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## The draft-remember?

Tomorrow, men between the ages of 21 and 35 will register under the provisions of the Selective Service act. Tomorrow, according to some persons, those men will be giving up an integral part of their freedom as it exists in this democracy. Tomorrow, according to other persons, those men who register will be doing their democratic duty by playing the first card in promoting the defense of this nation and its way of life.

According to the law, which was passed by a congress acting fully within its constitutional limits, deferred status will be given those college students who are not national guardsmen, and to men with dependents. According to the law, any registrant, not deferred, who tries to evade service if he is called will be subject to heavy fine and perhaps imprisonment.

Opponents of conscription argue, perhaps uselessly, that the volunteer system of enlistment should have been given a chance to function before any draft methods were passed. The answer that draft proponents give them is that the volunteer system still operates and leaves open the possibility that the draft will not include anywhere near the number of men planned on originally.

The rate of army and national guard enlistments during the summer and fall so far have made it appear that the first draft will contain only about 30 to 45% of the total scheduled.

When the argument settles and the smoke rises, the result seems to favor proponents, not that this writer insists that the draft method of raising an

army is the single method that we could use. He does think, however, that it is the best method under the circumstances.

There is serious doubt that a volunteer army would meet the expanding needs of our national defense, leaders in all parties agree that we need a greatly enlarged, a mighty fighting force that will be able to protect this country.

The fear of the draft seems to exist in the idea that it is a step toward war. In such a case, we are caught between two fires . . . we must defend ourselves at all costs; yet we must keep out of war, or at least keep out of a war to be fought on foreign soil. Conscription appeared to our national congress to be the plan to use. There seems to be not much reason for fighting this decision, because the law goes into effect tomorrow.

The evident distrust that many have for the president, for the congress, and for every public administrator in the country, federal, state, or local breeds an attitude, not of genuine interest, but of defiance and stubborn opposition, motivated only by a desire to criticize for the sake of criticizing, sheerly by an interest selfishly conceived.

Realizing that opinions in this column are personal, it is the sincere desire of this writer to have persons who differ to speak up.

But the fact remains that congress has seen fit to enact the conscription act, whether motivated by the feelings and wishes of the men who are its members or by the administrative heads who plan the legislation and carry the public trust. In times like these, there seems to be no time for quibbling and unnecessary argument that hinders and blocks the path to safety.

## Scrap Irony

By Chris Petersen

### COEDS OF NEBRASKA.

Sing ho of some hard working maidens. Sing ho of the lily maids of Nebrak. They scrub pots and pans, you know. But not one of them scrubs her neck.

And when they have their weekly date. The water runs from early to late. The last water sprays from jets. Icicles probably don't grow in hell, but that's how cold the water gets. O water, water everywhere and not a drop is warm. "How can we wash our necks in this?" the frenzied coeds storm.

Dinner conversation runs: "I've met a new man. He's a Gamma Kluck Landa." And everybody says, "How perfectly granda."

And when belagued paters inquire, "Why for this in its all?" From the coeds comes, "We cannot mend, we cannot cook. We may not balance rations. But father dear, you know we're getting liberal educations." And if father only knew—

They like their salads and their soups and mince pie a la moda. All this and more to be chased with bicarbonate of soda.

They all come from near and far to seek a amte. And to make things easier and handier, they in sororities do segregate.

They sometimes sleep, they walk, they talk, the coeds of Nebrak. They dance, and smoke, and talk til two, on politics, life and sex. Forgive them if in all the rush, they haven't time to wash their necks.

## Lincoln AAUW members give to war relief fund

Voting to collect contributions at every meeting to aid university women in England who are in need, the Lincoln branch of the American Association of University Women collected \$38 immediately on passage of the motion.

Dr. Esther Caullin, associate in international relations at AAUW headquarters, said none of the money would go into occupied territory. Before the rise of fascism, almost all European countries were represented in the International Federation of University Women, of which AAUW is a member.

## Holek receives copy of war book

Initiation of new members was the feature of the first regular meeting of the Home Economics association recently.

Members of the association board this year are Dee Schill, Dora Baisinger, Geraldine Fouts, Norma Jean Campbell, Helen Klath, Maxine Copey, Winifred White, Vivian Brown, Dorothy Prusia, Mary Elizabeth Gill, Melva Meierhenry, Eleanor Crawford, and Dorothy Mately.

## Fellowships honoring Abbott, noted alum, established

Honoring the late Grace Abbott, noted social worker and one time student at Nebraska, two fellowships will be awarded, one by the national board of Delta Gamma sorority and one by the University of Chicago.

Miss Abbott was a member of the Kappa chapter of Delta Gamma at Nebraska and was well known on this campus. Several years ago she was speaker at the annual honors convocation here. Later she became a worker at

Hull House, famous social center in Chicago and dean of the school of social service administration at the University of Chicago.

