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To The Editor

A reply to 'the cynical, skeptical, supercilious'

1912 Ave. B, Lincoln, Nebraska

The Daily Nebraskan Lincoln, Nebraska Editors:

I just arrived home from Lincoln this morning and my wife handed me a copy of the DAILY NEBRASKAN of March 5th, with red penciled marks about a certain article on page four. Its headline is this: "Economist, candidate . . . Claims he has panacea for world's ills in simple form".

If the person concerned as the subject of this article is a stickler for anything it is for accuracy—not a bad hobby, don't you think?

"Mr. Hunt, a candidate for state senate from Scottsbluff"—Please, where did the reporter get that? On the folder it was stated, "R. S. HUNT FOR CONGRESS, Scottsbluff, Nebraska". Even this was a pretext, permissible or not, for getting this "panacea" before the public which surely needs something to mitigate the state of economic and social affairs as they exist at this time. Do you agree? Then the motive can't be far wrong, can it?

I am not quite sure that I discern a little of the cynical, the skeptical, the supercilious back of the exposition of this event before Professor Arndt's 203 economics class. You should learn that there are such things as paradoxes. Things which on the surface are true, but which upon deeper discernment are found untrue. It can't most always sometimes be told from a casual glance just what a thing is or is not. This "panacea" is just one of those things that it is not quite safe to judge too casually. Please recall that Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address was looked upon as being rapid, senseless twaddle by nearly all of the reporters and editors at the immediate time it was uttered. It is not so looked upon by us, is it? Then why the difference? Have the contents or sentiment of those words changed? . . . or have the minds of present people changed from having the same discernment as those of Nov. 19, 1863?

You note the ridicule of Mr. Babson. That stands for future vindication—not time or space here for it. Suffice it to say: There is what is analogous to a flat-economic earth; also a globular-economic earth. The flat conception is wrong and the globular right. Any premise built on the wrong basic conception is false to start with. No conclusion derived therefrom can be right whatever the quality of thinking.

Mr. Babson's premises are built upon the wrong flat-economic earth conception. Therefore any thinking from that wrong premise can't be right any more than any thinking from the old Ptolemaic flat-earth, or earth-the-center-of-the-solar-system conception could be right or relevant. We must get the Copernican round-earth economic conception before our straight economic thinking gets us anywhere . . . anywhere worth getting.

One more comment should be added. It is that Mr. Arndt was to attempt to explain the theory at his next regular class. With all respect to Mr. Arndt and all of the other faculty members of the University of Nebraska as well as Dr. Hutchins and Dr. Paul Douglas of the University of Chicago with whom exchanges have been made on the subject,

let it be said that they may not as yet have given sufficient study to this new conception to have acquired full understanding of it to the extent of adequate evaluation of it.

It is a historical fact that such minds as those of Tycho Brache, an eminent astronomer; Francis Bacon, Martin Luther never could comprehend the Copernican conception of the solar system. And how many scientists couldn't ever believe in the Evolutionary theory of Darwin and Wallace. Some minds petrify in a belief which cannot stand the light of logical thinking through. Too many people think, i. e., believe that that stage of intolerance has been passed but that is not so. The best current treatise on this subject as far as the writer is aware is by Alexis Carrel, pp. 39 to 41 of "Man, The Unknown." Another is Jas. Harvey Robinson's "Mind In The Making," the first or introductory chapter.

The writer trusts that this response to the article in the NEBRASKAN will be taken in the spirit in which it is sent. We are all seeking the same end—a better world in which to live.

The world is all right. What is wrong is what people have done with the human relations which are imperative to life and society. In this nation there are

- (1) Ample raw materials—natural resources, (2) Ample processing facilities, (3) Ample man power (brawn and brain) to produce all that all can use.

Only the brain has defaulted in the adjustment. Isn't that right? If we can produce, why can't we buy and use? We can. The writer has the formula, believe it or not. Your part, dear reader, now that it is declared possible, is to give your best honest effort to learn what that formula is and not condemn it until you have made sure that you do understand. Edmund Spencer says this: "There is a principle which is a bar to all information; a proof against all argument; and which can not fail to keep a mind in eternal ignorance; That principle is CONTEMPT prior to examination". Think the thing through, reader, think it through. You have a responsibility. The world owes you nothing more than you owe yourself. Pay yourself what you owe yourself and see if this doesn't become all the world you would have it. But it is up to the youth. The present generation now passing off the stage are leaving the oncoming generation a lemon squeezed dry and the rind is becoming plenty rotten.

