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## Slashed Again.

UNIVERSITY appropriations provided almost the only bone of contention as the lower house of the Nebraska legislature sat in committee of the whole on the finance committee's report on the budget for the coming biennium.

Coming out on the floor of the house generally pared down from the governor's recommendations, the general appropriations bill did not exempt the university. Whereas Governor Cochran had recommended \$3,584,600 for the university, the committee report scheduled \$3,442,180 with \$375,000 specifically earmarked for the College of Medicine in Omaha.

Movements to further slash university appropriations were in evidence early this week, but they were fought down and the bill went to third reading substantially as it came from the committee rooms.

And thus, unless the upper house attempts and succeeds in pushing across a higher figure for the university, the school will enter into another biennium seriously handicapped. That predicament, however, is nothing new. It has been in that fix for the past two years. Faculty members have endured a severe salary cut; activities have been radically curtailed.

During the next biennium the school is stared in the face by rising commodity costs and an increased enrollment. The need for larger funds is becoming more than imperative if the university is to serve the state in the manner which it should.

The absolute necessity of a state educational institution surely can be realized. It has a definite responsibility to the people of the state—a responsibility, as the Omaha World-Herald declares, "to provide technical and professional instruction to Nebraska's boys and girls, to train the state's youth for the hard tasks of leadership, and to develop citizens who can carry on efficiently the world's work in these trying times."

These activities and services of the university cannot be carried on during the next two years with anywhere near maximum efficiency under continued curtailed appropriations. The figure recommended by Governor Cochran was a half million below the sum asked by the Board of Regents. And yet it was possible that the school, without restoring badly slashed salaries, might have continued limping along.

Any appropriation lower than that, however, places the university in a dangerous position. A figure 140 thousand dollars less than the governor's figure is provided for by the appropriation bill, with a goodly sum going to open charity wards in the University hospital at Omaha. How the university can continue to function properly has become a matter for alarm.

Several items of far less importance than the education of the state's young people were given boosts by the finance committee over the governor's recommendations. Such action in face of the university's crying need cannot be understood.

The university has already been forced to reduce, to some degree, its high standards. Whether Nebraska will continue to have a ranking educational institution or whether it will allow its school to be squeezed out by the pressure of financial difficulties is a matter for serious thought before the final legislative stamp of approval is placed on the general appropriations bill.

## Another Explanation.

MORE discussion on the peace strike that never materialized on the Nebraska campus is presented in the Student Pulse. Notwithstanding W. C. H.'s diatribe and G. S. M.'s supplementary arguments the Daily Nebraskan still maintains that student pacifists, in participating in a "strike," are attacking their problem from the wrong angle.

The word "outburst" in Senator Nye's quotation is the first reason that opposition is offered to the idea. Any show of mob spirit or of violence such as is always present in a movement of this sort is bound to have a derogatory effect, both on the peace movement and on the colleges as a whole.

In the second place, a "strike" offers an excellent opportunity for the radical element to get in its blows. In fact, on many campuses the movement was led by students who have been noted in the past for their radicalism. And the Daily Nebraskan maintains that radicalism in any form or in any location is decidedly out of place.

## 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 must be signed but names will be withheld from publication if so desired. Contributions should be limited to a maximum of five hundred words in length.

## The Strike Still Lives.

TO THE EDITOR:  
WITH the further clearing of the smoke I wonder if the results of the student strike against the war system still count up to exactly nothing.

## COMMITTEE ASKS BUILDING SUPPORT

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being formulated, we have nevertheless been given every hope and encouragement both by Nebraska congressmen and by the state F.W.A. engineer, Mr. Latenser. Mr. Fischer said:  
"Now if we can present petitions bearing 5,000 or more students' names, showing their wholehearted support of the project, I feel confident that we shall be successful in our efforts. In my opinion, the

whole future of the drive rests entirely in the way students respond to our plan for support.

Members of the committee said interest in the campaign was mounting, not only of students but also of alumni and faculty members. Tentative support of more than fifty organizations has already been pledged by presidents of the groups, who attended the recent mass meeting, and it was expected that the remainder would fall into line this week as the petitions are circulated.

When considering the aim the only possible purpose of such a demonstration—that of expressing a growing anti-war viewpoint—the results seem more gratifying. In fact of the forces which the editor so realistically perceives only such a dramatic presentation can draw attention to this changed attitude. Insofar as the effectiveness of such an undertaking could only be effective if prosecuted on a nationwide scale, such substitutes as convocations would seem to prove inadequate.

