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## DELINQUENT STUDENTS

STATISTICS SHOW INTERESTING COMPARISONS.

### FIGURES FOR FRATERNITIES

LARGER PERCENTAGE BY GREEK LETTER MEN.

Nebraska Compares Favorably With Other Universities In Regard to Students Failing in Their Required Work.

Some interesting statistics have recently been compiled with regard to delinquency here and at other schools. They tend to show that the percentage of delinquency is less here than at other schools when the comparison is based upon the delinquency in hours.

As the table also compares the fraternity delinquencies with those of the student body they bring out some striking comparisons. They show on their face that the percentage of delinquency among fraternity men is somewhat higher than it is in the student body as a whole.

The real explanation, however, lying back of the figures is that in the general student body are included all the co-eds while in the fraternity figures only the standing of the male students can of necessity be recorded. As the co-eds have a reputation for the greater percentage of good scholarship the variation between the fraternity percentage and that of the student body is easily explained.

At the University of Nebraska there are eleven fraternities carrying a total of 3,706 hours. The entire student body carries a total of 31,825 hours. From among the fraternity men there are on the list 553 hours delinquent as opposed to 3,643 hours delinquency in the student body. This gives the fraternities here a percentage of 15 delinquent while the student body has a percentage of 11 delinquent. Hence the fraternities have 4 per cent delinquency more than the general student body.

#### Percentage Higher.

Comparing Nebraska with the University of Missouri, it is found that at Missouri there are the same number of fraternities as here. These carry 3,370 hours while the student body carries 11,342 hours. The hours delinquent in the fraternities are 980 while in the student body they are 2,523. This gives the fraternities at Missouri a percentage of 29 for delinquency and the student body a percentage of 22.

Thus it is seen at once that, with the same number of fraternities in each school the percentage of delinquency for fraternity men at Missouri exceeds that of Nebraska by 14 per cent, and that the delinquency in the student body exceeds ours by 11 per cent. The fraternity delinquency at Missouri also exceeds that of their student body by 7 per cent, two more than at Nebraska.

As these percentages are based purely upon the hours carried and the hours delinquency they form the only real method of ascertaining any percentage of delinquency. Other tables were also prepared showing the percentages at Nebraska and at Kansas University based upon the number of students enrolled and the number delinquent. That this does not arrive at the true solution, however, may be easily understood when it is taken into consideration that one hour's delinquency in this table will put a man on a par with one who may have 18 hours delinquency. The very fact that

according to these tables the student body of Nebraska has a delinquency of 41 per cent while by the previous method of computation they only had 11 per cent, illustrates the working out of this method.

#### According to Number.

According to the last tables Nebraska has 242 men enrolled in eleven fraternities while Kansas has 186. Of the Nebraska men 124 are delinquent while at Kansas only 80 are so scheduled. This leaves Nebraska with a percentage of 51 delinquent, as compared with a percentage of 41 at Kansas; which gives Nebraska fraternities 10 per cent more delinquency than those of Kansas University.

At Nebraska there are 2,072 students while Kansas has 1,284. From this number Nebraska has 860 delinquent and Kansas has 426. This gives the Nebraska student body a percentage of 41 delinquent and Kansas a percentage of 34. This leaves Nebraska 7 per cent more delinquency than Kansas. In looking over these percentages it must be remembered that the comparisons between Nebraska and Kansas are based entirely upon the number of delinquent students and not upon the hours of delinquency. The tables as compiled are here printed:

University of Nebraska.	
FRATERNITIES	
Eleven fraternities:	
Hours carried.....	3,706
Hours delinquent.....	553
Per cent delinquent.....	15
Number students.....	242
Number delinquent.....	124
Per cent delinquent.....	51
Student body:	
Hours carried.....	31,825
Hours delinquent.....	3,643
Per cent delinquent.....	11
Number students.....	2,072
Number delinquent.....	860
Per cent delinquent.....	41
University of Kansas.	
Eleven fraternities:	
Number men.....	186
Number delinquent.....	80
Per cent delinquent.....	43
Student body:	
Number men.....	1,284
Number delinquent.....	426
Per cent delinquent.....	34
University of Missouri.	
Eleven fraternities:	
Hours carried.....	3,370
Hours delinquent.....	980
Per cent delinquent.....	29
Student body:	
Hours carried.....	11,341
Hours delinquent.....	2,523
Per cent delinquent.....	22

## NO CORNHUSKER OUT TODAY.

### Annual Publication Delayed Until Next Week.

Despite the report of an afternoon city daily, which yesterday jumped to the gun with an announcement of the distribution of the 1909 Cornhusker today, the annual publication of the upper classes of the university will not be turned over to subscribers this week. It is now hoped to have the book out early next week, presumably Monday.

