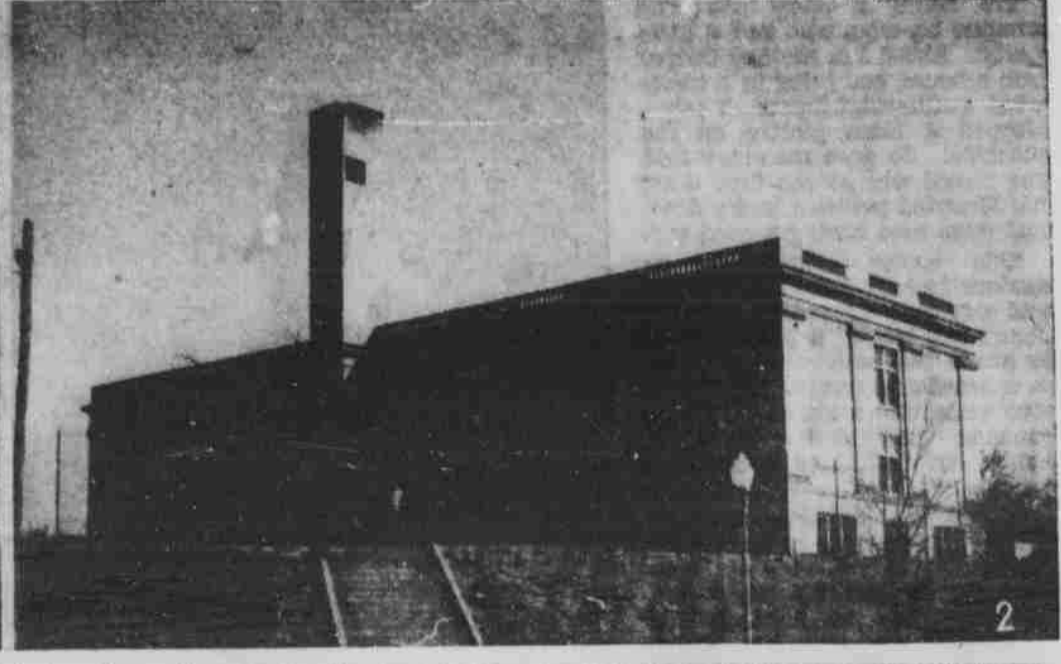
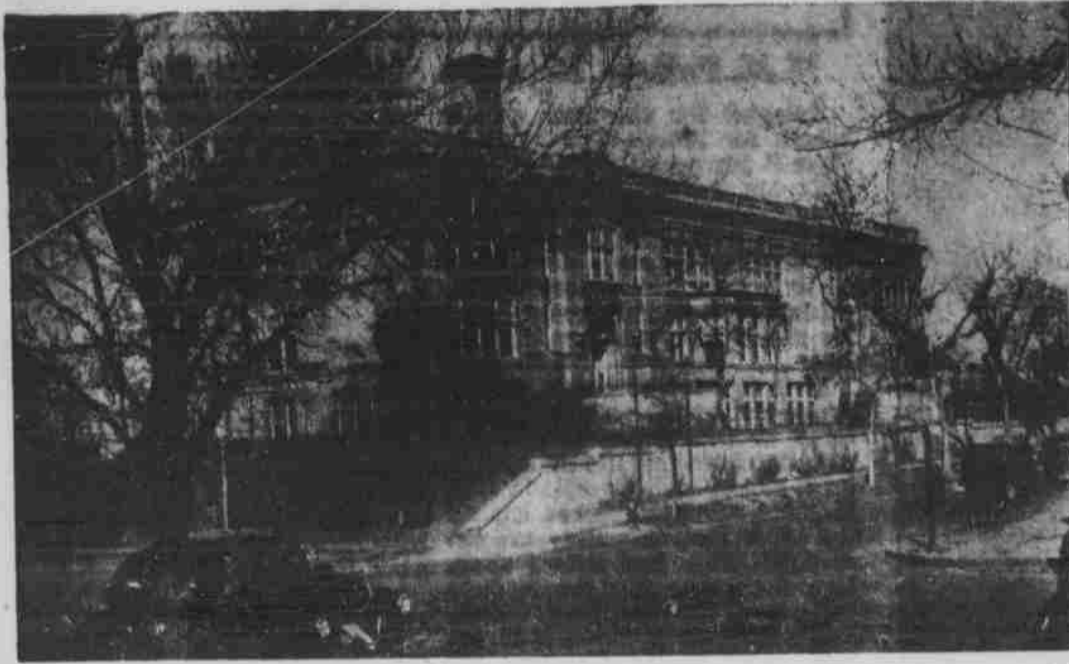


Bancroft may house engineering units...

