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Comment on Two Convocations.

Harry West

OVER five hundred persons braved the elements to hear the University Glee Club's concert in the coliseum Sunday. The affair was the third alluniversity convocation featuring student talent.

For the most part the Glee Club's recital was disappointing. It fell far short of the brilliant record established by the two previous convocations featuring the Messiah and the R. O. T. C. band.

While we do not pretend to be critics of music, even the most illiterate person can determine pretty much for himself when group singing is in tune and when it isn't. A few numbers were well presented, but for the most part they reflected only a remote acquaintance with the written score.

Necessary discriminations must be made in selecting a program such as this. First it should consist of numbers which glee club members can all learn to sing in a reasonable length of time and, second a program that will hold some appeal for the common laymen. Sunday's program was not particularly adapted to either of these qualities. An ideal glee club convocation program should include, we believe, a liberal sprinkling of both classical and modern compositions. While the program offered to University students Sunday was of unquestionable merit, we would much rather hear "There Is No Place Like Nebraska" sung in unison, than a feeble attempt to reproduce the work of a Wagner or a Rachmaninoff.

As such, university fathers must make a necessary discrimination when choosing home talent features for convocation programs. In spite of well meaning ballyhoo praising student talent, the campus population may reasonably expect a proothy of the name. Unless this discrimination is made the popularity of all university convocations will suffer an immeasurable loss.

We do not say that the University Glee Club should be omitted from any convocation series. Theoretically a glee club should be included on a convocation series featuring student talent. Indeed should it be an invaluable asset to any institution of learning. It must, however, realize that it has a responsibility to perform in maintaining a high grade convocation series. In this respect the consert given by the glee club Sunday failed utterly.

It must be acknowledged that a university convocation series would have an excellent basis in the Messiah, Glee Club, and R. O. T. C. Band. Indeed these should be included in any such program. Perhaps this would offer an incentive for better

But in addition to home talent the university fathers realize that foreign talent must be imported. They also must realize that imported talent must be better than the average run of self-inspired convocation speakers.

In securing Phyllis Bentley for an all-university convocation held recently the administration secured as a speaker of real merit whose message was of broad interest. Indeed she was well qualified to discuss the topic which she selected. But far more important than this, university students attended the convocation.

Today at the Temple Theater, university students will have the opportunity of enjoying a convocation speaker of real merit. Lorado Taft, who has selected "My Dream Museum" as his topic of discussion is well qualified to speak on the subject he has selected.

The Nebraskan feels that students should attend this convocation for the same reasons that they attended the charter day convocation. The speaker knows his subject, and has selected a topic of interest to the average student. Rather than foist our opinion on university students we suggest that they attend this morning's convocation and enjoy an interesting and capable speaker.

The Engineers

Start a Reform.

THE engineers evidently intend to elevate their status if the registration bill discussed at the

Engineer's roundup is any indication. Just how they intend doing this was the substance of a bill received favorably by the engineers group Saturday. It provides that no engineer will be allowed to practice until he is granted a license by a state governing board composed of five membern appointed by the governor. The board will be invested with the power to revoke a license for deceit in obtaining it, fraud, gross negligence, or incompetency. Candidates for licenses must have had four years of college engineering work and four years practice, or eight years active practice.

At the outset, the bill should place greater significance upon the value of college training, for it should eliminate to a large extent, the numerous pseudo engineers who are engineers in name only.

This measure well represents a movement in this country among leading engineers to raise the

standards of engineering to that of a true profession. For as a matter of fact some twenty-seven states have set up some requirement system before engineers may practice.

The movement is a worthy one. The tremendously increasing importance of engineering in this country has made it a necessity that engineers should fight for a professional status to protect life, health, and public property. Indeed so great is their responsibility in our present society that higher standards in the profession is a recognized need.

Registration of engineers should eliminate the sense of futility among student engineers. It should give encouragement to engineering students and graduates to continue their preparation for engineering as a career.

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.

Brickbats for

The Glee Club.

TO THE EDITOR:

Shades of Orpheus-what a nightmare! After six months of sustained practice the Glee Club makes its first major appearance. As the saying goes-"a cat may look at a king," so the great University of Nebraska may look at each of a half hundred small colleges in this section of the United States whose combined student bodies and resources would not equal that of our University-any of them can produce a vocal ensemble which would completely eclipse our representatives. Representatives did I say? Heaven forbid. Seventy-five percent of the fraternities entered in the Ivy Day sing have better functioning glee clubs.

