

Post Writer Says Big Problem Of Freshmen Is Adjustment

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... Only One-Third Will Graduate

A little late, perhaps, but this might still be in time to save a few college freshmen.

A recent article in the Saturday Evening Post reveals that not more than a third of today's freshmen will have a sheepskin four years from now.

Robert U. Jameson writes, "One of freshman's major problem is adjusting to a new kind of life in which he is expected to behave like an adult."

"Intellectual independence, the first prerequisite of college, is often a distinct shock to a freshman," Jameson continued.

Lack of Training
However, the most important reason most students fail to stick it out is "the lack of adequate training in secondary school," he states. Jameson noted that most college administrators agree freshman can't read and write properly.

Other problems are:
—How and how much to study.
—Attending a college of the parents' choice.

—Wrong balance between social and academic life.
—Activities.

Jameson thinks activities have a very important place in a college education, but warns students to proportion them appropriately.

He says, "Students should join a club or team in which they're interested, but not

everything in sight."

Drinking, dating and driving are the next three most important problems, according to Jameson's survey.

Realistic About Drinking
"Most college freshmen can be realistic about drinking. Nearly all of them say to drink moderately, if at all; date only on weekends. Otherwise, marks suffer."

Jameson declared that most college administrators urge freshmen to leave their cars at home.

The author closed with this bit of advice to frosh: If a student takes advantage of his teacher's knowledge and the college library and studies on his own, he'll find most of his adjustment problems will disappear.

Here Comes Santa



HO, HO, HO—Santa Claus, alias Butch Morris, displays his jovial self as he prepares for the Student Union Christmas party tonight. There's no padding there, either.

Frosh Get Extension For Union's 'Spree'

Santa has brought an early Christmas present to freshmen women; they will have 10:30 hours for the all University Christmas party to be held in the Student Union tonight.

"Santa's Spree" will feature dance music by two combos, free games in the game area, movies, refreshments and a special party

for the children of all University professors and staff members.

Bill Alber's combo will provide dance music in the Pan American room from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Another combo will be located in the Crib from 7 to 10:30 p.m.

A full length movie will be shown in the Ballroom at 8 p.m. The game area also will be open for free recreation at 8.

The children's party will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the party rooms located in the basement. Santa Claus will visit the party between 7:30 and 8 p.m. Games also will be played and a special cartoon show will begin at 8 p.m. in the small auditorium.

Refreshments will be served.

Spring Show Possible Say KK Profits

Kosmet Klub's financial success on the recent Fall Revue insured the presentation of a Spring Show, according to Larry Romjue, KK business manager.

Romjue estimated that Kosmet Klub would collect approximately \$1,500 in profits after all bills had been paid. He stated that there was approximately \$2,000 in ticket revenue and income from advertising amounted to over \$700.

Some of the expenses listed in the production and presentation of the Fall Revue were rental fees for Pershing Municipal Auditorium, costs of printing tickets and programs and advertising.

Phi Kappa Psi took first place honors in the skit division with Beta Theta Pi finishing in the runner-up position. Gary Parker won the Traveler division trophy.

The KK Spring Show, which is scheduled to be presented March 25, will again have a professional director. Jack Nielsen is the Spring Show chairman.

Phi Psi's Bid Right; Win Tourney

Sid Stacey and Herb Meyer of Phi Kappa Psi won undisputed first place in the Inter-Campus Bridge Tournament held in the Student Union Saturday.

The winners were victorious over 21 teams competing including six sororities, 14 fraternities and one married couple.

Second place winners were Jack Lieb and Mike Yudelson of Zeta Beta Tau while Arnold Joffe and Jerry Rosen of Sigma Alpha Mu ran a close third.

Bob Baskins and J. G. Porter were tourney directors while Ron Gould was tournament chairman. Trophies were awarded to the winners.

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'Russians Love Americans' According to Ann Landers

"Russian people really love American people," according to Ann Landers, syndicated columnist who was in Russia during the American Exhibition and wrote a series on her experiences.

Miss Landers, known because of her advice columns which appear in 356 papers throughout the world, appeared at a convocation sponsored by the School of Journalism and the Lincoln Journal,

a subscribing newspaper. The opportunity to visit Russia came when her husband's manufacturing company was chosen to be represented at the Exhibition.

She studied Russian and concentrated on the things which were common to women the world over. One piece of conversation that always brought a smile was, "My feet are tired."

Went Alone

Business in Puerto Rico caused a cancellation of her husband's trip, but she went alone.

"The Russian people have a great sense of humor and I felt the warmth throughout the country," she said.

"However, there is a shortage of men since 20 million people were lost in the last war. For that reason they aren't anxious for another one," she pointed out.

