



CHIPS

By Brus Kamul

How about a nice little examination? Come now, surely you can stand one more. It won't hurt a bit, you have nothing to lose, and you don't need to review. Sounds like an ideal exam, doesn't it? And to make it more enjoyable and a positive pleasure to take, we will even include the answers to the questions.

First, to clear things up a bit, we might explain just why we are taking up the subject of exams again. Everyone seemed to regard exams as hard to take as castor oil during the past two weeks and consequently we have taken a jigger of pity, a portion of mercy, and a handful of good intentions, mixed them with a few verbs and come out with the ideal examination for college students. It is the type of examination which we have always wanted to take (Faculty please note and file for future reference). The first thing thrown into the discard were a number of troublesome little words and phrases such as "describe fully," "explain," "relate in detail," "explain explicitly" and "discuss." Take away those words from behind a question and the exam is cut in half. For the other half, we propose some such questions as the following with answers immediately appended. Besides making it easier for students, this type of exam will do away with the evil practices of cribbing, rubber-necking, and old-fashioned cheating. The subject matter of the following exemplary quiz will relate to the university and university customs.

Q. Why is the school year divided into semesters?
A. So that the students will have to take twice as many tests and have twice as good a chance to flunk than if the school year were a 36 week semester.

Q. Why does everybody have to fill out cards at registration time that ask for their religious preferences and if they belong to a church or not?
A. So that statistics will be available to show how evil or how good students are.

Q. Are these statistics reliable?
A. No. In fact, if all the students who wrote down that they belonged to a certain religious denomination really belonged, there would be more Christians than Democrats.

Q. Why does the university sprinkle fertilizer over the mall annually?
A. So the grass will grow thicker so students with heads thicker than the grass can walk across the mall and kill it so the university can hire men to sprinkle fertilizer over the mall so that, etc.

Q. Why do people throw pennies on the floor at basketball games?
A. So that righteous people can wax rhetorically indignant.

Q. Is this custom of any financial benefit to the penny-pitcher?
A. It can be. He can include it in his income tax returns, if a salaried man; in his expense account, if he is a salesman; or in pleas for an allowance, if a student.

Q. How does a professor's attitude towards his students differ between the student's freshman year and his senior year?
A. The freshman is told he is a member of the highest stratum of society and the senior is told that a day laborer has at least a ten year's head start on him in regard to practical experience and working knowledge.

Q. Why do college joes snore pipes?
A. So as to form a common ground for conversation when the topic of dates begins to tire.

Q. Is an activities man possessor of a higher I. Q. than a P. B. K.
A. No, but don't tell him that. Don't tell the P. B. K. that, either. He knows it all ready.

Q. What has this course done for you this semester?
A. It has given me a headache and a reputation as an aspirin-borrower.

FORMER STUDENT BEGINS RESEARCH IN WASHINGTON

Dr. B. A. Botkin Continues Studies in Library of Congress.

Dr. B. A. Botkin, who received his Ph. D. degree in English here and who was formerly an instructor in the department, is now doing research at the Library of Congress in Washington, D. C. Dr. Botkin's doctor's dissertation, "The American Play Party Song," was published by the university a year ago. He is continuing his work in this field at the congressional library.

In the past several months Dr. Botkin has been unusually busy writing, reviewing books and addressing various literary gatherings. He has been appointed to serve on the newly formed writing committee of the English teachers council, was declared winner of the Julius Rosenwald fellowship, addressed the American writing congress and the creative writing section of the national council of teachers of English convention at Buffalo, and has published his latest poem, "Highway West," which appears in the Southwest Poets group in the New Republic.

THE WEATHER.

Now should be the order of day according to the weatherman, with temperatures not so low as yesterday.

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DOROTHY FISHER ADDRESSES 69TH CHARTER CONVO

Author, Former N. U. Coed Features on Program February 15.

