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THE INDEPENDENT PRESS.

PLACING the interests of the entire university
student body first and upholding a principle for
which early toilers in the fields of the Fourth
Estate fought fervently. The Nebraskan today an-
nounces that it will publish accounts of sorority
downtown parties, despite the ruling of the local
Panhellenic council to the contrary.
Decision not to acknowledge the edict of the
Panhellenic association and give publicity to sororities
was made only after due consideration and
consultation. All students and faculty members
interviewed favored the stand taken by The Ne-
braskan.
There are two principle considerations that
prompt the Nebraskan's action on this matter.
First, it does not believe the local rule, which
declares that no publicity should be given sorority
functions to which men are invited, is a just regula-
tion.
Second, it believes that contrary to The Ne-
braskan's high regard for law and order, violation
of the ruling is justified mainly because trying to
prescribe what this paper shall and shall not publish,
when it is a recognized campus event, is not within
the jurisdiction of the Panhellenic association.

THERE are several reasons for regarding the pres-
ent rule unfair. Here are a few of them:

- 1. The local Panhellenic association places
itself under the supervision of the outside in-
fluence of the national panhellenic group. In
matters pertaining to individual school prob-
lems, the local organizations should be the ulti-
mate authority and not bound by national re-
strictions.
2. In refusing to allow party publicity the
Panhellenic association is inconsistent. Accord-
ing to Mrs. Irvin E. Brown, national Panhellenic
officer, only a list of pledges and calendar dates
for parties should be issued. At Nebraska,
however, full and complete publicity is given
sororities entered in intramural sports. Other
stories appear concerning afternoon teas and
luncheon banquets at chapter houses.
3. It is better that people over the state,
whose indictment Panhellenic people seem to
fear, should know exactly what is going on at
the university than for them to make false sur-
mises.
4. Many other universities, as indicated in
Nebraskan exchanges, pay no attention to the
sentiment of the national ruling, but allow their
campus papers to run stories of sorority parties.
5. No logical argument has been advanced
as to why The Nebraskan should not publish
this news. The local association apparently is
accepting the suggestion of the national organ-
ization on faith alone.

THE POSITION of The Nebraskan in refusing to
do its part to obey this rule is justified in many
grounds.

- 1. When applied to The Nebraskan, the
regulation ceases to be a regulation. The Pan-
hellenic association encroaches upon a legitimate
campus activity which The Nebraskan seeks
to record.
2. The Nebraskan believes that student
opinion for such publication is worthy of con-
sideration. When presidents of eighteen sororities
openly announce their convictions that
sorority party news should be printed, The Ne-
braskan believes their wishes should carry some
weight.
3. Within its rightful bounds in seeking
to give the campus coverage of recognized news
events, The Nebraskan in insisting on publish-
ing accounts of sorority parties is upholding the
principle of independence of the press.
4. The power to withhold such material
from The Nebraskan and the press is the power
to make this newspaper a mouthpiece of con-
solidated university interests, a spineless news-
paper not cognizant of its duties to its readers.
What if the Student council should make a re-
quest similar to the Panhellenic association?
In securing the news, The Nebraskan will not
seek to obtain it from the sororities themselves.
For them to give out such information would be a
violation of their rule. But if The Nebraskan on
its own initiative without aid of Panhellenic women
gets the news, sororities are exonerated.
While the student body is entitled to know
about sorority parties, the main issue in this case
is the principle involved. The Nebraskan will not
permit itself to be placed under the thumb of any
organization. To do so would surrender the claim
that it is a true student newspaper at the University
of Nebraska.

The university trains men for all walks of life.
Applicants for mountain bus drivers can get plenty
of good experience zig-zagging through the traffic
at Twelfth and R streets any noon.

PASSING THE SHOW.

Students flock willingly and generously to
downtown movies. Entertainment is the one thing
that these show-goers demand, and for it they
would spend their final half dollar. This tendency
does not apply solely to college students, but to
the human race.
Strangely, students disregard one of the most
entertaining of all theatrical productions—Univer-
sity Players' shows. These presentations are of-
fered periodically in the Temple theater and have
always been well received by their smaller audiences.
Discussion has been rampant on Broadway re-
cently in regard to the probability of "talkies" re-
placing the legitimate stage productions. At the
University of Nebraska this would be a difficult
problem to solve. Students disregarded the "legit"
long before the sound pictures made their debut.
Attendance at University Players shows should
not be considered in the light of campus charity.
The Players have never begged for audiences. They
have kept on producing good, clever, well staged
productions for those who attended. Students, it
seems, are passing up something good.
"R. U. R." drama which is still playing in
New York, is the latest Players show, and it is
concluded this evening. The college student who
feels any appreciation at all for a slight degree of
culture would enjoy "R. U. R." But, then...

The Student Pulse

Signed contributions pertinent to matters of student
life and the university are welcomed by this depart-
ment. Opinions submitted should be brief and concise.

A STATEMENT OF POLICY.

The Barb council is always glad to receive sug-
gestions for the improvement of its parties. In this
connection and regarding the article of W. G. T., we
wish to say that this question has already been
discussed.

