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NEW EXAMINATION SYSTEM

WILL GO INTO EFFECT SOON

What the Professors Think About It—Some Interviews With Them—Not Generally Favorable.

A new system of examination is to be tried at the end of this semester. Instead of a regular three-hour test, they are to be held continuously at the regular recitation hours during the last week in January. There seems to be much difference of opinion regarding the advantages of the new methods. Below are some of the opinions of the professors:

Professor Caldwell does not like the new system of examination; he says that it is a great injustice to the students, as it takes at least fifteen minutes for them to concentrate their mind on the subject at hand, then this leaves only half an hour to do the work; this necessarily urges them to hurry, and in their nervous haste forget half which they could otherwise write. Then at the close of the hour they leave the unsatisfactory history examination to hurry to another preparing hour of mathematics; after this probably comes Greek and so on until the student is unable to do justice to himself.

Then he also says that the professor cannot ask the questions he would prefer as the time does not allow anything but short paragraphs that do not treat the subject in a satisfactory manner.

He certainly condemns this system and hopes that it will soon be given up. Professor Wolfe, when asked his opinion about examinations, said that he thought when the students were perfectly honest and the instructor unprejudiced examinations were a good thing. He did not know that the present system of conducting examinations in the university could be remedied.

Professor Hodgman, when interviewed regarding the present system of holding examinations, said as follows: "I do not approve of this system which is very similar to the one that was introduced two years ago. I do not believe that it gives long enough time for a satisfactory examination. One hour each for three days instead of a single examination of three hours does not give the student a fair chance. In an hour he is fairly interested and then has to go to another class, only to leave when his faculties are concentrated on the subject, and it has begun to make progress with the work set before him. This is unjust to the student. I am emphatically in favor of the old system of a single three-hour examination."

One professor said: "In my opinion the present method of examination can be bettered. It is not a fair test of a student's ability to pick out ten little catchy questions and pass or flunk him on them. The student may have a good knowledge of the subject and not be able to answer a few catchy questions. It is not a good way of testing his ability. "In answering your question I will say that I do not go much on these final examinations. I want a student of mine to do his work every day, and do it well. If he does it well there will be no need of an examination at the end of a semester. A professor can tell by a student's daily standing how much he knows about the subject. "It will not be more than five years before examinations will be done away with in the university. The student's excitement and many of the professors are against them. For my part I would like to have them stopped now and let the professors go by the student's daily work."

Professor Fossler of the German department prefers for his work the new method of examination. In work which is ever varying new circumstances and combinations constantly occurring, as in the study of German literature, one examination cannot give a satisfactory test. It is not broad enough to show the student's general knowledge of the subject, while by the new method short tests on different parts of the work give better results.

At the meeting of the Pershing rifles last night the members were much surprised to receive the resignation of Capt. Y. P. Beardley, who leaves for Cincinnati Tuesday. The company passed resolutions thanking Captain Beardley for his efficient services rendered. John Dixon was elected to fill the vacancy.

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THE FACULTY TAKES A HAND

Some New Regulations to Be Put Into Effect Concerning the Management of Our Athletics.

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That this board shall consist of ten members, five of whom shall be the board of directors of the student athletic association. The remaining five shall be members of the faculty, chosen as follows: Three by the general faculty, two by the board of directors of the student athletic association.

The board of directors shall elect its own officers and sub-committees and shall have power to select the managers, coaches and trainers of all teams.

Any student violating a rule or order of this board shall be subjected to discipline by the general faculty.

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In accordance with the present faculty and student committees have gotten together and favored this greater committee. They propose to bring athletics to the front. This organization will become a part of the A. U. Y. M. C. A. N. A. which in English means "athletic league of the Young Men's Christian association of North America," which takes in all athletic organizations. A track team will be formed at once, if possible, for gymnasium practice in athletic events. Cameron is collecting all the records which will be placed on file. Tablets for the winners of the last two years will be placed in the armory. In this way the board is getting to work at once, and asks the co-operation of every loyal student.

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Besides the active members, of which there were thirteen, a number of resident alumni were present. Among them were W. S. Summers, Ed Strode, C. C. Marley, D. L. Love and J. L. Peeters.

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The following men have started in to train for athletics: H. Aden, C. E. Barber, R. E. Benedict, R. N. Brothers, O. Chambers, I. L. Fisher, I. H. Groves, E. A. Henry, A. L. Hoagland, R. S. Hunt, P. W. Jewett, I. D. Kyle, I. E. Marx, W. C. Melford, E. R. Morrison, L. V. Patch, J. W. Peters, L. Pinkham, F. E. Reeder, E. B. Robinson, F. B. Ryons, J. S. Smoyer, H. S. Stein, A. Wetzel, J. D. Wilson. There are doubtless others whose names have not been obtained.

Few of last year's athletes have as yet appeared. Now is the time to begin. There are plenty of light men, but few heavy men, and more are wanted. The promise is good for an indoor contest and some good prizes will be provided. All who have spring athletics at heart should join the class for a half hour's work five days a week.

