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**PROBATION PREVARICATORS.**  
 THROUGH traditional hell week, lampooned by editors, opponents of the fraternity system and zealous legislators, feared by pledges, amusing to upperclassmen, was abolished by the Interfraternity council last year, vestiges of the old probation period remain. Misinterpreting the regulation against probation, seeking technical loopholes through which to crawl if violations of the rule should be reported, several fraternities are planning once again to subject their frosh to customary hell week treatment.  
 It is the spirit of the rule, not the technical application, which fraternity men must respect universally. Some aspects of the usual probation period have not been abolished. Paddling pledges may be done and has been done throughout the semester for infractions of house rules and scholastic inefficiency. When houses have to be cleaned, it is the freshmen on whom the work naturally falls. Fraternity history, university traditions and other matters of freshman education are not excluded from the fraternity program.  
 But unnecessary roughness, a definite period of general punishment, that generous amount of horseplay which characterizes probation periods, must not be repeated this year.  
 When probation week was abolished, the action of the Interfraternity council applied to more than the probation period, hitherto regulated by the university. It meant all probationary activity, regardless of the time it was held, despite any new name which might be applied to it.

**DEALING** the finishing blow to the probation week idea which had been so severely criticized that a number of fraternities did away with it before the Interfraternity council acted, pulled Greek letter organizations at the University of Nebraska out of an uncomfortable position. The legislature was in session. A bill to defer pledging until a student's second year was before the Nebraska lawmakers. Excited solons cried out against fraternity life at the state university. They vigorously attacked hell week, in progress at that time.  
 Probation over, the Interfraternity council was confronted by a number of complaints of fraternity violations of hell week rules, last year made much more strict than ever before. The legislature was wondering if the council would prattle around and do nothing or take definite action. Abolition of probation week which followed certainly had its effect on killing the Hovis deferred pledging bill.  
 Still more traditional buffoonery was destined to go by the boards. The faculty committee on student affairs, after its customary meditation and investigation, approved the Student council's resolution abolishing rough initiations in all honorary societies on the campus. Today a few social fraternities still have rough initiation ceremonies. They alone use any degree of roughness. Unless this becomes more prevalent than it has been in the past there will be no need for further legislation against horseplay among university organizations.

**BECAUSE** probation week and rough initiation into honoraries have been ousted at the university, fraternities and other societies do not incite nearly so much hostility throughout the state as formerly. It behooves fraternities to keep this position if they wish their organizations to stand in the good graces of Nebraska citizens in general. Those practical jokers who are still insisting on some form of probation activity under guise of a different name should realize this and forget their plans.  
 Actions which obviously violate the spirit of the regulation between now and the middle of March when most fraternities hold spring initiation, should be noted by the Interfraternity council and disobedient fraternities severely punished.  
 While penalties should be reserved for possible violators, this idea should not prevail. Fraternities should look upon probation week as a thing of the past, as a period to be forgotten about for all time. Tales of the "good old days" should not be repeated in fact today.

**BIG AND LITTLE SISTERS.**  
**CEMENTING** even more closely friendships begun last fall when experienced Big Sisters tried to make life in a big university a little more pleasant for shy Little Sister freshmen, a banquet attended by approximately 150 Big and Little Sisters was held Thursday evening.  
 The value of the Big Sister program at the University of Nebraska is considerable. It serves to acquaint new girl students with few or no close friends in the university with other students, with the ways and methods here employed, and with the rich traditions that are growing up in a relatively young institution. It gives these girls the right kind of a start in a school where a good beginning means much. It makes the university a happier place for new coeds when Big Sisters take a friendly interest in their welfare. It quiets the gnawing fear in the heart of many a prospective student when its warm and helpful letters are sent out to them before school opens.  
 In the past semester a crop of new students has been assimilated in the university system. Because they have been helped so much they naturally will seek to help others next September. And while the Big Sister movement embodies very worthwhile things it might be improved in two respects.  
 Many Big Sisters are sorry women. As such they cannot help Little Sisters register because of