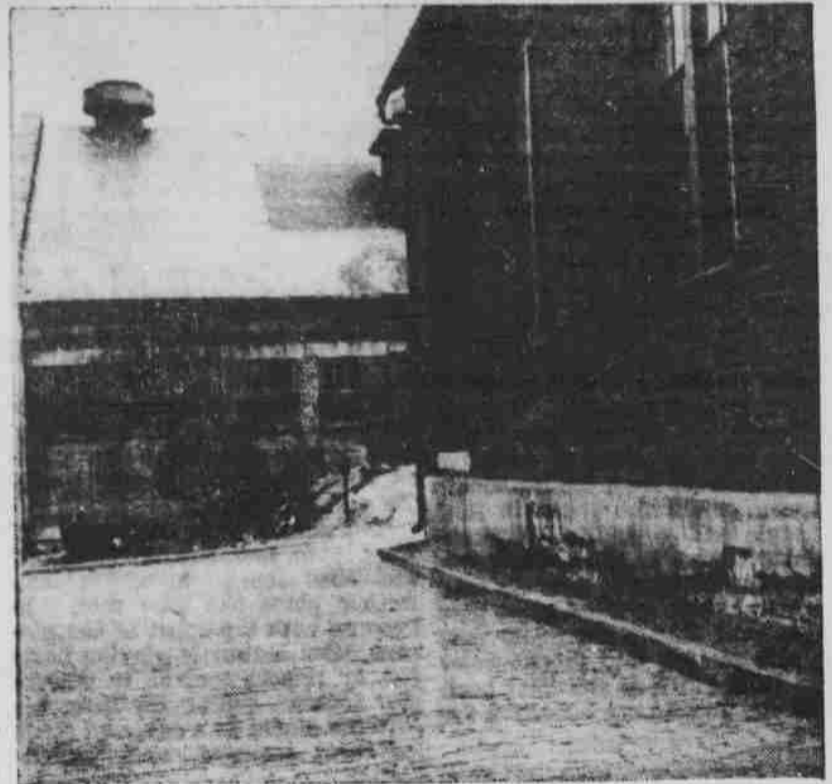


Shown above are pictures of Bancroft school at 14th and Vine streets which has been the topic of discussion before the appropriations committee of the legislature. The board of regents have appeared before the group and presented a plan to purchase the unit to house parts of the engineering college.

To purchase the school, which is across the street from the north mall, the regents are requesting the legislature to appropriate \$75,000 now in the testing fund. This surplus arose thru fees received for testing work done by the engineering college.

The property worth \$281,000 according to R. W. Devoe, president of the board of regents, could be purchased for \$77,000 from the Lincoln school board. If this request is granted, the school will be remodeled for the use of the engineering college.

Directly above is a picture made from the east entrance to Morrill and shows the proximity of the school to the campus. The picture to the right above shows the steps which lead from the school to the coliseum. At right, by contrast, is shown the facilities engineering students are now offered. It is the drive behind U hall and shows the crumbling foundation of the electrical engineering building and in the background the mechanical arts annex.



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Cites 'demoralizing conditions'

Dr. M. S. Ginsburg.

"Our preoccupation concerning mysterious part which Russia is playing in the international game has to a great extent obscured the widespread interest in the situation within the country, in the 'Soviet Experiment,'" Dr. M. S. Ginsburg, associate professor of classics at the university, wrote recently in an article.

