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Foolishness is not all foolishness!

A toast to a day of dreamers! To the day when our imaginations make that which we hope for or that which we fear, realities! By freeing our fancies we celebrate just such a day today. For this is April Fools.

Where it started nobody knows. So many centuries have elapsed since persons from Scotland to India began setting aside this day for trickery and fanciful pranks that historians are unable to explain its beginnings. They can only point out that it grew out of equinoctial festivities in Scotland and France and out of the annual Festival of Huli in India where the last day of festivities, March 31, was traditionally given over to laughter.

Much of the foolishness of the day however is really more than foolishness, representing the desires and fears that lie in the hearts of us all. It is because the jokes and funny stories have such real possibilities moreover that they are accepted so readily by the "gullibles" of the day. And that they are very real is shown furthermore by the fact that what the knave prophecies one day often becomes the reality of the next.

A year ago for instance we published an edition similar to the one today. And therein our fancies dwelt on stories humorous at the time because they appeared so impractical. And yet many of these stories not only were practical but have in the past year come true.

Half the front page of that paper announced

the acquisition of a new library by funds given to the university by a kind hearted donor. Students had dreamed of that library for so many years, it had become to them a standing joke. Yet that library now is a reality and it was made possible by a grant from a loyal Nebraska donor.

That edition furthermore forecast a world premiere in Lincoln, with Hollywood stars, bright lights and all that goes with it. Within the year Lincoln was host to such a show, the world premiere of Bess Streeter Aldrich's book.

And in that same issue, a story announced the installation of a new morgue in the DAILY offices. For years efforts had been made to get such a morgue, and the possibility of obtaining it then seemed rather remote. Yet such a morgue has been set up during the year and moreover a picture fund has been created to enlarge it.

Things which were figures of the imagination then are now facts. And no story appearing in today's issue is more fanciful than the above three, nor sounded more foolish than the story of a few years back that man could fly like a bird, or that Edison could light a whole city without candles.

As yesterday's fancies are today's facts, so today's dreams and fears may be the realities of tomorrow. Tho we don't necessarily hope all our stories will come true, we have given the imagination its freedom and have toasted once again the day of fools.

Weather

Much colder and snow is predicted for today the weatherman tells us. A blinding snowstorm is sweeping down from the Canadian Rockies and is predicted to reach here by this afternoon. Warmer weather is predicted for the end of the week.

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Violence hovers . . . Men demand removal of women players . . . from Klub cast

In a strike that threatens to call off the annual Kosmet Klub spring show "Torso del Torro" the male members of the cast chosen last week have protested against allowing women in the show.

This is alarming news to members of the Klub since the production is less than three weeks off. In an announcement last night Leo Cooksley, president of the Klub, said "It is unfortunate that the situation has come up, since we were attempting to try something which we thought would meet with campus approval."

Six male members of the cast who struck at the first rehearsal last night were Art Pearson, Carl Harnsberger, John Mason, Bob Gelwick, Max Whittacker and Ed Muir. Others soon joined in so that the whole male cast has refused to play the parts.

Point of contention, that of letting women in the show, Mason said, centered around the fact that the men could not do their best acting under the conditions which would arise if women were in the cast. Most of them seemed to feel that men playing women's parts lent a much more serious atmosphere to the show.

Armand Hunter, director of the show, was home in bed with a bad headache and could not be reached.

Guess what day this is! for a statement. His wife, however, told reporters that the shock had been too much for him and he was very upset.

Whether the show will go on as scheduled with women playing the mens parts is still undecided altho this seems to be about the only solution which is possible. Mary Adelaide Hansen, femine lead stated that if worse came to worse, she would play the part of the plantation owner which was to be played by Carl Harnsberger.

Benton describes Kansas City institute, advises art school

Thomas Benton, one of the foremost American artists, delighted a packed Union ballroom audience Sunday afternoon with his witty remarks and satirical thrusts. "If you wish to appreciate art merely to decorate your personality, buy a diamond instead," said Benton. "It costs more and makes a better show."

