

Just to be safe . . .

Strong is the hope of the American people that we will not again become involved in a European war. Not so strong, judging by standard public opinion polls, is the faith that we will be able to keep neutral. A very considerable segment of the population believes that we would eventually go to the aid of the European democracies if they were forced to wage war against the dictatorships—at least, if the war went on for some length of time and the dictatorships seemed to have the advantage.

And so the United States is in the act of preparing herself for any emergency—and this preparedness does not only involve the largest military expenditures in our peacetime history. Also involved is a plan for "M Day" (mobilization day), prepared largely by military officials, which, on the outbreak of hostilities, would have an immediate and drastic effect on every individual and every business in the land.

Heart of the plan, of course, is a detailed procedure for conscripting manpower—the war and navy department heads probably will remember the confusion that followed our entry into the last war, and we are determined that it shall not be repeated. Every man within the age limits would have to be ready to enter government service, in a military or other capacity, on call—the selection being made by a sort of lottery system. Unmarried young men, in good health, will naturally be conscripted first. That's us.

Industry will be mobilized with equal completeness. A war resources administration will be given gigantic authority in regulating prices, labor, trade and the procurement of supplies. Industry believed helpful to war will be encouraged and aided in expansion. Those believed not essential will be discouraged—perhaps forced out of business. Some industries will be taken over and operated by the government. Under any cir-

cumstances, industry, commerce and trade will be 100 percent controlled by government—as in dictatorship countries.

But this isn't all there is to the problem—some officials believe that efficient warfare demands giving the executive branch of the government undreamed of dictatorial powers. The president, if they have their way, would be given rigid control over the radio and the press. Free speech and free press, if he so desired, could be virtually abolished—all in the name of the national interest. Any individual right which those in command thought inimical to the successful prosecution of war could be abrogated by presidential decree.

The point of view of those who plan such unprecedented legislation is clear. They are principally military men. They are greatly concerned with what goes with fighting. They are little concerned with democratic theories. Any war we might become involved in will be against dictatorships—where one-man government makes possible a high degree of mechanical efficiency and speed of action. Therefore, they argue, we must operate on the same firm basis—we must fight dictatorship with the methods used by dictatorship. They would give up democracy to save it.

Of course, "government-by-decree" would last, theoretically, only as long as the emergency. But, as many point out, an emergency is what the man at the top makes it—it could last indefinitely. Some say that, for this reason, Roosevelt will run for his third term.

Congress must endorse these or any other laws before they can go into effect. It is doubtful if a peacetime congress would consent to abrogating democratic liberties. But in the hysterical air of a real emergency, congress might be stampeded into doing almost anything. And that has a great many thoughtful people seriously worried these days. They'll soon know.

Freshmen - - -

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Since that day, however, the business of education has become increasingly more genuine."

Education, he said, is something more than book learning. The complete program includes the proper development of personality, health and social learning. To accomplish the entire program satisfactorily, students were urged to work and play hard, but to play intelligently.

Part of university family.

"This is not merely a great day for you in starting a new experience," Chancellor Boucher summed up. "It is also a great day for the university, for you are now being admitted into the great University of Nebraska family. You will forever be known as Nebraska graduates, and for that reason you are under obligation to that family."

The freshman convocation gave new students their first opportunity to meet the faculty, administrative officials, student workers, and the educational program of the university. Dr. E. S. Fullbrook, professor of marketing, presided. Robert Waugh of Omaha, president of the student council, welcomed the new group, and songs were led by W. G. Tempel, with Frank Cunkle at the organ. Following the general program, students and members of the faculty adjourned for college convocations.

Awgwan plans freshman issue

September magazine has 'directory' theme

The initial issue of the Awgwan, dedicated to the freshman, will appear late in September. The theme of the book will be a "Directory," suited to assist the new freshman in his struggles with complications of his university life. Editor Betty Roach promises "it will be full of helpful hints for helpless frosh."

All students interested in writing features, gore, society, or even poetry are invited to come to the Awgwan offices in the basement of the Student Union. The staff will welcome any prospective talent with good ideas on how to make a humor magazine humorous. According to Editor Roach, "We like to see new faces around the office, so come in and see if you can't write something funny."

Scrap Irony

Chris Peterson

Today's government is what you might call ultra-involved. Even the farmer is caught in its meshes.

I know a farmer near Blair who has so many loans and affiliations with the government that he has to use a political pull to milk the cows.

