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Freshman asked us yesterday if a student union was an organization to demand shorter class hours and higher grades. It's an idea, at that.

In Behalf Of Our Loafers.

A contributor has written us, praising the ideas advanced by Prof. Horace G. Deming in his recent article in the Wiley Bulletin. He advocates their modification and adoption by some of the bolder professors. They would have to be bold, because conservatives would hoot them down if they weren't.

The main idea of the suggestions, we gather, is to promote speed in education. The method used in the chemistry department of the University of Nebraska is segregation of the various mental grades of students. The intellectuals are placed in a separate division, so they will not be hindered by the less intelligent persons. They are thus enabled to learn the required facts more quickly.

We rise to say a few words in behalf of the loafers. We like them. We wish we had more time to loaf ourselves. If we could manage to register for a few classes in which we could master the facts presented in a short time, and then loaf, we think it would be a wonderful thing.

And then, again, think of the results of wholesale adoption of these suggestions. If high schools adopted them, college entrants would visit this fair campus at the most ridiculous of early ages. We don't think college is necessarily a place to learn a lot of facts, or learn a lot of anything else. We rather prefer to call it a place where youths of a certain age come to spend four years or so, and look around, and see what they like to do best.

If college graduates emerged just cram full of knowledge, we should still doubt the comprehensiveness of their education whenever they faced the world at sixteen years of age, diploma or no diploma.

College is not an institution of book learning, necessarily. It is an institution to aid in the maturity of youthful ideas—to assist in the development of adult observation and perception in children. There is no better place, we think, for the average youth of from eighteen to twenty-two years to spend his time. This would not be true if every college student spent all his time browsing in books, and learning facts and theories. For the major value of college, say we, lies in the fields not covered by books.

Prodigies have no place in college, in our modest estimation. They are invariably chock-full of knowledge, and just as inevitably look upon the world and its doing with the eyes of their years.

Give us the loafers. They may not know formulas galore, but they do know how to live. In this respect, they and they alone have received any benefit from their college careers.

And now we wonder how many hopelessly literal-minded folk will assail us for printing a defense of flunkers?

If Weaver really created prosperity, we wonder why he don't show Bryan which button to push?

At least fifty percent of the persons recently granted divorces in the United States have been women, we read.

Seeing is believing—no wonder people believe in the modern girl!

Greatest danger to the sincere person: Someone might believe him.

Well, Beezley may be all right. But what's this reference to a "beautifully decorated, indirectly lighted ballroom?" Is someone actually going to decorate the coliseum for the Prom this year? Quick, a Senate investigation!

MORNING MAIL

All for Beezley.

TO THE EDITOR: In a certain town, let us call it Gentryville, lives a beautiful girl, let us call her Annie Zilch; she is beautiful, talented, and all the other things. All through the county, all through the state, in fact all through the south people marvel and talk about Annie's talents, beauty, and other things. But we at Nebraska have never heard of her. Therefore she cannot be talented, she cannot be beautiful, she cannot be all the other things, or so we must believe, according to the philosophy of F. G. H. in yesterday morning's Daily Nebraskan.

F. G. H. says "who the devil is Beezley Smith?" We'll confine ourselves to facts and to truth. It might be possible that the honorable F. G. H. has never heard of a good many things but we doubt deeply if that detracts from the value of those things or whether the people "never heard of" are pained.

The National Broadcasting company has six orchestras under contract, among them Beezley Smith and Rudy Valee. We have no way of knowing, but the chances are that the N. B. C. knows its business when it comes to selecting orchestras. It might be too that prominent hotels and night clubs in the east know a little more about bands than does F. G. H. Purdue students, Illinois students, and South Dakota students, although different from Nebraska students, perhaps, are in accord in pronouncing the orchestra a good one.

And another thing, the Prom committee has other items in its budget aside from music. If F. G. H. would like to dance on the pavement, or between four bare walls, to the music of the best orchestra in the world that is his privilege. But most people prefer to dance in a beautifully decorated ballroom with soft lighting effects.

And another thing, last year's Prom had two local orchestras, and was the price lowered? Not much; it was even more than this year's admission. The tickets for that affair sold at \$3.00 each.

Perhaps we don't know all the facts; perhaps F. G. H. does. At any rate those who judge, must be careful not to judge too harshly and without foundation, lest they be called upon to prove their statements.

A TRUE NEBRASKAN.

