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MORE ABOUT INNOCENTS.

THE day after tomorrow is Ivy day—traditional
climax of the extra curricular year at the Uni-
versity of Nebraska.
This year, arriving as it does in the midst of third
quarterly examinations, it has lost that climatic
punch by which it was formerly characterized. It
is only an event. And present predictions indicate
it will be a damp and somber one sandwiched in
between cram sessions and showers at that.

Along with the regular Ivy day program, tradi-
tional in its routine, comes the inevitable tapping
of the Innocents. The past year has brought criti-
cism galore on the shoulders of the senior men's
honorary society. It received the brunt of the at-
tack of last semester's editor of The Nebraskan.
It was excoriated in the virulent "Fire and
Sword." It has been caustically chastised by ad-
ministrative officials.

Criticism this semester has been confined to two
editorials, one recommending a 75 percent grade
average, the other espousing a change in the
method of election which would permit the student
body, which it theoretically represents, to have
some voice in picking the Innocents.

Further objections to the present organization of
the society were withheld when it was learned that
proposed changes were being seriously considered
by the Innocents. For a time it looked as though
tangible results would be the outcome of the dis-
cussion. Innocent alumni and the administration
were consulted and called in for a series of confer-
ences. Different methods of selection were pro-
posed, criticized, defeated or withdrawn.

Today, however, sees the Innocents society ready
to elect new members under the same autocratical
and political system as has always been employed.
This one fact, nevertheless, must not be lost sight
of in adverse comment on the Innocents society for
inability to agree upon a new plan. A majority of
the Innocents recognized the need for some change.
They realize that Innocents, as now elected, are not
getting the support of students nor the backing of
the faculty—two essential things if their claim of
being representative student leaders is a valid one.

Friction between the Innocents and the admini-
stration, and inability to agree on any plan has
resulted in failure to effect any change. But this
year has marked the first time that any serious
consideration given to making any alteration.
The Innocents society, however, is not to be exoner-
ated. It has not taken adequate steps to secure
the necessary co-operation to make it a true senior
honorary society. It has made no public attempt to
refute statements made against it. It has not acted
as if it cared a whoop about what the rest of the
world thought about the society. It has clung tena-
ciously to the exalted pinnacle of tradition rather
than recognizing that this tradition, though com-
mendable, must be changed and expanded with a
changing university.
Its work has been conducted under cover. It has
failed to take the students as a whole into its con-
fidence enough to let them know something was
being done to try to improve the organization. Its
passive action—if there has been any action—has
not been what the students were looking for.

The situation today is this. The majority of the
Innocents feel something should be done to improve
the present method of election. The administration
of this university likewise is dissatisfied—to the ex-
tent that activities of the Innocents next year are
to be much curtailed. But the Innocents have been
unwilling to face the issue squarely enough to really
take action. Bickering has resulted in blotto as far
as improvement is concerned. No compromises that
satisfy everyone have been agreeable bridges for
the gap that is apparent between Innocents, faculty,
administration, and students.

And so the Innocents waddle along, singing their
song of tradition and story. And the administra-
tion emits grunts of disgust along with the faculty
and many students.

QUIET HOURS?

Social fraternities include in their list of worthy
objects, as a rule, something to the effect that
cultivation of the intellect is desirable. These con-
stitutions, rituals, and secret laws were written
many years ago, it is true, but the need for recog-
nition of this attempted attainment is more neces-
sary today than ever before.

Outsiders and alumni do what they can to pro-
mote scholarship in fraternities. Loan funds,
scholarship awards, and various prizes are offered.
There is something lacking, however, in the indi-
vidual fraternity which fails to recognize the fun-
damental importance of study. That such condi-
tions do exist is plainly evidenced in the absence
of studious atmosphere in most Greek houses.

Vigilance committees, scholarship committees
and fraternity officers attempt, usually, to enforce
quiet hours in fraternity houses during week nights.
Most of them fail miserably in their attempts.
Slamming doors, boisterous singing, shouting,
screaming phonographs make it practically impos-
sible for the fraternity man to study.
No amount of police duty on the part of frater-
nity members will remedy the condition. The in-
dividual Greeks must realize the necessity of study
and must co-operate to some extent with their
scholastically inclined "brothers" if any lasting so-
lution is to be worked out.