rush week. If they are not at their respective houses they are prohibited helping these new girls because of Panhellenic regulation. In the jam and melee of registration, the new girl student feels her need for help most keenly. At this time the Big Sister is seldom available. Some provision should be made to remedy this.  
 The Big Sister idea can be improved still more if the scope of its work is enlarged. At present many new coeds creep into the university ignorant of its advantages. Before the day of registration, which to many new students brings tremblings as they might associate with the day of judgment, registrants should have an opportunity to enlist the aid of a Big Sister to lead them through the jungle of registration.  
 These two suggestions pertaining to the Big and Little Sister program may seek to accomplish the impossible, or at least the very impractical. The value of the movement as it is today is immeasurable. It is a bright spot in a none too radiant sphere into which the freshman steps on entering university.

**TUT, TUT, MR. BENTLEY.**  
**JOHN BENTLEY** is the fellow who writes sports for the Lincoln Journal. Occasionally he glances at the Nebraskaan if he has lots of spare time. Thursday evening in his column, "The Sports Kibitzer," he pans The Nebraskaan for insinuating in its Wednesday editorial on "Gridiron Lucra" that there might be something else besides football that carries the Cornhusker sports program. To The Nebraskaan's objection that the intramural program did not reach nonfraternity students, Mr. Bentley suggests that if anyone is interested enough he'll join a fraternity to get into athletics.  
 The Nebraskaan did not attempt to minimize the part football plays in supporting the sports program at Nebraska. It is a tremendous aid. This paper did try, however, to show that football does not do everything—that by paying an intramural director, the taxpayers of the state are doing something; that by forking over \$20 as an entrance fee, each competing fraternity is doing something more.  
 Contending as The Nebraskaan does that the university should be, whether it is or not, a democratic institution in keeping with democratic ideals of this state, it's just impossible to see Mr. Bentley's idea about nonfraternity men in sports. He seems to think that everyone wants to be a fraternity man, which they don't. He figures that all interested in athletics and anxious to compete in them are fraternity men, which they aren't.  
 In other words Mr. Bentley is going to have every lad participating in university athletics a fraternity member. Fraternity men by this scheme as now are given advantages not afforded barbs. Really, Mr. Bentley, that's not justice.

**+ The Student Pulse +**  
 Signed contributions pertinent to matters of student life and the university are welcomed by this department. Opinions submitted should be brief and concise.

**FAILURE OF BARB PARTIES.**  
 To the editor:  
 We see in yesterday's Nebraskaan a project for a true all university party so we gather that the parties sponsored by the barbs have failed. We are both sorry and glad to hear this; sorry because they seemed to be good parties, glad because, if good as they were, they failed, anything proposed will be that much better. So we can look forward to even bigger and better parties under the new plan. But having in our system a streak of pessimism we looked into the matter a little farther, and while we may be mistaken regarding the facts, we admire the unparalleled nerve of the proposer of the new plan.  
 Personally it is impractical, but we offer some of the reasons that suggested this to us.  
 First, refreshments, lacking in the old varsity party, an added expense at barb parties.  
 Good dancing. Beck's orchestra has been engaged for the next party. On this score the old and new are equal.  
 A stage show, some of the acts of which cost \$4.00 per minute—here another added expense that the old parties had not.  
 Finally, decorations—as the last party in the estimation of many students outshone the Military ball, we safely say another expense.  
 In passing, we might mention that the old parties had no favors—of course these are merely incidental.  
 So far every one of these facts is an added expense to the new party group—yet for fear of being classed with other historical prevaricators, we hesitate to say it—they, the barbs, have reduced the prices of admission. An increase in expenditure, lower prices and yet a profit of about \$100—an economic phenomena!  
 When we realize that the proposer of this new plan was on the old party committee which gave only four parties a year, rolled up a \$2,200 debt in three years, we admire his courage; in fact we wonder, is it courage?  
 But why is the proposer so modest? Parties as good as he intends to have could be attended every week. Why limit them to four a year? If the barbs make such profits as now, from these new parties we offer a suggestion that Mr. Ayres build the new chimes the chancellor mentioned the other day.  
 AESOP.

