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"EAST IS WEST"

"East is West," a play which is ranked by critics as the dramatic classic of modern plays, will be produced this week by the University Players. This is the second of a series of exceptional plays which the Players are bringing to Lincoln this winter.

The plays are primarily given to afford the students the opportunity to see the high class legitimate productions staged in a manner which rivals professional productions. Yet judging from the number of students at past performances of the Players the greater number of students fail to realize the opportunity which they are missing. Only one-fourth of those who attended have been students. The reputation of Players has won for them a large clientele among Lincoln theatregoers. The Players give three evening performances and a matinee. This should afford ample opportunity for every student to attend one performance.

"East is West," stands out in a list of notable plays as one of the greatest plays. It is the most expensive play the University Players have ever brought to Lincoln. Stock productions of this play have been given only to companies playing the larger cities.

Luelle Becker Foster, well-known for her past achievements in University dramatic productions, will take the part of Ming Toy. A strong supporting cast will appear.

Any play staged by the University Players should attract a large student attendance. The play this week offers particular inducements—in itself, in the cast, and in the staging.

A great deal of discussion has been aroused by the publicity given to the views of Thomas A. Edison on education. His intelligence tests and questionnaires aroused unusual interest. His latest criticisms on education, the condemnation of the present day college graduate, has brought forth many champions of the college man of today and critics of Mr. Edison. Among those is Frederick P. Latimer whose common sense editorial on the subject is quoted from the Evening Day, New London, Conn.

MR. EDISON IS WRONG.
 By Frederick P. Latimer.

If there is anything which makes rational folks tired, it is Thomas A. Edison's continual senile harping on the false idea that American colleges are a waste of effort, and that most of the college graduates are fit for nothing but the cake dish and the lounge. Mr. Edison would be convinced, if he would take the trouble to consult the various class anniversary statistics, published every little while, that by far the larger proportion of college graduates not only attain success far above that of the average man, both in business and profession, but enormously to the progress and benefit of the community.

The New Jersey Wizard complains that when he gets a college man into his employ he usually finds a lemon. This does not compliment Mr. Edison's skill or method of selection. He does not mention what proportion of his non-college men are lemons. In the average experience of employers the proportion is notoriously large.

This would be discouraging if it were not for the fact that this was always so. The proverb "Good men are scarce" in one form or language or another was mossy with age before the celebrated ark of Noah was set afloat.

It is not just to condemn colleges because they have to deal with human nature and are not always able to reform it. Neither is it reasonable to expect that a college education is the thing which ought to be had to fit men especially for work in a factory. Mechanical and chemical, or even business talent is primarily best taught for efficiency in a technical school, although if one can get the college foundation first, he is all the better for it, even if there is a little delay of time.

There has been a good deal of discussion about Edison's notorious intelligence tests and his questionnaires which would flunk nine-y-nine people out of a hundred, young or old, wherever and however educated, and had chief value merely as furnishing publicity dope for the Edison staff. The man who has passed the highest general intelligence test was a college man. Nevertheless that fellow may as like as not perish into oblivion.

Nowadays, to succeed, it isn't so much a matter of how much you know as how much you apply—how much you focus and adjust your information to the business in hand. Rockefeller might not have known a rungs from a hoppy-toad, but he could organize Standard Oil and make a million pennies grow where there was only one before; not only that, but make those pennies fall right into his own pocket.

Grant was a general, and not a general encyclopedia. Stenmetz probably has a very limited knowledge of what is the usual size of Baker's cove smelt, or the proper percentage of cinnamon in an apple pie. Stinnes is not a man who knows more about fibs than fibulae. Few ear and throat specialists are proper to consult for mumps or bad action in the auto-wiring. Banking is not done by literary sharks, or are many books written by brick layers. The man who gets on in his line is the man who stays on it.

A newspaperman, of course, has to know everything. A country lawyer is not far behind him in this respect. But if you want to get an inventor, a foreman of a lathe-room, a traffic manager, or military expert, and have him while his trousers are still short, don't look for him among the boys who are trying to learn to be something else. He naturally won't be there. But a typical, bright, college lad of 21 will learn almost anything more rapidly and to better effect than he would if he had not had the discipline and limbering up mentally of several years of schooling.

"They don't want to do dirty work," says Edison. Well, who does?
 "I have found out that whatever a man is during the first six weeks after he gets a job he will be the same after sixty years." If so, Edison has slept more than his reputation allows.

"The main quality for success, in my estimation, is ambition with a will for work." This is exactly what all the colleges teach.

Union.
 Open meeting Friday, 8:30. Harry F. Huntington will speak. Everybody welcome.

Green Goblin.
 Meeting at the Farm House, Thursday, 7:15.

