2	296.4	11	238.7
Kappa Alpha Theta	4	282.5	2	271.4
Achoth	5	271.1	10	239.7
Delta Delta Delta	6	270.1	1	277.8
Alpha Delta Pi	7	267.3	7	257.5
Alpha Omicron Pi	8	261.7	13	213.2
Alpha Xi Delta	9	253.9	12	223.4
Chi Omega	11	244.4	14	185.2
Pi Beta Phi	12	243.9	5	259.3
Delta Zeta	13	242.7	6	258.4
Kappa Kappa Gamma	13	240.6	8	248.7
Delta Gamma	14	235.4	3	271.3
Averages		266.6		249.9

FIELD DAY FEATURE OF ENGINEERS' WEEK

Baseball Games and Athletic Events Planned—Engineers' Number of Nebraskan Wednesday

This year engineering field day, rather than engineers' night, will be the feature of engineering week. Wednesday, April 18, the senior and faculty of the college will stage a baseball game on the varsity field, and the interdepartmental games will be played. The "Mechanicals" play the "Electricals" and the "Civils" and "Ags" clash. Other athletic stunts are being planned for the day. Wednesday will also be the day for the Engineering edition of The Daily Nebraskan.

Engineers' night, usually held on Friday, when the laboratories and forges are thrown open to the public, has been abandoned because the Mechanical Engineering building is not available. Nothing is as yet scheduled for this date.

Saturday evening the big banquet will be held at the Lincoln hotel. E. M. Kalecek, '18, chairman of the banquet committee, has prepared an interesting toast list including faculty, alumni, and prominent undergraduates.

Mrs. Guy Reed, Mrs. Ellery Davis, jr., and Mrs. G. E. Barber. Most of the college league members were hostesses in the women's ready to wear department, of which section Alice Proudft, '16, was chairman. Following are the University girls who took part: Men's clothing and hat department, Henrietta Gold, Helen Fitzgerald; men's furnishings department, Margaret McCoy, Mary Eastham, Florence Bishop, Marian Hall, Helen Cook, Vivian McNamara, Maurea Hendee; women's ready to wear department, Alice Proudft, chairman, Vesta Maw, and

RED CROSS WORK IMPOSSIBLE NOW

Naval Reserve League Says Courses Planned Cannot Be Arranged This Semester

A series of Red Cross lectures, given by a registered Red Cross nurse and leading to an authorized certificate as a "Volunteer Nurses' Aid" planned by the College Woman's Reserve League, will be an impossibility because of the short time left in this semester, according to a statement from the office of the Naval Reserve League.

A Red Cross certificate will be issued only on condition that the lecturer is a registered Red Cross nurse, and that the lectures have been authorized by the national Red Cross headquarters. At present the headquarters have been so flooded with requests for information concerning the training that two weeks is said to be the usual time for the receipt of the answer to a telegram.

As there are only five school weeks left in the semester, it would be almost an impossibility to organize any course of the required fifteen lectures that would be profitable to the young women.

The local headquarters expect to have a course in the proper Red Cross training in readiness for next fall, if there is a demand for it at that time.

Helen Loftman, Gertrude Munger, Helen Matteson, Marguerite Kaufmann, Myrtle Beeler, Elizabeth Brown, Eva Parker, Lillian Arnt, Helen Young, Evelin Wheeler, Lula Shade, Daphne Sickle, Katherine Dodge, Mary Helen Allensworth, Helen Eckles, Mildred Gillilan, Jeannette Adams, Mary Hughy, Geraldine Johnson, Marguerite Lonam, Ruth Wilson, Martha Garet, Vinta Harrell, Florence Wood.

POSTPONE RURAL LIFE CONFERENCE BECAUSE TIME NEEDED FOR WAR

The agricultural extension service has announced that owing to the present national emergency, the annual Rural Life conference, set for June 5 to 15, would be postponed.

"We felt that the Rural Life conference, desirable as it is, is secondary to war problems that require action," said Prof. C. W. Pugsley, director of the agricultural extension service, in explaining this decision. "We concluded that time and energy could, for the present, be spent to better advantage along other lines."

ALL IS READY FOR RALLY TOMORROW

THOUSANDS WILL MARCH IN MAMMOTH LOYALTY PARADE

Committee Publishes Instructions Governing Formation and Order of Marching

There remains but the opening note of the fife played by a veteran of the Civil War to start Nebraska's demonstration of loyalty in which several thousand students, alumni, and faculty of the University will take part. Tomorrow morning, after 8 o'clock classes, the University will be locked and everyone will do his bit in showing Lincoln, the state, and the country, that Nebraska is behind America in her fight for the principles to which she is consecrated.

