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## NO TRUTH IN REPORT

### GROSS EXAGGERATION IN UNIVERSITY FEE STORY.

### FEES NOT SO HIGH AS CHARGED

### ONLY \$60,000 ANNUALLY INSTEAD OF ALLEGED \$100,000.

Enterprising Correspondent for State Newspapers Sent Out Story of University Expense Which Was Radically False.

According to a story which has lately been published in a number of newspapers over the state, students of the university are required to pay fees aggregating over \$200,000 biennially for the right to receive instruction in the state institution. This statement, made in the report supposed to present the legislative affairs of the capital, was a gross exaggeration. The annual charge to students for all fees will total only about half the sum mentioned by the journalist in question.

The story as printed in the state papers was evidently calculated to excite feeling against the university authorities and represents but one phase of the attack being laid in certain quarters on the state school. It appeared as follows under lurid headlines on the front page of one of the "third-city" dailies, bearing a Lincoln date line:

"There is a club in soak in the legislature for present and past methods at the state university, which will jar that institution from the foundation to the dome. There is a prospect that bills will be introduced in the house in the early days of the coming week which will wipe out the elaborate system of scholarship fees which has grown up in the institution with the passing years and which some claim has developed into a palpable abuse.

#### Allege Over \$200,000.

"There are legislators who believe that the fees exacted at various stages of the progress of the student in the state university and now aggregating the enormous total of more than \$200,000 for each biennium, are an unfair charge on the youth of the state who desire an opportunity for higher education and to whom in most instances the cost of a university course is a serious problem. The effort will be made to confine all fees of the school to a single entrance fee and the proper charges for books and materials which he may thereafter obtain. It is declared by those in charge that it is their intention if possible to make the University of Nebraska a free public school in the literal sense of that word, if such legislation can be enacted. The fee system, which was not in the early years a serious burden, has grown with the development of the school until it is claimed today by those entering the objection that the university cannot now be considered in that category. That the effort to enact this reform will bring about serious and even fierce opposition is not doubted by those ready to press it, but they take the position that the state should pay all proper charges and expenses of tuition and they stand ready to make liberal specific appropriations to preserve to the school its present high standing and efficiency, without calling upon the boys and girls of Nebraska to personally pay a part of the charges."

#### Figures Analyzed.

According to the report it is the intention of the supposed reformers to confine all fees to a single entrance fee and to proper charges for books and "materials which he may thereafter obtain." An analysis of the uni-

versity treasurer's report shows that a comparatively small amount is now taken for any other purpose than these. The book item is not included, that being left to the student's option whether he buys his books of the university or of private individuals.

The treasurer's report gives the following totals for the various fees, all figures being for the biennium ending Nov. 30, 1908:

Incidental and registration fees	\$28,260
Matriculation fees	11,310
Laboratory fees	35,293
Library fees	3,012
Diploma fees	3,700
Special examination fees	136
Fine arts tuition fees	3,530
Law college tuition fees	15,132
Certificate fees	431
Medical college tuition	4,190
Pharmacy school tuition	185
Temple high school fees	527
Non-resident fees	2,160

Total ..... \$126,866

Of these fees the special examination fees and a large part of the registration fees are paid by students delinquent or tardy. The fees in these cases are imposed to insure punctuality of registration and examination and are not a necessary inconvenience to the students. The non-resident fees do not bother "Nebraska boys and girls." Every other fee save the incidental, library, and law college tuition falls under the classification of "a single entrance fee and proper charges for books and materials that he may thereafter obtain." These fees are exempted from danger at the hands of the reformers. Thus there is left for them to "wipe out" only the law, incidental, and library fees, amounting to probably \$35,000 each biennium, which means about \$5 annually to each student.

#### A False Statement.

In putting out his statement, the correspondent in question apparently took the university "cash" item in the treasurer's report as his basis for action. He thought all this amount was due to students' fees, whereas a large part of it comes from sales of land, milk, live stock, and other things in which the university deals as a business organization. Instead of \$100,000 annually, the students pay only \$60,000, and only \$17,000 of this can by any means be shown to be paid for other than entrance fees and expenses of the laboratory sort. Careful detailed analysis might even exclude a part of this amount.

The bill prophesied by the reformers has not yet been introduced in the state legislature. Only four days remain for introducing bills and nothing has been heard of it. Whether the reformers in a moment of clearness of head discovered their mistaken idea of things and decided not to submit their proposition is not known. In any case, they will have to hurry if they want to pose in the limelight this year.

