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The poem contest being conducted through the columns of the Kernel by Professor Grehan has met with such instantaneous response that these contests will be continued for an indefinite length of time.

Early Thursday morning 28 poems had already been submitted. Mr. Grehan states that the contest is revealing talent few suspected was on the campus and for that reason he wishes to give \$2.00 each week to the person whose poem is selected as the best. The poems must be in by Thursday of each week in order to be eligible for next issue's contest. All students are eligible and an indefinite number may be submitted by each person. The name of the winner and the winning poem will be published in the Kernel. The person whose poem is selected as the best may call on the Managing Editor and receive the prize money.

The poems are judged by number and not by name. The judges do not know the name of the person whose poem they select. Professor Noe and Professor Farquhar are the judges for next week. The winning poem will appear in next Friday's Kernel

COMMENCEMENT

Commencement exercises this year will be held during the week of examinations. In former years the sentiment has been that only those "unfortunates" who graduate were unluckily forced to remain for the baccalaureate sermon and the commencement exercises.

To a certain degree, students have been justified in not remaining for commencement. At that time of the year the student begins to tire of the long grind of school session. The last few days are crowded with examinations and preparations for departure. Tension is high. Consequently, it is difficult for one to remain another week to attend the commencement exercises.

With the change, which places commencement during the week of examinations, every student will have the privilege of attending and witness-

ing these beautiful and impressive ceremonies. It is the duty of every student to take an active interest in the affairs of his Alma Mater. These ceremonies mark the final and highest service which a university can bestow upon the student. With the attainment of the cap and gown, that student is fitted to begin a life of service.

Let's all attend commencement exercises.

QUALITY

It is a fact that less than a decade ago, the University of Kentucky was notorious for its name as harboring "a bunch of roughnecks and rowdies." If one inadvertently let it be known that he attended or had attended the University, his auditors immediately classified him as being a fit subject for iron bars and prison stripes.

It is true that the majority of students were not of this type, but it is also true that a few who were cast aspersions on the name of the University and the majority of the students. The townspeople had no use for the students, and it seems justly so, due to the lawless actions of the few. As a seat of learning, Kentucky held but little rank at home or abroad.

This condition no longer exists. Little or no rowdiness is noted on the campus. The students deport themselves at all times in an irreproachable manner. Scholarship standards have been raised, and a higher moral tone pervades University life.

One no longer needs be ashamed to "tell the world" that he attends the University of Kentucky. The University is being recognized in our own state as well as in other states as a progressive, clean school of high standards. Graduates of this school are being recognized as men and women of merit, and are able to secure better positions from the recognition of this fact by employers.

It is the duty of each student to take a personal interest in the promotion of the good name of the University. Every action of the student has a direct bearing upon public opinion concerning our school. We are judged by what we are, so let us be our best selves.

ARE MODERN UNIVERSITIES HOTBEDS OF UNBELIEF?

In the face of the statement that modern universities are turning out ranks and files of flappers and cake-eaters, many people add the opinion that higher education is making infidels and atheists of the younger generation. The argument is inconsistent. An unbeliever is always a person of sparkling intellect and keen wit. If our college men and women are to be charged with one offense, at least they are involuntarily cleared of the other.

When people determine the meaning of the terms belief and unbelief, the time will be more ripe for separating the sheep from the goats. These words, after all, are mooted terms and excellent sources of dispute for those who do not think alike. Conventional middle age thinks youth atheistical, and youth believes old age narrow and intolerant. And so it goes.

There is one thing that university students have learned, and that is fearlessness. Where there is religion, it is revered by them. Where there is sham, it is denounced by them. None are so quick as they to detect lack of sincerity.

The conception of life and religion in the student mind is radically different from that of the former generation. God is not a distant Spirit to be worshipped on Sunday and forgotten on week days. The despotic Yahweh of the whirlwind and the tempest is one with Zeus and Jupiter. The God of the youth of today is a God whose handiwork is nature and whose revelation is in the orbits of the sun, stars and planets. The religion of the youth of today is based on the teachings of Jesus of Nazareth. Aribitory dogmas and doctrinal tenets hold minor places among the majority of university students. The majesty of God as He is revealed in nature and in the commonplace, and the magnetic personality of Him who was lifted up and

daily draws men unto Him are the forces at work today.