Such a keen mind and practical worker for peace as Senator Nye recognized this when he said in regard to the then proposed student strike, "The student strike of April 12 is not futile, as some people seem to think. A strong demonstration will have the salutary effect of convincing jingoists of the task they will have on their hands if they attempt to force the youth of this nation into another war. A unified and simultaneous movement on a national scale will have a far greater effect than has ever been obtained by occasional independent outbursts."

With such comment as the strike has received in the press it must be conceded that the results have been other than nil. Those forces working on our campus in this direction may well take the slapping which W. C. H. gave to them. G. S. M.

## Politics, Parties And Platforms

Editor's Note: This is the third in a series of exclusive articles on the programs of the major parties written by their national chairmen for the Daily Nebraskan and the Associated Collegiate Press. The fourth of the series, to appear in the Daily Nebraskan a week from today, will be written by Norman Thomas, 1932 presidential nominee of the Socialist party.

BY HON. HENRY P. FLETCHER.  
(Chairman, Republican National Committee)

THE young men and women of college age are weighing the two great parties in the balance. The Republican party welcomes the comparison. The historic Democratic party has left its moorings and under the flag of the "New Deal" is sailing out into the sea of socialistic experimentation.

During the past two years it has tried many nostrums and short cuts to cure the depression. As each one fails it tries another, even more reckless. Its motto seems to be "L'audace a encore l'audace." Every student of history knows that policy led France thru the depths to the dictatorship of Napoleon.

The planned economy of the Wallaces, Warrens and Tugweils (and the president is responsible for their acts and must approve their public utterances or he would dismiss them) is merely a "New Deal" version of the Marxian philosophy.

No one questions the good intentions and high ideals of the administration. Catchy phrases, such as the "more abundant life," appeal to the youth of the country who are eager to follow "Emerson's advice and hitch their wagons to the stars. But the workaday world is of the earth, earthy. The multiplication table cannot be repealed or disregarded. One cannot cure economic maladjustments and the dislocations of technology by squandering the nation's patrimony. The economics of scarcity, impractical and absurd in the best of times, is tragic in the face of continuing unemployment and the staggering load of public relief.

All admit that our economic system, which was not seriously challenged until the country was rocked by the world economic crisis in 1929, was abused and offered to corporate wealth and corporate parasites in our body politic, vast opportunities for chicanery, criminal greed and corruption. But it should also be recorded that the great bulk of our business men under this system are honest, high-minded citizens who, while making their living or their fortune also made this country great and prosperous. The American economic system should not be condemned because it was betrayed. The American revolution also had its traitors and profeteers.

The Republican party believes that there is no substitute for work and thrift. It believes the laborer is worthy of his hire and has the right to keep and enjoy the fruits of his labor. It is concerned with the preservation of an economic system which encourages the individual to practice thrift and industry, to create wealth and to use it legitimately for the promotion of the welfare of all the people and the development of the country.

The Republican party recognizes, at the same time, that conditions are constantly changing and that practices and methods must be changed to meet these new conditions. But it believes that the reforms and changes which are needed can and should be made within the framework of our federal constitution. They should be based upon mature study, taking into account the complexity of our national life as well as the experience of other nations. We believe that true progress can be made only in this way.

The "New Deal" calls itself progressive. It is not progressive. It is radical. There is a difference. Progressivism means progress in that you hold advances made, but radicalism is always followed by a backward swing of the pendulum, so that in the end it is reactionary. However, it must be admitted that radicalism has the attraction of adventure, but it is the adventure which follows a will o' the wisp. The hasty measures of the "New Deal" are leading us farther into the swamp.

The only basis upon which progress and reform can be effected is that of sound political and economic policies. Judged by that standard, the Republican party is progressive. Contradictory to it may sound, it is progressive because it has been conservative, in that it has always sought to conserve what has been proved sound and good out of the experiences of our national existence.

The Republican party is not conservative if by that is meant the saving and sheltering of privilege and greed. It is not conservative if by that is meant it stands for special favors to a few individuals or to special classes.

(This article will be concluded in Thursday's Daily Nebraskan).

## CHICAGO TROUPE, UNIVERSITY UNION SING 'AIDA' MAY 4

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armor, trappings, lighting effects, and all the various paraphernalia required to stage it in a complete and elaborate manner," according to John K. Selleck, director of student activities. "The scores of the opera have been studied this semester by members of the chorus and the performance is given mainly to give them a more thorough understanding of the opera," he continued, "but to make it have an attraction for the general public we are bringing outstanding musicians to sing the leading roles."