We will turn from the poverty of the Glee Club itself with a gesture of despair to mention a few other details of the concert which deserved comment. Why was the quartet which appeared on the program announced as the University quartet? It is the Lincoln High School quartet of 1931, organized, trained and developed completely outside of Jesus" on Thursday at 1 o'clock the University. None of its members are members and also on Sunday at 9 o'clock. of the Glee Club. They were evidently imported to redeem the concert from complete failure, but as such, why not announce them in their own name as guests of the Glee Club and give them whatever publicity their barely acceptable singing might deserve. The conductor then tries to absolve him- lows self from blame by singing a few solos. Let him do that in a recital somewhere, sometime, not as a part of the Glee Club, and the program itself. No doubt it will look well in someone's scrapoon to day at 5 p. m. years from now, or might even look impressive if Bonnie Spangaard will hold a sent to a friend far enough away not to have smelled the singing. The program should be arranged for singing, not for appearance. Why not try a few numbers somewhere within the possibilities of the Glee Club? There are hundreds of them. I would suggest "The Farmer in the Dell."

This University should be able to produce a Glee Club. Why don't they? I don't know. Better far not have any than to continue this farce.

-DISAPPOINTED.

Contemporary Comment

Is College

A Racket?

Going to college is called "the great American racket" by President Ralph Cooper Hutchinson of Washington and Jefferson in one of the most scathing denunciations of the present higher educational system and its students issued within the last few staff will meet at 4 o'clock this ing denunciations of the present higher educational

President Hutchinson charges that most student organizations, both past and present, were formed for graft, and that fraternity jewelry salesmen and other agents declare that they simply can not do business on some campuses without practicing graft. He decries the fact that in general the old ideals of education, culture and character have been submerged by the motives of social and financial profit.

He does not let the matter drop without a rea son. Hutchinson declares that the rapid pioneer expansion of the nation created a demand for men of training greater than the supply, and therefore a college degree took on a great practical significance. The general public hence was encouraged to "send its young men and women through the sausage grinder and out with a packer's trade-

The hitter charges of one so closely in touch with the university system cannot be ignored. It is probable that the American college system has been permeated in the past by a great amount of graft, but there is a lighter side to the picture. The university students seem to be staging a "new deal" of their own in this respect. Organizations are hav- tonight at 5 o'clock. ing to justify themselves to exist, graft isn't tolerated as it once was and there is a growing interest in the real intellectual purpose of a college education.-Indiana Daily Student,

An Excellent

Example to Follow.

Believing that "riches in private hands often spell ruin for coming generations" Drs. William J. and Charles H. Mayo, surgeons, gave \$500,000 last week to the University of Minnesota to be used for the promotion of medical science.

The case stands out in direct contrast to most of the persons in possession of large sums of capital. For the most part, they will leave the bulk of their gains for the second generation to squander.

National inheritance tax measures of a drastic nature should be taken to prevent the inheritance of millions of dollars by persons who have had no part in the earning of the money.

The capitalistic system has failed and it is now time that some action be taken to control the millions of dollars that could be spent for educational and other beneficial causes. Control of the major part of inheritance is one of the best ways to bene fit humanity. There is no sane reason for a person receiving millions of dollars of unearned capital just because he happens to be the son of a mil-

It is encouraging to see that there are some persons of wealth who recognize the uselessness of trying to leave a path of ease and luxury for their sons and daughters who, more likely than not, will be more harmed than benefited by the money.

We tip our hats to the Mayo brothers.-Oklahoma Daily.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

Y. W. Interest Groups. Interest groups of the Y. W. C. will hold meetings in Ellen Smith hall at the following hours

this week: Tuesday at 1-Books and Poetry, Janet Vlock.

Tuesday from 12:30 to 2—Hand-craft, Ruth Armstrong. Tuesday at 4—Kodakery, Margaret Ward.

Wednesday at 5-Keep Current, Violet Cross. Thursday at 4-Know Your City, Lois Rathburn. Thursday at 5-Art of Being a Hostess, Arlene Bors,

Vespers.

Wentworth Fling will speak on the subject "Puppets" at the Ves-pers service on the Agricultural Campus Tuesday noon.

Stamp Club. The Stamp Club will hold a business meeting Thursday night, March 1, at 7:30 in Social Science

Y. W. Staff Meetings.

room 301.

Staff meetings for Y. W. C. A. nembers for the coming week are scheduled as follows: International, Lorraine Hitch-

ock, Tuesday at 4. Social Order, Bash Perkins, on Tuesday at 1. Finance, Marjorie Shostak, on Thursday at 4.

Swap Shop, Theodore Lohrman, Thursday at 4. Publicity, Dorothy Cathers, Tues-

Program and Office, Phyllis Jane Humphrey, Wednesday at 3. Thursday at 4. Posters, Ruth Allen, Thursday at

Church Relations, Mary Edythe Hendricks, Wednesday at 5.