Without Fire and Sword

By MEREDITH NELSON And HOMER DEADMAN

A solitary figure pauses on the height of a hill and gazes slowly about him. Far in the distance behind him he sees the sparkling cluster of the city lights; before him and all around, the black shadow of the earth is dimly marked against a blue black horizon. The figure straightens his body, draws back his shoulders, and breathing deeply the crisp winter air, he lifts his face to the starry dome above him. In the faint glow of the sky, the taut muscles in his face relax. His gaze is fixed on the depths of the atmosphere. While the minutes pass in silent darkness, a sense of vastness possesses him—the vastness of the universe, in which all trifles disappear; petty affairs ceased to worry him; his mind is free in contemplation of something transcendent. He feels, too, the unerring orderliness of the stars, and perceives dependability and power in the consciousness of their regularity. There is a friendliness about this sky, with the gleam and the sparkle of its million jewels—the familiarity of a friend with whom he has grown up, who has accompanied him wherever he has been, and inspired him in his highest moments. Presently he gazes around him once more, turns, and is gone.

Who is he? Anyone of tens of millions of us—perhaps an Abraham Lincoln, a Gandhi; perhaps an ordinary laborer, farmer, teacher, or student—simply a man. His identity does not matter; the important thing is that he has grown up, who has accompanied him in those highest and best moments of life—an experience of religion. He has spent a brief period in which he found the mental relaxation from all the mad conglomeration of worries, desires, problems, hurts—all those things which characterize the nervous tension under which we all live. He has found encouragement and faith; he has gained the poise and perspective which he needs to achieve difficult goals. The moment of worship has given him refreshment and power, and allowed him to draw himself together so that he feels a harmony and focus about his own personality. To put it simply, he has achieved his "better self" by drawing on a source of power.

If you are a skeptic, you will say that the man was sentimental. But if you are an artist you will say that the man was poetic. You will say that the man saw but actually felt beauty. If you are an evangelist you will say that the man found God, or God found the man. But after all, isn't religion itself poetry? Have we not the essence of religion in the imaginative, interpretative grasp of facts which are themselves dull and relatively meaningless? Whether you use the prosaic language of the scientist, or the poetic language of the artist, such an experience, the health of his personality has been recreated.

It would be absurd to deny the effect of such an experience, and therefore would be equally absurd to negate the value or reality of it. Most of us have had such moments of inspiration in our own lives (if not, we have missed the best so far), in spite of our collegiate sophistication. There are untold thousands of settings for these experiences, yet the inspiration that comes from beauty is only one aspect of religion. The reality of this one aspect, however, is evidence to us of the truth of religion.

COUNCIL TABLES MOTION SETTING UP COMMITTEES

(Continued from Page 1.) duty member with no vote, while the latter will be comprised of five faculty and administrative representatives and a student member without voting powers. These two committees will decide the proper student organization to whom the enforcement of various Student council measures should respectively be delegated.

Letter from Kansas. Consideration of re-affiliation with the National Student federation followed the reading of a letter from Kenneth G. Meuser, regional representative of the west central division of that group, by Robert Kelly, president of the council. Meuser, who is a Kansas university student, suggested that possibly a regional conference would be held this spring, and he wondered if this Student council would be willing to co-operate in the conduct of such a meeting. He stated that he hopes a hospitality committee, to welcome visiting athletic and debate teams, can be organized on every campus in the west central region and wondered if the Nebraska student government group would care to link itself with such a move.

Student council representatives were divided in their opinions on national affiliation and co-operation in such a conference as

MEUSER suggested. They argued the matter of sending delegates to such conferences and decided to postpone action until they had a chance to receive more specific information concerning the present status and activities of the National Student federation.

Walter Huber, reporting for the athletic relations committee of the council, said that the athletic department is eager to devise some arrangement whereby student sentiment might be more aptly presented to the department. It was conveyed that the officials in the athletic department wish to have student viewpoint on such matters as the price of athletic tickets, intra-mural athletics, the most acceptable times for holding games, and questions of that nature.

Debate was held on whether it would be expedient to attempt to obtain a position for one student on the athletic board, have committees to go before the athletic board with their sentiments, or merely appoint Student council delegates to act as a connecting link between the athletic authorities and the student body. Discussion on this problem was finally brought to a close through a motion to the effect that the council committee on athletic affiliations meet at the earliest possible moment with the athletic board and discuss possible arrangements which might be effected.

Approval of the McClean Hall charter was almost immediately granted and the bill was turned over to the president of the council, Robert Kelly, in order that he might present it to the proper faculty authorities. The constitution charter, which was drawn up by a group of non-fraternity men residing in McClean hall, announced that its purpose was the creation of a society which would work for the development of Christian character, better scholarship, useful citizenship and individual training. It is chartered by the Nebraska Christian foundation and also by the state of Nebraska.

