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## GRAFT HAS HAD ITS DAY

MEMBERS OF SENIOR PLAY COMMITTEE WILL KEEP HANDS OFF.

## JUDGES WILL SELECT ALL ACTORS

MISS HOWELL HAS BEEN CHOSEN AS THE COACH.

Play Has Not Been Decided Upon—Seniors Are Urged to Make Suggestions.

No member of the senior play committee will be able to vote for his own personal friends for places on the senior play cast. This was the decision of the play committee at its meeting yesterday afternoon. All chance for grafting places on the cast will be eliminated and there will be no cause for fear. Every person who goes onto the stage for the try-out will have an equal show with the other contestants, committee members included. If any should decide to enter into the competition for places.

The committee passed the following rule at its meeting yesterday: "No member of the play committee or student of the University of Nebraska shall have a vote in the selection of the cast for the senior play of 1911." Judges for the try-outs will be chosen from the faculty, as they are for preliminary debates when teams are to be picked. Competent judges from outside the school may be called in if it seems best.

The purpose and aim of the committee, as understood by the members, is to simply stir up interest in the try-out, arrange for a date, select a coach, and attend to the minor details at the time of the presentation. Accordingly, they will have no vote in selecting the cast.

Miss Howell, who has coached most of the plays given in recent years at the university, was chosen as coach. She is also to be "stage manager and official selector of costumes." While Miss Howell has not yet accepted, it is generally understood that she will accept the position.

No play has as yet been selected, and any senior student who has a play to suggest will be urged by the committee to submit the manuscript at once or send in the name of the play together with the name of the publisher. Copies of manuscript will be particularly appreciated. Byrne C. Marcellus is chairman of the committee. The members are: W. H. Plasters, Elroy Munson, Julia Nagel, Margaret Guthrie, Alice McCullough, Alice Iverson and Florence Whittier.

## CHINA IS A COMING NATION

HISTORY CONTINUOUS THROUGH UNNUMBERED YEARS.

## PEOPLE JUST BEGINNING TO AWAKEN

REAL YELLOW PERIL IS CHINESE COMMERCIALISM.

Mrs. Boose Tucker, Medical Missionary, Tells Some of the Inside Facts.

"The New China" was the subject of an address by Mrs. Boose Tucker at convocation Tuesday. Mrs. Tucker and her husband are medical missionaries stationed in China, and have just returned to the United States after an eight years' residence with the Chinese. Mrs. Tucker's two little children accompanied her upon the platform, and, at their mother's instance, sang a song in Chinese.

By way of introduction, the speaker

## HIGH LIVING IS GOING UP— CAN YOU STAND THE RAISE?

The cost of high living is going up. Just at present it looks as if the liverymen of Lincoln are about to kill the goose that lays the golden egg.

They contemplate, some of them, at least, increasing the price of cabs for formal parties from \$3.50 to \$4.50. If they make the boost, they may get it and they may not. The way things look now, chances are strongly in favor of the "not."

Liverymen, being like the rest of mankind, think they are not making enough money. They know that students would rather ride in a cab than walk, even if it is on a balmy summer's eve. They know, too, that as a rule "a student and his money are soon parted."

But they evidently do not know how the cab question has been agitated of late, and how close they have come to losing out, even at \$3.50. The fact of the matter is, there has been so much criticism of the cab system for formals that many predict its abolition not far in the future.

Now, the cab is a wonderful in-

vention. The man who originated it ought to be given something substantial—a Rhodes scholarship, for instance. But even at that, particularly in the case of a student who only has to go a block and a half and around the corner, there is no use putting cab fare up in the expense list with such items as board, clothing, etc. Where the cab fare item belongs, with the usual exceptions, is with such items as charitable donations, debate tickets and a few others.

But to get back to our friends the liverymen. If they put their proposed increase into effect, the probability is that the university fraternities will put their heads together and declare war. Since boycotting is illegal, and boycott is not a very good word anyway, they would probably content themselves with deciding to formally escort their respective ladies fair to dances and things on plain, painfully plebeian street cars—or else walk, which is better for the health. Anything but stand the raise.

told of China as a nation whose name was not to be juggled with, no matter how deep our prejudices might be against it.

"It is a noteworthy fact," she said, "that China's history has been continuous throughout posterity. Nations have come and gone, have been built and rebuilt, yet for more than five thousand years the history of this great Asiatic empire has always been written under the one name—China. Americans are prone to recognize it as a great country, but this attributed to the fact that we do not see China's best and most natural front. Our associations with the Chinese are for the most part gained through contact with the coolies, by far the roughest and more degenerate class. They frequent the coast cities on account of the possibilities for venture and exportation to America, and hence unless we travel inland we do not get the true conception of Chinese people.

