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After the Shouting . . .

Sometime within the next year or two it will all be over. The fellows in khaki, blue and forest green will don tweed sports coats, sweaters and cords, striped socks and moccasins and return to our campuses. Return to our campuses but not as the breezy pre-war model college man we've known. What can we offer these? What do they want from college?

Time marches on. We can't set the hands back to 1940. The fellows returning to our campuses will have lived two, or three or four years in a world quite different from the somewhat erratic, leisurely campus world. They will have been forced to grow up in a hurry. Their sense of values will have undergone drastic revisions.

What do they want from college? Below is one serviceman's viewpoint.

The war isn't over yet. It may be some time before it is, but it will end. And when it does there will be thousands of college-age boys coming home, coming home to either finish or start their advanced education. It will be different, quite different, and a long cry from the 1940 model of carefree Joe College. These boys won't be "boys," either in mind or body. They will be as different as a 19-year-old high school letterman and a 19-year-old holder of the DFC. Are the American universities prepared to meet and understand these "new" students? It is doubtful.

The former college man will be impatient to get back into the swing of things—eager to forget what has gone before. He is going to want his own way. He will want to feel free. He has been told what to do long enough—it was necessary then. He had physics crammed into him when he wanted to study Shakespeare. He studied engineering when he wanted to be a lawyer. He did setting-up exercises when he wanted to pack a football before a cheering crowd. Call him temperamental if you wish, but remember that war is a touchy business. No, don't give him a blank check and expect him to fill it out to his own taste and still end up a success; that wouldn't work either. Remember two things: he isn't still wet behind the ears, and he has given up his beloved individualism for the good of all. Develop his individualism and treat him like a man.

College can and must answer these two things. Our universities can be an excellent place for the young veteran to regain his feeling of "existing" again. He may never graduate knowing the formula for hypochlorous acid, but he will know the formula of a happy and normal life. If it were that

Civilians Give Blood to Bank At St. Elizabeth

Civilian students will now be able to give their blood to be made into plasma at the St. Elizabeth hospital blood bank under the war council sponsored blood drive. The first group of three will donate Wednesday morning, March 22 at 8 a. m.

Due to the limited facilities, both in space and personnel, the hospital will be unable at the present to accommodate more than three donors a week, according to Miss Grace Otis, hospital technician. Previously only military students have donated blood under the university drive.

Anyone desiring to go to the blood bank should contact Mary-

louise Goodwin, drive chairman, thru the Nebraskan office. War council representatives are taking the names of organization members who desire to give their blood and these people will be called upon in turn. Alpha Chi Omega will furnish the first three civilian donors under the new war council university blood donating drive.

Lundy . . .

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1 to take the position vacated when Dr. Stephen McCarthy left March 1 to become assistant director of libraries at Columbia university, New York City. Since Dr. McCarthy's departure, the libraries have been under the direction of Miss Margaret Rutledge, head of the circulation department.

For 16 years Mr. Lundy was employed in university libraries in California and Arizona. His first library position was at the Uni-

versity of Arizona, and he was associated with the University of California libraries from 1931 to 1942 in various capacities. Head of the accessions department was his last position there. Last summer he was visiting lecturer at the University of Illinois library school.

After finishing his undergraduate work at Stanford university, Mr. Lundy studied for his master's degree in library science at the University of California.

Alumnus . . .

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The final draft of the directory is made after the war.

The research, which will extend to classes back as far as 1900, will require several months. The University Alumni Association and student war council hopes the directory will be ready for publication in the June Nebraska "Alumnus."

V . . . — Mail Clippings

Pat Chamberlin, Censor

Aviation Cadets RICHARD S. BONNELL, NEAL E. SHAFER, DALE HANWAY, and LEROY P. HANSEN will be graduated soon from the AAF pilot school (advanced two engine) at Stockton Field, Calif.

A. S. HAROLD G. HALDEMAN has reported at the Carlsbad, N. Hex., Army air field, where he will receive advanced flight training in high-level bombardiering and dead-reckoning navigation. The course will last 18 weeks.

The following is a copy of a letter to the NEBRASKAN from Second Lt. KEI FANASHASHI, who is stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss.:

Dear Editor,

May I extend you my thanks for the Nebraskan which was recently sent to me. It's astounding what an effect it had on me. Your kindness is appreciated and the reaction of the university students towards the Nisei has indeed been a reassuring factor. I trust that we have not disappointed you.

JOHN M. FLATTEN, '36, has been promoted from the rank of Captain to Major at Brooks Field, Texas.

Major Flatten received his A. B. and LL.B. degrees here, where he was a member of Phi Alpha Delta and lettered in baseball and boxing. He now serves as post personnel officer at the AAF advanced pilot school.

PAUL D. DAVIDSON, recently won his Navy wings and was commissioned an ensign in the Naval reserve following completion of the flight training course at Pensacola, Fla. At UN, Paul was a member of the varsity train team.

A. S. MAURICE D. NEWCOMER has reported to West Texas State College for five months training prior to his appointment as an aviation cadet.

CLIFFORD D. WEGENER has entered the AAF training command school at Yale University for aviation cadet training in armament. At UN he was a member of Beta Sigma Psi.

MERWIN DALE BYERS has received his silver wings and was commissioned a second lieutenant at Pecos, Texas, advanced two-engine pilot school.

he had for two years been digging fox-holes when he cherished the dream of writing poetry—give him poetry to his heart's content.

Get ready for him. He has been a man of action too long, and he is going to demand action in getting back to normalcy. If you are to re-establish an effective educational system, you'd better be ready.