The university's 69th birthday party to be held in the coliseum on Feb. 15, will highlight Mrs. Dorothy Canfield Fisher, who will present the principal address at the program and again at the dinner to be held that evening in the University club. Mrs. Fisher, one of the country's best known authors and now a resident of Arlington, Va., is a former Nebraskan and was in her earlier years a student in the university's preparatory school. Possessed of a name which figures prominently in university history, as her father, James H. Canfield, served as chancellor from 1891 until 1895, Mrs. Fisher studied music in the school of fine arts and was also registered in the university's preparatory school during the period from 1891 to 1894.

Known to the world over as the author of "The Bent Twig," "The Brimming Cup," "Her Son's Wife" and "Bonfire," her works on a variety of subjects have been widely translated and read. A member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters, she has also served as a member of the Vermont state board of education for a number of years.

PHI SIGMA IOTA ACCEPTS LOCAL CHARTER PETITION

National President to Install Language Fraternity Here This Month.

Phi Sigma Iota, national romance language fraternity, to which the Nebraska fraternity has applied for a charter, has sent word to Mr. John Hammond, corresponding secretary of the Nebraska group, that its petition for a charter has been accepted. Installation of the chapter will take place sometime during this month. The Nebraska group is hoping that Dr. H. W. Church, national president of Phi Sigma Iota, will be able to officiate at the installation.

Exam Aftermath Ends In Poetical Outbursts

Writer Advises Startling Words, Trick Endings For Would-Be Poets.

BY JOHN STUART.
It ain't no sin
To jump out of your skin
And dance around in your bones.
Now that the worrying and cramming is all over and a new semester is started, everyone feels like a new person. That feeling of satisfaction is usually expressed by going on a "bender." Others burst into song and still others into poetry.

Everyone sometime during his life wants to write poetry. After a few unsuccessful tries, they give up. But there's really nothing to it. There's a little trick to writing poetry, but it isn't hard. The real secret is to be original. Never repeat the age old verse:

But my folks don't know it.
Have a trick ending. That always fools them, especially if it starts out in a way which is familiar to all, as:

Roses are red, violets are blue,
Sugar is sweet, and tomorrow
The rent falls due.

Next Christmas when folks feel jolly and gay and begin to quote Christmas poetry you can startle them with a little stanza that has a quirk in the ending like this:

'Twas the night before Christmas
And all through the joint
Not a creature was stirring
And that's all I've found.

Perhaps you are the nature lover type and like to describe the smell of fresh hay, the beautiful sunset, and the freshness after a rain. Even a surprise ending to the description of nature adds zest, as:

The thunder rolled
The clouds were big
The lightning flashed,
And hit a pig.

Sometime during your life you are going to be called upon to give a speech and you won't know what to say. It gives a feeling of satisfaction to have a verse at call which is appropriate at all times, like:

The American eagle soared aloft,
But the rest of my piece is torn off.

Characterizing people is sometimes hard. The secret is to pick out the most distinctive trait. Now Popeye is a famous man and he

Found: Formula for Ideas

Author William Seabrook Finds Creative Thinking Class 'Damned Exciting'

BY BARBARA ROSEWATER.

Because Prof. R. P. Crawford's creative thinking course contained "possible dynamite," William Seabrook, noted adventurer, explorer, and author, traveled from New York last week to be present at the first meeting of the class held yesterday. Seabrook has been commissioned by a national magazine to write a series of articles on Professor Crawford's theory of the triplicate equation.

"Back East we got excited about Crawford's presentation of a concrete mechanical technique of creative thinking," Seabrook declared, "since nine-tenths of the accredited psychologists hold that thinking is precisely the one thing in the world that can't be taught."

Few 'Thinking' Courses.
According to the visiting author, little is being done in universities toward teaching people to think originally. The course at Nebraska is the only one of its kind, he believes.

While students, reporters, and townspeople jammed the crowded classroom, Professor Crawford manipulated green blackboards, red apples, black roses, and the dollar sign to present a highly simplified explanation of his triplicate equation. The professor explained that he

was plunging the class, for the benefit of Mr. Seabrook, into more complex problems than were usually approached before later in the semester.



WM. B. SEABROOK.

