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Editorially Speaking

There Is Life in the Old Girl Yet!

Today the DAILY commemorates the 71st birthday of the University with a special issue in which we look not only back at this institution's notable past but also forward to a promising and hopeful future.

On Feb. 15, 1869, the state legislature awarded the University a charter, and on Sept. 7, 1871, the new school opened its doors—the doors of University hall which was then an imposing three story building topped by a central tower. Six professors, headed by Chancellor A. R. Benton, were on hand, to welcome the initial enrollment of 20 students including five freshmen, two sophomores, one junior, and 12 "unclassified." Until a protecting fence was put up, neighborhood cows of the prairie hamlet of Lincoln were wont to graze contentedly about the campus, and the beautiful big trees, which now still keep the old campus the most beautiful section of the University's expanded grounds, then were just making their straggly start.

In 1886 a second building appeared, the present Pharmacy hall, and over a period of 71 years the University has grown to its present enrollment of some 7,000 students housed in 63 buildings on three campuses covering more than 400 acres. Today Nebraska has 52,000 alumni to wonder just what they may expect of their University in the years to come.

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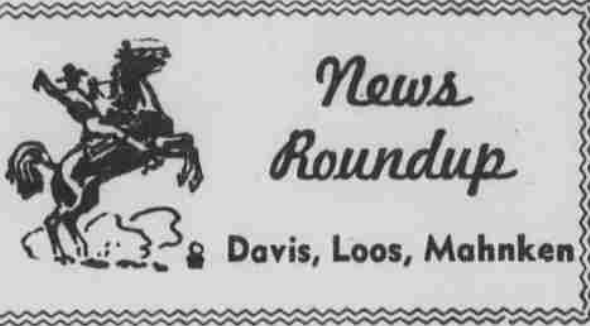
"There is life in Alma Mater," in the New Alumnus magazine, and believing in her continued growth in the future, we like to imagine in our mind just how she may look to some one wandering over the campus a not-too-far distant year. Driving up Thirteenth street from downtown Lincoln, our proxy is struck by a magnificent new library with miles of bookshelves and comfortable reading facilities, and dozens of private cubicles where one can study and do research work in complete comfort and convenience. To the left is good old Sosh, and to the right the never-fading beauty of Ellen Smith hall. Teachers college now is supplemented by a large new training school.

At the west end of the mall stands a huge, pillared engineering building which houses the activities formerly carried on in Mechanical Arts and Electrical Engineering halls, now razed. Decapitated Nebraska and University halls are also gone, as is Former Museum. The military department is housed in a new armory to the east of the coliseum, while modern languages and geography are in a new building back of Bessey hall. Pharmacy hall with its giant rats and miscellaneous vermin is now housed in the old Library building which is quite adequate for use now that the weight of over-stocked books is removed.

THE TWO MALLS

Around which the campus buildings are grouped are now beautifully landscaped with shrubs, lily ponds, reflecting pools, and benches where one can sit on a lazy spring afternoon. A number of students are seen wearily entering an imposing new building just east of Fourteenth street which we learn is the new Infirmary. Here they receive courteous and efficient health service, and are presently discharged healthy and even happy.

A New Fine Arts building, a large and comfortable auditorium, an adequately equipped theater for the University Players productions are just a few other improvements which make life so pleas-



HOOVER FOR PRESIDENT?

The opening gun of what may develop into a Hoover-for-President movement was started last night in Omaha with a Lincoln day address by the former chief executive. Altho there was no mention made by Hoover that he was out for the nomination of the Republican party, the applause that greeted his condemnation of New Deal policies as regarding unemployment and economic ills led many a careful observer to admit that it might be better to sink with Hoover than try and swim with someone else. Judging from the coldly analytical approach to the present day problems which Hoover used, it is not at all certain that the Republicans would be snowed under in 1940 with him as their leading candidate.

DEMOCRATIC "GOOD POINTS."

Hoover stressed the fact that the Republicans should embrace the "good points" of the Democratic administration and thank their opponents for what "little advancement has been made in the last eight years." But, he continued, there is one prime factor that is essential to a recovery from the economic chaos of 1940, a change in viewpoint on the part of the electorate. This change can only come from a complete change in executive personnel.

