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AND NOW . . .

Gussie Wonders

...ABOUT IT ALL

Editorial Note: Gussie, who seems to be our ever-present influence around this office, who admits that he came from the "sticks" four years ago and unassumingly believes that he's been "polished off" by "exposure to higher education," is back. Although he has raised some pretty controversial problems at times and has been generally ridiculed, he occasionally has a good thought. Today, Gussie writes:

I guess most college guys, and some young women with career complexes, are like my Uncle Sheer who got hit by the drouth six years in a row and yet lived on "hope." Uncle Sheer went on year after year with "high expectations". He thought nature would take care of itself and finally give him a living. Us college fans do about the same thing—come to school, go one year, look forward to the next, and so on until the fourth year comes.

Then what? Well, during our four years we always knew we would have to get out and get a job someday, but when the fourth year rolls around and you start looking outside the academic walls, you get kinda scared. You begin to think you've been too near the forest to see the trees.

I'll bet my Uncle Sheer's 180 acres of dust against a professor's salary that there's a lot of guys hanging around here their fifth and sixth years 'cause they're afraid to get out. They've got a lot of false ideas about there being easy money if they just wait and watch for it, and about the theory that the more education the higher the salary. Course I guess there's a lot of them who are here just hanging around, having a good time, looking for a husband—or a wife, by George—or just getting away from home for the experience of it all. We shouldn't be much interested in them. Just let them do what they want to.

What I really started out to say was that this sickening feeling of facing the world of industry for a job hit me over the vacation. So I went out to look for something. By Jove, people have some funny ideas about college educations. Kinda floored me. From the ones I saw, they don't think much of it.

"Just remember, kid, those who can—do; those who can't—teach." That was from a pretty big man in this country who was hanging around the oil fields in Falls City.

I hit a lot of pessimists but the biggest one lived in Omaha. Says he: "Brother, you're wasting a lot of time in college. What are you getting out of it?"

"Well," I said, "a college education develops a personal culture—sort of an art of the appreciation of life—the higher and finer things."

"Is that worth four of the best years of your life?"

Trying to be tactful in my defense 'cause I knew he wanted to tell me I wasn't prepared for anything, I came forth with this: "You get the formation of social contacts—you know—prospective professional man meets the future business executive in a fraternity at college. It improves clientele and increases customers to have friends from college days."

"You can get that in junior chambers of commerce and political and civic organizations in several months," he retorted.

"Well, college does prepare engineers, accountants, lawyers, physicians, and the like," I said.

"Nope, it's the college of hard knocks and experience for me, although I am a college man. Tell me why these private training schools are taking more college graduates every year."

I'm saying that there's a lot of people who have to be convinced about this stew college education has put on the fire. And whether they're serious or not, most of them, I guess, would like to grab your degree out of your hand just to take you off the collegiate high-horse.

News Roundup By Davis, Loos, Mahnken

THE WAR IN THE FAR NORTH

According to all reports the Russians are continuing to suffer heavy losses in their war on the Finns. The Finns claim to have destroyed or captured 400 Russian tanks and to have shot down 150 planes in the first month of the war. The Russians have lost many thousands of men (20,000 at Suomus-salmi alone) as well. The Finns report that Russian prisoners declared their troops were badly equipped, freezing and hungry, and that only one Russian soldier in ten was trained in the use of modern military equipment.

So, it seems that not only did the Russians choose a very unpropitious time of year—the dead of winter in an arctic land—to attack Finland, but that they profited little from their experiences during the World war and continue to send untrained and ill-equipped soldiers to the front, expecting them to win battles. It thus appears that the quality of Russian military intelligence is still lamentably poor, which fact should bring a feeling of relief to the allies and probably the Germans as well. For I doubt that Germany will place many obstacles in the way of Great Britain should she choose to give material aid to Finland.

The fate of the Russians against Finland, a small country with a well-equipped army, leads one to conclude that: (1) The myth of Russian military might is completely exploded; (2) had Poland any appreciable amount of artillery, airplanes and anti-aircraft guns, Germany's success against that country might have been very much less startling; (3) offensive fighting on the part of one modern force secured behind a well-fortified position against a similar force equally well-fortified would be so costly in personnel and equipment that neither Germany nor the allies will take the offensive on the western front without a great deal of hesitation and then only as a result of compelling circumstances.

MURPHY TO THE BENCH, JACKSON TO THE CABINET.

President Roosevelt today sent the appointment of two prominent New Dealers to high government posts to the senate for confirmation. For some time this action had been anticipated by officials and leading newshawks, hence brought little surprise to Capitol hill. Frank Murphy has long been looked upon as a likely successor to the late Justice of the Supreme Court Pierce Butler. Likewise it has been predicted by those in the know that Solicitor General Robert H. Jackson would be moved up to supplant him in the cabinet.

That these nominations will be quickly approved is also preordained. Therefore, that such a cut and dried and premeditated selection should have political significance is not obvious, but the expected reactions as a result of this move may have great bearing on the political footnotes of 1940.

