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A Conference Is Held.

Beginning with a dinner Friday night, the political science department is sponsoring a two-day conference on political education in secondary schools. Teachers of the state will hear problems of instruction in government discussed, and the importance of such instruction will be considered.

The meeting will not be spectacular. That is not its purpose. But because, in all likelihood, there will be very little transpiring at the convention which will appeal to the popular imagination, the importance of such a meeting will be generally overlooked. It is not amiss, then, to point out some of the factors involved in the conference scheduled here for this week-end.

There is, first of all, the matter of political education itself. Altho it sounds trite to say so, it is very important now, in a time of general unrest, that a sound understanding of social and governmental principles be understood. Only with such an understanding can a measure of stability be achieved, and it follows that value attaches to institutions and movements which aid in attaining that understanding, with its tendency to stability.

Discussion of the value of stability we leave to the "bull session" pervaded by what someone has called "adolescent revolt."

Designed, then, to promote attainment of better understanding of things political thruout the state, the conference is seen to be a thing of real importance. But it is also important in another aspect. For the convention brings definitely into the open a function of the university which does not get its due of attention.

That function is service to the state—service over and beyond the direct educational benefits accruing to regularly enrolled students. The political science educational conference Friday and Saturday is but a small part of that program of service, but it is exemplary of the other parts, and as such it is deserving of both recognition and commendation.

Experts will speak at the sessions, and secondary school teachers who attend the meetings will go back to their posts with definite contributions to aid them in the task of education. It is by such means as these that enlightenment permeates a state.

UNDAUNTED by winter's intensity, Kosmet Klub is cheerful, and plans for the spring show are already being discussed.

Contemporary Comment

Honor the Scholar.

The man who spends his time in the pursuit of knowledge seems to be held in low esteem around here, as in many other colleges of America. He is not regarded as a real college student at all. He

does not go to athletic games; he does not cry "rah, rah" when his superiors tell him to. Books, lectures or the laboratory occupy his mind and he peers at the printed word far into the night.

Of course, if he has eyes or ears for anything outside his work, he is not long left in peace. He is urged to get out and dance; to be a sport; to go to meetings and vote for people whom he does not know; to emancipate his individuality from the tyranny of books and submerge it in the beneficial rule of alleged student leaders. The poor individual is regarded as an incompetent man if he does not follow the general example of his fellows.

Revolutionary as the idea may be, we nevertheless think that the scholar has a place at college. For one thing there is an extensive library of which he may make use. There are intelligent professors who are likely to know more than they dare reveal in lectures. And in his defense it may be argued that the scholar is not very much of a nuisance, he makes little noise and takes up little room, and he provides a passive target for those who wish to bandy about the word "apathy."

It may be further said that the scholar even does some good. He may acquire enough learning to later become a professor and thus ensure the continuance of universities. He may come across a new twig in the tree of knowledge. He may write a great book, or become a great specialist. And the world may be the better for him, though he has never grown hoarse at an intercollegiate struggle or made his head ache at an undergraduate social evening.

As the scholar is a one-sided man, lacking many of the more popular accomplishments, he will naturally come in for much criticism. But the world can do with an occasional one-sided man. They help life to have more meaning for the others, they add to our store of achievements and hopes.—The Spectrum, N. D. State.

HOW many Nebraska professors agree with the Columbia faculty member who "condemns paying coaches more than the best professors? And how many of them dare say so?

Muzzling the Press.

Back in Gotham they have been having more difficulties between their student editors and college officials again. This time all publication of the C. C. N. Y. paper, the Ticker, was suspended.

The administration there ruled that all articles were to be authorized by a faculty member before publication. The editors rightfully took this as too unreasonable a ruling and closed their offices. Any newspaperman would have felt himself forced to do the same.

It is probably true that should the administration ask the editor's co-operation in printing nothing that would work to the disadvantage of the institution and his paper, it would get that cooperation.

However, the newspaper must be given a free rein by the administration. Its editor must know that he is boss in the editorial rooms and that the shop will carry out his instructions. He must know that his reporters are accountable only to himself and the rules of common decency.

If, as was the case with the editor of the Columbia Spectator last year, the Ticker editor started out to expose some unhealthy condition in the educational or athletic systems or student affairs, wasn't it only right that the campus paper should point out this evil? Isn't it always better to have an insider recognize an ailment and set out to correct it than to have an outsider expose it and start an investigation or scandal?

The incident at Columbia set a

Vogeler Happy With Eighty-Two Cage Teams Competing in Intramural Play

Many brands of basketball are offered in the interfraternity games which have been underway for the past few weeks in the coliseum, but still it is basketball that is being played. The coliseum has been teeming with activity lately and Rudy Vogeler is happy for he is beginning to see intramural sports as a budding youth which is still growing rapidly.

