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AN EASY CHANGE

Grades, the only recorded record of a student's work for the semester, will be the focus point of interest again in less than a month. Professors will be besieged by students interested in learning their marks. Students will be driven to desperation by failure to find out their standing for the semester.

Certain difficulties will always lie in the handling of the grade situation. Many professors will always hold that it is an evil rather than a value, even though admitting that it is perhaps a necessary evil. No system of averaging will ever insure entirely accurate grading. But, without undue addition of red tape, some improvements can be made in the present handling of grades at the close of

As long as grades are part of the University system, students are entitled to know what they made. A few professors post the marks of their students. Some teachers give grades to those who can find them to raise the question of semester standing. A few refuse to give out grades, forcing students to wait a month or more when the official grade cards are mailed from the registrar's office. All of these groups are constantly bothered by students anxious to learn their grades.

If these difficulties for both students and instructors were necessary, it would be bad enough. But these troubles are not. A slight change in the procedure would enable every student to learn his grade as soon as the marks in that class had been determined, and free teachers from a steady stream of inquirers. To accomplish this end, The Daily Nebraskan proposes the following plan:

1. All examination papers when handed in will be numbered. The professor has the student's name and number on the examination paper. The student can readily remember his number for each course.

2. As soon as the papers are graded and the semester grade determined, each instructor will be required to post a list of the grades for his class using the examination numbers to let each individual find h's grade without revealing it to others.

3. Previous to the posting of the grades, it will be understood that there would be no use asking for information as the grades wouldn't be ready. Such a plan is neither original nor unique. It s

working successfully in other institutions. It would difficulties of the present relieve many un tack of system.

OLD AGE AND SPORTS

Old age does not prove the popularity of a sport. Both football and basketball are fairly modern creations. Track, glossed over with modern word nomenclature, was a Greek pastime. Wrestling is a descendent of Homeric times.

The indoor track season for Nebraska opened yesterday beneath the east stadium stands, and wrestlers have been thumping around on the mats in the Collseum since pre-holiday days. The season opens for the Nebraska wrestlers, Saturday, with a match with the University of Indiana.

fust as football captured almost every ray from the sport spotlight but a few weeks ago, so will basketball bid for that part of the stage that gets the glare from that same spotlight. And it is not a rank speculation to forecast the monopoly of the second major sport at Nebraska beginning Saturdey night with the Missouri basketball game.

But the intensity of the rays from that sport spotlight does not determine the benefit and the significance of a sport for the individual participant. Track, indoors, and wrestling find justification upon the grounds of this premise. Skill and perfection in these two lines of physical activity are more nearly traceable to the perfect physique than any of the sports that have been the products of recent times. The appreciation and devotion of the Athenians of old for the annual games, and for physical strength and beauty, strengthen this con-

Regular candidates for the mat team so far this season total but slightly over a dozen. Coach Schulte is expecting a turn-out of more than two hundred men for indoor track. In the eyes of a following of students, and in the eyes of a sportminded public, wrestling and track are dwarfed. The competition, the conflict, is not appreciated to the extent that the activities merit.

Different individuals hear the calling of different sports, and the value of those sports is present regardless of the supporters who fall in line behind the ballyhoo:

THE CO-ED SAVIOR

The sparkling co-ed with her shiny slik stockings, abbreviated dresses and big baby-blue eyesso often contemptuously railed for these modernistic developments-has found a champion in Bernard DeVoto, writer on topical subjects and professor in an eastern co-educational university. In a recent issue of Harper's magazine Mr. DeVoto depicts her as the hope of liberal education.

On the other hand he sees the male populace of co-educational colleges as present only to get through the prerequisites of a professional or business school. In either case, according to the co-est defender, he is intolerant to all flapdoodle whatsoever that does not contribute directly to his voca-

tional training ege, truth, beauty, cultural development, individual . support.

ity or any of the multitude of other virtues with which colleges used to be so concerned, Mr. DeVoto declares emphatically. In other words the he-man of the campus is viewed by DeVoto as void of appreciation for anything except what has to do with his chosen Lusiness or profession.