### Has Been Indifferent.

"Up to the twentieth century China has been indifferent to the other nations. She has been satisfied with her own conditions, and has not recognized the possibilities that other nations might offer her in the way of improvement. She has produced her own sages who have ordained a system of ethics that reaches more the perfect life than anything else produced by civilization. She has believed the world to be at peace, and therefore sought no intercourse with foreign nations, being content to live an existence purely Chinese, untainted with the veneer of foreign influence, as it then would have been so considered.

"But the new century has brought about a change. China is undergoing an awakening, which has been caused not by her own initiative, but by the persistent growth of world Christianity. Modern progress has sought entrance into China, and slowly it is gaining its way. The first step has been along military lines. The Japanese invasion of 1895 and 1900 brought home the necessity of having suitable and proportionate military strength. The Chinese army is constantly growing, both in numbers and perfection, and today is pronounced by foreign

military officers that inhabit the country as being nearly perfect.

### Not a Military Nation.

"But in temperament China is not a military nation. Commerce appeals to it more strongly, and as a consequence she is beginning to extract her natural resources, of which there are many. In this connection the real yellow peril which we need fear is Chinese commercialism. She has an unlimited amount of coal, a great supply of cheap labor, and a mine of undeveloped mineral ore. These assets can easily make her the commercial peer of the world.

"In politics and morality China is making rapid strides. Representative government has already been promised, to go into effect by 1913 if found feasible. Foot-binding is now a penal offense, the growth and use of opium is being checked, and drinking has been reduced to moderation.

"Finally, in education China has made her most rapid advance. The old system of excessive examinations has been done away with, and instead the American educational system has been adopted, with American teachers to carry it out. Five-sixths of the educational institutions in China are American. Together with this and the fact that we are educating many thousand Chinamen, America has a great opportunity to do something for this ancient nation that will forever revert to her own admirable civilization."

### "DAD" GOES.

Y. M. C. A. Worker Has Been Promoting a New Plan.

"Dad" Elliott, who has been visiting the university in behalf of the proposition of installing a religious work director in Nebraska to supervise the work of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A., left Lincoln yesterday afternoon for Omaha to attend a meeting of the state Y. W. C. A. board. From there he will depart for Missouri, where he will visit the state convention of Y. M. C. A.

At present nothing definite has been announced relative to the adoption of the plan promoted by Dr. Elliott. It is generally understood, however, that the presentation as made by Dr. Elliott has received much favorable comment from both associations.

## STUDENTS PASS THE HAT

LAW MAKE UP DEFICIT OF THE DEBATING DEPARTMENT.

TOTAL DISCREPANCY AMOUNTS TO \$60

HARD TO GET STUDENTS TO ATTEND UNIVERSITY DEBATES.

Report of Debate Management is Expected to Show Several Deplorable Facts.

Never before in the history of this institution has debate received such loyal support as it has this year. This was made clear to the students of the university yesterday morning when the members of the freshman, junior and senior law classes cleared this year's debate deficit in about thirty minutes.

It all started after Prof. Conana had finished his speech to the members of the class on the conditions of the finances connected with debating. It seems as if no regular appropriation is set aside in the interest of debate. All expenses of running debates, other than those of the instructor, are paid from the sale of tickets. Many times in the past it has been necessary for members of the faculty who are interested in this activity to make good the expense and then wait until some future date, when conditions became better, to get their money.

### Trying Proposition.

It has been a trying proposition to get sufficient numbers to attend a debate to make it a paying endeavor. In spite of the fact that attendance this year was larger than ever before, there was a deficit of about \$60.

When it was announced in law class that this deficit existed and that, as enterprising leaders heretofore it would be a "good stunt" if the laws could keep that name, a cry of "pass the hat" went up from all sections of the room. Every member gave something, and in a very few minutes the necessary amount was collected. To keep up the spirit while the money was coming in, the debaters present, Raymond, Oberfelder and Foster, were called upon and responded by telling "how they did it" in the two debates.

The report of the debate management is about completed, and will include several interesting and somewhat deplorable facts. Concerning the number of seats sold for the local debate, report states that 332 fifty cent seats and 43 unreserved seats were sold. The Illinois management dispensed with a little better than one thousand tickets. The manager of the Nebraska debate does not attempt to assign any causes for this condition, except the unfortunate proposition of having the debate and Cornhusker banquet on successive nights.

## H. B. ENGLISH GETS THROUGH

NEBRASKA MAN PASSES RHODES EXAMINATIONS.

## WESLEYAN STUDENT IS SUCCESSFUL

COMMITTEE WILL CHOOSE BETWEEN ENGLISH AND NEWKIRK.

Both Men Have High Scholarship Records, but Have Not Been Active in Athletics.

One state university student, Horace B. English of Lincoln, and one student of Wesleyan university, L. H. Newkirk of Adams, Neb., are the two Nebraska students who passed the

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