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Hell and High Water

Custom dictates that the "has been" editor of The Nebraskan write a swansong in her last issue of the paper. Custom also dictates that this last effort be entitled "Swansong." A swansong, however, is what a swan supposedly sings just before it dies. The retiring editor does not like the implication in that word, so this last editorial will be "Hell and High Water," an infinitely more appropriate title.

Theoretically the old editor of The Nebraskan comments upon the past semester, explains trends at the university and generally gives one last sad, pontifical and profound editorial look at the campus. Practically, however, the "has been" is more likely to air her own gripes, disillusionments and ambitions and then check out with a pessimistic view of the new staff, knowing full well that The Nebraskan can get along only too well without her.

This has been a good semester, not only for The Nebraskan, but for the university as a whole. The enrollment soared, men students appeared in inspiring numbers, Corn Kobs and other men's organizations are with us again, the new library opened to civilian use, formals are back, and all manner of such nice things.

On the blacker side of the books is an impressive list of debits. The Board of Regents continues to hide its head in the sand at the mere sight of a newspaper man, a taxpayer, a student or just anyone who looks mildly curious about what is going on at Nebraska. Chancellor Boucher remains a legendary character, almost a myth, and, like the groundhog, emerges once a year, sees his shadow and darts back into his impressive and very clean office.

The housing situation is still a mess, but there is a possibility that things may be looking up in that line if the university gets around to doing the things it should have done three or four years ago.

And more.

All in all, though, it's been a good semester at a good school. Probably The Nebraskan could have done more to make it a better school. Probably the editor could have done some of the things she thought about doing all semester. Probably it really doesn't make much difference. The new staff will carry on beautifully and the university will continue to grow and prosper in spite of its darker side, which is always with us.

It's been four years of wonderful hell and high water, and now it's "thirty."

Dental College Merits Praise On V-12 Work

Two certificates of commendation were received by the university college of dentistry from the U. S. Navy for its work in the Navy V-12 program.

Captain M. D. Matthews, commanding officer of university NROTC, presented the certificates to Dean Bert L. Hooper in behalf of James Forrestal, Secretary of the Navy, and Ross I. McIntyre, surgeon general.

In a letter to Dean B. L. Hooper which accompanied the awards, Vice Admiral Louis Denfeld, chief of Naval Personnel wrote:

Significant Part.

"The University of Nebraska college of dentistry played a significant part in training officers for the Dental Corps under the Navy V-12 program and made a great contribution to the prosecution of the war. The wholehearted co-operation of your administration, the excellence of your facilities and the skill of your instructional staff helped make possible an immense expansion of the Dental Corps, United States Naval Reserve, in time of war, and expansion which, because of the efforts of dental colleges, saw no lowering of professional standards.

"It is with genuine pleasure that I present to your institution, this certificate, a tangible sign of the Navy's appreciation for the task which the University of Nebraska college of dentistry has performed in the Navy V-12 program. In closing, may I add the Navy's traditional phrase of approval, a hearty 'Well done.'"

Magnesium is the lightest of structural metals, being one-third lighter than aluminum.

The earliest reference to tea in European literature is found toward the end of the 16th century.

Delta Delta Delta Presents Awards To Four Students

Carol Bridenbaugh, Ella Baker, Dorothy Stevens and Martha Nickerson have been announced as the recipients of the 1946 Delta Delta Delta scholarships, according to Mrs. J. P. Colbert, chairman of the award committee.

Three of the winners, Miss Bridenbaugh, Miss Baker and Miss Stevens are enrolled at ag college. Miss Baker and Miss Bridenbaugh are juniors and Miss Stevens is a senior. Miss Nickerson is a senior in Arts and Sciences.

Eligibility.

To be eligible for such an award, the applicant must be a junior or senior woman, working on a degree. Awards are based on scholarship and financial need.

Presented by the local chapter of Delta Delta Delta, the scholarships are valued at \$50 each. Money for the awards is taken from the chapter's Postwar Scholarship Fund. Since the fund was established four years ago, 14 scholarships have been given. The fund is a project of only the local chapter.

Selection of the winners was made by members of the sorority and university faculty.

YW Installs New Officers Tonight

Installation for new officers of the YWCA will be held Wednesday evening, January 30, according to Mary Ann Mattoon, outgoing president.

Newly-elected officers and appointed cabinet members will be installed at this time. All members of the YWCA and the advisory board are invited to the ceremony, according to Lois Hanson, installation committee chairman.

Wheat acreage in the United Kingdom has doubled since the war began.

Author Talks At Semester's First Convo

Bertita Harding, well-known writer and lecturer will be the first speaker in the second semester convocation series. She will speak Feb. 5 at 11 a. m. in the Union ballroom.

Miss Harding's subject will be "The Power of the Pen." She will relate her experiences as an author and world traveler at the all-university convocation.

Literary Achievements.

Famous for her literary achievements, Miss Harding is the author of such best-sellers as: "Golden Fleece," "Amazon Throne," "Hungarian Rhapsody," "Phantom Crown," "Imperial Twilight" and "Royal Purple."

During the past year, Miss Harding has been lecturing throughout the United States. She also aided the bond drives in several cities. Following her lecture in Lincoln, she will go to Kansas City, Mo.

