

FRESHMEN HEAR LIBRARIAN WYER SPEAK TUESDAY

"The Library" Subject of Address Delivered to First-year Students by Head of the University Library.

ADVOCATES USE OF CARD CATALOG SYSTEM

University Library Has More Than 175,000 Volumes — \$35,000 Expended Yearly on Up-keep of Books.

America has the finest library system in the world, and the older libraries in Europe are rapidly adopting the American method of cataloging books, M. G. Wyer, librarian of the University of Nebraska, told the freshman lecture students of the College of Arts and Sciences, Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning in Social Science auditorium. The subject of his lecture was "The Library."

Through the use of the card catalog system, library records are kept up-to-date, allowing expansion of files as new books are added. Cards bearing the name of the author and the subject dealt with are inserted in the card catalog, which is arranged alphabetically, when a new book is recorded.

In recent years the library system of filing has been adopted and modified to suit the needs of the business world, resulting in the loose

leaf ledger system of keeping records.

The University of Nebraska library has more than 175,000 volumes in its possession, Mr. Wyer stated. Many of them are very old and valuable. An annual appropriation from the board of regents of \$35,000 is used for the up-keep of the books now in the library and the purchase of new books and periodicals. Many of the books purchased to aid instructors in their work must be secured abroad. Other valuable sets are purchased at auction in America. For this purpose there are agents in London, Paris, New York and Chicago. One of the best collections of

books dealing with the French Revolution is in the possession of the University of Nebraska, due to the activities of Dr. Fling of the history department. Under the supervision of Dr. Alexander of the philosophy department, a fine collection of books dealing with North American Indian mythology has been secured.

One of the greatest needs of the University is additional library space, according to the librarian. The reading room has a seating capacity of less than 200 and will accommodate the number of students who need to use reference books. Because of lack of space for bookshelves, many small branches of the library have

been started in various buildings on the campus.

Library hall, in which the library is contained, was built in 187. At that time there were about 1500 students in the school.

Subscription Books.

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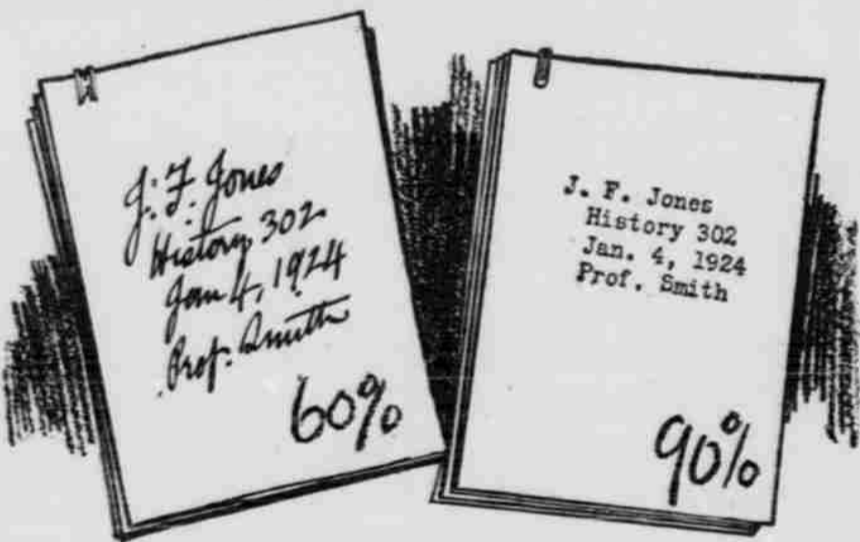
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