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The Nebraskan Recommends Action.

RENEWING once again the criticism of the Interfraternity council as a do-nothing body, the Nebraskan this morning prints a student opinion relative to its own editorial printed some time ago suggesting that the council be reorganized to have as representatives only fraternity presidents. R. M. seems to feel that fraternity presidents would be unable to cooperate because they would be too much concerned with the individual interests of their own particular fraternities.

The Nebraskan cares little as to what plan of representation is used. It merely objects to the traditional idea of the organization, as apparently conceived by most of its members, that there is nothing much to be done except to sponsor a ball and a banquet. In other words the attitude is, as we pointed out previously, that membership in the organization is a good sinecure stepping stone for the politically ambitious.

These ambitious individuals usually have so many other activities that they have little time to work on council activities, and because there seem to be few activities to work on, the job is just a political plum.

AS a matter of fact the single job of supervising the rushing activities of the fraternities, if done as it should be, would take the combined time and effort of every member of the council. The co-operative efforts at reducing fraternity expenses by such means as using uniform party bids, as the Panhellenic council adopted, is a field of work not yet touched by the council. The co-operative efforts of the council in making information available to rushees has never apparently been broached by the council.

The Nebraskan has for semester after semester attacked the council. The political hopefuls continue to rest easily in their jobs as interfraternity council delegates. The Nebraskan still believes, therefore, that some reorganization is necessary to alter the idea that there is no work to be done by the council. If the politically minded juniors would be interested in getting down to work, the Nebraskan would say not another word about reorganizing the council. Neither does the Nebraskan insist that fraternity presidents would make the best representatives.

But we do believe that a shake-up of some sort might stir the council to take a little action. Such action is especially necessary this spring before the rushing season opens next fall. If no signs of action are shown by the present council members, the Nebraskan will push vigorously the idea of reorganization of the council.

The fact that the council customarily meets only once in three or four weeks does not necessarily

mean that they could not hold special meetings to clear up the rushing rules mess in a hurry. They have diddled along all year on this matter. Let's see some action soon and let's hear some discussion by the council itself on the question of reorganization.

The university's farm relief plan—take visual or olfactory notice of the malls.

Providing for Laws Based on Research.

THE idea of making the legislative reference bureau a permanent agency for the survey and research of governmental activities of the state has been broached in the senate in connection with a proposed investigation of the state board of control. Senator Frank McCarter's name is mentioned in connection with the plan, but no action has yet been taken.

The reference bureau, under the jurisdiction of the university and located on the first floor of the main library building, has long been of signal service to the state's solons during legislative sessions, but hitherto the bureau's activities have been rather limited to giving only legislative aid. To extend the bureau's sphere by making it a permanent agency for governmental analysis, would, it seems, be of very definite advantage.

Only too often is the charge made—and with some truth—that legislative investigations, by reason of their necessary superficiality, are not as of great value as they might be if some permanent investigatory body existed.

ESTABLISHMENT of the legislative reference bureau as such a body, would obviate the necessity for the numerous separate surveys which almost no legislature sees fit to do without, and if the bureau were given the means and authority to conduct surveys and analyses between legislative sessions, much time and money could be saved by the solons.

The proposal is as yet too ill defined to allow of either violent encomiums or destructive criticism, but if properly endowed it is easy to imagine the bureau preparing reports on governmental matters which might possibly lead to important formal and functional changes. One such investigation might well be directed toward the possible merging or consolidation of counties. Others might deal with problems of municipal governmental reform. Still another might be devoted toward an analysis of the control of state agencies, with the view toward securing greater administrative integration.

The senate would seem to have hit upon a commendable plan for simplifying the always complex problems of government. An appropriation to establish the bureau as a permanent agency such as outlined would be money well spent.

What this university needs is a good honorary organization without an initiation fee.

Contemporary Comment

The most unintelligent bit of censorship of the year has been done by Prof. W. R. Slaughter, publications adviser of Northwestern university, who has banned the word "beer" from all student publications.

