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UNESCAPABLE CONSEQUENCES

Another salvo of letters in Campus Pulse this morning. Each one of them brings out some phase of the much-wrangled fraternity problem.

D. N. has another appeal. "A Barb" answers with some wise advice to inferiority-complexed barbarians. Gil says D. N. is all wet. And R. E. W. reviews some southern fraternal history.

In this array of four letters is represented a convenient cross-section of campus thought on this question. The letters, two from fraternity men, and two from nonfraternity men, are worth reading.

Clarifying somewhat his first letter printed last Sunday, D. N. reiterates his belief in the possibilities of non-fraternity organization against the grasping power of fraternities. He cites history to show that it was possible in the past, and is confident that the same can happen again.

While we are indebted to R. E. W. for giving us definite proof that many people come to university for no other reason than to make a fraternity or sorority, yet we can not escape the feeling that of all arguments in favor of fraternities, his are about the weakest.

One of the greatest and at the same time gravest charges against fraternities has always been that they foster a spirit of fraternal loyalty at the expense of loyalty to the University.

To make matters worse, R. E. W. shows that Mississippi and South Carolina suffered a serious football slump as a result of the abolition of fraternities.

SECOND-YEAR PLEDGING
The state senate yesterday passed on second reading the bill making mandatory second-year pledging at the University.

would be allowed to wither away in committee, the possibility of the final passage of the bill has stirred up much comment.

One consoling feature to the opponents of the bill is the amendment which makes the law take effect only after two years in which time the fraternities and sororities will have time to readjust themselves to the changed conditions.

The opposition to this bill has centered around the following two main arguments:
1. That the new bill is ill-advised now in the face of the lack of dormitory facilities.

Every thrifty fraternity and sorority if it wants to keep the business management of its house on a sound footing will increase its sophomore, junior and senior membership enough to make up for the loss of freshmen. The additional upperclassmen taken in will empty just enough rooming houses to take care of the incoming freshmen.

The second main objection concerning rushing is probably very much exaggerated. Granted that the new bill will result in all-year rushing, is there any more evil connected with that than with the system of all-year and all-summer high school senior rushing we now have in vogue?

As for interference with studies occasioned by any of the all-year rushing, it will very likely be a great deal less than the present interference with study occasioned by fraternity life to which the bewildered freshman is not accustomed, without mentioning the loads of interference occasioned by excessive freshman duties around the house, and without mentioning times of downright interference intended to "take the cockiness out of the freshmen."

The chances are that freshman scholarship under the new rule would increase materially because the freshmen would all be on their toes to make a creditable enough showing to be asked to pledge a fraternity.

Now for some positive benefits of the proposed bill. In the first place such a measure will eliminate at one stroke a large number of pin hounds who come to the university just long enough to make a fraternity or sorority.

In the second place such a campus reform will mean that there will be at least one year of equality for all students in the University. This is a benefit recognized by the alumni committee on dormitories which made its report a few months ago.

Whether the bill is ultimately passed or not makes little difference, though. The basic advantages and disadvantages of the fraternal system will still remain.

And the fraternities, themselves will benefit in the end. Membership in them, and especially the pledge period, will become the result of merit openly recognized on this campus. It will be something to work for (if it is that valuable after all).

In Other Columns

Less "Society"
In spite of the dictum of Arthur Brisbane that a dog biting a man is not news but that a man's biting a dog is news, the evaluation of news is not merely a matter of "playing up" the unusual or that which will be talked about.

Thus, if the college paper were to follow Mr. Brisbane, it would state in heavy headlines that a recent survey of the campus showed that nine coeds remained unskissed, and in a corner of the back page it would report the fact that one of the leading educators of the country had been added to the faculty.

Consequently, The Silver and Gold, at least during the spring quarter will curtail its society page. Men and coeds about the campus (Thank God and the board of admissions that there are not very many of them), who care only for the "society" in The Silver and Gold must be satisfied with rather brief reference to that phase of college life which affords excuse for legislatures in their failure to pass educational appropriation bills.

The Campus Pulse

Letters from readers are cordially welcomed in this department, and will be printed on all subjects not in the common newspaper practice of keeping out all libelous matter, and attacks against individuals and religions.

To the Editor—"Lon", E. F. D. & Campus:

There seems to have been a general misunderstanding of the meaning which I meant to portray in Monday's article on "Wake up Barbs." In reality, no plan was submitted at all—no campaign of organized opposition suggested in a systematized way, as one which would alter the present social status.

