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## For the Class of 1940

This week the university opens wide its arms in welcome to the class of 1940. The harbingers of registration point to another bumper crop of freshmen—perhaps the largest in history. The registrar's office reports a record number of entrance examinations taken, and the consensus is that this year's newcomers will exceed previous group of neophytes numerically.

Amid the bustle and general to-do which haunts the opening of school, advisors, deans, friends, students, campus sophisticates, and would-be fraternity brothers unleash torrents of well sounding advice on the unsuspecting frosh's heads. They listen—because they are freshmen.

The Nebraskan does not intend to swell the stream. Our verbiage on the "Thous" and "Thou Shalt Nots" for freshmen could but paraphrase and deny what has been already paraphrased and denied a hundred times over. Consequently, the editorial tongue will be nearly completely silenced.

Undoubtedly members of the class of 1940, you can take care of yourselves. If not, you wouldn't be here. You are entering a life very different from any you have experienced previously in your educational wanderings. Especially if you are from out-state, to live away from home for the first time. Your daily habits and entire mode of living will be changed. Home and mother's cooking and dad's helping hand will be very remote. And you will miss them.

But always remember that you have become part of a great institution founded basically for the edification and education of the people of our commonwealth state. Don't forget your high school loyalty, and the pride in your home town, no matter how small. But don't forget also that now the University of Nebraska is your university, its ideals your ideals, its traditions your traditions, its life your life. It will make demands on you, and you will be expected to meet them with chauvinistic assent.

You have come to a democratic institution. No one among you will be excluded from participating in all its phases. Money, position, extravagance are forgotten—you will be limited only by your own capabilities. Your activities are not limited by a horizon of scholasticism, for this university offers a challenging roster of extra curricular ventures to permit you fields of pleasure, relaxation, hard work, and an opportunity to secure that vital part of a college education found in no text book—how to get along with your fellows. Some of you, before you lack the future innocents and Moral Boards, presidents and vice presidents, leaders of all of student life and spirit on the campus.

You are burdened with advice. Try to separate the good from the bad. That is a difficult task, the Nebraskan realizes, but we ask only that you don't secure an erroneous impression of the university. It isn't all fraternities and sororities and parties and sophistication and destroyed idealism—a conception prevalent among newcomers. It is hard work and reality and simplicity and honesty and truth, if you recognize its essence.

You members of the class of 1940 have become an integral part of the University of Nebraska. Remember the ideals of education and light that prompted its simple birth and great expansion. Set your goals and strive for them. Allowances will be made for every little

slip, but keep your eyes open and both feet on the ground and "do your darndest."

## To A Greater Nebraska.

Precedent dictating, it is the duty of a new Daily Nebraskan editor to signal his advent to office with preambles designed to man the helm of the university bark and to indicate the stepping stones of editorial policy. Precedent willing, the present staff will depart from custom and make no advance of beacons to guide the editorial tongue thru the coming semester. Any dedication of the present Nebraskan's columns which may follow will be to the university itself not to individualistic issues.

The format of the Nebraskan remains the same. The type, the paper, the style. But the sentiment behind the external features has changed. Viewpoints may differ, may perhaps be the antipodal to those of previous editors, feelings may run high and tempers flare, but no matter whose toes are trod upon, the Daily Nebraskan will feel it is acting in the best interests of the university community.

We have here in Lincoln fitting memorial to the spirit of the pioneers who broke this soil. What could express more the clearness of thought and hardihood of mind of them who brought schools and education into the primitive Nebraska than this great institution, rearing its head from the prairies in the semblance of scholasticism and honor? It is for us who are now residents of the little city which their foresight and effort created to dedicate ourselves to its betterment and glory.

There is no reason why Nebraska should not be the outstanding educational institution in the middle west. Our fame has spread wide and our men and women are treated with respect and honor wherever they travel. Glory on the gridiron has been wanted to all corners of the nation. Nebraska athletes gained recognition and prominence in the recent Olympics. Scholastically, our university rates high. We have leaders in every field of endeavor.

