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BACK HOME

Hundreds of students are filtering out into the state and neighboring states today and tomorrow. They are going home.

Classes will be forgotten for a brief period, books will be unused for the most part, and rest and recreation will be in order for a few days. Vacation reigns.

Students have been rubbing elbows with fellow students for three months; now they will brush against the people who have been the observers of this spectacle known as college life. The outgoing students will carry the message of higher education, of future citizenship, and will exemplify the product of the state's own University. They will be better known and better understood by virtue of the short sojourn to home communities.

As families are brought into close union again by the presence of son or daughter from college, as the lost element in the citizenry of the small town is restored for a short time, so is the student thrown into the environment which stands ready to receive him after college. The small town, the thriving 'cited' town of a few thousand, the large city—all are waiting for the college-trained man and woman.

The great service of the college graduate is identified with the community in which he settles after graduation. One of his obligations is to inject the benefits of his own education into the blood stream of the community, so all can profit. There is no process of extraction. True, the student conception of life is associated with a comfortable income, fat profits, and bank accounts. But, the paramount service which the student renders is measured by the contributions that he makes to the community in which he resides.

The glamour of the metropolitan area, the magnetic drawing power of the crowded street, the tall building, and the inflated opportunities for employment are taking the toll among college graduates. The drift to the city of the young men and women is astounding.

But, back in the home community, back in the town where back-fence gossip keeps the village from growing stale, where cracker-barrel philosophers touch unknowingly upon the big problems of life—here is the place for the college graduate to begin. Here is the place for him to contribute the greatest to the upbuilding of mankind. Here is the birthplace of human kindness and sympathy, of the desire for companionship and friends.

Spring vacation for the University of Nebraska students means contact with the people who have made possible and are maintaining the University.

Cosch Bible seems to be having his hands about full—making a football team and making speeches.

BEING LATE

"Are you in favor of having dinners on time? Will you get to dances on time? If you accept a dinner invitation will you really attend?" These questions were sent to 3,000 social eligibles of New York City a fortnight ago by fourteen members of the elite Junior League of the metropolis.

Most of the so-called eligibles who have managed chiefly through heredity to worm their way into American social aristocracy are of the debauche and young-bond-salesman age. Following in their patent-leather footprints and imitating them in everything from formidable tuxedo collars to binding buckled slippers, young America has adopted the habit of being late simply to be polite.

The Junior League leader of the social educators, Miss Marka Truesdale of Manhattan, tired of meals grown cold by waiting for a tardy guest, is trying to bring New York society back to a sane and comfortable way of spending an evening.

"Things have gone so far it's not even pleasant," says Miss Truesdale. "Young men are not enjoying it and certainly the hostesses are not pleased."

Nebraska, as yet, has not reached the place where, as in New York, one sits down to an 8 o'clock dinner at 10 o'clock. But the difference is only one of degree. Invitations to downtown fraternity parties renounce dancing at "half after eight." What kind of a welcome would the guest receive if he arrived at that time?

It is not so much the popularity of tardiness as the chagrin of being early. Neither the coed or her escort is individually responsible for this crusade against promptness. It's a mutual affair. The young knight who says he'll call at 9 o'clock arrives at 9:15. He sits on the stiff hall bench twirling his hat for fifteen minutes more when his lady fair greets him with a demure smile from the staircase.

Once at the dance, they find the music ended all too quickly. And they rant and tear because the sweet young thing must punch the sorority time clock by 12:15 o'clock. They do not think of starting earlier, of being on time.

The lure of staying out late has seized the University with the rest of the nation. The inconsistencies of the problem make it an unsolvable enigma.

By tomorrow many home towns will know that their favorite sons have been doing big things down at the University.

OUTSPOKEN BUT WRONG

College students throughout the country have mouths gapping over the recent stand taken by members of a fraternity on the University of Virginia campus in refusing to adopt a pledge to stamp out drinking in the fraternity houses on the campus of the institution founded by Thomas Jefferson.

Refusal to sign the pledge circulated by Dean Page of the southern university turned the Virginia campus into a hotbed of rumor and scandal. The traveling secretary of the fraternity recently reported that liquor was openly drunk in the chapter house and that it was being manufactured in the basement of the house. The first charge was admitted by the fraternity president; the second denied. Then the blaze started.

In the letter received in answer to the request to sign pledges, the fraternity stated that such a rule would seek to create a system of fines for drinking, and that the members of the fraternity would become 'snoopers' on their fraters. It was further contended that application of the honor system would be necessary and that it "would create an unhealthy atmosphere for the existence of the honor code."

"Passage of a rigid rule is likewise an hypocrisy inasmuch as few of us believe in the rule and intend to evade its provisions in every conceivable way, passing the regulation for no other purpose than to present ourselves to the public as we are not," writes the Virginia fraternity to the dean.

