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Well, the budding young intellectuals had their inning yesterday. Forty-nine of them were elected to the ranks of the scholastic honoraries, Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi. Retaining a larger mental reservation than usual on such occasions, the Nebraskan extends its congratulations. Among those 49 are, no doubt, some scholars. The mental reservation is not for them, but for the 40 odd illusioned ones to whom the honor came as the culmination of a strategically designed course of action,

Miss Louise Pound defined the purpose of Phi Beta Kappa, the patriarchal society of the liberal arts college, as the recognition of scholastic ability exerted in the direction of a liberal education. Sigma Xi recognizes undergraduate scientific research. Such high sounding purposes bring a flood of reassurance concerning the American university, which is fast becoming a training ground or waiting piace for an excess of youth who cannot be absorbed by the overstocked occupations. Perhaps Hutchins' idea or a university as a community of scholars is being partially realized.

The joker in this apparently bona fide optimism is the method of measuring achievement in either the attainment of a liberal education or the mental qualities necessary for successful scientific research. things themselves can be proud. To them the honor

may represent anything from the judicious choice of 'pipe' courses to the burning of midnight oil religiously on the eve of examinations. Apple polishing and book worms are still with us. The old inane practice of memorizing dictated lectures and returning the same without collation still finds devotees. Yes, grades can be had by the un-

Because of their inadequate and inefficient method of culling the real scholars from the gradegetters. Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi have only a negative value. Not making one of these societies may be more important than being among the elect. Inability to make the necessary average may mean ineptitude in academic pursuits. The possession of one of the still coveted keys may mean anything, not the least of which, we hope, is real scholarship.

The bluffers among the brotherhoods of Phi Betas and Sigma Xi's nullify the honor of membersnip. Mom and dad will undoubtedly accept the nonor in the best of faith. Employers, be they business executives or school superintendents, will

Uniy to those who can be proud of the way in which they achieved the distinction will it be anything but empty. Those who have devoted themserves to a liberal education or to scientific research-the two may or may not be mutually exclusive in a short four year period-for these That method of measurement is grades, and grades is incidental and not sought for its debatable value.

Inquiring Reporter

War, they tell us, is imminent. If the next breeze that blows across the ocean doesn't bring to our ears the clash of resounding arms, the one following it surely will.

In all this bellicose controversy the young men must play some part. They will, you know, comprise the cannon-fodger that will make the world safer for something or other," and we believe that they are entitled to

The puzzler, "What would you do in case war were declared by the United States tomorrow? floored a lot of them, but a sufficient number came through with fairly adequate replies to give a cross-section point of view of the men on the campus. Bernard Dalton, Engineering col

lege sophomore: If the war were to be fought in a foreign country. I know I wouldn't enlist. I'd continue my studies until drafted, and then I would do all I could to avoid being dragged into it. If we were invaded by any other country except England and France, I'd enlist. I'd not want to be under the domination of any other country in the world except these two. If either of them were to invade the United States, I'd just let them take over the country. I don't believe, however, that any invasion of his county is imminent Ellsworth F. Stohimann, Teach-

ers college sophomore: "If it were a foreign war, I wouldn't sign up and I don't be- transitional lieve that anyone else would either unless they had nothing else for which to live. I believe that we got our fingers so hadly burned the last time we pulled some foreign 25 years ago. Today, people seem chestnuts out of the fire that we've to be gifted with the ability to dull and uninspiring. learned a lesson that we won't for- look behind the false front and get. Even if the country were in- see the reality in amost anyvaded. I feel that I wouldn't enlist. I'd study the situation out for be the case should be problem af myself. Propoganda and mass hyseria wouldn't induce me to go to Amrica." war unless I had nothing else for

freshman: clare war, even a foreign cam- wrong, my country paign, that it would be the duty Walter Supler, Engineering colof every man to fight. It's more lege sophomore: than a duty, it's an honor We live "I wouldn't er those things possible. Down so I feel that they have a right through history, the best and most to feel the same way toward us. of the nation, began under Wash- could for the country that's done ington and held together by Lin- so much for me.' coin, were summed up by Monroe

Ralph T. Sielaff, Bizad senior:

overboard."

