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THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE

The Ku Klux Klan held a pre-election meeting in College View Monday evening. The Lincoln Star informs us. Nothing more was done at the meeting than to discuss in a general way the qualifications of each candidate for office.

"The Invisible Empire" is evidently an apt title for the Klan. The fact that qualifications of the candidates were discussed is enough to show that some judgment was passed on each one.

With this apparent evidence, the Klan can hardly be called an American organization. The whole government of the body, it is well known, is from the top down.

Some evidence of this power is seen in the outcome of the presidential election. President Coolidge, probably through habitual silence, failed to declare himself for or against the Klan.

PROGRESS OR REACTION?

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, recently launched another attack on the Eighteenth amendment in which his charges were broader. In addressing the Institute of Arts and Sciences in the McMillin Academic Theatre, Columbia University, he said "The New American revolution is reaction, not progress."

Dr. Butler's speech reminds us of a conference held in Washington last year at which prohibitionists claimed to have unearthed the fact that an organized effort was being made by the "wets" to make the Eighteenth amendment unenforceable.

A man as respected as Dr. Butler, however, cannot be accused of mercenary interests; there is considerable more than a grain of truth in his reasoning.

It was decided once by the nation that the use of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes is harmful to society. In a similar way it had been decided before that gambling is a vice.

The world is much happier with theft, blackmail, arson and so on, prohibited by law. While this nation forbids gambling, other countries carry on state lotteries. Perhaps, in

the case of the Eighteenth amendment, the United States has merely shown its progressiveness.

The College Press

THESE MUSHROOMS.

After the pause of the war, registration in colleges throughout the country again resumed the upward climb of the years before, and in the past few seasons has indicated that it would soon rise to even greater heights.

Figures for this year show, President Thompson says, that Ohio State University is the fourth largest university in the country, and is the second largest in the Big Ten.

Is there no way of stopping this march of the young collegeward? Or should it be stopped? Must the state, in this instance, continue to build for the increasing numbers year after year until the point of saturation is reached?

Far sighted colleges have decided that it is a hopeless task to endeavor to keep pace with the increasing numbers who seek admittance. Even this year Princeton admitted only 600 of 2,000 freshmen who applied for entrance.

We shall be proud to boast our association with the fourth largest school in the country. At the same time we hope some steps will be taken to protect the institution from the plague of numbers alone.

One Effect of Co-Education. In view of late discussions upon college and university life which have been appearing in this column it is only fair to present dissenting and derogatory opinion upon these same subjects, as well as those in commendation.

An article written by Rollo Walter Brown, nationally-known educator, is directed against coeducation on the basis that it is making men less humane. He admits that the argument no longer holds that coeducation is wrong because it brings young men and women together without the steady restraints of home.

But, says Mr. Brown, the influence of coeducation itself, is pernicious. It is his contention that this influence marks off the field of knowledge in an artificial way which is detrimental to men.

The subjects that are usually regarded as humane—that deal with man's self expression, such as literature, fine arts, languages and in some cases histories,—have come to be recognized as subjects of a womanish character, says Mr. Brown, probably because of the tendency of women to elect them, and on account of this the men in coeducational universities avoid them as "soft or sisterly."

To prove his assertions, Mr. Brown goes on to show that in purely men's colleges the "humane" courses are popular, standing about third or fourth in numbers enrolled, and that where there is co-education the number of men taking these courses is almost a minus quantity.

The validity of Mr. Brown's contentions is not doubted. However, there is room for doubt as to the vital import of his discovery.—Syracuse Daily Orange.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA—Forestry department professors have found it necessary to invest in horse-shoes for their students. So popular has pitching horse-shoes become, and so low the funds of the Forestry Club, that the professors of the department took it upon themselves to rescue the game from its sorry plight.

George Macey, of New York, general secretary of the national fraternity, Zeta Beta Tau, visited the local chapter last week. Mr. Macey makes two trips each year to every chapter and is expected here again next spring.

Calendar

Thursday, November 6.
Architectural Engineers—at Acacia House.
Art Club Dinner—Art Gallery—6 to 8 o'clock.

Friday, November 7.
Delta Upsilon—Fall Party—Rose-wild.
Phi Delta Chi—Fall Party—Lincoln.

Sigma Kappa—House Dance.
Agricultural College Mixer.
Theta Phi Alpha—House Dance.
Military Carnival—Armory.

Notices
Christian Science Society.
The Christian Science Society will meet Thursday, at 7:30 in Faculty Hall, Temple.

Freshman Council Meeting.
Freshman Council meeting, Thursday at 7 o'clock, in Temple, 101.

Kearney Club.
Kearney Club dinner at 6 o'clock Saturday at the Grand Hotel.

Palladian.
Open meeting of the Palladian at 8:15, Friday. The Arts and Sciences members will give the program.

Mystic Fish.
There will be no meeting of the Mystic Fish until Wednesday, November 12.

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Menorah Club.
Menorah Club will meet Sunday at 8 o'clock in Faculty Hall.

Cadet Officers.
All cadet officers who want to help with the military carnival will sign up in Nebraska Hall 204.

Basketball.
Varsity basketball practice will be held on the following days: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:00 to 6:00; Wednesday at 7:45.

Phi Sigma.
There will be an election of new members at the Phi Sigma meeting, Thursday, 7 o'clock, Bessey Hall 201.

Gymnastic Team Candidates.
All candidates for the University gymnastic team should report to Mr.

Knights in the gymnasium Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 4 o'clock.

Girl's Commercial Club.
Girl's Commercial club meeting today at 4 o'clock, in Social Science 107.

Xi Delta.
A meeting of the Xi Delta, Thursday at 7 o'clock.

Lutheran.
There will be a meeting of the Lutheran club Thursday at 7 o'clock in Social Science 107.

Geography Exhibit.
An exhibit of materials of value in Geography teaching, has been prepared under the auspices of the Geography Department of the University of Nebraska.

Memorandum.
Memorandum will meet Sunday at 8 o'clock in Faculty Hall.

Union.
There will be a meeting of the Union Literary Society Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the Temple. Open to everyone.

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