When people outside the university attend our
parties and thus become a disturbing element we
will follow the example of the students in charge
of the Ag mixers. This is not, however, a funda-
mental weakness and can be corrected whenever it
becomes obnoxious.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BARB COUNCIL.

IN DEFENSE.

W. G. T. has voiced a serious condemnation of
the All-University parties as they are now con-
ducted, but in doing so he committed two grave
errors. He has adduced no plausible evidence in
defense of his position, and his phraseology puts a
false countenance on the whole situation.

These parties are characterized as "not repre-
sentative of the student body." They are not even
representative of the barb group." Just what "rep-
resentative" may mean, we are not told. If W. G.
T. means that the Greek element is not represented,
he is, at the least, unobservant.

Twenty-two different Greek pins have been
noted, by actual count, at a single dance. Surely
his objection cannot be upon the meagerness of the
attendance. It has ranged from six hundred to
upward of twelve hundred and gives good promise
of still further increase.

If W. G. T. had ever attended one of these
dances, he would not insist that "fraternity men
decline to attend the affairs accompanied by girls."
The number of formal dresses seen throughout the
crowd, students coming from other parties, is patent
evidence to the contrary.

"General shoving and mauling" and "a stag
line... terrorizing to the bravest couple" are cited
as characterizing these "listless dances." Such a
flat contradiction in assertions leads one to question
the reliability of W. G. T.'s whole statement.

May we presume to offer that writer a sug-
gestion: Either prove your assertions, kind sir, or
don't make them. Some poor unsuspecting soul
might conceivably be misled into accepting such
things on faith alone.

W. G. T. REPLIES.

Verus resents my "serious condemnation" of
All-University parties. He finds me verbally on
two "grave" counts. He ridicules my phraseology
by bringing to light amazing contradictions. And
he refers to me, sarcastically I believe, as "kind
sir." Whereupon, I can do nothing but establish a
counter defense.

Verus would undoubtedly like to argue the
term "representative." But, fortunately, he im-
mediately accepts my obvious meaning and pro-
ceeds to quote statistics with no authority—which
professors tell us we must always indicate. Verus,
do twenty-two frat pins indicate that Greeks are
well represented at parties? You neglected to in-
dicate if these twenty-two were duplicated many
times.

Verus lauds the attendance at All-University
parties. But he says nothing in regard to my original
contention that this crowd is composed of un-
desirables outside the university. A barb who has
attended two of these parties asserts that members
of an airplane school in town and members of a
downtown business college attend in sufficient num-
bers warrant attention. Is this what builds up the
large attendance at All-University parties?

Verus says fraternity couples in formal regalia,
who have been at other parties, have been seen at
the All-University dances. Two Greeks have stated
they dropped in to see what was going on, de-
clined to dance, and left almost immediately with
their dates. Is this a characteristic attitude?

I still believe "shoving and mauling" char-
acterizes the dances. And it is "listless" to the point
of being boring.

In view of the above remarks I still maintain
my original stand concerning the present All-
University parties. I have come to believe, however,
that the new plan before the Student council today
will not benefit barbs so much as an alteration of
the present system.

The Ayres plan would call for co-operation be-
tween barbs and Greeks which, in reviewing past
considerations, seems impossible. Furthermore, there
is not enough class loyalty and organization for
each group to become sufficiently interested in
putting on a good party.

The suggestion contained yesterday in The Daily
Nebraskan concerning the presentation of identifi-
cation cards at the door in order to limit the crowd
to university people, may go a long way in helping
the situation. In this event, the name of the affair
also should be changed.

MORE DEFENSE.

Who is W. G. T.? Is he an authority of the
opinion of the barbs with regard to All-University
parties? How many parties has he attended? He
says a great number of barbs favor the Ayres plan.
How many are a great number?

I have attended all of the barb parties and I
feel safe in saying that they are not "listless," also
that I have never seen anyone frightened by the
"non-descript stag line," and that Greeks do attend
both with and without dates.

There are fifteen barbs in my house and all of
them have expressed favorable opinions of the All-
University parties as they are at present conducted.
Of course I would not attempt to express the
"unanimous" opinion of the barbs, but I am in-
clined to believe that it would be possible to find
other barbs of the same opinion.

BEHIND THE SCENES.

A Mere Barb praises the gods for the "mess
which Williams creates." He should praise the
prince of darkness if he wishes to do any praising.
In regard as to what is worth while and as to who
is the only man who has done anything worth while
for the barb cause, A Mere Barb and myself hold
distinct and different views.

Does he consider worth while filing fraternity
members on a ticket which they knew nothing about
in order to split the Greek vote to put his own lineup
into office?

Does he regard anyone worth while who lines
up an election ticket after he has said that he has
retired from politics?

Does he regard as worth while calling an elec-

tion of officers for the Barb council when a con-
siderable portion of the council, including former
council officers, did not know the election was to
be sprung?

A Mere Barb accuses Nelson of always being
pro-Greek rather than pro-barb. Does he believe
that in order to be pro-barb a person has to do all
he possibly can to stir up antagonism, by scattering
venom and malicious falsehoods about Greek letter
organizations? If so A Mere Barb could pay no
higher tribute to Nelson.