for which Americans have fought

for generations and shove them

prevent my being dragged into it, similar capacity for the Texaco especially if the underlying set-up hour, resembled that of the last war Eddy, Robert Ripley, Lanny Ross, when all we did, apparently, was Kate to keep a few European nations Andre Kostelanetz, out of hot water. If, however, we All contestants w were invaded. I feel that I'd enlist. I'd feel it my duty to do what I

in everything it does. I feel that more about it than the Nebraskan, vegetation along the way.

clare war only on a just cause, and I feel that that body is representative enough of the will of the people that it would never declare unless it seemed to be the will of ing of its past victories and failthe majority."

Herbert Hanthorn, Arts and Sciences sophomore:

"If the underlying circumstances were similar to those existing at the time of the World War, I'd refuse to enlist. This country would be making a fatal mistake to again indulge in a foreign war. If we were invaded by a foreign nation, however, I'd enlist. As long as I am willing to live here and accept the benefits and privileges which come my way, I am willing for the country which makes them possible." Royce Knapp, Arts and Sciences

"I wouldn't go to a foreign war unless I had to. In 1917, we were buffaloed into it by English and French propaganda, and in event of another war we'd face a barrage of the same kind of publicity. Now we're a creditor nation with more outstanding foreign interests than at any time in the history of the country, whereas in '17 we were a debtor nation. In event of war we couldn't possibly stay neutral, we're still too susceptible mass publicity. In case of a defensive war, there would be no

doubt in my mind, I'd enlist. However, I fail to see the necessity for war. We've tried war for 6,000 years or so, and arbitration has almost never been tried; at practically no point in man's hisful settlement of a dispute when he could fight about it. I am not, however, a pessimist. We're in a scientists with a broader culture people abhor war and are not so style. Until we do, the history and impressed by the tinsel and glitter criticism of science will continue which made so great an impres- to be a naive and complacent chronsion on the people of 50 or even icle of facts discovered, of hypoththing, and I believe that such will war become imminent in

Gaylord Matzke, Engineering col-Phil Weaver, Arts and Sciences lege sophomore:

Even if the war were a foreign "It's always a good idea to wait one, I'd enlist. If the cause were until a person's rights are en- a good one I would feel that it dangered before war is declared, was my right and my duty to But I believe that if the Congress stand behind my country in whatof the United States were to de- ever she did. 'My country, right or

'I wouldn't enlist in the event here, enjoying the protection and of a foreign war. The affairs of receiving the benefits that only other nations are not our worlife in this country can give, so ries. When the Monroe Doctrine there should be no unwillingness was written, we told Europeans to die for the institution that made to stay out of this hemisphere, work either in unifying this naion were invaded, I'd sign up at once holding it together. The ideals feeling it my duty to do what I

We just can't pick up all the ideals MOST BEAUTIFUL COED TO COMPETE FOR FILM CHANCE

(Continued from Page 1.) Taplinger, Inc., publicity repre-"If the war were a foreign one, sentative for the members of the I'd do everything in my power to Comedian's Congress, holding a Downey, Nelson Morton Smith, Guy Lombardo and

All contestants will assemble in Kansas City, where they will be met by a chaperon selected by could to aid my country." the Kansas City Star. A promin-Hutton Howe, Engineering college ent newspaperwoman will meet that country. He will also tell them in Hollywood for interviews of the newly completed Pan-

Congress has enough sense to de- CINCINNATI DEAN AD-DRESSES HONORARY MEMBERS AT BANQUET

(Continued from Page 1.) ures, or of the lives of its great

Thought Must Be Critical.

"Until scientific thought becomes critically conscious of its aims and hypotheses it will remain as it is now, like a ship without a rudder, subject to every passing conceit and whim. So long as scientists persist in their ignor-Only in science true or false. could such a belief be tolerated," the Cincinnati graduate school head maintained.

"In the biographies of men of there is little attempt to analyse noon session was under way. their characters and motives, to weigh the value of their work, to elucidate their influence on philosophy and literature.

Author Must Know Opinions. Probably the principle cause of this aridity of scientific histories, Dr. Moore continued, "is that the author must be thoroly acquainted with the science discussed, and at the same time, must have a knowledge of the 'Climates of Opinion' of the period.

"Such combination is rare to find in these days of specialized and vocational education, and yet if we are ever to obtain a body of scepory has he attempted the peace- tical criticism of the trends of science in addition to chronicles of research we must educate a few period now, young and with a mastery eses aim, and still worse, be very

Science Is Valuable,

Dr. More explained that it may be so great a mass of facts has been brought to light, and so many erudite explanations of phenomena have been ventured that science valuable even if it can be treated as a thing separate from all the commerce of thought.

'Certainly this is not true of earlier times. The study of naphenomena was then believed to be valuable rather for its effect on character than to acquire either power over nature or ease of life. "In the persistent obsession to

make science the dispenser of ease and power we have lost sight of the character building aspect, Dean More asserted.

Dr. Louis Pound, president of Phi Beta Kappa, presided over the dinner program.

PROF. SCHRAMM TO TALK BEFORE A.S.C.E. TONIGHT

Engineers to Hear Lecture on Mexican Mining, Oil Industries.

Prof. E. F. Schramm, chairman of the geology department, will present an illustrated lecture on Mexico tonight before members of the American society of Civil Engineers at a meeting to be held at 7:30 in room 102 of mechanical arts hall. Appoint-ment of committees for engineers week will also be announced.

Prof. Schramm makes a trip to Mexico neszy every summer, and in his talk tonight he will discuss the mining and oil industries of "Under any circumstances, I'd for the California papers.

Who's the luck girl? Rght now, right to back up his government Jack Oakie and Joe Penner know City, describing the scenery and



noon's legislature assembly, the positions of Beethoven, "Ich liebe new vogue of conducting after- Dich," "Resignation," and "An Die

tors were busy. some were on the floor discussing questions, others had not vet returned from lunch, and most of all, interested parties were running here and there for the interests of legislation. But such ac- zation.

From Lincoln Journal tivity did not Carl Peterson. prevent Senator

Peterson from explaining his view terson from explaining his view on Nebraska's new type of legislature. Definitely and convincingly the Norfolk representative explained that the legislature is trying to do too many things.

'This form of legislature has definite possibilities, but," Senator Peterson pointed out, "our work can be bettered if we can only put a limit on our work. The success of the entire assembly, of course, depends entirely upon the personnel."

As one whose name is connected with the bill which so greatly afposes. The Norfolk senator favors the bill because of one main rea- Barbs. son-that it provides for a long time program. In reality, the university could build some five or six buildings in the next six years.

"Probably the most important legislation before this session is unemployment insurance," the senator stated. "And that is defective because it taxes people and then gives the money to someone else."

Senator Peterson is new to the legislature but in no way inexexperienced. He has been City atance of what has been attempted torney of Norfolk and County atin the past, just so long they torney of Madison county. Rep-will cling to the fallacy that any hypothesis is valuable whether counties of the 15th district, Mr. versity with A.B and L.L.B. degrees. He is 41, a lawyer, and a bachelor.

At this point in the interview science, the casual facts of their we saw Senator Warner take the lives and a chronicle of their rostrum, ring the bell, and the uniachievements are narrated, but cameral legislature's second after-

Barbarisms

BY JOAN AND JOHN BARB

Barbs In Need Of Psychological Boost

True and to the point was the recent editorial comment directed against our own columnial criticism of the term "Barbs" as applied to unaffiliates on the campus As the commentarian pointed out, the stigma implicated by the name "Barb" has without doubt been propagated more by a wrong psychological attitude of the "nonorgs" towards their status on the campus than by the intimidating superiority of the Greeks. We still have a personal repugnance for the name "Barbs," but with true magnanimity we shall devote our efforts toward tire consideration of that larger issue, Barb psychology, as pointed out by the Daily Nebraskan.

We asked our favorite professor what he thought about Barb psychology or if there was such thing. The reply elicited was both revealing and forceful: "It is a curious thing, the feeling of inferiority which many Barbs seem to have. When ask an unaffiliated student whether or not he belongs to a fraternity, he usually blushes, looks sheepish and stammers out an inaudible 'huhumph' instead of throwing back an agressive: "Hell, no! and I'm damn glad of it.". Barbs should be proud of the very fact that they ARE INDEPENDENTS."

Even more indicting was the of a metaphorically minded sorority friend: "Every Barb longs in his secret heart to join a fraternity or sorority and in most cases would sell his birthright in order to do it. He never seems to take cognizance of the fact that he might be getting the proverbial mess of pottage in return, but considers it an affront to his pride and dignity that he

CONTRALTO TO SING AT MUSICAL CONVOCATION

Mary Polk Shockey Offers 9 Selections at Temple on Wednesday.

Mary Polk Shockey, prominent Lincoln contralto, will present this week's musical convocation at the Temple Theater, Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Assisting Mrs. Shockey will be a string trio com-posed of Valerita Callen Larimer, violin, Catherine Cox, cello; and Frances Morley, piano.

Mrs. Shockey will follow her first presentation, "My Heart Ever Faithful" by Bach, with three comnoon senate meetings having be-gun Monday, we sat down beside ments of "Trio in B Flat" by Senator Carl Dyorak, the instrumental musi-Peterson of cians will appear on the second Norfolk. Sena- part of the recital. The four concluding selections

sung by Mrs. Shockey will be "Oh ion." It is believed that President That it Were So" and "When You Roosevelt shares the same opinion Are Old" by the composer Bridge, on the matter of the sitdowns and "Wings of Night" by Watts, and senate leaders predict a sharp de-"When Celia Sings" by Moir. Accompanying the vocalist on the piano will be Earnest Harrison, lic opinion is definitely against the professor of piano at the school of sitdown, but F. D. R. is hardly in

is unable to pledge a Greek organi-

Then we talked to a Barb: "As a freshman and during part of my sophmore year I had a very painful inferiority complex about sorority girls. I know that it was silly, but in my mind, at least, they seemed to be up on a pedestal wearing a sign: 'All Barb Hands Off'. Luckily I've gotten over that feeling, but it was sure real while it lasted."

No mystery is the present deplorable condition of Barb politics and activities on the campus if these opinions can be considered as truly representative of Barb psychology as a whole. If Barbs main-tain an attitude of aloof indifference to all campus activities and fects the university, No. 334, Mr. worse still harbor a complex of so-Peterson maintained that the mea- cial inferiority, they never can besure is worthy. The bill provides come a dominant factor on the for a state building fund to be campus. We are optimistic enough raised by a one-half mill added to believe that the Barbs can take levy. To the university 35 percent over the reins of student governof the newly created fund would ment, but it is certain that it will be given entirely for building pur- never happen until Barbs become proud of the fact that they are

> This too, is an editorial. Subject of the discussion is the Barb Interclub Council and the object, Barbs in campus offices. The foregoing paragraphs have been merely introductory remarks; the following vorce" is the name of the study. in campus offices. The foregoing troductory remarks; the following is the real McCoy.

C'mon Council, get wise. Quit hashing around with the fraternities, and come out as the representative of an INDEPEND-ENT BARB organization, The moment you cut all Greek alliances you will have a tremendous psychological advantage; for you will have given a con-crete indication of unity in the Barb cause, have attracted the interest of many Barbs to the Barb cause, made the first step in developing a philosophy which will permit unaffillates to say: "Yes, I'm' a Barb, and damn glad of it." Whether you elect a sizable bloc of candidates in the spring election is of secondary importance of the building of psychology which in the end will permit you to dictate campus

policies. We conclude with the tritest figure of speech that has yet found its way into this column: "After all. Rome wasn't built in a day."

PANHELLENIC NAMES 2 FOR REGIONAL MEETING

Miss Klinker, Muriel White Will Attend Kansas City Convention.

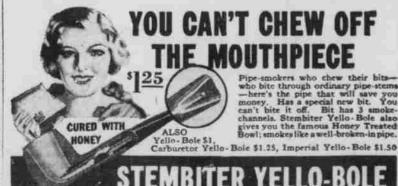
Miss Marguerite Klinker and Muriel White will attend the reconference of the Panhellenic council in Kansas City, Mo., April 10 and 11. Representatives from each college in the diswhich includes Iowa, Mis-Kansas and Nebraska, will

Nominations have been made for the advisory board. Miss Marguerite Klinker, Miss Gertrude Beers, and Miss Hortense Allen have been nominated as faculty members; Mrs. Earl Kline and Mrs. McGeachin, as alumnae members. Muriel White and Jane Sawver as student members were nominated

Harriett Jackson was recently announced as new secretary-treas-

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EIGHTEEN ENGINEERS Town Marie Land or the state of INSPECT K. C. PLANTS

Delegations Will Attend A.S.M.E. Convention at Same Time.

Eighteen juniors and seniors in mechanical engineering will leave today for Kansas City where they will remain until Sunday to make an inspection tour of various plants in that city and to attend the American Society of Mechanical Engineering convention there.
One of the chief features of the

OFFERING a substitute di

rected specifically at sitdowns, Senator Byrnes of South Carolina withdrew his controversial anti-

sitdown strike amendment to the

Guffey-Vinson coal bill. The sub-

stitute is broader in scope than the initial amendment and adds,

according to Senator Byrnes, that

"it is the sense of congress that

the so-called sitdown strike is il-

legal and contrary to public opin-ion." It is believed that President

nunciation of the strike technique.

There is little doubt but that pub-lic opinion is definitely against the

the position to make any official statement regarding the strike

methods. He is on the record, how-

ever, as being in favor of making

labor unions responsible for the actions of their membership—a

policy which would discourage the so-called "unauthorized strike."

LABOR conditions appeared much brighter at the start of this

week now that automobile workers

have returned to their positions at

Kansas City's Ford and Flint's

table settlement of the Chrysler

strike. But while John L. Lewis,

C. I. O. chieftan, and Walter P.

Chrysler sit at a conference desk

are getting so that they can't

stomach much more sitdown.

Something big is due to pop soon

in these strikes and when it pops,

In the

Infirmary

Tuesday. Lawrence Graff, Naponee.

Austin Moritz, Nehawka.

matrimony has been added to the

Student Lunch

FIRST DOOR EAST OF TEMPLE

Sandwiches - Salads - Sundaes

Coffee - Cold Drinks

Lunches - Dinners

A new "entrance-exit" course in

convention will be the presentation of technical papers by representatives from nine schools in competition for prizes of \$50, \$25 and \$10 for the three best. Nebraska will be represented by Roger Wallace expounding the "Brit Methods of Making Carbo-Drinks in the Home," and Gamlin discussing "Air Paul Springs for Cars." Papers will be 15 minutes in length.

Stay Four Days. Today and Thursday will be

spent in inspecting Kansas City plants, while Friday and Saturday are convention days. Among the plants to be visited on the tour are the Sheffield Steel com-Kansas City Structural Steel company, Griffin Wheel company, Proctor & Gamble Soap company, Ford and Chevrolet company's assembly plants, Kan-sas City Light & Power company, where a high pressure turbine will be inspected, and American Can company.

All schools attending the convention will visit the Kansas City Light & Power company, but the rest of the tour will be taken only by Nebraska students. A visit to Chevrolet plants, Governor Mur- the new Kansas City auditorium phy, Michigan's peacemaker, is ex-to inspect the air conditioning tremely optimistic over the inevi-system in that building may be included also.

Prof. W. F. Weiland left for Kansas City last night, and Prof. A. A. Luebs will depart Thursday in Lansing, a good majority of night to be with the student group congress and public minded people from Nebraska.

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WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT Bar-O-Ranch

Miss Howell—The radiation is excellent; I wouldn't miss it.

Dr. Robbie Scott-I won't promise not to give a test, but the show should be second only to Shakespeare.

John Groth-Law students have a perverted sense of humor; I think I'll

Helen Jane Johnson-I have witnesses, and now John has to take me.

Dr. Griess-My molars will be in evidence in the audience.

Miss McGahey — They certainly registered with me.

Billie Hollister-I'm all for more cosmopolitan humor; fine stuff.

Bill Clayton-What I don't get won't hurt me.

Dean Lyman-Marvelous physical specimens-I'll be there.

Vera Mae Peterson—I'll probably enjoy it unquestioningly, and it ought to rate the AP.

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