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Cheaters Do Prosper.

A FRESHMAN student at Wisconsin university was recently dismissed from school for hiring another student to write an examination for him. The decision was made by a disciplinary committee of the university faculty to which all cases of alleged cheating are referred.

The significant thing about the Wisconsin case in its relation to Nebraska university is not only the fact that the student was promptly dismissed for the offense, but that Wisconsin university has a regular and systematic procedure for dealing with such offenses. Judging from the report of the incident, faculty members who encounter cases of cheating in their classes turn the cases over to the disciplinary committee for action.

There was once a time when anyone who pointed out that cheating in an examination was wrong would have been considered as trite as an individual who asserted that it is wrong to kill a man. Now it seems that the idea is not trite at all; it is in fact, judging from the facile manner in which cheating is carried on, openly doubted that there is anything wrong with cheating.

BUT we still think it too much of a platitude to expand on the reasons why cheating is wrong and why it should be curbed. The question of importance for this university as well as for educational institutions in general is what method is best suited to deal with the problem.

Whatever method is adopted it seems self-evident that that method should be consistently adhered to so that there can be no misunderstanding on the part of the students as to what is expected of them and what are the consequences of being caught cheating.

Obviously a change in the attitude toward cribbing is necessary at Nebraska. But such a change cannot be effected by piously expressing the opinion that nice students don't cheat. It will come only thru an organized attempt to provide protection for the conscientious student and penalties for the cheater.

Some schools have found the so-called "honor system" effective whereby students are honor bound to be square. Under present conditions it would probably be a joke to attempt to institute that system at Nebraska.

THE most practical solution for whatever difficulties exist at Nebraska is for every instructor on the campus to thoroly understand that he is expected to provide reasonable safeguards against cheating not only in the examinations he gives, but in the various requirements he sets up for his courses.

When it is made difficult for students to cheat, then it will be possible for those who go out of their way to be crooked to be dealt with as they deserve, either thru a disciplinary code, or thru the effective condemnation of fellow stu-

dents. But when it is easy to cheat and a large number are doing it, it is difficult for the student body to develop much sentiment against the practice, and many are impelled to adopt the tactics which they see others successfully carrying on.

Welcoming the Unfit.

LOWER entrance requirements for admittance of freshmen to the University of Washington this week received the tentative approval of President M. Lyle Spencer, a news item from the Washington school announces.

Decreased enrollments at the university prompted the approval of President Spencer, the item indicates as well as a survey which showed that many low-ranking high school students succeed in college.

Decreased income from student fees caused by dropping enrollments is not a novel situation at Washington university. Shrinking appropriations from legislatures for state supported schools is also a universal feature of the present economic condition.

To meet this reduction in income Washington university is proposing to let down the bars and make a university education possible for nearly anyone regardless of aptitude or attitude, providing only that such individuals have the money necessary to pay fees and living expenses at the university. The same method of partially meeting the deficiency in available money will probably occur to other administrators faced with the problem of running their schools with inadequate financial support.

IF increased legislative appropriations are not forthcoming when enrollment continues to drop, at Washington as at other places, it is natural that the solution of increasing the enrollment by decreasing the entrance requirements should occur to the administration. The only other alternative is to reduce the scale of operations, in other words to weed out courses and reorganize departments. This is a serious step to undertake involving as it does the interests of many instructors and perhaps seriously crippling the activities of the institution for the future.

Hence it is impossible to condemn the proposed policy of the Washington school outright. Nevertheless, the disadvantages of the scheme are fully as apparent as the evils of retrenchment.

The greatest defect of the unrestricted policy of college entrance is the injustice which is done to students whose abilities are deserving of extensive development. Such development, we believe, is largely hampered when institutions are flooded with incompetent students and playboys and playgirls who absorb the attention of the instructional staff, and who, because they are likely to constitute a majority, tend to lower the standards of achievement of the entire student body.

MUCH of the present ineffectiveness of education in colleges and universities is traced by some observers to the necessity of handling students in the masses. And when those masses are constituted of students of even lower calibre than have been allowed admittance heretofore, it is indeed time to wonder if the policy is not seriously detrimental.

Still another factor which should be considered in determining the advisability of lowering the educational bars is the case of the entrants themselves whose previous school records indicate their difficulties in absorbing education. Is it not possible that an injustice is done to these individuals who are incapable of deriving much benefit from a college education, by allowing them, even encouraging

them, to waste their time in the vain attempt to get thru college?

We are convinced that the policy of unrestricted entrance requirements will lower educational standards at a time when they need to be raised. And we are inclined to believe that in the long run it will prove a more economical policy to make essential adjustments between income and expense by retrenchment rather than by increasing enrollment indiscriminately.

