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### Getting Your Money's Worth

We think it's a good investment. We think it's a very good investment. We sat down and covered all the available scratch paper with facts and figures, wore down several pencils and our one eraser—and it all added up to the same thing. The one lone dollar or \$1.50 that summer students are putting into the Student Union is about to pay more dividends than any other dollar or \$1.50 we've seen invested for some time.

In the first place we veterans of other summers are remembering vividly that beaten-down feeling that a combination of anatomy labs and 90 degrees in the shade can bring. And so this summer we're really going to lounge in the lounging room and browse in the browsing library. In fact, we'd like to register for a course in Georgian architecture, with the Union building for a laboratory, or for a series of field trips through its rooms.

Do you swim? Play tennis?

Like to dance? Kenneth Van Sant, social director, is almost in a position to say, "Name it. We have it." Golf, tennis, baseball, chess, ping pong, bridge, music concerts, lectures, dances, movies—they're all on the books for the summer recreation program. Students are asked to fill out the questionnaires on activities preference, so the whole program, tournaments and all, can get under way.

A Student Union sales talk? No, we feel that students have already been sold on the Union idea—at any rate they've already paid their \$1.00 or \$1.50. We are inviting them now to cash in on the investment. Or, as Prof. T. V. Smith, "The water of Student Union activities is fine. Come on in!"  
M. D. C.

The world's largest animal, baluchitherium, is now on display in the University of Nebraska museum. Not the whole animal, but an artist's restoration of baluchitherium is exhibited on the first floor.

The behemoth's bones were discovered in Baluchistan, central Asia, several years ago by the central Asiatic expedition of the American Museum of Natural History. The University of Nebraska museum has just received a cast of the animal which gives an indication of how this pre-historic monster compared in size with a man. The cast shows that a six foot man reaches only slightly above the giant's knee. Baluchitherium towers 17 feet 9 inches at the shoulder.



On the international front tension eased during the past week. England's rebuff to Hitler quieted that gentleman down to the extent that his Czechoslovakian ambitions have been stilled for the moment. An English crisis might provoke a more aggressive stand to the southeast by Hitler however as occurred when a French cabinet crisis allowed him to march his troops across the Austrian border and peacefully annex that small defenseless nation to the reich.

In China a Japanese air raid on Canton snuffed out 2,000 lives. This is about one-third the regular enrollment in the University of Nebraska. American and English official protests have been sent to Japan over these repeated raids, but evidently the Japanese feel that they are far enough away from these two powers and strong enough in their own sphere that such protests are mere words. It has become a reality today.

### Student Pulse

#### Our Treeless Desert

I had always thought a Student Impulse on the subject of our treeless campus would be absurd. There must be a law against it, or the place would be full of trees.

Come Maytime of every school year the "old campus" becomes a scene of natural beauty. Common talk. But it is not the beauty of the old buildings enhanced with age. The dusty old brickpiles are not that sort of structure. It's the trees. The "new campus" is nearly an eyesore by comparison. Maybe it is intended as a symbol of a prairie state. If so it's a helluvanidea.

Seriously, I have a theory. Make money by planting trees and saving grass. Suppose you have a 10 o'clock in Pharmacy, and an 11 o'clock in Morrill. With grim pioneer determination you shun the walks and steer straight for Morrill. That is, if there are no trees. With trees the trackless (?) desert disappears, and you amble along the walks.

Why not make the good old pasture beautiful, and do it cheaply. Nebraska boasts no really

beautiful set of buildings, but any building is beautiful amidst a plentitude of trees. What about Pharmacy? Think of the money spent each year to encourage grass on the Mall and the Quadrangle, only to suffer defeat in the annual anti-grass-and-pacifist campaign of the R. O. T. C. Anyway think of the disappointment to thousands of earnest horses and cows.

What say, Nebraskan? Stir it up. After all the spray of printers' ink on campus issues why not dig up the answer to this one. Do we have to keep a sacred desert between the Temple and the Coliseum?  
J. H. W.

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