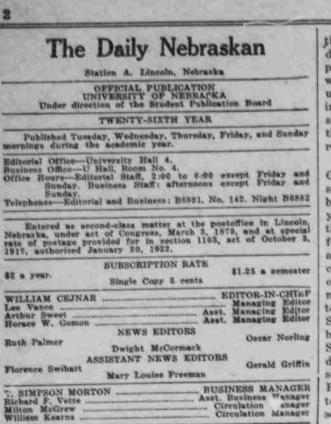
THE DAILY NEBRASKAN



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1927.

PROBATION WEEK

The freshman dreads it. The sophomore looks forward to it.

The junior is unconcerned.

The senior is disgusted.

That's the evolution of the probation-week atti-

tude of many a typical college student.

The whole works is probably the last kid stage in the development of the young men and women of the University. Probably on that ground it may be excused. Probably on that same ground it ought to be uprooted entirely.

It is interesting to note that fraternities composed of older men have never had the institution. It is interesting also to note that fraternitics in general have gradually cut down on the excesses of the week, and in some cases have even cut out the burlesque performance altogether. It is also interesting to note that a newly organized group is generally the one which glories most in this performance and that its members talk about it most to outsiders. Gradually as the new group grows older and wiser, it glories less and less in probation week, and approaches the normal. The national officers of many fraternities at the present time are doing all in their power to curb the kid play and horse play excesses of the institution.

It seems that just as the individual from his freshman days up to his senior and graduate days undergoes an unconscious evolution in his attitude toward the performance, so the groups as a whole are gradually, more slowly, growing and developing. Perhaps the time may come when the institution will be eradicated entirely.

Be that as it may, we have probation week upon us full blast beginning tonight at 10 o'clock.

For the persecutors, and the persecuted as well, is printed below an article which appeared last fall in The Intercollegian. It won't hurt to read it.

Making Rolls Royces Into Fords

A Chapel Talk on the Mishandling of Freshmen By Rollin H. Walker Ohio Wesleyan University

tinction would result. And so they have come here dreaming that they would find free and normal expression for the idealistic impulses that are surging up within them. But they have fallen into the hands of upperclassmen who are so busily engaged in standardizing them that if the process goes on they will become such factory-made products that if they lose one of their parts they will have no need to worry-they can replace it at the next garage.

There are men in the present senior class whom God Almighty designed to be unique and striking personalities. You were built on the plan of a Rolls-Royce but unfortunately the committee on pledging men in your group did not understand the mechanism of any thing above a Ford, and the respects in which you dif fered from the Ford model of your group struck them as unfortunate eccentricities that needed to be taken out of you. And so they began the melancholy task of making over a Rolls-Royce into a Ford. They have not made a good Ford out of you, but there is reason to fear that they have forever ruined the Rolls-Royce. Sometimes you have regretful moments when you think back on your sensitiveness and idealism as a freshman. Sometimes you remember wistfully those glorious dreams which you brought to college, and there is a But alas! the damage inflicted upon you is so deep as ideal established when we were ing the success of the student comto make it difficult for you ever to get back to your old youngsters. self.

Let me tell you, my friend, that it would have been better for the upperclassmen who coerced your foresight which has been shown by the invitation for graduating seniors. personality out of its God-given trend, that a millstone had been hanged about their necks and they had been drowned in the depths of the sea.

And now, having received such injury from others. let me beg you not to inflict this damage upon the freshmen with whom you have to do. For God's sake, do not do it!

Now You Freshmen!

Let me speak a word to the freshmen themselves. Many of you come from homes whose traditions and standards are very much more refined than the traditions and standards of the upperclassmen who have so officiously taken you in charge. Your social intuitions are more to be trusted than theirs. The Master says, Call no man Rabbi. That is to say, Let no man do your thinking for you, let no man keep your conscience, let no man make your great decisions. There is only one person who has a right to dictate to you, and that is the One who in order to purchase that right died for you, and rose again.

Of course you must be ready to take criticism and profit by it. Of course you must welcome kindly suggestions from the upperclassmen. Of course if you are wise you will get much good from them. But if a conceited group of seniors try to browbeat you into doing violence to any of your finer instincts, I would rather let them kill me than submit to such an indignity.

One of the best things we like about the end of

winter is the removal of those horrible storm doors leading into Red Long's student center.

