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What Is This Psychic Urge?

The Chancellor has a hobby. We all have them. But his particular hobby involves spending a trifle over 300 thousand dollars for purchasing land and erecting thereon a women's dormitory, to house 386 women students.

In addition to the 300 thousand dollars spent by the university, an equal amount will need to be borrowed to complete the undertaking.

This loan, however, will be paid off by the profits of the dormitory—by the girls who will live in the building—and thus will not be taken from university funds.

Soms time ago The Nebraskan questioned the wisdom of this move, from the point of view that women students might not care to reside in a university owned building and pay off a 300 thousand dollar loan.

Today we are again questioning the wisdom of the project, but from another point of view. The governor has cut the university budget.

The legislature may approve some of the appropriations over his veto, but it is extremely doubtful if they will approve the complete budget as it was submitted by the regents.

It seems evident that the chancellor and the regents are determined to secure their dormitory appropriation at all costs. They are asking an additional 100 thousand dollars, an equal amount being at present in their hands.

With this granted, work can begin. It seems extremely unlikely that the legislators will be disposed to grant other items for buildings, especially over the veto of the governor.

In effect, getting the dormitory will mean losing all chance of getting a new university hall, or a new observatory, or an addition to Morrill hall, or funds for campus development.

Any appropriation totaling 300 thousand dollars could go a long way toward working over the present unsightly campus, or toward an observatory, or a Morrill hall addition; it would complete every one of these projects, with a wide margin remaining.

Even the one-third of this amount requested at present would complete the observatory, build an addition to Morrill hall, and make a reality of the proposed quadrangle, a beautiful mall stretching east and west across the present indubitably homely drill field.

The quadrangle, aside from affording permanent relief from the ever-present parking problem, would be the next step—and a big one—toward the ideal campus.

Whether or not the construction of the proposed dormitory is a wise move, it is a fact that it can be accomplished only at a considerable sacrifice. Is it worth such a sacrifice?

Granting that such a building would house in luxurious fashion all non-sorority freshmen girls, the answer is still in doubt. Is it more important to provide students with living quarters, which they can if necessary find for themselves as they have in the past, than it is to provide them with classrooms and a campus?

Arguments favoring dormitories on the grounds that they will enable a closer supervision and control of the first-year girls are equally foolish. In the first place, residence in the proposed structure will admittedly not be required. In the second place, we fail to see how any restrictions enforceable could keep the average 18-year-old girl out of mischief if she didn't know enough to keep herself out.

Of course, the dormitory project was begun at a time when it appeared there would be no need to sacrifice other necessary additions. At first, it seemed there would be no substantial decrease in appropriations from the amount estimated to be necessary.

Now, however, that fact is apparent. Which shall it be? The chancellor and the regents have to relinquish their pet project. This is natural enough. We all hate to give up our own particular dreams, even after they appear in the cold light of daytime circumstance to be a little less practical than we had thought.

No doubt at all that dormitories, for both men and women, will some day become a reality. No doubt, also, that it will be a fine thing for the University of Nebraska when such a stage is reached. But right now we need other things. We need buildings on the campus, and a little work on campus development, which incidentally would solve the parking and automobile noise problems. We need a host of things, and we need them all worse than we do a dormitory.

Our gripe today: Still no coathooks, still no parking spaces.

Our gripe tomorrow: Still no coathooks, still no parking spaces.

Our gripe next year: Still no coathooks, still no parking spaces.

All University Parties? Hardly!

Some time ago the Barb council scheduled a party for February 7 in the university coliseum. It was announced as an all university party. Some time later, the Interfraternity council scheduled an Interfraternity ball, and

for the same night. Evidently the fraternity group considers any party scheduled by the Barb council a barb affair.

The Barb council has done fine work in organizing the present series of all university parties. They deserve fraternity support, and they cannot attain their goal until they get it. They most decidedly are not getting it at present.

Greek-letter organizations will do well if they make their own party, the Interfraternity ball, as attractive as any one of several of the Barb council's efforts. And it might also show a bit better spirit if in the future they supported all university affairs, if not actively, then at least passively.

