

1300 Eager Freshmen At Coliseum Convo Take Cornhusker Oath

With resounding enthusiasm that shook the rafters of the building approximately 1,300 members of the class of '45 repeated the Cornhusker oath yesterday afternoon in the coliseum to begin their university career as Nebraskans.

Colonel C. J. Frankforter administered the oath, traditional at the freshmen convocation for almost 20 years, and stated that it held a particularly fine meaning in this "grand and awful time" when real morale is so necessary. Acting as master of ceremonies, Burton Thiel, Innocents president,

introduced speakers. Flavia Ann Tharp, president of Mortar Board, spoke briefly, after which Mrs. Verna G. Boyles, new dean of women, and T. J. Thompson, dean of student affairs, were introduced.

Lifetime Affiliation.

Chancellor Boucher told the new Cornhuskers that theirs is a lifetime affiliation with the University of Nebraska family. The people of the state expect university students to be the finest examples of men and women, he said.

"Marvelous opportunities await you here," the chancellor continued, "and I firmly believe that the key to success lies in your proper organization of time."

Coach Extends Invitation.

Adolph Lewandowski, assistant football and basketball coach, invited the students to use the university's excellent athletic facilities.

Under the direction of Ward Moore, the freshman band played several selections, and freshmen students were led in their first united yells by varsity cheer leaders headed by Max Whittaker, new yell king.

The Innocents society, Mortar Boards, Tassels, and Corn Cobs all cooperated to present the freshmen convocation.

Farm Products Aid in Modern Improvements

Maybe coeds won't have to worry about dented fenders in your dad's car if the latest information on plastics is true. And if it is, you can thank scientists in universities, including Nebraska, all over the nation.

Recently Henry Ford introduced a new plastic body and fenders for a motor car. Made from such farm products and by-products as cotton, wheat, corn, soybeans and flax, the plastic bodies and fenders are said to absorb a blow ten times as heavy as ordinary bodies can stand without denting.

Along the same lines of research with farm products in order to make more uses for material that was formerly wasted, scientists may have discovered something in the way of a new paint for traffic markings.

The U. S. regional soybean laboratory in Illinois indicated that there may be a new market made for soybeans produced in Nebraska since this new paint consists mainly of soybean oil. Much work is being done with soybeans on the Nebraska ag campus.

Phi Gamma Delta Holds Picnic at Pioneers Park

Phi Gamma Delta held a picnic at Pioneer Park last night. The picnic was a get acquainted party for actives and pledges.

With Plant A136 . . .

Agronomists See Relief From Crop Disease in State

. . . While Experimentation Continues

Dr. H. M. Tysdal, associate agronomist in the department of forage crops and diseases in the United States department of agriculture recently found, after many years of extensive experiments with alfalfa, what seems to be a remedy for the disease which has infested alfalfa fields for years.

Key to the remedy is a plant, highly resistant to the deadly disease, known as bacterial wilt. The variety, produced by Dr. Tysdal and other university agronomists, has been labeled A136.

Today about 25 farmers throughout the state have 150 acres of A136 under seed production. From now on production is expected to increase much faster and soon this wilt-resistant alfalfa will be on a commercial scale, ag officials predict.

Farmers, expert breeders and commercial breeders first agitated for experiments against the disease, demanded and got an extensive program of research along this line.

After the combating plant was found by the university, farmers throughout the state who were members of the crop growers association cooperated with the USDA in attempting to put production on a commercial scale.

Before a hybrid strain like A136

can be discovered, research workers must carry on tests which the average person cannot understand. Such things as self-fertility, combining ability and progenitorship must all be taken into consideration.

And even after months of sitting in an alfalfa field transferring pollen from one alfalfa flower to another, there is still more work to do.

Even today, Dr. Tysdal and his co-workers are striving for something better than strain A136. Their work is being watched closely by Nebraska and other middle-western farmers.

First Lincoln Church Has Anniversary

Seventy-five years ago, in 1866, First Plymouth Congregational church, the first organized church in Lincoln, was founded. Today the membership of First-Plymouth has grown to a total of over 600 and is housed in a half-million dollar structure designed by Mag-aigne. The new Encyclopedia Britannica has devoted a picture to this outstanding piece of ecclesiastical architecture. The church is especially proud of its 48 bell Carillon on which programs are given Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings.

Always interested in the student, this year the First-Plymouth Congregational Church offers a program of particular appeal. Dr. Raymond A. McConnell, the pastor, has based his sermons of this fall on Professor Hocking's outline of the significance of Jesus' teaching today. The eleven o'clock Sunday services are to be broadcast over KFAB.

The Sunday evening club for students is a feature of the program planned by Mrs. Margaret M. Anderson, the director of young people's work.

In addition to the above programs, there is a class of university students in the Sunday School taught by R. W. Smith, Lincoln attorney. The Carillon Choir is also open to students by arrangement with Dr. Westbrook.

Student Pilots—Daily Erred on Class Time

Excuse it please, but the pilot training course doesn't expect students to attend classes all night, 10 p. m. and 1 a. m., as was reported in the Daily Nebraskan Wednesday. The story should have read "With flying periods arranged at the students' convenience, ground school classes will meet at 10 a. m. and 1 p. m."

Also mistaken in the same story was the registration fee for the secondary course. It is \$34, not \$25.



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