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Training
For Voting.

AMID its strenuous activities of campaigning for a union building, the student council is taking time to sponsor forums on controversial subjects arranged for student benefit. There are many persons who appreciate the merits of a student union building, but few are those yearning for a source of mental inspiration and exercise. Thus material needs often are given the only consideration, and development of intellectual sources is neglected. But this year's council evidently realizes that the campus needs both and is possessed with indomitable perseverance in order to secure them.

The forums and convocations committee proposes to evolve a series of meetings which will consider vital issues and will include discussions on subject matter substantiated by qualified speakers. The first one scheduled for the middle of December will invade the ever-controversial political field. It is proposed to have a prominent democrat in the state uphold the term of the new deal, and a republican to refute his claims.

On the basis of these presentations, a half hour's discussion will be held, with the floor open to anyone in attendance. The timeliness of the issue is uncontested, and its significance to the nation cannot be overlooked. The faculty-student committee has chosen well for this first convocation in selecting a subject of popular concern to citizens of even the United States.

Every year there are a goodly number of university students coming of voting age, this year's crop being fortunate enough to vote for a president their first time at the polls. It is deplorable but true that a very small percentage of this group is in any way prepared to vote intelligently, though most of them have a natural interest in the forthcoming campaign. Why don't these individuals make this forum their first lesson in adult citizenship?

It is to awake students to consciousness of fundamentals outside of university life that discussions of this kind are meant. If this purpose were the only one, and if this opportunity of training potential voters were the only advantage, sponsoring of student forums would be justifiable.

The forums should have much more support than from just this one group of students. Besides those who are belatedly learning their political lesson, there are students who already realize their responsibility in knowing what the world is doing, and are ready to learn now, any time the opportunity is offered. Unfortunately they are in the minority; their comrades go blithely on devoting energy to extra-curricular activities and football games. But there is always hope that they may be educated to think and to want something to think about. And this is the admirable task to which the student council committee has set itself.

To those who already realize the necessity of such an intellectual source on the campus and endorse the council's action, let this be a directed plea for your verbal support and boosting of the forum project.

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.

Where Does

It Go?

TO THE EDITOR:

I take great interest in reading the editorial page of the Nebraskan every day, and I am especially interested in the Student Pulse column. After all the students are the ones who patronize the social functions of the university; this column furnishes a very good means for expression of a cross-section of student opinion on the social problems of the university.

I was particularly glad to read the Student Pulse article of Nov. 17 titled "Can War Gods Make Music?" since the author, B. W., certainly hit the Military ball situation right on the head. He has expressed the opinion of a large percentage of the student body who have become disgusted with the way the military department is running the military ball—evidently for a profit that accrues to some "unknown recipient!" Perhaps it would be better if the war lords, since they are not capable of giving those who enjoy a good dance an orchestra worthy of the \$2.50 charged for admission, would discontinue the practice of trying to go into the dance business every year.

Each successive year has more surely proved that the place for the colonel, majors, captains, and other Nebraska hall instructors of the cannon fodder, is out on the mall bawling orders instead of engaging in the dance business to the tune of 72 percent profit! SEVENTY-TWO PERCENT—that does seem like a pretty fair profit, almost unbelievable for a dance; but let's analyze it. The expenses of putting on the dance ran about as follows last year:

Orchestra	\$400
Coliseum rent, including electricity	50
Tickets and their printing	50
Decorations	100
Public Address system	50
	\$225
Plus all miscellaneous items	200
Total	\$825

Last year the income from the ticket sale, both of dance tickets and spectator tickets, was very close to \$2,800. This figures 28 percent of the income went to pay for the dance. Where did the remaining 72 percent of the money go that was paid in by the student body—supposedly to pay for a dance? Yes, the war lords claim that it went to pay military deposits for those who were financially unable to meet this obligation, and to aid some of the advance drill students—nearly \$2,000 went for these purposes—\$2,000 per year! The number who ask for this aid is so small that it is hardly worth mentioning! The remainder of the money, shall we say \$1,000 (putting it at a conservative low) goes into the coffers of the military department. THE STUDENT BODY OF NEBRASKA UNIVERSITY PAYS \$1,000 A YEAR FOR THE SUPPORT OF A DEPARTMENT THAT RECEIVES ITS COMPLETE SUPPORT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT!

