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Losing Leaders.

Nebraska is not a rich state, and its university is not a wealthy school. Consequently, whenever a good faculty member leaves for another school, a howl arises.

The complaint is no doubt justified. But there is more than appears on the surface of such changes of staff personnel.

Leaders in the field of higher education come to Nebraska with great expectations and high hopes. They leave disgruntled, with often but a slight increase in salary awaiting them at their next stop.

They carry these plans to the administration. They fail to gain official approbation for their projects—and evidently fail in some cases in spite of intrinsic merits of the projects.

The university then releases a public statement: Professor Blank departs to assume the duties of chairman of his department at X university, at an increase in salary.

The increase in salary, however, is frequently so small as to be disregarded entirely in the search for motives behind instructional transfers.

Many cases might be cited. A few outstanding examples are still within the memory of the "present generation" of collegians.

The outstanding case in point is that of Dr. H. B. Alexander.

He left for a higher salary at Scripps college, it is true. But he also left following failure to secure what he believed to be a much needed reorganization of the Arts college and the university as a whole.

His "three points" seem trivial details, compared to the loss the University of Nebraska suffered by his departure. He asked the right of petition by faculty to the regents. He wanted the administration to come to a definite agreement on the value of the various teachers' certificates.

Perhaps his ideas were no good, perhaps they were excellent. The fact remains that he left.

Another case bearing upon the topic is that of Dean James, formerly of the Arts college. He left for more money at another school. He had also attempted some reorganization of the college of which he was dean.

This year we are losing several good men. One is Strong, of anthropology. Another is Hicks, of the same old source of strife, the Arts college. Another is Dean Sealock, of teachers college.

Cunningham, if he leaves, will not be leaving for the primary purpose of earning a larger salary at another institution. He will be leaving for "personal reasons."

Sealock goes to Omaha. Cannot the University of Nebraska compete with Omaha in the matter of instructional salaries?

Strong may possibly have been attracted eastward by the offer of a much higher yearly income and increased prestige. How far money can compete with genuine concern and co-operation between the school and the faculty members, however, is still a matter of some question.

Other cases of the past and of the present might be reviewed, without reaching any more definite conclusions. There always remains, though, the question: Was it solely money? Or was it some other, more personal reason?

That question can never be adequately answered, but there appears this obvious deduction from the numerous cases within the past few years: The lure of the big salary is not always the reason for the transfer of Nebraska professors and deans to other universities.

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Supposing for the moment that Nebraska had unlimited financial support for her university, how long could she keep a man like Glenn Frank? Or Hutchins, of Chicago? The answer is obvious, and may perhaps explain a few of the "leaving for more money" instances.

Is there some deep-seated difference between a state and a privately endowed school? Perhaps. But is there any difference between the university of one state and that of another?

Does the chancellor know the real facts behind each and every case of "leaving for more money?" Do the regents?

We confess our ignorance. The administration has no right to be ignorant in such instances—and probably it is not. We do not know. Providing that the real facts are known, though, much might be done to prevent each such loss before it becomes past history.

"How do administrations 'get along' with instructors?" The answer to this question, if discovered, would guarantee for Nebraska fewer serious faculty losses despite her poverty.

This not in a spirit of destructive attack, but rather as an admission of ignorance, a search for a much-needed preventative, and an attempt at least at constructive criticism.

Another explanation of deplorable state of campus politics: The average student votes for the man nearest like himself.

Another reason the popular song lasted longer in the good old days was because you couldn't twist a dial and shut it off.

Up for Action.

A university swimming pool is planned. Action will be taken by the regents, either the first or the last of next week.

Action necessary for the construction of a pool by next fall will include two moves.

The first, the adding to university registration fees the sum of one dollar per student, to be used to meet interest and bond payments on the pool.

The second, the promise of the university (made by the board of regents) that the institution will promise the sum of \$5,000 per year to meet such payments.

The first move will more than provide enough cash to meet the guarantee of the second. It is a very simple affair: one, two, build the pool.

Following these two moves by the board of regents, downtown construction companies are willing to bid on the project and if awarded the construction work, to take up all the bonds floated themselves.

Hence the results of the two moves would insure the building and also the financing of the pool.

No danger to the university itself, either. No possible chance of losing money on the transaction. No possible chance of any cut in budget on account of such an expenditure, since the pool will be paid for by the students, and not from university funds.

Why is it you can get bored to death in a living room?

Comes a time when someone or something must be complimented. Well, we think the University of Nebraska is a pretty fair school, everything considered. Now let's see, whom were we about to light upon?

Down for The Count.

Once upon a time there was a middle-western school known as the University of Nebraska. It had neighboring universities surrounding it upon all sides. Each one of these neighboring schools had a Student Union building. The University of Nebraska had none.

The union buildings provided the neighbors with headquarters for all student activities. It provided them with good places to eat, to loaf, and to study. It provided them with excellent theatres. It provided them with nice places to dance, with adequate space to check wraps. It provided them with adequate student publications offices. It provided space for faculty clubs. It provided space for darn near everything they needed—and acted as a center for an increasing amount of school spirit.

What is needed? A committee, first of all, to handle publicity, an educational campaign, and later on a drive for funds.

How to get one? Action of the Student council of the Alumni association, jointly, to pick a group of three faculty members, three alumni, and three students.