IN-BRED COMMITTEES

One of the surest ways to kill interest in a campus project is to limit committee appointments to one of the underground political factions with which this campus seems to be irrevocably afflicted. The reason lies in the fact that the members of that one side do not support the thing any more merely because their men happen to be on the committees, and the members of the others side do not feel like contributing wholeheartedly to a project which to all intents and purposes is a private preserve of the other side. This is without mention of the possible inefficiency resulting in an

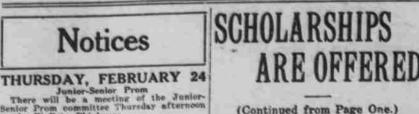
in-bred selection of committee members. Two committees for general student affa The Campus Pulse

Lotters from readers are c. dially welcomed in this department, will be printed in all cases subject only to the common newspaper practic heeping out all libelous matter, and attacks against individuals and religi

With the first semester examina-|dent affairs. Namely the invitation ions over comes phantom visions of committee appointed by the first semgraduation with rosy dreams of new ester senior president. This commitworlds to conquor. This seems a very tee illegally appointed by the first clear and pretty picture to all pros- semester president acting outside his pective graduates. But coupled with authority and beyond the scope of his this dream so fair there lurks in the power has entered into a contract background that ever present and causing each and every graduating hovering figure which so often shat- student to pay exorbitant prices for ters the most rosy and fair of dreams every invitation thus increasing the the expense. With four years of col- price of graduating approximately lege education which has for many two dollars a head.

of us been a drain on the family The writer has heard from a repocketbook comes the added expenses liable source that the Wesleyan stuthat are coupled with graduation. dents are receiving the identical invi-The family at home have in the past tation that is attempted to be forced made sacrifices that we might attain on the Nebraska students at a rethis one hour of realization of an duction of 7 cents each. Remembermittee appointed on the rent-a-Ford Should this hour of realization be question last year a suggestion that

shattered and the dream destroyed such a committee would not at all be because of the stupidity and lack of out of order at present in regard to ficers and second-in-command captains must be taken by the first of C. A. F. certain committees in charge of stu-



(Continued from Page One.) forecasting at Bergen Geo-Physical taken. The following list includes Institute, other Humanistic, technical sorority women who have not ap-

The awards will be \$1,000, and in any mistakes and any of the people a few cases, \$1,200. There will also have had their pictures taken they be arrangements for some for a re- should see the studio and have the duction in steamship rates on com- mistake corrected. Sorority women who do not have their pictures for

This party was originally scheduled for Feb. 18. Farmer's Fair Meeting of all Chairmen of Farmer's Fair committees at 6:00 in Room 312, Home Economics Hall. Fill your tray in the Samueland. Being money for Cornhusker important. Bring money for Cornhusker Pershing Rifle

be filed at the office of the President or Dean of his college before March 1. The successful candidates will be notified about April 15, after the final selection of fellows has been made by a jury of university pro-fessors and technical experts appoint-ed by the Foundation. Heikes, Mary Margaret Dauthitt, Mildred Stahl. Alpha Phi: Rachel Parham, Anna Alex-ander, Genevieve Moritz, Jane Stocks, Mar-jorie Carr, Madaline Hunt, Leta Irwin, Genevieve Tyler. Zeta Tau Alpha: Eva Williams, Margaret Rown. Chi Omegat Viela Forsell, Margaret Sand-eraves. Evelyn Wood. Delta Delta: Vera Welsh, Evelyn Stota.

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(Continued from Page One.) To facilitate matters and to help Rodgers, sophomore. Morrison is capin assembling the mass of copy which tain of the team and has had three is still due several deadline dates years of collegiate debating experhave been set by the editorial staff. ience. This is the first year of debat All copy and pictures for the en- ing for the others. graver must be in by March 15th. All The Kansas team will debate the

pictures of military officers and same question with the University of sponsors, which includes majors, cap- South Dakota at Vermillion Friday tains, battalian adjutants, staff ofevening.

Librarian At South March. This is imperative for the Dakota Gets Mention military section will be one of the

Vermillion, S. D., Feb. 23 .- Mabel So many fraternity and sorority K. Richardson, librarian at the Unimembers have not yet had their picversity of South Dakota, received special mention in the recent contest them until Saturday noon to go to conducted by the New York Times either Hauck's or Townsend's studio for the best essay on the value of the Times index and file as a newspaper record. Miss Richardson placed fourth in the contest in which librarians from many states competed.

