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A Functioning Honorary Organization.

UNDER the sponsorship of Delta Sigma Rho, national honorary forensic fraternity, the third annual debate contest for middle western universities was held in Iowa City last week end. Nebraska's debate squad attended the meet.

To the casual observer the meeting probably represented nothing more than leading university debate teams gathered together for the purpose of arguing the outstanding debate topic of the day. Actually the meeting indicated more than that. It represented, in a small way, what a functioning national honorary organization may accomplish.

The enterprise of this group might well serve as an excellent example for less worthy contemporary organizations whose existence is somewhat fruitless. In sharp contrast to these worthless evils, Delta Sigma Rho appears to be a functioning national organization worthy of the name "honorary."

The Nebraska chapter of Delta Sigma Rho was founded as a charter member of the national organization in 1906. Since its founding among its members are numbered men of state and national prominence. In addition, Delta Sigma Rho has been instrumental in establishing several worthwhile traditions on this campus. Among them are the Long trophy cup debate held each year for freshmen debaters, and the annual intratermity debate contest held each spring for the past three years. But far more important, Delta Sigma Rho successfully kept alive student interest in debate during the glorious twenties when their attention was diverted into less constructive channels.

Fortunately, however, the pendulum has swung the other way and student interest in debate is growing more evident each year since 1926. The revival of campus interest in debate contests here may indicate the advent of this movement at Nebraska. Certainly the contest held at Iowa City last week end indicates, after a fashion, the return to prominence of a worthy enterprise.

AT the same time, the refreshing enterprise displayed by this organization reveals rather plainly that few national honoraries have worthwhile functions. Rather has it become more evident that many national organizations haven't a vestige of usefulness. Indeed, the present list of so-called national and local "honoraries" are the sad result of a mushroom-like growth fostered and developed during the twenties when students reveled in their ability to join innumerable organizations. In fact it was a generally accepted fact that college and university camp were grossly over-organized.

With the depression registering its telling effect on universities of the nation, many of these useless organizations exist now in name only, continuing on the strength of membership fees and occasional meetings that are usually a waste of time and a travesty on common sense.

Today students refuse to become members of organizations that have little to offer but a brightly colored membership card and a gold badge. As such, many of them have died a timely death. This is a happy situation, for those that survive should function correctly and render worthwhile services to their members.

Clarifying Our Stand.

IN this morning's Student Pulse column "G. R." succeeds rather well in refuting accusations made by a contributor to the Student Pulse column a week ago.

At the outset it must be explained that letters accepted by the editor do not necessarily indicate the editorial policy of the Daily Nebraskan. As a matter of policy, the Nebraskan feels that this department should be open to free expression of student sentiment, pertinent to campus affairs.

Aside from this, "G. R." seems to infer rather subtly that our editorial labeled "Comments on Two Convocations," appearing in the Nebraskan several days ago, was not in good taste. Obviously enough we find ourselves in disagreement with this statement.

The Nebraskan maintains that constructive criticism of any organization, regardless of its nature, should exercise a wholesome influence. We do not feel that it is better to let matters "rest quietly" when constructive criticism may be reasonably offered. Furthermore, the Nebraskan does not believe it should laud student enterprises purely on the score of student participation. It does believe, however, that compliments should be paid to those enterprises which it thinks are worthy of such comment.

As a matter of record the Nebraskan pointed out that the Glee club recital was disappointing viewed in the light of previous similar convocations. Rather than drag the good name of Nebraska's Glee club ruthlessly in the muck, we suggested what we considered a better program from the listeners' point of view.

In no event did the Nebraskan state that Parvin Witte's solos or the University quartet's numbers were in poor taste. In fact we thought these two features extremely good. We still maintain, however, that the Glee club program proper was not the best that might have been reasonably expected by the thousand or more in attendance.

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 Disappointed.

TO THE EDITOR:

Orchids to those who have good judgment and brickbats for those who do not. In that case the person who wrote the Student Pulse in last Tuesday's Daily Nebraskan is due for several brickbats. Granted the Glee club concert Sunday wasn't all it might have been, there were a number of really worthwhile things about it.

In the first place the quartet (whether it be Lincoln high or university) did itself proud. All reports indicate their part in the program would have done justice to a much better performance. Parvin Witte's solos were most entertaining and the audience showed its appreciation for the quality of his work.

