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A Voice and a Gospel.

FACING desertion, the campus can be heard making a last plea of homeward bound collegians. Altho almost buried under talk of vacation and holidays, there is nevertheless a small voice reminding of things to come.

It is a small voice, now, but it is insistent, and it will grow in importance at an amazing rate of speed. For it tells of a curtain scheduled to rise on Jan. 2.

On that day the legislature will convene, and collegians may find themselves the center of controversy even more spirited than usual. For "Slash" is the order of the day in legislative circles, and the order includes or engulfs, the university as well as other tax-supported institutions.

It would be well then, for students to give audience to the aforementioned small voice. By doing so perhaps they may be able to avert some of the controversy almost certainly impending, and that would indeed be worthy service—to the university, to the state, and to themselves.

THE method is easy enough. It consists merely of letting the needs of the university be known. Few taxpayers out in the state realize what those needs are, and very few have an accurate conception of what the university is doing for them and for their state.

Tell them something of the educational problems involved; let them see how vital to the welfare of the state higher education has become. In a word: Educate them to education.

Perhaps this seems too ambitious a program, inasmuch as it has taken hundreds of years for education to make even the progress it has. But the enormity of the erroneous impressions about the university is amazing, and students can do much to correct those false views by making something of the true picture be known.

And there can be little question that now is a most opportune time for revelations which will tend to offset some of the mistaken prejudices about the university.

YOUR service may seem small. Perhaps your parents are almost invariably taxpayers—if you doubt it, ask them—and if enough taxpayers are converted, their representatives convening here Jan. 2 will have small excuse for misusing their power to the extent of slashing too dangerously far.

The necessity for some slashing is not denied by the Nebraskan. But in the last two years the budget has already been cut enormously, and regents, themselves elected by taxpayers, have recommended to solons a financial program for the next two years that has been further pared.

Further cuts, with the axe in the hands of men and women who are almost completely out of touch with university needs and conditions, might prove distinctly unfortunate.

It therefore behooves students, if for no other reason than to help their own educational welfare, to

hearken to the small ominous voice. Harken! And spread the gospel of enlightenment.

You'll Be Surprised.

For twelve years a group of Columbia university workers have devoted themselves to a study of economic and governmental problems in their relation to the Machine age. The plan they have evolved has been christened technocracy, and it bids fair to chisel more than a niche for itself in the popular imagination.

The word itself means "government by technicians." And the idea, enchanting to people already, according to Mark Sullivan, to snatch at straws, is sweeping the country.

But it is meeting with criticism, too, at the hands of many writers. "It's just a fad," they declare. "It's not sound," they charge.

The Nebraskan is not in a position to refute these charges, or attempt it, but from what we've been able to discover about the plan, the prospect advanced is most alluring. It is so alluring, in fact, that our interest in the thing is definitely aroused, and we shall watch developments with interest, altho there seems little chance that the present governmental and economic structure will be very profoundly changed within the immediate future.

Technocracy, however, offers much. Whether its offers can be substantiated is yet a matter for controversy. But if you want a pleasant vacation, include in your reading everything pertaining to that newest phenomenon—technocracy. And to get in the mood to receive it, try Stuart Chase's "Mexico" first.

If all the students who slept in classes were placed end to end they would be a lot more comfortable.

Trumpeting Angels.

CLAD in striking cover, Noel greetings to all, the Christmas issue of a humor magazine of which the campus can be proud went on the stands today.

From the results of the first day sale, it would seem the campus stood in little need of being told the merits of the current Awgwan, but it is doubtful if the editor and his staff will find themselves bothered with excessive congratulations. People are like that—ever ready to howl, but seldom inclined to praise.

So let us record a little appreciation for the benefit of the humor publication's staff.

Their magazine this month—copy, cuts, ads and all—makes a classy showing in the ranks of the college comic sheets of the country. Individuals of course, will not see eye to eye with the staff about some of the material, but those persons must remember that after all the staff itself is made up of individuals. And that is an important point, to be especially stressed for undergraduate and metropolitan newspaper critics.

At any rate, the Nebraskan extends congratulations to the Awgwan for a rather excellent product in a field beset with innumerable Sloughs of Despond and fiery dragons.

THE STUDENT PULSE

Greek Letters For Everyone.

A glance at the list of extracurricular societies on the campus, as on file at the office of Assistant Dean of Men W. C. Harper, reveals an aggregation of Greek letter clubs which is staggering in its length.

What strange, innate desire is it that causes nearly every college

organization of any description to adopt Greek symbols as a means of identification?