One way out, if the university shouldn't happen to want a legislative committee investigating their finances, would be to have the dean's office pass on eligibility of the members.

Heroes Abroad.

"No man is a hero to his valet," remarked Plato, apropos of nothing at all.

"As far as that goes," chimed in Socrates, "no man is a hero in his home town."

"Aw, Heck!" said Aristotle. "Nobody can be a hero at all as long as he's still alive."

They're all three right. But Socrates happened on the most evident truth. A man may be honored everywhere in the world—and still be plain John Jones at home.

Dr. Paul Harrison, '05, medical worker in Arabia during recent years, is coming home. We hope he gets a good reception, but just in case he doesn't: You understand how it is, Paul!

Still, Dr. Harrison has the flavor of romantic adventure about him, much as the Englishman Lawrence carries with him. Arabia is Oriental, full of strange people and strange, far eastern customs. Harrison has the edge on other heroes abroad, as does Richard Haliburton. A former Nebraskan who is today known and loved by the Arabs is a rather outstanding figure.

We hope he draws large, interested audiences, for he has much to tell. And, elsewhere in the world, he is looked up to as an adventurous hero.

Women students at the University of Michigan are gold diggers; they do not behave like human beings; men don't understand them; they pull hair; they have emotions just like other humans. And still the men like them.

Such were revelations of a debate between men and women speakers at the Ann Arbor institution recently. An overwhelming male vote decided that women were far from being human. Michigan women are certainly misunderstood. Shed a tear for them.

Female Legislator Owens asks that a woman be placed on the committee suggested to investigate university finances. We wonder, is she the only one in the house, maybe, huh?

MORNING MAIL

Campus Racketeers.

TO THE EDITOR: I want to give a partial answer to the question asked in the Morning Mail column this morning, as to why so many places of student residence maintain files of the answers to all the problems in the books, to save the students from working them out. But there is another reason, not so well known:

One day I happened to be in the office of a certain department, when a book agent came in. Taking me for one who was "on the inside," he talked quite freely on the matter to the chairman of the department, as though the affair were one well understood by both of them. The publishing houses want to sell enough books to be able to sell at a reasonable price with a reasonable profit.

But, if the same book is used year after year, the students will buy second-hand copies, cutting down greatly on the number of sales. Consequently, they get out a new edition rather often, making only very slight changes, so that the expense of changing the edition will not be great; and they get the professors to insist that the students use the new edition, rather than the old, so that more copies can be sold.

How widespread this racket is, I do not pretend to know. I do know that the agent talked as though it were quite common.

H. H. HOWE

Ah, These Women!

TO THE EDITOR: While the questionably sacred call of the Student council—their new constitution as it were—has been tossing about on the tumultuous waves of the faculty sub-committee to which it has been submitted, the writer has been drawing certain conclusions from a few obvious facts.

To me it appears that the women members of the council have betrayed the group interests of that representative group to the whims of two women's groups—the Panhellenic association and the A. W. S. board.

Shortly before the halloing on the power clause of the Student council constitution one thing became exceedingly noticeable. The members of the A. W. S. board and representative at the Panhellenic group began veiling loudly and vigorously in defiance of certain provisions in that power clause. Oddly enough these constitutional antagonists lapsed into a strange quietude preceding the vote. The rasp in their voices lost its rough edge, and they became snave, smiling, confident and unafraid.

When the power clause came to a vote the woman members of the council, some of whom had so loudly disclaimed certain of its provisions not long before, voted unanimously for its acceptance. Strange creatures these women. With a graceful (but as I hinted before, dubiously genuine) gesture, the feminine lawmakers expressed the hope that everything would go all right with their little document.

Now what has happened? The constitution has been in the hands of the faculty for over a fortnight but no formal announcements have been made as to its progress. There have been, however various and mysterious informal ru-

mors to the effect that all is not going so smoothly. It seems that there have been obstacles.