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There will be enfor Prom committee Thursday it the Pi Beta Phi house. Xi Delta meeting seven o'clock Thursday at Ellen Smith Hall. Palladian Literary Society The annual boy's program will be given at the open meeting. Friday, 8:30 p. m. Everyone invited. Scabbard and Biade Literary will be hel chatlon of new members will be hel Scabbard and Blade Re-election of new members will be held at Nebraska Hall at 7 o'clock Thursday. Kappa Phi There will be a Kappa Phi party, given by the pledges for the members at Ellen Smith Hall, Friday, Feb. 25, at 8:15 p. m. This party was originally scheduled for Feb. 18. mercial vessels.

Important, Bring money for Commune picture. Pershing Rifle Pershing Rifle meeting in Room 205. Nebraska Hall, tonight at 5:50. It is very important that every member be present, and especially members of the dance com-mittee. Dance matters will be discussed. Uniforms are not necessary. Preshman Council On account of probation wock there will be no Freshman Council meeting this week. Meet next Thursday 7 p. m. at Temple. Ag Club Ag Club Ag Club meeting in Dairy Hall Audi-torium at 7:30 Thursday February 24. EDIDAY ECDDIIADY 92

more Soccer Team meet at the Campus Studio at 9:45 Saturday morning Dressed TIGERT WILL GIVE ADDRESS

peared at either studio. If there are and scientific subjects.

In assuming an autocratic attitude toward freshmen, upperclassmen are laughably inconsistent. For at the very time that they are setting up over new students a paternalistic regime that reminds one of Russia under the Czars, they themselves in a hundred different ways are otsentatiously and passionately proclaiming the revolt of youth, and demanding freedom from the domination of father, mother, teacher, or any of the conventional restraints that the heary wisdom of the past has laid down for the guidance of youth.

Imagine an attempt on the part of a university faculty to order the seniors about in the way in which one often hears of the pledged men in a group being sent hither and thither at the caprice of the committee that has them in charge! Suppose, for instance, at the next class the professor should read out peremptory orders to his major students to do the kind of things that freshmen are often commanded to do. How would you take it if your major professor should command you to appear at six o'clock tomorrow morning at his home to black his boots, or wash his automobile? What a fierce outcry there would be! But why would this be so highly improper coming from a professor, and yet quite the normal thing coming from a senior?

You understand, of course, that, being an old professor, I am so used to college boys that I do not get excited over their larks. If some wag in a fraternity commands a freshman to rise at five o'clock in the morning ,and perch himself on the back fence and crow like the bird of dawn, if the freshman is willing to do it, I do not propose to get the least bit excited.

Neither do I object to the rule that assigns to freshmen such jobs as cleaning out the ashes in the cellar. Only incidentally I would suggest that it would be a good thing for the seniors to put on their overalls and keep the freshmen company, and show them what an artistic finish four years of classical culture enables a man to give to such a job. And this on the principle that he that is greatest among you is to be least of all, and servant of all.

The Goose Step

What I am worried about is the occasional domineering contempt toward the sacredness of the personality of the freshman, and the not infrequent use of all kinds of pressure to force them into the goose step of the group. This, of course you understand, is no railing accusation against the groups as a whole. I have had too much experience with the kindly efforts of seniors to save freshmen from their follies, to be guilty of such injustice. But even when this interest is very benevolent, it is often officious to a degree that no senior would patiently endure from a member of the faculty.

But some one says, these freshmen are so foolish and conceited that they need some rough handling to make men of them. Or in other words, you say they need military discipline. Professor Dewey says that educationists disagree on almost every point, but there is one matter on which all educationists are at onethey agree that of all kinds of discipline, military discipline is the most ineffective.

I admit that one frequently finds a cocky and conceited freshman, but is it not better to use the method which mamma takes when wee little Johnnie acts silly before the household, supposing that he is being cunning? She simply gives a sign to the rest to pay no attention to him, feeling that he will soon stop if he is not noticed.

Freshmen are certainly not helped by being browbeaten and standardized by mechanical pressure. On the contrary, they need to be encouraged to express their individuality. Many of our freshmen are the only ones in the senior class of the little high school that came to college. The teacher noticed in them a certain uniqueness. The elements were so mixed in thein that he fait instinctively that if they developed in company with a pocket typewriter. after their own individual manner a personality of dis

recently been announced. One of them contains a fairly equal division of the committee appointments between the two sides. The other is a rank one-faction affair, with 4 out of 7 appointments in one fraternity alons

What influence this one factor may have on the what influence this one factor may have on the Everybody welcome. Discussion of Nerry John Tigert, national commissoner success of the respective functions should be watched Literature. Friday, Feb. 25 at 8:30 Temple of education, of Washington, D. C., with interest by campus leaders who will be directing affairs next year.