To get back to this questioned Student Pulse which criticized so harshly the Sunday performance—the writer of it was evidently misinformed when he declared the featured quartet had no business being called the University quartet for they had sung in Lincoln high in 1931. Be that as it may, half of our best athletes didn't get their basic training in this school, but we call them university athletes and let it go at that.

As for these Ivy day singers—Well, fraternities demand that each man report regularly for intensive practice. In this way it is possible for directors to concentrate on the best material possible. Those who sing in the Glee club do so merely as a matter of choice.

It seems quite out of keeping to denounce so strongly any program in which university people participate. To my way of thinking it would have been much better to let the matter rest quietly. (Not that I would in any way let things get into a state of "What is, is best.") Words of sincere praise, if any are due, and a few helpful suggestions, would have been much more in keeping with the general spirit of the thing.

Needless to say, there has been a great deal of comment concerning this bit of sarcasm. I recommend careful consideration before any student again takes it upon himself to write such an epistle about university organizations. G. R.

Contemporary Comment

Mark Sullivan Tells A Wolf Story.

MARK Sullivan is certain that the new deal is revolution under the assumed name of national recovery, and that its ultimate objective is a society "which for want of a better term can only be called Russian."

Mr. Sullivan sees the collapse of "everything that is American." He says that the "liberals have the ear of the president" and that the "conservatives" cannot get near the administration. He quotes the "radical secretary of agriculture, Mr. Wallace," at great length. Mr. Wallace went so far as to state recently that unless the United States was willing to cut drastically its tariff, it would have to take 50 million acres of sub-marginal farm land out of use. He also said that the United States would have to manipulate its population a little more wisely. Mr. Sullivan sees all this as a step in the direction "which for want of a better name can only be called Russian."

This is something like the story of the old pioneer in '49 who, when he first saw rouge on his wife's cheeks, accused her of trying to become an Indian. The new deal is an attempt to inject the minimum of collectivism into a capitalist country, in order to get the maximum of social and economic benefit without destroying the country's governmental structure. But this is not "Russian" by any means. For so long as the government attempts only to mediate instead of dictate economic policies, so long as the individual is considered of more importance than society—and as long as the profit system runs high, wide and handsome—just so long is a country not "Russian."—Minnesota Daily.

The N.E.A. Swings To the Left.

AT last the tables have been reversed, and instead of the schoolmasters conducting schools or holding classes, some 4,000 members of the department of superintendence of the National Education association are planning to "go to school" themselves at Cleveland during the latter part of this week. For the past few months the schoolmasters have been working on various assigned problems in education, and the total of this investigation and the conclusions drawn will be presented at this novel convention.

One of the outstanding reports at the conference will be that attacking present curriculums and asking for reorganization of educational procedures to be made by the committee working with Dr. Harold Rugg of Teachers college, Columbia university. This opposition, which is to be expressed by the committee, will take the form of an attempt to formulate a program to educate the masses of people to set up planned social control over economic, social, and political institutions; and along with utilizing study groups, press, radio, cinema and theater, the committee is also working on the idea that schools should give the proper emphasis to "an understanding of the unstable economic base of our contemporary civilization."

It is interesting to note that the committee in charge of the convention predicts a "new education" which should develop a more functional, democratic, political system responsive to the public will, and which should be more "realistic" in its methods by means of actual participation in social and political activities and stimulating people to use their leisure time for research. In the new order of things the curriculums should be built directly out of activities like homemaking, personal service, and with liberal arts colleges superseded by cultural groups in every community.—Daily Texan.

BENEATH THE HEADLINES

By DICK MORAN.

THE puppet state of Manchukuo, ancient domain of the Manchus and a former part of the Chinese republic, is now an empire, with Henry Pi-Yu, last of his dynastic clan and self-styled son of heaven, as its ruler. His coronation ceremonies were held last week in a curious combination of ancient

traditions and modern conveniences, but practically the only persons to witness the ceremonies were Japanese and Manchu soldiers, who closely guarded the route along which the son of heaven moved to complete the coronation. Pi-Yu, when he was three years old, was crowned king of China, only to be deposed three years later when China became a republic. Now he is the powerful ruler of about 30 million people with a salary and civil list of 1 3/4 millions of dollars yearly, but his empire is under the military protection of Japan.

