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OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS.

Two scientists made a profound appeal for an increased university appropriation a few days ago. Unwittingly they displayed without words but by concrete example, the truth that money wisely spent for education is money economically spent. Yet the University of Nebraska's dire need for funds, and the proposals under consideration by the state legislature were undoubtedly among those objects most distant from their minds.

The two champions of our cause were Dupont scientists; their concrete example, a pair of women's sheer stockings; their belief, that they have discovered a product that may revolutionize industry and life in the middle west. These two men are middle westerners themselves. They appreciate only too well the plight of the farmer who in many parts of this country has not had a crop for eight years.

But they also appreciate the modern fact

that the university of a state owes more to the taxpayers than the mere curricular instruction of its youth. The university as the intellectual and educational center of the state, has a duty to perform toward advancing everything which will result in the betterment of the lives and livelihoods of the people.

The university has already realized and accepted this additional task. A conference has been arranged on the campus to discuss one of the state's major problems—transportation. Despite the allotted sum of money, ridiculously petty in the face of the importance of both the issue and the people involved, the conference has been masterfully arranged and will probably be equally successful. No amount of arranging and masterful administrating, however, can provide the materials for exhaustive research. That takes money.

The two men who have discovered the substance that they believe will ultimately replace the work of the ancient silkworm, are of the opinion that it can be manufactured from cellulose. That is why they believe this discovery may change the map of the world, for as they say:

"What is more natural than that industry should grow up where there is a vast supply. All agricultural waste products and many now unheard of crops will provide it. If Nebraska wants to speed the chemical miracle, it had better provide money for research. Every dollar so invested will bring back a good many dollars."

If what these scientists declare is true, the state of Nebraska cannot afford a refusal to provide for carrying on additional research right here where it is of such vital importance. Yet without the backing of the state, it is impossible for the university to carry on alone when there are insufficient funds for even adequate accomplishment of the factual dissemination process.

In their budget proposal the board of regents requested additional funds for research work. Research has ceased to be an abstract term representing intangible work. Every member of the legislature and every citizen of the state can realize and appreciate what this research can mean to the future of the state and of their respective communities. Is it economical in any meaning of the word to pinch the few pennies, expenditure of which, might produce millions.

Methodists migrate today

State convention held this year at Beatrice

A large group of campus Methodists are organizing a migration to Beatrice today and tomorrow to attend the second annual Nebraska Conference of Methodist Youth. Rev. Robert E. Drew, student pastor, Prof. C. E. McNeill of the economics department, and ten university students will participate as leaders at the March 17 and 18 gathering.

Clyde Kleager presides. Wesleyan's Chancellor B. F. Schwartz will open the conference at the Friday evening banquet with a speech on "Christian Thinking for a Confused World," the conference theme. Clyde Kleager, president of N. U. chapter of Phi Tau Theta, Methodist fraternity, will act as toastmaster.

Worship services led by Elmer Glenn, Phi Tau Theta chaplain, will open the Saturday sessions. There will be four discussion groups for university students. Otto Woerner, junior, will be student chairman with Rev. Drew and Chancellor Schwartz as resource leader in the group dealing with "Organizing for Christian Living on the Campuses of Our State."

Dr. McNeill participates. Verna Umberger will be student leader in considering "Youth and Christian Social Action Opportunities" and Mrs. C. K. Ross of Omaha will be resource person. Dr. C. E. McNeill will serve as resource person and Ellsworth Steele, junior, as student chairman for the students discussing "Youth's Part in Building a Christian Economic Order." Rev. Blooah of Lincoln will aid in the commission working on the problem of "Being Christian in Inter-Racial Fellowships."

A panel discussion of the conference theme will come Saturday morning with Beula Brigham leading. Phyllis Olson, Madge Peterson, Dick Way and John Norall will be on the panel.

Out of state leaders help. Clarice Bowman, Tom Pendall, Luck Bickel, all of Chicago, and Dr. James S. Chubb, Kansas, will speak or lead in worship services. Citizens of Beatrice have offered the delegates rooms in their private homes. The convention is expected to draw more than the 400 that attended in 1938 at Hastings.

28 leave for 'Y' conclave

Representatives meet at Wayne this weekend

Twenty-eight students will leave for Wayne today to represent the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. organizations on both Ag and city campuses at the annual Student Christian Movement conference there this weekend.

Purpose of the conference is to teach students principles of leadership to aid them in carrying out the "Y" program on their respective campuses. Every university in the state will be represented at the meeting.

C. D. Hayes and Esther Ostlund, secretaries of the campus Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. will accompany the group. Representing Nebraska university at the meeting are: Stanley Klein, Bob Howard, Lyman Landgren, Kinley Herpolsheimer, Edwin Hayes, Wayne Wornimont, Bob Sinclair, Ralph Hopp, Charles Huenefeld, Willard Jones, Bill Smith, and Floyd Olson.

Priscilla Wisock, Helen Abel, Helen Kilmer, Marie Anderson, Lucille Marker, Pat Sternberg, Francis Keefer, Jane Shaw, Letitia Edeal, Catherine Willis, Nellie McGovern, Moneta Newman, Ethelyn Findlay, Elinor Huttenmaier, Charlotte Peckham, and Margaret Krause.