But that chic and alluring bit of feminity-the co-ed: Ah, it is she and only she who is underscored favorably in Mr. DeVoto's student directory. catch a husband not a resident of the home town.

He changed his ideas quickly, however, and now finds them the total and now the total and total and differing religious bodies than total and the finds them the total and now finds the He changed his ideas quickly, however, and now creed or sect is a natural social finds them the torchbearers who will carry aloft process. It is the logical result of the light of liberal education.

He claims it is they who are the most receptive new ideas, the most free from emotional bias, the most insistent for a logical demonstration before accepting a truth, the most skeptical of fads, the first to throw by the boards the yoke of tradition. In short Mr. DeVoto is disposed to believe that the co-eds, described in his own words as "those irresponsible and over-dressed young nitwits," who alone can save the colleges from the

prevaient idea of mass-production and salesmanship.

The greatest need of religion today is not a united church. Too
often plans for church unity have is in his ideas is hardly possible to estimate. It is fine, though, that he is such a staunch supporter win, "He who does not differ or of the co-ed. She needs him. There are so many who does not care should not be to be found under the bobbed or "growing out" hairs of the powdered and pampered females who dart hither and thither about the campus, that his opinion is refreshing, and it is hoped, correct. But it is unfortunate that he couldn't see anything worthwhile in the other portion of America's much

THE RAGGER: After thinking before vacation that maybe the University was going to install some sidewalks across the drill field, it was an awful blow to return and fird that it was just an addition through growth by the sharing of personal and cultural heritages. to the heating system.

College alumni have come in for no little criticism in magazines and the public press in recent operation. years. A sample of the kind of alumni action that doesn't often attract such discussion occupied space in The Nebraskan yesterday. The three donors of gifts to the University announced yesterday were all alumni of the institution.

There's many a slip twixt Social Sciences and

when the picnic season starts.

Boarding, fraternity, and sorority houses will Snithers? Better get acquainted. start the new year with art displays. Calendars almost justify themselves with pictures.

New Year resolutions not to make any boneheads were in order after the California-Georgia

"Crash!" he cried when asked how he would attend the most fashionable formals.

OTHER STUDENTS SAY-

THE FUTURE

What is the present generation dreaming into the future of Nebraska? This question comes to and outspreading, suggesting Egypmind after reading excerpts from Mrs. Bess Streeter tian moons and hot sand. Numer-Aldrich's "A Lantern in Her Hand," as published ous cactus plants are also cultiin an editorial in Tuesday's Nebraskan. Dreams of the present undoubtedly play a big

part in the developments of the future. The dreams The century plants, an orange tree, twelve years later, in looking back and visions of the pioneers of this state are being realized in present day developments. And the dant in the greenhouse. future bids fair to be a repetition of this process.

braska State Farm Bureau federation, as part of the Cadena de Amour which is a try is financially bankrupt and all the program of organized agriculture, visions of the The Bougain Villa is another plant Prefers Fat future were expressed in terms of present and near with delicate flowers future achievement. The redistricting of counties, and the union of small rural school districts, to plant Coleus with its red and green provide better rural schools at less cost, was preserted as a workable plan for the future. This with its strange purplish cast, the dream will probably be realized in the course of a dragon plant, and the Norfolk Is-

college student? The tendency seems to be that of goldfish. And in one unknown these dreams and visions are of a personal nature. corner, a sleeping frog. They visualize the student himself as a man of prominence, a man of wealth and a man of power.

This sort of dream is only natural for any normal young man or woman. The urge for pernormal young man or woman. The urge for per-salad, apples, coffee, malted milk, sonal achievement is strong in any of us. And the doughnuts, ple and ice cream will man who has visions of an influential future for be included in the menu. The line man who has visions of an influential future for will be open at 11:30 o'clock and himself is laying the fundamental foundation for it is expected that more than 300 the future welfare of society. Individual men can plates will be served by 1 o'clock.

