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## Dismiss Classes for Today's Convocation.

CLASSES will not be dismissed for the convocation at 11 o'clock Thursday morning," says a story in the Wednesday Daily Nebraskan. Then follows a eulogy of the speaker, Dr. Joshi, and statements urging all students who can to take advantage of the opportunity to hear this excellent and well informed speaker from India.

It is true that when classes are dismissed a number of students do not attend the convocation anyway. But it is unfortunate for such students as would attend, when one of these unusual opportunities to hear a speaker and a subject of such interest presents itself, that classes interfere to prevent them from attending. It may be impossible for instructors to dismiss classes in some instances. But many others refuse to do so even though they could well afford to miss one class period.

From the student's point of view, it is highly inconvenient to go to a convocation, however worthwhile it may be, if he must miss a class in order to do it. He is faced with the necessity of making up back work and losing out on essential class information.

Since such few opportunities occur for students during the school year, the Nebraskan recommends that instructors dismiss classes today. Dr. Joshi should be guaranteed a good audience, and students should not be penalized for taking advantage of the chance to hear him.

## Shall We Have Chaperons on Picnics?

"IN America," say the English, "they don't bother to repeal archaic laws. They merely disobey them."

The foundation is thus laid for the frequent charge that America is a nation of law-breakers, and the critics point to the lamentable attitudes toward the eighteenth amendment as a case in point.

An even more evident illustration of the American attitude, however, may be seen directly at hand, and Nebraska students need look no further than their own campus to discover an excellent example of this peculiar manifestation of laxity in the face of regulations. We refer to a provision of the university catalog, which sets forth the proper methods for the conduct of picnics.

An extensive code of laws is to be found in the catalog, in the division "General Information," and under the heading "Rules and Regulations Governing Students." Section 32 of those rules, under the sub-title "Organizations, Social Functions," has to do with picnics. It says:

"All parties, including picnics and social migrations where women are present, shall be officially sponsored. Notice of such parties shall be given to the dean

of women, and the names of the sponsors submitted to her for approval at least two days in advance, preferably on the Monday preceding the party. At all entertainments not given in private homes or organization houses, members of the faculty are to be included among the guests invited to sponsor parties."

THE absurdity of this provision, in its reference to picnics, is so apparent as hardly to need amplification. "All parties, including picnics, shall be officially sponsored." The rule damns itself.

It is not particularly important, perhaps, that the regulation be abandoned because it is outmoded and ignored. What is important is the disregard for all regulations which such a provision engenders.

Everyone is aware that students desiring to picnic, stay not on the order of their going to hunt for chaperons. The very informal nature of picnics, to say the least, precludes the presence of any such representatives of formality as chaperons. "Officially sponsored" picnics! Such performances are reminiscent of the misguided "segregation" attempts on a football special train a few years ago!

It is very apparent that this particular "rule and regulation governing students" not only fails to govern but has a very detrimental influence on the gravity with which students regard other regulations. The provision might very well be dubbed "the rule which makes law-breakers of students."

## Fraternities on The Upward March.

FRATERNITIES have a heavy burden of proof to sustain as to their worth when it is shown that fraternity members have lower scholastic averages than non-fraternity men. For many years this lower rating for fraternity men was taken for granted and the critics of the fraternity system had just that much more ammunition to use in their condemnation of the Greeks.

During the last few years the worm has been turning and fraternities have been boosting their scholastic ratings up above those of the non-fraternity men. A report just released for the past year as compiled by the Fraternity News Service shows that "scholastic averages at a majority of western colleges show a higher rating for fraternity men than for non-fraternity."

Whereas the prime purpose of fraternities is not the promotion of scholastic endeavor, it is encouraging to note that fraternities are feeling their responsibility for doing as much as they can to encourage their members to make creditable scholastic records. Whatever prejudices may be held against the college Greek letter society will be more effectively removed by this one evidence of fraternity endeavor than by all other forms of worthwhile activity in which these organizations engage.

## Contemporary Comment

### In Defense of Bluffing.

Critics of bluffing by students have been answered by two University of Washington professors. Prof. Edward McMahon of the history department says: "I encourage my students to bluff and, if they are made of the right stuff, they will."

Bluffing has rated next to "apple polishing" in college circles and pupils who can talk intelligently in class when they haven't read the material and make successful guesses in quizzes, are envied by their less fortunate classmates.

"Everyone has to bluff sooner or later in life and college is a good place to learn how to do it. Naturally an A student is able to adapt

himself to a difficult situation more quickly than others and is therefore the best bluffer," says Prof. E. H. Eby of the English department at Washington.

## APPLICANTS MAY FILE WITH COLLEGE HEADS FOR TUITION AWARDS

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 tion and approval by the committee of the college. They are rarely extended beyond one year. Sophomore standing is a requisite for eligibility to a tuition scholarship. In selecting awards, junior and senior candidates will be given first consideration.

All applicants must have earned no fewer than twenty-four hours credit during the two preceding semesters, and must have a weighted average of at least eighty percent for that period. Any failures or deficiencies in scholastic records must be satisfactorily explained to the committee.