These obstacles are nothing more or less than protests from representatives of the A. W. S. board and Panhellenic group who are fighting the constitution as opposed to their own best interests. They do not believe the predominantly male Student council capable of regulating student social affairs. In short they do not want the Student council made up of a majority of men students, to be the supreme legislative body of the campus.

This is the accusation which I have to make: Feminine Student council representatives who voted for all of the provisions of the power clause without protest, and then knowingly turned against it in favor of the interests of a much less representative group, have committed an unpardonable ethical error. In my judgment they have shown themselves and presented their sex as unworthy of representation on the popularly-elected Student council. The objection is not so much that they have the selfish motives of their women's groups at heart. My point is that they erred, and erred gravely, in deceiving the students who elected them into the belief that they favored the power clause as it was formally passed.

As for the rest of the council's members—the men in fact—there is nothing to be said other than that, with the exception of a possible few, they don't care a whoop whether the measure for true student government and self-assertion ever goes through or not.

MORPHEUS.

Professor, How Could You?

TO THE EDITOR: The first semester is past. "Half the battle is won," as it were, but the greatest struggle

lies just ahead and the sun cannot shine through until the obstacle is overcome; the obstacle is the professor who refuses to post a list of his semester grades.

Just a few days ago a particularly anxious student asked a professor in the university if his examination grade had been determined and his average compiled. Turning on the student much the same regard the lion holds for the mouse, the professor announced that he did not intend to post his grades for the semester, and that the student would be made acquainted with his record when the reports were sent out from the office.

That some professors who are so "big" in other respects, can be so "small" in this regard is past my comprehension. A few minutes work would be all that would be required to tabulate a grade sheet; the appreciation of the students, aside from the amount of unnecessary grief and worry such an action would certainly justify the few minutes the professor has spent.

It is not only poor, danger-line students who are anxious to know their final averages. There are a great many students in the university who, when they feel they have creditably completed a semester's work would like to know the results of their efforts.

Since it seems utterly impossible for the office to issue the cards until half the second semester is past, a good many people who are interested in their work are dissatisfied to wait, and seeking an alternative, go to their professors. And in more cases than one, they are met with the same rebuff as was cited above.

Why cannot professors show their appreciation of a student who is interested enough in his work to make several trips to his office to discover his record. Why not?

SQUELCHED.

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY INCREASES BOOK LIST

30 Volumes on Literature, Various Others Added To Collection.

Thirty different books of literature ranging over its entire field have recently been added to the university library's collection. The number of books in this line was the greatest of recent additions.

Sociology texts rank next in number, the addition being twenty-eight.

Besides the new books on literature and sociology recently placed on file, there are those that deal with history, fine arts, travel, useful arts, psychology, and religion.

Additions to the library collection in all phases are continually in progress, according to Gilbert Doane, librarian. Mr. Doane said that books are purchased from different agencies over most of the world. Foreign collections are usually purchased directly from foreign concerns, rather than thru indirect sources.

The books recently added to the university library's stock are as follows:

- Literature: Fronde and Carlyle by Dunn Seven Modern Comedies, by Dunsang Gulliver's Travels—A Critical Study, by Eddy Uncle Sam in the Eyes of his Family, by Erskine Pittsburg College Verse, by Haughwont Sheep's Clothing, by Haughwont The Well-meaning Young Man, by King-Hall The Tradition of Virgil, by Morgan The Essay Writer, by Pocock Essays Toward Truth, by Robinson Wellesley verse, by Shackford Alexander Pope, by Sitwell Mosaic, by Stern Patriots Progress, by Williamson Wilmon, by Bluestone A Flock of Birds, by Coyle Reminiscences of Samuel Taylor Coleridge, by Cottle Representative Modern Plays—British and American, by Cordell Wanderer's Fend, by Cleugh German Plays of the nineteenth century, by Campbell A Party of Baccarat, by Byrne When I Grew Up to Middle Age, by Burt By the Wayside, by Burson Boston Theatre Guild Plays Robert Peckham, by Baring The Water is Wide, by Armstrong Ten One Act Plays, by Anderson Shakespeare's Sonnet Story, by Acheson.