But there are plenty new, fresh lemons coming on. Take them and throw the old away. You can do it if you have the stuff in you. When you do your stuff you will be cheered to the limit and you will enjoy every minute of the doing. Try it and see.

From a loyal alumnus and the best of wishers. Hail to the future of U. of N., Nebraska, and the U. S. A.

R. S. Hunt, '30.

Space limitations forced some cutting of Alumnus Hunt's lengthy letter.—ED.



HATCH BILL HOLDS THINGS UP

One of the most important measures of the present congress, the farm-appropriation bill is being sidetracked these days by the senate's continued discussion of the amendments to the Hatch bill. For almost a week the senate has been busying itself with the discussion of the present measures which would prohibit political activity on the part of state employees paid in part by federal funds.

Some opposition to the measure has sprung up, supported in part by those groups which hesitate to see the activities of state political machines limited by the passage of such a measure. Threats of a filibuster against the measure have been heard. Yesterday the senate voted against shelving the measure and taking up the farm bill. So it appears that the discussion will go on until the Hatch amendments can be disposed of, and the more important matter of farm appropriations are considered.

The farm appropriation bill promises to be one of the most important of the current session of congress. It will indicate the fate of the president's economy program. The greater share of the reductions in the budget for the next year have been made at the expense of the farmer. It is equally obvious that when the bill reaches the floor of the senate many of the reductions which have been made will be restored by the senators who are none too eager to reduce the appropriations for their farming constituencies in this election year. To their point of view not only the fate of the economy program is at stake but also the political future of the senators as well.

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.

TODAY

UNION CONVOY.

Lawrence M. Judd, former governor of Hawaii, will speak on "Hawaii, Pivot of the Pacific" in the Union ballroom at 11 a. m.

AIEE.

The American Institute of Electrical Engineers will meet at 7 p. m. in room 506 of Mechanical Engineering. Professor Weland will speak on "The Story of Steel." This meeting will be given over to sophomores. All sophomores are invited to attend.

PRESBYTERIAN STUDENTS.

Presbyterian students will meet in parlor X of the Union at noon.

AG ENGINEERS.

The American Society of Agricultural Engineers will meet in room 305 of the Union at 7:30 p. m.

GAMMA ALPHA CHI.

Members of Gamma Alpha Chi will meet in room 315 of the Union at 5 p. m.

MATINEE DANCE.

There will be a matinee dance in the Union ballroom at 5 p. m.

CORNCOBS.

All men who sold advertising for the basketball program must see Ed Doack immediately. Workers will check identification cards at the matinee dance this afternoon.

KOSMET KLUB.

Kosmet Klub workers will meet at 5

p. m. in the Klub office.

HOME EC ASSOCIATION.

The Home Economics association will meet at 6:45 p. m. in room 206 of the Home Economics building. Mrs. Roscoe Hill will speak. All Home Economics students are invited.

GIRLS RIFLE CLUB.

Girls rifle club will meet at the rifle range in Andrews basement at 5 p. m.

THURSDAY

RELIGIOUS WELFARE COUNCIL.

Members of the Religious Welfare Council will meet in parlors X and Y of the Union at noon.

SINFONIA.

Members of Sinfonia will meet in parlor Z of the Union at noon.

GAMMA LAMBDA.

Gamma Lambda will meet in room 315 of the Union at 5 p. m.

ALPHA KAPPA PSI.

Members of Alpha Kappa Psi will meet at 7 p. m. in room 315 of the Union.

SOAP CARVING CLASS.

Soap Carving class will meet at 4 p. m. in room 315 of the Union.

BARN CLUB.

The Barn club will convene at 7 p. m. All university men and women are invited.

Flying students take civil aeronautics exams

Students taking the pilot's flying course took civil aeronautic authorities examinations in civil air regulations, meteorology, and navigation last Saturday. Of the 40 regularly enrolled, 38 were present for the exam. The papers

were sent to Washington, D. C. and will be returned about April 1. In addition to the subjects already mentioned, the student pilots study theory of flight, history of aviation, aviation engines, instruments, and radio.

A slum clearance course has been added to the curriculum of the University of California.

Nomination Blank ALL-AMERICAN COLLEGE QUEEN CONTEST DAILY NEBRASKAN: I hereby nominate the following student, who is in good standing, as an entrant in the All-American College Queen contest and submit photograph for judging. Nominee's name Address Ht. Wt. Age Signed Address (Nomination blanks must be in DAILY Office not later than 5 p. m., March 13.)

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