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FIGURES NOT RIGHT

TABLE OF INSTRUCTORS' SALARIES NOT ACCEPTABLE.

MAXIMUM FIXED FAR TOO HIGH

Department of Astronomy and Entomology, Which Were Recorded as Most Expensive in University, Proven To Be Wrong.

The publication in the Daily Nebraskan last Friday of tables representing a compilation by Dean Davis of the College of Literature, Science and the Arts, regarding the salary lists of the different departments in that college has called forth considerable comment from both instructors and students. In the case of the two departments heading the list for salary expense in relation to the unit of measure, it has been proven that the estimate was far too high on account of the incompleteness or inaccuracy of the figures for these divisions of the school.

The figures used in the tables were taken from the report of Dean Davis to Chancellor Andrews as published in the report of the university regents to the governor and legislature of the state. They purported to represent just what were the salaries paid in the different departments, the number of students registered, and the comparative salaries of the departments when reduced to a unit of measure called a "student hour." The salary list included the stipends of fellows and scholars but not those of laboratory assistants or readers. The registration was for the first semester of 1907-1908 and the tables were not claimed to represent the exact conditions at present.

Leaders Were Too High.

According to the figures as published in the regents' report to the legislature, Dean Davis' investigation showed the department of astronomy and meteorology to be accommodating 89 other students during the semester indicated, and to have three instructors with a salary list of \$5,600. This gave a salary-expense of \$38 per student hour, this unit of measure representing the work of one student one hour a week for one year. Instead of \$5,600, the annual salaries of Professor Swezey and his assistants amounts to only \$2,500. Making this correction in the tables results in accrediting the department with an expense for salaries of only \$17 per student hour.

In the department of entomology the report of Dean Davis gave a registration of 29 and an expense per student hour of \$40, this being high mark for the departments of the literary college. In this department a mistake was made in not including the enrollment of several classes at the state farm and in the domestic science department, which are taught by the professors in the department of entomology. If this work were included in the number of hours instruction accomplished by the department, the expense per student hour would be very materially reduced. The time of instructors in entomology is also required to some extent by the state insect and plant bureau and consideration of this element would still further reduce the cost of running the department on the unit basis.

Political Science Figures.

In the original tables the department of political science and sociology was shown to rank third in salary extravagance. According to figures submitted by that department it should have ranked considerably further down the list. The report of the dean gave the department an enrollment in the first semester of 1907-1908 of 188. The records of the department show that

the registration for that term was 196. The salary list is placed by the department at \$5,000 instead of at \$6,660. This results in making the salary expense per student-hour \$11 instead of \$18.

The department of political science and sociology was just entering upon the second year of its existence at the time from which the figures are taken and had not yet attained its natural growth. As a consequence the expense for that year was higher in proportion than since that time. The work of three semesters for this department is given by the department as follows:

	Hrs. Reg.	Hrs.	Stu.
First Sem., 1907-1908..	28	196	434
Sec. Sem., 1907-1908..	26	314	678
First Sem., 1908-1909..	32	380	800

The salaries are as follows:

	Sal's	Stu	Per
	Hrs	St Hr	St Hr
First Sem., 1907-08..	\$5,000	434	\$11.00
Sec. Sem., 1907-08..	5,000	678	7.37
First Sem., 1908-09..	5,600	800	7.00

Change in Rank.

It is doubtful whether the corrections made will change the rank of the various departments. The department of astronomy expense for salaries per student hour in the first semester of 1907-1908 will fall from \$38 to \$17. No figures are given in the department of entomology further than the statement that the amount would be materially modified. The department of political science by its correction falls from \$17 per unit to \$11, and this leaves the department of astronomy in the lead still, although if the figures were known the department of entomology might very likely retain this place with that of astronomy second. The only department that has gained by the revision of figures thus far is that of political science, which by the \$6 decrease is lost among the fifths and sixths. From the tables of Dean Davis, as so far corrected, the department of political economy would seem to stand third for the semester in question in point of salary expense per student hour. It shows \$14 in the column devoted to those calculations.

ARRANGE FOR CLASS DEBATE.

Possibility of the Creation of a New Inter-class Board.