The cornhusker management yesterday reiterated its previous statement to the effect that no more subscriptions for the 1909 book will be received. The entire edition of over a thousand copies has been exhausted. The students and faculty subscribed for practically as many books as were thus disposed of last fall and the order of the regents to use 150 copies for distributing among the high schools of the state filled out the entire issue. The Cornhusker editors declare that for once at least there will be no "left-overs" on sale at the bookstores at reduced rates.

H. P. Warner, C. E. attended the annual banquet of the Engineering society which was held last Thursday evening. Mr. Warner is employed as engineer in charge of the maintenance of the Panama railroad at Cristobal, Panama.

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

## CAN BEAT KANSAS

CHANCE FOR CORNHUSKERS TO GET REVENGE.

### ANNUAL TRACK MEET SATURDAY

Jayhawkers Are Stronger Than in Previous Seasons and Figure on Winning—Big Rally to be Held Friday.

The great rivals of Nebraska, the Jayhawkers from Lawrence, Kansas, will be in Lincoln next Saturday for a track meet with Dr. Clapp's men at the state fair grounds. They are coming confident of administering a defeat to the Cornhuskers, thereby making a clean sweep of victories in the four sports in which the two schools have clashed this year. Since school opened last fall they have licked Nebraska in football, basketball, and baseball. They think they can beat the scarlet and cream in the track games—and they have good reason for thinking so, too.

#### Are Mighty Strong.

They are mighty strong this spring, as their victory over Missouri—the first one in ten years on the track—last Saturday will bear out. Their records are good for this spring and some of them are better than Nebraska has made.

On paper the Jayhawkers look like winners of the meet here Saturday. Their weight man in the meet against Missouri did better work in two events than S. Collins of Nebraska did against the Gophers. In the sprints and long runs the Kansas runners are apparently as strong as the Nebraska men in practically all events, and, in some, are even stronger. The indications are that the meet will be closely contested in both the track and field events, with a margin of the dope favoring the men from Kansas. The Lawrence team has the best chance to take a majority of the first places and if Nebraska wins it will be by taking a majority of the second places in addition to a minor share of the firsts.

#### Students are Anxious.

The Nebraska students are anxious to get revenge on the Jayhawkers for the other defeats of the year and will be out in force for the events Saturday. To stir up the enthusiasm among the local students a big mass meeting will be held in Memorial hall at 5 o'clock Friday afternoon. The band will be on hand and several addresses will be made, one of them probably being by Chancellor Avery.

The Nebraska baseball team enjoyed an enforced rest yesterday. A game with Cotner university had been arranged for Bethany, but the showers of the early afternoon caused a postponement of the game to next Monday afternoon.

The records of the Missouri-Kansas meet follow:

#### Records of Kansas Meet.

One mile run—Johnson, Missouri, first; Cleland, Missouri, second. Time, 4:42.  
220 yard dash—Haddock, Kansas, first; Tarrell, Missouri, second. Time, 23 seconds.  
Half mile run—Tipton, Missouri, first; Shuck, Missouri, second. Time, 2:08.  
220 yard hurdle—Newbold, Kansas, first; Smith, Kansas, second. Time, 27 seconds.  
Pole vault—Johnson and Weger, both Kansas, tied for first place; 9 feet 6 inches.  
Discus throw—Roberts, Missouri, first; A. W. Roberts, Missouri, second. Distance, 111 feet.  
16 pound shot—A. W. Roberts, Mis-

souri first; Wood, Kansas, second. Distance, 37 feet 4 1/2 inches.

Hammer throw—Meyer, Kansas, first; Ford, Missouri, second. Distance, 145 feet, 8 inches.

Two mile run—Steel, Missouri, first; Johnson, Missouri, second. Time, 12 5 4-5.

Running broad jump—Smith, Kansas, first; Martindale, Kansas, second. Distance 21 feet, 4 inches.

One mile relay—Won by Kansas. Time, 3:38 1-5.

Final score—Kansas, 6: 1-2; Missouri, 5:2 1-2.

### ACTS ON DEBATING MATTERS.

Pass a Resolution Providing for an Official Representative.

