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Nebraska's Famed . . .

Death has penned the final chapter in the life one of America's most beloved authors, Willa Cather. Miss Cather died Thursday in New York City, far from the broad expanses of the Middle West she loved, understood and depicted.

Few writers ever have been endowed with the ability to write novels to equal those of Miss Cather's, which portrayed "plain" people and their struggle for existence. Because of this ability, Willa Cather had thousands of friends, friends she did not personally know, nor they her. Nevertheless, a natural bond developed as a result of the kinship these people felt for the characters of her novels because their fictitious lives so closely paralleled their own.

Willa Cather was a great woman as well as a great writer. She possessed deep emotions and strong convictions noticed by her classmates and intimates early in life. Miss Mariel Gere of Lincoln recalls that Miss Cather's instructors and student associates realized her "great talent" and potentialities when she was still an undergraduate at the university. Long before her graduation, this talent became noticeable through the contributions she made to the campus publication and to the Lincoln Journal, at that time under the direction of the late Charles Henry Gere, Miss Gere's father.

Miss Gere's classroom acquaintance with Willa Cather grew into a lasting friendship. She reminisced that Miss Cather often told her the story of her new manuscripts before publication, and that "her ability as a narrator almost equalled her ability as a writer."

Although Miss Cather left the Middle West, evidence of the love she felt for the plains was apparent to readers of her novels. Her accounts of scenes and settings gave proof that, even though she was no longer a Nebraska resident, she maintained a wealth of memories to substantiate the authenticity of her work.

Nebraska has long been proud of one of her most illustrious alumni, and today, and for days and years to come, will mourn the passing of Willa Cather.

True, Nebraska will miss Willa Cather and the literary world will miss her invigorating contributions, but the plain people will realize that even though a great champion of their lot is no longer with them in body, she will always remain immortal in an unforgotten spirit.

Verdi Work Honors Dead

BY SAM WARREN.

As its first gesture in tribute to its 364 students and staff members who lost their lives in the late war, the university Sunday presented the Choral Union in a performance of Verdi's "Requiem" that was sincerely offered and effectively sung.

The essential message of the "Requiem," which was performed last week-end in New York City also, can best be summarized by an offertory passage sung in quartet-form by the four soloists, "Deliver Thou the souls of all them that died in the faith of Jesus."

Fugues Best.

By far the most effective choral work was found in the two fugues, "Holy, Holy, Holy" and the final "Lord, Deliver My Soul." For overall effect, the intense "Day of Anger" was well done, with resounding trumpets, booming kettle drums and complete orchestra joining the chorus in full voice. Longest of the seven portions of the mass, the "Day of Anger" was subdivided into nine parts with each soloist singing with the chorus.

Carl Booton Anniversary Coincides With Spring Fling

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Booton believe that they will set something of a record for the veteran under-

graduates when they celebrate their eighth wedding anniversary at the UniVet "Spring Fling" party in the union Friday evening, May 2.

Carl Booton and Ruth Seaquist were married in Central City, Neb., on May 2, 1939. Booton is working for a degree in educational administration at the university.

Grads To Hear Werner

Dr. H. O. Werner, professor of horticulture, will speak at the graduate club for banquet Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. in Parlor X of the Union.

Tickets for the banquet which will close the year's activities for the club may be purchased beginning Monday from Martin League in room 217 of Sosh, from G. Schaeffer in room 319 of Sosh or from Mary Coburn.

Council Corner

by Sam Warren

A complete report of the Junior-Senior Prom, unavoidably delayed by student activities office red tape, was received at last week's Council meeting. Upon a motion by Prom Chairman Joanne Ackerman, the Council voted to turn over the entire sum in the Prom Fund to the University Theatre, joint-sponsor of this year's prom, instead of dividing the deficit between Council and Theatre as originally agreed on, because only a little over \$20 would be left in the fund, and because both interests had expected the Theatre to realize a profit, and not a loss, from the dance.

The Prom Fund was established with the \$200 profit from last year's prom in the hope that with accumulated profits from year to year the Council could eventually swing its proms without enlisting the financial backing of another campus organization. "N" club sponsored it with the Council last year.

A report by president Harold Mozer that the Council could expect no funds from the administration to send one delegate (not five as reported in the Daily) to the International Student Service conference in Denmark this summer brought forth a gratifying questioning period from new Council members as to the nature of the National Student Organization, endorsed earlier in the year by the Council.

The Denmark conference is involved with the NSO whose structure interlocks with a number of national and international organizations. Unfortunately, no one was present to explain adequately, as the chair attempted to do, just what the NSO is, what its concrete purposes are, nor the scope of its activities during its formative year, let alone what it hopes to accomplish once its organization and constitution are perfected.

