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A SARDINE EXHIBIT

Probably nothing is packed together as closely as sardines are packed in cans. The little fishes are caught by the millions, cleaned and baked in the same numbers and packed in tins with no breathing space between.

There is a building on the university campus which much resembles the inside of a sardine can in the way its contents are packed together. That building is the museum.

It is not the fault of the janitors or the custodians of the museum that this condition exists. It is the fault of the state legislature in not appropriating funds toward the building of a new museum.

Housed in an old tumble-down looking building the museum is not a pleasant place to visit. The exterior is not inviting. But, once one passes the threshold, a most interesting sight greets his eyes.

Fossils and relics of all kinds are spread over every square inch of space. And while many times the amount of "stuff" than the volume of the building warrants is packed into the museum, there is still many times that amount resting, sight unseen, among different buildings on the university campus and around the city.

The University of Nebraska needs a new museum; it needs a museum which would be at least twice as large as any single building on the present campus. At least if it is to properly house its possessions it needs a building that large. A million dollars could not be more profitably spent than in the museum.

The state of Nebraska needs a museum. A museum placed on the university campus, controlled and owned by the state, would be the best form of advertising possible to find. The state of Nebraska has some of the richest beds for museum relic seekers of any state in the union but it is sorrowfully lacking in places to exhibit those rare possessions which it possesses.

Because of the out of the way location of the museum, because of the forbidding character of the building in which it is housed, few Lincoln people ever visit it. Yet on trips they visit other museums which do not possess nearly as valuable or as rare pieces as the Nebraska exhibit and come home to tell their friends of the wonders. They advertise that museum. It is worth a fortune to whatever city or state owns it.

The state of Nebraska has some pieces which are not duplicated in any museum in the United States or the world. It should have a building to house them in, one which would invite visitors and would spread the fame of its existence unsolicited among the peoples of the entire continent.

THE SMALL AND LARGE COLLEGE
When President Harding stopped off

at Muskingham college, Ohio, recently, he praised his alma mater as any good alumnus under the circumstances would do. And in the course of his remarks he declared that "the smaller colleges through more intimate contact, develop character and the will to do things ahead." To quote his words further:

"I like your institution also because it is very close to my ideal of the American educational institution. I have full pride, I have every reverence for the great universities of our country. I suppose I should be as unhappy as you if we did not have them, but if I were to choose, I would rather have an American made up of those who are educated at our less conspicuous and less largely attended universities."

Mr. Harding raised no new question. The relative rank of a large college and a small college has been the subject of debate for many years. If it is more pronounced now than before, it is simply because the trend is toward larger colleges and the latter are now crowded to more than capacity. Mr. Harding's own college, Muskingham, has since the executive's school days, combined with Central Ohio college. The whole state of Ohio is proud of its great state university and is alert to increase the facilities of that institution. The question arises, was Mr. Harding simply speaking sympathetically of a friend, or is he speaking the voice of an influential group of American citizens who will attempt to bring the small college back to its own?

There are many obvious virtues to be found about a small college. The student comes in direct contact with his professors and there is that invaluable opportunity to form attachments with his elder counsellor. Many a successful man today gives much credit for his success to the splendid character of some small college professor. Furthermore, the students all know each other and friendships of the broadest character are found in such institutions.

On the other hand, the larger college offers its attractions in many ways. It can afford to hire the very best trained men in science and art. It can afford equipment which is impossible in the smaller institution. There is also the desire of many young men and women to receive their diplomas from schools that are nationally rather than locally known.

But more important than the superiority of the large or small college is the need for more colleges. Generally speaking there are no colleges in the United States today which are not crowded for room and short of equipment.—The Lincoln Sunday Star.

"BILL" DAY

A general word of regret goes up among University of Nebraska men at the announcement of the resignation of "Bill" Day as secretary of the University Y. M. C. A. "Bill" has won friends among all the men of the university and it is with a feeling of sorrow that the men read that they will no longer meet him in the "Y" rooms. "Bill" has been a successful secretary. University men will join as one in wishing him success in all future activity.

FAREWELL DEAN BUCK

For six months University of Nebraska students will miss the friendly presence of Dean Philo M. Buck among faculty men and it is with a feeling of regret that university stu-

dents bid him farewell. It will be with a feeling of deep pleasure and admiration as of a friend's success that he will be welcomed back next spring.

JANET PRESSLY IS SECOND IN CONTEST

Summer Student Receives High Place in National Poetry Competition

Miss Janet Pressly, a senior in the University of Nebraska next year and a student in the summer school was awarded second place in the national poetry contest for undergraduates recently according to word which reached Lincoln last week. First place was given to a Texas student.

Professor Jay B. Hubbell of the Southern Methodist University of Dallas, Texas, had much to do with arranging the contest. Valuable prizes were offered. Students from more than one hundred sixty institutions entered the competition.

Judges in the poetry contest were Professor John Erskine of Columbia university, William Rose Bent of the Literary Review and Witter Bynner.

Miss Pressly is a charter member of Chi Delta Phi, literary organization for women at the university. She expects to specialize in Philosophy following graduation next spring.

Miss Pressly entered the contest upon urging by Miss Louise Pound of the English department. Miss Pound received the announcement of the

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