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OFFICERS INSPECT MILITARY DEPARTMENT

KOSMET KLUB ELECTS SEVEN NEW MEMBERS

Initiation and Banquet for Chosen Men to Be Held at Lincoln Hotel Wednesday.

OFFICERS TO BE CHOSEN

Organization Founded in 1911—Plays a Musical Production Each Year—1924 Competition Open.

Seven men were elected to the Kosmet Klub at a meeting of the Klub at the Phi Delta Theta house, May 13. Those elected were:

- Harry D. Burke
- L. Welch Pogue
- Ralph L. Ireland
- Arthur J. Latta
- Dietrich M. C. Dirks
- William E. Bradley
- John W. Townsend

Initiation and banquet for the new members of the Klub will be held in the Chinese room of the Lincoln hotel, Wednesday evening, May 16. Complete financial report from the 1923 production "The Yellow Lantern" will be heard and election of Kosmet Klub officers for the coming year will be held.

The Kosmet Klub is composed of fifteen members selected from the student body by invitation. Each year the Klub produces a musical play written by students of the University of Nebraska and played by students. The Klub also sponsors and gives a cup for inter-fraternity song-fests held each fall and spring of the school year, and is the sponsor of the Pan-Hellenic formal each winter.

Organized in 1911, the Kosmet Klub has been on the Nebraska campus for twelve years. Each year a musical production has been played with phenomenal success for distinctly original college productions. Both co-eds and men take part in the plays. This year "The Yellow Lantern" a three-act musical extravaganza was successfully produced in both Omaha and Lincoln.

Announcement that competition is open for the writing of the Kosmet Klub play for next year was made at the meeting of the Klub this week. One hundred dollars will be paid to any University of Nebraska student submitting the best manuscript and music for the 1924 production. The competition this year was won by Cyril Coombs, Law '23. Both manuscript and music must be entirely original. Plays will be received up until the first of October in 1923.

During alumni week the Kosmet Klub will sponsor the spring inter-fraternity song-fest. A special cup has been purchased by the Klub to be given to the fraternity making the best showing in the sing. Announcement of further plans for the inter-fraternity sing will be made in the near future according to the members of the Klub.

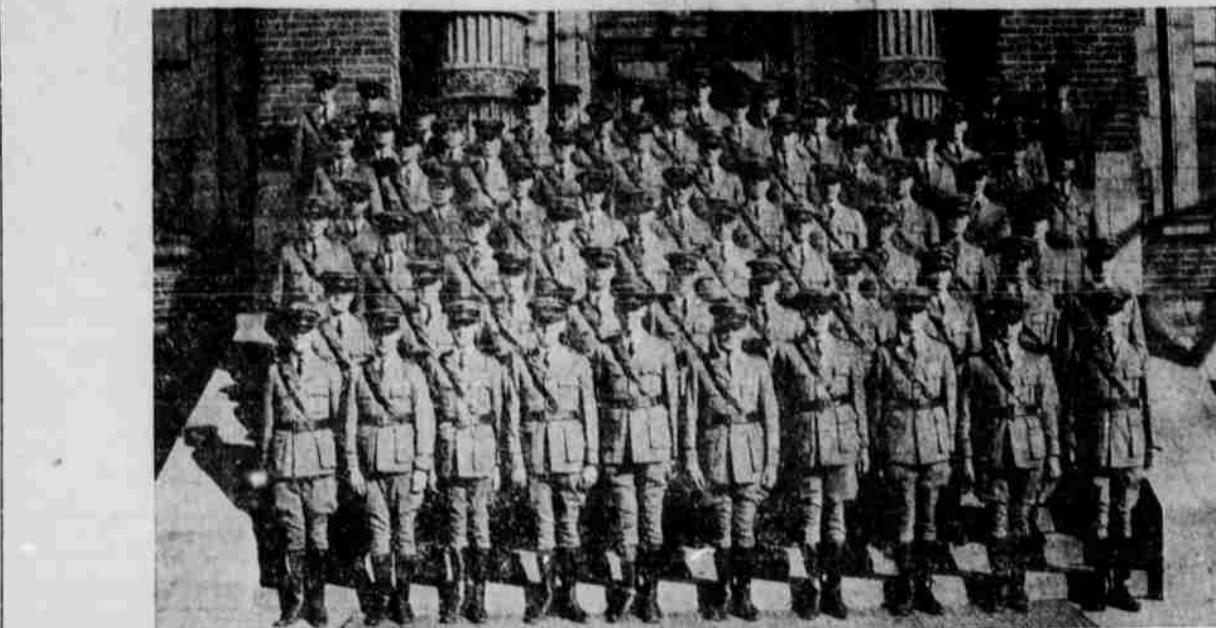
Faculty of University Express Appreciation of Work of R.O.T.C.

