

ABOUT THE CAMPUS

Professor Fling of the history department at the university talked to the members of the University Students' Guild of the First Presbyterian church Sunday morning after the regular church service. His theme was "Roman history as a background for Bible teachings." Many university students availed themselves of the opportunity to hear this address.

Telephones are being installed in the new social science building and this will place the newest university building in direct communication with the rest of the campus. Due to the fact that this installation has been incomplete the new offices in the building have been out of direct intercourse with the rest of the university.

Dean O. V. P. Stout of the Engineering College left Saturday evening for Weeping Water, where he will spend the week looking over a proposed irrigation project for an eastern corporation.

W. Kirke Fowler, Jr., E. E. 16, writes Dean Ferguson that he is taking up postgraduate work at Union University, Schenectady, N. Y. He is employed in the testing department of the General Electric Company, but has made arrangements for leave of absence of a half day each week to take up this work for his masters degree. Dean Ferguson also received a letter from Theodore Frank, E. E. '15, who has recently returned from France and taken up his work with the Des Moines Telephone Company.

What causes the novae, the "new" stars that flare up from time to time? Their comparative frequency and quick fading are found by Prof. W. H. Pickering to make the theory of star collisions improbable; and opposed to a second view he sees that the passing of a star thru a nebula of our size would require years instead of the few weeks of nova brightness. As more probable he thinks these phenomena may be comparable to the fall of a planet in the sun, the photosphere being penetrated and scattered by explosion beneath it.

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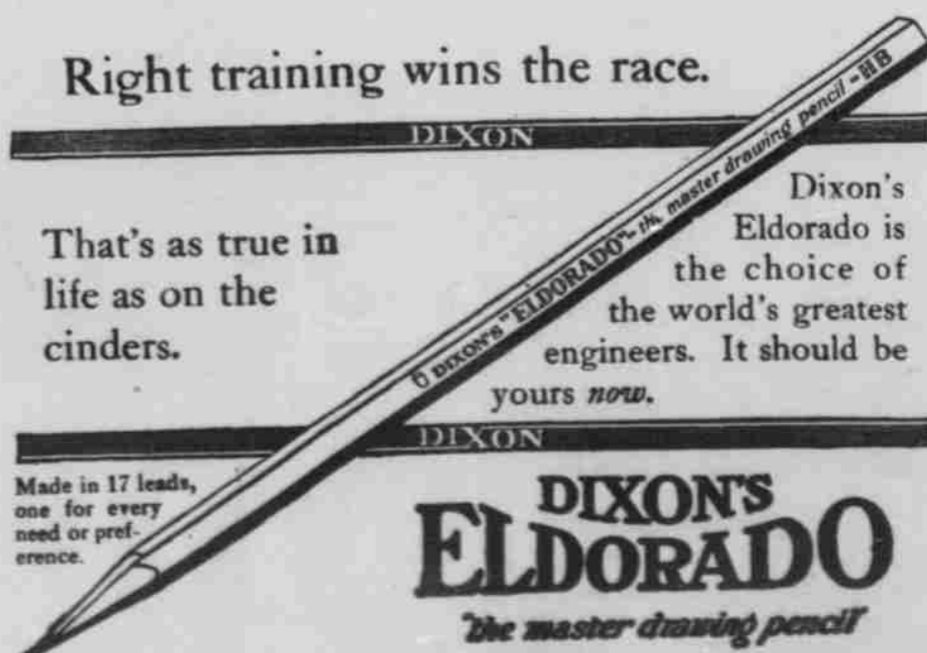
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