**Werrenrath Heads Cast.**  
Reinald Werrenrath, the world famous Danish baritone, will head the cast, singing the role of "Amonasro, King of Ethiopia." He was for several seasons one of the first stars of the Metropolitan Opera company of New York. For a decade he has been acclaimed as the dean of recital artists, appearing upon practically every major concert series in the entire world. For the past two seasons he has been on Broadway, as the star of "Castles in the Air." This is the first time he has toured in opera outside of New York and Atlanta, Ga., with the Metropolitan company, having been secured for a special engagement by the festival forces.

**Barbara Barlys Plays Aida.**  
The role of Aida will be played by Barbara Barlys, who won laurels in the role of "La Giocanda." Others who will make up the cast are Myron Duncan who will sing the part of Rhadames; Kathryn Browne, America; Teodor Lovitch, king; and James Wolfe, Ramphis, another member of the Metropolitan opera company.

The tenor part of a "Messenger" will be sung by Parvin Witte, instructor of voice and director of the glee club, and another minor soprano role, that of "High Priestess," will be announced later by Howard Kirkpatrick who is directing the production as well as the University Symphony orchestra. Members of the university football team will be seen in the roles of guards in the production and members of the band under the direction of Billy Quick, will take part in the Triumphal march.

This general plan for presenting large productions with the Festival Opera company is an innovation in music circles, making possible such productions as habitually require a \$5 admission price, for but a fraction of the usual fee. This is the company's eighth season of performing in this manner, having played from coast to coast and border to border in that time.

Kirkpatrick Predicts Success. According to Mr. Kirkpatrick, it should prove even more of a success than the other parts of operas that were presented in Lincoln this season. The general policy is that Mr. Cramer, with his company, brings all portions of the production necessary to impost, and uses all possible locally, thus avoiding the tremendous expense normally involved, altho maintaining the high standard of artists desired.

## OFFICIAL BULLETIN

Y. W. Staff.  
Publications staff under the direction of Beth Taylor will meet in Ellen Smith hall at 5 o'clock Wednesday.

**Women's Golf.**  
All interested in joining a women's golf club sign on the front bulletin board in Grant Memorial hall.

**Student Council.**  
Student council will meet at 5 o'clock Wednesday in the council office in U. hall basement. All members must be present for important business.

**Gamma Alpha Chi.**  
Gamma Alpha Chi will meet Thursday at 7 o'clock in Ellen Smith hall. All members must attend.

**Book Committee.**  
Student council book committee will meet Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the student council rooms.

**GROUP PLANS TO DISTRIBUTE BOOK STORE PETITIONS**  
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conditions prevalent in other college book exchanges as to the type of texts, the features causing losses, and the general method of management has been carried on by Lorraine Hitchcock, a member of the council committee. Dick Fischer, another member, is continuing his correspondence with national exchanges in an effort to find an outlet for books no longer used.

Flanning tentatively for an inter-collegiate book exchange organization, the students working on the project have been gleaming ideas from their correspondence with other schools. The details of the plan which they intend to submit for approval will be announced later.

**Faculty Response Favorable.**  
Response from the faculty, who were asked for their co-operation in case the proposed bookstore became a reality, has been very gratifying, said Miss Selleck.

This attempt to secure a co-operative book exchange for the campus is the result of a recent poll of other universities in the country taken by the committee. It was found that three-fourths of the schools have such exchanges. One half of those not possessing this type of book store are striving for a remedy. The other half have privately owned book stores which have brought profits down to a reasonable level.

If the research now being carried on by a professor at Johns Hopkins university (Baltimore, Md.) is successful, automobile radios will no longer fade out at certain localities.

## FACULTY PLACES 16 CANDIDATES ON INNOCENTS SLATE

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Fred Chambers  
Dick Fischer  
William Garlow  
James Heldt  
Irving Hill  
James Marvin  
Jack Nicholas  
Jack Pace  
Gene Pester  
Robert Pierce  
Burr Ross  
Irwin Ryan  
Dick Schmidt  
Don Shurtieff  
Henry Whitaker

Balloting at the polls on April 15 was in charge of members of the Innocents society while members of the faculty committee supervised the voting and made the final tabulation of votes.

Eligibility requirements of the society specify that to be considered for membership a man must have at least 89 hours and not more than 106; must have a weighted average, with or without freshman grades counted, of at least 78; must have completed 27 hours during the previous two semesters; and must be carrying at least 12 hours satisfactorily. Members of the faculty committee which supervises selection of new Innocents are Dean T. J. Thompson, Prof. E. F. Schramm, Prof. C. W. Lantz, Prof. Gayle C. Walker, Coach D. X. Bible, Prof. C. J. Frankforter, Prof. S. M. Corey.

The Cornell university (Ithaca, N. Y.) polo team was forced to give a regular place on the squad to a coed, because she outplayed the men.

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