But we have not reached the ultimate of college perfection. There is much to be done. No institution such as this one can rest on past achievements. To do so invites decay and disintegration. Nebraska must continue taking strides forward. In every angle of scholastic endeavor, in the introduction of new ideas and new thought, in increased facilities, in new teaching principles, Nebraska must not lag, but must be in the van.

Often in the past this policy has not been followed. There have been many occasions where, the Nebraskan believes, student and university interests have been at variance, and not co-operative. Chances to expand have been overlooked, we have sometimes failed to become opportunists when opportunity not only knocked but whistled and called out loud as well.

It is this situation which the Nebraskan hopes to be able, in part at least, to remedy. No high flights of ego give the editor the impression that his words are going to lead to overnight improvements. Great results are not expected, but perhaps a bit of thought may be stimulated which can spark, flame, and perhaps some day do some good.

To students who are dissatisfied or not altogether pleased with the status quo of our community, the Daily Nebraskan opens wide the Student Pulse column for all epistolary ranting, raving, storming, or back slapping that may be evoked.

The Nebraskan exists primarily to serve the student body. It is our intention to so convey ourselves that we will express the sentiments and beliefs of the scholastic community residents. With the idealistic goal of becoming a part of each student's university life, we make our bow.

### Temperamental—These Beauties.

Evidently Atlantic City's famous boardwalk carried no interests for Miss Ruby Hart, the "Miss Nebraska" of 1936. The Cornhusker state's fairest planned to Newark, had lunch in Atlantic City, and planned right back again. It's the lure of the wide open prairies—or did someone say something about beauty and brains?

### We Knew That.

A British doctor recently told the British Association for the Advancement of Science that whisky makes motorists drive a bit faster and less accurately. Are the British just finding that out?

### Work's Getting Easier.

The Minneapolis United Pole, Post and Tie Workers union went back to work. Which leaves just four current walkouts to occupy the attention of the employer-employee labor arbitration board.

## In Retrospect

BY ARNOLD LEVIN

### Warning?

With swastika emblazoned war planes roaring overhead, Adolf Hitler widened the warlike breach between Nazi Germany and communist Russia by declaring Germany would be "overwhelmingly prosperous" if the reich possessed the fertile farm lands and ores of the soviet.

Chancellor Hitler looked to the north and east and promised triumph if he and his "new Germany" and his rugged, stoic neighbor clashed.

Several weeks ago Soviet Dictator Joseph Stalin warned his people of impending struggle, calling his devotees to the land to sacrifice their lives if need be to stem the wild cry of anti-communism seeping from the west. Later Russian tycoons denied any communications of the dictator to his people, labeling all rumors of radio speeches as malicious canards designed to steer public opinion into the channels of hatred for the soviet.

Stalin and his higher ups were cautious, careful to breed inner defiance, and yet retain the outward appearance of good will. Stalin's reported warning against outside threats was drowned in Russian appeals for world peace and promised co-operation to bring the white dove into suspicious, armed Europe.

Not so with der fuhrer. He fears not the wrath of the world. His covetous eye wanders to what Germany needs most economically—raw materials. The reich's struggle is a difficult one. In the face of conservation engaged in by every European power, the nazis have been urged to keep their people clothed and fed properly. Discontent is breeding. Hitler may follow Mussolini's precedent of taking his nation's collective mind off its own troubles by directing it in the prosecution of a foreign contest. Mussolini was careful to choose Ethiopia. Hitler looks at Russia. If he should lose?

The soviet aren't blind to this threat to their equanimity. They realize what is coming—and they are preparing.

In 1914 the growing Russian bear and militaristic Germany fired the first shots of the '14-'18 holocaust. Perhaps the new Germany and soviet Russia, with their alliances and counter alliances, treaties of defense, and chancellery agreements, will begin another World War.

### The People First—

Three district judges recognized "manifest errors and discrepancies" in the Nebraska unicameral legislative districting act, but had sufficient regard for the state government and political equilibrium to refuse to void the act.