Costs

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of N. Y. A. students in payments totaling \$74,884.05, which was paid to the students directly by the federal government.

In the nine years since 1930, graduate college enrollment in the U. S. has leaped from 47,255 to nearly 79,000, and American colleges are now granting over 18,000 masters' degrees a year. For many centuries there were but three generally recognized professions—theology, medicine and law. Today there are 18 or more so classified.

Nebraska's graduate college offers degrees of Doctor of Philosophy, Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Architecture and Masters of Science in the fields of social work, and agricultural, civil, mechanical, electrical and chemical engineering. Stellar is Nebraska's Graduate School of Social Work. Graduate students now enrolled in the university number 455. Counting the summer session and extension service, there were 1,144 graduate students attending the university for the year 1937-1938.

Dormitories improving.

Dormitories and residence halls are now included among the principal structures on the American campus to house approximately 30 percent of all the college students in the U. S., says Fraternity Month. The article described the modern college dormitory as clean and sanitary, a far cry from the firetraps of the old days. "Since 1874, \$54,100,000 has been spent by 94 universities and colleges alone in constructing student living quarters on their campus.

The University of Nebraska has one women's dormitory and is constructing another. Three co-operative rooming houses are now in operation under university approval and administration. Every rooming house for girls open to Nebraska students is approved by the dean of women.

An outstanding phase of the growth of American schools has been the development of college libraries, says Fraternity Month. Nebraska has no figures comparable to others in this respect. Its \$127,000 library building, con-

Engineers' trip set for April 4-8

Kansas City vicinity to be scene of inspection

Annual engineering inspection trip for this year will be held from April 4 to 8 inclusive, according to an announcement made yesterday by the committee in charge of the trip.

Students taking the trip will journey by bus to Kansas City and spend the subsequent days inspecting engineering projects in that vicinity. A detailed itinerary of the trip will be available in a few days.

Students intending to take the trip this year must notify their department representatives by March 20 and pay their fees by March 27. The trip is an engineering senior requirement, but may be fulfilled during the junior year if the student chooses to do so.

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ity as such, and on the behavior and appearance of their animals. There are awards in each division, and the grand champion showmen will receive a large cup from the Block and Bridle club. Mr. J. G. Garlock, superintendent of the St. Joseph stockyards, will act as judge for all of the contests.

A cow milking contest for coeds has attracted four teams with two girls to a team. Girls will compete for speed. Melvin Beermann, former student and ace ropeman, is listed under feature events of the evening to go thru a series of

feats with ropes. Several faculty members have been lured into entering a baby pig showmanship contest, all the details of which the committee refuses to make public.

All the animals to be shown are those which have been groomed by the ag college to enter in this fall's state and national fairs. James Sanders of Lindsay will act as master of ceremonies and Tom King of Albion will be ringmaster.

The exhibition has been planned by co-managers Paul Fidler of Montana and Edward Zahm of Spalding. Lawrence Butler of Utica is in charge of arrangements for tonight's ball.

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Come to Church

Sunday, March 19

First Baptist

14th & K

Clifton H. Walcott, Minister
9:45 A. M.—Student Class
10:45 A. M.—Bridging the Improbable: From Sorrow to Comfort
6:00 P. M.—Roger Williams Club—Rev. Wm. Becker from the City Mission.

First Christian

16th & K

Ray E. Hunt, Minister
9:45 A. M.—Three Church School classes for University Students
11:00 A. M.—"When the Secular Becomes Sacred."
6:00 P. M.—Youth Fellowship. "Why the Church?"

First-Plymouth

Congregational

20th & D

Raymond A. McConnell, Minister
11:00 A. M.—Christian Belief. 4. "I Believe in the Church."
5:45 P. M.—Youth Supper.
6:30 P. M.—Lenten Vesper. "Aids to Worship."
7:10 P. M.—Sunday Evening Club—Rabbi Harry Jolt.

Vine Congregational

25th & S

Richard A. Dawson, Minister
10:00 A. M.—Hayes College Class.
11:00 A. M.—Marks of a Christian Today. 4. "Forgiving Spirit."
6:00 P. M.—Pilgrim Fellowship.

University Episcopal

13th & R

Rev. L. W. McMillan, Priest in Charge
8:30 and 11:00 A. M.—Regular Services
7:00 to 8:00 P. M. Tuesday Nights during Lent—Talks on Prayer Book
7:00 and 10:00 A. M. Fridays during Lent—Holy Communion

First Presbyterian

17th & F

Dr. Edmund F. Miller, Minister
9:40 A. M.—Bible Class for College Age—Prof. E. W. Lantz.
11:00 A. M.—"Our Anxious Seives and Christ."
6:00 P. M.—Mr. D. B. Marti talks to College Group.

Westminster Presbyterian

Sheridan and South

Melvin V. Oggel, D. D., Minister
11:00 A. M.—"The Hardest Command"
6:15 P. M.—University Fellowship Supper.
7:00 P. M.—Evenside Worship. "That Strange Man Upon His Cross."
7:30 P. M.—Religious Drama. "John