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THE BAD TASTE

There was some truth in the statements concerning University Night which appeared Friday in the "Other Opinions" column of The Daily Nebraskan. If our readers will pardon the expression of purely personal opinions, we will say that the references to "swinging and drinking" in a very flat, pointless and stupid speech concerning rent-a-Fords which one student attempted to give during the Dramatic Club skit, filled us with the most disagreeable kind of disgust. There were several other things which left a sour taste, but despite these unfortunate incidents, we left the Orpheum convinced that this year's show and its reception by the audience was indicative of a new spirit in the University Night tradition.

Did the critic whom Dr. Pound quoted see the University Night entertainment last year? Did he see it the year before that? We do not believe that he did, because anyone who was aware of the great improvement which was manifested in this year's performance would not have thrown bricks at the promoters with such vigor and bitterness.

The prize-winning skit this year, which very likely represented more than any other the kind of thing which the committee preferred, contained no mention of "drinking and swinging". It did not rely upon vulgarity for its humor, and there were no bottles protruding from hip pockets. It was an excellent bit of satire, and was presented with skill.

The audience was generous with both laughter and applause. Its reception and the fact that it was awarded the prize, convince us that it represented the kind of thing which is most desired by the general student body.

Another indication of good spirit, was the speech by Dean Engberg, solicited in advance by members of the Dramatic Club, and delivered so artfully as to fool the gullible. The incident is evidence that the old days of the "Evening Shun" and its inanity are gone for good. The fact that such a speech was requested by the producers of the act proves the complete absence of any malicious intentions, and the executive dean's entry into the fun reveals him as much more of a friend than a policeman.

These things, we believe, indicate that University Night is becoming a cleaner, more valuable, more friendly, and more enjoyable tradition. The Y. M. C. A. leaders who were responsible for the revolution which they began, rather than condemned for the traces of rottenness which they could not eliminate.

A JAM COMING

For some reason, of which the general public has no knowledge, there have been no steps taken as yet toward providing proper traffic regulation on R street near the University campus. Students and faculty can congratulate themselves upon the fact that another week has passed and they have passed and dodged one another successfully at Twelfth and R streets without assistance.

But next Thursday morning, as you have probably heard, a basketball tournament—the largest in the world—is to open here. Three or four thousand people, to make a conservative estimate, will be visiting the University campus, in addition to the tremendous number of students, faculty members, and others whose business brings them to this district. The majority of the basketball tournament visitors will be from the smaller towns, and will be drivers who are unfamiliar with traffic jams. They will be hurrying from one game to another, excitedly craning their necks to see all the sights, and driving through what is even on other occasions the worst traffic congestion in Lincoln.

Classes will be held as usual during the tourney and there will be no statement whatever in the ordinary student traffic. With the addition of this horde of less experienced drivers, many of whom will be mere high school students, the need for traffic regulation will be greater than ever before.

The Daily Nebraskan does not know whose fault it is that no provisions have been provided on ordinary streets for drivers and pedestrians

at these corners. Lincoln city officials are certainly subject to criticism for their action in providing mechanical devices at dozens of other corners where the traffic is not nearly so heavy and ignoring R street. University authorities may also be at fault for remaining silent.

No announcement has been made of any plans for regulation during the tournament. But since others do not act, why doesn't some student organization undertake the job of obtaining proper protection both for members of the University community and the high school people who will be the University's guests this week? It would be a good matter for the innocents to look into. What value is such an organization if it can do nothing but build bouffies and elect new members?

Other Opinions

The Daily Nebraskan assumes no responsibility for the sentiments expressed by correspondents and reserves the right to exclude any communications whose publication may for any reason seem undesirable. In all cases the editor must know the identity of the contributor. No communications will be published anonymously, but by special arrangement initials only may be signed.

