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HONORS COURSES
 The leading editorial of the May Nebraska Alumnus, entitled "Reward for the Honor Student," presents a partial solution for one of the most interesting present educational problems. In the University's effort toward mass education—a necessary immediate outcome of the ideal of universal education—individual students have been subordinated in the interests of the mass. In recent years special attention has been paid to the sub-normal student, but the exceptional student has been neglected. By "exceptional student" is meant one who is hindered by the routine of required class attendance, one who is able to progress faster than the average, or one who benefits more from independent study than from the lecture or the classroom.

To allow this type of student to use his own judgment in the matter of attendance on lectures by freeing him from compulsory class attendance and from the book-keeping machinery with which we are so familiar is the plan of Wesleyan University at Middletown, Connecticut. "Wesleyan intends to stop keeping books on the comings and goings of her honor students," says Dr. James L. McConaughy, the president. "In the near future, juniors and seniors who rank above the average will be told that they need not attend classes except when they believe it will be the most beneficial thing for them to do. It is ridiculous to treat men of proven ability and maturity as though they were children." Wesleyan expects by this method to develop more individual responsibility, more self-dependence, more initiative and aggressiveness toward real scholastic attainment on the part of the students of the last two years. Such a plan would serve also to weed out those who are ambitious and insincere—unfit members of a university. This is just one of the means proposed at the present time for the benefit of the exceptional student. It is often true that students granted this privilege are not only those of very high averages with respect to grades, but those whose abilities for independent work have been demonstrated.

Other attempts to liberate the exceptional student from the machine-like routine of the classroom have included the idea of sectioning on the basis of ability, proposed and defended by Dean C. E. Seashore of Iowa; the Princeton system in fields of concentration; the junior-senior college; and honors courses such as are now working at Smith, Swarthmore, and Columbia. It is important to point out in connection with the last, the honors course, that honors are awarded usually for special work, in addition to the regular program, now used in varying degrees by seventy-four colleges and universities (about fifteen state universities); or for honors courses superseding the ordinary requirements being used now in seventeen colleges and universities.

The honors course offers one of the most satisfactory plans for the exceptional student. While it would be immediately impractical in a state university, it is a goal which is not too distant, and toward which it is well to work by degrees, according to the sentiment expressed at a recent conference on honors courses held at Iowa City and representing mid-Western colleges and universities.

The Swarthmore plan, which is one of the most complete, and which has been in successful operation for four years, starts on the basis of a frank differentiation between students who are interested in intellectual life and those who are not, and the recognition of the necessity of allowing the better students more responsibility in looking after their own intellectual salvation. Students are admitted to read for honors at the beginning of

their junior year. Students themselves elect to read for honors and are admitted after showing either a "B" average or above, special ability in one field, or special independence in laying out tasks and performing them. The first two years are allowed for completing required courses in English, mathematics, history, science, and language.

The honors student is excused from ordinary requirements of class attendance, semester examinations, tests. He is expected to make use of the regular courses at the advice of the advisor or tutor. The student is reading all the time for general, comprehensive examinations at the end of his last two years. His reading is done under the direction of a tutor, one of the older and better-trained men in his department. Weekly seminars are held to crystallize his ideas on the material read.

The honors student has his work outlined, not in terms of what he is to do, but what he is to know. He studies, not a course, but a subject. He organizes his own material, sets his own tasks, finds his weaknesses, and, in general, works out his own salvation. In the end, the student appears before a committee of examiners from other institutions than his own and writes, as well, eight to twelve-hour, comprehensive examinations, covering the field of his two years' study. Smith College has a similar plan for the major subject or the major department of a student's study.

It is not necessary to argue that the exceptional student should be permitted to develop as fast or as far as he is able. The leaders in the intellectual life of a university may well become the intellectual leaders of the state or the nation. The present condition of mass education, overflowing classes, and disarranged curricula presents a situation which tends to force even the exceptional student into an obscurity from which he should be rescued. While the genius will educate himself no matter what the conditions of things may be, the "exceptional" student, as we have defined him, may not realize his full possibilities unless he is assisted. Having thrown out the academic lifeline to the sub-normal student, and since we are successfully putting through the universities the normal students, it is time that special attention be paid to the exceptional student for whom the state and the nation have the greatest need.