The members of the faculty of the University of Nebraska in the following statements, express their appreciation of the work of the R. O. T. C. and the Military Department as a whole:

"The work of the Military Department of the University of Nebraska is worthy of the Pershing tradition. In the support of the faculty, the morale of the students, and the participation of the officers in all good things connected with the University, the local situation is admirable. In my opinion few, if any, of the departments of the University are doing more for the development of those characteristics which the young men of America greatly need, honor, loyalty, and patriotism.

S. AVERY, Chancellor.

"It gives me the greatest pleasure



The Cadet Officers Club is made up of the eighty-six officers of the Nebraska R. O. T. C. regiment. Regular meetings in the interest of the military department are held at intervals during the year. Each cadet officer of the regiment automatically becomes a member of the Cadet Officers' Club upon receiving a cadet commission. The Cadet Officers this year were furnished with blue uniforms through the co-operation of the University authorities.

Mother's Day Will Be Celebrated by Girls

Mother's Day will be observed by University girls at a tea for their mothers at Ellen Smith hall, Tuesday, from 4 to 5 o'clock. A program will be given in which Amy Martin will give a vocal solo, Mary Creekpaum, a cello solo, and Helen Kummer a violin solo. About two hundred mothers are expected to be present.

Vesper services will follow from five to six o'clock at which Mrs. Herbert Brownell will talk. The Vesper choir will furnish music.

BAD WEATHER HINDERS INSPECTION OF R.O.T.C.

Regiment Formed for Parade and Review at One O'clock—Last Three Hours.

Rain and disagreeable weather severely hindered the work of the R. O. T. C. regiment in the first day of the inspection by Majors Bull and Kingman. The slow drizzle beginning seven after noon continued through the inspection, which began at one o'clock and lasted until four.

The regiment formed for parade and review promptly at one o'clock and passed before Major Bull and the Honorary Colonel, Miss Pearl Swanson. Following the review the inspecting officers began the individual inspection of the corps. Questions of many phases of the military work were hurled at the attentive cadets. After the individual inspection, several of the companies were designated to demonstrate the course of training pursued in the military department.

A "buyers' strike" resulted when profiteering florists elevated the price of carnations from a dime to 50 cents because of the "Mother's day" demand in New York.

PLAN TO NATIONALIZE PERSHING RIFLES SOON

Robert F. Craig, First Lieutenant, Is Chosen Grand President to Take Charge.

Immediate steps toward the nationalization of the Pershing Rifles, honorary drill company of the R. O. T. C. regiment, will be taken by the Nebraska company according to plans made by the organization at the last meeting. Reorganization of the company and the adoption of a new pin and constitution have preceded steps toward making the Nebraska organization a national society of honorary drill companies.

Robert F. Craig, first lieutenant of the Nebraska company, has been elected grand president to take charge of the nationalization work. Edward Senn was elected secretary for the work and an executive committee of four members was appointed to aid in the administration of the national organization. This committee consists of Colonel J. G. Noh, Major E. Grant Lantz, Major Proebsting, and the present captain of the Nebraska company of rifles, Howard Hunter.

Investigation on the petitions received from other schools will be completed in the near future. No chapters will be installed before Christmas or late in the fall, according to those in charge of the expansion.

