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## Settle Down . . .

Many men, especially those 18 years old, have become slightly nervous over their draft Congress. Several have gone so far as to drop school to have a good time until they are called.

There are too many of these younger fellows who do not realize that it will be some time before the actual machinery for inducting them into the army is in operation, if the bill passes. As it stands now, there is a clause in the bill which offers deferment until June, 1943, for those enrolled in school.

These men who are that age and who are uneasy should settle down and make the most of the time they have here. They will get at least this year and perhaps more if they continue their work in the university. Opportunities for reserve commissions and the ROTC will undoubtedly be available and these are based on grades and work done by the students.

If we give up now before the bill is ever passed and before we know the entire wording of the legislation, we are defeating the whole purpose of the draft program. The policy of draft boards has been to keep men in school as long as possible since their technical training is far more valuable to the army than the men who do not have specialized schooling. If we leave school to wait for our draft boards to call us, we are giving up an opportunity for self advancement and we are also cheating the army of highly specialized soldiers.

Stay in school as long as possible. It is as patriotic as enlisting and far more valuable to the war department. If we allow ourselves to become hysterical, we will not be aiding the war program.

## 'Fitness' Is Fitting

There is one service to the national war effort that everyone can perform—he can keep himself healthy.

Much has been said about health in time of war—perhaps too much. The conferences, government bulletins and magazine articles seem sometimes to be as pointless as they are frequent.

But the facts are these. Health is a personal thing which applies to each so vitally that it may mean the difference between living through these turbulent times or being a victim of them.

Greater importance, however, can be attached to the contribution of physical fitness to the prosperity of the nation, in peace or war.

## Kappas Teach Math to Army Fliers in Chicago

Flash from Chicago!

Prospective army fliers in Chicago are invited to call upon sorority girls—for lessons in mathematics.

The pre-army study course is offered by girls of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority at Northwestern university to help any air-minded men needing instruction and, possibly, to supply a bit of oomph to

induce enlistment of aviation cadets.

The sorority's Northwestern university chapter announced a corps of the more mathematically minded sisters would act as tutors and coaches to candidates for induction as aviation cadets.

The girls will cover subjects featured in tests of 150 questions, 80 of which must be answered correctly to qualify for training.

Northwestern university's home coming features a competitive pajama race in which each fraternity participating must purchase a war bond as an entry fee.

## Letterip

Dear Editor:

If ever a university showed that it was not in step with the war effort, this university did last week. I refer to the announcement of the adoption of a long-term summer session in addition to the present two, regular semesters for the duration of the war. Instead of the accelerated program expected by students, the university has added a summer session at which a maximum of 12 hours can be earned. That is three hours of "acceleration."

Every university of any reputation in the country, even Creighton in Omaha, has adopted the quarter-system or at least, more than the half-hearted action of a university that doesn't seem to understand we are at war. If a change can be made at other institutions—and good ones—there is no reason why a change cannot be made at Nebraska. Extra work would be required; professors would lose their well-earned vacations; and there would be many problems to be solved. But this a time when everybody is working extra hard; everybody is giving up vacations; and all sorts of problems are being solved.

There is no telling how much longer men will be enrolled at the university, but as long as there are reservists or any male students—or female for that matter—students should be given an opportunity to get their degrees in the shortest possible time.

The university has an obligation to the reservists who were forced to agree to attend summer school under the supposed acceleration program. If fellows go to school in the summer, they want to take a full load so that they can take as much as possible before being called to military service. They can't do it at Nebraska, and the army won't let them go to another school. They are behind the eight-ball.

Then, there are pre-medical students trying to get into medical school as soon as possible. With a limit of 12 hours in summer school, they will have to take a terrifically heavy load in the two regular semesters to keep up with students going to school, for example, at Omaha university.

When students entered Nebraska this fall, they were under the impression that UN was going to have a quarter system. That was what was announced in the summer. When they get here, they learned that half of the university officials had no idea of how the quarter system worked and the remainder of the faculty had no idea of what was going on. But few expected the accelerated program now planned. That isn't acceleration; it's absolute blindness to present conditions.

As editor of the Daily Nebraskan, you should lead the attack on the present plan; you should make university officials see that Nebraska students want an education and they want it as fast as possible so that they can get in the battle; you should demand that red-tape and narrow mindedness be forgotten so that the faculty and student-body can get down to the business of education and at the same time remain in step with the war effort.

Sincerely yours,  
ALAN JACOBS.

It is during times of national crisis that this fact becomes evident.

Local conditions in this city point toward the need for every person to appoint himself a guardian of his own health. The hospital facilities which were adequate during peace must now fill the needs of a naval training population as well as those of the students.

It is to be remembered that these facilities can meet the needs of everyone, as long as there is not a widespread epidemic of disease.

Personal health measures can prevent that if anything can.—Iowa Daily Student.