I appreciate the editor's comments and yet take issue on one of his statements—for Mr. Editor—Don't you think that if the feeling which is current among Fraternity men—the feeling which they think justifies them in occupying their fictitious position—were to be stamped out and the fraternity and sorority houses made not as mere eating houses but homes, that after all this would be a better school for it?

Now to "Lon" and E. F. D.—what refreshing tonics to soothe the minds of literature absorbing students—yet it savors as does most written and unwritten speech on this campus—it savors of fraternity gloss, a polish which is indeed glib on the outside.

What notable lines and passages! What profound words "Lon" quoted and used to denote the anticipated opposition. I should feel totally exhilarated in a sea of sarcasm and yet I am only amused at "Lon's" jesting—wonder if he capitalized his hidden genius by participating in the late staged "University Night"?

Now until this time the high school senior may never have heard of the greek letter organizations. They are in our bargain close out of Columbia & Brunswick cut out, new, popular, classical and dance records.

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mysterious, and that is always intriguing. The rumor goes out that one must "belong" in order to be of any importance on the campus. As though membership in any organization could automatically increase or decrease ones real value!

I haven't an idea in the world where these rumors come from. It is not improbable that they originate in the minds of these same high school seniors, who, knowing very little about it all, enlarge and elaborate on that very little.

Now the high school senior graduates and comes to the university. He doesn't make a fraternity—I object however to the inference that this was necessarily because he never had the opportunity.

He remembers the rumors. He is very proud, and very sensitive. He highbrows the fraternity man first.

Lets hear from the "Barbs"! Again I say "Wake Up Barbs"! Note—How true was Monday's article on "White lies"—how strikingly true and apparent in the relation between the "Frat" and "Barbs"!

To the Editor:
Inasmuch as there seems to be a barb versus fraternity discussion going on in the Daily Nebraskan columns the time seems appropriate to express an idea that has long been in my mind.

It seems to me that the difficulty reaches back into high school days when the senior class is looking forward to the institution of higher learning. Conversation is almost exclusively of "next year" and the university, and nine-tenths of this conversation is about fraternities and sororities.

Remember the excitement—the prospective combatants squaring away and circling round each other? Then always would come the old cry—"Take off your coats!"

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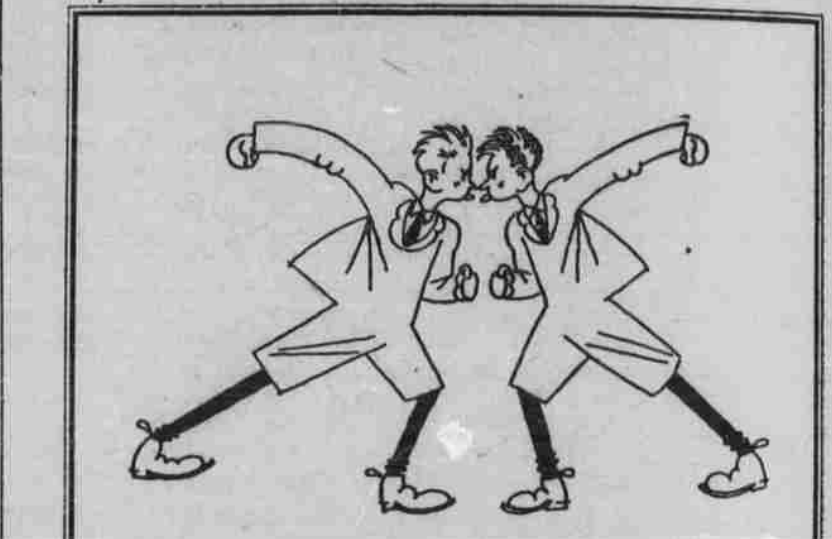
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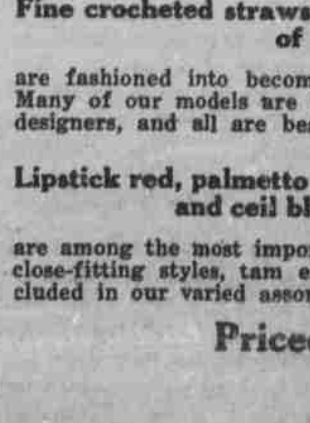
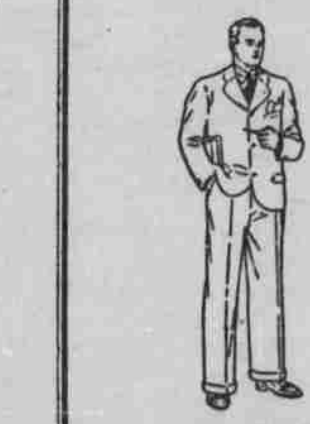
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