Will we be ready? Will we have formulated a concrete plan to guide and yet follow the wants of the lads returning in khaki, navy blue or forest green? We will have to change. We will have to broaden our too-often narrowed college vision. We will have to grow up in many ways to look eye-to-eye with the ex-serviceman. We will have to gain a new understanding to give him that something that he wants from college. And we are going to have to start thinking about it now. What will we have to offer the serviceman after the shouting dies? —From the Montana Kaimin.

When Resources Limited . . . University Concentrates Efforts in Few Fields

. . . for Creditable Work

(Editor's note: This is the tenth in the series of articles in the university bulletin of postwar plans for UN which was prepared by the chancellor's faculty advisory committee, the administration council of deans, and the board of regents. It is hoped by the Nebraskan that these articles may acquaint the public with the university's need for more adequate appropriations.)

An excellent example of wise policy in the use of funds with deliberate and wise discrimination is found in several universities in the expenditures of library funds for the development of research collections.

Many universities recognize that they cannot hope to develop staff, library and laboratory resources for advanced research and award of high-class Ph. D. degrees in all fields; hence they deliberately concentrate on the development of the necessary resources for distinctive scholarship and truly worthy advanced degrees in a limited number of fields, while in other fields of the arts, literatures and sciences they attempt to provide staff and equipment only for good undergraduate and master's

degree programs.

Such a policy is wise because it is better for an institution to be known as one that does very creditably what it attempts to do than to be known as one that spreads its resources over too large a range of activities with the result that its performance is of poor quality in all fields. The number of fields in which a university can award creditable doctor's degrees is in direct ratio with its financial resources for staff, housing and equipment.

On this score the university cannot be justly charged with poor administration, because the responsible administrative officers for several years have given careful consideration to the number and designation of departments in which they have staff and equipment necessary to award defensible master's and doctor's degrees.

In the case of the former the number of departments is none too small for a university of our type and size.

(To be continued in Friday's Nebraskan.)

Society Has It . . . AST Losses Felt "Heartily"; Ring Rejection Story of Day . . . It Says Here

Initiations have come through in a big way despite several fallings out, and so congratulations to all the new Tri Deltas, Pi Phis and Alpha Phis . . . Two new Pi Phi initiates already have seen to it that their little arrows aren't lonesome—Kathy Legge has hers guarded by the DU pin of Leonard Dunker, one lad who graduated from the institution some time ago but is anything but out of circulation up to the day—Adrienne Waggoner has the Chi Psi deal of AST Fred Lehman as we predicted—but one wonders why the prediction took so long to come true.

On the regular list of new diamonds—as the one KKG Iva Forman has from a certain first lieutenant stationed in Grand Island—and the one to Jean Kost from Engineer Fred Laurent . . . Ah, for a life in the mines.

Sosh as Usual

The halls of Sosh present nothing particularly new—There's usually Gamma Phi Joy Laune sitting on the table with ATO Junior Baughan sitting on the chair with love-gaze in the old eyes, but nothing unusual, you know—There's Bill Maurice and Alpha Phi Mary Sinclair inhabiting the nooks and crannies for last minute chats before the bell—Theta Roberta Collins wondering about mail from "departed to Pennsylvania" AST Joe Stynes—Thelma Gee mourning the to be departure of Engineer Maynard Morgan.

More Diamonds

Flash about another flash on the left hand of Gamma Phi Carol Chapman from Roy Sides and we hear it's a flash what is a flash—but then there's the case of Figaro (Betty Peters) Pete who rejected the ring offered her by cadet Dick Glynn—what a phenomenal act in this day! "Bart" Burgess and Nat Neumann must have found the big attraction in Omaha or the least they might have done was enlighten sisters about their activities—that makes two parties of unknown destination in the metropolis as of last week-end. Best we tell Tabby?

Now for a bit of "behind the lines," but literally, speaking of this very office, of course . . .

BULLETIN

FIRST AID
Red Cross first aid class will meet Thursday evening at 7 in the Union faculty lounge.

HELP WANTED
Part time stack boy is wanted at the University library. See Miss Rutledge in room 301 at the library.

Les Glatfely with new haircut has all but floored all of us—our own editor "Jamie" trucks in for one o'clock staff meeting "a little late" much to the dismay of "Andy" who picked himself up from beautiful dreams of I wonder who just to get here "on the dot"—and Ghita Hill on the lap of Betty Lou Huston for lack of better places to sit, chairs, I mean—Pat Chamberlin with her never diminishing appetite for chocolate bars but then that stuff furnishes energy, they say, and she might well need it after the tremendous party at her house with AST's Henry Hoffstot, George Cummings and Larry Johnson, the latter two in the company of more Theta's, Jean Rogets and Jean Dresden—all of which makes us wonder why anyone ever wrote "How you gonna keep 'em down on the farm?" cuz after the reports of these peoples how you gonna keep 'em away from the farm? Nuff for now—ta ta . . .

Students Prefer Slick Covers to Magazines

Slick magazines are most popular with Wheaton College students at Norton, Mass., according to a recent poll conducted among 342 students by members of an English composition class. Of the 342 students interviewed, 133 find time to read best-seller books, News "aids" like Life, Time, and Reader's Digest are popular; but the real favorites are the slicks like Cosmopolitan, Ladies Home Journal, Collier's, Redbook, and Saturday Evening Post.

The University of Washington now owns \$1,087.50 worth of stock in Decca Records, Inc. The gift, 50 shares of stock in the record company, has been added to the University Memorial Scholarship fund at the request of the giver that the investment be used to further postwar education for servicemen.

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