—V. VAN V.

Student Opinion

Sir: We desire to give public notice of the following resolution which was passed and adopted by the engineers in their convocation held on May 8, at ten o'clock. The resolution reads: "In this emergency, due to the sudden and unwarranted influx of golfers, minus clubs and bags, but otherwise fully equipped, on our campus, and resenting this attempt to assist the local men's furnishings stores to establish this custom, it is the opinion of the College of Engineering student body in convocation assembled on May 8, that these molders of

DEBAUFFRE TRACES USE OF MACHINERY

Speaks at Sigma Xi Initiation; Dr. Swezey Elected New President.

"Today the drudgery of the struggle for existence has largely been transferred to machinery vitalized by mechanical power, thus making universal education possible by sparing youth from the farm and factory," declared Prof. William L. DeBaufre, retiring president of Sigma Xi, in speaking on "Mechanical Power" at the Sigma Xi initiation held Friday evening at the University Club.

He traced the development of mechanical power, showing that it has had a marked growth during the past century. The Roman and Greek civilizations rested largely on slave labor, but at the close of the last century, over five horsepower was available for every man, woman, and child in the United States. As a man's power is less than one-tenth of a horsepower, it is easy to see that the

custom refrain from wearing knickerbockers while on the down-town campus. "Furthermore, we heartily commend the stand taken by the members of the College of Law in promising to remove, by force if necessary, any knickerbockers worn by any member of that College on the campus.

"Further, we will treat any member of our college in a like manner, but do not agree to supply the proverbial barrel. "While heartily approving of individuality and courage, yet we are content that the twelve leading men in school who are thus defying established custom should be representatives of other colleges than ours."

We are, Sir, etc.,
 ROSS McGLASSON.
 BART EGAN.

First Plymouth Congregational Church

Sunday, May 17th
 Two Great Services
 at
 FIRST PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
 17th & A Streets
 11 A. M.—Sermon Subject "MOTIVE POWER"—A sermon to young folks graduating this spring. By Dr. John Andrew Holmes.
 8 P. M.—A special musical service conducted by Carrie B. Raymond.

present power is equivalent to more than fifty slaves for each inhabitant of our country. Prof. DeBaufre emphasized the fact that research in utilizing mechanical power is required in order to minimize the expenditure of fuel for the accomplishment of the desired result.

Dean Sherman Speaks
 Dr. L. A. Sherman, Dean of the Graduate College and guest of honor, traced the early history of Sigma Xi preceding the formation of the local chapter and recommended frequent meetings of the faculty organization to promote acquaintances and friendships among the members.

The new officers are: Dr. G. H. Swezey, president; Dr. H. H. Marvin, vice-president; Dr. M. G. Gaba, treasurer; Prof. Emma N. Andersen, secretary; and Dr. F. H. Wolcott, councillor.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA, Lincoln Division.
 In the matter of Photo Specialty House, a partnership composed of Ulysses G. Cornell and Florence E. Taylor and Ulysses G. Cornell and Florence E. Taylor as Individuals, Bankrupt.
 In Bankruptcy No. 385. Notice to creditors of application for discharge and order to show cause.
 To the creditors of the above named bankrupt:
 Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of April, 1925, the above named bankrupt filed his petition for discharge in bankruptcy, and

IT IS ORDERED that the 17th day of June, 1925, be and the same is hereby fixed as the date on or before which all creditors of said bankrupt and all persons interested in, said estate and in the matter of the discharge in bankruptcy of the said bankrupt shall, if they desire to oppose the same, file in my office in Lincoln, Nebraska in said District, their appearance in writing in opposition to the granting of said discharge, and also, within ten days thereafter, file in my said office specifications of the grounds of said opposition.
 Dated at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 12th day of May, 1925.
 DANIEL H. McCLENNAN,
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