Lines of soldiers, symbolic of the birth and regulation of the country, guarded the streets of the royal city, while the emperor rode in a most modern three ton armored automobile recently imported from this country to make transportation and travel safe for the son of heaven. The traditional part of the coronation ceremonies was held at the Altar of Heaven, far outside the city, where customs and practices thousands of years old were revived by the young monarch. Solemnly and devoutly the king went through the ritual and then returned to the palace in the city, where the coronation was completed. Pi-Yu has no limit placed on his powers—he is above the law and subject only to the dictates of heaven. The question of succession to the throne, since the incumbent is without heir, has been brought up but vaguely dismissed by still more vague laws.

EMPHASIS on the importance of early medical attention and treatments to avoid serious cases of cancer was the keynote at the meeting of the American Society for the Control of Cancer at the New York Academy of Medicine. Outstanding medical authorities from all parts of the country and scientists engaged in extensive research work in the field of cancer reported some progress in their study of the control of cancer. One report at the meeting, summarizing a survey of the cancer situation in Brooklyn during the past year, brought out the tragic problems presented by the late and hopeless cases of cancer and the lack of social service work among cancer patients and cancer centers in that community. The same report contrasted the conditions in Brooklyn with the advance in control of the disease in other New York boroughs. Several

DEFEATED HUSKERS BEGIN PREPARATION FOR OUTDOOR RACE

Several Candidates at Work On Javelin; Chambers Shows Promise.

Defeated but not discouraged, Coach Schulte's track proteges returned from their trip to Columbia to prepare for the outdoor season, due to begin in another month or so.

Coach Schulte had nothing but praise for Kansas and Oklahoma, the two teams that finished ahead of the Huskers for point honors. "Kansas and Oklahoma had mighty fine teams representing them at Columbia," said Coach Schulte. "We fell behind not in the number of men that placed, but where they placed. Most of our men were not in the best of condition for the meet. Dohrman, Lambertus, and Rist were about the only three who lived up to expectations."

The Huskers took a number of fifths and sixths in the meet, but lacked enough scoring places to win. Lambertus and Dohrman led the Huskers, the former equalling a world record in the 60 yard low hurdles, and the latter winning the high hurdles.

A picked group of performers will give an exhibition before the Lion's club Thursday at noon, following a luncheon in the stadium. This exhibition will probably be the last appearance of the Huskers before the outdoor season begins, although there is a possibility that Kansas and Nebraska may participate in a dual meet the last of March.

In preparation for the outdoor season, Coach Schulte has several men working out in the javelin, throwing the weapon into a back board of hay. Fred Chambers, Minitare, Neb. product, has been doing well in this event, and will be one of the best candidates in this event next spring.

The men appearing Thursday afternoon will be: Dash and hurdles: McGarraugh, Jacobsen, Cardwell, Chapman, and Dohrman. 880 yard run: Storey, Funk, White, Ayres. Broad jump: McGarraugh, Cardwell, Warneke, Humpal. Pole vault: Nichols, Schwenk, McDonald. Javelin: Jones, Chambers.

Old Gold Standard Thing of Past Says J. H. Taggart, Economics Professor

Bullion System Will Replace It When U. S. Returns To Metal Money.

LAWRENCE, Kas., March 5.—"The old gold standard as we know it, is, I think, a thing of the past in the United States," declared J. H. Taggart, associate professor of economics at the University of Kansas, in a speech here last night. "Perhaps never again will you be able to make gifts of gold pieces at Christmas time, for gold coins may never be put in actual circulation again."

"In place of the gold standard will be found the gold bullion standard. This is no new standard. In 1925, England did not return to the gold standard as so many people in this country believe, but installed the gold bullion standard instead."

"Under this system, gold does not circulate, but domestic currencies are kept at par with gold by the willingness and ability of the government or central bank to redeem currency in gold bullion, not coin, for export purposes."

"This standard does not solve all of the world's monetary problems; far from it. Its main superiority over the old gold standard is found in its economy in the use of gold,

Members Nebraska Faculty Return From Cleveland National Educational Convention; Report Brighter Outlook.

(Continued from Page 1). was negotiations for taking over the publication of the "School and Society Weekly," an education magazine. Nothing was definitely committed in regard to this.

Miss Lucy Hill, chairman of the department of commercial arts, spent some time attending sessions of the National Association of Commercial Teachers, of which she is the secretary. About forty universities have membership in this association.