### Delta Gamma award.

The fellowship awarded by Delta Gamma sorority will be offered to a woman graduate of an American college or university who has had experience in public social work and who submits an approved plan for a year of professional study with the object of returning to public welfare service.

Members of the fellowship committee include Mrs. Arthur H. Vandenberg, Mrs. Ruth Bryan Rhode and Edith Abbott, Miss Abbott's sister, dean of the school of social service administration at the University of Chicago. This committee is working in cooperation with the American Association of University Women. Application blanks may be obtained after Dec. 1.

## Dear Editor:

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The university band is trying to please the public by offering diversified music. Contrary to the opinion of the uninformed, we played no swing and dance music during the entire Indiana game and thereby took none of the prestige away from Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey, Charles Barnet and company.

About playing Nebraska songs. We played "The Cornhusker," "Dear Old Nebraska U," "My Nebraska" and the "Chant." In fact, the only ones we didn't play were the "Fight Song" and "Hail Varsity." And this was because the parts are not yet obtainable.

After talking to a good many students, I am convinced that Barney Oldfield's article in The Sunday Journal and Star expresses the consensus of opinion much better than the DAILY NEBRASKAN. Dick Faytinger.

## Oldfather-

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tralia and New Zealand, forcing the people of these free countries into an economic slavery to Japan. "We in the United States could not stand by and see one nation forcefully control the lives of another people."

### Hawaii a menace

When asked about Japan's intentions in Hawaii he quoted a Japanese military writer who wrote a short time ago "that Hawaii is a menace to Japan and that relations between the United States and Japan cannot improve until the United States decides to take its fleet from the island."

"Xerxes, the great Persian general, tried to invade a democratic Greece and failed. Who knows what would have happened to the course of the world had this invasion been successful? We only know that the Greeks knew longer than 2,500 years ago that liberty was something worth while fighting for, and we have to realize that now."

## Schmidt talks at Schuyler

E. B. Schmidt, instructor in economics will speak before the Nebraska School Boards association at its district meeting in Schuyler Thursday evening. Mr. Schmidt discussed "Our Problems of Taxation" before the association's district meeting in Newman Grove last Wednesday.

## Bulletin

Sigma Delta Chi will meet today at 4:30 p. m. in the Awgwan office. All members are urged to be present for an important business session.

Barb Union will meet at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday in the Barb office, room 337 of the Union. All unaffiliated men are invited.

Lincoln Social club will meet Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. in the Barb office. Unaffiliated men whose home is in Lincoln are invited.

Sophomore and Junior AWS members will meet at 4:30 p. m. today in Ellen Smith hall to begin the 'N' stamp drive.

Home Ec association meeting, formerly scheduled for Wednesday will not be held until Thursday, Oct. 22, at 6:45 p. m.

League of Evangelical students

will meet in room 315 of the Union at 7:15 p. m. today.

Presbyterian Student Fellowship will hold a luncheon at noon tomorrow in the faculty dining room of the Union. A half-hour meeting will follow immediately in Parlor X. Guest speaker will be D. B. Marti. No reservation is necessary for the luncheon.

Pershing Rifles will meet in room 210, Nebraska hall at 5 p. m. today. Tryouts for non-commissioned officers will be held at that time, so it is essential that all actives and pledges be on hand correctly uniformed.

Social dancing class will be held today at 7:30 p. m. in the Union ballroom. Class is now open only to previous registrants.

Graduate students are invited to attend the Graduate coffee hour, Wednesday at 5 p. m. in the Union faculty lounge.

Students may obtain Union calendars of the year at the Union checkstand.

## Pan Hellenic offers awards covering tuition

All sorority women who are partially or totally employed should make application at Ellen Smith hall if they are interested in receiving a scholarship offered by the city Pan Hellenic council.

This scholarship is not available to freshmen women. Five or six are awarded each semester and cover the tuition for one semester. The awards will be made at a Pan Hellenic tea the first week in November.

Applications should be made at once.

Deadline for filings is tomorrow. A limited number of scholarships will be given although there will be more than last year.

## Conscription-

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Johnson, Carl E. Hoffman, Harold L. Sims, Nels M. Nelson Teachers College; 501 TC. J. M. Matzen, W. B. Johns. Student Union; Lobby.

Morning: Patricia Labr, Conrad Alene McArthur. Afternoon: Nadine Nims, K. F. Van Sant, Patricia Labr. Evening: Mrs. W. B. Romans, Mary McLaughlin.

Points of registration will be placed in various buildings on both campuses for the convenience of all men seeking to register. All registrants will go to the building or registration point most convenient to him. All will be kept open from 7 in the morning until 6 in the evening except that in the Student Union building registration will continue until 9 in the evening.

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