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## Get on the Ball...

The registration situation is inexcusable. Many students have stood in line for three hours in the Temple building, waiting to go through the assignment committee to complete their registration, only to have the door shut in their faces upon progressing that far. Other students have missed classes to fight their way through the lines, only to find that something was neglected and they had to go back to their advisors.

The disregard for organization and efficiency makes us wonder if the administration is capable of taking care of the increased enrollment which they evidently hadn't anticipated. The system of setting up the assignment committee in the YM office at Temple was all right for the war years in which the number of students registering was cut in half. However, now there are some four thousand students trying to register for next semester and by the widest stretch of imagination they just don't fit into that one room.

In the first place they need people there to check the student's papers before they go thru the line to see if they are ready for the assignment committee. Then they need a place large enough to hold all the students. Finally they need more officials working in order that more than one line can be moving at a time. In the meantime, the best way to encourage skipping classes and late registration is to leave conditions just as they are!

## At Long Last...

The school of journalism has received a long-deserved break and staff and students alike are looking forward to next year eagerly. The break is in the form of a potential new journalism building with one of its feature attractions being a photography lab in the basement which includes ten fully-equipped dark rooms.

For several years, particularly since the war, the school of journalism has been suffering from bad equipment, disgraceful housing and staff shortages. Many students came to the University with intentions of entering journalism college and after one or two semesters either changed colleges or went to another school. Too few courses were offered because of the loss of teachers to the armed forces or better jobs elsewhere. Those courses that were offered gradually lost their appeal when students had to sit in the dirty, musty-smelling rooms of University Hall day after day.

Finally the Administration has seen fit to do something about it. Plans and blueprints are being drawn up and the building is scheduled to be ready for occupation next fall. New staff members have been added to the staff and other appointments are anticipated in the near future. The journalism students certainly have reason to be encouraged. The only question left unanswered now is what to do with U-Hall.

Stating our opinion would be a fore-gone conclusion!  
J. N. M.

## Stan Kenton...

Question of the hour seems to be why Stan Kenton costs five dollars per couple.

Stan Kenton probably doesn't know it, but he is being a guinea pig for the occasion of the dance here in the Union Feb. 1. University dances have been pathetically lacking in "big-name" bands since Pearl Harbor. Pat Lahr's venture into big name stuff, in bringing Kenton to the Union, is the first postwar shot at getting good dance music on campus for the students.

As we all know, space in the Union ballroom is limited. And so, accordingly, have the number of tickets for the dance been limited. With this limit, which provides for comfortable dancing, it is necessary to charge the \$2.50 per person.

An innovation at the Union for the dance will be the tables on the balcony, the coke service at the tables at five cents per shot, and the broadcasting of Stan Kenton's music in parlors XYZ of the Union for the jazz-dancers who require an uncluttered thirty square feet of floor space.

The appearance of Stan Kenton at the Union will be the first dance of the second semester and probably the biggest dance of the year as far as the orchestra is concerned. The dance will serve to welcome back the old and new students of the UN. Stan Kenton is the year's outstanding dance band, and if he is a success at the Union February 1, it is extremely likely that he will be only the first of many "name" bands brought to the campus soon.

## Snipe Huntin'

with JUDGE MASON

By ROGER JOHNSON and MARILYN MEYER (Guest Editors)

Kicking aside dead bodies and piling them up in the left hand corner of the Temple building after spending a mere five hours and 13 minutes getting the Assignment committee's advice to send us back to our advisor to start all over again, we finally decided Enough's Enough!

Numbly staggering down the street, mumbling incoherently, and with a glassy gleam in our eyes, we wended our weary way in what we thought was the direction of the famed Union bldg. Evidently it wasn't, because we ended up on "P" street, going west. No, King's wasn't our objective.

Our innate sense of curiosity was aroused by an intriguing oak door. Being of adventuresome spirit, we cautiously turned the knob and tip-toed in. No sooner did we get through this famous door than we were accosted (hm, we should say accosted? what we mean IS) we were pounced upon by two muscular appearing fugitives from the pugilistic game, who viciously asked us, "And how old are YOU?" Digging for our fake birth certificates, we bewilderingly stammered, "Twenty-one, sir."

Recovering from this, our first shock, we got up from our knees and proceeded into what we found later to be THE famed den of iniquity. Need we say more?

To make a long story short, upon observing the chief form of entertainment we naturally grew very indignant and left, after three hours of chatting with old friends and acquaintances from the last war, and, we might add, mumbling just as incoherently as ever and with just as glassy a gleam in our eyes.

## Ragged Edges

BY SARAH MURRY.

What with exams heading the schedule for next week the weekend is bound to prove rather dead for some. Other brave souls may head for Omaha and the Ice Follies or out to the Pike for Blue Barron.