The chancellor has appointed the following delegates to represent the university at the beet sugar association convention, to be held in Fremont, February 5: Regent C. H. Morrill, Prof. T. L. Lyon, J. E. Houtz, John H. McClay, C. A. Atkinson, N. S. Baird, Albinus Nance, W. C. Mills, Lincoln; C. J. Warner, Waverly; O. G. Smith, Kearney.

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Sigma Chi's Banquet.

MADE A VERY GOOD SHOWING

Mrs. Manning's Pupils Acquit Themselves Well—Much Credit is Due Her for the Work.

The first recital of the students of elocution in the state university took place in the university chapel last night. The audience was very large, both the lower floor and the gallery being well filled.

The program was opened by a piano solo by Edward L. Mouch of the university school of music.

A recitation entitled "The Benediction" was then given by Miss Sadie Smith. Miss Smith has a good voice as well as a very affective delivery.

Carlisle F. Tucker then gave a vocal solo. He has appeared before audiences so frequently in Lincoln that it is not necessary to commend his singing. He was heartily applauded, but refused to respond to an encore.

Miss Josephine Lottridge followed Mr. Tucker in a monologue entitled "Behind

the Curtain," which was well received by the audience.

"Pauline Pavlovna" was then recited by Miss Eva Rolfson. The young lady has a good delivery, but her voice is hardly strong enough to be clearly heard in a building as large as the chapel.

Miss Silence Dales followed with a violin solo; also responding to an encore.

"The Bicyclers," a very laughable farce by John Kendrick Bangs, closed the program. Following was the cast of characters:

FARCE, "THE BICYCLERS."
Robert Yardsley, an expert.....
.....R. H. Manley
Jack Barlow, another.....G. E. Hager
Thaddeus Perkins, a beginner.....
.....Keene Abbott
Edwin Bradley, a scoffer.....
.....Norman Shreve
Mrs. Thaddeus Perkins, a resistant
.....Esther Smoyer
Mr. Edwin Bradley, an enthusiast.....
.....Helen Pillsbury
Jennie, a maid.....C. C. Perinton
Following was the program.
Gavotte and Intermezzo in B flat,
Handel, Edward G. Mauck.
Monologue, "Behind the Curtain," Miss
Josephine Lottridge.
Vocal solo, Carlisle F. Tucker.
Recitation, "Pauline Pavlovna," Miss
Eva Rolfson.
Recitation, "The Benediction," Miss
Sadie Smith.
Violin solo, Miss Silence Dales.

THE LIBRARY CLASS.
Following out the plan of last year the library training class was organized last week. The object of this class is to train a few students so that they may be able to give intelligent assistance in cataloguing in the library. Scientific students, juniors or sophomores are preferred, as most of the work to be done by them is in the departmental libraries. The intention is to give a general view of the whole field of work done in our library, there being neither time nor occasion for details. The present class contains about fifteen, which is rather too large. About six of last year's class have found employment as assistants in the library from time to time.

PIPES.
At Ed. Young's, the best variety, and news and cigars, 1204 O street.



This Afternoon's Battle.

various ways until 10 o'clock when a line formed and the march for the ordinary commenced. Each man walked with his right hand on the shoulder of the one ahead of him. This was done to show that the boys were able to keep in line. In the ordinary an excellent lunch awaited the boys. Sam Low sat at the head as toastmaster. Two colored musicians, not yet branded by the order as members, dispensed some excellent music.

John Dixon started the eating, but finally took time to look up and suggest the giving of a Sigma Chi yell. It was: "Who, who, who am I. I'm a loyal Sigma Chi. Hoopla, hoopla hoopla hi, Sigma Chi."

The yell was given with a will and then the good things were quickly disposed of.

At the close of the luncheon Toastmaster Low, who shines in the capacity, a toast, that gentleman being the oldest extended the visiting members a hearty welcome to the chapter rooms. He closed by calling upon W. E. Hardy for next member of the Lincoln chapter present. Toasts were given in turn after that by Messrs. J. V. Wolfe, A. W. Scott, J. J. Angleton, Paul Clark, John Mockett Jr., J. W. Wright and C. R. Richards.

The guests and members of the local chapter present were: Messrs. J. W. Vernon, Kansas City; J. W. Wright, Chadron; S. C. Langworthy, Seward; W. H. Wheeler and C. H. Young, Omaha; Sam Low, D. W. Hawksworth, J. V. Wolfe Jr., J. W. Scott, Myron Wheeler, J. J. Angleton, Paul Clark, John Mockett Jr., W. E. Hardy, J. H. Maljalle, N. W. Peters, W. E. Brook, C. C. Pullis, H. A. Frank, C. O. Young, L. R. Packard, R. F. Andrews, R. C. Saxton, H. W. Doubrava, G. A. Cullen, G. A. Burgert, A. A. Bischof, B. S. Langworthy, V. P. Sheldon, E. F. King, J. E. Fechet, W. B. Cosgrove, W. B. Richard, C. F. Ansley.

THE ALL-AMERICANS.
The following line-up is what Casper Whitney would consider a representative American team:

- Brooke.....Full back
- Thorne.....Half back
- Brewer.....Half back
- Wyckoff.....Quarter back
- Bull.....Centre
- Wharton.....Guard
- Riggs.....Guard
- Lea.....Tackle
- Murphy.....Tackle
- Gelbert.....End
- Cabot.....End