Very Dreary

To the Editor: I was almost heart-broken Friday morning to observe in the "Other Opinions" department of your newspaper an article which seemed to imply, if not baldly state, a criticism of the program presented by the University Y. M. C. A. at the recent University Night Entertainment, of which it was the sixteenth annual edition. I feel somehow that Dr. Pound, or more rightly, perhaps, her correspondent, lacks the true spirit of Cornhuskerism.

It seems to me, however, that some rather fundamental points in which Dr. Pound's correspondent seems mistaken should be pointed out. I will enumerate them.

First, it should be noted that the entertainment is always planned exclusively for University audience, and not for visitors from "England, France or Patagonia," as Dr. Pound's correspondent indicates it should have been. I have never seen, and I doubt if there has ever been, a criticism made of Patagonian functions of like nature because they were not so planned as to be amusing to students at Universitas Nebraskensis. It is my misfortune, however, never to have been present at such a festive occasion in Patagonia.

Second, not every act on the bill was included in the classification of satire. There were, to my certain knowledge, only two bottles protruding from hip pockets, and surely two bottles cannot be considered an extensive satire. There were two, possibly four, drunks, impersonated, and with the personal connection in which they appeared, constituted a rather devastating indictment of certain practices, although the spirit may

have been lost for the moment. Whether the subject is worn out or not will occupy the attention of the nation for several years and I understand from perusal of various journals that it is still very much alive, say in the Maryland Free State.

Third, when a skirt falls off, intentionally, or otherwise, (I have no way of knowing in this instance) it is not infrequently occasions laughter. It is much akin to the laughter occasioned when a man slips on the proverbial banana peel.

Fourth, the cuts on the younger fraternities were no more unkind than those given the older organizations. The principle of parental discipline may have been applied in this instance, although I am sure I do not know. It is a possibility and I feel certain that those who gave the cuts had some kind and worthy purpose in mind.

Fifth, typographical errors are found occasionally in the work of the best printers, and as Dr. Pound's correspondent suggests, whether the slides were perfect in this respect is of no consequence, unless the English department at the University was given a southpaw compliment thereby. The production was an amateur event, one must remember.

Sixth, the necessity for making up lines, I am told, comes from the fact that the curtains were continually sticking—a mechanical fault, one can see at once. The actors did not like to leave the stage bare, so simply devised additional plot on the spur of the moment, a proceeding for which they are to be congratulated.

It is all very dreary. What is the school approaching?
L. E. A.

The Loyal Men

To the Editor: Between individuals of the masculine world many staunch and enduring friendships have existed which have defied even the most wrecking influences. Mutual regard and loyalty are not things which are uncommon in the masculine sphere, and men in general have that quality of friendship which makes them loyal to each other, and to a cause in which they believe.

We began a movement about three weeks ago which received the support of almost every organization which is connected with the University. The men have remained consistently loyal, but with reference to the girls I cannot say as much, but then girls have the privilege of changing their minds whenever they wish and since that prerogative is the traditional heritage of womankind I am not justified in exposing them. Friday morning and afternoon the freshmen of a sorority which was among the first to support the movement, appeared in front of the Social Science building with a Rent-a-Ford.

I don't suppose we, the boys, will accomplish much in the way of saving ourselves and our fathers any money unless we have the cooperation of the girls. They have the right to do as they please, and they also have the right to fight the movement if they

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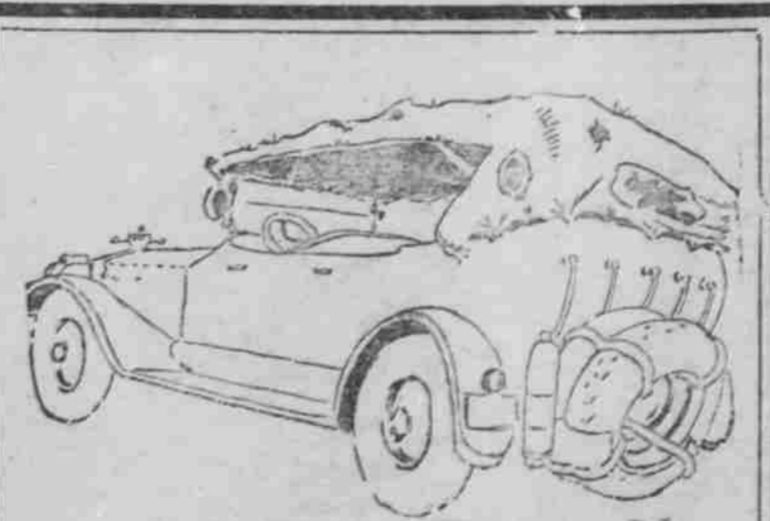
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9:30 to 9:55 a. m. Weather report and Announcements.