The remedy for this deplorable condition is simple. A boycott of the Military ball and every other function that the military profiteers sponsor would soon put a stop to this bleeding of the students of this school. Since the requests of the student body for good orchestras for the Military ball have been ignored continually, this body is surely intelligent enough to see that they have played the part of suckers long enough! If the military department is incapable of giving a square deal let's go where we can get one! Let's spend our \$2.50 to support the worthy organizations of the campus who really are working for the good of the students!

The editorial of Sunday, Nov. 17, about the Military ball question, is so true and well stated that it deserves the commendation of every progressive student in the university.

Yours for a New Deal, J. B.

An Answer
Wanted.

TO THE EDITOR:

This letter is written to acquaint the officials of the university with the fact that I and the many other undergraduates of this institution with whom I have talked, heartily agree with the editorial comment in the Sunday issue of the Daily Nebraskan of Nov. 17, 1935.

It is our belief that a statement from John K. Selleck would be very much in order to allay the doubts which have arisen in the student body.

Why is it that the type of orchestra generally procured for such an important affair as the Military ball cannot be on a par with the exorbitant price of admission? It is not our part to say how much or how little should be spent on the orchestra; but it is our part to ask why so high an admission price is charged and so little money spent on the entertainment.

To be specific, why is it that only \$300 as a maximum is to be allowed for the orchestra for this year's ball? It is a well known fact that this function nets far more than is possible to be spent on the type of entertainment that has been furnished us so far.

As yet no answer has been forthcoming to the charges made in Sunday's editorial.

Is this year's ball to draw and disappoint more than 3,000 people as it has in the past?

W. H. T.

Class

Attendance.

In the University of Nebraska catalog it states, "Students are required to attend regularly all recitations, laboratories, and field work . . . Any instructor may deduct three points from the student's semester grade for each unexcused absence." Instructors on the Campus vary greatly in their tendency to take advantage of this privilege.

The absurdity of such a statement is astounding. To begin with it is assumed that students are in college because they wish to be there, and it is further taken for granted that a student who is of college age is old enough to know what he wishes to do and is capable of making an intelligent decision. The long cherished idea adhered to so firmly by an older generation that college is a "four year loan" or a good place for indulgent parents to imprison youths during those dangerous years from about seventeen to twenty-two or three are rapidly becoming obsolete.

The majority of the students are deserving of the name and that small minority who are not too insignificant to merit attention. One should, therefore, give the student the privilege of deciding for himself whether or not he shall "cut" his classes and just how often. It is conceded that an intelligent student is capable of judging just how important a class may be and of determining its relative value in respect to some other activity. For instance, it would surely be advisable for a student of music to "cut" an economics class to go to a good concert. So would it be wise for a student who is very tired to go home and sleep in a bed rather than doze in a class room. It is foolish for an intelligent person to go to a class where the specific purpose is to drill for the express purpose of helping the dull pupil. Then, too, there is the very regrettable but frequent case of the student who is taking a course solely because it is required and can actually gain little from the lectures because he is already familiar with the subject matter. As a specific example of this there is the Education 41 class on the teaching of science. It is a simple course in beginning—but a requirement for the teacher's degree,—and nothing short of boring to that student who may boast of many hours in science and is already familiar with the work. I could mention several cases-like this where four out of five of the classes could be "cut" to the student's benefit.

I would suggest, however, that before any student be given credit for a course in what he is registered that he be required to pass a most rigid examination creditably. After all, the purpose of a University is to assist the student in gaining knowledge and the rigid rules concerning class attendance established by so many institutions actually defeat this purpose.