Heretofore it has been demonstrated that you can look back at new ideas as the product of association. (Continued on Page 3.)

Y.W.C.A. TO INSTALL NEW CABINET HEADS AT VESPER SERVICES

Muriel White Names Staff Of 21 to Supervise 'Y' Activities.

Newly appointed members of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet as announced by President Muriel White, will assume duties following official installation at vesper Feb. 8.

Heading the cabinet are the officers, Miss White, Frances Boldman, Mary Jo Henn, Veima Ekwall, Helen Christenson, president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and Ag campus president, respectively.

Marian Beardsley will head Bible study, a new staff with Dr. C. H. Patterson as adult leader. Dorothy Glenn is chairman of comparative religions; Frances Boldman, creative leisure, and Josephine Rubnitz, finance.

Supervising freshman commissions will be Eleanor Eiche, while Barbara Meyer will lead the international relations staff. Loraine Elmborg and Maxine Lake will

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GRADUATES TO FILE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS DURING FEBRUARY

Announcements of Grants Ready in Avery Hall, Room 202, Now.

Announcements concerning fellowships, scholarships, and graduate assistantships in the following colleges and universities are available in the graduate office, Avery Laboratory 202.

According to a statement issued by Fred W. Upson, dean of the graduate school, applications for most of the awards should be made before March 1, 1938.

Following is the list of schools offering awards:
American-Scandinavian Foundation.
University of Besancon, Brown University, Bryn Mawr College, University of California, Catholic University of America, Christ's College, Cambridge.

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MUSIC SERIES OPENS WITH SENIOR RECITAL

Richardson Dougall Sings in First Convocation Wednesday at 4.

School of Music opens its second semester series of convocations Wednesday at 4 o'clock with a senior recital by Richardson Dougall, baritone. Dougall is studying under Miss Alma Wagner. The program which he will sing is as follows:

Durante, Danza, Danza Fanciulla Gentle,
Rosa, Star Vicino,
Mozart, Non Più Andrai, from Le Nozze di Figaro.

Gibbons, The Silver Swan.
Purcell, I Attempt from Love's Sickness to Fly, from "The Indian Queen."
Handel, Arm, Arm, Ye Brave, from "Judas Maccabeus."
Debussy, Romance.
Massenet, Ouvre Tes Yeux Bleu.

Wolf, Und willest du deinen Liebsten Garten sehen.
Wolf, Der Störchen.
Strauss, Breit über mein Haupt dein schwarzes Haar.
Strauss, Zueignung.
Charles, When I Have Sung My Songs.
Gershwin, I Got Plenty of Nuttin' from "Porgy and Bess."
Quilter, Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal.
La Forge, Hills.

NEBRASKAN AWGWAN STAFF HEADS



From Pastor. Charles Tanton, Today's Daily Nebraskan, the first issue of the second semester, marks the first time in 15 years that a coed has edited the student daily. Editor is Helen Pascoe. Fremont junior, who succeeds J. Edward Murray, Bruce Campbell, Richard McGinnis, Lead, S. D. The daily's business manager is Charles Tanton, Denver, Managing editors of the Daily Nebraskan are Morris Lipp, North Platte, and Howard Kaplan, Omaha. Bruce Campbell, Lincoln, was re-appointed editor of the Awgwan, campus monthly humor publication, and Richard McGinnis, Humboldt, has taken over as business manager for the second semester.

REGENTS APPOINT FRANK TO TEACH ON FRENCH STAFF

Newly Appointed Instructor Graduate of Columbia University.

Joseph Frank, graduate of Columbia university and the Columbia graduate school, has been named by the board of regents to a position on the romance language staff. Altho he is only 22 years old, Mr. Frank has already taught at DeWitt Clinton high school in New York City and at a boys' summer camp in New York, where he also acted as an advisor.

During the second semester, Mr. Frank will teach three classes in French II and IV. He will hold the rank of instructor. Mr. Frank has many accomplishments which merit his position. Attainment of membership in Phi Beta Kappa, being valedictorian of his senior class at Columbia, and the winning of the Green prize at Columbia in honor of his attaining the highest four year average in his class are a few of his accomplishments.

