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NOT UP TO STANDARD

NEBRASKA INSTRUCTOR THINKS EASTERN STUDENTS BEST

WESTERN MEN DON'T GET WORK

Professor's Fear That Easterners Are Intellectually Better Than Men of West Meets With Emphatic Argument.

An instructor in one of the largest departments of the university recently remarked to his class, after a discouraging bit of work on the part of one of its members, that he was compelled to doubt whether western students were as intellectually capable as the men of the eastern universities. He declared that, although he had been able while teaching in an eastern school of high standing to assign his class a given amount of work with a certainty that they would have the task well performed on the following day, here at Nebraska he had been endeavoring with but dismal results to assign exactly the same amount of work to students supposedly more advanced.

The statement was of course made as an urging to better work on the part of the students in this particular class and the data on which the instructor based his remark was limited to the one department and in fact, so far as really definite comparison went, to this one course. It naturally, however, gives rise to a wonder in the minds of live Nebraska students whether or not they do stand in favorable comparison with their brethren in the effete east.

He Had Knowledge.

So far as this particular statement is concerned there seems to be no room for denial of its truth and of the consequent aspersion upon the intellectual powers of the instructor's pupils. The professor in question is a western man who has studied and taught in the east. His western nativity would seem to make him prone to prejudice in favor of the west rather than against it, and consequently his statement has additional weight. On the other hand, he has had enough experience in the east to know what he is talking about and his comparison in this case was sufficiently definite to satisfy the most skeptical.

Yet on the whole it will probably be hard for western students to admit that the college men of the east can excel them in the character of their mental accomplishments. The statement quoted above, when expressed second hand before a group of Nebraska students yesterday, resulted in quite emphatic opinions to the opposite of that entertained by the doubting professor. Some of the students endeavored to show why the data of the instructor might be true and his conclusion, or rather his fear, might not be well-based.

Do More Work.

These men insisted that as a whole western students attempted to carry more work than do the men of the east. While the requirements for entrance to the larger eastern schools are very frequently higher than those in the west, yet their demands for graduation do not vary to nearly so large an extent from the standards here. The result is that the easterner does not actually accomplish so much in his four year course as does a man at Nebraska.

Another argument brought forward was that eastern men are satisfied to graduate with less hours of credit than are their ambitious relatives in the west. It is nothing unusual for a Nebraska graduate to have 144 hours at graduation, although only 125 are required for a sheepskin. In either

case, these loyal Nebraskans insist that the easterner would have more time for each branch and therefore would have a lesson perhaps better prepared.

Arguing further they said that the particular branch used by the instructor as an illustration is one of the more classical studies and they believe that it is given a place of more importance in the east than in the west.

In any case it will probably be hard to convince Nebraska men that they are intellectual degenerates or anything near it, even by comparison with the products of eastern homes. On such a proposition they will have to be shown, and it will take a good deal of proof.

APPLICATIONS FOR POSITIONS.

Aspiring Journalists Have Chance to Get on Daily Nebraskan.

As forecasted in the Daily Nebraskan yesterday the board of student publications at a session held late yesterday afternoon accepted the resignations of the present editor and manager of this paper to take effect with the end of this semester and referred the matter of making recommendations for their successors to the nomination committee which will report back to the board on Tuesday afternoon. Applications for positions on the staff must be made to this committee by Tuesday that time may be taken for full consideration of the qualifications of the applicants for holding office. A few applications for the positions of editor and manager were made at the meeting of the board yesterday.

"Komensky" Program Tonight.

Piano Solo—Selected.
Male Quartet—Bednar, Sharp, Shonka, Tenopir.

Lecture—"The Nation of Comenius," Miss Sarah Hrbek.
Violin Music—Fred Hakel, Wesleyan.

The program will be given in the music hall of the Temple tonight, and will begin at 8 p. m. Miss Hrbek's lecture will be illustrated with views taken from Bohemian history and Bohemian country life.

Congressman-elect J. A. Maguire and Mr. and Mrs. Weiss of Hebron, Neb., will act as chaperones at the sophomore hop tonight at the Lincoln hotel. From the advance sale of tickets, indications are that the hop will be a success financially since nearly the necessary number has been sold. Tickets at the door will cost more than if purchased beforehand of the members of the committee. Arnold Bald is master of ceremonies and W. C. Weiss is chairman. The dance will begin promptly at 9 o'clock, the grand march starting at a quarter till 9. All couples who are not on the floor at that time will experience trouble with filling their programs.