"Beer," says the professor, "has nothing to do with students, no matter what is done about it in Washington."

While we will not grant the statement made by Professor Slaughter, nevertheless, even if it were assumed, we still can see no justification for his censorship.

An earthquake in China, the death of King George, the election of a president, do not directly affect students. Yet students would be interested in them, and the ar-

ticles should appear in college papers.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the editors of the Northwestern publications and, as far as Professor Slaughter is concerned, beer, beer, beer, beer, beer.—Michigan Daily.

THE STUDENT PULSE

TO THE EDITOR:

Your own answer to your question recently as to why the Interfraternity council seems to make no progress in enlisting co-operative action among the fraternities is not as complete as it might be. I will grant that membership on the council is generally conceded to be a political plum, but that fact would not necessarily discourage all activity. Even politicians are sometimes capable of constructive efforts and action when there is some incentive.

Members of the Interfraternity council lack even the semblance of an incentive for co-operative action. The council meets so infrequently, a great deal of time and work is necessary to put thru any constructive measure, and the rewards for such work are conspicuously absent or misplaced.

Your suggestion for reorganizing the council so that it would be composed of fraternity presidents would remedy the situation somewhat, but politicians would soon nullify the effect of that by electing junior hopefuls as nominal, if not actual, presidents of fraternities. Would it not be better to select as members of the council senior members of fraternities who were not officers of their respective houses? They would not be as prejudiced by the interests and desires of their own lodges as officers might be, and at the same time they would bring to the council at least a comparative maturity of judgment which is to be desired.

R. M.

COLONEL OURY TALKS TO MILITARY SOCIETY

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Manila. Altho the Spaniards were equipped with more powerful guns, their shots did not take effect, and the city was surrendered almost immediately, with very few casualties.

After a period of six months, during which Oury was in charge of customs duties, fighting broke out between Americans and natives, who were under the leadership of Aguinaldo. Oury then had charge of the waterworks at Manila until hostilities ceased. He remained in the Philippines about a year before returning to America.

The colonel stated that the natives were the cause of most of the fighting, the Spaniards having seemed willing to surrender at the very start.

Today's Paddle Tennis Schedule Announced

Intramural Paddle Tennis tournament games scheduled for 5:00 today in the girls' gymnasium are: Gladys Zutter and Thelma Steekle, Delta Zeta, vs. Margaret Chase and Emma Mott, Chi Omega; Halene Haxthousen and Virginia Showalter, Alpha Chi Omega, vs. Lucille Hendricks and Phyllis Riddle, Alpha Omicron Pi; Emily Hickman and Bernice Kane, Alpha Xi Delta vs. Alberta Applegate and Elsa Swift, Delta Gamma; Virginia Bentz and Elizabeth Dietrick, Hobby club vs. Jeanne Russell and Agnes Grover, Chi Omega.

Dean Discusses Father and Son Relationships

R. A. Lyman, dean of the college of pharmacy, spoke on father and son relations at the annual Waverly Hi-Y father and son dinner Tuesday evening at the Waverly Methodist church.

Legislature Postpones Bill to Abolish Drill

MINNEAPOLIS. (CNS). Indefinite postponement of a bill introduced in the state legislature to abolish compulsory military training at the University of Minnesota appeared likely this week, after the senate university committee declined to take action.

Silver stolen from Stanford university dining room has been found in the dining hall of a New England college and in China.

Official Bulletin

The Y. W. C. A. cabinet retreat with Paul C. Johnston will be held Saturday, April 1 at Pioneer Park. All cabinet members are requested to meet at Ellen Smith Hall at 3 o'clock.

Y. W. Activities.

Dr. Allen K. Foster will speak at a convocation on the Ag campus Friday, March 31, at 2 o'clock in Ag hall.

The Study Groups, under the direction of Miss B. Miller, will not meet Friday or Sunday of this week.