She noticed that styles did not seem important to the Russian woman. When she asked, they replied that they had to work to build "their young country" which they say is only 40 years old.

Women Important

"Your Pilgrims did not have time to polish nails, fix hair and straighten seams when they were building your nation," they replied.

Women are important because 70 per cent of the doctors, 60 per cent of the lawyers and many construction workers and airplane mechanics are females.

She told the students that a premium was put on brains in Russia. A good journalism student might receive board, room, tuition and \$80 a month spending money while going to school.

However, if one can't produce he'll be out digging ditches or working in mines, she said.

Commenting on her column, she said "It's amazing how many people have problems and no one to talk them over with. But the advice you give can't be just funny, it's got to be sensible," she emphasized.

Read on Train

From 10:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. while riding on the train Sunday night she read 1,000 letters. From those she selected 10 and will probably use three for her column.

The office spends \$2,000 each month for stamps and telegrams. Each person who writes and desires a reply receives one. Many say, "Thanks for letting me get things off my chest."

This is the main point of her job, to let others know that there are many others who are having the same problem, she said.

Interested in People

The columnist said she has always been interested in people but not until four years ago did she ever have a job.

She said that with a daughter ready to enter college that she felt she must do something with her enormous amount of energy. Her previous experience in politics did not coincide with the politics of Cook County.

After reading the Ann Landers column for some time she called up a friend at the Chicago Sun-Times and asked how a person could get such a position.

Big Phone Bill

The original Ann Landers had died the week before and a contest was underway for someone to take the position.

After passing twenty-eight contestants and six weeks of assignments a phone call of "You are now Ann Landers" resulted. Her phone bill that first month was \$210 for making sure that all advice she gave was sound.

Business Frat National Officer To Speak Here

Richard Bump, national field secretary of Alpha Kappa Psi, national professional business fraternity, will speak at the chapter's meeting Wednesday.

Bump will discuss subjects relating to business and Alpha Kappa Psi.

Bump is a graduate of the State University of Iowa. He has visited over one hundred colleges and universities throughout the U.S.

The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Union. The chapter is inviting prospective members to attend the meeting.

Is Prof Classroom 'King?'

Beggs Comments On NY Incident

The dean of Teachers College says a high school instructor is not "king of his classroom."

Dean Walter Beggs commented Saturday on a recent incident in New York in which the chairman of a high school English department balked when a new administrative rule directed him to file a detailed outline of his classwork plans two weeks in advance with the principal.

'No Invasion'
The chairman had maintained his classroom was his kingdom and not subject to invasion by school administrators.

Dean Beggs called the incident "purely local" and not a "basic educational problem." He commented, "The only persons who lose when administrators and teachers get into a quarrel of this type are the learners and nobody gains anything."

'Impossibility'
The Mount Kisco teacher had complained publicly that the day-to-day repeating or change in lessons would make it impossible to draw up a rigid advance schedule.

The local board of education accused him of insubordination and still has to indicate how it will rule in the case.

The teacher, speaking in a hearing before the board, said, "I concede the right of administrators to compel me to guard the footbridge on the day of football games, to patrol the boys' washrooms and to supervise night basketball games."

"However irksome I might consider these demands, they do not trespass on that one area of education that is mine alone—the classroom."



ADVICE COLUMNIST—Ann Landers, syndicated advice columnist appearing in the Lincoln Journal, is shown at a luncheon in her honor. The luncheon was co-sponsored by the Journal and the School of Journalism. Looking on are (from left) Dr. Robert Cranford of J-School and Dr. William E. Hall, director of the School.

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Schach Does Iceland Saga Translation

A translation of one of the most distinguished of the old Icelandic family sagas by Prof. Paul Schach of the University's Germanic department and Prof. Lee Hollander of the University of Texas was published last week by the University Press.

The book is the only one rendering the complete saga of the Norsemen of the 10th and 11th centuries in modern English. The translator, Dr. Schach, is the author of many critical studies in the field of Old and Modern Icelandic.

Dr. Schach, who is one of the few scholars in the U. S. doing research work in Icelandic literature, is now working on a critical edition of the Saga of Tristram og Isodd, which is expected to be a major contribution to the literary history of Iceland.

What To Give?

'Grin and Wear It' Often Result of Gifts

By Pat Dean

One aspect of Christmas is gift giving which presents problems, mainly what to give her or him.

Both boys and girls tend to give clothing, but often the gifts are found to be unsatisfactory to the recipient's taste.

Hurt Feelings

The unwanted articles can be returned, but hurt feelings usually result so the only alternative is to grin and wear it.

Gifts boys like to receive are rather limited, actually, unless the girl is clever enough in picking up subtle hints he may drop. Yule presents cited as generally acceptable are billfolds, belts, fraternity jewelry, jewelry boxes and shaving cologne.

