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FREEDOM OF DISCUSSION.

There appears in the College Press department an editorial from the Daily Californian concerning a protest made by a Ministerial Union because the University permitted a debate on prohibition in which speeches were made by students against the Eighteenth Amendment.

This is not the first time that a protest of this kind has been made against the policy of permitting undergraduates to hear all points of view on a given question.

In an exceedingly courageous and virile reply President Hopkins defined the issue which was raised by this protest and put himself definitely on the side of complete freedom of discussion.

Believing definitely, however, that the function of an educational institution is to allow students access to different points of view, and to secure their adherence to conclusions on the basis of their own thinking rather than to attempt to corral them within given mental areas, I am bound to hold that freedom of speech, and even the presentation of pernicious doctrines is not antagonistic to the college purpose so long as access is given to the student to all points of view and stimulation is given to his own mind to weigh these matters for himself.

Any attitude other than that of Dr. Hopkins' must, of necessity, be based on one of two assumptions; either that students are not intelligent enough to make a wise judgment of the ideas presented to them, or that the truth in itself is not enough and that it must be protected by artificial means.

AN APOLOGY.

In the Olympian Staff column in yesterday's Daily Nebraskan there appeared an unfortunate reference to the fact that Major Erickson was unable to address the World Forum this week on the subject of compulsory military training in colleges.

Student Opinion

MONTESEY APOLOGIZES. To the Editor: In a paragraph yesterday at the foot of my column, "Olympian Staff," in which I commented on Major Erickson's refusal to speak before the World Forum on military training in the schools, I implied that it was for reasons of policy that the Major did not give his consent. I fear that I misinterpreted the situa-

tion, for a letter from Major Erickson states:

"The facts in the case are as follows: At four o'clock yesterday (Monday) afternoon, Mr. Robert Shields called on me and requested that I address the World Forum on Wednesday of this week. Owing to a previous luncheon engagement for that day, I could not accept, but informed Mr. Shields that I would be glad to appear before the World Forum on the following or any other Wednesday."

"SIDNEY ERICKSON. Major, Infantry, (DOL) P. M. S. & T."

I regret that I did not verify my information before writing, and I hope that no one will misapprehend the situation.

CLAIRE MONTESEY.

The College Press

WHICH SHALL IT BE?

An interesting case is before the court of public opinion. The Church enters a protest against the University for sanctioning a debate on prohibition. Holding that argument on that subject is not conducive to proper respect of the law, and alleging that the debate was part of a "vicious propaganda to discredit law and the American Constitution," the Oakland Ministerial Union stirs the court with sensational charges.

The complaint is simply this: The University authorities, by allowing five young men out of six to speak in opposition to the Eighteenth Amendment, acted in gross disrespect for the Constitution of the United States whose very sanctity forbids question. Seeds of discontent are thus sown which tend to stifle the spirit of legislation.

Should the objection be sustained or over-ruled? The student, before forming an opinion, considers evil and good dispassionately. If truth is to guide his decision, he must regard all evidence. From his watchtower he scrutinizes all before he rounds out accurate opinion. He looks now at Prohibition, and his survey takes in all facts, good and evil, which relate to the problem.

It is the inalienable right of scholarship to ask the "why" of things. Take away this right and you destroy all knowledge. Results of injury take on divergent colors, varying with the perspective of the investigators. To arrive at an accurate interpretation of the various opinions there must be some way in which they can all be heard. It is for this reason that we engage in argument. Debate is nothing more than argument conducted under regulations which insure fair hearing and fair judgment. The question then arises, can fair hearing and fair judgment be obtained when five men out of six argue against a proposition leaving only one to speak for it?

This is the point brought out by President Campbell when he said yesterday that "it is contrary to the policy of the University to provide facilities for one-sided or partisan programs of that sort. . . . This policy provides adequately for 'free speech': three men on one side and three men on the other side should somehow manage, in two hours to present all points of view."

Should the objection be sustained or over-ruled? That is to be decided in the court of public opinion.—The Daily Californian.

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Notices

Pan-Presbyterian Club. There will be a dinner of the Pan-Presbyterian Club Thursday evening at the Grand Hotel at 6 o'clock. Dr. M. Willard Lampke of Chicago will be the speaker. Reservations may be made at 101 Temple with Dr. Dean R. Leland, University pastor.

Secondary Education Club. Secondary Education Club meeting, Thursday, February 12, 7:15, Teachers College 200.

Iota Sigma Pi. Iota Sigma Pi meeting Wednesday at 7 o'clock in Chemistry Hall.

Komensky Klub. Komensky Klub picture for the Cornhusker will be taken at the campus studio Wednesday at 12:30.

Dramatic Club. Meeting of the Dramatic Club Wednesday at 7 o'clock in the clubrooms.

Commercial Club. The Commercial Club picture will be taken Wednesday at 12:45. Bring 25 cents.

Delian. At an open meeting of the Delian, Friday at 8:15 in Temple 202, Dr. Walter Aiken will give a talk on his trip to Europe.

Xi Delta. There will be a meeting of the Xi Delta Thursday at 7 o'clock.

Corncobs. Corncob picture will be taken Thursday at 12:30 at the campus studio.

Lincoln High School Graduates. Members of the class of 1923 who have not made reservations for the reunion to be held at the University Club Friday from 6 to 8 o'clock, may do so by phoning M2079, F4081, or F2737 before Thursday.

Chemical Engineers. Chemical Engineers will meet Thursday at 7 o'clock in Chemistry 102. Cornhusker picture will be taken Friday noon at 12:45 at the campus studio.

Cornhusker. Will the following students kindly

see Mr. Larrivee at the Campus Studio at their earliest convenience: R. C. Shellenberger, B. A. Lilienborg, J. W. Ross, A. E. Matson, E. T. Gustafson, Roy Pitzer, Louise Austin, Betty Sheppard, Mildred Nelson, Elsie Furich, Oris Hedden, D. Krotter, F. J. Murphy, J. W. Hepperly, Kathryn Warner, Eldred Larson,

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Felix has decided to go to Europe. FELIX, the well-known catwampus of the screen, wrote to us the other day and said he wanted to work his way to Europe. The star catterback of the Catown eleven crashed his "mid-terms" harder than he ever hit an opposing feline line, and received a pink unconditional release, good until September, 1925. Felix explained in his letter that he was in the pink of condition and was willing to stoke, peel potatoes, or catch rats bare-handed. We wrote Felix that Cunard ships were all oil-driven and needed no stokers, and as for rats on a Cunard ship, why they just didn't exist. We also asked Felix if he had heard of our new College Cabin service for Congenial Cats—Clean and Comfy. Evidently he hadn't, for he's just telegraphed us to "send him the dope." We wired back— FELIX, MU MU HOUSE 11 FEBRUARY 1925 CATOWN NEWYORK. RESERVING ENTIRE THIRD CLASS EIGHT SHIPS BEGINNING JUNE 17 STRICTLY FOR COLLEGE AND CONGENIAL CATS STOP ROUND TRIP PRICES 155 TO 175 DOLLARS ENGLISH AND FRENCH PORTS STOP CLEAN COMFY CABINS, TUMMY TEASING MENUS, DECK GAMES, SPORTS, CAT COLLEGE ORCHESTRA, SWIMMING POOLS, ABOVE ALL CUNARD SERVICE. WE ARE HOLDING YOU AN OUTSIDE CABIN STOP YOURS DON FAIRCHILD 1556 So. 25th St. Lincoln, Neb. University of Nebraska Representative CUNARD & ANCHOR LINES 140 N. Dearborn St., Chicago or local agents.

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