

Students ask Bell retention in petitions

Request professor's application for leave be fully considered

Petitions addressed to the board of regents requesting them to make a "special effort" to retain Dr. Earl H. Bell as anthropology instructor in the university are being circulated in organized houses and among students over the campus, today.

Dr. Bell submitted a request to the regents asking for a leave of absence from his teaching duties during the second semester of this year, on Jan. 5.

Why petitions asking that Bell not be permitted to leave the university should be drawn up by students could not be definitely learned. However, there is a belief among those students who have a more intimate knowledge of the department in which he teaches, that Dr. Bell may be leaving the university because of possible friction in that department. These same students believe that once granted the leave of absence, he will not return to the university.

Announces Intent to Classe.

Students had no knowledge of Dr. Bell's intentions of leaving the university for a period of one semester until Monday of last week. At that time, he read them the written request which he had submitted to Chancellor Boucher and the board of regents. Dr. Bell said that he felt that by letting his students know that he would not be here next semester, they could make changes, if they so desired, in those courses which he was scheduled to teach.

Gives reasons.

In support of his request for the leave, Dr. Bell presented the following points:

1. Since my election to the faculty as instructor in 1931, I have without compensation, carried on archaeological research and taught research methods to students in the field for seven summers (all except 1935). While I appreciate the opportunities which made the research possible and have enjoyed the training of the excellent students who were with

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Kosmet plays due on Feb. 1

Klub will pay \$40 for best manuscript

Deadline of Feb. 1 for submitting scripts for the Kosmet Klub spring show will not be extended, Roy Proffitt, president, announced yesterday. Work on the play to be presented April 8 to 13 will begin after examinations.

A prize of \$40 will be awarded to the writer of the script selected for presentation, while the next best script and the winning song will each receive a prize of \$10.

Feature pony chorus.

The plays must be about two hours in length and feature a pony chorus. Judging will be on the basis of applicability to an all-male cast and on humor of circumstance rather than on overdone puns and jokes.

Manuscripts should be submitted at once to Roy Proffitt or to the Kosmet Klub office on the third floor of the Union. All rights of production on the winning play are reserved by Kosmet Klub.

Senning publishes article

Dr. John P. Senning, of the department of political science, has an article entitled "One House, Two Sessions," published in the December number of the National Municipal Review. It is an analysis of the last two sessions of the Nebraska unicameral.

Pub board meets again today at 4

Publications board will reconvene at 4 p. m. today to consider applications for positions on the editorial and business staffs of the DAILY NEBRASKAN.

Applications for business manager, two assistant business managers will be considered along with the applications for editor, two managing editors, five news editors, and one ag editor.

Due to the lack of time Monday the publications board was not able to interview any candidates for the DAILY staff except the two applicants for editor. The result of the interviews has not yet been announced but it was indicated that the new editor would be announced sometime during today's meeting which will be held in the Journalism library in University hall.

Twenty-nine student journalists filed for positions on the DAILY staff.

Students pay fees Friday

Deadline to complete registration is Feb. 1

To complete second semester registration, students must fill out class assignment cards and pay their fees in Grant Memorial hall between Friday, Jan. 26, and Thursday, Feb. 1. Late fees will be charged all students who do not pay their fees by Feb. 1. Graduate students and Lincoln city teachers must pay their fees by Feb. 17.

New students and former students not in school will register and pay fees Friday, Feb. 2. They will see the registrar at the south door of social science building, and their advisers and deans of their respective colleges as directed.

Students must present their identification cards and pictures in Grant Memorial when they fill out class assignment cards and pay fees.

Changes in registration or assignment will not be considered until Monday, Feb. 5.

Lee article printed

"Playing by Ear" is the title of an article by Miss Mable Lee, chairman of the department of physical education for women, which is published in the December number of the Journal of Health and Physical Education.

University releases grade survey

One-half of all final grades given in the university during the second semester of the 1938-39 school year were 80 or above, according to a survey released last week by university officials.

In addition to showing the median grades for colleges, departments, and classes having an enrollment of 20 or more students the survey indicates the percentages of the enrollment receiving grades in the sixties, seventies, eighties, and nineties, and the percentage which was given failures, conditions and incompletes.

The highest median on the listing of schools and colleges is a figure of 89 for the school of music. This means that over half the students on an average in music school classes received final grades of 89 or higher and the other half were given grades lower than 89. The law college is at the foot of the list with a median rating of 77.

Bizad, arts, low.

With scores of 78 the college of arts and science and the college of business administration rank almost as low as law college.

Union session to relieve exam strain

Program of movies, vaudeville scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 4

As a relaxation between semesters, and as an aid to students in their efforts to forget the long hours of studying which accompany exam week, the Union will present another laugh session Sunday, Feb. 4, in the ballroom at 4 p. m.

Featured will be two silent films and a series of vaudeville acts. The two films are a thriller melodrama, "Marriage Cheat," and a comedy, "Cast Adrift and How," starring Fatty Arbuckle.

Morton the magician will act as master of ceremonies during the show. Vaudeville acts will include an exhibition of magic art by Morton, tap dancing and impersonations by Irving Kuklin and a strong man act by Jimmy Marlo. Marlo's act will feature a hand tap dance, a weight pulling act and a series of hand balance stunts.

Lincoln holds birthday balls

Proceeds will be used to combat paralysis

Lincoln will have two birthday balls this year. An annual affair, the proceeds of the ball go to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis which conducts several clinics and organizations to combat the disease.

The two balls will be held at the Hotel Cornhusker and at the Turnpike. Eddie Jungbluth and his orchestra will play at the Cornhusker affair, and Johnny Cox will play at the Turnpike party. Tickets are one dollar a couple. They will admit couples to both the Turnpike and Cornhusker parties.

