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DAILY NEBRASKAN'S SECOND SEMESTER PLATFORM

1. Clean politics in competitive campus affairs.
2. More paid readers on the campus.
3. A wider scope of news.
4. Realization of the new gymnasium and stadium.
5. Lower prices to University students.
6. Each student an "unofficial" staff member of the Daily Nebraskan.
7. Adoption of the Single Tax System next fall.

OUR AMERICAN CO-EDS.

The Happy Medium.

Still again we present a little food for conscientious consideration. Why not strike a happy medium? Why not blend the qualities of the athlete, the book-worm, the butterfly, and all the other types together—and thus mold the typical American co-ed? It is hard for us to believe that the average college girl in America is a member of a distinct type. To us, she seems a blend of many qualities.

The ideal co-ed is the one who plays tennis equally as well as she dances, who behaves in a drawing room equally as well as she behaves in a class room, who knows how to concentrate and yet knows when to stop, who is a "good sport" and yet who knows when to draw the line.

College girls should try to typify the true American co-ed. They should not fall into the rut of being a "jack-of-all-trades," yet this is better than spending every minute along one line of specialization, ignoring all other things.—Y. G. (Contributed).

SINGLE TAX AGITATION.

We hope that the Single Tax may be voted upon favorably by a majority of the student body before the end of the second semester, so that it will be in working order for the opening of school next September. A certain campus organization is already behind this movement and working towards its adoption. It is expected that a popular election will be called soon, in order that student sentiment may be definitely determined. After this election, the matter will be put up to the Board of Regents for ratification.

Several years ago such a movement was voted upon favorably by the students at this University and then dropped. This year, through student opinions, a large number of students have declared themselves in favor of the Single Tax. Through conversations they have expressed the desire to see the plan "go through" this year.

The Single Tax is the best scheme, we believe, when applied to the larger activities, including football games, basketball games, All-University parties, subscriptions to the Daily Nebraskan, productions by the University Players and the like. It is evident that it will eventually put money into the pockets of the students. You can easily see that such a plan will make drives and campaigns a thing of the past—and who is there on the campus who courts the attention of

collectors?

When the special election is called to vote upon the Single Tax it is up to you to vote. At the Student Council election less than 400 votes were cast. This is approximately eight per cent of the student body. We are warned that unless the vote on the Single Tax expresses the sentiment of the MAJORITY of the students, it is likely to be rejected. **HELP PUT THE SINGLE TAX ACROSS** by working for it now—and later on, by voting for it at the polls.

THE "CIRCUS ADORNMENTS."

The big canvas posters in red and black letters on a white background that some students have been known to term "circus adornments" certainly lend a "small town atmosphere" to the campus. This is not merely a "crab" whose efforts can not even be termed "criticism." For that reason we will try to offer a solution to the "campus bill-board" plan.

Why could we not build upon the roof of a prominent campus building a structure several racks high of three or four lines of letters that can be slipped into place by much the same method as the scores of football games are slipped into place in adjustable score boards? These letters should be constructed of steel so that they will be able to withstand the weather. With illumination at night and a change of announcement every few days, they would serve the purpose of advertising functions to a better advantage than the present signs that blow down with each gust of the wind and the letters of which stand out like the patches on a crazy-quilt.

WE ANSWER MR. BUCK.

Dean P. M. Buck of the Arts and Science College recently wrote for the Daily Nebraskan an article entitled "Students Take Themselves Too Seriously." In the main, we agree heartily with what Mr. Buck says. We agree that whether the student is studying, reciting or indulging in his recreation—usually it is all merely a part of a routine, a hackneyed, bromide existence. When time hangs heavy on the student's hands, he says "Let's go to the movies" or "Let's play pool," simply because there is want of something better to do. It is almost the routine of these habits that has the student within its grip. Very seldom do we see the student reading in his room when his work is done—reading for the PLEASURE of READING. With this we heartily agree.

It is with Mr. Buck's closing sentence that we are forced to dissent. He closes with the statement: "But how can it be said that one of a truth today enjoys going to college?"

In spite of the fact that college seems to be running in a narrow, routine orbit—in spite of the fact that although the unexpected things which are present but which the student does not see, are still left undiscovered—we believe that the student still ENJOYS going to college. When it is all over he will say: "Those four years in college were the happiest I've ever spent. I didn't realize it then. But I would not give anything for them now."

College life may be a routine existence, almost as hackneyed and bromide as a professional career, but it still contains things which are dear to the student—things in which he finds a real joy. When the college annual makes its appearance, when the Shun bows each year, when various traditions are reborn from time to time—then a college is an enjoyable place. These things make us forget the mediocrity of it all. They make us ENJOY college.

EDITORIAL OF THE DAY

HUMAN SAUSAGES.

(From The Dartmouth.)

Men come to college to grow. They come to grow in mentality and to broaden and better their personality. Yet there are few men on the campus who are popularly credited with any expansion in personality and ability, although it is obvious that they have grown. Conversely, it is easy for the man who has been too highly rated during his freshman year to slip from his pedestal, but at the very same

time we are confronted with a paradoxical situation where the undergraduate who has been classed with the "wetter" ones has to go just twice as far in the opposite direction to part out of the group in which he has been placed. From accident as well as from any other reason, all freshmen in the beginning are probably classified in two groups. A certain clique, or perhaps only one or two influential individuals, take upon their shoulders to dictate the social position of the newcomer. The news spreads, and the campus has accepted this chance classification as final.

One of the justifications for the existence of slavery which has been put forward in past centuries is that slavery makes possible the development of a large number of brilliant statesmen and extraordinary artists who could not be produced in any other way. Democracy, on the other hand, has been condemned because it is asserted that it tends to reduce all persons to a condition of hopeless mediocrity. It is on the lines of this last statement that the American college is receiving its severest attacks today. There is hardly an institution of higher learning in the country which does not pride itself on its democratic traditions, but one does not have to look further than Dartmouth to discover this tendency towards the production of a standard type, with the slightest deviations therefrom meeting with instant disapproval. The favored type is undoubtedly a good one, but under the system we shall forever be prevented from developing anything better.

Something more than gloating over an ancient and outworn democracy is needed at this moment. Our hide-bound conservatism must be replaced by a newer and more liberal viewpoint. The college expects all men

to conform to one type, yet even after three or four years of struggle to reach the standard there are very few men who receive any degree of credit for raising themselves from the despised class in which they were placed during the first months of their freshman year.

Unless individualism does receive the recognition which is its due, Dartmouth college will not be turning out each year 400 men developed to their fullest potentiality, but merely 400 human sausages, each one exactly like the next.

Engineers.

Tickets for Engineers banquet and dance are now on sale. Look at your college bulletin board for list of ticket sellers.

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