

Contemporary Comment

They Want Integration At Dartmouth--and Here

"Feeling that there is a lack of opportunity at Dartmouth for many of the students adequately to integrate the subject of material of the courses they take, the college announced yesterday that a plan would be initiated next semester, providing for two-week reading periods preceding the Christmas and spring vacations. During these reading periods all classes and lectures will be suspended and students will be allowed to conduct their studies informally, making individual researches in the aspects of their studies that are of particular interest to them."

The paragraph in quotation marks is not fact. It is not true in any respect, but Dartmouth would be a better liberal arts college if it were.

Dartmouth students attend as many lectures as college students anywhere today. They bear lectures that are as good as any that can be heard anywhere today. They take as many notes as other students and they probably remember as many isolated items for as many weeks. But education for most Dartmouth students stops there. It stops with facts.

Exams, Papers Don't Help.

Dartmouth students are allowed two hours a semester per subject to attempt to integrate the facts that fatten their note books and tire their arms. These two hours are not very comfortable ones, of course, because they are the two hours that elapse while they are in the gym... taking finals. And how about papers? They

write these during what time they think they can afford to steal from the process of learning facts to put on their exams. Whatever they gain one way they lose the other.

Society and the demands of society change constantly, but they change at the opposite ends of the order from education. Educational methods follow the change rather than lead it. Education not only fails to keep step. It tends to fall behind. Today there is more needs than ever for men to know more than the facts. They need to know the relative values of facts. Dartmouth men need more time to discover for themselves the meanings and relationships of the names and theories in their notebooks.

Education for Sale.

When Dartmouth was founded, leading colleges in the land went about selling education on the theory that the more information a student could produce at the end of his four years, the more he had gotten for his money. But at least they didn't go so far as to rank him as a student on this basis. Ranking in college was a matter of genealogy, of course. Dartmouth discarded that, and modern democratic sympathies would probably not make it advisable to return to such a system. An alternative would be to rank the students alphabetically.

A remedy would be to modernize education on both ends by instituting reading periods at Dartmouth.

CLASSES AFFORD HUMOR AS WELL AS SCULL DRUDGERY.

(Continued from Page 1.) His old damn-spot complex."

Dr. Guilford Contributes.

The psychology department also is responsible for a good share of the old semester's hilarity, its chief contributor being Dr. Guilford. Finding himself lost in New York, Dr. Guilford tried the motor theory of nods in which he shut his eyes in the subway and continually nodded toward the north until a northbound tram came along. Similarly finding himself lost in San Francisco, Dr. Guilford used the same procedure, but much to his chagrin and anger the same results were not obtained.

Catching the keynote of the political question, Dr. Deming can be accredited with the most terse remark of the semester when, admitting a mistake, he exclaimed, "At least I admit my mistakes, that's more than the president does!"

MILTON MOHR HEADS NEXT ENGINEER WEEK

Elect Bernard Dalton, Milton Staab, Claude Fetharow To A.I.E.E. Cabinet.

New officers who were elected last night to head the Nebraska chapter of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers are as follows: President, Bernard Dalton; vice president, Milton Staab; secretary-treasurer, Claude Fetharow.

The departmental chairman who will head electrical engineering activities in preparation for this spring's Engineer's Week will be Milton Mohr, he being elected at last night's meeting also.

Two senior members of the society, Knoland Plucknett and Harry Langston spoke on the subject of "Railway Electrification." Plucknett discussed "A Survey of Progress in Europe and America and the General Features of the Pennsylvania Railroad Electrification." Langston spoke on "A Description of the Telemetering Equipment of the Pennsylvania Railroad."

THE WEATHER

Warmth replaces cold again as the weather bureau predicts fair and rising temperatures for today. Winter just doesn't seem to be able to muster an attack this year.

FIVE WRITERS ENTER KOSMET KLUB SPRING SONG COMPETITION

Elias Holds Entries Open; Workers to Register By Saturday.

Five persons have thus far signified their intentions of submitting song entries for this spring's Kosmet Klub show, according to Winfield Elias, president of the group. Because of the press of other business at this time in the school year, the Klub has decided to keep filings open for any additional persons who wish to enter their name at the Klub office in room No. 14 of the School of Music building.

No songs need to be submitted at this time. They will not be called for until sometime after selection of the winning manuscript, announcement of which will be made in the near future. Elias stated that the Klub hopes to have some entrants in the song writing competition from the School of Music, altho to date no one from the school has filed. A prize of ten dollars will be awarded to the writer of the song used in the show which is judged best.

All workers should file their names at the Klub office before Saturday if they wish to work during the second semester. The office is open from 2 until 5 o'clock every afternoon. Elias stressed the importance of filing immediately since work on the spring production is already in progress. Whether they worked during the fall or whether they are filing for the first time, all men intending to work during the second semester as a means of gaining election to the Klub must enter their names at the office by Saturday. Elias declared.

D. COLEMAN NAMED HEAD AG ENGINEERS

Thomas Johnson Addresses Nebraska A.S.A.E. On Welding.

"Welding" was discussed last night by Thomas B. Johnson before a meeting of the Nebraska chapter of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers. Associated with the agricultural engineering department of the university for a number of years, Mr. Johnson spoke with considerable authority on his subject, stressing the practical side of the process but also including some discussion of fluxes and welding rods.

Elected last night to act as departmental chairman for agricultural engineers in making preparations for this spring's Engineers week program was Richard Coleman.

It was announced that this semester's officers of the group will be retained until after the first meeting of next semester. At that time a new set of officers will be elected.