A new house sometimes helps the old family tree.

In Other Columns

We pity these popular seniors when we see them cross the campus between classes. They exhaust themselves physically tipping their hats to coed friends and tailing the observance of fraternity Wyman, president of William Jewel mentally by trying to remember the first names of "hell week". everyone they meet. -Ohio State Lantern

The Declining Art of Writing

"The pen is mightier than the sword," once declared some thoughtful person, and opened up a question which has been a subject of debate for many years. Of course the phrase was used in a general sense, implying that the written word has more power and influence than have the implements of war. But it is interesting to note the fact that the statement taken

literally is at present well nigh out of date. To modernize the statement and to make it true to the present day one would have to put it something like this, "The typewriter is mightier than poisonous lyptus at the U. S. Forest Products The facts which this illustrates are only too laboratory, University of Wisconsin, gas."

our modern civilization; while the days when the sword stock. was regarded as the symbol of battle have even more

completely disappeared.

Writing, or what is now called writing, is still of course in common use, but the modern tendency seems to be for every one to ignore the recognized signs which represent the alphabet and to develop a species of short hand, intelligible only to themselves. This is only too evident in present day business life, where practically all correspondence is typewritten. Business men realize th difficulty of interpreting letters written in ordinary long hand, and they save themselves and their correspondents considerable time and trouble by arranging their transactions thru the medium of the type writer.

In college, the same tendency, tho not perhaps so great an extent, is to be distinctly observed. Any knowledge of the art of writing which the student may have acquired before coming to the university is soon lost upon his arrival, and the preset objectionable system of note-taking compels him to fall in line with his fellow students in inventing a suitable method of short hand to enable him to take down the maximum number of fac.s in the minimum of time. Indeed, on the few occasions when he is compelled to write-in examinations-the results are decidedly poor, and it is extraordinary how the examiners are able to translate the scrawls presented to them.

But altho the university may be responsible for spolling the writing of some students, the general bad writing of school children is remarkable. Schools at the present day pay little attention to the actual art of writing, and the children are hurried on to other things before they have their letters properly formed. If writing is not taught, something else must be, and typewriting seems to fill the breach as well as anything. Possibly it may not be many years before students at McGill may be seen attending lectures and examinations

-The McGP. Daily

matron. Sorority Girls Picture The Cornhusker announced today that all sorority girls who have not yet had their pictures taken will be called personally in the next few days. Union Literary Society Open meeting of Union Literary Society. Fearybody welcome Discussion of News.

Notices

Commencement Program

Norman, Feb. 23., (Special)-Dr. John Tigert, national commissoner will deliver the commencement ad-

"HELL WEEK" CAUSES dress at the University of Oklahoma, TROUBLE AT KANSAS June 7, President W. B. Blizzell an-

nounced today. Lawrence, Kan. Feb. 22 .- Follow-Before his appointment as coming the arrest of 13 fraternity missioner of education, Doctor Tigert pledges for creating a disturbance in was a member of the faculty of the North Lawrence at 2 a. m. city of- University of Kentucky. He was an ficials and authorities of the Univer- Oxford scholar and made e brilliant sity of Kansas met with representa- record overseas during the war. tives of the professional and social The baccalaureate sermon on June

fraternities to consider means of cur- 5 will be delivered by Dr. Harry C. College, at Liberty, Mo. "Hell week" is the term applied to

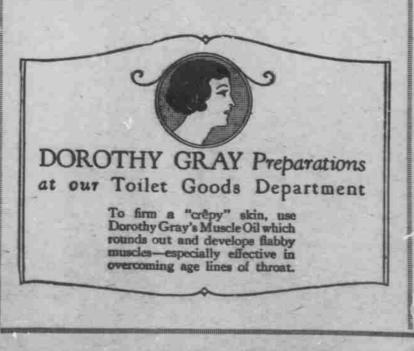
a period of trial which some fraternities require that their pledges go through immediately prior to initiation. During this period the initiates are required to perform various stunts which require considerable midnight prowling, and which sometimes cause complaints from the citizens of the town.

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