Some say that the way in which our government is run is provocative to strikes. Well, I don't know. Strike and the world strikes with you. Work and you work alone.

Of course you can't say Roosevelt isn't smart. Hereafter he's having these WPA artists do their murals in institutions for the blind.

United State's biggest concern over Hitler's reclaiming antics is that they will give the Indians ideas. It would be rather complicated if the red boys should decide that they would want the country back.

The average person doesn't know much about our government and its doings. Talking with someone the other day about the League of Nations... this fellow thought that it was a good thing that we never joined because there were so many foreigners in it.

Well, there is one thing that we can be sure of. All of us work for the government. The trick is getting paid for it.

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SCHOLASTIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

University Requirements Quoted from the General Catalog

"A student who is not enrolled as a regular student in the University or who is not satisfactorily carrying at least twelve hours may not act as a departmental assistant or represent the University on any team, board, or club, on the staff of any college publication, or in any other University organization; moreover, a student who has not satisfactorily completed twenty-seven hours in residence during the previous two semesters in which he was registered is debarred from representing the University in any capacity. One summer session may be used to meet the twenty-seven hour requirement provided it immediately precedes or follows the second semester. Furthermore, it shall be understood that correspondence extension courses cannot be counted, except when such courses are taken to remove a condition or a failure, and then only upon the consent of the instructor of the course in which the condition or failure occurred. A student who fails to pass in twelve hours at the end of a semester is debarred from representing the University in any capacity the semester following. In case a student in any of the above named student enterprises fails, any semester, to carry satisfactorily the work or any part thereof for which he is registered, the Scholarship Committee may at its discretion lessen the hours of such student's registration. The credit hours of any subject added to a student's original semester registration after four weeks of class work may not be used in meeting the eligibility requirement."

The following is a summary of the minimum eligibility requirements for a student's participation in extracurricular activities:

1. Be carrying at least 12 hours satisfactorily at the time of participation.
2. Be credited with at least 12 hours for the last semester that he was registered in the University preceding participation.
3. Be credited with at least 27 hours for the last two semesters that he was registered in the University preceding participation.

The chart below shows the possible combinations of credit hours by which a student may fulfill the eligibility requirements.

| POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS | A B C D E F G | | | | | | | Hours in good standing Credit hours earned |
|--|---------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|
| | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | |
| Your present semester, must be carrying at least | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | hours earned |
| Your preceding semester, must have at least | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | hours earned |
| Your second preceding semester, must have at least | 15 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 9 | hours earned |
| Your two preceding semesters, must have at least | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 27 | Total credit hours earned |

- Summer School and Extension Courses.
1. One term of summer school work may be counted to fulfill the 27-hour requirement, provided that the summer term precedes or follows the student's preceding semester.
 2. Night classes conducted by the Extension Department are considered as part of the regular University work and may count toward all credit hour requirements.
 3. Correspondence courses conducted by the Extension Department may not be used to fulfill the eligibility requirement, except when such courses are taken to remove an incomplete, condition, or failure, and then only upon the consent of the instructor of the subject in question.

Additional Eligibility Requirements for Competition on Varsity Athletic Teams.

RESIDENCE, PARTICIPATION, AND REGISTRATION.

1. A student must be regularly registered, having met the entrance requirements.
2. A student must complete one full year (two regular semesters) residence in the University of Nebraska before participation.
3. A semester of residence is defined as any semester in which the student has registered in the University and has completed in athletics, or has continued his registration beyond the fourth week of the semester.
4. Matriculation in another University or College will nullify previous residence in the University of Nebraska, and another year of residence is required. (Note: Matriculation in another institution for summer school work does not nullify previous residence.)
5. Only three years in the aggregate of participation are permitted. The time of matriculation in the University, first or second semester, not the time of first participation, determines the beginning and the end of the participation period.
6. Should a student complete his registration or add to his registration after the semester has been in progress four full weeks, such late registration may not be counted to fulfill the 12-hour requirement for the student's present semester.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

1. The first year of participation in a Junior College shall not count, unless such participation was against a team whose institution offers more than two years of collegiate work, when all years of participation shall count and be deducted from the three year's total participation in the University.
 2. Each year of participation in a Senior College shall count, and be deducted from three year's total participation in the University. (Strictly freshman participation in a Senior College does not count.)
- (Additional questions concerning varsity participation will be answered at the office of the Dean of Student Affairs.)

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