At a meeting of the university senate last evening the matter of a constitution for the inter-class debating board was taken up. No action was taken, however, the matter being referred to a committee consisting of the faculty members of the university debating board.

A resolution was passed to the effect that hereafter the professor of physical education and director of athletics be made the official representative of the university to the Intercollegiate Athletic association of the United States, the Missouri Valley Conference and such other athletic meetings as call for technical knowledge of athletics by the university representative.

The chancellor was also authorized by the senate to name a committee to investigate the custom of other institutions of learning in the country with respect to the granting of honorary degrees. This is for the purpose of evolving some new method of procedure in this respect at Nebraska.

### BOOK THIEVES ON THE CAMPUS.

Some Volumes Believed to Have Been Stolen and Sold.

The advent of the company buying second-hand books at the University Book Store seems to have prompted some person or persons on the campus to turn book thieves. Either this or the need of money or both is believed to have prompted someone to filch books about the campus.

A number of books have been missed in the last few days and last evening investigations were started by several students who had lost particularly valuable books to try and ascertain whether they had been stolen. They intend to go over the stock of books bought up by the dealers and, if possible find the missing volumes. Next, they intend to find out who brought the books in for sale and to push the matter until the persons practicing this petty larceny are discovered.

### SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST.

Y. W. C. A. Planning for its Annual Function.

Next Saturday morning from 7 until 9:30 a. m., at St. Paul's church the Annual May Morning Breakfast will take place. As in former years this is to be under the auspices of the university Y. W. C. A. The early feed by the young ladies of the school has always been a highly popular affair. In the past between four and five hundred students have been served at this function. This year the committee in charge expect the attendance to exceed that of preceding years.

The tables are cared for by the young ladies of the different classes, sororities, and literary societies. The tickets are twenty-five cents. Blanche Given is in charge of the kitchen arrangements and Mattie Woodworth will preside over the dining room.

The stone for the fountain, recently presented to the university by the senior class, has arrived and work will be commenced on the fountain in a few days.

## FOR STUDY COURSES

PLAN FOR GROUPING OF SUBJECTS CONSIDERED.

### FIVE GROUPS ARE SUGGESTED

THESE IN ADDITION TO GENERAL CULTURE COURSE.

General Business, Political, Governmental, Journalism, and Social-Philharmonic Sections Are to be Investigated.

A plan for a system of study groups to be followed by students who desire to specialize in any particular line is now being considered by members of the university faculty. Suggestions as to such a system have been made and the matter is to be allowed to go over until next fall when some definite action will be taken.

The proposed system of grouping of studies would provide for a general cultural course and special courses. The requirements for graduation in the first course would be practically the same as the requirements now exacted. Six out of eight electives would be required with physical education and rhetoric as absolute requirements. This arrangement would not differ materially from that now followed in the ordinary elective course taken by a student in the college of arts and sciences.

#### The Special Courses.

The special courses constitute a feature new to the University of Nebraska. The idea has recently been put in effect at the University of Wisconsin, although the Nebraska plan has been worked out entirely separate from that of the other institution. The plan now being considered contemplates five special groups. These are (1) general business group, preparing for commerce, banking, insurance, etc.; (2) political governmental group, preparing for national, state, or municipal service, consular, diplomatic, civil service, legislative reference, municipal bureau, etc.; (3) scientific governmental group, preparing for national or state service in geology, botany, forestry, etc.; (4) journalism group, preparing for magazine, periodical, or newspaper work; (5) social-philanthropic group, preparing for work in organized charity, Y. M. C. A., and Y. W. C. A., etc.

In each of these special courses work of a rather general nature would be taken the first year and there would be increasing specialization in each succeeding year. In the general business group the first year studies would comprise rhetoric, a modern language, economics, political science, history or sociology, or philosophy. In the second year of this course the language would be continued with another modern tongue added. Economics, history, or political science, or sociology would be the other subjects prescribed. In the third year these subjects would be continued with increasing specialization and in the fourth year nearly the whole of the work would be specialized. The course provides for three years each of two modern languages.

#### Other Courses.

This course is typical of the others. In each group there would be a variation to suit the peculiarities of the profession or industry involved. For instance, the journalism course would provide for additional work in rhetoric and English, and specifies ancient or modern languages in place of the modern tongues of the business course.

The system would include a recognized change in the advisory system so that each student would at first have as his advisor the head of his particular group and later the head of the department in which he should choose to specialize.