**+ Current Comment +**

**SMOTHERING THE CLASSICS.**  
 The classics that delighted generations are dying under a pile of best sellers. This statement was made at a recent meeting of the National Association of Book Publishers.  
 The publishers were told that the day is not so far removed when such books as "Pilgrim's Progress" will be found only in the libraries of colleges and the works of Shakespeare will be familiar only to research workers delving in curious old plays.  
 "We are speeding up literary progress all right," said Joseph W. Lippincott, head of the Philadelphia publishing house. "It is on the trot. But I am afraid it may be carried too far."  
 "I am not sure, therefore, that this cry for something new is not becoming a menace. The flood of latest offerings, beautifully advertised, pampered by book clubs and boomed by literary critics, may swamp everything else."  
 "Were it not for their present use in the universities, what would become of the classics? Perhaps we in America are going to build up a classical literature of our own. It is worth thinking about, but if the older classic cannot be kept alive what hope can we have to prolong the life of books of today?"—Sf. Cause Daily Orange.

**BETWEEN THE LINES**  
 By LAELLE GILMAN.  
**STARTLING AND BEWILDERING ANNOUNCEMENTS CONCERNING THE SECOND SEMESTER, AND NEWS APPERTAINING TO LIFE'S OPPORTUNITIES. THE NEBRASKAN GRAMMAR AND SPELLING, A BRIEF HISTORY OF THIS COLUMN, A PROPHECY FOR SAME AND SOME POETRY.**

**OFF** with the old, on with the new. To be precise, a new semester has started. This is the season of the year when we are continually besieged by the platitude that we may now wipe the slate clean and start all over, fresh.  
 Well, it's a good idea, but one gets a bit weary of being able to wipe clean the slate and to start fresh every so often. It seems futile. This is perpetual motion, and gets one nowhere. The minute the slate is wiped clean, we know that it's going to get dirty again.  
 Another old English saying: "The King is dead, long live the King." The points of the Nebraskaan have been changed. But under the kings, the courts changed too. This is more democratic—no one but the fellow at the top of the ladder is changed; the rest move up a rung. But this column, like the poor, is always with us.

**WE** have a haunting suspicion that several mixed metaphors are lurking in the above section. Let pedants gasp. We love mixed metaphors, and are enamored with split infinitives.  
 Why not be ungrammatical? The intelligentsia condemns journalists as employers of that abhorrent form of English known as journalism. Well, we'll try to give the intelligentsia something to cry about. We just love bad grammar, and we think it's just too cute for words. In short, it's darling. Nobody ain't got no kick coming about the way we like to talk or write and we just as lief use phonetic spelling, too.  
 This paragraph is as ner the korectik for moy fonetik spelling as mi tipriter or a linotip wip print, and if it wer not for the fact that I woden get credits for a major in English I woud advise kat the us ov it in al Universte work and wod us it exklusive myself. But I ges we ar al kourds at hart.

**BUT** we must return to the subject, as the professor says. The new semester. Ah, what opportunities open up before each and everyone of us as the second lap starts. The books we can buy—and never crack. The dough we can spend. The afternoon shows we can see—price, one cut. The heavy caking that can be done each morning. The new lines of oil we can spread to our credulous instructors.  
 The pleasant companionship of new classmates and chums. Or clumps. The various outlandish fads we can flash on an imitative student body. The dates we cannot make. The sophisticated appearance we can make. Ad nauseum—even to bull sessions.  
 A fond relative explained to us that when HE was a student, they really burned the midnight oil. Our midnight oil is in a bull session.  
 We mustn't forget to drag in the cartoon we saw in a recent periodical. Says the lady to the young man: "Are you fond of books, or are you a college student?"

**THAT** remark makes us want to become literary again. We remember the days—now dead and gone—when this column was entitled "From Out the Dust," and was dusty with heavy thoughts on those higher things in life—literature and art and Truth and Beauty, and such.  
 But columns change, even in a year and a half. It struggled out of the dust and became a book-review section. Then it dropped books and decided to comment. What now? Poetry. \$2.75X&¢.  
 To be frank, we got the idea that if we kept the column going and saved all our clippings we might get a swell job columning on the New York Times, or the Chicago Tribune. (He stared at the stuff he was reading, and a derisive grin spread slowly from ear to ear.) Anyway, why not be optimistic. Last week, before exams, we were pessimistic, but we have had a violent reaction. Maybe we'll go to Australia and set type on the Kalgoorli Bugle.