Religion is not dead. It has received a new birth. To quote those immemorable words that arose in the World War:

"Religion is betting one's life there is a God."

The soul of Donald Hankey lives somewhere beyond the realms of time and space—the triumphant leader of those of us who were marching into the glorious dawn of a new day. Courage, daring and faith such as his are the banners of the vanguard of the new order. America need not fear. Her educated youth are the hope and salvation of religion.

DIGGIN' IN

Since time immemorial, man has honored custom, passed tradition down thru the ages and has held sacred and preserved inviolate each line and each requirement of tradition and custom.

This year the very old custom, hair cutting, was abolished because it did not any longer blend with the fineness of campus life. In its place was inaugurated the Freshman cap.

Sad to relate this form of hazing has not been taken seriously, in fact, few of the Freshmen are wearing their caps. This would not have to be mentioned if the Freshmen really had the spirit of the University at heart. But they have not. Instead they have created among themselves an idea that they are being humiliated by the upper classmen. This of course is impossible, for the average Freshman has not yet reached the stage where humiliation may be obtained.

The Freshmen have been asked kindly to wear these caps. Some still refuse, logic has proven of no use. Most of them are too dumb to understand it, but thank heaven there is one voice which speaks a language which all of them understand, namely the paddle, and we recommend that it be uncovered and administered freely to those whose idea of school spirit does not coincide with the code of ethics set by the upper class men for them.

We have witnessed some of the inter-fraternity games and we were astounded at the skill and agility displayed by some of the players. They really neared perfection in awkwardness, and inaccuracy. So prominent were these traits that we will pick a mythical all-Greek team and recommend that they hold a telegraphic meet with Ed Dansforth's selection.

In our mind there would be no doubt as to the outcome of such a game. The team:
Forwards—Sneed Yager, John Dundon; center, Ed Fitch; guards—Russ Vanzant, Sam Hillen.

We learn with much regret the fact that Gov. Fields vetoed that part of the University appropriation bill which provides for the Chemistry Department and for the Experiment Station. This situation is not a new experience for the students of the University, but rather one of long standing for the past three gubernatorial terms. Stanley could not see fit; Morrow could not conscientiously pass the bill, and the present Governor has vetoed it without any apparent reason. All of which leads us to believe that Judge Mulligan was right when he wrote, "And politics is the damndest in Kentucky."

We have noticed, during the past week, that one of our great athletes has fallen from his throne of bachelorhood. How did she do it?

We have been requested to ask the students to please remember that the traffic signs on the campus belong to the University and not the city. Please remember this, especially on Saturday nights.

"Beautiful is Kentucky," mused some poet. Classy are our local sororities, think some of the Nationals

UNIVERSITY RIFLE TEAM TO SHOOT IN NATIONAL MEET

The University Rifle Team has been selected for the first time to participate in a National shoot to be held this week and next, for the 5th Corps area, which is composed of Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky. The members of the team are: M. Trusty (capt.), H. Taylor, M. Anderson, N. W. Phillips, George Wolf, H. R. Brown, C. D. Rogers, O. B. Travis, C. C. Rice, Robert Creech, Weems, Babbett, J. O. Wiengarter, D. B. Griffith and M. Mills. Captain Torrence reports that this is the best team that the University has yet had and that the chances for winning are very good.

The team will also be matched against the V. P. I. team this week.

KENTUCKY TO PARTICIPATE

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ed the second Friday in May. At the same time certain proposed amendments will be submitted to a vote. The Council recently asked that it be given jurisdiction over all cases of cheating in the university.

A. T. O. FIVE WINS THE PAN-HELLENIC TOURNEY

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they retained the lead and held it throughout the remainder of the game. Although the Delta Chi five fought hard to overcome the lead, they were unable to keep up with the scoring of the Alpha Tau Omega quintet and the game ended with the Alpha Tau Omega five the champions of the year.

THETA SIGMA PHI HOLDS ANNUAL PLEDGE SERVICE

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The members of the active chapter are: Louise Connell, Mary Marshall McMeekin, Mary F. Gorey, Helen King, Dixon Davidson, Georgia Lee Murphy, Bertha Kraft, Elizabeth Ellis and Margaret Lavin.

The alumnae present at the pledge service were Miss McLaughlin and Miss Irene McNamara.

Let us not be unreasonable. People went crazy before there were any moving picture shows.—Toledo (O.) Blade.



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