With the formation of the Barb league last Thursday afternoon, a chance for athletic competition has been offered to those who were formerly excluded, the unaffiliated men. Several weeks ago there was also a church league drawn up, so that at the present writing there are three leagues functioning or ready to go, giving every man physically capable and with a desire for athletics a chance to show his wares and also make use of inactive muscles.

The grand total of teams thus far is eighty-two with several more expected to enter the Barb

league to swell that total. In a roster of eighty-two squads with eight men to the squad there are approximately 650 university men deriving the benefits offered by the system. In class A of the interfraternity loop, thirty-two teams have been fighting it out for the laurels since mid-November, while in class B there are twenty-two quintets on the list. Next in number comes the church league with an array of sixteen aggregations while the Barb group has thus far compiled a group of twelve outfits. Plans at present call for the first game in the Interclub or Barb league to be run off on Thursday evening, Jan. 5, after Christmas vacation, in order that the managers may get their teams together for practice sessions preceding the two weeks layoff from studies.

Vogeler feels that an efficient system of intramural competition is imperative, and with the present comprehensive system thriving is optimistic concerning its future.

precedent. The ruling at C. C. N. Y. has the appearance of an alarming sequel. A third such occurrence should be taken as a signal that university and college papers must fight for their rights as units of the great American press, the freedom of which has been one of the most fundamental principles of our country. Oregon Daily Emerald.

ATHLETE'S foot, according to Dr. Lyman, is affecting women more than men swimmers this year. We suspect it's because men have such little opportunity to use the pool.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

The Agricultural staff will meet in the Home Economics parlors Thursday at 5 o'clock.

Cornhusker Costume party will be held for all girls in the university Friday at seven in the Armory.

There will be no Social Dancing class Friday.

Ag Freshman Commission. A social dancing hour will be held next Thursday by the agricultural college freshman commission instead of the regular meeting. They will meet in the Student Activities building at 12:20.

Tassels.

A meeting of Tassels at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon in Ellen Smith hall is called to practice for Girls' Cornhusker party. All members are requested to be present.

R. O. T. C. Band.

The R. O. T. C. band picture will be taken in full military uniform Thursday at 4:45 on the steps of Morrill hall.

Dramatic Club.

Dramatic club meets Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the Temple theatre. All members and pledges must be present.

Fireside Forum.

Dr. C. H. Patterson will give the second of a religious series of discussions sponsored by the Fireside Forum, Thursday evening in the Temple. His topic will be "How Does a Deeper Religious Experience Express Itself in Personal Relationships." The meeting is open to all men and will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

On Tuesday, Dec. 13, the ag freshman commission will entertain the ag college Y. W. C. A. staff, and all ag freshmen with a

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tea to be given in the home economics parlors.

INSTRUCTOR WRITES BOOK.

The Secular Activities of the German Episcopate, 919-1024," a volume of 275 pages by Dr. Edgar N. Johnson, assistant professor of history, has recently come from the presses of the university. The book represents, in the main, Dr. Johnson's thesis for the doctorate degree which he received from the University of Chicago in 1931.

CRAZY COLLOQUIALISMS.

Colloquialisms are not new, Nor are the silly sounds that we hear too.
Rah rah once was a college yell, But where it has gone now no one can tell.
The same is true of hip hooray, Which was often heard in another day.
Huzza, hurrah and bravo, too, Have gone out of date, along with skidoo,
Many things that our fathers said, Were the slang of their day but it's now dead,
Whether we've improved or made worse, I'll leave to you in the rest of this verse.
Now for fast exit, we say scam, Or again it is, take it on the lam.
As I try now, I am defied, To make any sense out of hi-died.
And just as inane, I must say, Is skeedaaten, skeedooten, dum, skeeday,
There's no sense at all, I'll bet money, In that crazy phrase, Hey Nonny Nonny.
But the goofiest sound of today, Is skeedee, weedee, whaa, whaa, dum, skeeday.
For the above brainstorm folks I say foahgive me, foahgive me. I'll

AWGWAN CHRISTMAS ISSUE WILL FEATURE SOPHOMORE BEAUTY

Sororities Choose Prettiest Second Year Women For Magazine.

Sophomore girls adjudged the prettiest second year members in their sororities will appear in the Christmas issue of the Awgwan, Francis Cunningham, editor, announced Wednesday. According to Cunningham, a picture girl of the month is to be one of the features of next issue. Although the publication date has not been definitely determined, he stated that material is coming in very well.

A story by William McCleery, "Santa's Pants" will be the lead article in the magazine. "Professional Detective Story No. 2105" by Marvin Robinson and "Freshman Holiday" or "Love Finds a Way for Chuck and Phyllis" by Neil McFarland will also have a prominent place among the stories in the December issue.

The cover design this month has been drawn by Norman Hansen. A group portraying typical students and their Christmas adventures will appear in the issue.

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