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## HONOR RETIRING SECRETARY

INFORMAL FAREWELL RECEPTION  
FOR J. L. DER KINDEREN.

### WORDS OF PRAISE FOR HIS WORK

HARE AND MARSH SPEAK FOR  
THE ASSOCIATION.

Appreciation of Mr. Der Kinderen's  
Work Shown by Presentation of  
Appropriate Gifts at Reception  
Wednesday Evening.

After the mid-week service Wednesday evening a few parting words were spoken and a token of appreciation given to Joe Der Kinderen, the general secretary of the college Y. M. C. A. Mr. Der Kinderen and his wife will leave tomorrow morning for their new home at Vivian, S. D. He will go into the land business at that place. The high esteem in which Secretary Der Kinderen is held was shown by the sentiments expressed last night.

At the close of Prof. Heck's lecture on missions, Ray Rice, president of the association, said that he was going to ask Melvin Hare to deliver the message which the cabinet men had instructed him to give to Mr. Der Kinderen in their behalf. Hare told briefly of how much the retiring secretary had done for the men on the cabinet and for the men of the school. He said in part:

"Joe is the first man whom I remember of meeting when I came to the university. Since then I have often met him and had the pleasure of working with him as a member of the cabinet. He has always been a close student of our problems. How well he has succeeded is shown by the great growth which the association has enjoyed under his leadership. His special strength has been that of an organizer. We are profoundly grateful to the man who has been with us for nearly five years, for his sacrifice and his untiring efforts. As a representative of the cabinet, I can truly say that he takes with him the love and respect of the cabinet men."

#### Spoke for Directors.

L. J. Marsh, a member of the board of directors, was then called on. Speaking in behalf of the board, he said: "It is both a pleasant duty and a hard thing to take part in a meeting of this nature. I am glad that the cabinet has expressed its feeling as it has, showing its appreciation of his work, and as a member of the board and in behalf of the board, I want to thank Mr. Der Kinderen for his true, untiring work in the service of the association."

President Ray Rice, in behalf of the cabinet men, presented to the retiring secretary a set of Riley's poems, and to Mrs. Der Kinderen a souvenir spoon. Mrs. Der Kinderen thanked the men in a few well chosen words. She said that she usually let the general secretary make the speeches, but that on this occasion she thought it best to speak for herself.

#### A New Nebraska Spirit.

Secretary Der Kinderen, in his parting message to the students, said that he felt a new spirit coming over the University of Nebraska, and that he expected the old university to be the big institution of the west in a few years. "I believe that you men will be true to your college. I know that you will get behind my successor and help him as you have helped me. Now,

## ARE YOU A REAL STUDENT, OR ARE YOU MERELY ATTENDING SCHOOL

The difference between the two is that one takes an interest in the wellbeing of his school, is alive to the best activities in his school and lends his support to the advancement of these activities, while the other merely knows that he is going to school and in fact is a "dead one."

Now it is the aim of the management of the "Rag" to make the paper a real, live university booster, alive to all of the best interests of the school, and in order to do so we need the support of every live university student. Not

only do we need your "good intentions," but we need your "hard cash."

The lack of support to the "Rag" during the past is a disgrace to a university of this size, and it can only be wiped out by an increased subscription list for this next semester. We are therefore going to conduct a campaign, during the coming registration week, for 1,500 STUDENT SUBSCRIPTIONS.

It therefore behooves you to apply the test of a real student to yourself and subscribe ONE DOLLAR for the betterment of yourself, the university and the "Rag."

before I go, I want to assure the men of Nebraska that I am not leaving the association because of any lack of interest in the work. Neither am I leaving because I have lost my faith or my desire to be of service to my fellow men. I do feel, however, that with the present organization, a new man can step in here and see things from another angle than that which has been my lot, and he should be able to do more than I ever could. After a man has spent three to five years in one field he gets sort of ready for a new man with new ideas to take up the work and push to bigger things."

#### Growth of Y. M. C. A.

During the past five years the membership of the association has grown from a small number of less than two hundred to the present membership of about eight hundred. It ranks third in the United States in point of membership. At the time Secretary Der Kinderen came to Nebraska the rooms were small and were in the basement of University hall. At that time only a few men were engaged in Bible study. Today the Bible study and mission study are features of the work. The small cabinet has been outgrown and now a board of directors has governing power over the destinies of the association. The committee workers have increased with the rest of the work. New students are now met at the trains and taken care of by Y. M. C. A. men. A free information and room directory is kept for the convenience of students and even an employment bureau is in operation.

