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CORNHUSKERS CELEBRATE.

The final celebration of the completion of the football season comes next Friday evening when the University men gather for the Cornhusker banquet and the women stage their annual Cornhusker party.

Tales are told of past affairs when the Cornhuskers, the men in their way and the women in theirs, made merry at the close of successful football seasons.

The arrangements to hold the banquet at the Scottish Rite Temple will make it possible for a far greater number of men to attend than it has been possible to accommodate in the past.

No limit is placed on the number of women who may attend the Girls Cornhusker party. Every woman in the University is expected to come to the Armory Friday night.

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THE FORUM.

The Forum, the new organization backed by the Freshman Laws, has met not only with the popular approval of a large number of interested students but also it has attracted attention outside of the University.

The Nebraska State Journal on December 8 used the results of the first discussion as a basis for a long editorial comment on the subject considered.

"The University students who went to hear a debate on the Nebraska code came away convinced by two to one that the code is a good thing and should stand."

The Forum has scored a distinct triumph in this first meeting by the instructive discussion of a topic which is of vital interest in Nebraska at the present time.

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Contemporary Opinion

Mental Mediocrity. A university is an institution which exists fundamentally for the advancement of learning and as such it should have no nooks or crannies for dormant mentalities or dead-wood personalities.

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mental adventure, as only a great genius can, when he wrote: "No generous mind can stop in itself; it ever makes claims and goes beyond its strength; it has sallies beyond its effect; it does not advance and press forward, and retire and drive home, and recoil upon itself and turn about, it is but half alive." In other words, Montaigne realized that there are minds in existence which live from day to day in comatose state; and that the owners of such minds suffer from mental lethargy, which terminates only when they pass out of existence into the definite eternity.

But there is yet another aspect to this problem of mental adventure. When once we have left the land of peaceful ignorance there is no return. We must either keep striving for further truth and knowledge, trying to overcome the most serious of problems and trying to conquer in every mental struggle, or we must admit defeat—acknowledge ourselves beaten and the captives of our mental foes.

Thus we see that we are confronted by two alternatives—we must advance further and further into the realms of knowledge or we must stand still in our tracks, the owners of semi-developed mentalities, the half-completed products of partial education.

The latter alternative is bound to be ill-fated and men who have chosen to do this have caused disaster to fall upon themselves and upon their fellow-men. The reason is simple. They are like ships that are only half constructed and when storms arise they do not survive. They are men living in the light and half in the dark, possessing partly formed ideas, coming to illogical conclusions and formulating unsound judgments.

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U-NOTICE

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

Phi Delta Phi Meeting. Kappa Sigma House, 6 p. m., Tuesday, December 19.

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

Wrestling Meeting. University wrestling meeting postponed from Monday at 4 p. m. to Wednesday at 4 p. m.

Calendar

Tuesday, December 12. Alpha Kappa Psi luncheon, 12. Chamber of Commerce.

Friday, December 15. Cornhusker banquet for all men, Scottish Rite Temple.

Cornhusker costume party for all girls, Armory.

Phi Omega Phi dance, Chamber of Commerce.

Alpha Phi formal, the Lincoln.

Saturday, December 16. Home Ec. party, 3 p. m., Ellen Smith hall.

Kappa Delta party, Ellen Smith hall.

Sigma Chi Dinner dance (formal) the Lincoln.

A. A. E. Dance, K. of C. hall.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon Informal, the Lincoln.

University Notes

(University Publication Office). Prof. J. W. Searson, A. B., '96, A. M., '99, professor of English in the University Extension Division, was elected president of the National Council of Teachers of English at its twelfth annual convention at Chattanooga, Tenn., December 2.

Dean W. A. Seavey of the College of Law will address the Credit Men's Association of Omaha, December 14, on "Speeding Up the Law."

Prof. J. B. Burt, of the College of Pharmacy, has been appointed member of the American Pharmaceutical Association's committee on local branches.

Dr. Lida B. Earhart, professor of elementary education, gave three addresses at the teachers' institute at David City, Saturday.

Dean W. E. Sealock of Teachers' College spoke at Washington, Kansas.

charge of the field work and the physiography laboratory.