Complete instructions for the organization of the parade, starting with the grouping of the different organizations, colleges, and classes at 9:30, have been published by the executive committee.

Alumni to Have Place

A place in the parade has been reserved for the alumni, and all of them who are in the city tomorrow are urged to take part. They will gather in front of the Alumni offices, at the west entrance of the Administration building.

Captain S. M. Parker will have complete charge of the formation of the parade, its conduct in marching.

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M-V CONFERENCE KEEPS ATHLETICS

Intercollegiate Contests Will Not Be Interrupted Except at Instance of War Department

Des Moines, Ia., April 21.—Missouri Valley universities will retain intercollegiate athletics unless the war department declares that it is interfering with war preparations, coaches agreed here tonight, after the annual Drake relay games. A plea for the retention of athletics was made by Coach Alonzo Stagg of the University of Chicago. Visiting coaches and members of varsity teams were entertained at a banquet where the declarations in favor of retaining sports were made.

The next meeting of the Missouri Valley heads will be at Ames, Ia., in May, when the annual Missouri Valley track and field meet will be held. It is possible then that some action may be taken regarding athletic contests for next fall. The general opinion at the Drake dinner was that present conditions did not warrant western colleges following the example of some of the eastern schools and doing away entirely with athletic endeavor.

FRATS JUMP IN SCHOLARSHIP RANK

BIG IMPROVEMENT IN AVERAGE WORK OF SOCIETIES

Farm House Leads Fraternities and Gamma Phi Beta Sororities

A decided jump in the scholarship average of both fraternities and sororities features the scholarship standing for the first semester of this school year as announced Saturday by Executive Dean C. C. Engberg. The Farm House, an agricultural organization, leads the fraternities, and Gamma Phi Beta, making a jump from ninth place, leads the sororities. Acacia, Bushnell Guild, and Silver Lynx rank next among the fraternities and Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Phi and Kappa Alpha Theta among the sororities.

Commenting upon the results of the first semester's work, Dean Engberg expressed himself as very well pleased with the showing as a whole. "The greek letter fraternities formerly at the top have taken a decided drop, but those who have been at the bottom have come back enough to more than make up for it," he said. "There was a noticeable lack of 'E' grades among the fraternities and sororities, but there was on the other hand, a big increase in 'G' grades which more than evened matters."

Improvement General

The marked improvement made by both men's and women's societies was considered pleasing at the executive dean's office because it denoted a general improvement of all the organizations through the work of all the individuals, and not through exceptional work by a few.

In averaging the standing, the index number is obtained by averaging the total number of hours with a figure obtained by giving certain points for grades above passing and deducting for grades below passing.

Gamma Phi Beta, leading the sororities, has an edge on the Pan-Hellenic cup, although Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Phi and Kappa Alpha Theta are pushing it hard.

Among the Greek letter fraternities, Kappa Sigma leads with a jump from sixteenth place to fifth. There was but a difference of .2 of a point between Kappa Sigma, fifth, and Silver Lynx, fourth, Phi Kappa Psi, which led the Greek letter societies a year ago and which is the present holder of the Hainer cup for national Greek letter fraternity scholarship, dropped from sixth to eleventh place. Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Tau Omega, among the national societies, follow closely upon Kappa Sigma, and from indications, these three are favorites for the cup.

Some Big Jumps

Some of the most remarkable jumps among the sororities were by Alpha Chi Omega from eleventh place to second, and Achoth from tenth place to fourth. Alpha Omicron Pi also made some big strides toward the top. Among the fraternities, Sigma Phi Epsilon skipped from fourteenth to sixth and Delta Upsilon from thirteenth to eighth.

The average for the Farm House was 274.8 as against 243.3 made by Acacia, highest ranking fraternity last year. Gamma Phi Beta's average of 297.5 is almost twenty points above that made by Delta Delta Delta, ranking first among the sororities a year ago.

The jump in the general average of both fraternities, the most remarkable fact in connection with the statistics, was 16.2 points for the fraternities, and 16.7 for the sororities.

Prof. Persinger Quarantined.—Professor C. F. Persinger of the department of American history is quarantined from his own home on account of the illness of his oldest son with scarlet fever.