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For This Issue

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES.

The application of the Standard Oil Company for Seniors and graduates of this University opens a most attractive field to men interested in work in foreign countries, either for the experience or the travel. The fact that they especially state that no previous business training is necessary shows that they value the scientific and general educational training given at a University as well worth their attention. They consider that the men whom they choose, fitted to begin with a college education, can master their fundamental work in the four months school of their direction and go out as efficient business men.

One prominent leader in the commercial world said, on being questioned about the actual comparison between beginning college men and those who worked up in the business, "I do not care whether the young man has had any previous experience in business or not. If he is a college graduate, is ordinarily energetic and a live wire, I'll put him in my business and teach it to him. And he will come out of that training in a shorter time more efficient in every way than the average man who works up through the business."

The college man is finding more and more his way paved to the bigger opportunities. The business world today is looking for men of broad ideas and standards, the "around-the-world" interest and a thinking knowledge of many subjects. Whether a University course teaches in the language of dollars and cents or not, the value comes two-fold eventually. Your opportunity is waiting—watch out for it.

DIGNIFIED ADVERTISING.

Bandelions are not the only unwelcome decorations which adorn the campus this spring. The many huge white signs which have been fastened in the most conspicuous places about the campus. We are not advocating the bulletin board system and we agree that the best advertising method is to place notices where they will catch the eye first and at all times, whether one is in a hurry or just sauntering by. But this past week there have been four large canvas signs placed haphazard on the main part of the campus, ranging from eight to fifteen feet in length and almost hiding the buildings. The bulletin boards in the hallways and on the grounds are being practically passed up because they lack novelty and no longer attract. The main trouble seems to be that everything that comes up must have a large sign and as a result the campus at times looks like the mid-way at the county fair.

We might establish a sort of system about this and practice a little more discretion in their placement and subject matter. The idea is all right but we have had too much of a good thing lately. They will soon lose novelty too. What then?

BREVITY AND VARIETY.

Brevity has always been considered to be the soul of wit. But not only is it the soul of wit, but of divers things as well. It is the soul of after-dinner speeches, musical entertainments, poetry, sermons, telephone calls, social visits during business hours, engagements—and from the student viewpoint, midterms.

Especially in this day of reconstruction and unrest is this craze for brevity marked. Our most noticeable characteristic to day is a nervousness, a jumpiness, a kind of irritability which will not permit anything to engage our attention for a great length of time. We are living in a frenzied, racy sort of period, in mad pursuit after the Goddess Variety.

Just recently a well-known musical director made this statement: "Several years ago people thought nothing of going to a concert at 7:30, expecting to be entertained until 11 p. m. Today there is a different spirit altogether. It is 8:30 p. m. before the concert begins, and by 9:30 the audience is restlessly awaiting the ganal number. Instead of going directly home as in former years, they now complete the evening at a cabaret, dance or moving-picture show. It is one thing after another in whirlwind succession, with little patience for delays."

Perhaps out of this period of maladjustment between employer and employe, of instability of governments and finance, of rising prices and a shortage of essentials, it may be that there is arising among us a slight degree of fatalism. "Who knows what of evil the future has in store?" people ask.

Verily, it's "Drink and be merry, for tomorrow we die."—Ohio State Lantern.

WILL CONDUCT SCHOOL FOR WOMEN VOTERS HERE

There will be a school of citizenship for all present and future women voters held Saturday and Monday afternoons in the Temple from 2:30 to 4:30. This school will be free. There will be many good addresses and an opportunity for the women to ask any question they care to regarding the subject.

Many such schools are being successfully carried on all over the country. The school is being conducted by the Extension Department at the request of the League of Women Voters and Suffrage Associations.

UNI NOTICES

Pershing Rifles

Pershing Rifles will meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings at seven p. m. until further notice.

Socio-Economic Club

The Socio-Economic Club will meet Wednesday at six p. m. in the Blue Room of the city Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Branthwaite will talk on Americanization. Meeting open to all.

Student Volunteers

Important meeting of the Student Volunteers Tuesday from 7:00 to 8:00 p. m. in room 208, Social Science Building. Nomination of officers for next year. All members are requested to be present.

Junior Ivy Day Committee

Meeting Wednesday afternoon, five o'clock, in the Cornhusker office, U 206. All members of the committee are requested to be present.

Notice

All candidates for election to the Student Council meet in room 110 U Hall Tuesday at 11:30.

FLORENCE I. MCGAHEY,
Registrar.

Math Club

The Math Club will have a weiner roast Friday, May 14, at Antelope park. This is the last meeting of the year and we would like to have all the members out. Any member may bring a friend with him if he desires to. Meet at Temple Theater, 5:30 p. m., and if it should rain will have the feed in Faculty Hall. Tickets are twenty-five cents each and may be secured at Professor Gaba's office, from Mr. Brooks, Miss Pennoyer or Miss Abraham.

Alpha Zeta meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. at the Alpha Gamma Rho house. Important. Everybody be there.

