

Annual Barnyard Hop To Be Held On Friday

The yearly barnyard dance will be held Friday night, January 30, Tom Bagley, social secretary of the senior class, has announced. Prizes will be given to the most typically dressed boy and girl present as is the custom.

"In the past this event has attracted a number of students, and has been the source of much fun. "We are striving to make this year's dance no exception to the rule," said Bagley.

Music for the event will be furnished by the Aggeland, and the Campus Serenaders.

Regular corps dance will be Saturday.

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It is claimed that the modern domestic fowl originated from a reptile?

There is a key to the rifle range?

Utopian Civilization Predicted For Future

CHICAGO, Ill.—A future in which man will live in urbanized communities surrounded by forests, speaking one common language and many specialized languages; where poverty is abolished, and "plumbers will discuss Aristotle," and where morals have lost their force and the home its supremacy, is pictured by Dr. William F. Ogburn, professor of sociology at the University of Chicago.

"The future society of man," says Dr. Ogburn, "will be one where the number of inventions per year will be larger and larger and where the accumulation of civilization and material culture will be greater and greater. A person could once get pretty well acquainted with his culture at 16 or 17 years of age, but in the future it will require 40 or 45 years.

"Most persons will not try to learn at all, but will become specialists and will speak, in addition to their specialist's language, a common language popularized by the great agencies of communication, the talkies, the radio, newspapers and literature.

"There is no period of quiet and peace ahead, but rather one of continual change. This condition of change will change our code of morals, for the past cannot offer guidance for an ever-changing society. Right and wrong will give way before social expediency. Also the majesty of the law will lose its prestige, for laws are difficult to build up in a changing society."

Produce Radium Rays By Artificial Means

CLEVELAND, Ohio—Artificial production of radium rays capable of penetrating three inches of lead won the annual \$1,000 prize of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, in session here during the holidays.

The award went to M. A. Tuve, L. R. Hafstad and O. Dahl of the department of terrestrial magnetism of the Carnegie Institute of Washington. The three presented a joint paper, "Experiments With High Voltage Tubes," before the American Physical Society.

The rays described by the scientists were produced in a carefully annealed pyrex glass tube, looking like a string of small fishbowls, which was sealed in an iron tank of compressed oil. Next to the tube was placed a huge Tesla coil for producing a 2,000,000-volt current which jumped the tube.

Extraordinary precautions were taken to protect the observers from stray bolts of electricity and from the powerful rays.

The short wave length radiations called Gamma rays, were measured on a Geiger counter, shielded by six-inch plates. The rays were filtered through lead plates, one, two, and three inches in thickness. The thicker the filter, the shorter, or "harder" the ray struck the measuring instrument.

The ultimate object of the experiment is to produce another sort of radium emanation, Alpha rays, which are the heavy nuclei of helium atoms shooting into space at the rate of 12,000 miles a second.

When these rays are produced in tubes of still greater power, it is the intention to aim the Alpha rays at atoms and possibly smash them. If this is done the age-old dream of the necromancer, the transmutation of elements, will become at least partly true.

The physics section of the association considered this contribution to the science of light radiation the most important announcement during the meeting here, as it brings physicists nearer the solution of the mysterious radium and X-ray emanations, and cosmic rays coming to the earth from interstellar space. Cosmic rays are so powerful they pierce six feet of lead.

Same Old Custom But With Different Name

COLUMBUS, O.—According to a story published here in the Columbus Dispatch, Ohio State University students have adopted as the latest rage that of "companionate engagements."

The plan, according to the story, is for the boys and girls to become engaged, the boy pinning his frat pin on the co-ed. Then each is free to have dates with everyone else, just so he or she is available to the other for the important events on the campus, and for such other little events as one or the other may desire from time to time.

All of which, the students said when they read the story, sounds like a new name for a very old custom.

ELECTRIC STOP CLOCK

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Calif.—Basketball fans at the Leland Stanford University no longer will have to wonder, when the score is tied in the last few moments of play, how many seconds are left.

Always keen for innovations, the university has installed an electric clock in its basketball pavilion.

Alfred R. Masters, general manager of the board of athletic control, has had the timepiece installed on the scoreboard. The clock is equipped with minute and second hands.

Bootleggers are the only people in America who have adjusted themselves completed to prohibition.—Dr. James M. Doran.

Scores Loose Use Of Term "University"

NEW YORK—Defining a university as "an institution of higher learning where scholars of high competence guide students, who have been prepared by a liberal education, into advanced studies, with the aid of libraries, laboratories and seminars," Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, speaking before the Associate Alumni of Barnard College here declared that there are only eight universities in the United States, and only eight others bearing the name which in some degree carry on the activities of a real university.

Citing the fact that there are several hundred universities listed in the World Almanac, the Columbia president said it was all "nonsense," and arose largely from the loose use of the terms college and university.

New York and Pennsylvania protect the word "college," he said, but it is possible in many other states to have a "College of Horseshoeing" if one so desires, and the term "university" is protected in no state in the country.

The university should be a "power house of wisdom," he said. He did not name any universities or colleges in his talk.

It is estimated by architects that the average life-span of a New York skyscraper is 30 years—no more.

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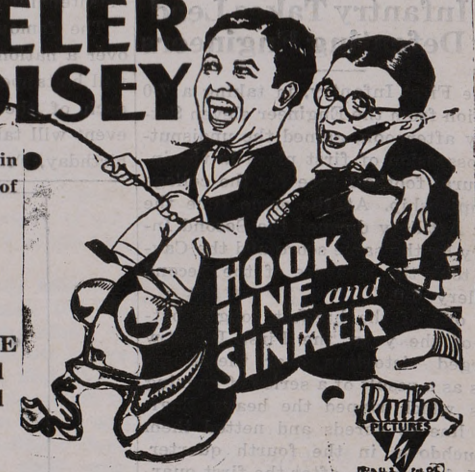
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