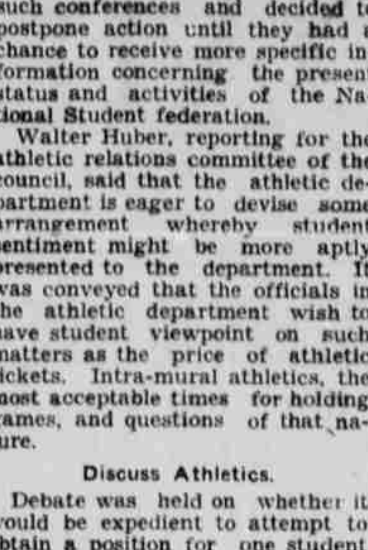
If faculty approval is granted on the document the group presenting it will be entitled to official recognition as a campus organization and as such they will be allowed to legislate, take in members, and take other steps pertaining to its own interests as a group organization.

Founders of the new group, who signed the constitution, were: Curtis Nelson, J. T. Hilton, F. Lloyd Smith, Homer R. Deadman, George K. Hervey, Richard Mayborn, Gordon Quiller, George Larsen, Delman E. Bailey, Charles Gray, Aldert Moleman, Ronald Hoffman, Don E. Silker, J. Henry Rinker, Frank M. Simmons, C. F. Bartfeld, Jack D. Nelson, Robert W. Hirt.

MISS BRUMBACK TO TALK

'Industrial Experiences in Chicago' Is Topic of Lecture. Lyndell Brumback will speak on 'Industrial Experiences in Chicago,' at eVspers, Tuesday, Feb. 17, at Ellen Smith hall, 5 o'clock. Miss Brumback, the chairman of the sophomore commission groups spent some time in Chicago last summer, and her talk will deal especially with the conditions of unemployment there. An announcement will be made

Ivy Day Orator



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SENIOR GIRLS TO NOMINATE THIRTY AT POLLS TODAY

(Continued from Page 1.) ticipation in extra-curricular activities. Here quality rather than quantity is emphasized. An activity rating of "B" according to the A. W. S. point system of activity participation rating is required. Quality of leadership is the third basis for selection.

Today's vote is under the direction of the present Mortar Board chapter. Ballots will be counted by Miss Elsie Piper, acting dean of women, and Miss Florence I. McCaskey, registrar. Scholarship of the thirty girls polling the largest votes on today's ballots will be checked before the final choice of the women to be honored by selection to the society is made by the present members of the local chapter.

DODGE COUNTY HOLDS RECEPTION FOR AGENT

400 Turn Out to Greet New Head of Agricultural Work in Area. Four hundred Dodge county people held a reception for their new county agent, Merle C. Townsend, former student at the college of agriculture, last week in the courthouse. Ordinarily the people of the

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county have meetings of this kind when the agent leaves, but not often do they turn out in such numbers to get acquainted with the new man when he comes, R. E. Holland, district leader of county agents for northeast Nebraska, says.

The get-acquainted meeting was sponsored by the county farm bureau. The county supervisors were called upon to give a few remarks and representatives of the various towns and communities of the county were also on the program.

In sending out the notices of the meeting the farm bureau asked each family to bring in a choice of two different foods. As a result the entire crowd had an old-fashioned country dinner. Farm bureau furnished the coffee.

H. G. Gould reports that E. M. Huckfeldt, the new agent in Sheridan county and his county farm bureau members have worked out a program for extension work in that county. Farmers there are particularly interested in dairying, hog raising, crops and seedling trees, Miss Mary-Ellen Brown, in charge of women's extension work, and E. C. Scheidenhelm, dairy extension agent, were with Mr. Gould at the program planning meeting.

Other reports coming in to the central office of the extension service this week indicate that the corn and hog days, the dairy meetings, 4-H club meetings, and the women's project meetings have been better attended this spring than at any time in the history of the extension service. Part of this increased attendance is undoubtedly due to the weather, the extension agents say, but some of it is due to the better advertising of the meetings and the natural growth of interest in extension work in the state.

The Unitarian Church

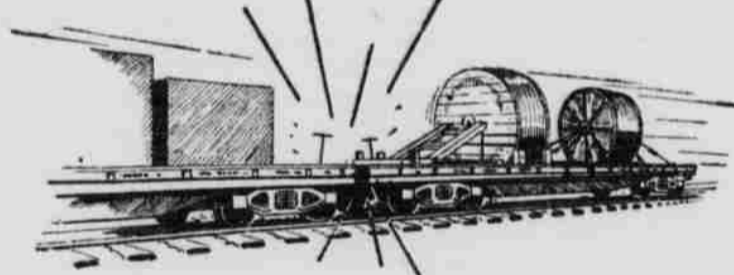
Twelfth and H Streets "THE CHURCH WITHOUT A CREED" Sermon Subject, Feb. 22: "The Symbolism of the Maiden's Place in the Picture," an interpretation of Miss Dolan's painting, "The Search for Truth."

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