In addition he served as music editor of the Columbia Spectator and served on the staff of the Teachers College News there. He went thru university on a New York State Regent's scholarship, won a trip to France during his third year in school, and won two graduate scholarships at Columbia.

Colleague Papers Bear Multitude Of Odd Monikers

The search for a picturesque and unusual name for college newspapers is reflected in the 41 exchange newspapers which the Daily Nebraskan receives regularly. The Florida Flambeau, the Haymaker, The Syracuse Daily Orange, the Cow, the Kentucky Kernel, the Oregidger are outstanding names on the list. Florida women, resentful that their state does not allow co-education at the state university and forces them to go to the Florida State college for women, put the Flames with their Beaus on their paper masthead.

The Nebraskan mail includes four papers from California, three of these from Los Angeles, three from Colorado, Oklahoma and Nebraska. Altogether 21 states are on the exchange; Illinois, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Florida, Oklahoma, Texas, Kentucky, California, Utah, Oregon, Washington are some of them.

The Dartmouth boasts that it is the oldest college newspaper in America. The Minnesota Daily claims that it is the "World's Largest College Newspaper" and the Daily Texan of Austin, asserts that it is the first college daily in the south. The Utah Chronicle represents the Mormons and the Register the Catholics of "39 great southern Nebraska counties."

GREGORY TO ADDRESS VESPERS AT 5 TODAY

Freshman Advisor Will Talk On Individual Behavior In Ellen Smith Hall.

With "Are You Normal" as his topic, Dr. W. S. Gregory of the psychology department will address Vespers this afternoon at 5 p. m. in Ellen Smith hall.

As part of his talk Dr. Gregory will discuss such questions as what makes people snobs, why some people rationalize while others do not, what factors cause inferiority complexes, and the social mechanisms that make people normal.

Leading devotions will be Francis Marshall, outgoing chairman of the Vesper staff. Vee Louise Marshall will present vocal solos. Benice Nellemann, pianist, will play the prelude.

New women students are especially invited to attend weekly Vesper services. Anyone interested may attend.

N. U. Graduates 175 as Semester Activities Open

Kenneth Van Sant Takes Over as Union Director



Kenneth Van Sant.

Managing director of Nebraska's Student Union, which is being rushed to completion, Kenneth Van Sant takes over his duties today as head of the student center. The former university student, chosen for the post by the Union board of managers, will make a short tour of neighboring Student Unions as one of his first duties.

INCOMPLETE DEBATE SCHEDULE INCLUDES 5 OUT-STATE MEETS

Labor Issues, Unicameral Legislation Subjects On Forensic List.

An uncompleted debate schedule for the semester was announced yesterday by Prof. H. A. White, university debate coach. The three questions which will be debated are "Resolved, that the national labor relations board should be empowered to enforce arbitration of all industrial disputes"; "Resolved, that various states should adopt some plan for a unicameral legislature"; and "Resolved, that American labor should be organized into unions as advocated by the C. I. O."

In addition to the schedule definitely decided, debates are being arranged with the University of

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Midyear Class Gets Diplomas At First Term's Close; Five Win Ph. D.'s

For some 6,000 students, yesterday marked the beginning of a new semester—four and a half months of more or less concentrated effort under new professors, working on different courses, in new surroundings and with a fresh set of classmates.

But to 175 young men and young women who were registered in this institution during the past semester, yesterday was just another day, for they composed the midyear graduating class. With no ado, no fanfare, only the invitation to take part in the June commencement exercises, the members of this group, showing a substantial increase over the 142 graduates of a year ago, received their degrees, five of them Ph. D.'s, as the semester drew to a close.

Get Ph. D. Degrees.

