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A LIBRARY BILL.

Warner Wishes Library Collections Better Classified.

A bill "to define the nature and scope of the Nebraska state library, the University of Nebraska library and the Nebraska historical society library," introduced by C. J. Warner, was passed in committee of the whole by the lower house of the legislature last Thursday by a vote of 34 to 27.

The bill, if it becomes a law, will classify the three libraries and indicate the specific lines upon which each library is to be built up. The object of the statute is to "prevent wasteful expense of administration in caring for duplicates, to secure the greatest return for the money expended, to render the libraries belonging to the state most easy and effective for consultation and to lay a foundation for future intelligent and economic co-operation in their administration."

Section one provides that "the Nebraska state library shall be exclusively a library for law books and public documents," such as reports, statutes, digests, legal periodicals, law books on all subjects necessary to a complete law library. Section two provides that "the library of the Nebraska State Historical society shall collect only (1) all books, newspapers, periodicals and printed matter of any kind printed in Nebraska, (2) all books, printed matter, maps or charts relating to Nebraska history or to the history of any civil division of which Nebraska may have been at any time a part, (3) all publications of historical societies in other states, (4) all county and town histories in any of the U. S. and all U. S. local history such as histories of churches, societies, anniversaries, dedications, etc., (5) genealogy, heraldry and peerage; registers of births, deaths, baptisms and marriages and all books relating to family history, (6) western travel and exploration, (7) western Indians and ethnology."

Section three makes the library of the University of Nebraska a general reference library in all subjects not assigned by the provisions of the act to the state library and the library of the historical society. The University library will not be allowed to add to its collection any books in the subjects assigned to the other libraries except so far as such books may be required to supplement instruction given in the University. By this section, the division lines are clearly and definitely drawn between the University library and the other two libraries.

The fourth section gives each of the librarians power to transfer books not belonging in his library to the other two libraries.

The bill, it must be remembered, is not yet a law. It must pass both houses of the legislature before it can be put into the statute books of the state. It has merely passed the committee of the whole, which recommends it to the house, and that on not a very decisive vote—34 to 27.

Restaurant Unique, 1228 O street.

No Beloit Game This Year.

The Nebraska nine will not have the opportunity of meeting Beloit college, its old baseball rival, this year. This will be regretted by both institutions. This game was included in the probable schedule printed some time ago, but had to be called off owing to inability to arrange the date satisfactorily for both teams. The date will doubtless be filled with some other team located between Galesburg and Notre Dame.

The manager of the freshman basketball team names the following as members of the freshman team: Horn, Krake, Clark, Reid, Kimmell, Bentley, Thurin, Mathewson, Smith.

Senior-Freshman.

The second of the series of inter-class games will be played Thursday evening. As the Perships drill at 7:30, the game will not be called until 8:30. Ten cents admission will be charged to defray expenses of the game. Your team needs your support, so come out and help them from the side lines. Tickets may be secured from members of the teams. The juniors will probably arrange a game to be played between the halves. The winners of this match will try conclusions with the victorious juniors for the class championship.

The Palace Barber Shop; 8 chairs.

Fliegenbaum's Pharmacy, 13th and O.

Campus Gleanings.

F. S. Baker visited over Sunday at his home in Ewing.

L. J. Pospisil visited over Sunday at his home in Sprague.

Miss Jeanette Burlingame enjoyed a visit from her father Saturday.

Miss Mildred Clark is back in school after a week's encounter with the grip.

P. J. Donahue, law '03, left Saturday for a short visit to his home at O'Neill.

Frank Richard, a Charter day graduate now teaching at Roca, was a University visitor Saturday.

R. J. Anderson, '06, is back at work again after two weeks' trouble with a threatening complication of bronchitis and pneumonia.

H. W. Roberts, who was obliged to leave the University on account of illness, has returned to resume his work after a month's rest at his home in Bolchow, Mo.

Miss Ida Taylor, '99, of Exeter, was one of the out-of-town participants in the alumnae basket ball game Saturday, and remained over Sunday for a visit with university friends.

Pearl McCoy, formerly assistant in the physics department, and now instructor in science at the Norfolk high school, will return in June to take his B. S. degree. He reports success and prosperity in his Norfolk work.

