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A GOOD START! How About the Finish?

If University of Nebraska freshmen do not get the proper start in school this year it will not be the fault of the faculty or older students.

Some 2,500 students crowded the Coliseum; about 700 more than were expected. The Acting Chancellor, the Dean of Men, the Dean of Women, Mortarboards, Innocents, and impressive members of the "N" club decorated the stage.

A new Chancellor and Dean of Student Affairs addressed the throng. The new students, of course, had no other such officers to compare these new ones with.

Then came the rapid-fire, impressive, thundering speech by Dr. Condra. Every student in the Coliseum was ready and anxious to take the Cornhusker Oath when his explanation of a true Nebraskan was finished.

If the freshmen really take seriously what was explained to them at the Initiation, the University of Nebraska will have to be re-named Utopia. Perfection, of course, will not be reached. But improvement and advancement are at hand, and from the appearance of the eager freshmen faces yesterday morning, the class of 1931 will not go down hill.

One of the campus' most respected Mortarboards, in ending her speech before the women's half of the Freshman Initiation yesterday morning, made the following fatal slip: "I hope that every freshman woman will strive to gain a Phi Beta Kappa Key, or a Sigma Chi pin." Incidentally, the notes of her speech read "Sigma Xi pin." Rather a bad mistake!

BETTER?

An editorial taken from the Omaha Bee-News appears in "In Other Columns." Therein the large student body increase of the Omaha schools is lauded to a great extent. According to the Bee, the flood of students eagerly seeking a higher education is indicative "of the mounting reputations of the great schools

derousness of the student body. We still have in America a few colleges with outstanding reputations that have never been soiled with ballyhoo concerning the ever increasing student body bursting the walls of the buildings wherein their learned professors pour forth knowledge into the eager minds awaiting. These colleges have attained reputations by enforcing a quality of work that is unquestionable; unquestionable because the process within the institution is unhindered by a mad rush of to-morrow's students. Quality and not quantity has been their dominant ideal.

Did Harvard, Yale, and Stanford, acquire their of Omaha." Evidently, the educational quality of a school is relatively graded in accordance with the reputations as colleges of a higher calibre by tacking out a sign that read, "We have more students than any other college?" No. They said, "If you are of the right caliber, we will take you. Our student body is limited to the student of worth." That is the manner in which they acquired their reputations as the leading institutions of learning in the United States. They concentrated on the individual and consequently have developed more leading figures in the intellectual circles of the nation than any other schools. The universities whose student bodies are expanding with balloon-like rapidity are manufacturing degrees by the carload. But just as steadily, the quantity is interfering with the quality.

After all, is it any particular compliment to a college, to say about itself, that the student body is increasing by leaps and bounds? With the present trend toward education, every college in the United States is encountering the same situation. The Omaha Bee, in a burst of local enthusiasm, is indulging in a little unnecessary back-slapping.

TONIGHT'S THE NIGHT

Tonight's the night. At 12:15 o'clock all well-behaved lights on porches will wink knowingly and flicker out, their vigil ended. What will happen? Who can tell in this mad age. Perhaps a plaintive moon will zoom forth in the cool night air, sorority soprano mingled with fraternity bass; and Mother Nature, ever sympathetic, will shed a few faint tears for her harassed children. Perhaps hoarse howls will rend the patient ether, turbulent processions form, and the Innocents be seen once more bustling around and selling torches. Banners bearing the stirring slogan:

Fifteen minutes a night, Adds a fund of delight may wave wildly at the startled stars. Rousing speeches regarding the rights of man and co-ed to said fifteen minutes may trumpet forth in the chill atmosphere! Ah no, this could not happen. Not in this docile age.

In Other Columns

CROWDING THE SCHOOLS.

Omaha's schools are literally booming. Reports from the University of Omaha, Creighton University, and the University of Nebraska College of Medicine, all indicate an influx of students beyond the capacity of the schools. While this experience has been common enough for the last several years, it is at present so pronounced that it attracts the especial notice of the authorities of the school.

