

CAPTAIN RICHARDS GIVES RIDING STUDENTS PRIZES

In order to "make things more interesting" for his two sections in equitation and horsemanship for senior students, Captain C. S. Richards, instructor of equitation of the artillery, last week held jumping for first place winners, and miniature sabers for second place winners were personally donated by him—with the effect that very excellent exhibitions were turned in. In the Friday section the winners were D. W. Sherill, Kerens, first place, and Paul Wilson, Hereford, second place. W. L. Combest, Olton, and R. P. Lively, Dallas, received first and second places respectively in the Saturday section.

So well pleased is Captain Richards with the abilities of the seniors in handling the horses, that he said: "During the fall and winter I hope to be able to train them in cossack and rough-riding for exhibition and horse-show performances."

COURSE IN SOCIAL POISE

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (IP)—A new course of instruction to instill "social poise" in students of Temple University is to be inaugurated, according to Miss Gertrude D. Peabody, dean of women.

Declaring that poise, which enables both men and women to feel socially at ease is as important as any other branch of learning, Miss Peabody has promised to arrange activities which will assist students in gaining ease of manner.

"Many girls," she said, "complete their college courses without learning what the college life is all about. She has outlined a definite program aimed to place girls in their proper vocations and to familiarize them with the various phases of college activities.

PARIS SCHOOLING CHEAP

PARIS, (IP)—The cost of living for students at the University of Paris is not to be compared with that of students in the United States.

A student in the Latin quarter here can live on \$230 for two semesters, and his tuition, unless he takes technical training, is \$5.60 for the year.

MAY ELIMINATE EXAMS

FOLKSTONE, England (IP)—Elimination of examinations may be possible if a new scientific method of testing the mental growth of school children, now being tried out by educators, proves successful.

Children are asked to tell what is wrong with a number of absurd statements, and if they give correct answers, their mental ability is said to have been proved.

One of the brain twisters which these same educators would try on adults to see if they are "superior," is as follows:

"A mother sent her boy to the river to fetch seven pints of water, giving him a three-pint and a five-pint measure to carry it in. How could the boy measure exactly seven pints of water without guessing at the amount? Begin by filling the five-pint measure."

RUSSIAN EDUCATION

MOSCOW (IP)—A plan of universal compulsory education, which Russia has been unable heretofore to carry out because of a lack of teachers, schools, and textbooks, has been put into operation this year after these important gaps in the system were filled.

COLLEGE A PLACE OF SERIOUSNESS

WASHINGTON, D. C. —"Coonskin coats, college caps and collegiate slang are remnants of the irresponsible days of adolescence that must be put aside upon entering college," Dr. Cloyd Heck Marvin, president of the George Washington University, told members of the freshman class here this year.

"Don't confuse the burning of gas with the burning of mid-night oil," he said. "You may go further overland on the former, but it won't get you as far on the road you are to travel while in college. Loafing is a disease, a malfunctioning of worthwhile energy. Choose as your friends those who are going somewhere, and go with them."

SUN SPOTS

VALLEJO, Calif. (IP)—That within a decade scientists will be able to predict serious weather disturbances such as tornadoes and hurricanes, and their resulting floods and destruction, by means of a study of the spots on the sun, is the belief of T. J. J. See, U. S. Navy mathematics professor, now retired.

Captain See declares that he has definitely connected sun spots with the Mississippi floods of 1927, and with the drouth that burned up the mid-west last summer.

Rapid increase in sun spots, se says, cause a sudden chilling of the Earth's upper atmosphere, and thus cause prolonged rains and floods.

A similar decrease in the sun spots, on the other hand, he says, cause the Earth to be supplied with an excess of heat, and a drouth is the natural result.

Captain See is now at work attempting to work out a proper ratio of sun spots to weather conditions in order that he may be able accurately to predict the weather by the sun.

DEMOCRACY AT HARVARD

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (IP)—Democracy, an unknown quantity on the Harvard campus for many a year, is about to be introduced on that campus, if efforts being made by President Lowell and the other administrators are successful.

The administration is seeking to bring an end to the exclusive cliques at Harvard, and to have the undergraduates of all classes and degrees of wealth mix more freely.

Noble Will Address Economics Students

The second of a series of talks on economics and various subjects related to it, which are being given by the department of economics, will be given Tuesday night at 7:15 in the chapel of the Y M C A by Steve A. Noble jr., who will speak on life insurance salesmanship. He will talk in detail on the prerequisites to personal success as a salesman, the financial possibilities, and the psychology of selling insurance. Following his talk opportunity will be given for a general discussion of any issue that may be brought up.

Noble comes to the campus well acquainted with the insurance business, having spent several years of study before entering the field. At present he is manager of agencies for the American Provident Life Insurance Company, with offices in Houston.

Following his graduation from A & M in 1925 at which time he was Lieutenant Colonel in the cadet corps, he attended New York University, studying under some of the most prominent economists of the day, among whom were Huebner, Lovelace, and Englesman. Following the completion of the study under these men he entered the insurance business as a salesman, and from then on he has been continually promoted. On his return to Texas, he was put in the district offices at Ft. Worth, and later

became manager of the district. He was recently transferred to his present position in the home offices in Houston.

These informal lectures are open to students, campus people, and especially those interested in economics. The next lecture will be announced at an early date.

UNUSUAL PHOTOGRAPHY

BERLIN (IP)—Reduction of a photograph of a book page to an area of 1/100 of a square millimeter, and then re-enlargement of the photograph to normal size, has been made possible by the discovery of a practically grainless film formula by Professor Goldberg, a German photographic chemist.

By the new discovery, it will be possible to photograph at least 100 novels in full on one postcard, and then make it possible to read page

after page on a projector screen. The invention is believed to hold great value for espionage agents, who may now slip through the line of battle with an entire plan of battle inscribed on a bit of paper less than a square millimeter in size, tucked under a fingernail or pasted to the scalp.

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