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Losing Leaders? No!

Yesterday we printed, under the title "Losing Leaders," a broadside which forces unfriendly to the university delight in circulating. We sought an answer to the question "Is money (or prestige) the only motive behind the occasional transfer of a brilliant Nebraska faculty man to another and larger school?"

We presented that question in a light as unfavorable to the university as possible. Here is the answer:

The University of Nebraska is not a wealthy school, it is true. But whatever her wealth, as contrasted with that of other educational institutions, she has a record of which every citizen of the state is proud to boast.

In scholarship, Nebraska ranks near the top of the roster of American colleges and universities. Her students are accepted willingly and gladly in every school in the land. Few of the educational institutions in the United States are more universally known and recognized for the high standards of scholarship maintained than is our own state university.

Such a school as Nebraska loses a valuable and capable faculty man on occasion, it is true. The actual reasons are simple and obvious. There are, throughout the country, many universities endowed with unlimited incomes, who were already possessors of long and brilliant records before Nebraska became a state.

To these schools, each year, go one or two Nebraska professors.

They go for salaries that Nebraska cannot match. They go, on occasion, for the prestige that a position on the instructional or executive staff of such a school carries with it.

Dean James went to another school at a large increase in salary and with the rank of president rather than dean.

Dean Sealock goes this year to Omaha, as president rather than dean, and at twice the salary Nebraska could offer him.

Dr. Strong, of anthropology, will go to the Smithsonian Institute, to a position toward which he has been working for years. He will receive a larger salary, together with the prestige that accompanies such an important position. Nebraska could not hope to compete with such an offer.

In every case that might be mentioned from Nebraska's past record, the same reason is discovered to lie behind each such transfer. Nebraska has a limited income. She cannot hope to compete with the comparative wealth of other schools.

Despite limited financial advantages, however, Nebraska continues to forge ahead. There are, of course, certain restrictions that bar development, in a state-supported school, of every new and untried educational project. That may appear. These, Nebraska disregards until they have been actually tried and found successful in other institutions.

Wisconsin, scene of many an educational innovation, has abandoned her "Experimental College." Is it not well, then, that Nebraska, needing her every dollar for purely utilitarian and practical purposes, did not attempt such a project until it had been thoroughly tried and tested elsewhere?

Chicago university is another of the more progressive schools—and Chicago has tried many a new idea only to discard it after a brief experiment. Is it not well that Nebraska refuses to toss away time, energy, and money on such plans, until they have been found successful? Surely such a conservative method of procedure is not to be condemned!

On the other side of the picture are the many new ideas in education that have been adopted within our own school, AFTER they have been proved on other testing grounds. Nebraska has picked up many an innovation from Wisconsin, Chicago, and other schools—but she picks only those that are reasonably certain of success. Is there any room here for cries of "Backward! Unprogressive!"? Hardly!

No university, and least of all a state school, is to be called to account for a reasonable, conservative but progressive policy.

For any state university is forced by the educational demands of the youth of that state to admit all properly qualified high school graduates who choose to enroll. And from this beginning, complications ensue. Are the scholastic standards too high? Are they too low? These and a thousand and one other perplexing questions arise immediately.

Throughout the years, Nebraska has answered these questions as wisely and as fairly as she has been able. Her ability is demonstrated by the universal recognition accorded her rapid scholastic progress throughout her existence, a progress that is continuing unabated at the present moment.

Nebraska is a state university that ranks

with the best in the land, and an institution with a record of which every citizen of the state can feel consciously proud.

"In Europe, men waste much more time thinking about women than they do here in the states," says a visiting professor. Well, well! Imagine a race than can think more than twenty-four hours a day!

Europe has coquettes, we hear. That's nothing, we have coeds.

Progress In Other Lines.

In other than strictly routine, day-by-day business, Nebraska has made progress also. Of late, the swimming pool project has been receiving faculty and administrative approval.