The plaintiff argued that the legislature failed to make equitable apportionment as to population, and districts were not in some cases contiguous and compact as required by law. Also that the amendment to the constitution in 1934 for the one chamber legislature was not self executing and that a valid apportionment act was required to give it force. It was contended that because the apportionment act was unconstitutional, the unicameral legislature would not be operative.

The sagacity of the law, however, was not to be overcome, and the triumvirate, sitting en banc, declared that the plaintiff's suggestions "would bring nothing to the people of this state except uncertainty, chaos, and virtual dissolution of the state government which we find would produce a far greater wrong than would be prevented by the granting of a writ of injunction in this case."

### Waste and Horror—

The anarchist faction of the Spanish loyal government have declared they would rather burn San Sebastian to the ground than have it fall into the hands of besieging fascists. Revolt blazes within the defender's own ranks as the anarchists take time from pot-shooting at the rebels to quell the Basque element, intent on saving the city no matter what happens.

It won't matter, now, if the defenders are blown out of their city or surrender—death awaits its due either way. The fascist rebels have refused to give general amnesty if the loyalists surrender. Each side claims victory—victory at the expense of thousands

of lives of their brothers, of peace, livelihood, and brotherhood, of destroyed towns and battle-scarred fields. Civil war is the most cruel war. No quarter is given, and none asked. Death is the reward for surrender.

But civil war is not uncommon. The French made the gutters of Paris run red. The English have had their tiffs. Russia had her critical 1917. The United States experienced the foulness of fighting brother against brother.

But to think that such could take place in 1936, in our great civilization, in our love and charity for all making—what splendid talk, but how hypocritically foul is our civilization. What waste and horror a people can inflict upon itself!

## TEN-DAY HEALTH EXAM SCHEDULE PROVES SUCCESS

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however, before future action is determined.

The medical fee for students this year was reduced from two dollars to one, and for this reason, the making of house calls by physicians on the university staff has been discontinued. Only office and infirmary service will be given.

The one dollar medical fee entitles the student to services for a semester, holidays not included. Following is the service offered:

1. Any medical service which can be rendered in the office of the Department of Student Health in room 208, Pharmacy building.
2. Hospitalization in the University infirmary 1310 R Street, at \$1.00 a day. This includes board, room, nursing care, and medical service at regular hours by a University physician only.
3. X-ray photographs, electrocardiograms, basal metabolism tests, drugs and medical supplies at cost at the Pharmaceutical Dispensary, room 105 pharmacy building.
4. For the convenience of the students in the college of agriculture an office is maintained in room 113, college activities building, on the ag college campus.

Office hours on the city campus are from 8 to 12 and 1 to 5 daily, except Sunday; on the ag campus 8 to 9 M. Tu. W. F. and 9 to 10 Th.

Students of the University of Arizona have proposed a pension plan for all babies beginning at birth to be paid for by persons more than 60 years old.



## The Pastor's Corner

# BUILDING

BY Robert B. Henry PRESBYTERIAN U. PASTOR

(Ed. Note: This column is first of a series of Sunday articles written by Lincoln student pastors whose work centers on the campus. Mr. Henry represents the Presbyterian church, which has its headquarters at the Manse on 14th street. Next Sunday Rev. Robert Drew of the Wesleyan Foundation will contribute the column.)

Thousands of young men and young women are spending their first Sunday away from home today. The vision that has been before you for the past few years has now become a reality, and no doubt you are saying to yourself "Life begins in the fall". Old students will join you in the thought for it is true that right now there is a stir within us all that tells us of dozens of activities that will soon demand all of our energies.

New students and old may well begin the year by asking a very pertinent question, "Is life at Nebraska for me during the year that is just ahead to be a jumble of activity, or am I determined to take my life in hand and so direct it that at the end of a busy year I may feel that I have been building?" I mean by this that I want to take those capacities and talents which I have already discovered in my own life and plan and direct all of my activities in such a way that growth for good will be the result.

