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To the editor and Susie Reed:

You should be commended for the article "Challenge" which was printed in *The Daily Nebraskan*. It is worthy of high praise. Nevertheless, I would like to add something to your thoughts.

The youth of Europe have lived through a period of degeneration, dictatorial corruption, near slavery and imprisonment. They have many vivid memories . . . memories of human slaughter, memories of starvation, of torture, and of family separations—certainly the most unpleasant memories.

You see, I came from Europe about ten or twelve years ago myself and know how Europeans think and feel. I have spoken to refugees from Europe. They are the living dead. An impermeable membrane seems to surround them—a membrane formed by isolation, mistreatment and misunderstanding. By bringing a foreign student such as I have in mind, this membrane would disintegrate.

A person who has withstood the evils of the last world war needs friendship and companionship more than anything else in the world. He wants a home, a buddy and an ideal to work and slave for. He wants to be 'one of the fellows.' He likes to receive help but is also eager to give it. He doesn't want to be looked at through the corner of someone's eye. He wants a chance to become alive again—to breathe pure and wholesome air.

Can we give him that chance?

Most sincerely,
Sid Rubin.

Dear Miss Read:

Regarding your editorial of March 15.

Perhaps the student body as future citizens, is doing some serious thinking along with its talking about additional educational opportunities for foreign students.

Student action may be held up by questions such as this: Has this state or nation actually run out of eager, qualified students who will be deprived of a college education because of lack of funds for tuition, room and board, etc?

Ask a few of the citizens of this state. Tell them the University and associated groups plan to extend a complete college education to a group of foreign students, without charge. Better not mention that our educational requirements are increasing yearly, both for teachers and facilities.

Are the citizens asked to ignore the shortage of facilities? Would the foreign student be of any aid in the solution of this problem? Logically, they would return to the countries of which they are citizens upon the completion of education. We do have an student exchange policy. It offers an equitable arrangement for the mutual benefit of the U. S. and foreign students.

Rarely has a nation been extended the opportunity to give so frequently and freely of its resources as the present generation of American citizens. Gold stars on service flags, lend-lease and ERP each imply the range and magnanimity of our effort. This world wide effort for peace will

continue with the need, and certainly is our only course.

Yet, to many of us, the mere suggestion of anything "foreign" leaves us bright with anticipation. "Consider how proud the University might feel if every house could . . . etc." Does it follow that no university or house could feel proud if it supported a plain, but willing American student I think not. The thought just has not, as yet, arrived.

Respectfully,
GEORGE F. SPATZ.

Agri-View

BY LOUISE McDILL.

It can be done!

Faculty and students can get together on a controversial issue and come out with a solution. A solution, we might add, that is satisfactory to both parties concerned.

The issue referred to is the Ag campus rodeo. Last Tuesday, students were delighted to hear that the rodeo they remembered so well from last year is to have a successor. Furthermore, the Farmers Fair Board was given permission to construct a permanent arena in which to hold its annual rodeo.

This permission, granted by Dean Lambert himself, deserves much thanks from the students. Furthermore, Dean Lambert has acquired a great deal of respect from both the students and the faculty in the fair way he handled the situation, regardless of some comments made before in this column.³ The new Dean, coming here for his first year, listened to arguments from both pro and con, weighed each argument, offered advice and sugges-

Higher Book Prices???

As if book prices aren't high enough now, two of the campus book stores have announced that a price raise may come in the near future.

Talking to a representative of the Co-op Book Store yesterday, I learned that a bill will come up in the United States House of Representatives next week for an increase in book transportation rates. A previous increase went into effect as of Jan. 1 of this year, calling for a charge of 8 cents for the first pound and 3 cents for each additional pound up to 70 pounds on the shipment of books through the mail.

The latest raise will up the ante to 9 cents for the first pound and 4 cents for each additional pound up to 70 pounds. This will of course necessitate a higher student charge.