Dwight Anderson. George Pownot prosper, as individuals or as groups, without some good resulting to society.

seeks personal aggrandizement, that his welfare is contained in the welfare of the community. This realization will change his dreams from those of a strictly personal nature to dreams including his fellowmen and his political state. These dreams have always been dreamed, and the results are now being achieved. Such dreams are still being dreamed, and the result will be progress. K. L.

SPIRIT AGAIN

The king of winter sports at Nebraska has made its bow. The men fighting for the University to bring it recognition through its basketball team have had their first bit of competition for the year.

This is one of the most interesting games on the lists. It is not only exciting for the players but for the spectators as well, and it is not unusual to see both groups let their spirit get the best of them. This leads to an unsportsmanlike attitude. More than ever if it is the spectator who forgets himself. It is not intentional of course but the effect is the same. Many a team has been given a bad reputation by spectators who have refrained from controlling themselves.

In the Big Ten conference the students have pledged themselves to accept the decisions of the referees without the not uncommon hisses and boos that usually accompany the unsatisfactory decisions of the officials. This is a big thing and it would be advisable if more student bodies would take the same attitude.

Nebraska students have not been unfair in their attitude very many times, but last year there were several games where they seemed to let their emotions get the best of them. The officials understand the things they are supposed to notice. They are better situated to observe the actions of the contestants and their judgments should be accepted

The students of Nebraska should make a name for themselves by keeping a sportsmanlike attitude He finds no time to waste on wisdom, knowl- at all times. Let everyone pledge good clean

RELIGION ON THE CAMPUS BY HOWARD ROWLAND

CREEDS AND TOLERANCE

At no time in the world's history a tremendous growth of the human ommunity.

The student in biology takes as commonplace his studies in natural variation, but does not apply these fundamental life principles in attempting to explain the "lams" in the religious grouping of man.

Tolerance must accompany see. Tolerance must accompany sec

tarianism. It does not imply uni-formity. Tolerance implies great variation. In fact variation is a first essential to tolerance.

their roots in intolerance.
According to Charles Sears Baldand has never attained even that.

Commonweal, ance more than ever before. How- display of available publications. ever, tolerance is not the end of religion. Truth is the ultimate. Tolerance will lead to truth Intolerance is competitive con-

Tolerance is sympathetic co-

Botanists Keep Hot in Tropical Winter Hangout

Perhaps it is true that some students labor through an entire school year just to be around like this what could be more satisfying than a stroll through the campus greenhouse. Didn't know there was one? And don't know Mr.

The greenhouse, by the way, is a laboratory for experiment by dents of botany. In one room, Doc-tor Weaver and members of his classes conduct interesting experiments with sunflowers, balsams, wheat and beans. In another, Doctor Himmel and Doctor Brunner do experimental work. Tests are made with the soil, temperature and cultivation. The study of ecology is pursued in the west house.

Plants, a multitude of them, are found in the greenhouse, ranging from the strangest tropical palm to our vagabond of flowers, the dandevariety of strange and beautiful palms, some large and faulike, tall

leaves, wide and heart shaped, the way to a democratic form of govern-

But how about the day dreams of the average moss, and brightened by the splash take her place with the other civilege student? The tendency seems to be that

DAIRY STUDENTS PLAN TO AVERT FAMINE

ne good resulting to society.

Realization will soon come to the man who charge of the cafeteria one day

STUDIES OF CEMENT MIXTURES ARE MADE

control of concrete mixtures.

o'clock January 7. Some of the in-teresting topics taken up and discussed were: Requirements of good concrete, fundamental water-cement ration law, elements of design of concrete mixtures, watercement ratio specifications, trial method of designing mixture, calculation of yield by absolute vol-

common denominator. It makes subjects were taken up: Control common cause among men of dif-of concrete in the field, effect of fering views because good-will must begin in free will." "The "The factors ommonwesl," November 21, 1928, on quality of concrete in struc-The church of today needs toler-tures, high early strength concrete,

> each. Glen Hedlund, winner of dairy judging honors at Waterloo, and arranging the necessary equip-ment for putting over the under-