Students must submit evidence of actual financial need of the scholarship.

**Must Carry Twelve Hours.**  
 Recipients of scholarships are required to carry twelve hours during the semester for which the award is made, or the scholarship will be withdrawn.

Eighty-nine Nebraska students, mostly seniors, were granted scholarships for the current semester. Of this number, 10 were in the college of agriculture, 22 in arts and science, 3 in journalism, 8 in fine arts, 13 in business administration, 12 in engineering, 2 in pharmacy, and 19 in teachers college.

The scholarships are prorated among the several colleges on the basis of enrollment.

More than 200 students applied for scholarships last semester.

## 'TIME' TAKES POKE AT NEBRASKA FOR ELECTING 'QUEENS'

News Magazine Satirizes Result of Awgwan Poll.

Although Nebraska's recent choice for Prom Girl, coupled with the results of the Awgwan poll of the February issue has received much comment in newspapers, collegiate and otherwise, it remained for Time, national weekly news-magazine, to place the last satiric roast on Nebraska's habit of electing queens for every need.

Said Time, in their March 27 issue: "Male students at the University of Nebraska elected a 'Perfect College Girl' for their Junior-Senior Prom last week. They based their votes on eight considerations, of which the first seven were Legs, Body, Hair, Face, Voice, Personality and Intellect. The eighth consideration, new to non-Nebraskans, was 'M-mmm.' The editor of Nebraska's Awgwan (funny monthly) defined 'M-mmm' as 'general seductiveness'—a Nebraska synonym of Elinor Glyn's outworn 'It.'"

"Nebraska's 'M-mmm' girl, placing first as to Legs, and tying as to Hair, proved to be one Jane Youngson, shapely blonde. The Nebraska co-eds voted too, for 'Perfect College Man' on the basis of Eyes, Physique, Face, Hair, Voice, Personality, Intellect, and 'O-ooo' (male equivalent of 'M-mmm')."

"A little bored with the co-educational penchant for such elections as Nebraska's, the Daily Northwestern of Northwestern University editorialized last week: "The practice of the school is democracy. This wholesale condition can be realized by having more and more queens and still more. Let our motto be: 'A Queen for Every Need.'"

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## Awgwan Wants Girls To Help With Issue

All girls wishing to work on the April issue of the Awgwan, which will be prepared by girl students, are asked to report to Rosalie Lamme Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock in the Awgwan office.

## DR. MORTON DESIRES THAT ALL STUDENTS ATTEND CONVOCATION

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education and served as principal of the University of Nebraska School of Agriculture in 1911-12. From 1912 to 1917 he was superintendent of the Lincoln city schools.

Leaving Lincoln during the war, he accepted a position as superintendent of the Oakland, Calif., city schools, where he taught until 1925, when he was called to the University of Denver to take over his present duties.

### Lecturer at Columbia.

He served as a lecturer during the summer sessions at Columbia university in 1918 and 1919, and was on the faculty at the University of California during the inter-sessions and summer sessions in 1923, 1924 and 1925.

Doctor Hunter was president of the National Educational association in 1920-21. From 1923 to 1926 he served as chairman of a committee of 100 members of the N. E. A., investigating the tenure of teachers in the United States. During the same years he was vice president, and was a member of the board of directors of the California State Teachers' association. In 1927-28 he served as a member of the curriculum committee of the State Department of Education of California.

### University Reorganized.

Since his affiliation with the University of Denver, the institution has developed a reorganization program, eliminating certain schools and departments that were duplicating services already being handled in Colorado. A school of fine arts and a school of librarianship were added, they being the only institutions of their kind in the Rock mountain region.

The University Civic Theater was organized there a little over

three years ago. It now has a membership of over 1,200. The Mary Reed library, costing \$400,000, and with a permanent endowment for its support, was completed at Denver a few weeks ago. It has a stack capacity of 500,000 volumes, and contains reading room seating to serve a student body of 3,000.

### Chancellor to Preside.

Chancellor E. A. Burnett will preside over the Honors convocation, and Prof. Carl F. Steckelberg will direct the University of Nebraska School of Music symphony orchestra, which will play one number at the opening of the program. The Rev. Henry H. Marsden will deliver the invocation and benediction.

The last feature of the program will include the announcements of scholastic awards. Superior students will be recognized, student organizations with high scholarship will be honored, prizes and awards will be announced, and the Pershing medal will be presented to the honored military science student.

The personnel of the Honors convocation committee, which has worked out plans for this year's observance, includes: Dr. W. C. Brenke, chairman; Dr. W. H. S. Morton; Dr. Emma N. Anderson; Dr. E. L. Hinman; Dr. C. H. McNeil; J. L. Sellers; Prof. F. W. Morris; Prof. M. H. Swenk; and Dr. T. J. Thompson.

The new division will be formed to accommodate students who have a limited time to give to college training, who wish more than the usual amount of guidance in pursuit of work of the first two years and those whose scholastic standing would not permit them otherwise to enroll in the university.

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