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FRESHMEN FRAT MEN UNDERGOING TORTURES

PLEASANT LITTLE PRACTICES OF
INITIATION WEEK IN
PROGRESS.

BARREL STAVE STUNT IS DROPPED

But Other Alleged Humorous Pastimes
Are Retained by Greek Letter
Organizations.

Does anybody have any carpets or rugs that need beating? If so, call at almost any of the various fraternity houses and able and zealous assistance can be secured. For it is initiation week and beating sundry floor ornaments is one of the time-honored performances delegated to freshmen Greek letter men on the eye of their admission into the inner mysteries of their organizations.

Varied and heartless, as well as unique and blood-curdling, are some of the little pastimes indulged in by the older frat men at the expense of their neophytes. Branding with alleged white-hot irons and corrosive acids is one of the pleasant practices. Rolling a marble several blocks with one's nose is another bit of excruciatingly humorous comedy oft indulged in. The enforced swallowing of such tasteful potions as quinine mixed with castor oil and vinegar is another operation especially planned for the benefit of pledges.

A few of the fraternities have dropped the olden stunt of belaboring their freshmen with barrel staves, but a few still cling to this time-honored custom. This may be performed in several ways, one of the favorites being to make the freshmen sing particularly difficult songs and applying the staves every time a false note is voiced.

About half the fraternities have put their youngsters through the initiation process and the rest of them will do so this week. Thus far no accidents have been reported.

STUDENTS OBSERVE LENT

SORORITY GIRLS DENYING THEM-
SELVES MANY THINGS FOR
SAKE OF RELIGION.

Yesterday was the first day of Lent. Nebraska students, who are religiously inclined, may attend church twice a day from now until Easter, if they so desire, for several churches will have daily services.

Several co-eds are already planning what they will give up for the forty days preceding Easter. One announced that she would attend no "dances" except the Junior Prom and a couple of fraternity formals, and maybe one or two little informal dances.

"They don't count, you know," she added.

Another girl said that she wouldn't eat "any candy at all during Lent. I'll eat milk chocolate, though," she said. "That isn't candy. It's a food."

Very Likely.

"Where did hash originate?"

"Probably in the boarder states."
Williams' Purple Cow.

JUNIORS AT CONVOCATION

CLASS OF 1913 BEGINS WEEK OF
FESTIVITIES THIS
MORNING.

In keeping with a custom established last year, the Juniors will have charge of the program at convocation this morning. This will be the first event in connection with the Junior week entertainments.

Chairman Forbes and committee have arranged for a varied program, which is planned to be in keeping with the successful record of the class. It will be held in the Temple Theatre in order to accommodate the large crowd expected to be present. The program is as follows:

Selection Junior Quartet
Class History W. L. Ross
Selection—Alban Foster, Op. 47..

..... Junior Trio
Mabelle Raynor, Violin
Herbert Nelson, 'Cello

Orville L. Jones, Piano
Readings..... Katherine Yates

(a) Monologue
(b) "For Cuba."

Junior Play Announcement.....
..... Miss Howell, Coach

Selection Junior Quartet

BOX PARTIES AT PLAY

SEATS FOR "ROYAL FAMILY," TO
BE PRESENTED BY JUNIORS,
ARE GOING FAST.

Seats for "A Royal Family," the Junior class play which will be given at the Oliver, Friday night, are going rapidly and indications point to a well filled house.

As has been the custom in former years, the boxes will be occupied by members of the faculty and University organizations and Mrs. Avery and some invited guests will occupy one.

In the Dramatic Club box will be Verne Bates, Florence Schwake, C. L. Clark, Mildred Bevins, Guy Kiddoo, and Marie Douglass. The Kosmet Klub box will be occupied by C. L. Conner, Helen Hallaway, Morton Steinhart, and Rachel Kellog.

The Komensky Club has taken a block of seats in the body of the house, as have delegations from Lincoln High, Wesleyan and the Farm.

SORORITY INITIATIONS LATE.

Only Three Chapters Announce Dates
of Admitting Freshmen.

Sorority initiations, as a rule, will come somewhat later than those of the fraternities. The lists of freshman girls which each sorority desires to initiate have to be O. K'd by the chairman of the Inter-sorority Council. As Miss Conklin refuses to do this until she receives official word from the office that the freshmen have passed, the initiations are delayed. The men, on the other hand, may initiate on obtaining a signed notice from the professors that the freshman is in good standing.

As soon as the reports come in the various initiations will be held. So far the only dates set are: Delta Gamma, February 26; Alpha Phi, February 24; Pi Beta Phi, March 2.

GIRLS NECESSARY? OH, YES!

BUT MEMBERS OF KOSMET CLUB
SAY THEY ARE ONLY TRYING
TO BE GENEROUS.

