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COMMITTEE DRAFTS A PETITION

Flowers and Carriages Disapproved by but Not Forbidden by Fraternity Women of Northwestern University.

Northwestern University is being swept by a regular storm of reforms, if the news reports emanating from the Evanston institution are any index of the turmoil which seems to be existing within the college. First one thing and then another has been put under the faculty ban this fall. Just now it is the formal party question which is agitating the Northwesternites.

Some time ago the faculty hinted that some radical changes must be made in the party system. The committee asked for suggestions and suggestions have been coming by every mail. The latest comes from a committee of the sororities. Cleverly veiled in its phrasing, the plan nevertheless provides specifically that the men provide the formal assemblies, while the girls give the informals.

Petition Offered.

Following is the petition as offered by the committee:

"We, the sorority women of Northwestern University, beg to submit the following plan for the future social system:

"Whereas, The student council is a representative body of students, we suggest that the management of these general assemblies be placed in their hands.

"Whereas, the floor space of the gymnasium is limited, we suggest that a limited number of tickets be sold to undergraduate men. We desire that carriages and flowers be disapproved.

"Whereas, The number of general assemblies is restricted and, whereas, the alumni are excluded, we desire two chapter informals for each sorority—the aggregate expense not to exceed seventy-five dollars—the expense for the gymnasium to be additional."

Was Approved.

This plan was approved by all the sororities and has been sent to the faculty, signed by the representative committee. It is the intention of the girls to leave all details, that might be haggled over eternally, to the discretion and decision of the student council. If put under the control of the student council the parties will practically be in the hands of the classes and so this plan should meet the approval of both the faculty and the men, as well as the women.

CAN YOU SUGGEST A PLAN?

Sioux City Officials Ask About Nebraska Student's Idea.

A Nebraska student has raised a dust in Sioux City and the city officials of the Iowa town would like to know what he is up to. The Sioux City papers view the case thusly:

Has Sioux City a "plan"? Mayor W. G. Sears wants to know, because James A. Ayres, a student of the Nebraska University, has written to ask this same question.

It's quite a puzzle to the city hall crowd. There are some who express the idea that Sioux City has a "plan," but they cannot tell the mayor what it is. The letter is one of several the young man is sending out to the mayors of the country to compile data for a thesis he is writing on the subject, "City Planning in the United States." The mayor was of the opinion that Sioux City must have a "plan" if any other town on the map has one, and he was open to suggestions that would aid the young man in his literary efforts.

Several "plans" have been suggested. One is that Sioux City could drive out the capital of "alien landlords" and thus get a place in the thesis. Another said establish the Des Moines plan, but that would not lend distinction. Meanwhile suggestions of what Ayres means by "plan" would be appreciated by the city hall gang.



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FIVE PER CENT OF CO-EDS ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED.

PERCENTAGE IS UNUSUALLY BIG

Newspaper Correspondent Declares That He Has Unearthed Some Valuable Statistics.

Some pipe dream artist on the correspondent list of an Omaha "yellow" is responsible for a story of Nebraska University men and girls which will cause no little merriment about the campus. That five per cent of the co-eds are pledged to wed before their graduation is the awful find that the dopesther has made. To this he adds the information that the numerous dances are responsible for the sad condition.

But the story is most laughable as originally told. Here it is as it appeared under a Lincoln date-line:

Five per cent of the co-eds at the University of Nebraska are engaged, have pledged themselves to wed soon after completing the undergraduate course and walking away with a little diploma.

This statement is based on the figures compiled by a graduate student of the state school, who has been gathering data for three months. He gathered his figures by observing the engagement rings worn by the girls, by asking some co-eds, and by getting facts from friends of engaged girls.

He makes the statement that Cupid is more popular with the Nebraska co-eds this fall than in any year of the last ten.

Cupid's increased popularity with the Cornhuskers is due, this statistician asserts, to the greater number of dances and social events that have been taking place during the past two or three years. He says Nebraska's social life has been a strenuous one for the society students for the last five years, but that with the last three, the number of social stunts has been increasing at an alarming rate.

Few of the co-eds who receive the engagement stones leave school before graduation. Many of them become engaged in their second or third years, but they stay with the hard studies until they have secured a degree.

The Cornhusker statistician says this is due in some cases to the desire of the man to gather in a little coin before marriage. In others, the co-ed wishes to continue to graduation.

While standing in university hall one morning this week this statistician counted, so he says, thirty engagement rings in twenty minutes.

Olive M. Young, '08, is studying domestic science at a college in Chicago, Ill.

James E. Bixby, '01, is engineer at the State Industrial School for Boys, Golden, Colo.

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