Ag Club

The Ag Club will meet in Social Science 101 Thursday evening, May 13, at 7:30. Important. Election of officers.

Sigma Delta Chi

Sigma Delta Chi will meet Tuesday evening, seven o'clock, student activities. All members requested to be present.

Seniors and Graduates

The Standard Oil Company of New York needs young men for service abroad, principally in the Asiatic countries and the Levant. Those accepted are given training in the New York office, and if they seem to have the qualifications for success, are assigned positions. Their duties will range from office work and sales management up to the organization and development of agencies. Single men, from 21 to 28 are desired.

If interested in the above, for details see Dr. A. A. Snowden, at the Lincoln Hotel, Thursday, May 20, 1920.

A. A. REED,
Examiner, U. S. Employment Service, Director, Bureau of Professional Service.

Ivy Day Concessions

Rights for dance concession, check-stand and selling stands inside and outside of dance pavilion for Ivy Day will be sold Monday and Tuesday. All bidders should call at the Student Activities office and leave their bids for concessions at that place.

HOLCOMBE WRITES MORE ABOUT LIFE IN EGYPT

That C. Steele Holcombe takes an interest in his work and will make the best possible usage of the funds subscribed at the recent campaign for the near east relief is shown by the following letter received from him. He is now on the field and although he has been unable to begin his civilian work he has been assigned to regular work t antara.

Kantara, Egypt, April 6 1920.

Dear Friends:

Although I shall have more to say about Cairo, I have decided to tell you this time about our present home. The secretary for religious and recreational work at Kantara was due for a leave so I was sent to take his place.

I certainly felt lost as I started out across the desert from Cairo to find the camp but my interest and hopes were greatly increased when I learned that the Suez Canal passed through the camp and that the Y. M. C. A. was located on the other side. After we had been on the train about three hours and had not seen anything but sand for a long time I was sure I was seeing ghosts when I looked out of the window and saw a huge ocean liner about a quarter of a mile away, moving off across the desert with not the slightest sign of water or canal. The desert being flat and almost exactly at sea level, the canal is almost even with the top of the ground and there are no banks visible, so you can easily understand this odd impression. The oceans at both ends of the canal being at the same level, no locks are necessary.

After about four hours we arrived and I was introduced to the largest camp that I had ever seen. It is the base for all British contacts with the Near East and a half-way point for India. During the war, there was as high as 75,000 troops here at one time, while before that time there was only one house to mark the spot. At present the camp numbers around 10,000 including 3,000 or 4,000 Indian troops for which we have an Indian Y. M. C. A.

Since most of the regular units here have their own social centers, our program is set up primarily for the men in the "demob" camp. This being the center for all men going home, we have more by far than we can handle. The evenings are filled as follows: cinema (movies) on Monday, Tuesday and Friday, religious services on Wednesday and Sunday, billiard tournament on Thursday and a whist drive on Saturday. We serve four meals including tea in the afternoon, which is generally by far the best attended, and we have served as high as a thousand men in a day. Perhaps the most popular spot up until now, before the boys could go

into the canal, has been the bath house which is known to be the only hot bath in Kantara. The next most popular is the fancy store with its souvenirs of Egypt and a few necessities, which takes in as much as \$500 in a day.

My greatest surprise was in the site o the Y. Mz. C. A. which covers a space about a block long and half a block wide. One long building runs full length of one side and is divided by the kitchen into halves. One half is a large room where the men drink their sodas, called the wet canteen, and the other half is occupied by an officers' lounge and dining room, bedroom and the bath at the end. Two buildings very similar run the full length of the other side. One of them is the concert hall with good stage and cinema apparatus, and the other is divided up into a small barber shop, the fancy store, reading and writing room for the men and two small rooms for the staff, one of which is our own palatial residence. This leaves a long open space between these two rows of buildings, in the center of which are the offices and dry canteen. Across one end and almost adjoining the long buildings is the billiard room. This forms an open court of nice size which is a clearing house for the men passing from one place to another. In the open space similar to this court but on the other side of the office is a large open-air dining room for the men. We also have our own electric system with two good engines.

Although it is an old story to talk about the weather I feel sure that you would be interested in knowing that we have been surprised and delighted to find the cool weather lasting so long. It is now Easter time and we have hardly had a day yet when a woolen shirt and heavy uniform have been uncomfortable. We had three or four hard rains around the first of March but will probably not have any more until next winter. About the only vegetation that we have seen in camp is the castor oil plant which seems to thrive on nothing. There are a few trees along the sweet water canal which comes from the Nile and furnishes the camp with water. So far, however, the desert has not been as monotonous as I had expected to find it.

Yours as ever,

(Signed) C. STEELE HOLCOMBE.

University of Michigan

The University of Michigan has begun the publication of a Sunday paper. This is a departure from the custom of college publications in general and directly follows the plan of city dailies. This edition has from ten to twelve pages and contains feature stories by both students and members of the faculty.

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