Now if the idealism that has been taught you by parents and good friends back home still has a hold on your life, if you really believe that there are some things in life worth standing for, you are headed in the right direction. Your real worth is not simply in you, but in the things for which you stand.

We may safely say that nowhere in life is there a greater place to find worthwhile things for which to stand than in a university. For it is here where men are struggling with ideas, and ideas result in action—action for the individual and for the social groups.

Young people today have much

to consider if they are really to be builders. Remember that the kind of life you are building and the things for which you are known to stand are reminders for others as they look at you! The student who is strong and well in body and mind, whose life is wholesome, whose thoughts and objectives are right and clean, has an opportunity to reach out and build in many ways that the university community will be different and in years to come society throughout our great commonwealth will benefit. How great a challenge to stand for the fundamentals of common decency! First of all a student can stand for honesty—plain common, everyday honesty—in his own study and in the class—even during exams. It is not necessary to worry too much about world brotherhood if there are those on our own campus who do not have a fair chance. Those larger objectives for which we should all show a concern are only to succeed in the community and national life as we learn the fundamentals of the good life with our fellow students.

What about religion? Are you planning a life of growth along this line or are your ambitions such that you will just leave religion and the church completely out of the picture? Let it be said with great emphasis that students at Nebraska find an attraction to the church and its forward looking program for students. A leadership set aside for student life has been provided by several of the religious bodies. Men and women who are alert to the problems of students are always available on and near the campus. Their whole concern is to be sym-

pathetic and understanding helpers at all times, and they covet the opportunity to serve. If you are in earnest about the matter of building a worthwhile life and making your influence felt for good in society, religion must be a very vital part of your plan. Remember though, you are the builder!

## BURR ROSS TAKES AG PROFESSORSHIP AT TENNESSEE U.

Burr Ross, class of 1935, has accepted a professorship in the University of Tennessee.

Ross is in charge of the meats department of animal husbandry, a new course which is being developed by the former Nebraskan.

A member of the Farm House fraternity, Burr was vice president of the Innocents besides taking part in many other activities.

He left a week ago to accept his new position at a salary of \$200 per month with Tennessee U., a school of about three thousand.

According to recent survey, there are more cars per student at the University of California at Los Angeles than any other university in the world.

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## TEMPEL TO SUPERVISE GLEE CLUB ACTIVITIES

Director Plans to Enlarge Membership of Choir This Semester.

William G. Tempel has been appointed as director of the University of Nebraska male glee club and assistant director of the Choral union, according to recent announcement. Mr. Tempel, formerly supervisor of vocal music in Lincoln high schools, director of music at St. Paul M. E. church, and instructor of voice at the University school of music, succeeds Mr. Parwin Witte.

Plans are being made for a 50 voice glee club, larger than before, and selection of voices by tryout will be held in 219 Morrill Hall from 4 to 6 each afternoon during registration week. Anyone may try out as no previous ensemble experience is necessary. The group will meet three times a week for one hour credit. Appearances are being planned for out of town as well as participation in campus activities.

At the same time try outs will be held for the organization of a small, mixed ensemble. This or-

ganization will be the first of its kind on the campus.

"I am very anxious that these vocal tryouts be given proper consideration," states Mr. Tempel, "so that the selected groups will represent the best voices on the university campus."

Mr. Tempel has been very active in helping to present operas at Lincoln high, and in the St. Paul choir, which will have over 50 voices this year.

There is an unrepresed law in Massachusetts which prevents a man from kissing his wife on Sunday.

Puritanism, supposedly a fundamental precept of Christianity, showed its ignorance and superstition in early colonial days in America, by sponsoring crusades against witches.

A loud speaker system has been installed for test in the house of representatives. You may choose your own metaphor.—Buffalo Courier-Express.

Helium gas has been found to be of value in the treatment of asthma.

"We do not count a man's years until he has nothing else to count."—Emerson.

To whom it may concern: A Colorado university student caught drinking is forced to attend Sunday school every Sunday for three years.

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