This change of viewpoint should be from one of desperation, giant spending, pessimism and recognition of the fact that unemployment is here to stay to a position of optimism, faith in the government and its solvency, freedom of jobs rather than the freedom of the dole.

OLD LAISSEZ-FAIRE THEORY.

The speech as a whole embraced the laissez-faire theory of government, which, if it had been adopted in 1933 "would have gotten us out of this depression by 1935." Big Business can only go ahead when it has orders from the people to do so. Jobs come only from Big Business in one of its many branches. Therefore, Hoover urged, the people must be convinced that they can invest safely, that the interference of the government will no longer continue to keep things in a state of flux, and that security can come today instead of always being around the corner. Retrenchment of government activity, peace in world relations and encouragement of the feeling of the security of the national government are the easiest means of bringing about prosperity.

The former president concluded his remarks by pointing out that business is better today than it was a year ago because Roosevelt is more interested in foreign affairs than previously and is letting the internal conditions remedy themselves. In his estimation, Roosevelt is just eight years behind. If he had done this before, the United States would have emerged from the depression as England did, four years ago.

ant at the University in this year to come. Not at all slighted are School of Journalism students who have a new building which contains not only adequate classroom space, but also a complete publishing plant where all University publications are printed. The area east of Fourteenth street has been cleared of old houses, and is now filled with dormitories, cooperative houses, small resident units, and fraternity and sorority houses—all in a spacious, park-like setting. The Chancellor has a new home near the campus and there is a little colony of faculty residences too.

Less conspicuous but none the less important additions to the University's set-up are a number of endowed professorships and lecturers of distinguished record. The Agricultural college campus has also profited by a new Home Economics buildings, a Library, and other improvements dear to the hearts of Ag students.

As our visitor stands in awe of all this magnificence, the sound of carillon bells rings out across the lush new campus calling students from their last classes for the week. These privileged souls stream home to prepare for a gala week-end ball where they will dance to the music of the day's equivalent of Glenn Miller (whom 'hey have secured at very reasonable cost thru the campus' central booking agency). There is no particular rush on the part of the students since the ball will not start until 10 o'clock, allowing them plenty of time to dress and dine beforehand. The music will last until 1 a. m. after which there will be leisurely refreshments with all good coeds in by 2.

"WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL!"

Exclaims the visitor and buttonholes a couple of students in order that he may express his admiration to them, and incidentally reminisce about the good old days back in 1940 when—things—were—different.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA OFFICIAL BULLETIN

This bulletin is for the use of campus organizations, students and faculty members. Announcements of meetings or other notices for the bulletin may be submitted at the NEBRASKAN office by 5 p. m. the day before publication or at the registrar's office by 4 p. m. on week-days and 11 a. m. on Saturday. Notices must be typed or legibly written and signed by someone with the authority to have the notice published. The bulletin will appear daily, except Monday and Saturday, on page two of the NEBRASKAN.

COED COUNSELORS.

All Coed Counselors selling tickets in sorority houses are to turn in their money today from 4:30 to 5:30 to Ruth Grosvenor at Ellen Smith hall.

PI LAMBDA THETA.

February meeting of Pi Lambda Theta will be held in Parlor A of the Union today at 7 p. m. Theme of the discussion will be "Literature for Recreation."

Poultry Science club will hold a meeting in Poultry Husbandry hall today at 7 p. m.

GAME LEADERSHIP CLUB.

The Game Leadership club will hold a valentine party today in room 303 of Ag hall from 7 to 8 p. m.

PHOTOGRAPHY FORUM.

Dwight Kirsch will conduct a photography forum in the Union in Parlor C today at 4 p. m. Students are invited to bring their photographs to be analyzed.

TRAVEL FILM.

There will be a free travel film hour featuring pictures of South America, Alaska, and Hawaii, today at 7:30 p. m., in Parlor C of the Union.

MATINEE DANCE.

A matinee dance will be held Wednesday in Parlor C of the Union.

NATIONAL TEACHER EXAMINATIONS. Dean Hennik requests that all seniors and graduate students interested in the National Teacher Examinations, to be given next month, meet in Social Sciences auditorium today at 4 p. m.