Ellie Asmussen furnished sweets for her sister Gamma Phi's and kisses for the ATO's Monday night to climax her pinning to Bud Marsh... Kappa's got in on the same ordeal when Ruthie Bicknell passed the candy with Ensign Ted Linderman.

Taking in a movie Sunday night were Alan Kline and Barbara Rowland... The common way to spend a Sunday evening, D. Ann Richardson and Don Davis are seeing lots of each other these days as are Phyllis Steinhauer and Dale Hatch. Calling it steady are Van Norman and Mary Claire Clark and Nancy Mines and Jim Moore.

ATO's got in on a second candy passing Monday night when Wayne Messenger led the way to the Theta house and Elaine Parmenter.

Beth Montgomery and Phi Gam and ex-pinmate Warren Eisonhart got together last week-end. From what I hear, we should watch this duo. Then also hear Nancy Corey and Rusty Gates finally got together for a date... could go on to say that there are Lois Chantry of yell-leading fame and Don Ashford and Dick Bogan and Betty Jacobs, but will end this for now. Happy Exam week!!!!

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## Dr. Schwarting Discusses Plant Chromosomes

Dr. Arthur Schwarting, university pharmacognosist, in an address to the university chapter of Sigma Xi Tuesday evening, discussed the arrangement and function of chromosomes in plants.

He stated that scientists may now change the appearance, internal structure and productive capacity of plants by artificially rearranging their chromosomes. He went on to say that the process has greatly expanded the range of possibilities heretofore attributed to plants and is a promising new field.

**Natural Chemical**  
According to Dr. Schwarting, by applying to plants a natural chemical "alkaloid colchicine," a crystalline substance derived from the ordinary crocus plant, the chemical content of a plant may be altered. In some plants an important increase in drug constituents is devised and in other cases new and different drugs are obtained.

Dr. Schwarting discussed four plants in which this process has been successful: Cinchona, which yields quinine; aconits, which yields aconitine; belladonna, which yields atropine; and peppermint, which is the commercial source of menthol.

## Nu-Med Club Elect Howard Dingman As New President

Nu-Med officers for the following semester, elected Jan. 9, are Howard Dingman, president; Alice Nadada, vice president; Ruth Hoffman, secretary, and Stanley Johnson, publicity chairman.

Guest speaker at the Wednesday meeting was Dr. Clayton Andrews, who spoke on the thyroid gland. He classified the types of gland disorder, described the symptoms, and gave the cures of each. He stated that treatment given any type of disorder was very satisfactory and that 99 percent of the treatment was successful.

A trip to Dr. Stanley Welsh's clinic is on the program for the next meeting. It was also announced that new members taken into Nu-Meds totaled 60.

## Mortar Board Loans Assist College Women

Short-time loans are available to women students through the Mortar Board Loan Fund, according to Barbara Griswold, president of Mortar Board, women's honorary society.

Available throughout the school year, the loans are to assist women needing financial aid for a short period. The money will help the women meet unexpected costs of books, tuition and other school expenses.

Applicants interested in securing the loans should apply at the dean of women's office.

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LOST-Red billfold on campus. Joyce Smith, 2-1926. Reward.  
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## Home Ec Group Sells Betty Lamps, Recipe Booklets

The Home Ec club is continuing its sale of recipe folders and Betty lamps because of the successful opening of sales just before Christmas. A total of 200 lamps was sold on the first two days and additional sales are promising.

Each 3" by 5" folder contains approximately 30 selected recipes contributed by club members and the faculty. The Betty lamps, the symbol of home economics, are pottery candle holders and may be purchased either singly or in pairs. Both are on sale at the desk, second floor of the home ec building.

## Members...

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representative Bob Dickerman and John Ellis.

Voting is restricted to members of the YM.

## Finklestein Speaks

The program for the meeting is sponsored by the World Relatedness Commission. Mr. Lewis B. Finklestein will speak to the group on the subject, "Is Zionism the Answer to the Conflict in Palestine?"

Members of the World Relatedness Commission who planned the program are Phil Frandsen, chairman, Wendell Boesinger, Robert Dickenman, Bill Miller, Robert Esteb, Anthony Good, Sam Warren and Robert V. Radin.

## YM...

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man and veteran. Miller is also a freshman.

## District Representative.

Candidates for the post of district representative are Jim Donnelly and Merwyn Row. Donnelly, a freshman, is serving as a temporary appointee to the post of representative at the present time. Row is also a freshman at Ag college.

At the cabinet retreat held by the Ag YM Sunday, plans for the coming semester were laid and the organizational set-up was revised according to the president, Bob Cornell.

## University...

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during the pre-sale inspection period.

The items range from bolts to airplane engines. Thus far considerable laboratory equipment for engineering, chemistry and medicine has been acquired, college and other departments on the campus.

Changing war needs have forced cancellation of nearly two billion dollars worth of war contracts for the automotive industry.

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