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"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and orphan—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."—Abraham Lincoln.

Are Council Members Really Interested?

MEMBERS of the Student council, with few exceptions, are usually indifferent or disinterested in the work it undertakes. What few major projects are attempted, and what few routine duties the council performs during the course of the year, are usually carried on by a few of its members. The remainder, for the most part, express little interest in their own enterprise.

No more striking example of student lethargy can be found than the lack of interest the Student council has shown in its work for this year. We cite the following facts for examination by university students in support of the Nebraskan's contention.

At the beginning of the year the council instituted a "clean up" policy which called for a comprehensive examination of constitutions of campus organizations. The survey got as far as the Corn Cobs, who were reorganized, but no further.

Attempts were made to institute a series of varsity parties. No definite council action was taken.

Recently the council voted in favor of a committee's report to table the student forum project. We feel that it would have been a worthwhile enterprise for the council to continue.

The Daily Nebraskan offers these examples without malice or forethought. As a matter of fact the same criticisms were charged up to the Student council last year by Phillip Brownell, president of the Student council and editor of the Daily Nebraskan. In an editorial headed, "Sleeping Beauties in Office," he offered the following indictment against the council:

"The lethargy of the council members yesterday was no departure from their usual course of action. Throughout the entire year members for the most part have sat in their chairs like bumps on logs. It has become apparent that anyone who makes a motion stands a 99 to 1 chance that it will be passed simply by reason of the sleepiness of council members."

Occasion of similar nature have occurred this year. We cite the meeting of the Student council, in the midst of its campaign for the activity tax, which failed to attract a quorum. This meeting occurred Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1934, as a matter of fact.

As such, one obvious conclusion can be drawn: Council members do not fulfill their obligations to the student body in a satisfactory manner.

Debaters Come

To the Fore.

THE University of Nebraska debate squad meets a team from Iowa State college in Social Science auditorium this afternoon.

Commenting upon the open debate Prof. H. A. White, varsity debate coach of the university, had the following to say: "The practice of having debates on the campus was discontinued several years ago because of the lack of interest in the activity. If the students give us a good turnout for these open contests, more will be held in the future on the campus instead of before local non-university groups."

The steady growth and enthusiasm for forensics deserves recognition and encouragement.

The revival of interest in this field of endeavor is one worth while. Students who concentrate their energies in this activity do so for the benefits derived from the project in itself. Plaudits and honorariums are seldom, if at all, bestowed upon students engaging in forensics.

The movement to restore debating to a more deserving place in the campus sun is happening all over the camp of the nation. At one time forensics were held in highest esteem in every college and university. For lack of the many activities and social whirls that characterize present day college life, oratory and debating served as an outlet for student extra-curricular enterprise.

The art of public speaking enjoyed a tremendous popularity until the aftermath of the war set in upon our colleges and universities. Debating digressed to the point of extinction, kept alive only by a few still interested in such an enterprise.

But with the coming of the depression and the vast overthrow of tradition and the establishment of the new order set men's minds to work. Men began to speak their thoughts and public speaking was once again on the upturn.

And fortunately enough there has been enough evidence to presume that debating is once again on the upturn. The evidence of such a revival of interest on this campus has not been so pronounced out none-the-less real.

The debate this afternoon is just such an indication. Students should avail themselves of this opportunity to support a worthwhile activity. Attend this afternoon's session and see for yourself.

Contemporary Comment

Too Many Graduates.

According to the best available statistics, only

15 percent of the 1,500,000 graduates from American colleges and universities have succeeded in securing something that might be termed a job.

In spite of this our institutions of higher education continue to enroll approximately as many students as formerly and turn out graduates in the ratio of 20 to every 1,000 population. In contrast to this our northern neighbors, the Canadians, hold a ratio of 1 in every 1,000. The Canadians are exceedingly skeptical concerning our extreme liberality in education and hold to the view of more careful selection and higher standards.

All too true is the fact that American colleges are turning out trained men at a far greater rate than industries and the professions can absorb them. The situation is one of the most serious in our history and is becoming no less so. It is too fundamental to be settled by the NRA, the CWA, the CCC or other temporary measures.