Dr. Ginsburg is a native of Russia and received his LL. D. degree from the University of St. Petersburg. In his article, he outlined the present situation of the "peasants and workers in Russia, who are the professed lords of Soviet Russia."

The author states that the support of the peasantry to the communist party made possible Lenin's seizure of power in the "October revolution," and that "it was the peasantry's naive faith in the party leaders which gave victory to the communists in the civil war."

Peasant's betrayed

He continues by stating: "That confidence has been brutally betrayed and the land expropriated from its former owners and given to the peasants has been ruthlessly snatched away from them. The moment has not yet arrived to write the complete history of the long and bloody feud between the soviet government and the peasantry—a conflict in which the government now seems to be the victor but which has not yet been definitely terminated."

Ginsburg believes that the state farms of which so much has been said concerning "co-operative enterprise" are in reality nothing more than large agricultural factories in which the peasant works not as a partner in the enterprise, but as an underpaid factory hand.

In this connection he illustrates just how "co-operative" the system is as shown by figures taken concerning one of the state farms in the Don region of Russia. This farm, or "kolhoz," regarded as a model farm as far as distribution of revenue is concerned, distributed its grain harvest as follows: 47 percent to the government; 29 percent to the various funds and reserves; and the remaining

24 percent, less than one-fourth of the harvest, was divided among the farmers, who out of this allotment had to shoulder the expenses of the large administrative structure appointed by the government.

Also outlined in the article are



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the price of food in Russia, the "First Socialist Republic" in the world. The author points out that the menu of a soviet family is being rapidly and drastically simplified, and that the few products still available are sold at exorbitant prices.

While the average salary of workers in Russia is only \$65 monthly, prices have risen rapidly in the past few years, with the prices of most important food products, according to Ginsburg, having risen 63 percent. At present, the price of a pound of butter is 14 rubles (\$7); a pound of cheese, 30 rubles or \$15; boiled ham, \$7 per pound; soup meat per pound, \$4; and the cheapest sausage, per pound, \$4. Ordinary candy costs 22 rubles per pound against the former price of 8 rubles (\$4).

"It does not require much ingenuity to figure out how many pounds of bread, butter, and meat appear on the table of a family

of the average unskilled worker earning about 130 rubles a month, even when the wife is working," states Dr. Ginsburg.

"It is a well established fact that a worker who is underfed and bogged down in worries cannot give his best efforts; he lacks both energy and enthusiasm. This is the situation which prevails today among workers in the Soviet Union," the author pointed out in summing up the situation.

Soviet offers no solution.

"A logical answer for the government to make would be an effort to improve the living conditions of the workers, but the poor organization of the state apparatus and the unhumanitarian character of soviet policy preclude such a solution."

Offering a hint as to Russia's future, Dr. Ginsburg concluded: "To make any prognostication as to the result of these demoralizing conditions among the proletariat would be futile, but it is apparent to even the most casual observer that they contain the seed of great political danger for the regime which pretends to champion the cause of the working class."

Baked foods show included in plans for Feeders' Day

Copies of the rules for the baked foods show at the annual Feeders' Day ag college on Friday, April 18, were in the mails today to county home demonstration agents in the Lincoln trade territory. Scores of entries are expected.

Ross H. Miller of the Animal Husbandry department said many extension project women are expected to send entries to the show which will feature the use of lard as a shortening. The first 250 women making entries will each receive one pound of high grade lard. This is in addition to the three big prizes for each class.

Only products in which lard has been the sole shortening used are eligible for entry in the contest and a certificate will be required

from each exhibitor certifying this fact. All prize winning entries and other entries not claimed by the exhibitors by 4:30 p. m. on April 18, will become the property of the university and will be given to charitable institutions.

Miller particularly emphasized that entry blanks can be secured from either the Animal Husbandry department at the college of agriculture or from county extension offices out in the state.

Dental honorary elects Dr. Rotton president

New president of Omicron Kappa Upsilon, honorary dental fraternity, is Dr. W. I. Rotton, who was elected last week. Vice-president is Dr. G. W. Ferguson; secretary-treasurer is Dr. R. L. Ireland, Dean D. L. Hooper will be the delegate to the supreme chapter meetings.

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