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## THE GROWING PARADOX

The old Nebraska paradox appears coincidentally in the state's newspapers today. At the same time that the University registrar releases figures for second semester enlarged enrollment, Governor Cochran has suggested that the legislature reduce, if possible, the already reduced budget.

It would be fortunate under such a situation if the old American dollars were manufactured of rubber instead of hard, solid silver. In the last few years it has been difficult for

## **63 attend Newman** communion breakfast

The Newman club had a communion breakfast Sunday morning in the Union. Sixty-three members were present.

Officers for the next two semesters will be Bob Sullivan, president; Rose Betty Rickerson, vicepresident; Al Little, secretary; Francis Koehnke, treasurer, and Anita Koehnke, social chairman.

Dr. George W. Rosenlof, professor of secondary education, gave the dedicatory address for the new Auburn high school recently.



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authorities to make the small appropriations stretch sufficiently to provide adequate facilities for a steadily increasing student body.

That today's figures denote even a larger increase than those of last year, should serve as a sharp stimulant to the new educational planning board. Where scarce dollars have made high type instruction difficult before, even greater scarcity tends to point toward an impossibility for such in the future.

No contradiction is there in that as long as more and more students join the registration lines and the university's purchasing power decreases, the quality of that higher education for which the newcomers aspire is bound to drop. But it is not the university that suffers the most. Its position is inconsequental, when compared with the future welfare of the state as a whole.

When speaking of reductions in the budget as a possibility to offsetting the state deficit, Governor Cochran declared:

"Let's stick to our objective."

That sentence could have been uttered by most any statesman in regard to most any question, perhaps by one of Nebraska's pioneers in 1869 when the university was founded. There can be no doubt as to what his "objective" must have been. It was more than just a crop, more than just a home; it was a glorious future-one of progress and enlightenment, a place for youth.

But as the years go by, and altho the words may remain the same, the thoughts they conjure up become radically different. The "objective" mentioned today refers to no dreams of tomorrow, but rather of existant. economic distress. Nebraska policy forbids criticism of such objectives.

But equally strongly does Nebraska policy request criticism of wasteful and inefficient utilization of the resources it does find available. Somewhere along the line the pioneer's objectives have become sidetracked into the conception that quantitative and not qualitative education is the path to progress. Here is where criticism lies.

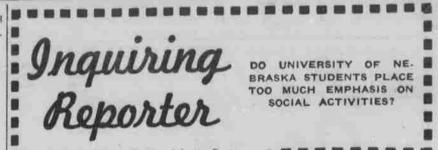
Not in blind slashing, but in intelligent revising of unnecessary and costly duplications in the state's higher educational system, can the paradox dissolve itself into a plan, and the problem into a system.



members of the college file back into the Sistine chapel. There, over the seat of each cardinal rises a canopy, but that over the chair of the newly selected pope remains uplifted.

The cardinal dean asks the new pope for the name which he will assume, and the pope then goes to a sacristy to divest himself of the garb of the cardinals and to don his new papal vestments. Following this robing, and other traditional ceremonies, the fisherman's ring, (symbolic of St. Peter who was a fisherman) is placed upon his finger.

One of the interesting stories surrounding the election of the pope is the burning of the ballots. If the pope has not been chosen a handful of damp straw is added and the ballots burned, and a dark smoke rises above the chapel chimneys. If, on the other hand, the election of the pope has been completed, the bal-lots are burned as they are, and a white smoke rising tells the public waiting outside that the Pope has been elected. His name, however, is not known to the public until announced by the cardinal herald. Because of the political strife current in the world today, and the battle of democratic and totalitarian ideologies, the election of the pope is fraught with political importance and consequence. No other one individual so commands the attention of the world's people, wields such power for peace, as does the pope. Rich and poor, high and low, Christian and non-Christian all look to Rome for the answer, Several interesting stories have come to light in the discussions over the current papal selection. One of these was related by Cardinal Gibbons who, in speaking on the papal infallibility, announced that the pope had referred to him as "Jibbons." Another story sur-rounds the burial of Pius XI. His body, intact, will be placed in a tomb which he himself chose within St. Peter's cathedral. Of the other deceased popes, the vital organs of some 29 of them were first removed and placed in small urns in one of the smaller Roman churches, before the bodies were laid to rest in crypts in St. Peter's. If it is not sacriligeous to paraphrase, "The Pope is dead, long live



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1939

## Chris Peterson

With the current formal season nearly at an end, the old cry that intellectual gains are just a by-product of university life and that social life is the prime interest of the average student, makes its annual appearance on the campus.