The four committees on debate among the classes in the university met yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock to make final plans for the series of class debates to be held early in the spring. It was decided to have a freshmen-sophomore debate and a junior-senior debate, the winners in each to debate for the championship. The same question will be used for the first two debates, but it is planned to select a new question for the debate which will determine the championship.

The committee discussed plans whereby the organization may be made permanent to preserve inter-class debating as a feature of university life. It was felt by the joint committee that some authority outside of itself would be necessary to make a permanent organization and it was suggested that a petition to the senate for the creation of a permanent inter-class student debating board might accomplish this end. No definite action was taken in this matter but a committee was appointed to report on such a petition at the next meeting of the committees.

Each class team will consist of three representatives and one alternate, all of whom will be chosen by February 22. The final debates will be held as soon as possible after this date. The committee in each class will have charge of the selection of the class representatives, which will be by competitive tryouts.

Cornelius Jansen, '88, and Mrs. Jansen, '93, have removed to Aldame street and Fifty-second avenue, Los Angeles, Cal.

OFFER MANY PRIZES

LARGE SUMS OF MONEY FOR BEST STUDENTS.

BALDWIN REWARD IS \$100,000

Student Permitted to Choose His Own Subject in the Hart, Schaffner & Marx Series of Business Subjects.

At the present time an unusual number of prizes are being offered at the University for excellence in scholarship and for research work of more than average quality. Most of these prizes are in the social sciences, such as history, economics and political science. While a few of them are local prizes the great majority are national, and are being competed for all over the country.

It has been a number of years since Nebraska students have taken any prominent part in national contests for prizes. A few years ago, however, Nebraska students were successful for three successive years in winning the prize offered by the Daughters of the American Revolution for the best essay on the subject, "The Spirit of the American Revolution." There has been a noticeable spirit of apathy in regard to the prizes which are being offered for the last few years, and this has been regretted very much by those in charge of various departments affected, as a prize contest always tends to arouse enthusiasm and raise the level of class work.

Bryan Prize Small.

About the only local prize in the social sciences is the Bryan prize and this has attracted little attention on account of the fact that the prize is so small that it hardly does more than pay for the expenses involved in the preparation of the essay. Last year, however, there were three competitors for the prize and the workmanship was of high quality.

One of the largest series of prizes for which Nebraska students can now compete is the Hart, Schaffner & Marx series of prizes which amounts to the sum of \$2,000. The largest prize of \$1,000 was last year given to a student of Queen's University at Kingston, Canada. The valuable part of this prize is that the student is not required to take any definite subject but may take any subject which is approved by the board in charge of the prize. The only restriction placed upon the student is that he must write upon some economic subject dealing with business problems.

Prizes in History.

In the department of history several prizes are open to the student. The Judson Winsor prize of \$100 given by the American Historical association for the best essay on some subject in American history is one of the most important. For the person interested in European history there is the Herbert Baxter Adams prize of \$100, also offered by the American Historical association.

In the subject of municipal affairs the Baldwin prize of \$100 is available for the student presenting the best thesis. This prize is offered by the National Municipal League and the subject of the thesis for this year is "A Study of the Practical Operation of Government in Some Large American City." The National Municipal League is an organization of individuals especially interested in maintaining pure city government, and every means is taken to stir up interest in municipal affairs and to investigate actual conditions.

As a means of promoting interest in

these prizes at the University of Nebraska, credit can be obtained in several departments for work done on a thesis to be submitted for any of these prizes. In this way it is possible for the student to get university credit for the work he does while at the same time he stands a chance of getting a large money reward.

ONLY ONE CANDIDATE SO FAR.

Campaign for Senior Presidency Attracts Attention.

With the close of the semester approaching students of the senior class are beginning to turn their attention at frequent intervals to the matter of class politics. Chief interest for them, of course, centers in the race of the presidency of this class.

This is a little early for second semester politics but it has been rumored that so many candidates were offered the head office that the subject has forced itself upon the stately fourth year people.

Last week, though the faithful and watchful guardians of the university news for the Lincoln dailies, it leaked out, that three men—Robert Gant, James Harvey and Elmer Hills—were each and individually seeking to capture the great honors of the senior class for the final semester of the year. These city reporters, however, gathered at the wrong leak, for only one of these men is, and has been, in the race. He is Elmer Hills.