Sociology: Treatise on the Power and Utility of Money, by Biel Towards a New Education, by Boyd Social Organization, by Busbee The Development of American Political Thought, by Carpenter The League Council in Action, by Conwell-Evans The Money Value of a Man, by Dublin and Lotka The Anglo-French Treaty of Commerce of 1860, by Dunham American Industry and Commerce, Durand Mathematical Introduction to Economics, by Evans Treaty Veto of the American Senate, by Fleming Black Manhattan, by Johnson Legislative Principles, by Luce American City Government and Administration, by MacDonald Domestic Discord, by Mowrer The Economics of Branches Banking, by Ostroienk Some College Students and their Problems, by Presey Germany's Women go Forward, by Puckett Money Rates and Money Markets in the U. S., by Fiefler Readings in Extra-Curricular Activities, by Roemer Stock Market Theory and Practice, by Schobacker The Thumb of Knowledge, by Scott Delinquency Areas, by Shaw France—A study in Nationalism, by Siegfried Methods and Status of Scientific Research, by Spahr Social Psychology of Interna-

REGENTS WILL FIGHT SLASH, STOKES SAYS

(Continued from Page 1.) equipment and improved heating facilities," Dr. Stokes said.

"If the governor will agree to let us have a maintenance appropriation of not less than \$400,000, a \$20,000 laboratory appropriation and \$20,000 for the heating plant we can manage."

Dr. Stokes said he would make a special effort to have the \$100,000 appropriation for a dormitory on the university campus at Lincoln restored. It was eliminated by Governor Bryan.

REGISTRATION WILL INDICATE DECREASE

(Continued from Page 1.) Omaha, Miss McGahey pointed out.

The present decrease of 133 students from last year is less than that of the first semester, when figures for Oct. 15 showed a decrease for the semester of 188 students over the previous year. More students are registering late this semester than in past years, according to Miss McGahey, leading her to believe that the final registration will be close to that of the second semester of last year, when the total registration of all colleges was 6,132.

OHIO STATE SENIORS TO GRADE TEACHERS

(Continued from Page 1.) to grade instructors and professors. Later this was abandoned in favor of seniors only until the system has proven its success. If the plan proves feasible and the results valuable, it may be extended later to a rating of all members of the instructional staff.

The Unitarian Church

Twelfth and M Streets "THE CHURCH WITHOUT A CREED"

Sermon Subject Feb. 8—"The Bishop Face the Population Problem."

A. A. U. P. BLACKLISTS MISSISSIPPI SCHOOLS

Professors Refuse Accreditation Credit From Faculty of State's Colleges.

CLEVELAND, O.—Four Mississippi state institutions of higher learning from which Gov. Theodore Gilmore Bilbo dismissed 179 faculty members and officials last summer were blacklisted by the American Association of University Professors, in session here recently.

This latest attack on the Mississippi governor, who is accumulating for himself and his state the hostility of a large group of American educational and professional societies, was formulated by a special investigation committee of the professors' organization.

Four Affected.

The institutions affected by the association's edict are the University of Mississippi, the Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical college, the Mississippi State college for Women, and the Mississippi State Teachers' college.

The passage of the resolution means, according to Prof. H. W. Tyler of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, general secretary of the A. A. U. P., that so far as the association is concerned, the four Mississippi state institutions will no longer exist as valid institutions of higher learning. Members of the association now teaching in those schools will not lose their membership in the organization, he said, but will be placed on the association's list of members who are no longer engaged in active teaching. Any association member who accepts a position in one of the four schools will lose his membership in the association.

"Audacious Example."

Gov. Bilbo's action is regarded by most of the societies connected with teaching as one of the "most audacious examples of the usurpation of academic tenure in this country's history," officials of the A. A. U. P. said.

While in session here the professors read an Associated Press dispatch quoting the Mississippi governor as declaring that the societies which are blacklisting the state institutions are "being misled by political propoganda against me."

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