The open reception for Dr. Allen K. Foster and Mr. Jim Hardwick will be held Friday, March 31 at 7:30 in Ellen Smith hall. All students are invited.

Social dancing staff of the Y. W. C. A. will not sponsor the usual dancing hour on Friday night.

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PROMISING "HIT" QUARTET OF KOSMET KLUB SPRING SHOW DISCOVERED, HERB YENNE.

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met had planned for the Yenne, author of the show, co-director, and carrier of the part of the old dowager, Mrs. Van Fleet.

"It seemed almost uncanny," said Yenne, "for the music had no sooner left my hands when I heard this splendid quartet arrangement. Not being quite sure just where the music came from I searched thru half of the building before I found the quartet. There in one of the rooms were four young men singing this same old melody which we plan to use in the 'Bar Nothing Ranch.'"

Upon inquiry the four singers disclosed that they had never done any quartet work previous to this and that they were working it up for their own pleasure. They hadn't thought about trying out for the show because they believed themselves unprepared.

Jimmy Douglas, arranger of the songs in the show, believes that the quartet composed of Harold Spencer, second tenor, Walker Corder, baritone, Marlowe Westerhoff, first tenor, and Ernest Gorr, base, will be one of the many hit numbers of the show.

All of the quartet but Gorr are members of the Westminister Acappella choir. Spencer and Corder are juniors, the former in engineer's college and the latter enrolled in arts and science college. Westerhoff and Gorr are both seniors in the teacher's college.

Corder is cast as Stubby Gardner, Spencer as Scott Harkinson, Westerhoff as Jimmy Jackson, and Ernest Gorr as Buck Hockins.

"Now that the show is whipping into shape I feel more encouraged than ever. I feel that this show, 'The Bar Nothing Ranch' will be one of the most outstanding productions that Kosmet has presented," stated Jack Thompson, president of the Kosmet Klub.

Photographic Prints Are to Be Exhibited

One hundred and eight photographic prints by various Omaha amateur and commercial photographers will be exhibited at the school of fine arts during April. The prints have been on display in Omaha during the past month.

SENNING WILL DISCUSS POWERS OF GOVERNOR

Professor to Interpret Code Bill Which Legislature Recently Passed.

In another of his weekly broadcasts over station KFAB, Professor J. P. Senning, chairman of the political science department at the university, will discuss the executive and administrative powers of the governor of the state, this afternoon at 5 p. m.

Professor Senning will interpret the significance of the new code bill, H. R. 63, which was passed by the legislature recently, as well as trace the historical development of the governor's power since the state was admitted to the union.

In his talk, Professor Senning will point out how the new code will affect the administrative as well as the executive efficiency of the governor, inasmuch as it combines many of the governor's administrative officers and powers.

'ROMEO AND JULIET' OPENS AT TEMPLE TUESDAY, APRIL 4

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ganization's productions. His work in the leading role of Porgy, in the play of the same name was regarded by critics as one of outstanding merit.

Among the supporting cast is found Clara Christensen, cast as the Nurse, who made an especially notable performance in the players' production last fall, "The First Mrs. Frazer," in which she played the title role. Lee Young, as Paris, president of the university Dramatic club and member of many players' casts the past season, Herbert Yenne, cast as Mercutio, who played the leading role of Armand, in the recent "Camille." Simple but effective stage settings are being designed by Dwight Kirsch and Dick Page.

The complete cast of "Romeo and Juliet," is as follows:

- Romeo Zolley Lerner
 - Juliet Miriam Kissinger
 - Nurse Clara Christensen
 - Prince of Verona, Jack Epstein
 - Paris Lee Young
 - Montague Lee Wetzenburg
 - Capulet Edwin Quinn
 - Benvolio Armand Hunter
 - Mercutio Herbert Yenne
 - Friar Laurence Francis Brandt
 - Peter Paul Miller
 - Lady Montague Sylvia Schaeffer
 - Lady Capulet Virginia Jonas
 - Balthasar John Chapman
- Servants and dancers.

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