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Goal-100 Percent

Five sororities on the campus have joined the Red Cross 100 percent in the Student Council drive for student memberships.

Possibly all these groups cannot be expected to have complete Red Cross membership. It is almost beyond imagination that every student in the university, in or out of the organized houses, will be enrolled during the drive.

Join the Red Cross. Help attain the 100 percent goal for the University of Nebraska.

Inside Story of Women Debaters Revealed

Team Is Formed by Volunteers

By Helen Meyer

Behind the scenes story of woman debaters shows that the formation of the first feminine debate team on this campus is entirely due to the efforts of the young women who, endowed with the urge to argue, were determined to make themselves heard in the field of speech.

"The story behind the scenes" in inauguration of women's debate in this college is an interesting one.

In answer to an inquiry by coeds interested in debate, Dr. Leroy Laase, acting chairman of the department of speech and dramatic art, who also serves as debate coach, went on record in an early issue of the Daily as saying: "So far as I know there is no rule in the university prohibiting women from participating in intercollegiate debate.

This comment by Dr. Laase was carried at the end of a news article in the Daily Nebraskan. No special call was issued for women debaters. No fan-fare publicity was given to try-outs. The activity was merely open to anyone interested in coming out.

First Meeting Small

On the night of try-outs three women were present. At that time Dr. Laase announced he would require at least four women before a team would be organized.

Of the girls who turned out, four had had debate experience in high school. One was a transfer student with three years experience in intercollegiate debating elsewhere. The other two had had experience in other speech activities. Dr. Laase believes that all

of these young ladies show promise. Their enthusiasm and interest in try-outs and subsequent work have warranted formal organization. But the girls' squad is still open to other women on the campus interested in participating.

One Assistant

Dr. Laase found that the one girl, because she was a transfer student, was ineligible for participation this year. But because of her interest and experience, he found a place for her in his plans. This young woman is assisting Dr. Laase, who is naturally limited in the time he could give to directing women's debate. She assists in planning the work, meeting

Red Cross . . .

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"I hope that fraternities will show the same splendid attitude that sororities have shown, and that we will be able to pledge the entire support of most of them."

Thus far, with Alpha Chi Omega and Kappa Delta adding their names to the list over the weekend, five sororities have become members of the Red Cross 100 percent strong.

Workers Report.

Miss Rosborough also urged that those who have offered their help in the drive report to the Red Cross desk in the Nebraskan office at the hours for which they signed up. Soliciting workers are also to report to the desk daily to turn in membership money and to replenish workers' supply kits.

The following is the honor roll call for today:

- Alpha Chi Omega-100%, Alpha Phi-100%, Kappa Delta-100%, Kappa Alpha Theta-100%, Phi Beta Phi-100%, Epsilon Mu Omicron, Ray Byram, Robert Krijer, Leon Westbrook, Ben Hemphill, Donald Farley, Maybel Hays, Frances York

with the girls for individual practice and squad drills.

Meetings of women debaters are held daily and group clashes are tentatively scheduled for Friday afternoons. A schedule of out of town trips and city appearances is being arranged and women's debate, still in the pioneering stages, appears destined for success!

- Miss Milentz, Miss McEachran, Helen Eighbury, Denn Henslik, Letta Clark, Miss Halbersleben, Miss L. Hill, Morton Margolin, Mrs. Bertha Cordray, Ben Novicoff, Harry Goldstein, Phil Bory, Erv Friedman, Ted Rothkop, Gene Sherman, Mort Zuber, Bud Margulies, Jerry Skoog, Raymond Grossman, Harriette Bentz, Theima McMillan, Marquerite Harvey, Dorothy Schudel, Mary Guthrie, Betty Ann Tishammer, Lois Riggs, Mrs. Gertrude Atkinson, Ray Crawford, Gladys Howman, Harold Klingman, Carol Briggs, Gladys Winters, Mrs. Edna Snyder, Mrs. Angeline Anderson, Jean Marie Stewart, Mary Helen Bheka, Ray Byram, Robert Krijer

Flickers . . .

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program, will be heard between reels. Her records will be broadcast over the public address system in the ballroom.

Five cents will buy a bag of peanuts or popcorn from the white coated butcher boys. And on hand again to supply the proper musical setting will be Russ Gibson, the piano "nickelodionist."

One identification card per couple will be required for admittance to the movie.

Behind the News

By David Thompson

Showdown Imminent

President Roosevelt's blunt assertion that the federal government will not force the minority non-union workers in any plant, particularly the captive soft coal mines, to join the majority union indicates the trend of administration opinion toward labor's latest demands. This automatically means a showdown in the soft coal mine controversy, for John L. Lewis has informed the mine owners that unless the CIO is granted a "closed shop" it will call a strike this weekend.

Labor is then faced with the opposition of the mine owners and of the government. They can go ahead with their strike, but with the thought in mind that congress is about fed up with defense stoppages used by labor to enforce unreasonable demands, and that the soft coal tieup will probably result in congressional legislation hostile to the whole labor movement.

With everybody else in the country, particularly the middle class, pulling in their belts and giving until it hurts to finance the defense program, it becomes more and more irksome to the general populace to see labor hindering the defense effort in order to line their own pockets.