Prof. Louise Pound of the Department of English, as western vice president of the American Dialect Society, has arranged a meeting, in joint session with the Central Division of the Modern Language Association at Chicago, December 29. The program includes a paper by Miss Amy Armstrong, A. B., '14, A. M., '15, of the University of Minnesota, who taught in the University's summer session several years and two years in the Lincoln high school.

The president of the society is President William Allen Neilson of Smith College, formerly professor of English at Harvard.

A junior department in the annual corn show of the Nebraska Crop Growers' association will be held this year at the College of Agriculture, January 3 to 4, as part of the meeting of Organized Agriculture, January 2 to 5. Boys and girls under eighteen are eligible.

Mrs. Walter F. Mejer (Anna L. Jones, '02), wife of the corporation counsel of Seattle, recently visited the campus for the first time in twenty years. She remarked that there is one place that looks just as it used to—the library reading room which was so crowded twenty years ago that students had difficulty finding seats.

Acting Dean A. L. Candy of the College of Arts and Sciences presented a paper on "Cyclone Operations of Determinants" at the meeting of the American Mathematics Society, held at the University of Kansas, December 2. On his return he stopped at Topeka to visit a former colleague at the Holton, Kansas, Normal School the first year of his teaching—Dr. C. F. Meissegar.

Malcolm Weyer, Librarian, has been made an associate member of the Printmakers' club of California, a state organization. Each member receives a valuable print annually as a gift from the club.

Teachers of Latin in Nebraska schools have been asked to answer a group of questions and send the answers to Prof. A. A. Reed, director of the University Extension Division to aid Prof. F. W. Sanford of the Department of Ancient Languages, who is a members of the Investigating committee of the American Classical League which is making a nation-wide survey of instruction in Latin.

Prof. N. A. Bengston of the department of geology and geography gave an illustrated lecture on Central America before the Community club of Stanton, November 23.

"The Significance of Some Population Changes in Nebraska since 1880, by Miss Esther S. Anderson of the department of geography, is one of the principal articles in the October issue of the Journal of Geography. Miss Anderson points out the relation of geographic conditions to crop adaptation and improved methods of cultivation, and the resultant effects in stabilizing an agricultural population.

Regular staff meeting have been instituted at the University Library on the third Friday evening of each month. The staff dines together at 5 o'clock and then takes up matters of professional interest.

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At the Churches

Westminster Presbyterian—Paul C. Johnston, pastor; Twenty-third and Garfield. Sunday school at 9:45. Morning service, 11. "The Chief Defense of the Nation." Evening service, 7:45. "The Laymen's Convention—Pompano Points and Sidelines." Christian Endeavor at 6:30.

Second Presbyterian—S. S. Hilscher, pastor; Twenty-fifth and P. Morning service, 10:30. "The School and the Book." Evening service, 7:30. "The Wise Man." Bible school immediately after the morning service. Young people's meeting at 6:30.

All Souls' Unitarian—James W. McDonald, pastor; Twelfth and H. Special service conducted by representative laymen of the church. Devotional service in charge of Prof. R. A. Wolcott and Prof. G. O. Virtue. Addresses by W. E. Hardy, Judge W. M. Morning and Walter W. Locke on "The Place of Religion in Modern Life."

Trinity Lutheran—H. J. Eggold, pastor; Thirteenth and H. Sunday school and bible class at 9:15. Morning service, 10. "The Kingdom of Christ." Bible hour, 7 to 8 p. m.

Grace English Lutheran—R. M. Badger, pastor, Fourteenth and F. Student bible class, 9:45. Morning worship and sermon, 11. Evening service, 7:30.

Temple Baptist—F. W. Ainslie, pastor; Twenty-seventh and Holdrege. Morning service, 11. "A Village Rustler Becomes a Christian." Evening service, 7:30. "The Home as an Educational Agent."

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The Higher the Fewer. The Wife—I see by tonight's paper that Paris says women are going to wear their dresses longer.

The Husband—It's a good thing. You never wear a dress over a month.—Ontario Reformer (Oshawa).

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