"BUSTED" BALLOONS.

TO the meeting of the faculty committee on stu-
dent affairs Monday went a copy of the resolu-
tion recently passed by the Student council request-
ing 12:30 hours for women in dormitories and so-
rorities on week end nights. It was referred to a
sub-committee, as is customary, which will con-
sider the resolution.
From all indications it appears that this balloon
blown by student sentiment, apparently almost
unanimous in favoring the change from 12:15 to
12:30, is going to be pricked by the faculty plan be-
cause Miss Amanda Heppner, dean of women, was
not consulted and because the irate citizenry, hear-
ing of such a "preposterous" notion, doesn't like the
idea.
No one but the students themselves, it seems, can
understand and see any validity in the argument

asking extension of 15 minutes. The proposal has
brought telephone calls and letters from regents to
housemothers, branding the plan as foolish, ridicul-
ing university students for starting so late to
parties, and recommending the parties be stopped
at 11:15 or even 11 o'clock.

Of course parties could be ended at 11:15, 11
o'clock—or 10:15 for that matter. Better still, tea
dances starting at 3 o'clock in the afternoon could
be arranged so university boys and girls could be
put to bed right after dinner.

Just as people out of touch with the student point
of view cannot understand why parties don't start
earlier, students can't see why anyone should be-
come so incensed and fussed over a request for 15
minutes extension of time. The tempest in the tea-
pot, proverbially speaking, that has been brewing
over this proposition seems quite superfluous.

Social customs are hard to change. In fact there
is no need of changing them. All over the country
college folk are going to parties at 9 and 10 o'clock.
They are dancing until midnight—often later. They
are getting in at hours ranging from 12:30 to 2
o'clock in the morning, except at Nebraska where
the deadline is 12:15.

If people so desire, they might begin campaign-
ing for a complete change in social tradition around
the university. But such a move would gain little
headway. There is nothing inherently wrong with
youth because it goes to parties at 9 o'clock and
gets home at 12:30. Some persons have foolishly
and without the slightest provocation read a moral
issue into the arguments. There is none. Students
want a convenience granted them. They have a
right to make such a request. But the breadth of
the vision with which some individuals view the sit-
uation is distressing in its narrowness.

The campaign for 12:30 nights is not over. The
faculty committee may hedge on the matter or turn
its thumbs definitely down. But as long as student
sentiment is for a change that is legitimate and
desired for convenience's sake, agitation will con-
tinue. Perhaps some day, some time, the request
will be granted. Who knows?

GETTING OUT OF CLASSES.

PIQUED because a professor informed his class on
a warm day not long ago that he could not excuse
it from regular work because of university regula-
tions, R. S. B. in a Student Pulse article Sunday on
"Dismising Classes" criticizes the administration
for enforcing such a rule.

The truth is that as far as the administration is
concerned, there are no rules governing instructors
in the matter of dismissing classes. Either R. S. B.'s
instructor was kidding the students or he was being
prevented from following his own inclinations by a
departmental ruling. But as far as general regula-
tions pertain, a professor can hold class or let the
youngsters go, just as it strikes him.

Even if there were a university rule on the mat-
ter, the objection of R. S. B. is way out of line with
standards of high scholarship. Classes cannot be
dismissed or transferred to a shady nook every time
a warm day dawns. Besides the departments which
do have rules requiring their instructors to hold all
classes probably know a great deal more about the
work that should be covered in one semester and
the need of regular class attendance than the stu-
dent who is eternally yearning for some excuse to
get out of an hour of quiz, lecture, recitation or
examination.

Sometimes the most optimistic believers in the
youth of today must wonder what 6,500 young
people are getting out of the University of Nebraska
and if their purpose in going to college is one worth
while.

Some parents, we understand, think students
always talking about pipes are taking courses in
smoking.

Nero was a Roman emperor for thirty-one years.
The Christians did not do much singing in the
reign.

The Student Pulse.

Sign contributions pertinent to matters of stu-
dent life and the university are welcomed by this
department. Opinions submitted should be brief
and concrete.