A meeting of the board of regents has been called for Saturday, May 9, to deal with the question. The board will also take up the subject of compulsory or elective military science. Both are questions raised by the students, for the students.

It is significant that the regents are willing to take the time and the trouble to convene for action or discussion of such questions as these. They concern the students, but not necessarily the university administration; hence, it is heartening to note that the administration is concerning itself with the two problems at all.

More than that, the chancellor and the regents are heartily in accord with the proposed swimming pool construction, if it can be accomplished with no detrimental effects to the university itself, and they are admirably open-minded upon the question of military science.

Insofar as a pool is concerned, there can be no possible ill effects upon the university pocketbook. First of all, student fees will support the thing; secondly, this fact may be made known at any and every time that criticism arises from such a "waste of money from the university budget." The need for a pool is evident and admitted; here, then, is a method of filling that need without causing the slightest embarrassment to the university itself.

Insofar as elective military science is concerned, The Daily Nebraskan, supported by a large number of students, has always advanced its cause over that of compulsory drill. The Student council, comprising a group of the most representative Nebraska student leaders that can be secured, actively carries its plea to the regents Saturday.

Whether that plea be heeded or not, it will set a precedent for Student council powers. If the committee fails, then no future committee will have quite so good a chance for success. If it succeeds, then every future committee will have a far better chance of securing favorable results, no matter what the question at issue may be.

We wish the committee luck in its mission; we hope for a favorable action on the swimming pool project, considering the triviality of the obstructions in its way; and we thank the chancellor and the regents for their interest and cooperation.

Suppose the usual number of athletes and engineers are signing up for fine arts courses this fall.

Nearly time now for the new Innocents to begin to conceal at least a part of their shiny pins under their coat lapels.

MORNING MAIL

Our Garden Of Eden.

TO THE EDITOR: Maybe we're abysmally ignorant, but we never knew that common everyday Nebraska weeds were drug plants until the other day.

We were walking by that area between the old museum and Nebraska hall which is enclosed by a hedge and a fence. Over the gate were the words, "College of Pharmacy Drug Plant Garden."

And growing therein were weeds of all sorts, even the common dandelion was much in evidence. A pool that might once have been the home of some water plant was filled with the stagnant remains of recent rains, and on the surface there floated great patches of muck.

Just why, may we ask, has the spot been so neglected? It looks like the land the gardener forgot. It hasn't been weeded this year, let alone having been planted to anything.

If the college of pharmacy is not sufficiently interested in the garden to keep it up, it might be plowed up and seeded to grass. The pool could be used for a lily pool, and at practically no cost one of the prettiest spots on this wind-swept prairie campus could be created.

THE OBSERVER

College Comment

God Bless Our Snobs.

Snobs are specimens of the human race whom the Creator has endowed with an exaggerated notion of their places in this mundane menagerie. Whatever other divine characteristics they lack, snobs most certainly are without the virtue of fell' aship.

Someone is born in silk pajamas and immediately he finds cause to snob all the little babies in flannel. Someone develops an unusual wrinkle in his brain and we have the intellectual highbrow. Someone takes a course in esthetics and suddenly learns that "Casey Jones" is not beautiful. Thereafter, his sacred duty seems to be to snub all the old gang who sing "Casey Jones" occasionally. If a man falls heir to a rattling good Ford, he thereupon has a right to snub every pedestrian. A name, a title, a pin of gold or even brass, identification with some group merely in the matter of an opinion, serves as an excuse for an over-developed ego.

But snobs are useful after all. They cooperate like the insects in that poem "and little fleas have lesser fleas and so ad infinitum." When one snob gets unbearable, the best thing in the world to do is to bring a superior snob around, and then when the second one becomes unbearable bring forth a still more efficient one, and so on "ad infinitum." If the contest is continued long enough, the participants will be reduced to an appearance of silliness that will make the onlookers rejoice.—Daily Kansan.

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