In the first place, Murphy has been the champion of many liberal democrats for the vice-presidential nomination in 1940 with Roosevelt as his running mate. His appointment to a permanent and secure government post like the Supreme Court would seem to dispel the idea that he is a possible candidate for an elective position next year, one that might necessitate relinquishing his present position. Furthermore, rumor has had it that Murphy has been the white hope of Michigan democrats to defeat Vandenberg next year. His latest appointment leaves them without any outstanding candidate to oppose the Senator.

In the second place, rumors have already started that Jackson has become the latest favorite of the President and that his new position will give him the opportunity for the much needed publicity for a presidential nominee. These rumors presume that the attorney-generalship is a stepping-stone to greatness. On all of these matters, however, the president has maintained a discreet silence. Perhaps he is considering whom he will appoint when another vacancy occurs on the high bench.

Collegiana . . .



NOT BAD FOR RAINY DAYS!

ALL CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK BUILDINGS ARE CONNECTED BY TUNNELS . . .

WHEN GEORGE WILD, JR. ENTERED THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA, HIS WHOLE FAMILY ACCOMPANIED HIM AND ENROLLED TOO!

NOW ALL ARE STUDYING FOR DEGREES!

TED UNDERHILL SNAPPED A PICTURE OF THE KING AND QUEEN LAST SUMMER AND SOLD MORE THAN 20,000 PRINTS OF IT. THE MONEY FINANCED HIS ENTIRE YEAR AT THE U. OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA OFFICIAL BULLETIN

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- SYMPHONY PROGRAMS. Parlor C of the Union will be open Sunday at 2 p. m. to students wishing to hear the Sunday afternoon symphony broadcasts. Y. M. C. A. The university Y. M. C. A. Bible discussion classes will meet today at 12 noon in the lower floor of former museum. EXTENSION SCHOOL Friday. Ballroom 8:30 a. m.-12 noon. Ag Extension school Ballroom 1:30-2:30 p. m. Ag Extension school XYZ 12 noon. Extension service luncheon XYZ 2:30-5 p. m. Extension school

warded the suggestion that there be one day between the termination of actual class instructions and the beginning of semester examinations?

It is generally recognized that a period of pre-exam "boning" is an actual necessity for the majority of the students in order that their academic banners may not be dragged in the mire of low scholasticism.

...if recounting of the Honorary Colonel ballots has been forgotten? Well, so it goes...the faculty is always right. Fear of expulsion or other forms of punitive measures intimidate the student until he becomes a veritable yes-man.

...what has happened to the TNE's? It has been quite some time since the skull and cross-bones have graced the windows of the Theta house and the Kappa front porch.

...if the Interfraternity council realizes that they do not have it in their power to abolish the political rally? That power rests entirely in the hands of the Student Council. Of course the Interfrat council can prohibit the various houses from participating actively in a rally by means of a fine, but what is to prevent the individual Greek man from participation? ...why they don't serve napkins with food in the Union Corn Crib anymore? Economy? —The Thinker.

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Come to Church

- Sunday, Jan. 8 First Baptist 14th and K Clifton H. Wainwright, Minister 9:45 A. M.—Roger Williams Class for College Age Group. 11:00 A. M.—"A Church Vision for 1940." 7:00 P. M.—Mr. Charles Olson, "The Achievements of the Scandinavian People." First Plymouth Congregational 29th and D Raymond A. McConnell, Minister 11:00 A. M.—"Christ, Portrait of Spirit." 6:00 P. M.—Youth Supper. 7:00 P. M.—Sunday Evening Club. Professor Ralph Detell. University Episcopal 13th and R Rev. L. W. McMullan, Priest in Charge 8:30 A. M.—Holy Communion. 11:00 A. M.—Choral Eucharist and Sermon. First Presbyterian 17th and F Dr. Edmund F. Miller, Minister 9:40 A. M.—Bible Class for College Age Groups. K. O. Broady. 11:00 A. M.—"There is No God?" 6:00 P. M.—"Six Months in Europe Before and After the War." 7:00 P. M.—D. B. Marti Open Forum on Christian Citizenship. Westminster Presbyterian Sheridan and South M. V. Ogge, Minister 11:00 A. M.—"Alone With God." 6:00 P. M.—Fellowship Supper. 6:40 P. M.—Discussion. Rabbi J. J. Ogie, "We Compare Notes." 7:30 P. M.—Evening Worship. "Haul: The Mighty Fallen."

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Pulse To the Editor: I've just been wondering...why we, represented by the Student Council, tolerate the immobility and inactivity of that body as shown by yesterday's attendance record—14 were present—21 were not? If the Council is worthy of existence as the voice of the students, it should act, but since it reflects the attitude of the student body in general, it remains in a lethargy. Looking over the attendance record of the Council for a few years back, I found, not to my surprise, that the average attendance record was around 23. ...why the university administrators do not act upon the suggestion of one zealous student at the DAILY gripe session who for-