## Two Instructors Attend Four-day Commando School

W. W. Knight, associate professor of physical education department, and Capt. R. V. Chase of the military department are attending a four-day Physical Fitness and Commando Training school. The school is being conducted by officers of the United States Army, at South Dakota State College, Brookings.

## Present Arms!

By Bob Miller



A week has gone by since this column has appeared in print and in that week there has been a noticeable scarcity of information about former UN students who are now in the armed services. . . . Don't forget if you know anyone serving here or across the seas who attended the university, let us know about it. . . . Any letters that tell of interesting actions by the former, will be welcome

First on our roll call today is a 1942 graduate, PAUL C. GREEN. . . . Receiving his commission as a second lieutenant last spring in the field artillery from Nebraska, he transferred to the army air corps. . . . Latest word reveals that he is now operating from a pioneer air base in the middle far-east where he is seeing action against the boys of the Rising Sun. . . . In his letters he tells of seeing numerous historical sights, included among which is one of the seven wonders of the world. . . . Green now holds a first lieutenant rating.

LT. WILLIAM WILEY who was graduated from UN last spring with a commission in the infantry has transferred to the armored force and is training at Fort Knox, Ky. . . . That's the place where they have all of Prof. Karl Arndt's gold stock buried. . . . Commenting upon his choice of the armored force in a letter to Lt. Col. Luke Zeek of the ROTC staff, he says, "The one thing that I like best is that I'm in strictly a combatant force. And one addition, if morale is as you once described it, as a soldier feeling that's he's in the best division, the best regiment, the best battalion, the best company, the best platoon and he's the best damned soldier in the whole outfit—well, that's just the way I feel." . . . While in school, Wiley was an Alpha Tau Omega.

Word from last year's politico, CHRIS PETERSON, comes to us from Washington, D. C. . . . Peterson is in the officer's training school in the nation's capital taking training in the intelligence corps. . . . He is taking things well in stride as he now commandeers a jeep for his own use and put out the camp newspaper. . . . A Kappa Sig in school, Chris did his turn on the Daily as news editor and columnist deluxe.

BOB FLORY, 1st Lt. in the army air corps, is another Kappa Sig on the active duty list. . . . Lt. Flory is in the air corps intelligence in Egypt. . . . Pictures from the front show him complete in equatorial garb, complete with pith hat to khaki shorts. . . . He was graduated last spring.

NED EASTLACK, former UN student, is now with the army signal corps taking telegraph training at Camp Crowder, Mo. . . . In a letter he says, "I miss school a little and sleeping thru eight o'clock classes. We have five a. m. classes here though and we don't get to sleep thru them. Some of these sergeants have awfully big feet and hard toes to kick sleep people out of bed with." He lists army coffee as one of the modern horrors of war. . . . While attending the university he was affiliated with Acacia fraternity.

JOE KIRSENBAUM, another of last year's products, is in the officer's train corp at Aberdeen, Md. . . . He is working in ordnance and says that he gets into New York often, meeting BOB SIMON, ZBT fraternity brother, who is in Navy radio school. . . . Both left the university early last spring to enlist in the armed services.

Another Zeta Beta Tau, LT. ED WITTENBERG of Lincoln now wears his silver wings as an corps observer. . . . He received his training at Brooks Field, Texas. . . . Wittenberg was one of the "Eyes of the Army" selected for intensive training in tactical coordination and observation from the air.

## Theater, Daily Will Sponsor New Contest

Offering 20 theater tickets as prizes, the Daily and the Lincoln theater are co-sponsoring an essay contest on attitudes that hinder the war and how to prevent them. The Lincoln is sponsoring the contest in connection with the showing of "The War Against Mrs. Hadley" which begins Friday.

Mrs. Hadley was a middle-aged widow who thought that the war was an imposition on her. She refused to cooperate in blackouts, she would not participate in first aid classes, she discouraged her daughter's civilian defense activity and tried every means to keep her son out of the armed forces.

People who complain about price regulation, rant about rationing, consider the war none of their concern and express other attitudes that hinder the nation's victory are the sort to be considered in the essays. The essays should further offer suggestions for correcting such feelings.

For the ten best essays entered,

## Nebraska Field Group Uncovers Ice Age Village

Remains of what appears to be an entire village of people who lived during the latter part of the ice age were found by the University of Nebraska state museum summer field expedition.

Dr. C. B. Schultz, curator of the museum, told members of the Interprofessional Institute last weekend at Lincoln, of the find that will not be developed until after the war.

This find was the most important result of the exhibition, and such material has long been looked for, he said. "Our boys were in the harvest field more than they were collecting fossils," he pointed out.

Dr. Schultz illustrated his talk with colored motion pictures taken on this expedition and pictures taken in other years.

as judged by Arlie Crites, manager of the Lincoln theater, two tickets each for the production "The War Against Mrs. Hadley" will be awarded. All entries must be turned in to the Daily office by 5:00 p. m. Wed., Oct. 28.