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High School Fads Shown On Campus

By Mary Sigler, Peg Staroseik and Merna Quick, Osceola.

This week-end high school students from all over attending the fifteenth annual Nebraska High School Press association convention dotted the university campus with their usual classroom attire, bobby socks, dirty saddles, sweaters and skirts or tweed trousers and shirts.

Lincoln high sent their representatives in the school colors, red and black. The girls had red sweaters with black letters. The fellows sported red and black sateen jackets. No need to ask where they hailed from because Lincoln high was plainly written on the backs. Not to be outdone, the delegation from Northeast was decked out in their black letter sweaters and black skirts. White Eton hats topped the outfits.

More Formal Attire.

Suits, neat blouses and hose were worn by those who were more formal. Pretty pastel sweaters and skirts, or bright ski sweaters with dark skirts were frequently seen. The boys, too, were seen with bright ski sweaters with wool tweeds or plain dark trousers. Some of the boys were dressed in bright, plain or checked shirts, overall pants or yellow cords.

Indian jewelry, identification bracelets and long key chains were worn by all. Some of the girls wore costume jewelry.

It was our guess that some of the boys were basketball players because of their crew cuts. A number of the boys had pride and retained their curls and waves. The hair-dos of the girls were dominated with short bangs and long or short loosely-curved hair.

Theta Sig Head Tells Problems Of Convention

By Barbara Glock, David City.

"Yes, there were many headaches in organizing the convention," said Raye Kinnier, president of Theta Sigma Phi and co-planner with Scott Greenwood, Sigma Delta Chi prexy, of the convention.

As Raye said, "For exactly a month we looked for some place to hold the mixer and dance and for some sponsor for it. After much worry we found that the Student Foundation was very willing back it."

"The banquet worried us too," she continued, "but we finally found a sponsor, and everything has worked out satisfactorily."

Sending out invitations to all schools with journalism courses was handled by Dr. Swindler. They were written by members of the organizations. Members planned and helped with registration, publicity, contests, and news writing.

Without the help of these organizations and many other people, this convention would not have been held. Said Raye, "Dr. Swindler did a lot."

Good Luck . . .

To NHSPA delegates—

Members of Sigma Delta Chi and Theta Sigma Phi hate to see you leave. It's been fun, being your hosts. We hope you've enjoyed these two days as much as we have.

More than that, we hope you've picked up bits of knowledge and new ideas that will bring improvements in your high school publications. That has been our purpose.

You who are high school seniors are the future reporters and editors of the Daily Nebraskan. Many of us will not be back in the fall. The responsibility for maintaining The Daily Nebraskan's high standards will fall on your shoulders.

To the contest winners, may we offer our congratulations. And to those who put out this issue of the Nebraskan, may we say—"A job well done."

If you like journalism, stick with it. It's fun. And it's fascinating.

Until next fall, when we see you in journalism lab, in the "Crib," or in Sosh, goodbye and good luck!

SIGMA DELTA CHI
THETA SIGMA PHI

Director Lists Aims of Press For Convention

By Bev Wehmiller, Sidney High.

"Yes, I very definitely consider this convention successful because everyone seems to be benefitting from it and is enjoying himself," Dr. William F. Swindler, director of the university school of journalism, stated yesterday. "It was like shooting in the dark," he continued, "because this is the first convention we've had in six years."

The university had three aims in mind when sponsoring the National High School Press association convention. The first is to help the different high schools in the state obtain new ideas for publication of their papers; second, hoping journalism students will become interested in journalism.

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Today's Program

Changes in Saturday's program for the Nebraska High School Press Association convention are as follows: William H. Hice, university journalism instructor, will speak at 9:15 a. m. for R. R. Gordon, Scottsbluff high school; Mrs. Anne Savidge, Omaha Central, will replace Gunnar Horn, Omaha Benson.

The complete program is:
8 a. m.—9 a. m. Registration—Third Floor Student Union.
8 a. m.—9 a. m. Advisers' Breakfast—Lincoln hotel.
9:15—10:15 a. m. Newspaper Editorial Clinics.
"Freshening Your News Writing"—106 University Hall, William H. Hice, university instructor.
"Better and Better Headlines"—103 University Hall, Miss Frances Halten, Kearney high school, leader.
"Makeup and Typography of Pages"—102 University Hall, Mrs. Anne Savidge, Omaha Central high, leader.
"Hunting and Finding Features"—113 University Hall, Miss Nell Gingles, Beatrice high school, leader.
"Sports Writing Do's and Don'ts"—110 University Hall, Norris Anderson, Sports Editor, Lincoln Star.
11 a. m.—11:30 a. m. Final Advisers' meeting—106 University Hall.
12:00—Awards Luncheon—Ballroom Student Union.

Journalists Hear Talk By Swindler

BY BARBARA GLOCK, David City.

"Opportunity for young men and women of Nebraska seeking a journalistic career is not only in the metropolitan centers of the east but also in our own state," said Dr. William D. Swindler, director of the university school of journalism Friday morning when he addressed the first post-war session of the Nebraska High School Press association convention.