The meetings of organized agriculture draw large numbers of agricultural people every year. Or ganizations representing all phases of agriculture hold their annual meeting at the College of Agriculture each year. These are open to all who are interested. Authorita-"In the spring a young man's tive speakers appear on the pro-

found its basis in Shaw's comedy, "Arms and the Man." Presented by the New York Theater guild, it ensuccess which regularly marks plays by George Bernard

The cast as selected by University Players has not yet been announced, but will appear in a later issue of The Daily Nebraskan Tickets will go on sale immediately according to Mr. Lerner, and may be procured at the University Playoffice in the Temple for se enty-five cents each. Saturday matinee tickets will be sold for fifty

TOLSTOY GIVES STORY

new conditions that this upheaval brought about.

"I was very much disappointed," vated. One interesting variety is declared the count. "I looked for called The Old Man because of its freedom, but what freedom there growth of white hair as it ages. was had turned to anarchy. Today, rubber plants, croton plants, fig upon what Bolshevism has done, I trees and glorious ferns are abundant in the greenhouse. At the Tuesday afternoon meeting of the Ne-

Prefers Father's Story "I am absolutely sure, however,

Tolstoy began the tale of the life of his father by saying that he would rather tell that story than the one of Bolshevism, for be could speak with love of his father while

The greatest need in religion to R. S. Phillips Conducts Show Of Products To Display Modern Usages

A cement school, under the auspices of the Portland Cement as-sociation, was held in the Mechan-Engineering building, room 206, on the evenings of January 7 and 8. The program was made up of a short course in design and

R. S. Phillips, an experienced field representative from the re-search laboratory of the Portland Cement association at Chicago, conducted the work which is based on present standard practice of the engineering profession.

The first session began at 7:30

umes, bulking of aggregate.

During the second session on the

evening of January 8 the following other than proportioning

has been in charge of posting signs taking. Howard Alexander lettered the signs. Raymond Nixon will be crier, using his vocal powers to increase the crowd.

OF FATHER'S LIFE

One finds the attractive little that this state of affairs cannot go on forever. Bolshevism must give ore to recover, but at the end of

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> Students' EATING PLACE

He told some of the peculiarities ing. He accepted as his own belief of his father as a child to show that the conception of God as Love, heid the had always had the courage of his own convictions, and that even then he had been the possessor of the possessor of the had been the had been the possessor of the had been the had been the had been the had been the had a brilliant imagination. Among other things, he told the story of how the elder Tolstoy had once conceived the idea of being able to

As a student, Leo Tolstoy, upon the confession of his son, was anything but a success. "Some of his rades could have been no worse," the samply this bound fight. And if you are compelled to choose between the laws of government and God, always put the dictates of God above those of man." thing but a success. "Some of his grades could have been no worse," declared the count. "Once, an instructor made a notation upon one of his examination papers to the effect that he was especially weak in the Russian language and in Russian literature." After trying two or three different universities, the elder Tolstoy finally left without having secured his diploma.

Translations Are Inadequate "My mother was always my fa ther's secretary," continued the count, "and such a task as she did have. My father had the habit of writing between the lines and in the corners of his paper until some times not even he himself could decipher what he had written. My mother recopied Anna Karenina from beginning to end eight times and some of the chapters many more times.

"I am sorry that you have to read the writings of my father in English because the translations are not good and you lose much of the my father spent so much time.'

Father Accepts Belief The first fifteen years of his fa-ther's married life were filled with untrammeled happiness, declared the count. It was not until Leo Tolstoy reached the age of fifty years that the moral struggle which dominated the later years of his life began. Then he turned his atention to thoughts of death and God. He sought relief from this problem, first, in the Russian church, but found there only super stition and hypocrisy. He turned from the church forever and was very despondent for many months. Finally, however, he found in the



he could not of the political move-ment. simple philosophy of the Russian peasantry that which he was seek-

fly, trying out his idea by jumping from the roof of a high building, with rather disastrous results.

of avoiding war in the future. My father gave an answer to that problem. It is the same one that Christ gave. It is simply this: "Do not





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