WHO IS AT FAULT?

To the editor:
Miss Heppner is paraphrased in The Daily
Nebraskan of April 18 on the subject of the 12:30 time
limit as follows: "She also stated that she did not
believe that the men wanted more time to eat and
get their wraps, but that they were pushing the
measure for other reasons."

If Miss Heppner is understood correctly two con-
clusions are possible. If the men and women of
Nebraska are average decent folk, they have been
insulted. If they are not, then the fault lies with
the ideals and standards which this university is
partly responsible for giving them.

The fault really lies with those who are most
directly responsible for student conduct, a living
expression of student standards. Fifteen minutes
has nothing to do with the case in either event.
G. D.

STRIKE UP THE BAND.

To the editor:
A few years ago it was customary for the R. O.
T. C. band to make annual statewide tours. Trips
were taken every year and various towns in Ne-
braska were visited by the musicians. This was
part of a University week program. Different or-
ganizations of the university including the band,
glee club, and University Players toured the vari-
ous towns, spending a night in each.

The glee club is now extinct and it probably
would not be practical to send the Players on the
road since they are now enjoying successful seasons
in Lincoln and probably could not spare the time
for such a trip. Therefore, a University week such
as was once observed would probably not be a
wise venture now. There is no reason, however,
why the R. O. T. C. band should not be sent on
tours like those in the past. Such bands in other
universities make annual trips through not only
their own state, but other states as well.

Reports from these schools indicate that the trips
are successful financially as well as otherwise.
Proof of this is found in the fact that they are con-
tinued year after year. The value of such tours
are twofold. First, they provide good advertising
and interest people out in the state in their univer-
sity. Second, they serve the same purpose as county
fairs and other exhibitions in that they give the
taxpayer some idea of what he is getting for his
money.

A band such as Nebraska's would have no finan-
cial trouble on such a trip. And a band with a
reputation such as Nebraska's could do the univer-
sity considerable good on tour. The idea seems
worth reviving.
ORPHEUS.

HARRIS, BOTANY
HEAD WHO SPOKE
ON CAMPUS, DIES

Dr. J. Arthur Harris, noted
botanist who recently spoke to the
joint meeting of Sigma Xi and Phi
Eta Kappa on the problem of arid
and semiarid lands, died last
Thursday, April 24, after a major
operation.
Dr. Harris was the head of the
botany department at the Universi-
ty of Minnesota, and had a nation-
al reputation in his field of
scientific endeavor. He was form-
erly botanical investigator at
the station for experimental evolu-
tion with the Carnegie institute.
In 1921, he was awarded the
Weldon memorial prize by the Uni-
versity of Oxford, England.

DEAN POUND LISTED
IN 1929 WHO'S WHO

Nebraska Man Preminent
For Scholarship and
Ability.

The Who's Who in America lists
each year the most notable and
the best known living Americans
in all parts of the world—the men
and women whose position or
achievements make them of gen-
eral interest.

One of the most eminent men
listed in Who's Who in America
for 1928-29, also listed in Who's
Who in Britain for 1930, is Roscoe
Pound, dean of the law school of
Harvard university.

Dean Pound stands preminent
for broad scholarship and versatile
ability. Both heredity and oppor-
tunity opened the way to this man
of genius. His rare preparation
for a very early entrance upon uni-
versity studies was gained entirely
in the home under the efficient
tuition of his gifted mother. At
her knee the child drew inspiration
from Homer and grounded himself
in the elements of modern tongue.

Attended Nebraska.
His career has been swift and
brilliant. He received his A. B.
degree from the University of Ne-
braska at the age of eighteen, his
M. A. at the age of nineteen and
was admitted to the bar at the age
of twenty.

A dozen universities have hon-
ored him with degrees, including
Cambridge in England. He is one
of the most distinguished jurists in
America, and is a writer of high
authority in the field of law. As
a side issue he has done work as
a botanist. Before coming to his
present position, Dean Pound
taught law at the University of
Nebraska, Northwestern universi-
ty, University of Chicago, and
also had years of experience in the
practice of his profession.