#### REGULAR WEEKLY STORM.

#### Disagreeable Weather Caused Discomfort on Campus.

Yesterday was the regular day for a storm and the weather man did not forget to make conditions generally disagreeable. For the fourth consecutive week Lincoln was "storm swept," the regularly established interval of seven days between storms being again maintained. A cold rain, at times turning to snow, made conditions under foot extremely slushy. People who left home for an early eight o'clock without coats or umbrellas found themselves soaked by the falling dampness at the noon hour and many preferred to remain on the campus and go without dinner rather than submit themselves to the ill will of the elements.

Baked beans, baked on the premises and served hot with delicious brown bread, 10c, at The Boston Lunch.

## NEBRASKA AND KANSAS

### WILL PLAY FOR THE MISSOURI VALLEY TITLE.

### JAYHAWKERS WIN OUT IN SOUTH

### Defeat Washington Five and Now Have Honors in That Division.

#### Cornhuskers Lose Second Minnesota Contest.

Nebraska and Kansas are the winners in their respective sections of the Missouri valley basket-ball league and will meet in a series of three games within the next two weeks to decide the championship of the "Big Seven." Kansas came into possession of the honors in the southern section Saturday night by defeating Washington university of St. Louis at Lawrence after the Mound City players had lost two games to the Missouri university quintet at Columbia on the two preceding nights. The Jayhawkers met Washington again last evening at Lawrence. Before the contest last evening they had a record of five games won and two games lost. This put them two games ahead of Washington, which had won three games and lost four. If the Kansas five won the contest last evening they have a record of six games won and two lost. Nebraska annexed the title in the northern section last week through the defeat of Drake by Ames.

#### Three Games for Title.

A series of three games for the championship of the league will be played within the next two weeks. The first game will probably be pulled off in Lincoln the early part of next week. The other contests will be held at Kansas City and Lawrence, each of those cities getting to see the cornhuskers and jayhawkers in action in one game.

Saturday night the cornhusker five allowed the rough gophers to take the second game of the home series by a score of 29 to 20. This was the ninth successive victory that the Minnesota five has won from the Nebraska five within a period of four years.

After the showing of the gophers in the contest on Friday it was expected they would win the second game. Their rough tactics were too great a handicap for the cornhuskers to overcome. Nebraska's play had far greater science to it than that of the gophers. The northerners, though, do not care anything about the science of basket-ball. They play the game to win, and they do win when they meet a light team like Nebraska.

#### Rough Play a Feature.

In both of the contests last week they won out by roughing the cornhusker players. Rough play was their prophylactic for keeping Captain Walsh from tossing goals. It was a good one, too. The Nebraska leader's hands were bound during both games so securely that he could do little more than race around the floor. The gophers violated the rules of the contest practically all the time.

The game on Friday night was rough, but the one the following evening was far rougher. There was slugging and the use of bad words. Eyes were blacked; elbows were poked into ribs; players suffered pain. And what was the cause? There is only one answer—the gophers. They wanted to win and it mattered not how they got the game.

Patterson, right forward on the Minnesota team, was the roughest player that has ever been seen on a Nebraska floor. He had great endurance, and that made him all the worse. He was in the game all the time and followed the ball constantly.

His tactics finally put him into the clutches of Dwight Bell, right guard on the Nebraska five, and both players were ejected from the game.

Captain Walsh and Ingersoll played good ball for the cornhuskers. Each made two goals from the field. They often broke up the gopher plays.

#### Hansen a Star.

Hansen was a star for Minnesota. His goal tossing was accurate and he caught the ball eight times from the field.

#### The line-up:

Nebraska.	Minnesota.
Walsh (Capt.)	Anderson, Patterson
Wood, Watters	Hansen (Capt.)
Petrashak	Meucke
Bell, Long	Anderson, Krutchke
Perry, Ingersoll	Giltman, Blanthette

Goals from field: Walsh, 2; Wood, 1; Ingersoll, 2; Hansen, 8; Mencke, 2; Patterson, 3. Goals from fouls: Walsh, 10; Blanthette, 5. Referee: Hewitt. Umpire, Clevenger.

## THINKS IT IS TOMFOOLERY

### University Professor So Designates Legislation.

That nine-tenths of the economic legislation accomplished by the various law making bodies of the world is nothing more or less than tomfoolery was the opinion expressed yesterday by a university professor. This gentleman teaches a subject which is peculiarly subject to interference by legal statutes. He says that an overwhelming majority of these restrictions do not represent the common-sense method of treating the existing evils which they seek to correct.