It would appear that a group of home economics students or psychology students, for instance, would be proud enough of their chosen pursuits to adopt the respective names of Home Economics club or Psychology club for their honorary organization. Instead—and this is merely one of a hundred or so examples which might be cited—they must assume those supposed subtleties of collegialism and call themselves Phi Upsilon Omicron and Psi Chi. The whole situation has become ridiculous, profiting no one except fraternity jewelers and national officers of said honoraries.

In this age of assumed profundity—you find it wherever you turn—it seems that there is really nothing quite so profound as frankness. Nor is there anything quite so rare. On the basis of the present condition on college campuses, (or campi), the Greek alphabet in all its sublime magnificence is regarded in childish awe by students in the large. This alphabet goes into temporary hibernation during the summer months only to sprout up, in the manner of rhubarb stalks—as far as multiplicity goes—in the fall, constantly increasing in number.

In a sense, perhaps, it is of little importance whether the number of such Greek-letter clubs continues to multiply like so many rabbits or whether it is decreased like dandelion heads before a lawn mower. Yet let this question be left with the reader: Isn't it perhaps only another manifestation of the confused American civilization?

J. E.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

Phi Sigma.

Members of Phi Sigma have announced Jan. 13, 1933 for the initiation banquet to be held at the Y. W. C. A. club room, second floor. Dr. E. R. Walker will be the speaker of the evening. Tickets are priced at 65 cents.

Awgwan Staff.

A meeting of the editorial staff of the Awgwan will be held today at 2 o'clock sharp in the Awgwan office.

MESSIAH SOLOISTS LOUD IN PRAISE OF UNIVERSITY CHORUS

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the voice department of the Horner institute in Kansas City.

"So seldom in these days does one get the chance to sing in the 'Messiah,' declared Mr. Hedley. "It is one of the rare opportunities a tenor has. I have sung in the 'Messiah' a good many times, and have not enjoyed it more than I have this, because of your excellent chorus, fine orchestra and sympathetic and capable conductor; and although I have sung in oratorios under Eugene Goosens and Albert Coats I was never so thrilled by the Hallelujah chorus," he concluded.

Mr. Nelson stressed his surprise at the size of the audience, saying that he enjoyed the orchestra and considered it to be a highly successful concert. Howard Kirkpatrick said that the chorus sang with enthusiasm, and he was more than delighted with the voices and work of the guest soloists.

The "Messiah," composed in 1741 by George Frederick Handel, is an extremely lengthy work, and was condensed for Sunday's concert into four themes: "The Prophecy," "The Nativity," "The Passion," and "The Resurrection."

Hayseed and Haywire.

By George Round.

Those college of agriculture students who go home for vacation will probably do but little vacationing. Father down on the farm will probably find some fence to fix or some barns to clean out or some pigs to feed. At least there will probably be but little "caking."

The annual Junior Ak-Sar-Ben held Saturday was a success despite the fact that the attendance was very poor. Floyd Hedlund, manager, laid the blame at no one's doorstep, however, and the Block and Bridle club broke even on the evening's activities, so they were satisfied.

Harlan Anderson's winning of the grand championship marked the second consecutive year that a freshman has won the title. Howard White won it last year when but a freshman.

Ann Anderson, Phi Mu, is a reader. . . . That makes three. . . . Evelyn Romberg is the fourth reader. An Alpha Xi Delta. . . . Things on the rectangle are quite dead these days. . . . Is anyone going to swipe the horse tank at the college this year? . . . Aside to Dick Moran: A moratorium has been declared. No more until after Xmas.

And the next big thing for college of agriculture students will be the Organized Agriculture meetings. Scheduled to be held in

January, several thousand are expected to attend. The waiters and waitresses' dancing contest, especially for students, will produce some new faces and perhaps some new winners.

As yet very few co-eds have subscribed to the "pleasingly plump" fad. Wonder what Dorothy Cook thinks about it? . . . "Hank" Armatis, former Husker baseball star, was in town last week end. He loitered about the Alpha Phi house most of the time. . . . Tom Snipes and Irv Walker are going great guns on the B basketball team. . . . Coach Knight is one of the better coaches in the state. . . . Chet Carkoski, former Ag coach, is teaching and coaching at Hartington now.

Going Home for the Holidays?

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features a Christmas Gift paper. This paper will contain advertisements from the leading Lincoln stores that are featuring articles in the Christmas Gift line. Watch the advertisements for the very best gifts at the most reasonable prices. Read the Gift Ads!

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