Senior politics for the second semester are beginning to take color. E. E. Hills, who, until yesterday, was a candidate, has withdrawn in favor of J. B. Harvey, captain of the football team. It is thought that Harvey's part in athletics will make him a strong contestant for class honors. The other candidate, "Bob" Gantt, is a fraternity man, belonging to Phi Delta Theta and is a strong man in his class.

The Cornhusker management is mailing post cards to every junior and senior in the three colleges advising them to have their pictures for the book, taken at once. All pictures must be taken before the middle of the month, since the cuts must be sent away by that time. Fraternities and sororities, and other university organizations are being notified to have the group pictures taken.

KANSAS IN TRIUMPH

BASKET-BALL FIVE WINS FROM CORNHUSKERS 48 TO 13.

JAYHAWKERS IN FINE CONDITION

Tenth Game for Them and They Are Able to Keep up Fast Pace

Set at Opening of Game.

Won at Manhattan.

Thursday evening, in the first game on their southern trip, the Cornhusker basket-ball five defeated the Kansas state agricultural team by the score of 36 to 35. The news of this victory was very welcome to the local enthusiasts who had feared that, in view of the fact that the local five are far from being at their best in respect to team work, they might be defeated by the Kansans.

The news came to the Daily Nebraskan by a special wire from Dr. Clapp, who is accompanying the team on this trip. The message was delayed, however, so that it arrived in Lincoln too late for a write-up of the game to appear in yesterday morning's issue. The telegram stated that the Nebraska squad showed marked improvement over any work which they have done heretofore this season and that their playing throughout the game was very consistent. None of the Nebraska players played a star game but all of them worked hard and not a man failed to score at some time or other.

Captain Walsh of Nebraska, scored five goals from the field and made four goals from fouls during the game, a total of 14 points. From such a showing early in the season, before the team work has been developed, it appears to be a safe prediction that the work of the lanky captain will be even more spectacular this season than it was last, which is saying a great deal.

Used the Substitutes.

Talbot and Larson did most of the scoring for the Kansans, the former getting eight field goals and the latter getting five and one of the score. All seven of the players who left with Dr. Clapp took part in the contest. Schmidt replaced Wood at forward and Jones took Perry's place at guard. The summary of the score follows:

Nebraska.

	fg	f	ft
Walsh, rf	5	1	4
Wood, Schmidt, lf	3	1	1
Petrashak, c	1	1	1
Perry, Jones, lg	5	1	1
Bell, rg	2	1	1
Total	16	2	4

K. S. A. C.

	fg	f	ft
Talbot, rf	8	1	1
Larson, lf	5	2	1
Haynes, c	2	3	1
Edwards, rg	1	1	1
McNall, lg	2	1	1
Totals	17	8	1

Score: Nebraska, 36; K. S. A. C., 35. Umpire, Prof. King; referee, Dr. Clapp.

(Special to the Daily Nebraskan.)

LAWRENCE, Kas., Jan. 8.—The University of Kansas basket-ball five smothered the Cornhuskers from the University of Nebraska in the first two games at the gymnasium tonight by the score of 48 to 13. The visitors were clearly outplayed and at no time had a look-in for a victory. A very large crowd witnessed the game.

The superior condition of the Jayhawkers was an important factor in bringing victory to them over their honorable rivals from the Cornhusker state. This was the tenth hard game for the local players and they had no trouble in putting up a fast exhibition

of the great indoor game from the start of the contest until the referee's whistle blew, announcing the close of the game in the second half. The Cornhuskers put up a game fight, but after the first fifteen minutes of play they showed the lack of sufficient hard training and allowed the local collegians to run away with the game.

Walsh Guarded Closely.

Walsh, Nebraska's star goal-tosser and captain, was not able to do any of his brilliant work tonight. He succeeded in throwing but one field goal, and that was made in the second half. He scored three points for his team from free throws. The Nebraska captain played a hard game but was so closely guarded by his opponents, who were expecting him to do some wonderful playing, that he could not throw many goals.

In the second half Nebraska substituted Jones, left guard, and Schmidt, left forward, for Perry and Woods respectively. The substitutes did very creditable work. Jones threw one field goal while he was in the game during the second half.

Two Kansas Stars.

The stars for Kansas were Johnson, left forward, and Woodward, left guard. Johnson made twenty-two of the Jayhawkers' total of 48 points.