Barb A. W. S. League.

Group meetings of the Barb A W. S. league will be held this week.

The schedule of the meetings to or no warning. be held at Ellen Smith Hall fol

Marjorie Smith, Wednesday at 5 p. m.; Margaret Medlar, Tuesday at 4 p. m. Marjorie Filley, Wednesday at 5

meeting on the Agricultural cam-pus at 4 p. m. Tuesday.

Bizad Executive Council. Members of the Bizad executive council meet at the campus studio Wednesday at 5 for a group picture. EDGAR HUDDLESON.

Social Staff.

give a tea at Ellen Smith hall will no doubt find wider ac- Along with sun tan powder on Thursday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30. All girls who entered at midyear are invited to attend.

Young Democrats.

speak before a meeting of the Young Democrats club to be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 in Social Science auditorium.

Y. W. C. A. Staff Meetings.

The international relations staff, afternoon at Ellen Smith hall.

Interest Groups.

Interest groups on kodakery and o'clock this afternoon.

city Y. W. C. A. Physics Colloquim.

Physics Colloquim will meet at p. m. Wednesday in room 119 during the second semester. Prof. Chauncey W. Smith or Mr. Severence will speak this week.

Barb Council. There will be a meeting of the

REV. HUNT TO SPEAK. Rev. Ray Hunt of the First

Sciences hall.

Christian church will give the first of a series of four talks on "Laws of Living" at Y. W. C. A. vespers

REGIONAL SECRETARY

Possibilities for Student Movement Will Be Discussed.

Possibilities for a joint student movement for a better social and economic order and a federation to promote international peace will be the subject of a talk by Miss Stella Scurlook, regional Y. W. C. A. secretary, in Ellen Smith hall lan sleeves together with the next Sunday at 2:30 p. m. The

meeting is open to all students.

Miss Scurlook arrives in Lincoin Tuesday after a two day visit have that "to-net at the state Christian Workers' Sir' swagger touch, conference at Fremont, and expects to be here a week. She will Camel's hair goes "horsey"

Lincoln Theater Man Will Talk on Value of Movies.

Tuesday night on the subject "The Potential Value of Movies." Zig- ing the lecture,

New Play Opens Monday



The University Players opened Monday night with their fifth drama of the year, "Counseller-at-Law." Shown in the picture are Harold Sumption, who carries the role of the lawyer, George Si-mon; Irving Hill as the young communist; and Jane McLaughlin as

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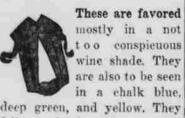
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who just bought Spring topcoat in line and the the Cincinnati detail. Reds was a star pitcher in the years when he was first studying engineering slant, they've been weaving a and law at Cincinnati Univer- cloth over in India for lo! sity. The Crosley who turned these many years . . . and we World Forum, Beth Schmid, into the big antenna and dial don't mean, Lo the poor Indian ers and newspaper editors to supman is also a collector of rare (for after all you should know port his statement that "business antiques-he bought the Reds and Dazzy Vance on successive Bandanna Cloth or India Mad-



follow closely the popular for both semesters will carnation with formal clothes, in itself a rather startling innovation, Ruby colored studs, propriate textures and follow. country. an accepted, but not too fre- ing closely the unusual colors Social staff of the Y. W. will quently seen touch of color, of the original. type of jewelry worn with a wine waistcoat.

Secretary of State Swanson will No less a social function than for sticklers for authenticity of ever before are coming into nine below, which was also low for fashion. Possibly the sponsors Oxford "Dons" who wear club feets. So it's really new and ened Monday when the corner's gathered the idea from those The interest group on books and colored "weskits" at their surely popular. poetry will meet at Ellen Smith formal University dinners. While on the subject of eveart of being a hostess will meet at ning wear . . the smart "tails" The Girl Reserve group will turnout is completed by the meet tonight at 7 o'clock at the two-stud shirt in fine pique



The return of "Jeem" Londos grapple industry series battle. drew a crowd of Passing the buck (a favorite

almost 30,000 to the Garden the Barb Council Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in room 105 of Social other P. M. Watching a Hindoo indoor sport) has descended to a new footnote. The brown behemoth perform in one of the buck shoe which has been preliminaries, an embryo sports scribe cracked, "He slowly gaining favor for country wear is unquestionable in smells like a birdcage but he for its big season in two styes; can't Singh . . . " and then we blucher front with heavy crepe all went out and had a drink. soles and heels (which is well



A wee drop o' adapted for campus and coun-Scotch is invigor- try wear), and also in the semiating outside as brogue model with leather well as inside. So soles and heels. the country squire and the campus fashion plate choose Harris tweed or similar rough Shetland fabrics with definite patterns for

their Balmaccan top coats. The ian sleeves together with the full, loose sweep of the skirt, ESQUIRE will answer all have that "to-hell-with-you, questions on men's fashion.

meet with the Y.W.C.A. cabinet and the polo coat still gallops a self-addressed stamped enthrough the fashion chukkers relope for reply.