DRAMA HOBBY GROUP MEETS

Miss Thomas Conducts Tour Of KFAB Tonight.

Members of the dramatics hobby group of the Coed Counselor organization will meet in the lobby of the Lincoln hotel at 7 o'clock this evening and be conducted by Miss Marjory Thomas in the radio receiving rooms of KFAB where the group will see a presentation of dramatics methods used over the radio.

Miss Jean Gist, director of the group, and Miss Virginia Nolte, Coed Counselor board member sponsoring it, have made arrangements with the radio station and Miss Thomas for the hour of study of radio dramatics.

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FILINGS TO CLOSE JAN. 15 FOR PUBLICATIONS POSTS

Applications for appointment to the following positions on the student publications will be received by the student publication board until Saturday noon, January 15:

- The Daily Nebraskan, Editorial.
 - Editor-in-chief.
 - Two managing editors.
 - Six news editors.
 - Business.
 - Business manager.
 - Two assistant business managers.
 - The Awgwan, Editor.
 - Business manager.
 - Two assistant business managers (unpaid).
- Application blanks may be obtained at the office of the School of Journalism, University hall 104. Material already on file need not be duplicated.
GAYLE C. WALKER, Chairman.
Student Publication Board.

COMMITTEES TO MAKE PROM REPORTS TODAY

Co-Chairmen Vow Big Name Orchestra Will Play For Annual Hon.

Special committees appointed last week by prom committee co-chairmen, Ed Steeves and Frances Goldman, will present reports of tentative plans at the second prom committee meeting this afternoon at 5 o'clock in room 106 of U hall.

The committee this year is centralizing its effort on securing an orchestra with a big name which has never played on the campus before. According to Steeves either a big orchestra will get here or the committee will finally find the reasons why it can't be done.

With the prom scheduled for March 4, sorority houses should hasten to choose their candidates for prom girl is the advice of the committee. Filings for the place of honor will be open soon at the student activities offices.

Members of the committees in charge of arrangements are: Orchestra, Stan Brewster and Harriet Cumber; presentation, Virginia Fleetwood and Paul Wagner; tickets, Barbara Rosewater and Dick McGinnis; chaperons and invitations, Phyllis Chamberlain and Harold Benn; publicity, Howard Kaplan and Phyllis Jensen.

NEBRASKA TEAM MEETS CALIFORNIA DEBATERS

Shoemaker, Woerner Match Words With R. E. Cohn, Raymond Rocca.

Raymond E. Cohn and Raymond Rocca of the University of California debate team met Merl Shoemaker and Otto Woerner, Nebraska representatives, yesterday afternoon at Lincoln high school, before the debate class there. The subject was Compulsory Arbitration.

The Californians are making their annual tour of the middle west. The same pair met Nebraska last year. They will leave Lincoln tonight.

Professor H. A. White, coach of the local squad said that this would be the last debate until after final exams. The schedule for the remainder of the year will be announced at the beginning of the semester.

CHIPS

(Continued from Page 1.) \$9 flunking fee. The professor was prejudiced. However, the fee must be paid right away. Hopefully yours, Son.

By this time you are probably aware of the real facts. Son has not actually flunked anything but he is broke and needs the money more than what is left of his scholastic reputation. Well, what are we waiting for, regents? Let's have another fee.

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SCHRAMM DISCOUNTS POSSIBILITIES OF OIL SHORTAGE IN AMERICA

Harold Turnbull Takes Post As Local President Of A.S.C.E.

The United States has no cause for worry that her supply of oil will be exhausted in the near future, according to Prof. E. F. Schramm, chairman of the department of geology, who spoke before members of the Nebraska chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers last night.

Speaking on the subject of the "Petroleum Industry," Prof. Schramm declared that through such processes as underground mining and extracting the oil from coal and oil shales an almost unlimited supply of petroleum is available. Under present methods only 80 percent of the oil present in oil lands is extracted. But the rest can be obtained by heating it out of the sand through a retorting process.

Oil Need Increasing.

Reviewing the petroleum situation in the United States during the past year, Prof. Schramm gave the group production statistics both for this country and the world. The need for oil is ever increasing in the modern world, he stated, and last year 10 percent of the estimated reserve supply of petroleum in the United States was used up. These figures are based on the present methods of extraction, however, he explained, in view of the many other methods open there is no cause for alarm over the possibility of subsequent exhaustion of the supply.

Harold Turnbull was installed as the new president of the local society at last night's meeting. Other officers installed by Prof. C. E. Mickey, faculty sponsor for the group, were Ray Crosson as vice president and Ed DeKlotz as secretary treasurer. Morris Anderson is the retiring president.

HOME ECONOMICS MEMBERS TO END ELECTION TODAY

(Continued from Page 1.) the Y. W. C. A. cabinet, a member of the home ec board, and a member of Phi Epsilon Omicron. Miss Holloway is a member of the home ec board, a Coed Counselor, a member of Phi Epsilon Omicron, and a former chairman of the Ellen Richards dinner and Hospitality day.

Instead of having nominees for vice-president, the nominee for president who does not receive that position will be automatically placed in the office of vice-president. The post of treasurer, which is open to sophomore girls, will be filled by either Eunice Bergren, Lois Hammond, Helen Kilmer, or Helen Krejci. Rhoda Chesley, Helen Claybaugh, Helen Klatt, and Helen Scheze are nominees for the position of secretary, open to freshmen only. All members of the society are entitled to one vote.

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