The organization of Pershing Rifles was founded in 1892 by General John J. Pershing, then commandant of cadets in Nebraska. It was originally named Varsity Rifles. As an honorary drill company the organization was continued from year to year with much competition among the cadets of the regiment for membership. Members are selected for their interest in the military work and ability to drill. Officers of the R. O. T. C. regiment and privates alike drill in the ranks of the Pershing Rifles as privates.

At the beginning of the present year the Company was called together under Captain J. G. Noh. Election was made of E. Grant Lantz as captain, Norris Coats, first lieutenant; James Proebsting, second lieutenant; and Howard Hunter, first sergeant. The company carried on the work in the department throughout the year and at the annual election of new members held this spring sixty new members were taken into the company to be active next year. Plans were approved to organize the company at the Fort Snelling training camp this summer.

In the election of officers for next year Howard Hunter was elected captain, Robert F. Craig, first lieutenant; Rollo Van Pelt, second lieutenant, and Harold Edgerton, first sergeant.

CARL C. ENBERG, Executive Dean.

Athletic Director.

"The Military departments is, I think, a very strong asset to the University. The training the men get should stand them in good stead in the present time.

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Kappa Phi Pledges Seven Girls Saturday

Kappa Phi pledged seven girls Saturday afternoon in Faculty hall. Those pledged were: Marie Sscubel, Ellen Rice, Mattie Adee, Mary Heuerman, Maybelle Harris, Mildred Casey and Elizabeth McVey.

Alice Beavers '24 and Miss Luvicy Hill, Kappa Phi Sponser will represent the Zeta Chapter at the Council of Chapters which is to be held at Lakeside, Ohio, August 15 to 22.

MILITARY IS ACTIVE IN HUSKER ATHLETICS

Company M Is Cage Champion—Plans Are Now Under Way for Baseball Tourney.

The R. O. T. C. Unit at Nebraska is proud of the part it is playing in the upbuilding and development of Cornhusker athletics. The military department has a large representation in every branch of athletics, and in every way it is doing its bit towards Nebraska athletic supremacy.

In basketball an inter-company tourney was held which proved to be a great success, as a great amount of interest was shown in the tournament and the branch of basketball played was exceptionally good. Company M won the military cage championship by defeating Company D in the finals in a well-played and hard-fought game. Throuout the tourney the games were well-attended and the competition exceedingly keen.

In track the cadet companies were much disappointed when the announcement was made that it would be impossible to hold an inter-company track meet because of the lack of a field, due to the construction work of the new Memorial Stadium. The various companies have a world of track material, and hoped to conduct an inter-company meet.

Plans are now under way for an inter-company basketball tournament, and there is every indication that a hard-fought tourney in the national pastime will be held before the year is over. Interest is already at high pitch in the different companies, and each company is making plans toward winning the military championship.

Russia is practically the only European country where leprosy is prevalent. There are now five colonies of lepers, with 300 beds each.

"Your" Cornhusker Out Monday

The 1923 Cornhusker will be ready for distribution at the Cornhusker office in Administration building at nine o'clock Monday, May 21, according to announcement from the editors of the annual made last night. A few extra copies were printed and may be obtained at that time.

HUSKERS STRIVE FOR HONOR RATING AMONG R. O. T. C. UNITS OF COUNTRY

All University Is Interested in Examination of Nebraska Military Department—Cornhusker School Has First Chance This Year to Qualify—Missouri Holds Laurels Three Years.

DISTINGUISHED COLLEGE BOARD INSPECTS CADETS

Only Twenty-five Schools Have "Golden Star"—Support by University, Facilities for Training and Instruction, and Efficiency Are Factors Considered in Making Honor Award.

ANNUAL COMPET DRILL SCHEDULED FOR MAY 22

Is One of Oldest and Most Honored Traditions on Campus Organized in 1892.

On Tuesday, May 22, 1923, at 1 p. m. the twenty-ninth annual competitive drill of the University of Nebraska Corps of Cadets will be held on the drill field, north of the Social Science and Teachers' College buildings.

