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## 'Every Indication' . . .

Results of the recent investigation of the student health service, conducted by a special Student Council committee, will soon be released.

The Council committee is currently surveying and tabulating the opinions of the student body, as recorded in the questionnaires distributed last week through the organized houses. When the tabulation is complete, a comprehensive report will be drafted and submitted to the Council at its Wednesday meeting. What use the Council will make of the report is not definite, but present plans call for giving it full publicity through The Nebraskan and the Lincoln papers and dispatching a copy of it to Chancellor Boucher.

There is every indication that the Council's report will reveal that a majority of students are not satisfied with the present student health service, that a general housecleaning is in order. An incomplete sampling of results of the questionnaire indicates that more than half of the students queried expressed dissatisfaction with their present health service. Chief criticisms recorded on the questionnaires thus far examined have been directed at the general inefficiency, unco-operative attitude and inadequate housing facilities of the service.

Clear-thinking students will withhold their final judgment until the Council's report has been made public. But if the report, as anticipated, reveals the need for sweeping reforms in the present student health set-up, the student body as a whole, through the Council, should take prompt, vigorous action to win these needed reforms.

## We Point With Pride . . .

. . . to the high honors which the University's debate squad carried away from the Northwestern University Discussion and Debate Conference in Evanston, Ill., last week.

Nebraska was the only participating school to place all four of its debaters on the honor roll for discussion, Gerry McKinsey won first place in extemporaneous speaking and a highly superior rating in discussion, Tom Sorenson and Mary Ann Mattoon received superior ratings in discussion and Bill Miller won a ranking of excellent. And to cap this impressive list of achievements, both UN debate teams went undefeated throughout the conference.

More power to McKinsey, Mattoon, Sorenson, and Miller, and to Dr. LeRoy T. Laase, debate coach, whose capable direction contributed no little to the squad's impressive showing at Northwestern.

## Peace Conference Previews

**BY PROF. NORMAN HILL.**

Probably the most numerous, contentious and puzzling of all the problems to be faced by the next peace conference will be those relating to territory. The present controversy between Poland and Russia is but one of many to come up before the new peace treaty can be ready for diplomats to sign. In Europe there are decisions to be made for the future of Italian Istria, Transylvania, Klagenfurt, the Southern Dobruja, Northern Epirus, Teschen, the Sudetenland, parts of Macedonia and many other areas. In view of the fact that we are committed to the destruction of the Japanese empire, some disposition must be made of Manchuria, Korea, Formosa, the southern half of the Sakhalien Islands, the Kuriles, the Pescadores, the Bonins and many small islands in the Pacific formerly mandated to Japan. No question will be more difficult to settle than the future territorial status of Germany, whether to divide up the country or to leave it substantially intact with only minor losses in land holdings.

**Problems Extremely Complicated.**

All of these problems will be extremely complicated. When a demand for territory is made by a state there are many facts to be taken into account. What are the wishes and aspirations of the people in the coveted area? Should they be consulted, and if so, how? Can annexation be justified on the ground of national security against military attack? Will annexation stabilize or upset the balance of power? Is the territory needed by the claimant for economic reasons, to acquire natural resources, industry or ports?

If all of these questions could be answered in favor of one of the claimants there probably would be no dispute, or if there were

## Les Said The Better

By Les Gloffely

Once again it might be a good idea to read the front page before reading this column on account 'a because the debate squad has done itself proud. Gerry McKinsey, Mary Ann Mattoon, Bill Sorenson, and Bill Miller made the trip to Northwestern this week with two strikes against them. Just a few days before they were scheduled to leave here for the big city, they got word that the debate question they had been working on all year had been tossed neatly out the window and an entirely different question substituted. All of which meant that they had darned little time to work up a case, get material, and generally prepare themselves. Mattoon and McKinsey, maybe Miller and Sorenson, too, left with the feeling of lambs being led to the slaughter.

The four debaters and their coach, Leroy T. Laase, have something to be proud of, for

it could be readily resolved. Usually, however, both of the claimants can submit good arguments to support their respective cases. Czechoslovakia, for instance, needs the Sudetenland for its industry and for its strategic value, but the people there are German in nationality. Further complications come when both claimants use the same argument, each alleging, for instance, that the people in the area belong to it in nationality. This is likely to be the case where the territory is inhabited by people of both national groups, as in Transylvania and Alsace-Lorraine.

**Next Peace Conference Not Final.**

Only a blind optimist could hope that all of the world's territorial problems will be satisfactorily and permanently settled by the next peace conference. There is no perfection in such matters. If, however, we can use our intelligence rather than our emotions in boundary-making we may avoid the worst and least workable decisions. The ultimate solution of territorial problems requires the eradication of those conditions which make territory worth having, as among the 48 states composing the United States. If sometime the kind of thinking that produces nationalism, trade restrictions, fear and insecurity is left behind, there will be no more international competition for land than between Kansas and Nebraska at the present time. Is this more than mankind can attain?

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Signed,  
 Paula "Victory" McNut,  
 "Voice" Recruitment Division

they cleaned up the tournament with all the odds against them.

And then there was the little dog that saw the sign "Wet Paint," so he did.

## Debators . . .

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omy of Germany after the war," was hewn out in parliamentary session. General subject for extempore speaking was "Current Affairs." Miss McKinsey's first-place winning speech was on "The China Homme Front."

Participating in the conference were 25 teams from 11 colleges in 5 states. Competing institutions were Notre Dame university, Loyola university, Carleton college, Knox college, Monmouth college, Carroll college, Mount Mary college, Northwestern university, Nebraska Wesleyan university, Rockford college, and the University of Nebraska.

## Student Authors . .

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"Skyline," the hospital paper. After graduation from UN, Wentz will take a job with Pathe News as newsreel war correspondent.

A member of Phi Gamma Delta, Larry was formerly sports edi-

tor for The Nebraskan, and photographer for both the Cornhusker and The Awgwan.

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