To Julia A. Power, Bruce M. Raymond, James E. Loder, William E. Noyce and Mildred R. Whiting were granted Ph. D.'s. Miss Power, majoring in English literature, conducted a study of the writer, Shelley; Mr. Raymond, an American history major, wrote a dissertation on Nebraska's constitution; Mr. Loder, majoring in educational psychology and measurements, was concerned with the learning and retention abilities as demonstrated by more than 400 eighth grade students; Mr. Noyce, a major in organic chemistry, presented a thesis on "The Action of Barium Hydroxide on Certain Sugar Acids," and Miss Whiting, a secondary education major, developed her thesis around the general theme of the use of art in the teaching of other subjects in secondary schools.

Twenty-six students were granted master's degrees. The list of graduates:

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University's Concert Band Postpones Date Of Program to Feb. 13

Due to the fact that new music was not available in time and the university's concert band was not completely organized until recently, the concert of the group, previously scheduled for Jan. 30 in the coliseum, has been postponed until Sunday, Feb. 13.

The university band under the direction of Don A. Lentz is adding to its repertoire so that an entirely new program will be presented when the ensemble makes its appearance.

Awgwan Issue Takes Pot Shot at 'Rag'

Humor Magazine Satirizes Campus Daily, Reveals Stork Sex Secrets.

BY BARBARA MEYER.

Miss 1938, surrounded by admiring swains, makes her bow on the blue and white cover of the January 1938 Awgwan.

Turning the gaudy cover, the featured page is a feeble representation of the Daily Nebraskan. This flashy replica of the campus leading publication features a would-be take-off of the eminent columnist, Sarah Louise Meyer, Merrill Englund and Johnny Howell, while the "print the facts correctly" policy of the Daily Nebraskan is also shamefully betrayed.

Reveals Stork Secrets.

"The Sex-Life of a Stork" is the second featured article, and Tom Roamer, world correspondent for the Awgwan, the author of the article in conjunction with Samuel S. "Call Me Stumpy" Stork, an expert stork interpreter, reveal the hitherto untold secrets of how the Dionne quintuplets were delivered by way of the airplanes to their astonished parents. Stumpy could not answer, however, where baby storks come from. It is hoped that a sequel will follow in which an explanation will be given.

The camera visits the Tasty Pastry Shop with cameraman George Rosen at the shutter, and on this page of candid shots, you may find your best friend about to take that last bite, or smiling coyly into the not so candid camera.

Awgwan Copies "Life."

"Stuff About People" includes the latest gore about gals and fellows on the campus, and adopts

Poultry Science Club To Meet Tomorrow

The Poultry Science club will hold a business meeting at the Poultry Husbandry building, room 205, Ag college campus, Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. according to an announcement yesterday. Business taken up at the meeting will include the election of new members and a discussion of plans for a mixer.

ing the policy of the "Life" magazine, a column entitled "Awgwan Goes to a Party" gives the details of a typical Phi Rho party.

Rounding out the copy of the Awgwan is a new book review article by Abernathy Willoughby Poyndextross, III, a book review about some Russians in Rome, and an abundance of the inevitable jokes.

Nebraska Grads Reaching Fame In Chinese War

BY MARY STEUTEVILLE.

News reports from China featured three former Nebraskans last week while the students of their alma mater were engrossed with semester examinations. One's name was telegraphed across the Pacific for his work with the United Press photo service in Shanghai, another became known by an article in Collier's on Chinese conditions, and one reached fame because of a face-slapping incident that caused great international alarm.

John Moore Allison, the American third secretary at Nanking, who, several days ago, in an attempt to investigate the assault of a Chinese woman employed in a Nanking university, had his face slapped by a Japanese military officer, was graduated from here in 1927. The action of the Japanese soldier brought loud protest from all American quarters in China and Ambassador Grew at Tokyo was instructed by Secretary of State Hull to take the matter up with the Japanese government.

The Japanese version of the incident was entirely different. The military officer stated that Allison and the other American in the affair had insulted him.

Johnston Snipes, who attended the university last year, has been in Shanghai several months working for the United Press photo service and the NEA. The other Nebraskan making a name for himself in China is G. Laselle Gilman, editor of the Evening Post and Mercury, and the China Press of Shanghai. A recent number of Collier's magazine contained a story by him.