This weekend will tell the tale as far as the labor crisis goes. The first showdown several weeks ago was averted by a temporary postponement of the soft coal strike in response to four ultimatums or requests on the part of the president. However, that temporary period is up now, and with it comes a threatened strike in the coal industry, truck lines, railroads and telephone and telegraph industries.

Alumnus Features Story, 'General Pershing at 81'

. . . In This Month's Issue

Highlights of this month's Alumnus, which came out yesterday, include a biographical sketch of General Pershing reprinted from Life magazine, "General Pershing at 81," "Cornhusker History in Pictures," a resume of past football seasons with pictures in profusion, and "Education for This Time and Hour," by Dr. C. H. Oldfather, which is the address he gave to this year's freshmen at the arts and sciences convocation.

Accompanying the Pershing article is a photograph of the General, shaking his cane at photographers and declaring "This is the last time I'm going to do this if I have 50 more birthdays." The biographer relates that General Pershing never wanted to be a

soldier and it was only because the Pershing family was poor, and West Point offered a fine free education, that he ever set out on a military career.

Ott Collects Pictures.

Incentive for the Cornhusker football spread was the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co. display of football history pictures in its show windows, and their owner, Norman Ott. Ott started collecting Husker team pictures as a hobby when still a boy, and at first he kept only clippings from the newspapers, but about ten years ago became interested in saving the actual prints.

"You are in debt to your generation, a debt which you should keep paying off, so long as you live, in intelligent service to society," declared Dean Oldfather in counseling entering freshmen. He stresses the importance of gaining an education because "the democratic way of life is challenged by national and international problems of great difficulty, and by men who in their selfishness would utterly destroy it."

Ag Exec Board Names Party Co-chairmen

Selection of the committee heads for the annual Christmas party on ag campus were made at a recent meeting of the ag executive board. General co-chairmen of the party are Dale Weibel and Betty Ann Tishammer. Chairman of the program committee is Gwen Row; decorations, Arlo Wirth, and publicity, Charles Marcy.

The party, an activity sponsored each year for ag students by the exec board, will be held on Dec. 17 in the ag activities building.

Pi Mu Epsilon Meets Tuesday

Pi Mu Epsilon, professional mathematics fraternity, will meet in Mechanical Arts room 308 at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, John Morris, senior in electrical engineering, will lead the meeting on the topic, "Determinants." He will demonstrate a new method of solving determinants based on the pivotal condensation.

Friday, Saturday . . .

High School Newspaper Staff Members Attend Convention

. . . of WHSPA

High school journalists from all over the state will gather in Lincoln Friday and Saturday when the annual convention of Nebraska High School Press association will be held here.

Most of the convention's activities will be centered around the Union altho climax of the meeting will be the Iowa-Nebraska football game Saturday.

A talk by Val Peterson, secretary to Governor Dwight Griswold, will highlight the annual banquet Friday evening at the Union. A convention dance will follow.

Grad Transfers To Cavalry Center At Fort Riley

Private Eric Thor, county agricultural agent and recent UN graduate, has transferred and is now taking training in a horse squadron at the cavalry replacement training center at Fort Riley, Kas.

Thor, who received a BS degree in animal husbandry here in 1940, has since been employed by the department of agriculture.

After 13 weeks of basic training at the replacement center, Thor will be sent to a permanent cavalry garrison.

Chem Engineers Meet Wednesday

Regular meeting of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers will be Wednesday in Avery room 102 at 7:30 p. m. R. R. Briggs, chief chemist of the Nebraska Power company, will speak on "Water Supplies."

Home Ec Instructors Attend Convention

Miss Margaret Liston and Miss Edith Carse of the home economics department and Miss Muriel Smith, extension home economist, attended a conference on "Re-Thinking Home Management" held at Kansas State college in Manhattan on Nov. 13-15.

Smokestack of Oberlin college's heating plant, reconstructed after skirmishes with OPM over sheet steel supplies, is one foot higher than its 154-foot predecessor.

In addition to general sessions for the discussion of school publication problems, there will be contest in news writing, headline writing, editorial writing and proof reading.

Delegates will take over reportorial assignments to put out a special convention issue of the Daily Nebraskan.

The school of journalism is sponsoring the contests and assisting with other phases of the meetings. Members of the Daily Nebraskan staff are also aiding in the convention activities.

Officers of the NHSPA this year are Mrs. Marvin Schmid, president; Gilbert Davenport, vice president, and Merritt Whitton, secretary.

Andrews Talks To English Class On Sales Letters

Luther Andrews spoke to the forty members of the nine o'clock section of business English Wednesday on the writing of sales letters. His talk was illustrated with specimen letters which had brought good results.

Andrews also discussed goodwill letters which he said "are letters that do not have to be written."

Band's Show . . .

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"U. S. Field Artillery March," and leaving their hats on the ground to continue the map formation, formed a cannon in the center with a large turning wheel. To the tune of "Anchors Aweigh" an anchor was formed, followed by the formation of a seal of the United States and Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever."

After returning to their places in the outline map, the bandmen played "I Love a Parade," while the Riflemen went through several group movements. The program was concluded with the playing of "The Star Spangled Banner."