Off the Campus

by Lynn Leonard

Still in Session

are the Nebraska legislators. Last week's hopes for an early adjournment of what is now the second longest special session in the history of Nebraska law making were shattered when the solons settled back to their previous position of indecision and disagreement. It has become inadvisable to venture any sort of prediction but the possibility of finishing everything this week becomes more remote every day.

Alcohol Blend Gas

occupied the attention of the senate one day. In the morning members of the upper house

favored a one cent refund to oil companies for blending alcohol and gas, but before the day was over the senators sent the bill they had recalled back to its committee for reconsideration, the majority evidently intending to vote against even the one-half cent refund for the special gas for which the bill originally provided. Reconsideration of the bill showed the members that other changes were necessary before it could be passed, including provision of penalty for violations.

Old Age Pension

with the emergency clause, was endorsed by the members of the house by an overwhelming vote. Passing of the bill was accompanied by apologies to their constituents from several of the representatives. Numerous members considered the bill inadequate. One said, "This is a feeble attempt at paupers' aid. It is not a pension." Desire to expedite matters resulted in the bill's being passed as it is. There is still the possibility that it may end in the conference committee since the senate will act on it next.

Reed Reports Showing of Oil Made in Fremont Well
Eugene Reed, of the geological survey, who is observing the progress being made in the deep well being drilled as a test for oil and gas near Fremont, reports a small showing of oil was evident Tuesday.

Mr. Reed will continue to watch the sinking of this well until it is completed.

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SORORITY FOUNDERS HONORED AT BANQUET

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Anyone in University May Enter Annual Shoot Competition.

HUSKER ADDRESSES ENGINEERS SOCIETY

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

Gamma Alpha Chi.

There will be a meeting of Gamma Alpha Chi Thursday evening at 7:30 in Ellen Smith hall. All active members must attend.

Frosh Commissions.

Freshman commission groups of the Y. W. C. A. which are scheduled to meet at Ellen Smith hall today includes a meeting at 12:20 p.m. under the leadership of Emma Mauchi; a gathering at 1 o'clock led by Marian Rolland and a discussion group at 4 o'clock sponsored by Anne Pickett.

Y. W. Staff.

Staffs of the Y. W. C. A. which will hold their meetings at Ellen Smith hall today are: Ag. Upper-class commission at 12:20 p.m.; Membership and Nebraska-in-China staffs at 4 o'clock and the Vesper Choir at 5 p.m.

AT THE CAMPUS STUDIO

REV. ROBERT DREW TO SPEAK THURSDAY

Pastor Gives Second Talk

On 'Religion That Works.'

Rev. Robert E. Drew, Methodist university pastor, will give the second address of a series of three on "Religion That Works," at the Agricultural College Boarding Club, at 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21. All Ag men are invited to this discussion, especially the Freshman Council members.

These meetings have been held weekly under the auspices of the Ag College Y. M. C. A. The last one was held at the Alpha Gamma Rho house. The next will be held at the Farm House on Tuesday, Nov. 26.

COUNCIL ATTACKS FACULTY RULE ON PARTY EXPENSES

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mittee, asked that a committee be appointed to investigate the plans of the group, with the result that the organization committee was appointed to take action on the proposal and prepare a definite report within two weeks.

Elizabeth Moonaw and John Parker were appointed to assist Mr. Lantz in compiling changes in the Student Council which have come about in the last two years.

These will be sent to the registrar's office to be put on file.

Kenneth Young Announces Engineering Club Meeting

Sigma Tau, honorary engineering fraternity, will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 o'clock this evening in ME 204, according to an announcement by Kenneth Young, president.

Business matters of the organization will be considered, Young stated.

Howe in Duquesne Post.

T. D. Howe, '21, who received his M.A. degree from this institution the following year, is now in charge of the botany courses at Duquesne University at Pittsburgh, according to word received by Dr. Leva B. Walker.

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