When President Hoover ap-
pointed a law enforcement com-
mission several months ago, Dean
Roscoe Pound was made one of its
members.

Born in Husker State.
Dean Pound was born in Ne-
braska sixty years ago and was
reared here. His mother's people
were New York abolitionists of
New England stock before the
Civil war, and his father was a
Quaker. Dr. Pound hasn't it in
him to be afraid.
"The genius" has a hard time
convincing people he's a worker,"
Dean Pound told Charles Lane
Callen when he interviewed him
four years ago in his office in
Cambridge, Mass.

Mr. Callen was looking about for
an authority on training a reliable
and active memory and he went to
interview this man who is reputed
to have one of the most surpris-
ingly accurate memories in this
country, or elsewhere.

Developed Memory.
"I worked in my own way to
develop my memory," says Dean
Pound. "It is not a 'natural gift'
that came to me already developed.
But one of the most difficult
things in the world is to get credit
for work. A writer will sweat,
worry, starve, go in rags during
the apprenticeship that eventually
qualifies him for his great work.
When it appears the world says,
'What a genius!'"

"A business man will start out
in youth as a coal heaver, toil
twelve hours a day, sacrifice
pleasure, study until past mid-
night, and after forty years of ef-
fort gain a fortune. 'He's a lucky
dog,' says the world. One man
will spend sixteen hours a day at
his desk; the man next to him will
spend eight. Yet when the eight-
hour man is only half-way there,
people look at the faster traveler
and murmur something about
'pull.'"

The dean resents being called a
genius. He says he does not write
with great ease but with much ap-
plied effort and long hours of
work. "I am, what you would call
a 'pluggger,'" he tells his inter-
viewers.

PUPILS OF FINE
ARTS COMPLETE
DESIGNING WORK

Etching, china painting, cross-
stitch work on pillows, and the
painting of handkerchiefs and wall
hangings are a few types of ap-
plied work being done in the de-
sign classes of Louise E. Mundy,
assistant professor of drawing and
painting of the department of fine
arts. Students are required to com-
plete one project for each semester
hour of work done in the course.

Special work in Easter design
for cards and Easter eggs was
done before spring vacation. Con-
ventional Maybaskets have been
assigned for this week's work.

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JOURNALISTS FINISH
PERIOD OF TRAINING

Seniors in School Return
From Two Weeks' Work
On State Papers.

Wandering in from various
points over the state, senior jour-
nalism students returned to school
Monday after two weeks of practi-
cal training on daily and weekly
newspapers. With but one excep-
tion, the embryo newspaper men
and women who could be found
gave enthusiastic reports and de-
clared themselves in high favor of
the training plan tried this year
for the second time.

Elmer Skov languished in Ord
under the influence of the grey
skies overhead and found himself
longing for his typewriter in The
Nebraskan office long before the
two weeks were up.

Chased By Woman.
Cliff Sandahl, reporting for the
Omaha Bee-News, had a bad sea-
son when he was chased by a woman
with a gun. Cliff says that was
only story that he went after that
he didn't get. "Gus" Larson found
Wahoo rather an exciting place
when half a dozen bank failures,
an attempted suicide, and other
unusual news chanced to occur
during his stay in the town.

Others reported more common-
place happenings, but found their
trips no less enjoyable for that. A
few comments gathered on the
campus yesterday afternoon indi-
cate the general tone of opinion
held by the seniors in regard to
the training plan.

Mary Nichols—"It was all right
as long as I had something to do."
Helen Day—"I enjoyed it a lot."
Moselle Kleeman—"It would
have been better if there had been
more work to keep me busy."

Ed Backus—"I had an excellent
time and consider it a profitable
experience."

Great Stuff.
Harl Andersen—"Great stuff.
I'm sorry that I have to come
back to school."

Audrey Musick—"I'm very much
enthused about the entire plan."
Elmer Skov—"I can't say that I
got a great deal out of it."

Katherine Allen—"I'm well sat-
isfied with the work but hate to
think of making up the school
work lost during the two weeks."

Gene Robb—"I picked up some
good pointers and enjoyed myself
at the same time. I do think, how-
ever, that one week is long enough
and believe that all students should
be sent to daily newspapers."