The annual "Compet" is one of the oldest traditions on the campus and one that deserves the co-operation and support of every loyal Cornhusker. In June 1892, General J. J. Pershing, who was then a lieutenant and professor of military science and tactics at the University of Nebraska, selected a company from the Corps of cadets and entered a national competitive drill at Omaha. This company won first place and a silver cup which is known as the "Omaha Cup." Since that time an inter-company competitive drill has been held annually and the winning company is presented with the "Omaha Cup" to be held until the next competitive drill. In 1898, during the Spanish-American war, and again in 1917, during the world war, the members of the Corps of Cadets responded to the call of their country in such numbers that it was impossible to hold a competitive drill.

Winning Company Gets Ribbons.

When the annual "Compet" originated, the Corps of Cadets consisted of only four companies but it has expanded in proportion to the growth of the University until it now consists of twelve companies of over one thousand cadets. It requires an entire afternoon to conduct the drill and perfect organization is necessary to insure each company ample opportunity to demonstrate its proficiency. A number of disinterested officers are invited by the P. M. S. and T. to act as judges and each company is required to execute a group of movements selected by these judges. The companies are drilled separately and they are rated on a percentage basis by the judges. In addition to the honor of having the letter of the company and the name of Captain engraved on the "Omaha Cup," each

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The paramount topic of the day is the inspection of the Cadet Regiment by the Board of Officers from the War Department, who are here to determine Nebraska's ability to rank among the highest twenty-five colleges in the United States in military training.

Few students outside the Military Department realize or appreciate the importance of winning this much coveted prize and in this brief article it is impossible to give more than a general idea on the subject.

Each year the War Department selects from the 129 Senior R. O. T. C. units, located in State Universities and similar institutions, not essentially military schools, certain colleges whose standard of excellence in military training is such as to warrant an inspection with a view to listing them as "Distinguished Colleges." This year, for the first time, Nebraska has the honor of being among those selected to qualify.

In making this inspection the following factors are considered:

- (a) Indoor and outdoor facilities for training and instruction.
- (b) Support of R. O. T. C. training by the Institution.
- (c) Support of R. O. T. C. training by the student body.
- (d) Efficiency of the theoretical instruction.
- (e) Efficiency of practical instruction and training.

The War Department's regulations provide that not to exceed 20 percent of the colleges in the Senior Division of the R. O. T. C. can be granted a "Distinguished College" rating and as there are now twenty-five schools on the list, Nebraska must displace some unit already in the "Distinguished" class in order to take her place in the hall of fame.

Missouri Only "Distinguished College" in Valley.

The University of Missouri holds the enviable record of having been a "Distinguished College" for the past three years and is now the only "Gold Star" college in the Seventh Corps Area, which includes the states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, and Arkansas.

The University of Minnesota was a "Distinguished College" in 1921, but was unable to maintain its high standing and was not recommended last year.

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Foremost Societies on Campus Offer Praise for Cadet Officers

A cadet officer in uniform is one of the common sights on the campus which still never fails to inspire the student with a pride in the school which he attends. Every student in the University has the thrill over the over-whenver he sees one of the fellows on the campus in the uniform which means the United States Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

Here are a few of the sentiments of the students who represent the foremost activities on the campus: "A nifty blue uniform, an alert, swinging stride, an expression of courage, purpose, and endurance—young officer, you command our attention. Indeed you do. We girls may not appreciate the careful drilling, the military skill, and the right discipline involved in your training, but we do recognize the results—your courtesy, your loyalty, your command-ership. R. O. T. C. we are proud to

have you occupy your position of prominence upon the campus.

"VALORA HULLINGER.

"President, Mortar Board."

"The value of military training is more recognized as an essential part of a college education. Military training develops something of selling value for later years. Businessmen are looking for men who are in good physical condition. This sort of thing develops the body physically, thus developing manhood. It also develops the men mentally. The brain must think fast and think clearly, in order to carry out the commands. Oftentimes young men tend to let their brain take the line of least resistance, but to carry out the commands you must think clearly and to point.

"Undoubtedly the greatest thing that military training teaches, is obedience. Everyone dislikes being told

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