"It always reminds me of a Frenchman eating dinner," said the professor in question, who has traveled extensively abroad. "After his dinner the typical Frenchman takes a cup of coffee. This has the effect of stimulating him to an excitable point, then, feeling that he has to much excitability about his person, the Frenchman adds a little cognac in order to counteract the effect of the coffee. This stupefies him somewhat and he then smokes a cigarette to rid himself of the stupefaction."

"The Frenchman acts just as do the legislators in treating economic problems. First, they do something and then they do something else to remove the evil effects of the first. This is the custom prevailing instead of the simple process of letting the organic system take care of itself."

## MAY ENLARGE GERMAN CLUB

### Discuss Possibility of Starting a German Maennerchor.

Several important additions are being seriously considered in the German department with reference to enlarging the German club and the formation of a "Maennerchor."

There has been considerable talk of enlarging the German club so as to enable more students to participate in its benefits. This has not as yet been definitely decided upon, however. Professor Fossler also wonders how the formation of a German "Maennerchor" would strike the men students of the university. If there is a sufficient number to warrant the undertaking it will be done. The purpose of the "Maennerchor" would be to sing German student songs similar to those that formed such an attractive feature of "Alt Heidelberg." All those who would be willing to join such an organization should drop Professor Fossler a card or speak to him personally.

Professor Baumgartner will be able to make a report of the net proceeds of the German play in a day or two. The play was a financial success, and the proceeds will be employed in securing ornaments such as pictures and statuary for the rooms of the department.

## HOLD SENIOR TRYOUTS

### WORK BEGINS IMMEDIATELY ON ANNUAL PLAY.

### PICTURESQUE COMEDY SECURED

### PLOT CENTERS ON CONFLICT BETWEEN DUTY AND LOVE.

### Some of Best Talent in University

#### Will Have Places on the Cast of Charles Frohman's "The Royal Family."

Work has now definitely commenced on the senior play. This is the result of the completion of the tryouts which were held in the Temple theater on Tuesday and Saturday of last week. As there were a number of places to be filled the tryouts took up considerable time, but those in charge consider that, with the present cast of characters, the play is an assured success.

The drama itself is one of the strongest senior plays ever put out. The plot centers around the conflict between duty and love. Duty conquers and finds that love comes after all.

#### Play is Picturesque.

A comedy throughout, the play is full of court costumes, military attire and the like, which makes it a very picturesque production. Like Gustav the scene is laid in an obscure and imaginary principality of the old world. The humorous side of the trials and tribulations of rulership are depicted with a vivid imagination. War is imminent with an adjoining principality of the imaginary name of Kruland. The king and his family, advised by council, press the princess to marry the prince of this Kruland to settle matters. Being a woman, and a very romantic woman, the princess naturally refuses for the obvious reason that she has never seen him and will marry only for love.

The old cardinal, the king's best friend, has a plan whereby the maiden will marry the prince and that because she loves him. It seems that the prince had once been a scholar under the Cardinal, and he is now brought to the court by the Cardinal incognito, as a friend. The prince accedes to this the more willingly because he has a natural desire to see his future bride. Act II shows the development of the love affair, which develops rapidly, like all story book affairs.

The prince, as Count Bernadine, gets the princess' consent to marry according to her father's wishes. She promises, thinking she is sacrificing her love for Count Bernadine. They go through a touching farewell; imagine her joy when at the betrothal she finds the Crown Prince to be no other than her lover Count Bernadine. So they lived happily ever after.

#### Cast of Characters.

The cast of characters as decided upon at the tryouts is as follows:  
The King—Guy Montgomery.  
The Prince—Yale Holland.  
Cardinal Casono—Searl Davis.  
Father Anselm—Vern Gettings.  
Prince Charles—Winfield Gheal.  
Baron Holdensen—Stuart P. Dobbs.  
Lord Herbert—Bruce Fullerton.  
Lord Chamberlain—Amos Thomas.  
1st Aide-de-Camp—Dan McCutcheon.  
2d Aide-de-Camp—Hugh Robertson.  
3d Aide-de-Camp—F. M. Weller.  
Secretaries—Arthur Jones and Elmer Hill.  
Mr. Cobb—Guy Matteson.  
Two Barbers—Earl Wilson and C. P. Jeffords.  
Angela—Bease Holcombe.  
Queen—Louise Stegner.  
Countess Corine—Vera Fall.  
Ladies in Waiting—Fanchon Hooper, Constance Syford, Lorraine Hemple, Lucy Hewitt, Lucy Woods.

This case was decided upon by eleven judges: Professor Fling, Professor Staff, Professor Ford, Miss Pound, Miss Barnes, Miss Hewitt, Mr. Long, Miss Day, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Letton and Miss Howell.