I believe that the All-University parties have
been successful largely because of Williams and that
they have been valuable in supplying a social need
for a portion of the nonfraternity students. I like-
wise believe that others should come in for no small
part of the credit. And not the least of these is
Nelson.

Has he not worked strenuously and faithfully
to make the parties a success? His efforts did not
relax after he was ousted from the presidency of
the Barb council by methods which to say the least
were questionable. And yet Archie accuses Brutus
of slipping the dagger into Caesar's ribs.

I do not approve of the absent mindedness,
blindness, deafness, or call it what you like, on the
part of certain sorority members. And yet to the
best of my knowledge Williams was the only male
to enlist in the May Queen fight. His sex should
be proud of him. I wonder that if when he gradu-
ates he will take an active part in bodies and so-
ciety, sewing circle, and W. C. T. U. elections.

E. FLURIBUS UNUM.

WHY, W. G. T.?

If I may venture to say so, the letter of "W. G.
T." in the "Rag" was an insult to the intelligence
of the thousand or more students who flock to the
All-University parties. "W. G. T." asserts that
chiefly "dance hall regulars and high school stu-
dents" attend. Now some of us are not so fortunate
(?) as "W. G. T." in knowing the "dance hall regu-

COLLINS GIVES RADIO
TALK ON CATHEDRALS

Assistant Curator Describes
European Edifices in
Weekly Speech.

"It was to the city of Niess on
the River Driepier that Christianity
was first brought, about a thou-
sand years ago, by some hermit
monks who dwelt in caves on the
hillside" was the introductory re-
mark of George Collins, assistant
curator of the university museum
in his museum radio talk Monday
afternoon. This city the oldest
in Russia, was the first to possess
a church in the country.

Mr. Collins asked his listeners
if they remembered a book called
"Inland Voyage" by Robert Louis
Stevenson. In this Mr. Stevenson
says that he never wearied of
great churches, that they were his
favorite kind of mountain scenery.
He believes that "mankind was
never so happily inspired as when
it made a cathedral." He goes on
to say "for though I have heard a
considerable variety of sermons, I
never yet heard one that was so
expressive as a cathedral."

French Cathedral Destroyed.
"Who shall say Stevenson was
not happy in dying before the war,
the war that was in the year of
1917 to destroy by fire the Cathed-
ral of Notre Dame at Noyons for
which he had such an affection?"
questioned Mr. Collins.

It was little more than a hun-
dred years ago after the revolution
that to the French as to the Rus-
sians today, the church stood for
the ally of the old order of govern-
ment under which they had suf-
fered so long and so horribly.

Russian Cathedrals Uninjured.
The cathedrals in Russia came
through the war uninjured and we
find the Russians themselves re-
arranging them as museums. Mr.
Collins contrasts this with the
people of France who with help
from other countries are busy re-
building and restoring their dam-
aged cathedrals.

Lincoln's first paving was in
1888.

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-Yes
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CAN BE
Saucy &
Pert
Too
--JUST
LOOK at HER

lars," and since we do not mix with the high school
crowd we know but few of them.

Our acquaintances are limited to university
folk, and we are proud that most of them have at
some time or other attended the All-University
parties and have enjoyed themselves to the fullest
(in a wholesome way, my dear "W. G. T.," which
perhaps you won't understand.)

If "W. G. T." had ever attended a Varsity
party in the old days he would be ashamed to sug-
gest a return to such a system. Was not Joyce
Ayres on the old Varsity party committee, which
was such a flop? Has Joyce ever attended a Barb
council All-University party? I begin to think
that "W. G. T." is in the same boat. I suggest
"W. G. T." that you read what the editor has to
say about such parties. ARCHIE.

FOR PROM GIRL.

To the editor:
I notice that recently the four candidates for
Prom girl were chosen by the juniors and seniors.
As I understand the votes were counted by the
junior-senior prom committee chairman and the
final results were given to The Daily Nebraskan, not
according to how the vote stood but the four lead-
ing candidates.

I wish to ask the chairman of the Prom to please
validate their claims to a straight election, not that
I would accuse them of "swinging" the election, but
due to the fact that an election of that kind could
be manipulated to suit the vote-counters. I question
the results. Stranger things have happened on the
Nebraska campus that swinging an election for
Prom girl to suit the tastes of the committee in
charge. INTERESTED.

Spring football practice starts this week. After-
noon crowds around the entrance of Social Sciences
will diminish perceptibly.

With quarterlies coming on this week, students
will begin studying pretty soon now.

211 BICYCLES AT SMITH.
SMITH COLLEGE, Northamp-
ton, Mass.—At least 211 bicycles
are in daily use at Smith college.
a recent census showed. A no-car
ruling and long distances between
classes were given as reasons for
the large number of vehicles.
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SHE'S a well dressed
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pared to fit both the desires and the purse
of the university man. The satisfaction
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also in the lasting conviction, that you
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spring wardrobe than a good top-
coat. As a protection against treacherous
winds and sudden showers a topcoat is
priceless. We can offer you the finest
selection of such coats ever designed for
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tinctive patterns, excellently tailored and
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