Delian.
 White Elephant party, Faculty hall, Friday, December 8, 8:15.

Americanization.
 Girls are needed for Americanization work under the auspices of the University Y. W. C. A. See Miss Appleby at Ellen Smith hall.

Fraternity Scholarship.
 Meeting of the scholarship committee chairmen of the fraternities in Dr. Schulte's office, Thursday evening, 7:15. Every chairman be present and intend to spend the entire evening.

Student Council.
 Meeting of the Student Council, Social Science 107, Thursday at 5 o'clock.

Calendar

Thursday, December 7.

Viking meeting, 7 o'clock, Silver Lynx house.

Lutheran club business meeting, 7 o'clock, S. S. 107.

Sigma Delta Chi, Grand hotel, 5 p. m.

University Players, 8 p. m., Temple.

Christian Science Society, 7:30, Faculty hall.

Friday, December 8.

Union open meeting, 8:30.

Phi Delta Chi fall party, K. C. hall.

Y. W. C. A. bazaar, Ellen Smith hall.

University Players, 8 p. m., Temple.

Military ball, Auditorium.

Acacia informal, Roseville.

Saturday, December 9.

University Players, 2:30 p. m., and 8 p. m., Temple.

Phi Mu formal, the Lincoln.

Bushnell Guild house dance.

Palladian Banquet, the Lincoln.

Kappa Sigma house dance.

Menorah Society meeting and initiation.

Sigma Nu pig dinner, Chapter house.

Big and Little Sister party, 4 p. m., Ellen Smith hall.

U-NOTICE

(Notices of general interest will be printed in this column for two consecutive days. Copy should be in the Nebraska office by five o'clock.)

Sigma Delta Chi.
 Sigma Delta Chi will hold an initiation and business meeting Thursday, December 7, at the Grand hotel at 5 p. m.

DeMolay.
 The following will occupy the chairs during the ensuing term:
 Ronald Button—Master Councillor.
 Howard Hunter—Senior Councillor.
 Wendell Berge—Junior Councillor.
 Other officers as announced at the ceremony.
 Everyone invited to attend, especially the members of the Masonic lodges and Eastern Star. Parents and friends of DeMolays are also invited.

Teachers College.
 Preparations are being made by the Secondary Education Club for a winter roast to be held Thursday, December 7. The students will meet at Teachers' College at 5 p. m. Tickets will be on sale Tuesday at 75 cents each.

Big and Little Sisters.
 Every freshman girl is invited to a Big and Little Sister Xmas party at Ellen Smith hall next Saturday, Dec. 9, from 4 to 6 o'clock. All Big and Little Sisters and bring them to this party.

Viking.
 Viking meeting Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at the Silver Lynx house.

Commercial Club Meeting.
 Commercial club meeting, Thursday at 11 in S. S. A. Talk delivered by P. E. Campbell, general manager Miller & Paine. Club dinner will be held Thursday at 6:15 Grand hotel.

Scabbard and Blade.
 Regular meeting, Nebraska hall, Room 205 at 7 o'clock, Thursday, December 7. Uniforms not required.

W. A. A. Meeting.
 W. A. A. meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening in Ellen Smith hall. Board meeting at 7 o'clock.

Theta Sigma Phi.
 Theta Sigma Phi meeting, Thursday, 7 p. m., Ellen Smith hall.

Industrial Research Club.
 Kenneth McCandless, Nebraska's representative on the Student Friendship Tour in Europe this summer, will speak to the club at 7 this evening in the "Y" rooms in the Temple. His subject will deal with our relations to foreign students.

Y. W. C. A. Dinner.
 A Y. W. C. A. staff dinner will be held at Ellen Smith hall at 6 o'clock this evening.

refuse to lend a hand to the support of good causes. It wishes merely to ask the public not to make too many or too large demands upon the various organizations which make up its membership."

THE EIGHT O'CLOCK BLUES

Isn't it just perfect to walk to school miles and miles on a cold Monday morning dragging libraries of books, first in one paralyzed arm and then in the other, thinking of all those unprepared lessons, and week-end dates in one grand jumble? Then the happy thought that you have three minutes to make those nine never-ending blocks to that abhorred 8 o'clock creeps into your mind. Of course you hasten your pace but you just can't seem to make any headway, the blocks stretch out farther and farther ahead, and you have pleasant visions of cold glares and that dreaded honor of lowered grades.

At last you come in sight of the campus and oh my, you see just millions of your fellow sufferers trudging along, all looking just as tired and martyred as you feel. You drag yourself up flights and flights of steps and finally come puffing and bedraggled to your doom. You slump down in your chair in abject misery, not daring to lift your eyes lest the professor might have a happy inspiration and call on you. Of course he does, and after you stumble and stammer incoherently for awhile, he advises you to give up the brave attempt and you settle back in your chair to sleep in peace, for now he knows your unpreparedness. But oh, you are just so tired—you don't care—for the present! Just think, we are all of us Monday morning martyrs for the sake of education!