**WE** just can't keep to the subject in hand, it seems, so we will give it up as a bad job this time. At any rate, we've introduced Between the Lines for the second semester. And maybe it'll be poetry and maybe it won't. (It's a secret!)  
 So here's the opening gun:  
 On Life.  
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 —Elles Namlig

**DOANE WILL READ BITS OF POETRY FOR BOOKLOVERS**  
 Readings for book lovers will be resumed at Westminister house, 353 North Fourteenth street, Sunday afternoon from five to six. Mr. Gilbert H. Doane, university librarian, will read from some of the recent poets. All university students and their friends are invited. At eight in the evening Mr. F. G. Coll, curator of the museum, will read from the Ingoldby Legends and from Noyes's Torch-bearers to university men and their friends at 1712 E. street.  
**Douthit Speaks to Beatrice Sons, Dads**  
 H. K. Douthit, supervisor of agricultural short courses, spoke at the father and son banquet of the Future Farmers of America, at 8:00 o'clock Tuesday night. "Frequenter of a Successful Life" was the subject of his talk.

**ANNUAL EXHIBIT WILL FEATURE ARTS BALL**  
 Episodes to Depict Spirits of Four Classical Periods in Art.  
**MEMBERS MAY ATTEND**

The second annual presentation of the Beaux Arts ball will be given as a feature on the Nebraska Art association exhibit at Morrill hall on Feb. 12. The program will consist of a series of episodes that will show the underlying spirits of the four art periods: the classic, the Baroque, the Rococo and the modern.  
 The episodes will be presented against decorated backgrounds by dances and posing, or living pictures. Several students from the University of Nebraska are taking part in the presentation.  
 Orchestras, women's honorary dancing society, and Beatrice Richardson, dancing instructor, will present the first of the episodes. The dance will represent the classical period and is called "The Judgment of Paris," depicting Paris in his attempt to select the most beautiful of the three goddesses, Juno, Minerva, and Venus. The figures will be in white costume against a blue background.  
**Second Episode is Formal.**  
 The second episode is to be in the formal tone of the Baroque period. Mrs. Fred Caldwell will form the central figure in a costume of gold cloth and rose, with Mrs. James E. Lawrence and Mrs. Fred Sidles as pages in white satin. They will pose against a background of rose.  
 Margaret Ames, recent student of the University of Nebraska, Mrs. Lyle Holland and Mrs. H. W. Meginnis will portray the Rococo period. This period of art is entirely artificial, dominated somewhat by an oriental influence. A large fan will serve as the background for this scene.  
 The modern age as the machine age will be portrayed by the last episode. Mrs. Elvina Walters-Champe, former student of the university, will dance in a unique costume depicting the present day spirit. She will wear a metallic costume, with a bolt for a head dress, and springs for ear rings, and will perform against a yellow background.  
**Chenoweth Arranges Music.**  
 All music for the episodes will be arranged by Wilbur Chenoweth, graduate of the university and a well known Lincoln artist. The settings will be designed by Leclair Thieszen, who has spent some time in Vienna studying art.  
 The episodes will be presented twice during the evening, the first time at 9 o'clock and the second later in the evening. The art galleries will be open at that time, and there will be dancing in Elephant hall.  
 Only members of the association will be eligible to attend the ball.

**SOB SISTER IS TITLE OF KLUB'S NEW PRODUCTION**  
 (Continued from page 1.)  
 The mixed cast. For several years previous to this, all male casts have been used. The production affords an opportunity for many colorful and unusual choruses. There will be a chance for considerable harmony singing between the male lead and a comedy character who is with him a great deal. The show was started last summer and completed during Christmas vacation. According to members of the club, it has even greater possibilities than "Don't Be Silly" of last year.  
 The third act of "Sob Sister" is thought to be the best act of the entire play, whereas the second act of "Don't Be Silly" was considered the best last year.  
**Applications Desired.**  
 Tryouts for principals of the show will be held in room 203 of the Temple, Wednesday, Feb. 12, starting at 7 o'clock. An application list will be posted in Long's College Book store Friday morning. Tryouts for the male and female chorus have already been announced for Tuesday in room 203 of the Temple, and commencing at 7 o'clock.  
 The club has urged that persons interested should try out for both the choruses and principal parts. Applications for the production side of the show have been called for and should be filled out any afternoon between 5 and 6 o'clock in the club rooms, located in the Annex building.