Dr. White of the chemistry department, who was called to his home in Baltimore last week by the illness of his father, has not yet returned. Mr. Nelson and Mr. Hiltner have charge of his classes during his absence.

Chancellor Andrews spoke last Friday night to a Greeley, Neb., audience on "The Problems of Greater America." The lecture was under the auspices of the Epworth League of that place, and was well received. The chancellor will address the State Reform Convention at St. Paul's church Wednesday night upon "The Bible and Civilization."

The Nebraskan's attention is called to a couple of errors in last week's local items. Miss Wirth, whom the Nebraskan said lived in Lenox, Iowa, is a Lincoln resident, and merely accompanied the body of her mother to the latter's old home for its interment there. Miss Maud Smith, whom we reported as suffering from the mumps, was really afflicted with the tonsillitis, from which she has now sufficiently recovered, however, to return to her school work.

Have C. A. Tucker, Jeweler, 1223 O, fix it.

Dr. Bentz, Dentist, Eleventh and O.

Dr. Aley, chronic diseases, 1318 O.

Don Cameron's for a square meal.

"College Spirit" Again.

A COMMUNICATION.

Mr. Editor: Cynicus (that's my name) has been in dire trouble, since your "symposium" was published in the issue of March 4. He was nearing a solution of that nightmare question: "What is college spirit?" when Mr. Symposiumicus opened for him the prospect of more sleepless nights.

Once upon a time a certain professor undertook to fill this long-suffering mortal with a generous growth of "college spirit," and so subjected him to a long oration and peroration on football and football enthusiasm; "for," said he, "football enthusiasm is the seventeen times purified essence of college spirit." But the heart of Cynicus remained cold. With a sudden inspiration (supposedly) the professor asked: "Have you ever been in love?"—a startling question, the initiated ones will agree, especially because of the past tense of the verb. Cynicus replied reproachfully that he had had no trouble with the law; whereupon the professor, seeing his listener had gotten things slightly tangled, explained that love did not necessarily have anything to do with the law—was in fact noted for its lawlessness; that only the "ego" and the alter ego" were concerned in it. "College spirit," he said, "is like love; you must feel it to understand it." Slowly Cynicus began to dissolve, and promised to try the thing on the "alter" (never mind the declension.) Gratifying success followed this venture, for soon a sort of growing sensation was experienced somewhere between the stomach and the clavicle. But the sound of "Eureka" had not died away when Symposiumicus blew his fierce trumpet blast and said, "Nay, nay; thou hast it not!" So what is a poor soul to do?

Well, Cynicus said a heartrending farewell over the gate post, gathered together his "ego," minus the growing sensation, and is now ready to demand satisfaction from the rude Mr. Symposiumicus and his whole following. Attention, guard! and have at them, villain!

"We are accustomed," says Mr. Symposiumicus, "to speak of college spirit as something that applies to every-

thing in the University where activity exists." Really? Is it any wonder then that the term, to the ordinary student at least, is vague and indefinite? "College spirit" cannot complain of the generosity if Mr. Cynicus finds also a few kinks in the line of mental operations of the "professor" who volunteered to explain the term "college spirit." There is too much suggestion of the tin-horn-and-brass-band-procession, judiciously mixed with the spirit which prompts those in their early teens to give frequent evidence of their verdancy. Cynicus will not now argue on the intrinsic value of these things, but contents himself with asking if they constitute "college spirit." If so, is it worth while to make so much noise about it? Is there any urgent need of a special shipment of tear-bottles to Lincoln? "Such actions," continues the professor, "as stealing, carrying books out of the library and getting away with valuables in any manner should be suppressed." Amen! But "true college spirit should decry such thoughtless [!] performances and stamp them as something vicious and entirely beneath the tolerance of an institution with the rank of the University of Nebraska." Is the real article—"true college spirit"—then so much like these "thoughtless performances" that many cannot tell the difference? Cynicus submits that "true college spirit" must paste on another label and let these "thoughtless performances" be dealt with in police court, where thieves are generally supposed to receive their dues. Let "college spirit" put itself at the service of the court.

"A student," continues Mr. Symposiumicus, "interpreted the term as meaning 'that which puts ginger into the deadheads, pokes up the lazy, opens the mouth of the modest [and the immodest?], puts wind into the lungs of professors; that makes the instructors forget to assign extra long lessons just previous to a big game of football and shakes the ennui [are you

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