Funds to organize on, and to pay for pictures and printed matter released? Well, if the committee is selected, The Nebraskan will see how much cash it can raise. And the alumni association might swell the fund a bit. And the needed preliminary work might be done this spring, late as it now is!

Says one, "The Nebraskan maintains a constant anvil chorus. It never does a thing but continue its unceasing criticism. No one has a good word for the paper any more."

Says another, "The Nebraskan is far too conservative this year. I can remember when, last year, it was 'on its toes' all the time."

Note of Apology.

The Daily Nebraskan slipped up a bit in its coverage of the Phi Beta Kappa gathering Tuesday evening. In fact, it didn't cover the meeting at all. For this we hereby apologize and advance no excuses, since none will do any good. Alibis never seem to repair damage already done.

To the chancellor, who was made an honorary member of Phi Beta Kappa, we offer our sincere congratulations, with all the earnest spirit of a very small boy pressing his nose against the window pane of a candy shop!

STUDENT COUNCIL SETS MAY 19 AS ELECTION DATE

(Continued from Page 1.) The student body with the athletic board as its nucleus, as Walter Huber, chairman of the student council athletic relations committee, gave a report on recent conferences with the athletic department.

The athletic board would like to see closer cooperation between the students and that body as concerns matters which are equally important to both groups such as the price of tickets and things of that nature. The question of student membership on the athletic board was treated with misgivings, it was reported, for the problem entered in as to the advisability of student attendance at meetings where bonds are to be voted, and games are to be scheduled.

Suggests t Group.

It was also suggested that possibly it could be arranged to have a special student committee to meet with the athletic board at such times when matters which jointly concerned the students and the athletic department would be up for consideration. At such times the student attitude could be sounded out and the board could base its actions accordingly.

PHI BETA KAPPA HOLDS INITIATION TUESDAY NIGHT

- (Continued from Page 1.) Clara May Bratt Lyndell Naomi Brumbach Tyler Buchenau Mary Margaret Cannell Ruth Roberts Casey Clarence Preston Cooper Homer Randolph Deadman Paul Melcher Drueseow Elaine Darline Gibbons Paul Elton Gillan Gretchen Martha Goulding Elizabeth Adita Grone Lucile Rose Hac Wendell Whitaker Harding Elaine Elizabeth Haverfield Ruth Bertha Heather Elizabeth Jane Lange Howe Walter Glen Huber Bessie Friedrich Hudson Elsie May Jevons Marjorie Cobb Johnson Vera Marie Kahm Walter Hans Keller Hazel Gertrude Kinsella Ernst J. W. Klingler Irmgard Joe Kreckler Elaine Leska Phyllis Leeka Gerald John Loetterle Mary Adelaide Lucas Eleanor Holt Mathewson Margaret West Meiler Mary Jane Minier Mildred Ingrid Olson Lewis Richards Ricketts Frank Lester Roth Maude Elaine Schroeder Olga Ellen Sharp Helen Lucile Struble Robert Donald Vold Vera Gertrude Waters Mary Ann Weaver Katherine Roberts Williams Anna Frances Zeman

TRIK CLUB IS BEGUN BY FOUR STUDENTS

(Continued from Page 1.) and good fellowship among students and faculty members of the agronomy department and thereby further the best interests of all concerned in like activities at the University of Nebraska.

Glenn Burton as newly elected president of the organization will call regular monthly meetings throughout the school year, at which special programs arranged by members will be presented. Husa was chosen as vice-president.

The Tri-K club will sponsor student judging contests and will award a special prize to the high individual in each contest. In keeping with their purpose in organization, members of the club have set the date for the student grain judging contest for May 23.

Upon entrance in this contest a charge of 25 cents will be made which will entitle the contestant to the evening banquet which follows the competitive meet and at which the results of the contest will be announced.

35 COLLEGIANS FILE TO ENTER IN KAR KLASSIK

(Continued from Page 1.) wares at the fair grounds. The races will begin at 2 o'clock sharp and will be preceded by a big parade of all the entrants and others who wish to join.

BAPTISTS WILL HONOR GRADUATING SENIORS (Continued from Page 1.) panied by Miss Ruth Randall, and several numbers by a quartet consisting of Glenn W. Burton, Bartley, Charles J. Livingston, Weeping Water, Jesse E. Livingston.

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Kelly Sets Awgwan Deadline for Friday

Material for the Graduation number of the Awgwan should be turned in before Friday, according to Robert Kelly, editor. In order to fulfill the printing contract, all material must be in the hands of the printer this week end. Jokes and miscellaneous need not follow the theme of the issue, though that would be preferred.

Weeping Water, and Victor M. Rediger, Milford.

Decorations are in charge of Mrs. Lyle Giesicker, 24, Lincoln, secretary of the organization. Invitations are extended to all Baptist alumni, former students, and seniors of the university. Reservations must be made by Thursday evening at the Baptist student house, 1440 Q street, according to Miss Grace Spacht, student secretary.

Zeta Tau Alpha Head Will Visit Nebraska

Mrs. Howard Williamson Gardner, of Beaumont, Texas, national president of Zeta Tau Alpha, and Mrs. Frank Kerns, of Baldwin,

Kas., president of Eta province, will be present at the province convention to be held in Lincoln over the week end. The local chapter at the university will be hostesses.

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