The same teams will meet in the gymnasium tomorrow evening. Nebraska is believed to have solved the Kansas style of play and will probably put up a much better game in the second contest.

Summary of the score:

Nebraska.			
	fg	f	ft
Walsh, rf	1	3	1
Wood, lf	0	0	0
Schmidt, lf	0	0	0
Petrashak, c	1	0	0
Perry, lg	1	0	0
Jones, lg	1	0	0
Bell, rg	1	0	0
Totals	10	3	1

Kansas.

	fg	f	ft
McQuid, Long, rf	2	0	0
Johnson, lf	12	0	0
Bergin, Hyser, c	1	0	0
Martindale, rg	3	0	0
Woodward, lf	4	6	0
Totals	42	6	0

James G. Motherhead, law '08, whose home is at Wallace, was seen on the campus yesterday. Motherhead was one of the two graduates from the law college last spring who were not admitted to the bar on account of the age requirements. The other student was Roy Johnson. Neither of them at the time of graduation last spring were 21 years of age. Since that time Johnson has attained to that age and has been admitted to practice before the Nebraska bar.

The inter-class debating committee of the sophomore class held a meeting yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Temple. An informal discussion of the plans for the organization of the inter-class debating league took place. A joint meeting of the four committees will be held next week. E. H. Hahne is chairman of the sophomore committee, the other two members being A. M. Hare and Ray Drake.

The first of the quarterly meetings of the schoolmaster club was held last night at the Lincoln hotel. Following a short business session at which the applications of prospective members were acted upon, a dinner was served. Ex-Superintendent J. L. McBain delivered a paper on "Fifty Years of Educational Progress in Nebraska," and an informal discussion of the paper took place. Dr. Winship, a noted educator of Massachusetts, was present at the meeting.

Your car fare would pay for a nice lunch at The Boston Lunch. Why go home?

SHOWS AN INCREASE

MEDICAL COLLEGE HAS LARGEST ENROLLMENT IN HISTORY.

DEAN FOR MORE REQUIREMENTS

With Two-Years' Academic Work Required for Admission Department Would Be Placed on Equality With Other Schools.

The fourth biennial report of Dean Ward of the medical college which has just been published, shows that the falling off in that department which was quite noticeable last year, has now been more than made up. For 1906 the total enrollment in the medical college was 138, for 1907 it dropped to 129 but this year the total attendance has reached 147, the largest that it has ever been.

Dr. Ward declares in his report that in view of the general falling off in the number of medical students all over the country this decrease is merely incidental and the prompt recovery at Nebraska is marked evidence of the attractive character of our advantages. This is probably influenced by the fact that a year ago the requirements for entrance to professional courses were raised to include one year college work above the full high school course.

Increased Requirements.

The faculty of the medical college recommends that a further increase to include two years of college work in the minimum entrance requirements be made effective a year from this time. During the last few years there has been a general movement among American colleges towards such a standard, and up to the present time some fifty colleges either have adopted it or have signified their intention of doing so at an early date. Experience has shown that in actual practice it gives the training calculated to yield the best results for the average man.

Dean Ward points out that the purpose of such an advance in requirements as this is that the scientific advance of recent years have made modern medicine an exceedingly complicated discipline.

The effort to master professional training today on the basis of limited preliminary education can only result in mediocrity if not in actual failure. Among the graduates of low grade schools many men are not now in active practice, having been compelled to turn their attention to other lines of activity by demonstrative inability to cope with the demands of modern professional life. Thorough preliminary training means a broader professional course and a clearer insight into the possibilities in professional work so well as greater success in professional life.

Graduates Preferred.

Every state examining board in the United States lists Nebraska graduates in the preferred class, and even the highest medical institutions in the east welcome them for advanced work. A short time ago a letter was received from Frederic C. Hallet of the Royal Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons of London, saying that the University of Nebraska had been added to the list of those institutions at which the curriculum of professional study might be pursued and whose graduates in medicine may be admitted to the final examination in medicine and surgery.

Dean Ward declares that the College of Medicine is suffering from a lack of space available for laboratory instruction and that equipment for demonstration purposes is very scanty and should be extended at an early date. There is also a pressing need for additional assistance in laboratory courses. This is necessary both to give the students individual instruction and to permit the faculty to have time to keep in touch with the rapid progress of modern science both through study and investigation.