The main topics were "Changing Objectives in Business Education" and "Changes Necessary in Teacher Training to Meet These Objectives?"

A committee headed by Dr. Paul Lomaz of New York university made a report on "Research in Business Teachers Training." Dr. W. R. Odell of Columbia university was elected president of the association for 1934-35.

Dr. H. C. Koch, professor of secondary education, was re-elected to membership on a com-

had established clinics, and most of them, thru work of the society, had conducted campaigns of lay education.

One of the chief aims of the American Society for the Control of Cancer is to educate the public on the importance of the early recognition and treatment of cancer. It has been carrying on educational campaigns in many parts of the country with the co-operation of local medical societies and health departments, and it is furnishing free information on reliable sources of proper treatment. It has been active and instrumental in the opening of special cancer clinics in localities where they are needed. Activities of members of the society were reported in great detail at the New York meeting.

AUTHORITIES seem to agree that it is quite apparent that Wall street has been shutting its eyes to all encouraging developments in trade and finance and has been concentrating its attention on the features of the Fletcher-Rayburn bill which seem deflationary or destructive. Meanwhile representatives of stock exchanges, especially the New York and San Francisco exchanges, have strenuously voiced their opposition to various provisions of the bill in committee hearings at Washington. Their objections last week were based mainly on the marginal, over-the-counter, or outside provisions, and the administration sections.

One objector, representing the principal securities dealers in Philadelphia, foretold serious damage to relations between customer and investment dealer if the scope of the dealer's activities is narrowed as the bill proposes. Another man, representing 204 west coast investment houses, directed his opposition against the over-the-counter provisions and the provision which prohibits brokers from also doing business as dealers. He saw grave danger in the proposal to give the government power to fix the amount of a loan to be made on a security in connection with marginal holdings. One caustic comment at the hearings, which seems to summarize the objections of most of the financial and investment houses, was: "Legislation against temptation is an impossible feat. It should have begun in the garden of Eden."

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

Barb A. W. S. League. The Barb A. W. S. league will meet Tuesday at 4:15 at Agricultural hall under the leadership of Bonnie Spanggaard.

LUTHERAN STUDENTS. Lutheran students will meet for Bible class with Rev. H. Erck in room 203 Temple Theater at 7 p. m. Wednesday evening.

TASSEL MEETING. Tassels will hold their regular meeting in Ellen Smith hall at 7 o'clock Tuesday evening.

STAMP CLUB AUCTION. Men and women students, faculty members and university employees interested in stamp collecting are invited to attend the next meeting of the University Stamp club Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. in Social Science 312. Following a brief business session, an auction will be held. Bring stamps either mint or used U. S. or foreign to be sold.

SPANISH CLUB. Spanish club will meet at 7:15 in Ellen Smith hall Wednesday evening. All persons interested in the club are invited to attend.

Y. W. C. A. STAFF MEETINGS. The International staff under the direction of Lorraine Hitchcock, the publicity staff under the direction of Dorothy Cather, the social order staff under the direction of Bess Perkins, and the membership staff under the direction of Louise Hossack will meet at 4 o'clock Tuesday at Ellen Smith hall. The conference staff in charge of Breta Peterson will meet Wednesday at 4 o'clock and the program and office staff in charge of Phyllis Jean Humphrey will meet Wednesday at 5.

INTEREST GROUPS. Books and poetry—Hazel Viock—Tuesday at 1 o'clock. Art of a hostess—Arlene Bors—Tuesday at 4 o'clock. Keep Current—Violet Cross—Wednesday at 4 o'clock. Girl Reserve leadership training—Arlous Trester—Tuesday at 4 o'clock at city Y. W.

GAMMA ALPHA CHI. Gamma Alpha Chi will hold a meeting at 7:15 at Ellen Smith this evening. Active and pledges please be prompt. Guests invited.

The Oklahoma Sports Writers association, of which Charles Salsberry, sports editor of the "Oklahoma City Times" is president, will be guests of the University of Oklahoma Athletic association at a dinner Friday afternoon March 2 at Norman, and at the Kansas-Oklahoma championship basketball game the same night.

The largest tuna fish caught near New York City in years—a fish weighing 705 pounds—was hooked this month by Francis H. Low, 22, a senior at Yale university.

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