HEAR ZIGMOND mond will show the value of movies Italian Diplomat Will of bringing great artists to people Speak at Iowa State who would otherwise never know AMES, Is., Feb. 26 .- "The Orithem. The public is invited to at-

gin, Growth and Spirit of Fascism" will be discussed here a week from This lecture is the last of a Theater corporation, will give an address in the Red room of the Central Y. M. C. A. building at 7:45 Tuesday night on the subject. The ing Iowa State college, is sponsor

JOURNALISM GROUP SPONSORS FORUM AT IOWA STATE COLLEGE

Berry, Indianola Publisher. Stresses Economic Strength.

AMES, Ia., Feb. 26.-Financial strength in a newspaper is one of the surest guarantees of its editorial independence, Don publisher of the Indianola Record and Tribune, told an Iowa State

College audience recently.

Mr. Berry, speaking before the third forum on press sponsored by Sigma Delta journalistic society, declared that he found it difficult to agree with the comment that "it must be admitted with sadness that the equivalent of a business office dominates every profession in the world.

"Why sadness?" demanded Mr. Berry. "Why should we be sad to know that a home is run by a woman who insists on living within her family's income? Why is it unfortunate that a newspaper Jr., the young slightly different following has in it people who believe Ohio millionaire more closely the standardized paying bills?"
On the contrary, he declared,

the newspaper with economic strength is most likely to be the newspaper with editorial freedom. Speaking of old "Freedom from financial stuff, with a new fluences," he said, "and that in means freedom from outside turn means freedom to comment fairly and to report accurately and completely.'

During his talk Mr. office control" is a minor factor in

your Indians). It's known as modern editorial offices. "It might be true that most businesses could get away with ras. Made of native spun cot- unethical or unsocial practices Talking about Reds, red seems ton and woven into colorful without the public's knowing about to have sneaked up on us in plaids in colors limited to dyes of the newspaper business. Everyformal wear. Waistcoats, for from native vegetation, its thing a newspaper does is wide wear with dinner jackets have popularity has been growing open to public scrutiny, and the instant it lies or misbehaves it is gone colorful on us with little for neckwear purposes with a caught up from a hundred differrunning start at Palm Beach a ent angles. . The thing a newspaper has to sell, primarily, is the news service it offers. If this isn't fair, accurate and unbiased, Particularly smart in not too soon will cease to exist. I believe wide pointed end bats, it will that as is often said the newsundoubtedly start the come- paper is different from any other business in the world in that, in back of bat-ties generally addition to its obligation to make which will be in evidence this money, it has a definite obligation

to serve its community." Spring and Summer. An added Denying that chain newspaper control tends to influence member follow closely the popular disc for these bandanna par-fashion of wearing a dark red terns (if not for the native attitude, Mr. Berry declared that carnation with formal slother cloth) is in handkerchiefs of the nation's two largest chains. cloth) is in handkerchiefs of the nation's two the Hearst and Scripps-Howard, large dimension woven in ap are the two most radical in the

TODAY'S NEWS BRIEFLY REVIEWED (Continued from Page 1). ceptance, as the appropriate the lapels, the striped rep tie last seen alive when a group of town members left the house after will grace the bosoms of that a bridge game, masculine group who know

Twenty-four degrees below zero the annual aristocratic New nial favorite blossoms again in morning, the coldest point recorded what it's all about. This peren-York Horse Show seems to be the birthplace of this fashion stables. It is quite important to the birthplace of this fashion stables. It is quite important to the state during the present cold wave. Burwell stood next in the state during the present cold wave. Burwell stood next in the state during the present cold wave. which is authority enough even note that wider stripes than The lowest recorded in Lincoln was the winter. vogue and the colorings are in

Belief that C. P. Babb of Linjury reported that he met death from a hemorrhage resulting from a blow on the head. In the mean-The Yankees are time police followed up tips which going H - a - a - a- fruitless.

Gamma Alpha Chi, actives and pledges, will hold a business meeting at 7:30 Tuesday evening in Ellen Smith hall. Please be prompt.

lie Devens of the Backbay If the young man who called the on the murder in the law Denvenses will win eighteen school last week can admit it and to the grunt and games without a split infinitive prove it, he will be able to take himself and his date to the Tuesand put the Yankees in the day night performance of "Coun-sellor-at-Law" in the Temple theater. This clipping must be pre-sented at the box office.

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