The tendency during the last few years, especially in the professions, has been to raise requirements and make the courses more involved and difficult; and yet we turn out men and women with degrees who can't find jobs. At present rates we'll continue to do so. We must make more careful selection, make requirements even more stringent, and continue to raise standards—not lower them.

Some authorities believe we may eventually get back to the old guild system of the middle ages as one means of restricting membership in the professions. Others hazard a guess that the government will control occupations. Certainly these ideas are pretty steep, for denying a man the right to earn a living in his chosen field would be a little too much. But after all is said, something must be done, and it doesn't seem that we are headed in the right direction at the present time.—Kentucky Kernel.

The Student Pulse

Brief, concise, contributions pertinent to matters of student life and the university are welcomed by this department, under the usual restrictions of sound newspaper practice, which excludes all libelous matter and personal attacks. Letters accepted do not necessarily indicate the editorial policy of this paper.

A Student Suggests

Council Reform.

TO THE EDITOR:

Looking back on the recently passed fracas in the Student council it is easy to detect certain inconsistencies in the actions of that august body representing the interests of the student body. Now is the time that we can begin to see, "as in a glass darkly," the forces that pulled the strings that moved the puppets on the stage of the council theater. Perhaps, carrying the analogy further, we might term the performance a farce.

It is really farcical for the president of the council to deny flatly and with the appearance of fact and authority that there is no evidence of dissatisfaction with the conduct of student elections. The purpose of the reform was primarily, as I see it, an attempt to stifle these accusations by furnishing an authority above the muck of campus politics to vouch for the validity of elections. The committee of the Student council can not claim to have been the careful arbiter of balloting that it should be. It is entirely out of place for that committee to use a candidate to watch the polls in an election in which he is running. It must be admitted that this is not good election management and does not give an unbiased authority to stand behind the honesty of the election returns.

Regardless of the idea behind the petitions that were circulated, the council ought to be able to see farther than their own noses and the prospects of their junior fraternity brothers and realize that a move with as much backing as this one with an obvious improvement as its result should be adopted for the sake of their own reputations as much as anything else. Their refusal was labeled with the trademark of their campus political games. They ground their axes so obviously it became unanswerable. But this letter would be as objectless as the many others which have poured in to the editor if it does not at least make a stab at a solution to the known problem existing in the student government.

The author of this letter believes, as he believes most of the campus does, that the measure should be adopted for its beneficial results without thought as to the backers of the idea. It is rare indeed when any politically influential group on the campus will back a reform of this caliber. But let it also be understood that the author does not accuse the whole Student council of being each of them individually responsible for the horseplay which has been seen, but he refers only to the few who are able to persuade and coerce the majority into acceding to their demands.

Of course a change in the machinery of the council would not materially better the actions of a human being to create a government that another bright member of the species can not so easily corrupt and make a stinking mass of decay. The reform of the council should come from within, that is, from within the factions scrapping over the bones of campus graft. The wise men in the lore of the campus knock-down-and-drag-out know that an idea in politics without a faction behind it is a babe crying in the wilderness. The factions must get behind the council reform if there is to be any betterment of conditions.

Those same factions ought to have sense enough not to send a bunch of follow-after fraternity brothers of some man who could pull the necessary strings. It is an insult to their names as political parties that they should put forward such ten pins as the leading lights in their tight little machines. It is also an insult to those who follow and elect such objects as their representatives. For as much as the student governing body does by itself the parties could run it just as well and a lot cleaner with good respected BMOC's. The author does not wish to denounce the party system on the campus but merely its asinine methods of procedure.

The alleged powers-that-be don't seem to realize that for all the interest the student body takes in its government they could run good candidates and still secure their slices of the pork as they have always done since time immemorial. The pork is not dishonest, it is merely the legitimate fruits of the mandates of the people, but the council must descend to the depths of the mire to deal it out and then it stinks still further when it attempts to defend its unfavorable position. There are beneficial changes that can be made in the machinery of the council but the real reform must come in the membership and particularly in the high places.

This appeal will probably—undoubtedly—be futile, but it has aired the views of another constituent of the council—the body which, according to tradition, expresses the voice and the will of the people to the ultimate betterment of all parties concerned.