Benton teaches at the Art Institute of Kansas City. "We don't think artists at the institute good until they have been there five years," commented Benton, in an interview following the lecture. If they aren't making a living by that time there is not much we can do for them.

When asked about the possibility of starting an artist's group there, Benton said, "I am not anxious to start an artist's group.

I want them to go back where they came from and give what they have to their people."

Subject variety.

Benton finds it difficult to distinguish between fine and useful arts and in painting he treats a variety of subjects rather than limiting his subject matter to one particular field. He stated that his favorite subject matter is that which he happens to be working on at the moment.

As advice to aspiring painters, he says, "The best thing to do is to go into a good art school and work hard." In reply to a query about the advisability of going to several schools to get varying ideas, he said, "Not many schools have ideas."

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- EVANGELICAL STUDENTS.**
The League of Evangelical Students will meet today at 7 p. m. in the faculty lounge.
- DANCING CLASS.**
The beginning dancing class will meet tonight at 7 in the Union ballroom.
- GRADUATE STUDENTS.**
Graduate students will be entertained at a coffee hour at 5 p. m. today in the faculty lounge.
- WAA SCHOLARSHIPS.**
Applicants for the WAA scholarships, open to all university women, should get their blanks at the WAA office in Grant Memorial or from Mrs. Danclison on campus.
- DELTA SIGMA PI.**
Delta Sigma Pi will have Capt. John Danclison as guest speaker at a meeting tonight in the chapter house.
- AIEE.**
AIEE will present Lester E. Haining Wednesday night at 7:15 in Bruce Lab. 211. He will speak on "Radio for the Weather Man." It is an open meeting and sophomores are especially invited.
- KOSMET CLUB.**
Kosmet Klub workers will meet today at 5 p. m. in the Kosmet Klub office. Tickets will be distributed.

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- INNOCENTS.**
The invitation extended to the Innocents Society to be present for dinner at the Delta Upsilon house tonight has been cancelled by the DU's. A member of the DU club reports that a rat got into their chicken coop.
- DAILY STAFF.**
Members of the DAILY editorial staff will meet in the DAILY offices tomorrow afternoon at 1 p. m. From the Union, transportation will be provided to South Bend for an all-day picnic, sponsored by Business Manager, Ed Segrist.
- CLASSES.**
The registrar's office reports that, due to an epidemic of spring fever, the administration has been forced to discontinue classes until after Spring vacation.
- MORTAR BOARDS.**
Mortar Boards will meet at 5 p. m. this afternoon at High Acres. Guest speaker will be Thomas Fendergast of the Kansas City Fendergast. With Fendergast's help, members will lay plans for a final attempt to keep women out of politics.
- SEWING CIRCLE.**
Members of the Sewing Circle will meet at 4:30 p. m. tomorrow in the Barb Union office.
- STYLE SHOW.**
Harvey Bros. announced an exclusive

- style show for the members of Beta Theta Pi at their store today. All Betas are asked to be present by 3 p. m. to see a new shipment of pink and blue tailored sport suits.
- CORN COBS.**
As a reward for their selling 1,000 subscriptions to the DAILY this semester, members of the Corn Cobs will be honored at a dinner given by John A. Seleck tonight at 5 p. m. in the Georgian Room of the Hotel Cornhusker.
- TESTS.**
The history test announced for Wednesday by Professor Wimmer will not be given. Prof. White announced that the test he had planned to give Wednesday in his 9 o'clock section of Victorian poets will not be given. Students need not attend either of these classes.
- ECONOMICS.**
Prof. Karl Arndt, has cancelled plans for the tests he had announced for Economics 204, 11 a. m. Wednesday.
- TNE.**
Members of TNE will meet for luncheon today with Dean T. J. Thompson in the main dining room of the Union. Dean Thompson will announce tentative plans for the chartering of a new chapter at the university.