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A Closer Examination of Mr. Hare's Argument

In yesterday's issue we attempted to show that while Mr. Hare's argument might be true in theory, it would not apply to this specific incident. Today let us examine the argument a little closer.

In the first place, he intimates that this subject has been good space filler for every weary editor for years past, and has heretofore brought no results. We believe the facts will bear out the statement that only once—in 1912—has the topic been seriously considered. At that time the discussion was begun the last week in May, too late to get any results that school year. It may have been mentioned at other times, but with no organized attempt to secure its adoption.

Again, he denies the right of the state institution to decide what his amusements shall be, and assess him for them. The instance of a branch of the government assessing an individual for his recreations is not new. The city assesses a tax for public parks. Yet the activities that will be supported by the Single Tax are a more necessary part of the life of the student than parks are of the life of the citizen. While it may be true that no comparison lies between a state university and a municipal corporation, the analogy lies between the government of a city by citizens and that of a student public by students. The students may be violating a theory in so organizing, but when there is no one to complain—as was shown yesterday—the mere violation of the theory should not prevent the adoption of the measure.

The fact that no one is being robbed of a constitutional right is further evidenced by the wide prevalence of the Single Tax elsewhere. It has been adopted in nearly all the state universities of the country—exact figures to appear later—and has been highly successful. No one has there complained of the fact that they are being forced to "support that which is recreation and play, and having little or no educational value."

No, the present campaign is not organized to fill our columns. The Single Tax will be adopted this time, if the bona fide efforts of hundreds of loyal Nebraskans will be of any consequence with the authorities.

The American Club

It is often said that there are too many organizations in school. Be this as it may, there is one part of our school lives that is under-organized. That part is the field of politics and citizenship.

A state maintains a university primarily to produce good citizens. It can have no other direct interest in education. Yet, if the average graduate were examined along these lines, the results would be very disappointing. The average person leaves the university believing that politics is a game in which the players are insincere and even dishonest. He thinks that the man who is interested in public affairs is either seeking some office for his own personal aggrandizement, or has not enough business of his own to keep him busy. He

does not regard the public office as a public trust, but only as a prize for the most energetic office-seeker. The resistance to enlightenment on this subject is perhaps the greatest that is found in any branch of knowledge. This is the reason we believe that the field is not sufficiently organized.

We welcome, therefore, the organization of the American club. Its task is a serious one. It must promote discussion of some of the perplexing problems now before congress and the president, without becoming partisan. It must train for voting, thus doing a greater service than is rendered by the ordinary academic debating society. In the face of human narrowness and distrust, it must keep pure the patriotic ideal.

No true American can fail to enlist in this cause.

FORUM

To the Editor of The Daily Nebraskan:

"But let's not 'jangle' anymore."

As I see it, the Single Tax is the best possible means to divert the attention of the entire student body from a narrowing field of recreations to a broadening field of recreation, experience and usefulness.

The Single Tax may have a few objections, or at least it may be objected to, as are all movements for improvements. The student body wants the best. The university stands for the best in every phase of its activities. Let's have it.

W. S. COOK.

UNIVERSITY NOTICES

Found: A gold chain with diamond setting. Call at The Daily Nebraskan office.

Organizations and individuals who have had their Cornhusker pictures taken but have not paid both the photographic and Cornhusker charges on them will please do so at once. No pictures can be sent to the engraver until all charges on it are settled.

Notices for this column must be in by 5 o'clock every evening to be printed in the next day's issue. Notices will not be printed more than once.

Those who wish to enter the Prohibition Oratorical contest must hand in their names to Earl Forbes before Friday night, February 18, 1916. Call L-9455.

The Christian Science society of the university will meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening at Faculty hall.

Der Deutsche Gessellige Verein meeting this evening at the home of Anna Luckey, Fortieth and Holdrege streets. Take State Farm car to end of line, and walk one block east, or Bethany car to Fortieth and walk two blocks north.

The University Commercial club will meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon in "U" 102.

The Palladian society will give a program on "Patriotism" Friday evening, February 18, in Palladian hall. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

All members of the sophomore football team out for picture today at east end of the Armory at 11 o'clock.

Company M picture for the Cornhusker will be taken today at 5 o'clock in front of the Administration building. Be in complete uniform, with belts and rifles.

The Business Women's club dinner will be held today at 6 o'clock in the Red room of the Y. M. C. A.

Tickets can be had from Viola Weatherhill, Mrs. Minnie England, Clarissa Delano, Vera Flick and Harriette Anderson.

The English club will meet next Saturday night at the home of Helene Mitchell, 1606 L street.

Home Economics club girls please order their pins at once at Grenzsbach's in the Brownell block, south of Rudge & Guenzel's. Gold pins with clasp cost \$1.50.

The class in field geography 21 will meet next Saturday in University hall 309 at 1 p. m. It is important that every member should be there.

The Agricultural club banquet will be held at the Lincoln hotel on March 10. One hundred and fifty plates have been reserved.

The Agricultural club will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the Temple.

The election of officers of the Komenky Klub will be held in Union hall next Saturday night.

There will be an important meeting of the Black Masques in the Armory immediately after the girls' rally at 11:30 o'clock today.

PHI PSI WINS EASILY

Phi Kappa Psi romped away with the Sigma Chi basketball team last night to the tune of 36 to 5. The Phi Psis showed better condition, team work and goal tossing ability. For the Sigma Chis Chace and Craig played the best game. The basket shooting of Selzer, Kenner and Thorpe, the Phi Psi forwards, was the feature of the game.

The line-up:

S. C.— P. K. P.—
Craig.....f..... Selzer
Geissen.....f..... Thorpe, Kenner
L. Pace.....g..... Porter, Maloney
A. Pace.....g..... Cook
Chace.....c..... Seaman
Referee, Ed. Hugg.

Utah

A secret meeting of the faculty turned out to be a protest to the registration of President Kingsbury. The president was given twenty-four hours by the regents to resign, or to ask for reappointment. He decided to resign.

Wesleyan

The students of Wesleyan have abolished the old "Cannon Fight" as a result of the fatal outcome of the recent bowl fight at the University of Pennsylvania. This fight has been held at midnight when the freshman attempted to bring an old historic cannon onto the campus, and the sophomores attempted to spike it. If the Fresh succeed in bringing the cannon on, they can fire a salute and are permitted to carry canes.

Scott's Orchestra. Call, B-1482.

Printing that's better, at Boyd's, 126 North 12th.

After dinner dances at McCormick's Cafe. Open till 1 p. m. 129 South Twelfth street.

Nicely furnished southeast room for two girls at 1430 R street.

Lost—Delta Delta Delta sorority pin, on Friday, February 11; name on back. Return to Nebraskan office. Reward. 161-93-95

Lost—A fountain pen with ring in cap, on Monday, afternoon; either in the library or on the way to Woman's building, down R and 12th streets. Finder please leave at reserve desk.

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