While it denotes the prosperity of the region that permits the boys and girls to seek education beyond the high school, it is indicative of something of far greater importance. That is the mounting reputation of the great schools of Omaha. The University of Nebraska College of Medicine is so solidly established that its entrance applications always exceed its capacity. Several times as many seek its doors as can be taken in each year. Creighton University is rapidly assuming a leading place among the schools of national importance, with a student enrollment correspondingly greater each succeeding year. So too with the University of Omaha. Its growth is commensurate with its stability as a school of high repute, and its name is coming to be powerful to draw students to the city.

Omaha may well rejoice that these schools are crowded. They are an asset that deserves to be cherished and nurtured. We have well built up a reputation for commerce and industry, and it is cheering to note that our reputation as a center of culture and intellectual life is fast catching up to the other factors of the city's fame.

Bee-News.

THE SPECTATOR

It being Bad Form in our day to issue one's own pamphlet (consider what occurred when a Mr. Jensen last year came out in Print), I have been fortunate enough to secure space in the Editorial Columns of this Publication, for the results of my observations as a Spectator. I must thank the Editor for allowing me to remain anonymous, which is without doubt an Advantage, although it is not unanimously approved among Men.

In the morning mail, a communication from one signing himself Sir Roger de Coverly, which being very long can not be transcribed here in full. Suffice it to remark that Sir Roger advises me to recall the experience of a certain campus publication of last spring, that bore the name of Campus Review. That publication was brought out after numerous and sundry murmurs among what is known as the intelligentsia, but upon its appearance there was not the slightest stir upon the campus, and men went about their business as if they had not been reviewed; whereupon the chagrined editors, of whom there were about 20, paid the printing bill among themselves and agreed that the campus was intellectually dead. Sir Roger appears to draw an analogy between this and my own venture, but I myself can see no similarity between them.

I have observed, in regard to publications, that the editor of the Campus Comic has issued a plaintive appeal for contributions, as is the custom, and is now awaiting the first luscious bit of comedy to come to his office; and it seems to me that he will be required to wait a good long while. And it seems a pity too, for the comic editor is a bright young man of high ideals, no doubt awaiting his contributions with the firm resolve that none but true comedy shall have audience in his pages (as is the custom); the pity being, of course, that he must needs in time descend to the proper depths of college humor, which are indeed low. I should like to refer the pres-

higher aims and in general conducts himself in a manner incompatible with the accepted fraternity fashion. For example, he does not use that noted fellowship handshake, executed with a bend of the arm and a grasp of the hand designed to imitate a lumberjack or a prize fighter; nor does this editor carry with him the fraternity vocabulary, and if he is inspired with fraternity spirit and fellowship, he does not display it.

BEARG'S HUSKERS TO MEET FIRST YEAR MEN

(Continued from Page 1) off ten to fifteen yards on plays through the line and around the end. Barring any injury to the spectacular Nebraska back he should be the sensation of the Missouri Valley this season. Blue says he is in perfect condition and ready for the Missouri Tigers, or any thing else on the Nebraska schedule.

Glenn Pressnell, Howell's running mate was also working in machine-like perfection against the frosh last night and slipped across the first touchdown of the evening with a wide 30-yard run around the end. With a backfield of four horsemen like Howell-Pressnell-Brown-Oehrich, Coach Bearg feels as if he has the fastest and clearest backfield in the Valley conference. Arnold Oehrich, Husker fullback has cleared up his scholastic trouble and is all set to hit the line against the Ames Cyclones at Lincoln on October 1. The Nebraska line this year will almost be the same as that of last season with the exception of Stiner. "Big" Richards is ably taking the former Husker captain's place as tackle in the wall.

