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## Recognizing Scholarship

Since the outbreak of the war and the more recent impact of the war on the university, the real impression of higher education is being felt.

Students are learning that not extra-curricular activities or social life or playing constitute university; for they are seeing the importance of those once essential pastimes diminish.

Everybody knows that parties aren't what they used to be; a one-second glance reveals the pathetic disinterest, on the whole, in extra-curricular activities.

With the university once more an institution of higher learning, it is quite appropriate that those students who have stood out in the process of learning should be honored.

That is why those students who were elected to Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi Tuesday night should be congratulated. That is why those students who will be cited at honors convocation April 20 deserve high tribute.

The traditional honors convocation, highlighted this year by a speaker of national renown, should represent the time when every university student, not just those who are being honored, should indicate that they recognize the real purpose of the university, and fine effort of their classmates.

Every student should attend the honors convocation April 20.

## Safety Deposits

The plan of Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau for post war stabilization of international currencies helps fill a large hole in present post war planning. Until now, we have been hearing rather vague generalities about the equality of nations, "cradle to grave" security, higher living standards( etc. etc. ad infinitum.

But these plans (at least so far as public news releases are concerned) seem to ignore almost entirely the vital factor of international economic security. They have talked voluminously about social, cultural, spiritual advances, without specifically considering plans for stabilization of economic systems without which none of the other worthwhile changes can be made.

Mr. Morgenthau's plan (and an alternative proposal put forth by Sir John Maynard Keynes, famed English economist) envisions an international currency fund of five billion dollars, contributed by all allied nations and countries associated with them.

Briefly, stabilization would be achieved and controlled by pegging of all currencies to gold at a fixed legal value so the value of the dollar would be the same in all nations participating in the agreement. Foreign currencies likewise would have a fixed value in the United States.

Is the plan workable? Will changes be made in it? These questions must remain unanswered until its discussion at the forthcoming United Nations monetary conference at Washington. But it is a much needed step in the right direction, in the direction of definiteness and decisive action in the present morass of post war planning.

## "Young Britons at War"

A Lecture by Miss Louise Morley

A first-hand impression of Britain's youth in the auxiliaries and factories.

8:00 p. m., Sunday, April 18  
Union Ballroom

## V... - Mail Clippings

Pat Chamberlin, Censor

KERMIT HANSEN, Beta prexy in '39, has recently been promoted to the rank of a major. Enlisting two years ago, he was first in Africa for some time, and is now "somewhere in England." At UN, he was a member of Pershing Rifles, and of Interfraternity Council.

Lt. ALVIN CHRISTENSEN, graduate of UN ag college, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in North Africa. He is a member of Farm House.

Second Lt. KENNETH L. EXWALL, who attended UN bizad in '39, is in training at the Columbus, O., quartermaster depot. Returned from army forces in Ireland, where he had been stationed six months, he attended OCS at Camp Lee, Va., before going to Columbus.

GERTRUDE (STEAMBOAT) FULTON who left last weekend to take her physical test for entrance into the SPARS, has passed with flying colors. Within four weeks she will report for training in New York. She is a member of Alpha Xi Delta.

BARBARA HANSON has been accepted in the Marine Women's Auxiliary, and will be sworn in at Des Moines within a two-week period. She will be called some time in May. Barbara is a Delta Gamma.

Capt. CAL PARMELE has come home for the first time in two and one-half years. He has been on duty with the Air Corps in the Galapagos Island and in the Panama Canal Zone defense area. Home for a two-week leave, the Captain will report to Tucson, Arizona, shortly. Cal is a member of Sigma Chi.

## Chips

BY GENE BRADLEY

### The Banana.

Because of war priorities and difficulties of transportation, the common banana is now almost impossible to obtain. Consequently, rather than talk about something which is outmoded, we will devote the balance of this column to a subject very near to our hearts: the rumor.

More rumors than Phi Psis have been flying around the Nebraska campus of late, creating as much commotion as a mouse in the girl's dorm. In order to squash all the propaganda which has been upsetting so many of our young people, we will here publish a few counter-rumors, told to me in strictest confidence by a usually unreliable source.

Social Science, Nebraska Hall, and Penn Woods will be taken over next week by a new unit of WOOFs, the new pooch-infantry. When interviewed, the commanding officer, Major Rover, said: "My new cadets will go furr, and if you are too bull-headed to believe it, then you are barking up the wrong tree."

The WROTC will be activated and trained for combat duty rather than the ROTC. The ROTC, according to the latest report by Bill McBride, will be sent to California to study a specialized course entitled: "Life After the War."

The new CMC unit, (Civilian Morale Corps), arrived early this morning after a grueling trainng program at Officers' Candidate School, Waldorf-Austoria ballroom, New York City. Their new duties will include drinking cokes, dating the campus "war-widows," and saying hello to Bill Robinson.

When interviewed, one of the hardened recruits muttered "These new Towne Colas almost make one ill."

A new epidemic of scarlet fever broke loose with a mighty yell, causing a near-panic and frightening nearly every Husker student. The doctors, however, brought back order when they said that scarlet fever was not contagious and should not worry anyone.

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