James Harvey in a statement yesterday denied that he had ever sought the office. He admitted that he had been asked to run by several of his close friends, but unlike Cincinnatus of old, he refused to leave his plow and make the race. Politics, he says, has no charms for him. The football hero will content himself with the honors achieved on the gridiron last fall.

Robert Gant, although strongly considering the question of running for president, has not as yet declared what he will do. He is being urged to take the field, and there is a very strong probability that he may be in the throes of a whirlwind campaign before the week-end.

Elmer Hills, contrary to the inaccurate report of one of the city dailies reporters last week, has not withdrawn from the race. He announced his candidacy several days ago and has been actively engaged in vote getting since then.

TENNIS CLUB HOLDS MEETING.

Indoor Tennis Meet To Be Scheduled to Arouse Interest.

At a recent meeting of the tennis club, the prospects for turning out a successful team next spring was discussed at length. Quite a number of enthusiasts were present at the meeting and it was apparent that greater interest will be taken in the coming spring's work than in that of any year for some time past.

The question of whether or not tennis should be placed under the control of the general athletic board was considered and a committee consisting of Richie, Calkins and Erskine was appointed to look into the matter and report at a later meeting. This method of control is quite generally being adopted in the different schools which are turning out good teams and it is thought by some of the tennis men that it would work well at Nebraska.

The manager of the club was authorized to schedule an indoor tennis meet and to work up interest among contestants and for spectators. Officers were elected as follows: President, Professor C. A. Skinner; secretary-treasurer, E. A. Froyd; manager, R. E. Weaverling.

The best oyster stew in the city is that served at The Boston Lunch. Try it.

BASKET-BALL TRIP

TEAM RETURNED SUNDAY FROM KANSAS TRIP.

WON ONE AND LOST TWO GAMES

Agricultural College Quintet Was Defeated Thursday But State University Five Won Both Contests from the Cornhuskers.

The Nebraska basket-ball team returned from their trip to Kansas, after playing three games. Thursday evening they met and defeated the Kansas State Agricultural College team at Manhattan by the score of 36 to 35. On Friday and Saturday evenings they played the Kansas university team at Lawrence. In the first game with the Jayhawkers the Nebraska team was easily defeated by the Kansans by the score of 48 to 13. In the second contest the Cornhuskers took a noticeable brace and during the first half and a part of the second they held their own against the Kansas bunch, but the superior physical condition of the Jayhawkers then began to tell and during the last ten minutes of play they ran up a score of eighteen points and thus won handily.

Dr. Clapp says that, considering the length of time the local team has been training, the few games in which they have played this year and the lack of development in the matter of team work, he is very well satisfied with the showing made by the team on the Kansas trip.

Kansas in Fine Trim.

The team at the University of Kansas is already in superb condition. They have a most unusual schedule this year which calls for something like forty games and they have already played twelve. The fact that they have played so much this year already accounts for their early perfection of team work and their excellent physical condition.

In commenting upon the Kansas team Dr. Clapp said that he didn't believe that it would be possible for them to keep in the condition that they are now enjoying for the entire season. They are now in form which might be expected of a team in the middle of the season and as a consequence Dr. Clapp says that he expects to see them take a noticeable slump before a great while.

He does not consider that the fact of Nebraska's being easily defeated by the Kansans in last week's contests is any indication that they will be again victorious when they play their return games in Lincoln on January 29 and 30, or as any indication that the Cornhuskers will not yet develop into a championship team.

Will Work Hard Now.

From now on the basket-ball squad will be drilled in team work constantly so that in the future games they will not be handicapped in this respect as they were again Kansas. The team will be worked hard and it is expected that when they meet Ames next Friday and Saturday evenings they will be vastly improved in condition and will be able to duplicate the defeat which was administered to the Aggies in football last fall.

Manager Eager has announced the schedule of prices for the Ames games as follows: Friday evening, general admission 35c and reserved seats 35c; student tickets will entitle the holder to general admission and 15c additional will be charged to holders of student tickets if they wish reserved seats. On Saturday evening an informal dance will follow the game. General admission will be the same but reserved seats will be 50c and will admit the holder to the dance. Holders of student tickets will be admitted to the dance for 25c additional.