UNIVERSITY SECURE ESTIMATES AS BASIS FOR LOAN FROM R.F.C.
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provide employment for men out of work.

A number of other projects in the state are eligible for securing loans provided repayment of the loans can be met from income from the services provided. Included as possible recipients of the loans are projects in Long Pine, the Sutherland irrigation and reservoir project near North Platte, the Loup river hydro-electric project at Columbus, a hydro-electric project at Ord, and an extension to the sewage disposal plant at Lincoln.

CHILDREN'S THEATER TO GIVE DWARF PLAY

Players Will Present Fairy Tale Based on Brothers Grimm Story.

"The play to be presented this coming week-end for the Children's theater is a very pretty one, and will undoubtedly be well received by its audiences," is the statement made by Miss Alice Howell, head of the university dramatic department. "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" by Jessie Brahm White, a fairy tale play based on the story of the Brothers Grimm, will be given Friday, Dec. 16 at 7 p. m. and Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Temple theater, under the direction of Miss Pauline Gellatly and assisted by Lucile Cyprean.

The five act play in charge of Miss Howell and under the auspices of the Lincoln Junior league, is the second Children's theater production of the year. The scenery was designed and executed by Louis Geis, of the department's stagecraft design class. Costumes were designed by Miss Faulkner's design class and made by members of the cast.

The cast of characters is as follows:
Princess Snow White..... Lois Picking
Queen Brangomar..... Virginia Howel
The Prince..... Armand Hunter
Court Chamberlain..... Bob Rende
Witch Hex..... Lucile Cyprean
The Huntsman..... Francis Studevant
Transformed Queen..... Sylvia Schaeffer
Maids of Honor: Ann Kinder, Alice Louise Becker, Blanch Carr, Marjorie Filley, Ruth Gregory, Priscilla Jean Mosely, Constance Rathburn, and Kathleer Carrher.
The Seven Dwarfs: Neil McFarland, Arthur Balley, Donald Lynn, Ghitta Hill, Betty Roberts, Vergene McBride, and Patsy Oxley.

COURT GIVES NAOMI BUTTERWORTH AWARD
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the parents of Naomi Butterworth, also a former university student, was ended Monday when a jury under Judge J. H. Broady turned in a verdict of \$1,000 damages against Buel.

The case was started Wednesday when Roy Ford, '19, Pi Kappa Phi, brought Miss Butterworth, and later Ruth McCormack, Alpha Delta Theta, to the stand. The lawyer for the plaintiff attempted to prove that the plaintiff was struck by a car driven by Buel at 14th and S streets, on the sidewalk line of the south portion of the new mall. Lawyers for the defense were headed by Lyle Holland, '25, Delta Tau Delta and Roland "Gib" Locke, '27, Phi Gamma Delta.

Revolving about the point of whether Miss Butterworth was struck south of the stop button on the new mall, as she claimed, or on the north side of the stop button, as three witnesses for the defense testified, the defense rested at noon Friday. The jury left at 3:45 o'clock Friday, disbanding late that night, leaving a sealed verdict on Judge Broady's desk which was opened Monday morning.

UNI PLAYERS TO HOLD TRYOUTS THURSDAY

Applicants Are Required to Present Part From Some Play.

Tryouts for dramatic parts with the University Players will be held Thursday afternoon at 2, it was announced yesterday by Zolly Lerner of the dramatics department.

Open to all men students, the tryouts will be held in the Temple building. Those trying out will be required to prepare for presentations a character part from some play. It is also possible, according to Mr. Lerner, for two or three candidates to join and present an act from a play.

Many character parts, it has been announced, will be open this year in the plays to be presented. Among these are serious, comedy, eccentric, and juvenile roles.

Students interested in trying out are requested to report at room 153 in the Temple building at once, if they have not already done so.

CADETS TO RECEIVE SHOULDER INSIGNIAS

Different Colors Will Designate Each Battalion.

All cadets in the University of Nebraska R. O. T. C. unit will receive company and battalion insignias which will be attached to the left shoulders of their uniforms, according to an announcement from the department of military science.

The design of the insignia will be the same but the colors and general shape are different for each of the three battalions. The design embodies a symbol of an ear of corn on which the company letter is inscribed. The first battalion symbols are of white felt, enclosed by a blue border, carrying a blue ear of corn on which are shown red company letters. The second battalion is yellow felt, black border and corn, green company letters; and the third battalion, orange felt, black border and corn, with a purple company letter.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT WILL SPONSOR VESPER

The young people's department of the First Christian church will sponsor a special Christmas vesper service, Sunday evening, at 7:30. The Christmas story will be carried out in a worship service of music, scripture and by the presentation of reproductions of famous paintings in slide form.

Mrs. Lenore Burkett Van Kirk will direct the music for the evening while Mary Jane Christopherson will conduct the reading.

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