Reporter Risks Neck for Sake Of Journalism

BY MARILYN MEYER.

What we lowly reporters on this, our noble paper, won't do just for the sake of our art. For instance we risked our pretty necks yesterday morning just to revel in the somewhat smoky and even noisier atmosphere of a newspaper office.

Just let us tell you! We streaked out the door of our abode in the typical style of a young tyro, hat flying . . . oh, you know, all the appearances of the dashing young up and coming cub. Our feet were coming up and we were going down. Lo and behold, it had precipitated during the night and said precipitation had turned solid. Solid precipitation being better known as ice.

Skidding Bus.

The bus we had caught in the meanwhile skidded to about five miles per hour and we jumped off. Oh, that precipitation again! Arrived on the campus just in time to see a sight we wouldn't have missed for anything. Jack Maxwell must have enjoyed his ride down the slippery steps of Morrill Hall so well the first time that he decided to do it all over again, this time for the benefit of several of his buddies who applauded his antics with relish and tried to persuade him to do it again.

Our morale was raised an iota or two when a member of the masculine set tried to impress us with his prowess on the ice and proceeded to execute a daring slide down a steep driveway. Our eyes were closed when the inevitable happened.

We can't stand the sight of blood.

One and Only.

We did a cartwheel that could never be done twice, in front of the Union, and some little black creature with an even blacker mind said facetiously, "Was that trip necessary?"

Our goal reached, we trod carefully up the steps of the Union without mishap and marched happily into the NEBRASKAN office just in time to hear the editor ask if somebody please wouldn't run over to the Administration building for a story. Silence reigned (and we all got wet) and ten pairs of eyes focused on us standing meekly in the doorway. We can take a hint. The thought of those glassy sidewalks just waiting for our friendly feet to step on them before they fly up and hit us in the face was terrifying

Nebraskan Publishes Coupon To Aid Vet's Housing Condition

Many veterans who are planning to attend the university next semester were among the 166 who filled in the veterans' questionnaire appearing in the city papers Sunday, according to Elwood W. Camp, Lancaster county service center.

Camp also announced that although the returned coupons will

not be tabulated until all are in, it is already apparent that apartments are most popular on the needed list, and also most difficult to procure. Houses run second with sleeping rooms third.

The Nebraskan is running the following coupon for the convenience of the veterans who plan to be future university students.

Name: Phone:

Address: Phone:

Are you employed?..... Unemployed?..... In School?.....

Are you now living with relatives?.....

Did you live in Lincoln before entering the service?.....

Number in family: Adults:..... Children:.....

Type of dwelling desired: House..... Apartment..... Room.....

Do you have your own furniture?.....

Do you require cooking facilities?.....

What rent are you willing to pay?.....

Fill out the above questionnaire and mail immediately to:

Elwood W. Camp
Lancaster County Service Center
1445 N Street
Lincoln, Nebraska

but a newspaper man never falters. For the sake of our dear editor, the loyal and hard-working staff, and the publicity hounds in the aforesaid bldg, we dragged ourselves up the steps on our unstable way in pursuit of our chosen art.

Legree's . . .

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whip in the first paragraph.

Disillusioned, yet not completely without hope, Turiddu continues to woo Lola, though she is married (see how modern this is). To soothe his wounded pride, he keeps company with Santuzza, who finds herself holding the bag when Turiddu forsakes her to return to his first love, Lola, whom he loves with a quote purple passion unquote.

The girls engage in a hair-pulling sequence in the public square, and Turiddu, the heel, slaps Santuzza for being mean to his gal. Santuzza, not wishing to give up easily, spills the dirt about his wife to Alfio.

Celebrating the holidays in front of the tavern (it's wine, not Stite) Alfio sulks and refuses to have another with the treacherous tenor (Girls, beware of men with high vices, I mean voices).

No Gloves!

Deciding to provoke a duel (it won't be fought at sunrise, that's not original) Alfio bites the auditory appendage of Turiddu, who howls with pain, (musically of course). Couldn't slap him with his gloves, for being a horse-trader, he wouldn't wear pigskins.

About this time, Turiddu gets a guilty conscience, figuring a horse-trader can always outwit a nitwit, and says goodbye to his mother before going off to meet his doom. Within a space of moments the whole town files on stage screaming, "Neighbor Turiddu is murdered," Santuzza falls dead, and the curtain hits the floor.

More or Less.

The plot of the opera doesn't exactly follow this outline, but it bears a decidedly unintentional similarity.

Ticket sales for this masterpiece go on sale Wednesday. Fred Teller has insisted that an announcement to the effect that they cost 75 cents must be included, but we're not going to put it in. Put that whip away, Teller.

Theatre . . .

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glimpse into the life of the Featherways, a family living in Kent, England, in 1860. A tragedy, having its advantages, has struck the Featherways, and they are trying their best to be mournful.

"The Last of the Lowries," a serious drama by Paul Green, tells of the struggles of the Croatan outlaws of Robeson county, North Carolina, against the white men.

The "Maria Gloriosa" and the "Emperor," two famous bells made from French cannon, hung in the cathedral at Cologne for years, but were remade into cannon when World War I came.

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