CORNHUSKER PHOTOS.

Students who have taken photos of campus activities have been asked to bring them to the Cornhusker office.

PI TAU SIGMA.

Pi Tau Sigma, honorary mechanical engineering fraternity, will meet at 5 p. m. today in Mechanical Engineering 204.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

St. Paul church's Epworth League and Sunday school classes will hold a Valentine party Friday at 7:30 p. m. Harold Miller will direct the games and entertainment.

LUTHERAN BIBLE CLASS.

Lutheran students will meet with Rev. H. Erck for the regular session of Gamma Delta Bible class at 5 p. m. tomorrow. The class will meet in room 203 of Temple.

DANCING LESSONS.

Ball room dancing lessons for both boys and girls will be held at Ag College in the Student Activities Building, Friday, Feb. 16, from 5 p. m. to 6 p. m. Seventy-five cents will be charged for six lessons.

"FINAFORE."

Gilbert and Sullivan's "Finafore" will be played on the request program of the Carnegie Music Set Friday at 4 p. m. in the faculty lounge of the Union.

UNION DANCE.

Dance with Earl Hill and his orchestra in the Union ballroom at 9 p. m. Friday night. The admission is 10c per person.

SOAP CARVING CLASS.

Students may try their hand at soap carving Thursday at 5 p. m. in room 215 of the Union. There will be free instruction and materials.

ORCHESTRAS.

Orchestra, modern dance society, will meet today at 7:00 p. m. in Grant Memorial hall. Members who have not turned in their tickets for the Hanya Holm performance are asked to do so tonight.

ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA.

Alpha Lambda Delta active members will meet tomorrow at 5:00 in Ellen Smith.

Nebraska's movie boy holds contest

"Criterion," literary magazine of Pomona college, announced yesterday a one-act play contest, sponsored by Nebraska's glamor boy of the movies, Robert Taylor. The contest is open to all college students, and manuscripts will be looked over by Mr. Taylor for movie and radio adaptability. First prize, offered by Mr. Taylor, is \$50. There are also prizes of \$25, \$15 and twelve merchandise prizes.

Plays submitted may be tragedy, comedy, drama, satire, farce, or folk plays, in either prose or verse. Playing time should be between twenty-five and forty-five minutes.

Only the name of the play should appear on the manuscript, and the author's name should appear only on the entry blank to be secured from the "Criterion."

Each play submitted must be accompanied by an entrance fee of one dollar. Each contestant will receive a critique of his play and a copy of Criterion, which will contain the best plays submitted. Deadline for entry is April 15.

String ensemble gives Sunday concert in Union

The University string ensemble, conducted by Emanuel Wishnow, will play selections by composers of the eighteenth century on its program in the Union ballroom Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m.

The program: "Air in G String," by Bach, and "Orchestra Quartet in F Major," by Stamitz. Marcella Conforto, Margaret Porter, Henry Brabinsky, and James Price, violinists, will play Vivaldi's "Concerto for Four Solo Violins in D Major." They will be accompanied by Marian Perry, pianist. The ensemble will also play "Concerto for Organ and Strings" by Handel, assisted by Jean Knorr and Eileen Engberg, organists.

Kirsch conducts forum for photographers at 4

Mr. Dwight Kirsch, head of the Fine Arts department and instructor in photography, will conduct a forum on photography in Parlor C of the Union today at 4 p. m. Mr. Kirsch will discuss the requisites of good photography and illustrate his discussion with examples. Any student who is interested in photography is invited to attend and to bring pictures to be analyzed.

All plays should be addressed to Criterion Editors, Pomona College, Claremont, California.

Advertisement for Broadway Melody of 1940 featuring Fred Astaire and Eleanor Powell at The Lincoln. Includes text: 'Starts TODAY!', 'They Were Born To Dance Together!', 'Fred ASTAIRE Eleanor POWELL in "BROADWAY MELODY OF 1940"', 'George MURPHY - Frank MORGAN - Iva HUNTER Florence RICE - Lynne CARVER', 'The NEW LINCOLN', 'Always A Seat For 25¢'.