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## A BIG GIFT?

### Rumor of Rockefeller Endowment of \$1,000,000.

Last evening's News contained the following item of considerable interest to University people. A Nebraskan reporter was unable to gain any additional information, so the article is reproduced entire from the News:

"University circles were agitated this morning by the statement, emanating from some unknown source, that John D. Rockefeller, the multimillionaire Standard Oil magnate and philanthropist, had decided to give the Nebraska state university a big slice of his accumulations. Rumor placed the amount at \$666,000.

The story found quick circulation about the city, and the news was greeted with considerable interest. So far, however, it lacks authenticity, and while it is not improbable that Mr. Rockefeller may bestow some benefaction in the shape of a new building or something of that sort, the amount is not likely to be so large nor will there be any particular conditions attached.

Chancellor E. Benjamin Andrews was called by telephone and requested to make a statement concerning the report. He declined at present to say anything, asking that he be excused until later. He refused to confirm the report of the gift or to state the amount, but another refusal, however, was significant, which was that he would not say that the tender of the gift had not been made.

Mr. J. L. Teeters, of the board of University regents, was called on for a statement, but he professed profound ignorance concerning the matter, saying that a statement of any such gift likely would come through Chancellor Andrews. In this connection it is suggested that the reticence of the chancellor to discuss the affair is prompted by the fact that he has not as yet advised the regents and until he has done so he does not feel justified in making any public announcement.

Governor Mickey, when asked by the News about the matter, said that he had not heard a word about it. The rumor reached the statehouse shortly before noon, with the information that it was through the influence of John N. Baldwin, of the Union Pacific's legal department that the gift had been proffered. None of the men who are close to Mr. Baldwin had heard of it.

According to the rumor, as it was in circulation there, Mr. Rockefeller had offered to provide two-thirds of a million for a permanent endowment fund if the legislature would appropriate a third of a million for the same purpose. Governor Mickey was to be consulted, according to the story, and asked to recommend the bill to the legislature.

It is too late, however, for that body to take any action upon a new bill. The constitution requires that every bill be read at large on three separate days in each house, and only two days of the present session remain. It might be presented, however, at a special session to be called at any time in the future."

## MRS. SOUTHWICK: RECITAL

TONIGHT AT 8:00

New Chapel - - - Free

### Mr. Sheldon Will Leave.

Another of the students in botany has received a good appointment to a fine position. Instructor J. L. Sheldon of the school of agriculture has been notified of his election to the position of bacteriologist and plant pathologist to the experiment station in the University of West Virginia at the comfortable salary of \$1,800 per year. He is to assume the duties of the position on July 1st, or, if he prefers, a month or so later. As Mr. Sheldon comes up in June for his doctorate, he will be Dr. Sheldon by the time he goes to take up his new duties. The University of West Virginia is situated at Morgantown on the Ohio river, where the scenery of the surrounding mountain country is picturesque.

The location is, therefore, a favorable one for a botanist. For some months past Mr. Sheldon has been corresponding with the institution with reference to the position and received a letter yesterday morning telling of his election. Besides his work at the experiment station, Mr. Sheldon will do some teaching in the university proper. The position is a twelve-month job, but allows the professor thirty days' vacation, which can be arranged probably at the convenience of the instructor.

Professor Sheldon has been at the University of Nebraska for six years, taking during that time his bachelor's and master's degrees and will soon take a doctor's degree. He was to have a position at the state farm next year teaching botany, but since the offer from Virginia is a better one than the University can make, he will undoubtedly accept it. The faculty at the farm feel disappointed because they were looking for Professor Sheldon to raise the character of the work there. His loss will be felt more keenly because another man of his ability can scarcely be secured to fill the vacancy. While pursuing his course in the University Mr. Sheldon has done more or less teaching in the botany department. He was professor of botany in the state normal at Peru for a year or two; before returning to the University to study for his doctor's degree.

Famous are selling Thompson's glove fitting and G. B. corsets, regular \$1.00 quality, at 59c.