Is there really too much emphasis placed on social activi-

## Union dance tomorrow

to begin at 5, not 4:30 Wednesday's matinee dance in the ballroom has been scheduled for 5:00 instead of the usual 4:30 at the request of the faculty committee on student organization.

### HOUSING

(Continued from Page 1.) 2. There are six areas in the city in which the larger portion of the worst housing is concen-

trated. 3. A housing project would benefit employment and the building supply industry as well as facilitate city planning and

beautification, in addition to making low cost housing possible.

Poor housing areas.

The six areas mentioned above are defined as: 1. S to Vine, 19th to 22nd

streets. 2. Fair to Leighton, 30th to

33rd. 3. Harrison south to Peni-

tentiary, 8th to 17th.

4. Potter north to railroad, 21st to 25th.

5. Belmont, 7th to 14th, Salt Creek to Superior street.

6. West side of 20th, N to M A number of minority conclusions, signed by Prof. Witte, were also presented in the report. Included were the following:

Some of the worst housing is that scattered about the university, especially in the room ing house areas.

There is considerable substandard housing in Lincoln which is unsatisfactory for human occupancy and much of which is beyond reasonable repair.

There are slum areas in Lincoln comparable to the worst conditions which may be found anywhere ,altho any given area is small in extent.

The city has an obligation to aid in providing decent dwellings for persons unable to afford them, to protect the entire city against the development of run down areas which are a menace economically, morally and socially.

ties? With over 6,000 students in school, can and does the social program of the university provide too much, enough, or not enough recreation? Does social activity detract too much from regular studies? These are but a few of

problem of university social life. On the other hand, does a person's social life do him more good than any one course offered in the university? After all, he will make contacts, meet people, learn how to enjoy himself, and most of all, help him develop his personality.

the questions connected with this

Perhaps the answers of the following students who are affiliated or unaffiliated will help answer a few of the questions,

Tom Philips-Affiliated.

"I believe that there is too much emphasis placed on social activities on this campus. A person comes here primarily for intellectual benefit. In a good many cases, the social life completely supplants the original purpose. Our present social life sets up a barrier that even such institutions as the Student Union can't break down. I'm sure that you will agree with me that there isn't a general co-operation and good feeling among the affiliates and the unaffiliates of the campus. This is brought about primarily by our social set-up." ,

#### Dorothy Faulkner-Unaffiliated.

"I think that the average student's study and social schedule is well balanced under our present set-up. I do believe that such a thing as this proposed night club would be going a little bit too far, however.

#### Louise Bignell-Affiliated.

"I don't think that social life is played up too much on our campus, The recreation and change. from regular school life is beneficial."

### Dick Vance-Unaffiliated,

I base my statement entirely upon the student conversations that I have heard. You will always find social life dominating their conversations and it is very seldom that you hear anything about studies."

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## Sigma Eta Chi holds open house tonight

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Sigma Eta Chi will have open house this evening in the Union. The program will feature a talk on friendship by Rev. C. F. Brost of together tonight at 7 Lincoln. Also on the program are Mrs. Hatnett, whistler; Doris Ver-

non, pianist; Alice Sohl, who will tell the history of the organization After the meeting, refreshments will be served.

# Methodist groups meet

Kappa Phi, Methodist sorority and Phi Tau Theta, Methodist fraternity will hold a joint meeting tonight at 7 o'clock in parlors X and Y of the Union. Werner Buch, exchange student from Berlin, Germany will be guest speaker,

Special music will be furnished by Ada Charlotte Miller; and Lu-cille Marker and Elmer Glenn will lead devotions.



Facts in the majority report justify a public housing experiment in the city.

Housing authority recommended. The four members of the committee who sat at the last few meetings recommended that the city council, among other things:

1. Create a housing authority.

2. Direct the authority to ap-ply for reservation of federal funds.

3. Determine feasibility of a housing project for Lincoln.

Easy financing available. Financing of a housing project could be made under the generous terms of the Federal Housing act which allows the United States housing authority to loan 90 per cent of total cost at 3 per cent interest for 60 years.

A minority discussion signed by Fred N. Wells and H. J. Theobald says. "... it is quite obvious to the most casual observer that for a city of 86,000, Lincoln is markedly free from any so-called 'slum district.' We doubt if there is another city of comparable size in the United States which has so few dwellings listed as 'untenantable'."

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