Tickets are now on sale in the Union office.

Fellman writes article

Dr. David Fellman of the department of political science has an article on "Intergovernmental Taxation Today" published in the current number of The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. The January issue is devoted to a discussion of intergovernmental relations in the United States.

Union program draws approval of students

That students are interested in the Union, its administration, activity, and service functions was revealed to the members of the board of managers last night when they met to hear the report of the Alpha Phi Omega "skeleton hunt."

Purpose of the survey was to give the Union administration a foundation upon which to base future policies and to give the board of managers a barometer of student opinion concerning present programs.



Journal and Star.
KENNETH VAN SANT.
He presents Union report.

The board also acted upon several proposals advanced at previous meetings. Proposals considered and passed by the board were: first, subject to the approval of the board of regents, the plans for a music room to be located in 209, and second, the purchase of curtains and necessary lights for the ballroom stage. The board also decided to improve cold lunch room facilities for students who bring their lunch to school, and accepted the report of Miss Helen Claybaugh on the proceedings of the convention of Unions at the University of Florida.

Results from 1,203 questionnaires

Two thousand questionnaires were passed out for the survey during the months of November and December. Of these, 1,203 were answered, returned and tabulated. Questionnaires were passed out in orientation courses, teachers college, ag college, and the college of arts and sciences. Many of those turned in were not completely filled out.

Consensus of the board of managers was that perhaps too many questionnaires were given to freshmen and that too many were given to particular colleges, in short, that distribution was not quite as representative as it might have been.

Get their money's worth.

First portion of the survey sought to determine whether the student used the Union enough to get his money's worth out of it. In answer to the question, have you been in the Union, 1,077 answered "Yes"; while six answered No. About half the students questioned, use the Union every day; while the other half use it weekly, monthly, or very seldom.

When asked if they get the full benefit of Union membership, 502 students on the city campus answered yes, 200 answered no. On the ag campus 115 answered yes, and 160 answered no.

Food is O. K.

Second part of the survey was designed to check student opinion concerning the activity, food, and publicity functions of the Union. Among the activities those groups which have been meeting for the longest time showed an overwhelming student interest as compared to those groups which

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Pre-law group forms society

21 charter members adopt constitution

At a meeting of pre-law students held last night in social science auditorium, 21 charter members unanimously adopted a constitution for the newly organized Young Advocates association. The constitution which calls for monthly meetings of the association will be presented to the Student Council for approval at the council's next meeting. Any pre-law student in good standing is eligible for membership in the new club.

Gradwohl is speaker.

Preceding the adoption of the constitution Bernard Gradwohl, retiring president of the Lincoln Young Barristers' association, addressed the meeting speaking on "The Young Advocate."

"Lawyers must be jacks-of-all-trades," stated the speaker in stressing the importance of a liberal education for legal students.

Blaine Sloan, Geneva, was elected president of the association following the adoption of the constitution. William Kitrell was made vice president and Deloris Carter was unanimously elected secretary. The pre-law students made Prof. R. E. Cochran faculty adviser.

Carnival plans due Jan. 27

Coeds rack brains to find booth ideas

Exam week pales to insignificance as coeds rack their brains in an effort to dig up novel and original ideas for booths to grace the annual Penny Carnival sponsored by Coed Counselors.

Friday, Jan. 27, is the deadline for booth plans to be submitted by organized women's houses at Mrs. Ada Westover's desk in Ellen Smith hall.

To the house sponsoring the booth voted best by Carnival attendees goes a loving cup. Winner for the past two years has been Alpha Chi Omega with a kissing booth in 1938 and a date bureau in 1939. If the Alpha Chi Omegas win it this year, the loving cup will find a permanent home on their mantel.

In addition to any 1940 editions of a kissing concession, Carnival attractions will include free dancing and refreshment (not free) stands.

Committee chairmen working on the Penny Carnival are: Melva Kime, booths; Ruth Grosvenor, tickets; Mary Sherburne, loving cup; June Bierbower, publicity; Natalie Burn and Ruth Ann Sheldon, food; Jane DeLatous, dancing.

The weather

Gray clouds will float over most of Nebraska today and tomorrow with the mercury remaining at its present low.

Half of the students in the graduate school of social work had grades above 88, putting this school in second place. The median grades for other schools and colleges are as follows: engineering, 79; journalism, 80; physical education, 81; pharmacy, 83; teachers, 83; agriculture, 84; and dentistry, 85.

The department of agricultural engineering has the highest median among the departments, with a figure of 88. Two other ag departments, agricultural journalism and entomology, and dental science tie for second place, all having 86 medians.

Physics has lowest median.

One-half of the students in courses offered by the physics department had grades of 73 or below, giving this department the lowest median.

The school of music had the highest percentage of students having semester grades of 90 or above with 48 percent of its grades falling in this score range. Only 2 percent of poultry-husbandry students made grades of 90 or better.

If the difficulty of courses may

be gauged by the percentage of students having grades in the sixties the classes in chemistry, mathematics and physics are the most difficult in the university. In each of these departments 21 percent of the students had grades between 60 and 70. In political science courses 20 percent of the final grades were lower than 70.

Over 9 percent of students taking courses in romance languages, political science, physics, chemistry, physics, mathematics, geology, English, operative dentistry, and architecture were given conditions, incompletes or failures. For the entire university the distribution of grades was as follows: failures etc., 8 percent; grades in the sixties, 10 percent; grades of 70-80, 32 percent; grades in the eighties, 38 percent; and grades of 90 or higher, 12 percent.

A class in the romance language department had the lowest class median which was 68. The median in a music school course was 92. According to the survey the median for courses which are primarily of a freshman level is 69 and that for courses above 100 is 82.