### GAIN A LITTLE.

#### New Military Ruling Helps Out Athletics Some.

Athletics took quite a bound yesterday. Captain Chase has made a ruling in regard to excusing athletes from drill. For this semester, at present, sixteen track men and ten baseball men will be excused from drill requirements except on Friday, when they will be required to attend the weekly recitation. At the end of the semester they must pass an examination in the work covered during the semester in the Friday classes. These twenty-six men will be picked by coaches and captains of teams concerned. Instead of an hour and a half credit, which other cadets receive, they will get only one hour. Hereafter at the beginning of each semester a certain number of men will be selected as material for athletic teams which are made up during that semester. These men will be excused from drill for that semester, but will receive no credit. In the following semester they will be compelled to take drill. This plan will be followed out until all have completed their required amount of drill.

This practically means that baseball and track men lose half an hour credit this semester by indulging in their respective sports. Hereafter, at least, first team men will practically be unable to receive credit for drill while they are on any team. This news will be welcomed by all. It is a vast improvement over prevailing conditions, but even yet the same liberty as heretofore has not been granted University athletes. It has been customary to excuse football, track team and baseball men from drill entirely and give at least the first team men full credit for the time they are absent from drill.

#### Dutell's Cigars—that's all.

It is our intention to carry the kind of hats that young dressy men like to wear. This is a stiff hat spring. We have all kinds.—The Toggery, 1141 O.

#### Steiner's Cold Capsules

Positive cure for colds, grippe, acute catarrh, headache, neuralgia and fevers. Prepared only by Steiner-Woempener Drug Co., Cor. 12th and O, Lincoln, Neb.

## UNIVERSITY VS. OMAHA LEAGUE

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

Big Annual Event

Admission, 25 and 35c

## Campus Gleanings.

### University Calendar.

Tuesday, April 7.—Mrs. Southwick—Reading.  
Friday, April 17.—Senior prom at the Lincoln hotel.  
Saturday, April 25.—Junior party.

Thomas Maxwell spent Sunday at Kearney.

N. J. Elliot was a Seward passenger last night.

L. O. Pfeiffer has gone to Tabor, Ia., on business.

W. R. Bowes is afflicted this week with an attack of the mumps.

C. A. Ronin went to Aurora yesterday for a few days' visit at home.

Mr. Severin went to his home at Princeton Saturday for a few days' visit.

Miss Elva Sly will spend her Easter vacation with Miss Ida Taylor, '99, at Exeter.

O. R. Bowen conducted services at the M. E. church at Havelock last Sunday.

Miss Louise Phelps, '02, now teaching at Ord, visited Uni friends Friday and Saturday.

Beach Jones is unable to be in school this week, as his eyes are causing him trouble.

The last term of the law school year opened yesterday with several new registrations.

At a meeting held Saturday the freshman baseball team elected Ed. Adams as captain.

Miss Lillian Timms has just recovered from an attack of the measles and is back in school again.

The legal fraternity of Phi Delta Phi will give an informal party at Walsh hall on Thursday evening, April 23d.

While the clerks in the Uni Book Store were having a rough house Saturday, a window glass 32x44 was unavoidably put out.

A lost combination on the door of the stack-room vault deprived the library of the use of its unbound volumes of magazines and periodicals for several hours yesterday.

Prof. O. V. P. Stout was at Lexington, this state, the latter part of last week, arranging for some experimental irrigation work.

Arthur Welch, '02, stopped over Friday and Saturday with Lincoln acquaintances. He is on his way to Chicago, where he is studying journalism.

Miss May Porter of Central City visited with her sister Margaret and friends in the University during the latter part of last week, returning home Saturday.

R. S. Hiltner left Saturday afternoon for Washington, D. C., to enter upon his new duties as chemist under the supervising architect of the treasury department.

Professor Lyon of the agricultural department addressed a meeting of ranchmen and stockmen at Bassett Saturday evening on the subject of "Grasses and Forage."

The Palace Barber Shop; 8 chairs.