Gordon Larson—"I learned a
good deal during the two weeks
and am well pleased with the en-
tire plan."

LaSelle Gilman—"I was well
satisfied with the trip."
Cliff Sandahl—"I certainly be-
came acquainted with what is
known as the big city racket, but
the time was too short for me to
acclimate myself to the change—
and my nerves still tell the story."

FAHRNEY IS AWARDED
SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

Farm Student Receives \$400
Danforth Foundation
Scholarship.

Emory Fahrney, '31, Curtis, stu-
dent in the college of agriculture,
has been awarded the Danforth
foundation summer fellowship, ac-
cording to a report from Dean W.
W. Burr. The award grants \$400
to cover expenses for this summer
course.

The Danforth fellowship pro-
vides an eight weeks course which
will begin on July 7. It includes a
study of nutrition and the manu-
facturing of feeds for farm ani-
mals, and a study of modern busi-
ness methods, in which salesman-
ship is stressed.

Thirty of the best qualified
juniors in agricultural colleges
throughout the United States re-
ceive this award each year, Dean
Burr stated. Six weeks of the
course will be spent at St. Louis in
the Purina mills. The two remain-
ing weeks will be spent at the
American Youth foundation camp
at Shelby, Mich.

Clifford H. Jorgenson, Minden,
is alternate for the fellowship.

FIELD HOUSE
MADE READY FOR
HONOR DAY FETE

(Continued From Page 1.)
Honors convocation was origi-
nated on the Nebraska campus last
spring in an effort to bring to-
gether the announcement of honor
students of each of the classes and
to create a tradition of recognizing
superior students.

According to the plan in use at
Nebraska, seniors in the upper 3
percent of the class, students in
the upper 10 percent of each of the
four classes, student organizations
that have maintained high schol-
astic standing and the winners of the
numerous special awards and
prizes during the year are to be
announced.

Like Plan Used Other Places.
This is similar to plans used in
other universities and colleges, ac-

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Kansas, Oregon, Wyoming Join With
Nebraska in Honoring Meadowlark

Nebraska is not the only state
to choose the western meadowlark
for the state bird, according to Mr.
Collins, assistant curator of the
museum, in his Thursday morning
radio talk, for the states of Kan-
sas, Oregon and Wyoming as well
pay homage to this little songster.
Nineteen of the forty-eight states
in the union have adopted state
birds.

"Alabama has chosen one of the
family of woodpeckers, the flicker.
The bird goes under a dozen dif-
ferent aliases as golden-winged
woodpecker; pigeon woodpecker;
yellow-hammer; yellow-sh-
woodpecker," enumerated the
rator.

The quail was chosen to repre-
sent California, according to the
speaker. The District of Colum-
bia has the wood thrush for its
state bird. The versatile mock-
ing bird holds sway in Florida and
Texas, and is known as the prince
of musicians.

According to Chancellor Burnett, He
said he was not sure whether
student recognition in the honors
list for high scholarship was the
true test of what a person has
done for his university or not.

"It is hard to be exactly accu-
rate in giving recognition on
scholarship alone because of the
variations there can be in grad-
ing," declared Mr. Burnett. "Per-
haps some students should be re-
cognized in the honors list who are
not because their grades will not
warrant it."

"I believe, however, that there
are other honor societies such as
the Innocents, for example, which
care for some of those who deserve
recognition but do not get it on
account of scholarship. There
probably should be one honor
group on the campus based on
scholarship alone."

Chancellor Burnett will preside
over the convocation which will
be attended by deans of the colleges,
directors of the schools and a few
invited guests as the official
faculty group, besides the parents of
students and others.

Principal speaker will be Dr.
Jay William Hudson, professor of
philosophy at the University of
Missouri. "The Larger Terms of
Culture" will be the subject for
his talk. Dr. Hudson is well known
both as a scholar and an author.

ART SORORITY WILL
CONSIDER PROGRAM

Plans for the spring initiation
and banquet will be discussed at
the regular meeting of Sigma
Lambda, honorary art sorority,
Tuesday evening at 7:15 in room

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