"The products of our university and other Nebraska college journalism courses have consistently sought careers in the metropolitan centers," Dr. Swindler stated. "We have here in Nebraska an unending drama of the struggle of an industrious people for a better life. Surely there is no greater challenge to serve our fellow men than in the small towns and cities of Nebraska."

Trained Students.

Dr. Swindler said the students would be trained to meet the requirements of Nebraska journalism through the university's school of journalism.

"By this we mean that students will be well-grounded in a liberal arts course which will give the necessary background to appraise accurately the economy and sociology of Nebraska. And we hope to train them in the fundamentals of good usage of the English language so that they may transmit their observations into clearly understood writing."

Merritt Whitten of Nebraska City, president of the association, and Tom Sorenson, who was graduated from the university

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Thirty Schools Attend UN Meet

Students Participate In Two Day Convention

BY PAT O'BRIEN, DOROTHY GOULD, MARY DEARDOFF, COLLEGE VIEW

Two hundred and eighteen students, representing 30 Nebraska high schools, registered Friday for the annual two day Nebraska high school press convention.

This morning, delegates will attend newspaper editorial clinics in University hall from 9:15 until 10:15. Climaxing the convention, awards are to be presented to

winners of writing contests at the luncheon in the Union ballroom at noon today.

Following registration in the Union Friday, visitors were conducted on a tour of the university campus by representatives of the Tassels and Corn Cobs, pep organizations.

Whitten Addresses Convo

Merritt Whitten, of Nebraska City, president of the high school press association, spoke on "NHSPA in the Postwar Years" at the general convocation held in the Union ballroom at 10 a. m.

"What the School of Journalism Seeks in High School Graduates" was discussed by Dr. William F. Swindler, director of the university school of journalism. Tom Sorenson spoke on "Journalism from the Student's Viewpoint."

Writing Contests

Students attending Friday afternoon sessions worked on positions assigned to them by regular staff members of the Daily Nebraskan. Writing contests for journalistic practice were sponsored by the school of journalism.

To enable delegates to become acquainted, the university Student Foundation sponsored a student mixer dance in the Union ballroom Friday night.

Schools represented at the convention were Lincoln High, Northeast, College View, Diller, North Platte, Bertrand, Gurley, Kearney, Seward, Sidney, Elwood, Plattsmouth, Omaha South, Dorchester, Beatrice, Superior, Osceola, David City, Nebraska City, West Point, Grand Island, Bellevue, Omaha Central, Arcadia, Longfellow, Fairbury, Alliance, Dewitt, Holy Name, and Cambridge.

Press Convo Marks First SDX Activity

By Lois Mary Laurence, Thelma Erny, Betty McCormick, Alliance.

The High School Press conference which is being held Friday and Saturday is sponsored in conjunction with Theta Sigma Phi and Sigma Delta Chi, journalism honoraries for women and men, under the auspices of the School of Journalism.

This is the first activity for Sigma Delta Chi since their re-activation Dec. 13, 1946.

Sigma Delta Chi is a men's professional journalism honorary society whose members have had practical experience working on the Lincoln State Journal, Star Journal, and the Daily Nebraskan. The qualifications are that one must be majoring in journalism and have a high scholarship. At present there are sixteen members who have chosen as their officers: Scott Greenwood, president; Jack Cressman, vice-president; Jim Cooper, secretary; and Taylor Lewis, treasurer.

Monthly meetings are held at which time nationally known speakers are presented to the organization.

Eager Writers Swamp 'Daily' Paper Office

BY JACK LOUDEN, Lincoln High.

Staffing the "Rag" for this edition (at least, trying to help out), were numerous well-meaning reporters, headline writers and feature writers from the Nebraska State High School Press convention. These high school students wrote most of the copy for this unique edition.

After the onslaught of busy busy juveniles, the regular editor, Shirley Jenkins, took protective cover in her quiet office, while Duke Novotny, the managing editor, was making room to sit on a window sill. Duke was planning to watch the proceedings from his perch. As soon as things became well muddled, he planned to jump into the middle of things to straighten them out.

"The Daily Nebraskan, in my estimation, is a more complex and better paper than our high school paper, 'The Podunk Pot' at Podunk high," expressed one of the more intelligent visitors. "The Pot only comes out twice a semester and the Nebraskan is issued daily, so I guess I really shouldn't compare them."

"Things will be straightened out for the Sunday edition—I HOPE!" Duke sighed.

CAMPUS SEEN

These are some impressions expressed by the potential students of the University of Nebraska attending the Nebraska High School Press Association meeting.

"A nice place," "Like to go here," "Lots of pretty girls" are some of the remarks overheard. "Kinda crowded" remarked another as he gazed at the cascade of human bodies pouring down the stairs of the Social Science building.

On the whole the views of the students implied that this is a good place to attend school. Some had already planned to enroll in this university, and others probably will begin to make plans to attend after viewing the school. New buildings, along with the fine buildings already constructed, will soon help to relieve the crowded situation that prevails here as in most schools.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA SAYS

WELCOME

TO THE NEBRASKA HIGH SCHOOL PRESS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION