



Ever Center of Student Social Life—The Library.

In all this hullabaloo about the badly needed new library, one angle is being woefully neglected. That it is an important one, we have recorded and unwritten history to attest thereto.

As far back as anyone can remember, the library has been inadequate, and disintegrating. The present structure was outgrown not long after it was built.

Nowadays lads and lasses are disappointed in their library studying in short order if they don't "see anyone" there.

This boy meets girl activity in the library is scarcely a product of our worldly younger generation.

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"No breeze stirred; no noise occurred; All about was hushed to silence, He took her hand; she said, 'My land, It's wrong to 'spon' upon the campus.'"

"Oh, no, my dear! sit near; don't fear; It's up to date, you know, From left to right, no one's in sight— It's right to 'spon' upon the campus."

"Just then a noise disturbed their peace— The night-watch came on duty; The gates were locked; and both were shocked To be so trapped upon the campus."

"Our friend McNish then sighed a wish For skill to climb, or ladders; For the fence was high— 'twas vain to try— Some tears were shed (Continued on Page 2).

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LIBRARY FACES TRAGIC WINTER

Perils of Library No April Fool Joke

Falling Plaster, Leaks, Sags Characterize Old Building.

By Barbara Meyer.

Had the architectural eyesore of the Nebraska university campus, the library, blown down on April Fool's day as was so erroneously reported in the April 1, 1937, edition, the damage thereby wrought could not be much worse than the facilities which characterize the confusion and general disorder of the library at the present time.

Leaks, sags, falling plaster, suffocating atmosphere and dust are everywhere, and librarians and assistants work together under strained and cramped conditions.

"The reserve room," explained Dr. R. A. Miller, librarian, "is a regular hodge in the spring and summer, and the seating capacity—well, to put it very mildly, the seating capacity is terrible!"

The downstairs reading room will accommodate 400 students, 74 percent of their students, while most modern university libraries accommodate 25 percent of their students, and Dartmouth seats 50 percent of its students."

Dangerous Sag. Then too, the alarmed reporter noticed a decided sag in the ceiling of the downstairs reading room.

When the sag was pointed out to her that this was directly below the second floor corridor and that some day an avalanche of plaster, linoleum, and human arms and legs might occur, there arose in her breast a decided passion against the dignified soton who sits in the capitol building, and who by one vote defeated the bill which would afford the University of Nebraska a ten year building plan.

Commandant has doubts as to the possibilities of collecting enough to make it worthwhile. Bessey, a rare specimen, worthy of preservation in alcohol.

Miss Pentzer, with suspicious solicitude, objects because of the steady couples who would be debarred from studying together. Kring wants it not only preserved, but put away where it will not spoil, and Miss Fox likewise favors silence, preferring the library as the place where it will be least likely to be used.

Miss Stanton claims that when preservation was attempted, the attempt made too much noise. "Papa" Heidgecock says that free speech should be allowed in the university library of a Free Silver state, else in coming generations we will lack Allens and Bryans, for "silence is golden, and speech is silver."

And in '03. All of the social life did not come off in the library, however, it would seem from other writings. What library meetings and other rendezvous adjourned to was called "benchwork."

And what occurred at those sparkings on some adroitly located bench on the fenced in campus would scarcely startle a Hays office, but this form of two-sinning was considered extremely daring in days of yore.

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"Twas a cloudless night, The moon shone bright, And all was still upon the campus. A senior law was what we saw, With someone else upon the campus."

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the rain pipes, and the slate falls off the roof.

Lack of Light, Air. From the "Glory Hole" the tour went to the basement which was equally as glorious, and where (Continued on Page 3.)

DECORATED CARS ADD COLOR FRIDAY TO RALLY SPIRIT

Organized Houses to Enter Festeoned Autoes In Gala Parade.

With more pep, more color and more noise than has been displayed before previous games of the season, the band, Tassels and Corn Cobs will lead what is destined to be the biggest football rally of the year thru the streets of Lincoln Friday evening.

With "Husk the Hoosiers" the slogan for the week, all cars in the rally will be decorated with Nebraska colors or in other appropriate design.

The "Glory Hole" was next on the inspection tour, and it was here that disorder reigned supreme. Governmental and political documents were scattered everywhere and dust and cobwebs covered all.

Rally Ends in Stadium. The rally will set out at 7 o'clock from 16th and U, led by the band. (Continued on Page 3.)

W. T. Foster Upholds System of Electives

Speaker for Friday Convoy Flays Inelastic Form of Curricula.

The essential advantage of the American system of education lies in the freedom of choice it allows the student, maintains William Truitt Foster, outstanding economist, educator, and author.

A list of Foster's best known books includes "Should Students Study?" and "Social Hygiene and Morals," as well as numerous magazine and newspaper articles on economics, college administration, and moral issues.

Campus Interest in Syphilis Fulfills Health Service Aim

Dr. Lyman, Dr. Schrick Laud 'For All Our Sakes' As Enlightening.

Tonight at 8 o'clock will begin the second showing of "For All Our Sakes," and in their respective homes at that time will be Dr. Rufus A. Lyman, Director of the



Student Health Service, and Dr. Edna Schrick, resident physician of the Student Health Service, highly satisfied with the discussion which the subject of venereal

disease has aroused on the campus during the past few days. "Interviewed in his office late yesterday afternoon, Dr. Lyman recommended the picture very highly as "one which gives the essential facts which each individual should know about syphilis."

"The cause of the disease has been known for some 35 years," stated the Dean of the Pharmacy college, "and the control methods have been known for a longer period even than that." Repeating that no new information had been gained in the past three decades as to the disease itself, he added that with modern chemicals a shorter and more complete cure can be effected, but that a cure still takes from one and one-half to two years.

A knowledge of the causative factors of the disease, its means of transmission, and how it may be controlled, are the three things which, according to Dr. Lyman, may be gained from seeing the picture.

"Make it Household Word. "This campaign against syphilis is a good thing—it will serve to make the disease a household word. But that in itself however, will do little or no good. For example, see how worldwide the word 'alcohol' has become; yet, the mere fact that it is commonplace has not cut down the use of it to any great extent."

"The point that I should like to make, is this—science in itself will never be able to eliminate the disease. In addition to science, (Continued on Page 2.)

New Library Structure Far From Doane's Hope

When Librarian Gilbert Doane left his position at Nebraska for a similar one at Wisconsin, he remarked to the Nebraskan that he expected Nebraska to have a new



—Courtesy Lincoln Journal. Robert Miller.

library some day. But he expected to be in his grave before this glad omen of the millennium arrived.

Present Librarian Miller was more optimistic yesterday. "I am still a young man, I expect to have all my faculties and be able to walk around the new building and find books with infinitely less loss of energy than I now experience."

Mr. Miller declared that the library committee has a complete set of plans for a new library. ing and will continue Friday and Saturday.

With an estimated four thousand instructors expected to attend the convention, the theme of the three-day affair will be "What Shall We Teach Our Youth, and How Much?"

The convention is held annually and brings many famous speakers to the university campus for the first time.

Corn Cob-Tassel Carnival Offers Fun, Frolic to All

Truck after truck bearing sleepy, greasy-faced, individuals and piles of battered equipment move into town. The Glover brothers, ten strong and known to be the toughest of the town, appear in new overalls. That, in the old home town, is the beginning of a carnival. "The carnival is in town!"

And Saturday night the campus will have its own carnival, the Corn Cob-Tassel Truckin' Carnival. The greasy faced carnival workers will be members of both pep clubs. The battered equipment will be more modern games of skill such as balloon darts, air gun galleries, a bingo stand, a milk bottle throw, and more cultural, a photo booth. "The Corn Cob-Tassel Truckin' Carnival is in the coliseum after the Indiana game!"

The Bailey-hoo Artist. The old home town carnival sets itself up quickly and isles of tents and booths fill with spectators who come to walk, watch, and spend.

Ballyhoo artists, generally little men with big voices, ply their psychology with "Your'e never too old to watch and never too young (Continued on Page 3.)

NINE STUDENTS FAIL TO CALL FOR NYA PAY

University Returns \$75 In Checks to State Treasury Office.

Nine NYA checks amounting to a total of approximately \$75 will be returned to the treasury state disbursing office this morning because the recipients failed to call for them.

The checks are distributed from the 19th to the 26th of each month. After ten days from the date of issue have elapsed, the money is sent back to the state disbursing office and held there 60 days. If applications are made to the university NYA offices within this period, the check can be recovered, but with more difficulty than if it had been claimed during the time designated. After the 60 days have elapsed, however, the money is sent to the general accounting office in Washington, D. C.

The only nine of the 620 students failed to claim their money, Mr. E. J. Boschum, director, urges that all students claim their checks promptly, as it involves complications to secure the money after the distributing time has elapsed.

opinion upon the imminence of war for this country. We had asked the Colonel to make a few statements pertinent to the observance of (Continued on Page 2.)

We're Bound to Lose; It's Outlived Its Day

Bemoans Librarian

Supply of Books Exceeds Housing Capacity by 24 Times.

Dr. R. A. Miller has gathered a number of facts and figures on the University library, which he directs, demonstrating the inadequacy of the plant to serve its function as one of the main factors in college education.

Founded in 1895, the library was designed to serve 1,332 people, including full time and part time students. The comparable figure for the present time, obtained from the Registrar's office, is 11,525. The number of persons demanding library services has increased nine times.

Books Spread for Blocks. The stock of books has grown from 14,000 to 330,000. Librarian Miller indicated that since the number of books is now 24 times larger than the proper library housing capacity, numerous unfit storage places have been brought into use.

There are now 23 collections of library books in 10 different buildings which should be brought back under one roof. These collections ranging in distance from the library, from a block and half to Social Sciences to a quarter (Continued on Page 4.)

Miller States Basis For New Library Plea

Librarian R. A. Miller gives salient reasons for the need of a new library:

1. "Our most serious disadvantage is in storage. It takes from ten minutes to half an hour to procure books located in distant basement storage rooms and in many cases we have to send persons desiring books to these various places on the campus.
2. We have no working space for research workers, faculty members and graduate students.
3. There is no general reading room containing a selection of about 30,000 books where students can read and study in comfort. The reading room in the new Union building will not meet this need because it is to be primarily recreational and its capacity will be limited.
4. We are unable to handle documents, a valuable part of any library, because of a lack of space.
5. We are at a complete loss to know what to do with new books. We are pushing books that are in constant use off the shelves and into old holes in order to make room for new books we must have.

Sagging Beams, Leaky Roof Threaten Damage to Priceless Books.

BY ED MURRAY.

The university library may hold out for another winter.

Librarian R. A. Miller stated yesterday, "I face the coming winter with severe trepidation, I expect to lose no matter what kind of winter we have. The engineers that examined the building last year declared too much weight on the roof or any of the upper floors would incur definite danger. The legislators who rejected the ten year building program for the university last spring indicated that no precipitation means no gravity for the university."

NO SNOW, NO BUILDING MUCH SNOW, NO BUILDING Miller summarized, "I'm in an avalanche of freshmen down here building; too much snow, too much weight, no building."

An inspection tour of Nebraska's main library plant with the librarian, who replaced Gilbert Doane last semester, revealed possibilities of danger, besides the un-

WEB MILLS NAMED NEW BUSINESS HEAD TO SUCCEED MARTZ

Latter Resigned Because of Surplus of Other Activities.

Web Mills was elected business manager of the Kismet Klub to fill the resignation of Bob M...

Each Klub member was assigned to one group presenting an act for the fall revue which will be given one week from Saturday morning at the Stuart theater. The following is a list of the assignments made:

- Alpha Chi Omega—Thorston Phelps.
- Alpha Phi—Robert Gannon.
- Delta Delta Delta—Robert Wadham.
- Delta Gamma—Webb Mills.
- Gamma Phi Beta—Winfield Elias.
- Alpha Tau Omega—Don Boehm.
- Sigma Chi—Stanley Brewster.
- Nu Nu—Howard Kaplan.
- Pi Kappa Alpha—Zeta Beta Tau—Frank Johnson.
- Chi Phi—Paul Wagner.
- Beta Sigma Psi—Joe Stephens.
- Alpha Sigma Phi—Bob Martz.
- Chi Omega—Donald Moss.
- Sigma Alpha Mu—Phil Southwick.

Don Boehm submitted an idea for presentation of the Nebraska Sweetheart which was approved by the Klub at the meeting. Although its nature has not been revealed, the Klub promises that it will be novel as well as attractive. There will be a meeting of all workers for the Klub this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

CORNHUSKER DRIVE TO END NEXT WEEK

Business Manager Extends Time on Year Book Purchases.

The 1938 Cornhusker drive will continue for another week according to Cornhusker business manager, Howard Lynch.

This is due to the fact that many students receive their allowances at the first of every month. Every student is thus given ample time and consideration in purchasing his book for \$4.25. After the Tassel sale the price will be \$5 and no \$1 down payments can be made.

If each student had a conception of what will appear in the Cornhusker and the value that he would receive from it in future years, every one would purchase according to Lynch. The greatest care is being given to every section of the book in order to make it letter perfect and the most interesting of its kind.

Teachers Begin Session Tonight

Three-Day Annual Convention Brings Will Durant, General Smedley Butler to Coliseum On Thursday, Friday Nights.

The first session of the 1937 Teachers' convention will get under way this evening at the Cornhusker hotel in the form of a dinner and general assembly. Activities, which include speeches from nationally-known General Smedley D. Butler and Will Durant will start in earnest tomorrow morning.

Entered Service at Sixteen.

General Smedley D. Butler is scheduled to speak in the coliseum at 7:30 Friday evening. General Butler is now retired from the marine corps, leaving the point of service in 1931. Joining the corps when he was sixteen years old, General Butler has been awarded two medals of honor for bravery on the field of action. Among his many contributions to civil life is the organization of the admirable police force in Philadelphia. Only recently General Butler wrote one of the non-fiction best sellers entitled "War Is a Racket."

Durant Interesting Speaker. Appearing as the highlight of Thursday evening's schedule will be Will Durant, philosopher and author. Durant's address will also be in the coliseum at 7:30. Both addresses will probably be carried (Continued on Page 2.)

No One Big Enough to Kick America Into War-Col. Oury

R.O.T.C. Commandant Gives United States Sea Power Army Man's Viewpoint Of Defense. Maneuvers in Pacific Waters Today.

By Fred Harms. "This nation will never go to war again unless it is kicked in, and right now I can't see anyone big enough to do the booting." Thus did Col. W. H. Oury give his



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Anchors aweigh. Today America's "first line of defense" stages war maneuvers in the Pacific as the biggest part of a national observance of Navy Day. Battleships, destroyers, super-destroyers, aircraft carriers, and plane squadrons play, today, at the old, old game of war.

"This nation will never go to war again unless it is kicked in, and right now I can't see anyone big enough to do the booting," says Colonel Oury, the campus' closest connection with the war department.

Bare the headlines in the daily newspapers: "Mussolini Seeks Spain to Round Out Mediterranean Empire—says Lloyd George;" "Britain Doubles Armament Appropriation;" "U. S. Marine Killed by Japanese Bomb;" "Roosevelt Scores Foreign 'Aggressors' in Chicago Talk;" "International Complications Seen as Japanese Bomb Settlement;" "U. S. May Enforce Sanctions to Protect Interests in Orient."

Why a Navy Day? World League says we must be prepared to defend our shores against invasion. Protection against invasion requires a good navy, a drilled navy, a united public sentiment. Navy Day is a precaution for peace.

Why a Navy Day? World presents pacifist magazine, presents another answer: "October (Continued on Page 4).