Huskies Have Heavy Wall The Cornhusker wall will be a heavy line to penetrate with an average weight of 192 pounds from end to end. Dan McMullen and "Big" Richards with their weights of 215

Notices

Sophomore Managers All sophomores wishing to act as football managers this season should report at the stadium as soon as possible. Senior and junior managers will be there to meet those who turn out. Baptist Girls All Baptist girls and their friends are invited to student house at 1440 Q Street on Saturday afternoon from 3 until 5. Come and get acquainted. Gamma Alpha Chi Gamma Alpha Chi meeting Friday at 5 o'clock at the Delta Zeta house. Catholic Students The annual reception of the Knights of Columbus for Catholic students will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall Friday evening at 8:30. Seaboard and Blade meeting will be held at 7:30 Tuesday evening September 27 in Nebraska Hall 205. All members be present. Cosmopolitan Club The first meeting of the Cosmopolitan Club of the University will be held Sunday, Sept. 26, 262 Temple Building, from 3 until 6 p. m. All members of last year come prepared to pay \$2.00 per semester dues. Prospective members, or those who are interested and think they would like to join the club, are also invited.

and 205 are two front wall men that will be hard to go past this season. The Husker line does not lack experience as every man but Richards has seen two seasons of Nebraska football.

To the casual observer on Stadium field, the Nebraska team does not appear so heavy, but the reason is that every man on the squad is so far from being light that a really big man does not show up. The weights of the men on the squad are as follows:

- Asmus, 179; Beck, 176; Brown, 159; Bronson, 161; Bushbee, 193; Craig, 193; Drath, 193; Farley, 178; Crow, 181; Holm, 191; Hunt, 181; Howell, 187; James, 196; Jeffries, 179; Lawson, 174; Lee, 173; Lewandowski, 166; Lucas, 220; McBride, 168; McMullen, 215; Munn, 208; Oehrich, 184; Peaker, 160; Pressnell, 181; Raish, 225; Randels, 188; Ray, 220; Richards, 205; Schultz, 185; Shaner, 168; Simic, 173; Sloan, 177; Sprague, 170; Still, 177; Toms, 180; Voris, 184; Wittee, 162; Whitmore, 183; Zuber, 188; Lindell, 181; Rice, 170; Westoupal, 160; Hansen, 201; Lehmkel, 210; White, 177; Hurd, 196; Gihde, 183; Hoffman, 173; To-man, 169; Wyatt, 162.

GREEN CAPS ARE SELLING FAST

(Continued from Page 1) among freshmen, but rather it is a means of fostering class spirit, and of assisting freshmen in getting acquainted with one another.

Those possessing less than twenty credit hours are considered freshmen, and are required to wear the green cap. If the freshmen win the Olympics from the sophomores, which usually take place the Saturday before Thanksgiving, they may discard their caps, but if they fail to win the Olympics the cap must be worn until Christmas.

CONTEST OPEN TO ART CONTRIBUTORS

(Continued from Page 1) along since the opening of the school. Members of the editorial staff are on hand every afternoon at three. Cartoonists and writers wishing to work on the Awgwan may see Munro Kezer, Awgwan editor, any afternoon at that time to arrange for work on the humor publication. The Awgwan office is in the basement of U hall, adjoining the office of the Daily Nebraskan.

Oxford Student Compares Life

(Continued from Page 1) ond week of October. Vacations are ample enough to suit the taste of anyone—six week at Christmas, six more at Easter, and sixteen weeks during the summer. "Oxford life is a lazy life," Mr. Good confided, and he, as a former Nebraska appointee, should know. "You do not have to attend classes or

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lectures—and Oxford lectures are intolerable. A tutor is appointed for each student when he enters the school, who tells one just what to do. You are to meet with your tutor at least once a week. If you have a good one it is best to follow his instructions carefully. If not, you are not compelled to obey him or to keep him.

Few Tests Given

"There are no examinations or tests of any kind given by the school until the end of the three years. Tutors often test you for their own information, but these examinations count for nothing with the school. But when three years have passed you are given thorough examinations on everything covered in the entire period. Three hours for each subject, two every day, for perhaps ten days. There is no opportunity for cramming, for you are not told which subject is to come first.

The colleges are sprawled out over a considerable area, but they form a group easily recognized by their distinctive architecture. An unusual feature of most of the buildings is the quadrangle, a square space enclosed by the four sections of the structure. Since most of the college buildings have living quarters for their students, the quadrangle affords light for the inside rooms, in the manner of our modern hotels and office buildings.