Girls are easier to buy for, with such suggestions as perfume, flowers, candy, jewelry—sorority or otherwise—stuffed animals, compact and lipstick sets or silver or china if marriage is in the near future.

Boy or Girl

Presents which can be given to both sexes include records, books, cigarette lighters, gloves, scarves, puppets, kittens or fish.

For more extravagant givers, visions of radios, electric shavers, watches, clocks, record players, paintings, pictures of the giver and cameras run through the heads of those with chubby pocketbooks.

Of course a price limit is usually set or else the exchanging parties scurry to fraternity brothers and sorority sisters to find out what to give or how much to spend according to what the other has or will spend.

Friend Basis

If the relationship is more on a friend basis novelty gifts are sometimes given, such as nebbishes and similar things found in novelty shops.

Pins, rings and lavaliers are likely Christmas gifts, but generally only a part of the present.

Both sexes agree on one type of gift definitely undesirable . . . the practical kind.



Kothary

Photographer To Lecture On India

A world-honored Indian photographer will speak at Love Library auditorium Thursday at 8 p.m.

He is Dr. K. L. Kothary, president of the Indian Federation of Photography, from Palanpur, State of Bombay.

One part of his lecture will be "Diamonds From Dust," in which he will illustrate in black and white the whys and hows of his combination of dust and sunlight.

The other will be "India—a Portrait in Color," and will be illustrated with slides of the land.

He has been honored by most of the world's leading photographic organizations and recently spoke at the national convention of the Photographic Society of America.

His appearance is being sponsored by the School of Journalism, Lincoln Camera Club, Lincoln Portfolio Club and Lincoln photographic dealers.

Donaldson Defends NU Purchasing

University Business Manager Carl Donaldson has defended the purchasing procedures followed by the University regarding the awarding of a contract for background music in the Student Union.

Herbert Burton, general manager of radio station KFMQ, objected to the actions of the University following the University's acceptance of a bid by Muzak.

Earlier, Allen Bennett, managing director of the Union, said that he felt good business practices had been followed in the awarding of the contract.

Purchasing Agent Eugene Ingram refused to comment other than that he said he would agree with what Bennett said.

Donaldson commented, "I feel that these people (Bennett and Ingram) have carried these procedures in line with integrity and the best judgment possible and have not shown an indication to go contrary to a recognized code of purchasing ethics."

Burton had questioned the ethics of the bid-letting.

AUF Totals After Jan. 1

AUF totals are not yet available, according to Gretchen Shellberg, publicity chairman.

Totals will not be released until all sectors of the drive have been collected, totaled and deposited in the AUF account at the Student Activities office in Administration.

A few sectors of the drive have not been collected yet since some of the funds pledged to AUF will not be collectable until after Jan. 1. Sororities and fraternities who placed assessments on housebills will submit pledges after Jan. 1.

Home Ec 151 Might Squelch Plans

... Mate Selection Studied in Marriage Course

By Margrethe Plum
"Take Home Economics 151 and break your engagement."

So used to be the saying among the men and women students enrolled in the "Marriage and Family Relationships" course offered by the home economics department, according to Mrs. Fern Brown of the department.

Fundamental Approach
"Marriage and Family Relationships" is a course which teaches a "fundamental approach" to the individual problems of mate selection.

As part of this "fundamental approach," individual personality evaluations are taken. By making these studies, a person can learn about himself and thus learn what kind of mate would be best suitable.

Mrs. Brown, who teaches the course, described the purpose this way. The basic cornerstone of home economics is the belief that the only

way to improve the human race is to improve the home environment. Many think that "falling in love" is a basis for good marriage.

But according to Mrs. Brown, individuals "fall in love" with many people. So "falling in love" does not necessarily result in a desirable marriage. Therefore the purpose of the marriage course is to "teach" the selection of compatible people.

How successful is the course?

"It is difficult to measure the success" of this program since no studies have been made to measure the result after students have graduated, said Mrs. Brown. But, she added, studies have been made of home economics graduates that indicate that there is a lower divorce rate here than among non-home economics majors.

'Really Interesting'
Even though the classes are taught through a predominant-

ly women's department, it is "really interesting" to see how each class is equally divided between men and women, she said.

Why do both men and women take the marriage course?

"Students have been made aware of the need for special education in order to have successful family living," answered Mrs. Brown. "Just living in a family" doesn't give a person enough information to know about the best kind of family living.

The marriage course was first offered at the University about 20 years ago, but according to Mrs. Brown, it is just in the last 12 years that the course has been taught intensely.

At present there are five "Marriage and Family Relationships" classes and only one third of them are made up of home economics majors.