B. E.

Ag College

By CARLYLE HODGKIN

CHANGE

Today the extension department is in a magnificent middle. The bulletin filing and disseminating unit of the department is being moved from Ag hall to brick building across the drive from the nursery school. Mr. Lux, coatless, sleeves rolled to his elbows, is bossing the job of reorganizing the refiling. Helping him is a staff of extension assistants and students.

Once upon a time the bulletin division's new headquarters was the campus boiler house. Lately it has been a storehouse and construction headquarters for Farmers' Fair. What other uses it may have served in its history, I do not know. The rooms in the basement of Ag hall previously used for bulletin filing will doubtless be put to other uses by the extension department. Once the change is complete, the affairs of the campus will go on just as usual. To the casual observer, there will have been no change.

It is interesting to note how change, ceaseless, the almost imperceptible at any given time, continues to alter the Ag college campus. Within the memory of students now on the campus there has been a surprising array of changes.

Last summer the new agronomy building was completed. The agronomy department moved—the laboratory set-up going to the new building and the administrative offices to the rooms in the north end of the plant industry building previously occupied by the State Department of Vocational Education. The vocational education offices were moved to the rooms the agronomy department left vacant on the third floor of the dairy building.

The old Cornhusker Countryman office, longtime loafing retreat for Ag students, has been converted into an office for handling business relative to the government's crop reduction activities. The little room next door, once the college broadcasting station, is likewise now an office.

Just this semester Mr. Morgan discovered the walled-in elevator shaft in the dairy building, and down to the bottom of it built his photographic laboratory.

And there are, perhaps, a few around the campus who remember when the new dairy farm was completed. On the parking spot across the road from the animal husbandry building used to stand a sheep barn that really looked like a barn. Just south of it stood the old calf barn, likewise no paragon of beauty. Now there is a new modern sheep barn out on the hill east of the beef barn, and a new and modern calf barn near the dairy barn.

And so works change. After ten, or twenty, or thirty years it will be interesting to come back and have a look at the old place.

AG ENGINEERING MUSEUM.

Entertaining as far as it goes is the collection of antiques in Prof. Smith's farm machinery room in the Ag engineering building. It tells an interesting tale of the agriculture of another day.

Ox yokes dominated the scene. There is one from an El Rancho in western Guatemala. It was once used by the Aztec Indians. Another is from the Hawaiian Islands. There is another one from New York state. There are several others picked up from here and there over the country, each telling its tale of pioneer days.

The remains of an ancient plow from Assyria is noteworthy. Scraps of harnesses once used by the Mexican Peons would look a bit out of place on a pair of Ag college Belgians today. And there is in the collection a horse collar made from corn shucks. The shucks are twisted together to form a rope, and then the rope is coiled and recoiled and bound together to form the collar. It might—just possibly—make a horse's shoulders sore.

Among other articles which make the exhibit worth a half-hour's time are an old Egyptian plow, a plow John Deere made in 1853, a history text 100 years old, an old scythe and cradle for grain harvesting, a spool of wire for an old fashioned binder, old knives, glasses, tools of one sort and another, and, for no good reason at all, a little brown jug.

WHITE CALLS FOR STUDENT SUPPORT OF DEBATE TODAY

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ing Hill will represent Nebraska on the affirmative side in both of these contests.

Meetings arranged for later in the month will be with Grinnell college on Feb. 23 and with the University of Denver on the 28th. Steadman and John Stover will appear against Grinnell on the negative of the question before the Forum of Lincoln high school. The competition with Denver will be before the Community club of Ithaca, Nebr. Nebraska will have the negative side of the proposition.

There will be another tryout later in the semester and new teams will be chosen according to Prof. White if there are enough men interested in the activity and enough debates can be arranged.

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Movies Underemphasize Honest Treatment of Sex, According to Washington English Professor

From The Washington Daily.

Movies distort sex, underemphasizing honest treatment, Donald Cornu, assistant professor of English, declared yesterday.

The theater, together with parents, books and teachers, influences the life of our younger generation, he continued. All three contribute to the molding of character. But whether the influence of the theater is better or worse than that of the others, he would not say.

