

Campus News In Brief

COSMOPOLITAN CLUB.

There will be no regular meeting of the Cosmopolitan Club Wednesday, December 12. The party for Friday has also been called off.

CHAT 'N NIBBLE.

A Chat 'n Nibble hour for all unaffiliated women will be given by the Junior Panhellenic Thursday afternoon from 4:45 to 6:00 at the Alpha Xi Delta house. All unaffiliated coeds are invited to this informal get-together.

FRATERNITY PICTURE.

All members of fraternities whose pictures will not run in the regular fraternity section of the 1948 Cornhusker due to lack of space, may have their pictures taken for the class section during the daytime. Delphine Ayers, business manager, said Tuesday.

Day Institute Sponsored by Grad School

Psychosomatic diseases were the subject of the Saturday morning and afternoon sessions of the special institute conducted by Miss Helen Ross of Chicago under the sponsorship of the Graduate School of Social Work, University of Nebraska, which was held at the Student Union building and attended by persons engaged in social work in four states, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska. The lectures, technical in character, dealt in great detail with the various aspects of those diseases in which the mind is affected by purely body ailments. Determining the relationship between such diseases and the state of the mind is important to the case worker intent upon aiding an individual in his efforts to help himself.

The afternoon session concluded the two day institute. Miss Ross, in charge of instruction is a former visiting lecturer at the university and is from the Institute psychoanalysis, Chicago.

A dinner commemorating the tenth anniversary of the founding of the Graduate School for Social Work was held Saturday evening, which was attended by institute personnel, alumni and students of the school. Dr. Ernest F. Witte, first director of the school, made the principal address.

Big Six Teams Show Promise

The seven-member Big Six conference Tuesday held a 900 average for its first ten basketball games, with one of the members yet to show.

The Kansas University Jayhawks are scheduled to open their campaign against Emporia State at Emporia, Kas., Saturday night.

Two of the Big Sixers, Colorado and Iowa State, scored wins Monday night, but the Nebraska Cornhuskers were topped by Purdue, 60-56, on a last minute rally by the invading Big Nine members.

Colorado bounced Colorado A. & M., 60-40, at Fort Collins.

The Iowa State Cyclones won their first start for their new Coach Chick Sutherland, 43 to 29, over Simpson (Ia.) College. Iowa State Forward Ray Wehde found the range for 12 points.

The next activity by a league team will match the Missouri Tigers and Washington University of St. Louis at Columbia Wednesday

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scientists, and educational leaders in the country.

"Reuben Gustavson, the great bio-chemist who is also chancellor of the University of Nebraska, presented the view of the scientific group (which includes himself) on the subject of grants-in-aid at the Mexico City conference," Milton Eisenhower, president of Kansas State university, told the campus newspaper last week.

Chancellor Gustavson served on several important committees at the international conference, which delegates from 38 countries attended.

Traditional "Messiah" Enjoys Lengthy History

The annual presentation of Handel's famed oratorio, "The Messiah," which will be presented Sunday at 3 p. m. in the coliseum, is a Christmas-time tradition at the University that began in the early 1909's, outgrowing several campus buildings in its more than 40-year performance history. The oratorio, itself more than 200 hundred years old, has been directed by four conductors during that time.

"The Messiah" was first organized for performance by Mrs. Carrie Belle Raymond who in 1907 became director of what was then the music conservatory, not yet a department of the university, and for whom Raymond Hall was named, when the women's dormitory was erected. Since there was no official university orchestra at that time, the first orchestra to accompany the "Messiah" chorus was composed of musicians from over the city of Lincoln.

Shifting Locale.

The oratorio was first performed in the old Library Hall (now Architectural Hall) under Mrs. Raymond's direction, but as the presentation became an established annual event and the audience, chorus and orchestra grew in size with an expanding university, it was necessary to hold the performances in larger buildings.

Mrs. Raymond continued to conduct "The Messiah" until 1927 when Prof. Howard Kirkpatrick became acting director of vocal

ensembles, serving until 1939 when Dr. Arthur Westbrook became director of the School of Fine Arts and head of the school of music.

During his tenure, Kirkpatrick conducted all performances of the popular oratorio, using Former Museum as locale for the production. By the time Westbrook came to the university, "The Messiah" had moved to the Coliseum to accommodate the annual audience that crowded to hear it. In 1946 Prof. David Foltz was guest conductor.

For a period of years students were selected to sing the solos in the "Messiah." Recently, however, professional soloists have been chosen.

Popularity Told.

The popularity of the "Messiah" has been accounted for by Miss Elizabeth Tierney, Professor of Theory, "because of its beauty and religious appropriateness" both in music and intext, and also because of its appealing association with the Christmas season.

Dr. Westbrook, who will con-

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duct Sunday, expressed his fondness, particularly, for the four soprano recitatives from Luke: "There were shepherds," "And lo! the angel of the Lord," "And the angel said unto them," "And suddenly there was with the angel;" and for the two choruses "His Yoke is easy, and His Burden is light," and "Surely He hath borne our griefs."

INTERVIEW CANDIDATES.

Student council applicants candidates must appear before the council Wednesday at 5 p.m. in room 316 of the Union.

One representative is needed for each of the following positions: Junior woman from Arts & Sciences, Junior man from Dental, and woman from Graduate college.

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ANNOUNCES . . .

Mortar Board Dinner

FRIDAY, DEC. 12, 1947
6:00 TO 8:30

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