Exchanges.

Six speakers—Baron Korff or Herbert Adams Gibbons, Scott Nearing, Will Irwin, Oswald Villard, Norman Haggood, and Paxton Hibben, or six alternates in case these men are unable to appear—will deliver a series of lectures under the auspices of The Round Table at intervals throughout the college year, according to an announcement made yesterday by L. L. Friedman, '23, president of the club.

These men, all prominent in present-day affairs, have been obtained through the International Education Bureau and the Speakers' Bureau of the National Students' Forum. Because of the difficulty in arranging the schedule, no set dates can be arranged at this time, although there will probably be one lecture each month, the first being held in January.—The Dartmouth.

University Publicity.

(University Publicity Office).
 The members of the sororities at the University of Nebraska feel that too much of their time this fall has been called for by various campus and city "drives." That these activities have interfered too much with studies, that sorority members have not "unlimited time at their disposal" and that the continual demands made upon students who live in sorority houses will, if it continues, force members to live elsewhere, are among the statements in a resolution passed this week by the Pan-Hellenic Association composed of representatives of all the sororities. The resolution follows:

"The Pan-Hellenic Association of the University of Nebraska prefers to take no formal stand as regards the participation of its members in 'drives' or the solicitation of funds from its members in sorority houses. It wishes, however, to remind the public that the women members of University sororities are not made of money, and that they have not an unlimited time at their disposal. They have given freely of both time and money in the past, for all kinds of public causes. Already during the present semester they have sold tickets for men's athletics, flowers for veterans, secured subscriptions for publications, and campaigned for various humane and relief organizations. But there are limited to what they can do. Many appeals have been received by the officers of the Association, both from members and from their parents, for some sort of protection from the continual demands made upon the members of sororities. During the present semester there has been nearly a drive a week. In these days of fraternity and sorority houses are the first to be visited when funds are to be solicited or when drives are to be carried on. If this continues, it will become prohibitive for many to live in these houses. Those who most need their time and money will feel that they must room where the calls upon them will be fewer.

"Sorority women have done their share—possibly more than their share—in helping in public work, both on and off the campus. They have been glad to do so, and they hope to do so with no less readiness in the future. But they owe it to themselves to keep the largest share of their time for their studies, and they owe it to their parents not to call upon them for an endless succession of subscriptions. The Association has no wish to change its attitude, or to

ized fight is the only way to exclude the evil." The smaller colleges are lead by the example of the larger schools and for this reason if for no other it behooves the big Universities to keep their skirts clean." —The Daily Californian.

Members of the Varsity debating squad who will participate in the triangular debate with Chicago and Northwestern on Jan. 19 were yesterday assigned the particular phases of the question on which they are to speak. The team brief was finished several days ago and the two teams have been meeting regularly and discussing the proposition that will be used this year.

The questioned that will be debated is, Resolved: That the United States should adopt the British System of unemployment insurance.—The Michigan Daily.

Flagrant violations of the point system of participation in campus activities now in vogue are being investigated by a committee consisting of Ernest Hedlund and Leonard Sutton, appointed by the All-University Council, at a meeting yesterday noon.

Reports of students taking part in more activities than is allowed by the point system have come to the attention of members of the council, and provisions of the system will be enforced to the letter, according to Le Roy Grettum, president of the council.—The Minnesota Daily.

Dean Elizabeth Conrad in an interview today defended the average college girl against the charges made in a recent newspaper article by Alonzo B. See, president of the Brooklyn Elevator concern.

"Mr. See evidently does not come in contact with many real college girls," Dean Conrad said, in response to his charge that college girls smoke, use superfluous quantities of rouge and powder, and wear to high heeled shoes and indecent clothing.

"It may be true that such conditions prevail at some finishing schools and in some high schools. In his article, he goes so far as to say that all women colleges should be burned. Such biased criticism is far from constructive.—Ohio State Lantern.

March 1 is the date set this year for the end of the Technology prize Song for the song which, in the opinion of the judges, is most applicable to Technology.

The object of this annual competition, which was started last year, is to produce a song which will best represent the ideals of the Institute. There will be two more competitions after this year's, and a loving cup will be awarded for the best of the four songs thus selected. In this way a new song for Technology may eventually be evolved.

The main consideration of the competition is that the words should be the most important part. They should

successful at other colleges, and will probably be so here at Technology. It is desirable that both words and music be submitted by contestants, but the words alone will be accepted. —The Tech.

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