Well, that's frankness, at least. To openly sanction drinking in their fraternity house, to out-and-out state that evasion will be encouraged, to subject their university to muddy comment, and to defy the law—is another thing. When one small group of college students are permitted to bring condemnation upon thousands for something that is not generally identified with college life, then other students have the right to lay down the law.

Here are forty students or so, supposedly law-abiding citizens, supposedly intelligent enough to recognize the difficulties of enforcing the prohibition law, supposedly representative of the best that a coming generation has to offer. Here is a group whose members are supposed to be patrons of the library, scholars of outstanding faculty men, students in a great university.

Here are the customers of bootleggers!

The members of the fraternity will be reduced to 'snoopers' and that the honor code will be enveloped in an unhealthy atmosphere, is the contention of fraternity men. Is it possible that a fraternity exists in which the members have not discovered that the conduct of a single member affects every other individual? Is it possible that a man can preserve all privacy in a fraternity house? Is it possible that he can be a hermit in the midst of dozens of other young men? Is it possible that a fraternity exists in which restraint is unknown? 'Snooper' is nothing more than a derisive term for the fraternity man of today.

The members of the Ixixie organization are afraid that the honor system which would follow signing Dean Page's pledge would create an unhealthy atmosphere for the honor code. They seem to think that the honor system ought to be installed only under those circumstances in which it is certain of success. They seem to think that the honor system has to do with eating chocolate bars, or washing the ears seven mornings of the week.

The men like their grog, there is no getting around it! When college students defy the law to the extent that the Virginia men have, then there seems to be prospect of high prison walls and barred cells for many years.

Now that the Student Council has decided to omit the names of party affiliations of the candidates in the spring election there are a lot of voters who will have to pay attention to the candidates.

REBUTTAL

Tides of criticism dashed upon the head of the modern college student, drenching his standing with his predecessors and washing away his present status in society has been stemmed, judging from a statement made recently by Henry Gratton Doyle, dean of men at George Washington university, based upon a survey of three hundred institutions of higher learning. Dean Doyle gathered information concerning the "collegiateness" of American students by sending questionnaires to three hundred presidents or deans of men in as many institutions.

The various executives declared students of this generation were not "collegiate" but "have higher ideals and purposes, do better and more serious scholastic work and live by higher standards than the students of any preceding generation. With reference to dress, they regarded the slouchy socks, three-day old shirts and rumpled collars as taboo by the majority of undergraduates.

This defense comes in retaliation to the distorted or exaggerated depiction of college youth by comic strips, motion pictures and the like, that misrepresent collegians to the public as a whole, thence causing undue criticism and jest. College men and women resent these misrepresentations, although they may join in good naturedly on the jesting and take the exaggerations with the well-known "grain of salt."

College youth undoubtedly appreciates the stand taken by Dean Hoyle. His tribute to the present day student is high and one that is firmly based upon opinions of educational executives having vital contacts with undergraduates. Perhaps if motion picture producers and cartoonists of the country would become a little more acquainted with the actual situation, they would come closer to depicting "realities" instead of "realities."

Law violators better watch out! The Kosmet Klub is going on a trip soon.

Sorority telephones will probably enjoy a rest also.

Graduation programs this year are to have a picture of the University library. For some seniors that will have the same effect as Banquo's ghost.

The University Players are presenting 'Midsummer Night's Dream' after vacation. Students know all about midsummer afternoon dreams.

Another feature of vacation is that it will give some students something else to talk about when they return.

Some students are hoping that when the new heating plant is constructed, there will be radiators installed outside of Social Sciences so they can be out-of-doors all winter.

Students Study Ancient French Peasant Design

Antiques in clothing designs are being studied and sought as diligently as antiques in furniture. The home economics department, College of Agriculture, recently acquired from the Cheney Brothers, New York, a number of silk designs which are copies of eighteenth and nineteenth century patterns. These designs were inspired by French peasant costumes of about 100 years ago and have been made adaptable to the street and sport dress of the modern girl.

Students have been making a study of these designs under Miss Grace Morton, associate professor of home economics.

Two girls, Elizabeth Whitney Moffat of New York and Gratiane de Gardilanne of Paris, were commissioned to design costume materials in Paris. As there were no authentic records of French peasant costume, they asked permission to use provincial museums. For two years they visited li-

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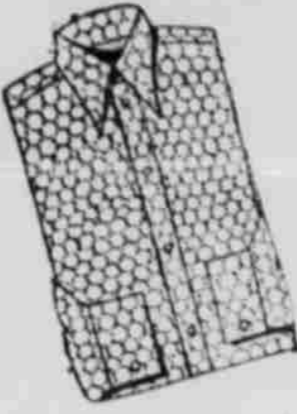
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Geology field trip to Wymore.
Saturday, April 13.
Vacation.

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