The consensus among new Council members, based upon a hasty and incomplete introduction to the question, seemed to be that since the Council has no funds to finance delegates' trips to any NSO conference, at home or abroad, and since the NSO's purposes were apparently vague and idealistic, that the Council should discontinue any effort to cooperate with the NSO venture. Further consideration will be given the whole NSO proposition at tomorrow's meeting.

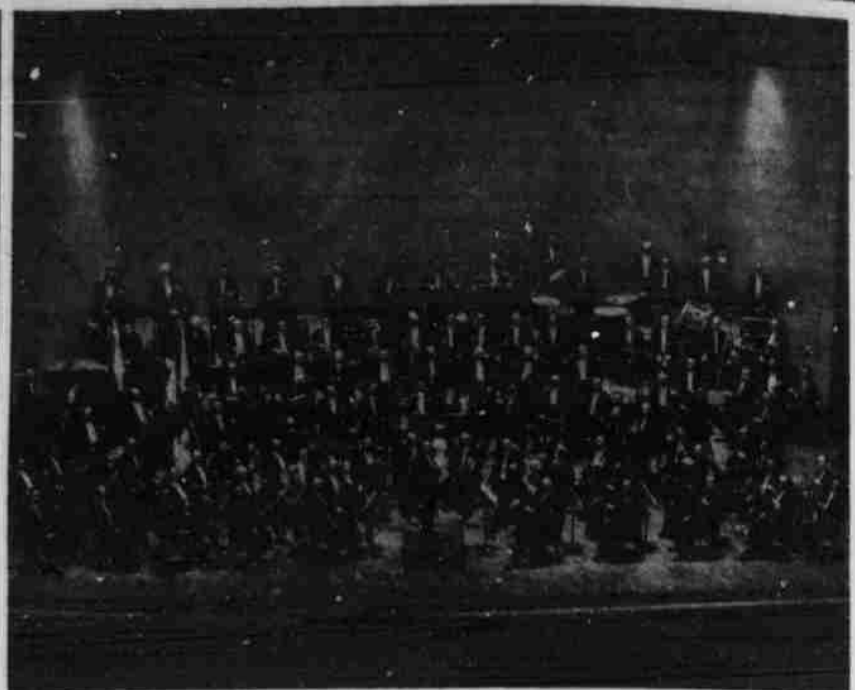
This column would like to remind students that Council meetings are always open to students, except in those few instances when the Council closes its doors to discuss important questions after all sides have been heard. Meeting time is 5 p. m. each Wednesday. Place is Union room 313.

Luchtel Named Federation Prexy Of Newman Club

Harold Luchtel, bizad sophomore, was elected president of the Central State Province of the Newman Club Federation last week at the province's convention in Champaign, Ill. Elaine Budler from the Nebraska delegation was elected corresponding secretary.

Schools from the states of Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri and Illinois sent delegates.

According to Luchtel, tentative plans have been made for the Central States Province to hold its annual convention on this campus next year.



Frisco Symphony To Appear Under Direction of Monteaux

The San Francisco Symphony under the direction of Pierre Monteaux will perform at the coliseum Friday at 8:15 as the final attraction of the Lincoln Newspapers series. The orchestra appears here on its first transcontinental tour, the most extensive tour ever undertaken by a U. S. symphony.

San Francisco's very first orchestra was organized even before the city was founded, when Spanish friars trained a group of 13 Indians in 1827. Its present symphony has 100 members, and, according to Newsweek Magazine, "is generally recognized as the best in the west."

Playing to capacity audiences everywhere, the orchestra claims conductor Pierre Monteaux as its most brilliant asset, Serge Koussevitzky's predecessor in Boston 23 years ago, he calls the tour "10,000 miles of music."

At the orchestra's New York appearance two weeks ago, Newsweek reported, "Some Manhattan critics found his orchestra weak in the strings and noisy in the brasses, but all praised Monteaux's skilled, sensitive conducting." Tickets are on sale at Walt's

Music Store, selling at 50 cents for the student section, and at a general admission range from \$1.20 to \$3.60.

IM Scores

Water Polo Final
Sigma Nu 14, Delta Upsilon 12 (overtime)
Sigma Alpha Epsilon 24, Kappa Sigma 10
Badminton
Delta Upsilon 3, Beta Theta Pi 0
Softball
Sigma Alpha Mu 19, Zeta Beta Tau 12
Beta Theta Pi 7, Sigma Chi 5
Phi Gamma Delta 4, Phi Delta Theta 3

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WANTED—Several fellows who would like to spend summer vacation in the Rocky Mountains frying hamburgers some of the time. Call 3-2666 for details.
LOST—Economics 11. Notebook Spiral. Please call 5-4606 if found. Dorothy Christensen.
WANTED—Young married couple to assist in the care of a private summer home in the mountains of Colorado. Work is pleasant and interesting. Contact the Daily Nebraskan.

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Gladwin E. Young

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Rep. in Russia

4:00 p. m., Tuesday, April 29

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