"Of course they find that the presence of a number of girls on the cast will help to make their play successful," was heard on the campus Wednesday. "The boys never can make anything go through without our help. They talk about the big support they give the school, but anyone knows that there would have been very few young men at the football games last fall if there had been no girls' rooting section. The Cornhusker banquet was a farce until they let us in. All that makes their dramatic club plays take well are the feminine actors. All there is to this action of the Kosmets is that they thought they could do without us and finally awoke to the real situation."

When interviewed as to the truth in this statement, members of Kosmet indignantly denied it all. "Why we wanted to be generous. The play is a good one and we did not want to keep the girls from a share of the glory in producing it. If they go about it in the right way they will appear in one of the best plays produced this year. But if they feel this way about it we can very easily obtain an entirely masculine cast, and train it with far less work, too."

However, it was finally decided to let the girls try out for the cast and the date was left as fixed before, Saturday, February 24, from 1 to 5 o'clock.

DR. BESSEY AN IRISHMAN

ANYWAY NEBRASKA'S "GRAND
OLD MAN" IS PROUDLY DIS-
PLAYING SHAMROCK.

Great excitement was aroused about the campus Wednesday when it was learned that Dr. Bessey's nationality had been exposed. A great deal of a mystery has always surrounded this fact, as it has not heretofore been definitely known. However, one of the Daily Nebraskan staff in his daily trip about the campus discovered that Dr. Bessey had just received a pot of shamrock as a gift.

The original stalk from which this was cut came from Erin's Isle, at least so it is claimed. It had a long and eventful history, finally arriving at its present resting place. One of Dr. Bessey's fond hopes is that it will last for a month or so, but this is extremely doubtful with the present number of Irishmen in Nebraska Hall.

COUNT TO SPEAK MARCH 1.

Nobleman Will Give Lecture at University Chapel.

Count Lutzow, who is to visit Lincoln soon, has announced that he will give a lecture in the University chapel at 11 o'clock, Friday, March 1.

Among other banquets and entertainments to be held in honor of the nobleman will be a reception and banquet at the Lindell Hotel on the evening of March 1. At this time University women are invited to be present to meet Countess Lutzow, who will accompany her husband.

TRACK OUTLOOK FOR THIS SEASON BRIGHT

PLENTY OF OLD MATERIAL AND
FAST YOUNGSTERS ON HAND.

SPRINTERS ARE IN ABUNDANCE

Cornhuskers Will Loom Up Especially
Strong in All of the Run-
ning Events.

With plenty of old material and many promising youngsters on hand, Nebraska's prospects for the coming track season are exceedingly bright. Especially is there an abundance of speedy sprinters. Racely, Christmas, May and Brannon are a quartet of 100-yard men, all of whom run that distance in 10 seconds flat. The same men will compose a half mile relay team that will be hard to beat.

Those who are expected to make good in the 440 are McGowan, Brannon, Racely and Becker. McGowan has made the quarter in 51 4-5, Becker in 51 2-5, and Brannon and Racely in 51 flat. Bermond of Missouri is the only man in the Valley at present able to better this time.

McGowan Starts Training.

Russell on the high hurdles and pole vault will be a valuable point winner. Howard Barney has gone over the low hurdles at 26 4-5 without practice and will threaten the Valley mark this spring. McGowan, the present holder of the record in the half mile, started training today and is confident of being in better condition this spring than ever before. Anderson, the miler and captain, has anybody in the conference, both Missouri Valley and Western, beaten six seconds over that distance, while Kennedy, the two-miler, should be especially strong after his distance training in cross-country. Reavis will be able to vault his usual 11 feet, 10 1/2 inches this spring, and should make Woodbury, the Jayhawker star, worry considerably. But there is no high jumper that is eligible this spring who could win a place in a high school meet.

Seidel, Meyer, Ross and Harmon should be able to pick up a few stray points in the weight events.

Valuable Help for Coach.

The aid of Guy Reed, ex-Cornhusker captain, lately appointed assistant track coach, and of Louie Anderson, both of whom will train with the American squad for the Olympic meet, should be invaluable to Coach Stiehm.

The outdoor track schedule will be as follows:

April 20, Drake. Relay races at Des Moines.

April 27, Ames. Dual meet at Lincoln.

May 3, Kansas at Lawrence.

May 11, Minnesota at Lincoln.

May 25, Missouri Valley Conference meet at Des Moines.

June 1, Western Conference meet at Lafayette, Ind.

Dr. Andrews Improving.

The students and faculty of the University will be glad to hear that former Chancellor Andrews has improved so much in health that he has resumed his literary work. He has accepted an invitation to deliver several lectures at Chicago in the early spring.