Dishonest Presentation. "Sex in itself is neither bad nor good; it just is, like the weather," Professor Cornu declared. "It is only when the subject is presented in a dishonest and disproportionate manner that it is immoral. War, crime and vice thus presented are equally immoral."

The average college student, Professor Cornu believes, has been influenced steadily by the movies since he was old enough to attend them. Some persons are more show conscious than others, having absorbed a great part of the western feature's blood and thunder and the gangster thriller's mayhem and murder.

Actor's Protection.

"What classes of shows should be censored I cannot say," Professor Cornu declared. "One has to judge by individual plays what lines should be included. Censorship should protect the performers as much as or more, than the audience. The spectators know what they are coming to get. But actors and actresses need protection from the exploitation of heartless and degenerate producers."

"I don't know what kind of shows impressionable college freshmen can safely attend," he added. "It depends on the freshmen. Some might go rick and ruin on Laurel and Hardy while others could successfully withstand the demoralizing effect of a strip act in a burlesque show."

Movies at their best are unintelligent and unrefined facts. Movies at their worst definitely appeal to the primitive elements in human beings rather than the cultured.

That is what Dr. Elam J. Anderson, president of Linfield college in Oregon, who is visiting on the campus, told The Daily last night. President Anderson is conducting a discussion on religion in Eagleston hall this afternoon.

"Movies lower ideals. The only remedy against this situation," Dr. Anderson explained, "is intelligent citizenship participating in a program of presentation. The profit motive must be taken out of the theater. Control and direction of movies must be introduced immediately."

No matter whether the government or private individuals control the movies, film standards should be forced to a higher level, Dr. Anderson said.

"The movies break down and corrupt youth. I know that. They build up false standards of conduct. The movies could be the most promising instrument of science if constructively used." President Anderson advocated pictures of educational nature or those providing "wholesome entertainment."

"brunette, considered attractive and about 5 feet 3 inches tall." The prom is in February.

A survey made by New York university has revealed "bull sessions" to be detrimental to scholarship.

Several French colleges are now making a practice of offering a course in French for Americans in the summer.

Fraternities at the University of Oregon can no longer use liquor or women as aids to pledging.

Nine hundred ex-Klondikers reunited over a moose meat banquet in Seattle recently.

Harvard university owns enough football equipment to outfit 6,000 men.

MARJORIE SHANAFELT LECTURES ON STYLES

Development of Articles Of Clothing Traced In Talk.

In an illustrated lecture on the evolution of styles Miss Marjory Shanafelt, curator at the museum and instructor of harp in the university, traced the development of various articles of wearing apparel before members of charm school Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in Ellen Smith hall.

Miss Shanafelt began her talk by explaining that the main purpose of clothes is to ornament the wearer. She continued her lecture by accounting for the excessive use of jewelry by particular races of people.

"Peacocks," topic of lecture, was given before twenty-five members of the Big Sister Board's charm school which held its first meeting of this semester Tuesday evening. Lucile Berger presided.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

Vesper Choir.

Tryouts for membership in the Vesper choir will be held Thursday and Friday, Feb. 8 and 9, at 4 o'clock in Ellen Smith hall.

Orchestra.

Orchestra will meet at the dance studio in the Armory at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening.

Barb Council.

Barb Council meeting will be held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in room 105, Social Sciences hall. Plans for the University party scheduled for Feb. 17 will be discussed.

Bible Class.

Bible class with Lutheran students will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Erick Wednesday evening at 7 p. m. in room 203 of the Temple building.

Phi Tau Theta.

There will be a Phi Tau Theta meeting Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock in Ellen Smith hall.

Cornhusker.

All fraternity and sorority pictures for the Cornhusker must be

taken by 5 o'clock Saturday of this week at the Rinehardt and Marsden studios.

Student Council.

There will be a meeting of the Student Council Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the council room in University hall. All members are urged to be present.

JOHN GEPSON, President.

Interclub Council.

The Barb Interclub council picture will be taken Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the Campus studio. All representatives are requested to be present.

Wilbur Erickson, President.

College World

Sometime back in Iowa State's past, a custom was established of allowing seniors a day off to get away from school and to get acquainted. This custom became known as Senior Off Campus Day.

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