#### EXTENDED BALLOT.

Vote on Officers for University Y. W. C. A. Continued Today.

The preferential ballot that is being taken by the university Y. W. C. A. will be continued until this evening. When first announced, this vote was to have closed last night, but because of certain requests and other conditions which arose, the vote has been extended. The results of this ballot are not binding upon the association cabinet, but is employed merely as a means of sounding the preferences of the university girls. In all probability the candidates elected by the preliminary ballot will be endorsed by the cabinet however. All girls who

did not vote yesterday are requested to cast a ballot before the poll closes.

The lectures that are being delivered by Rev. A. J. Northrup, under the direction of the university Y. W. C. A., have been remarkably successful. The last address on "Religion and Science" was especially interesting and noteworthy. The next theme for discussion will be "Miracles." These lectures are open to both men and women and all are cordially invited. They occur every Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

#### SOPHOMORE CLASS MEETING.

Second Year Students to Consider Debate Challenge Today.

A sophomore class meeting will be held this morning at the close of convocation. President Sears announces that action will be taken on the challenge for a debate with the University of Omaha. This is the challenge which was received some two weeks ago. A report from the interclass athletic meet committee is expected. Since the painting of the sidewalks, various opinions have been expressed. Just who did the work is not known, and what will be the attitude of the sophomores toward such an action is hard to determine.

#### PRESENT FAMOUS OPERAS.

Albert Aron Writes of Advantages of German Students.

Professor Fossler, head of the German department, recently received a letter from Albert Aron, 1907, and a former instructor in the department, who is at present studying in Leipzig, Germany. He states that for cultural development, few cities can offer so many fine and so varied opportunities as Leipzig. In a local theater, in only two weeks, there were presented Wagner's "Tannhauser," Donizetti's "Regimentstrochter," Hebbel's "Die Neibelungen," two evenings Massenet's "Manon," Fulda's "Talisman" (also oper), Kleist's "Prinz von Homburg," Mozart's "Zauberfloete," Wagner's "Fliegende Hollaender," and "Tristram and Isolde," Massenet's "Mamon" (repetition), Freytag's "Journalisten," Schnitzer's "Der Schleier der Pierette," and others from Mascagni, Meyerbeer, and Ibsen's "Frau von Meere."

## BOARD SELECTS QUESTION

INTERCLASS DEBATES ON SUBJECT OF EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

### FIRST FORENSIC CONTESTS SOON

INTEREST IN INTERCLASS DEBATES RUNNING HIGH.

A Large Number of Good Speakers Promise to Enter the Work and Are Preparing for the Preliminary Work.

"Resolved, that the state of Nebraska should extend the same rights of suffrage to women as those accorded to men," will be the question argued by the members of the interclass debating teams in the parliamentary debates. This was decided at a meeting of the committee appointed from the interclass debating board, which was held Wednesday.

The committee also decided that for the best interests of the preliminary debates, and to give those who wished to hear them a better opportunity of doing so, that they would be held in the Temple this year.

#### No Definite Date.

No definite date has been set for the first of the forensic contests, but present plans are to hold them about the middle of March. The championship debate between the two teams victorious in the preliminary debates will be held on Phi Beta Kappa day, which will probably be on April 11 this year.

This is the third year since the introduction of interclass debating at Nebraska. The first year the freshmen were victorious, winning from the seniors in the final round. The members of the winning team of 1909 were C. L. Clark, D. M. Rogers and W. L. Bates. Last year the juniors won the first half by defeating the seniors, and the final against the first year men. The members of the junior team were W. T. Wolvington, A. R. Raymond and A. M. Oberfelder.

#### Good Prospects.

The prospects of a good forensic fight this year between the academic classes are good. All of the university squad members, with the exception of the men on the teams, will probably be present in the initial try-outs. Several have already committed themselves to this effect, and stand ready to enter the field of forensic competition.

#### MUSICAL PROGRAM.

Violin Recital to Be Given at Convocation Today.

Regular convocation period this morning will be occupied by a violin recital by August Molzer and Miss Jessie Clark as pianist. The program will be given in the Temple and is as follows:

Vision—Drdia.  
Minuet—Handel.  
Serenade—Kocian.  
Conzonetta—Ambrosio.  
Humoresque—Kocian.

A neat little booklet has been published and is being distributed for the use of those attending the weekly vesper services. Services for about ten weeks have been arranged. The pamphlet includes responsive readings, the order of services and a number of hymns. Aid in publishing the booklet was furnished by Dean Bessey, Professor Dann and Professor Barker.