"Each student has a sitting room and a bedroom for himself. Meals, except dinner, are usually taken in these rooms," the former Oxonian explained, adding, "There is but one entrance to most of the colleges, and the gate is closed at nine in the evening, so if you do not come in by that time you are fined, and failure to get in by midnight means that you are expelled from the university."

MANY TRYOUT FOR PLAYERS

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Results of the tryout; the audition was offered solely for the opportunity of getting a line-up on the acting ability of men outside the department. As there is a shortage of men for the roles of the coming productions of the players, there is every possibility that contestants who scored in Thursday's tryout, will be called upon to fill roles in the regular season performances. Contestants will be notified in case their services are needed. Men unable to report Thursday, and desirous of trying out, may see Mr. Ramsay in room 153, Temple, and arrange for a private audition. Men who tried out were: Chauncey Hager, Donald Carlson, Nathan Levy, Victor Schneider, Ralph Baldwin, N. Miller, O. Jones, Sam Diedericks, Stephen Roberts, Sydney Staple, Bernard Maxey, Alfred Sommerfeld, Edward Parmelee, Gordon Reefer, Walter Vogt, George Hooper, Charles Senter, William Steadman, F. Foss, James Stone, Frank Raehl, D. W. Loutzenheiser, Daniel Greenhouse, Alfred Poska, Richard Page and Russell Millhouse.

MANY COME TO HEPNER'S TEA

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ated Women Student's Board; Dean Heppner, Miss Elsie Ford Piper, assistant dean of women; Mrs. E. W. Lantz, assistant in the dean of women's office; Mrs. F. J. Ayres, hostess at Ellen Smith hall; Miss Erma Appleby, Y. W. C. A. secretary; Mrs. E. A. Burnett, wife of the acting chancellor; Mrs. Samuel Avery, wife of the chancellor emeritus, and Miss Clara B. Wilson, chairman of the Pan-Hellenic board.

Chaperones Preside At Tables

During the first hour the following chaperones presided at the serving tables: Mrs. Clark, Oikema Apartments; Mrs. Hattie Hill, Phi Omega Pi; Mrs. E. W. Marsh, Kappa Delta; and Mrs. Nancy Bagnell, dormitory. Those who served during the second hour were Mrs. O. C. Morton, Theta; Miss Mable Lee; Mrs. Carolyn Phillips, Delta Upsilon; and Miss Margaret Fette.

Refreshments were served by the Associated Women Student board and Y. W. C. A. cabinet members. Members of Mortarboard invited the guests to the refreshment rooms and the Big Sister board assisted in the parlors. The decorations were of garden flowers and palms.

CHEER LEADERS ARE SELECTED

(Continued from Page 1) freshmen were picked for cheer leaders for the Innocent's committee decided that they are unfamiliar with the yell, and consequently not in a position to lead the other students of the university.

Two of the sophomores will take charge of the extreme ends of the east stands, and the other three will take charge of the west side. The sophomores who were chosen were Emerson S. Smith of Stratford; Harold Marcott, Gothenburg; Cleo Lechlitter, Auburn; George Gregory, Omaha; and Harold Robertson, Lincoln.

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Research Group Finds Changes

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"It seems to be quite evident, therefore," the research committee reports, "that, since 1917 especially, establishments dealing in other than the most staple goods have been decreasing in number in the smaller towns."

So the farmer is going to the larger town to do his shopping, the committee finds. He buys his staple goods near his home, but when it comes to the less staple articles, those requiring more exercise of choice, he drives his motor car to the larger center.

Is the doom of the small town merchant sealed, then? The business research committee answers with a decided negative. "The motor car has simply brought the small town merchant a new type of competition. It is his problem to meet this competition and in meeting it he has two distinct advantages: He is much closer to his customer, and his operating expense is lower than that of a city merchant."

The University of Nebraska committee on business research is composed of Prof. T. B. Robb, chairman, and professors G. O. Virtue, O. R. Martin, and Dana F. Cole. Their report is published by the extension division as Nebraska Studies in Business, No. 18. Their study has been widely quoted by mercantile and trade publications.

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