**RHODES SELECTION IS CHANGED BY RULINGS**  
 (Continued from page 1.)  
 at Oxford for two years and to spend the third year at any American or European university. Though the scholarship was primarily planned for three years, the third year is optional with the student.  
 Candidates for these scholarships, which amount to \$2,000 a year, should have senior standing in college or be a college graduate and unmarried. If not college graduates they must take examinations in several subjects of

**MILESTONES AT NEBRASKA**  
**FEB. 7.**  
 —1925—  
 A small increase was recorded in registration for the second semester. The total was 5,276.  
 Six girl athletes were awarded "N" sweaters.  
 Earnest E. Bearg, Nebraska's new football coach, was due to arrive on the scene in February. Coach Fred Dawson took charge of the preliminary spring football workouts.  
 —1920—  
 Registration figures showed an increased enrollment. The total number of students on the Lincoln campus was 3,389.  
 University officials and students inaugurated a fight against the H. C. of L. The Nebraskaan gave the movement its hearty support. Nebraska lost a basketball game to Indiana 24 to 20.  
 —1915—  
 Saturday, no paper.  
 —1910—  
 No paper published.  
 —1910—  
 Nonfraternity students formed a new campus organization and adopted a constitution.  
 The editor of The Nebraskaan "panned" the students for not supporting the winter sports properly.

which Latin and a modern language must form a part, unless their college record shows Latin or Greek or a modern language.  
 Hugh Cox and Bob Laach, both graduates of Nebraska university, are Rhodes scholars at Oxford from Nebraska.  
 Paul Good, 613 Security Mutual building, Lincoln, stated that he is anxious to interview anyone who is interested in knowing how Rhodes scholars are chosen.

**COMMITTEE FOR GREEKS' FORMAL ANNOUNCES PLAN**  
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 as the final party of the formal season. Three years ago, according to the president of the Kismet Klub, the Klub held the Panhellenic ball which served as the close event of the formal season.

**STOP AT HOTEL D'HAMBURGER for SHOTGUN SERVICE**  
 "Buy 'Em by the Sack"  
 1141 Q St. 1718 P St.

**LOW RATES OVER WEEK ENDS**  
 Tickets are on sale each weekend for all trains Saturday and Sunday. Returning to Lincoln before midnight Monday.  
 Between all points in Nebraska, excepting Omaha, and Kansas within radius of 200 miles, also to Kansas City, Mo., on the basis of one fare plus 25 cents for round trip.  
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 Stunning pokes—keen little off-the-face types in the smart new styles—and what intriguing colors—  
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 Bamboo green Duomo blue  
 also Navy and Black  
 —FLOOR TWO—  
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At that time arrangements were made for a certain well known orchestra to play for the party. The band was unable to come at the agreed date, but played earlier in the season. Hence another party, known as the Junior-Senior Prom came into existence to take the Panhellenic's place as the final formal.  
 The Interfraternity Ball committee chosen by James Musgrave, president of the Interfraternity council, consists of Fred Gray, general chairman, James Musgrave, tickets, Kenneth Van Sant, music, Carl Hahn, decorations and entertainment, and Lowell C. Davis, publicity.  
**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH ARRANGES SUNDAY CLASSES**  
 The First Christian church is dedicating its program next Sunday morning, Feb. 9, to university students. Three special classes for university students have been organized to meet every Sunday. Miss Gladys Beaumont will conduct a class on "The Marks of World Civilization."  
 "What it Means to be a Christian" will be discussed in the class of which Dr. E. C. Hendricks will be the leader, and the third class, under the direction of Mr. Ivan Snyder, will discuss "Christianity: Contributions to Civilization."  
 University students, engaged in a shirt tail parade, battled with Lincoln police on May 20, 1903.

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