10:30 to 11:00 a. m. "Why Girls Enjoy Clothing Clubs," by Miss Mary Borreson, Assistant in Boys and Girls Club Work, Agricultural Extension Division.

1:15 to 1:30 p. m. Address by Dr. Franklin D. Barker, Professor of Medical Zoology, on "Preparation for the Medicine."

Musical numbers by Miss Rowena Rowyer, Violinist.

3:00 to 3:30 p. m. Address by R. D. Moritz, Director of Bureau for Recommendation of Teachers, on "Educational Service of the University of Nebraska."

Address by Dr. W. E. Sealock, Dean of the Teachers College, on "The Growth of the Summer Session of the University of Nebraska."

8:05 to 8:30 p. m. "Spring Seeding of the Small Grains," by T. A. Kieselbach, Professor of Agronomy. "Potatoes, Shall We Plant Them? What? When? How?", by H. O. Werner, State Extension Agent in Horticulture.

Reports of Mexican Trouble Exaggerated

(University News Service)

Indignation at the exaggerated reports of lawlessness American visitors bring back from Mexico was expressed by Homer Noble, '16, who on last Monday visited Professor E. E. Schram of the department of geology. Mr. Noble has charge of a Mexican division of the Marland Oil company of Oklahoma. He has gone through two revolutions, and says the common reports about outlawry and trouble in Mexico are nearly all wrong. There is less murder in all Mexico, he stated, than in Chicago alone.

The secretary of the Nebraska Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, Dr. Clemens, sent notice to the various departments requesting the grades of all the seniors who were to graduate. The object was to enable him to determine to whom the P. B. K. honors belonged.

In one of the most hotly contested basketball games ever seen in the Armory, the juniors defeated the seniors with a score of 30 to 4. Time and time again during the game it was impossible to hear the officials' whistles on account of the enthusiasm shown by the spectators.



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MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES

Fraternity Group Pictures
The campus studio has received many inquiries from fraternities and sororities in regard to group pictures. These will be taken if appointments are made during March. \$4.00 is the charge.

Awgwan Contributors

Awgwan contributors are requested to turn in as much copy as possible this week for the Boosters Number, to appear in March. Copy cannot be accepted later than Monday, the 8th. The humor of this issue is intended to satirize the 'Organizations.'

Says Discussion Is Better Than Lecture

(University News Service)

Experiments on methods of teaching conducted last year at Ohio State University revealed that the lecture system is less effective than the discussion method, according to a report submitted at the convention. Classes in the same subject were taught by the two methods. The final grades of the discussion class, says Dean Sealock, were much better than those of the lecture course. That more interest was aroused by the discussion method was indicated by a forty-per-cent greater registration in continued subjects.

TEACHERS needed now. BOOMERS TEACHERS AGENCY.

Daily Nebraskan Staff

All news editors, assistant news editors, and contributing editors of The Daily Nebraskan are requested to meet at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon in the editorial offices.
Volta Torrey
Victor Hackler

Tourney Reception Committee

All members of the reception committee for the annual high school basketball tournament are requested to see Mr. Jorgenson in the University Y. M. C. A. office in The Temple, between 9 and 12 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Takes Position at Oil Field

Marion Funk, '25, who has been in Venezuela the past year with the Gulf Oil company, last week visited Prof. E. F. Schram's office in the department of geology. He has come back to take a position in the mid-continent oil field.

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