The Co-op Book Store, as well as other stores all over the country, is sending letters to influential congressmen and senators in an effort to stop the passage of the bill. Below is the text of a letter sent by the Co-op store to Senators Wherry and Butler and Representative Curtis, and to Sen. Olin Johnson, chairman of the Senate Post Office and Civil Service committee, and Rep. Tom Murray, chairman of the House Post Office and Civil Service committee:

"The bill recently introduced proposing the increase of rate on books will not only work further hardship on book sellers, but also on students who must purchase books for their education.

"New books will become practically impossible to handle, since the margin now is only 20% on texts. Transportation and overhead at the present time is greater than the discount—a national survey shows a 19% to 23% cost. Special orders for reference books will become entirely out of the question, unless the student is willing to assume the cost of transportation.

"Please vote against the bill."

A laudable effort on the book store's part. We wish there were some effective way for the students to act to protect their interests. As it is now, book prices are high enough. We hope the book store's work will pay off in a way beneficial to the students.

Cub Clem

A Few Political Notes . . .

Hearty congratulations go to the YM and YW for promoting student interest in student politics by holding a forum on student government last night. It would be nice to think that, little by little, students are being awakened to the need of their actively participating in the rather complex project of bringing good student government to the Nebraska campus.

The matter, as we see it, is making no progress on the immediate floor of the Council. (The faculty-Council committee set up to study the problem, however, may make another story.) Two political party constitutions have been okayed, but the consequence seems little more than elevating the old Greek-Barb contest to a different level. There is little assurance that either constitution will be sanctioned by the faculty committee because of vague membership clauses.

The Daily Nebraskan's proposal of having a constitutional assembly impressed the Student Council so much that it rated no mention at Wednesday's meeting. The Daily Nebraskan isn't so sensitive that it would feel crushed if it were told that the idea stinks, but it does think that having an assembly of representatives of all segments of the student body discuss and act upon the matter of student government is an idea which warrants consideration—even if for only two or three minutes on the Council floor.

It appears to us that probably one of the most important factors to be considered is on what basis shall students be represented on a Student Council. Representation on a basis of affiliation has already been properly cast aside. Perhaps the idea of having a Council composed of representatives from the different colleges need to be re-examined. True, students are divided in such a manner. But is their thinking in matters of student government divided in such a way?

Basis of representation merits a lot of serious thinking. Any new or improved ideas we welcome for print in *The Daily Nebraskan*

tions to the students for their plan, and then made his decision. This mature and fair judgment in the office of the Dean of Ag college is something in which Aggies can place their faith.

Students, being young people, often hit upon ideas that need to be tempered with mature judgment and advice. When dogmatic criticisms are given by those who would give advice, or when students ignore any advice that is offered, unhealthy situa-

tions often arise. But if students and their advisors can work together to find a solution that is fair to all concerned, great goals can be accomplished.

Now that the framework is set up for a much asked-for rodeo, the rest is up to all Ag students. The rodeo will mean work, real work. If the rodeo is to be as successful as the planners convinced Dean Lambert it would be, every Ag student will have to pitch in and

From the Front Page

By Bruce Kennedy

CONTINUING to wage its war for a better and more efficient administration, the Hoover commission asks for a change in departments for all river developments. The commission recommended that instead of being under the Corps of Army Engineers, the various river plans should be controlled by the interior department. This change, said the report, would eliminate the wasteful conflict and make for more efficient work.

SUSPICION of a leak in the United States Atomic Security was brought to light in Mexico City. A Mexican picked-up by patrolmen had a slug of uranium in his possession. Because of its purity, the uranium could not have been refined in Mexico. Everything points to a leak in the United States.

THE FARM income in Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota shows a decided drop, according to the Department of Agriculture. State's receipts dropped 20 million dollars under the same month last year. Blizzards, floods and falling prices were blamed for the drop.

THE UNITED States Congress is not the only one that can filibuster. That was proved Wednesday as Communist members of the Italian Parliament staged a filibuster in an effort to hold off legislation on Italy's entrance into the North Atlantic Security Pact. So far the filibuster has been going on 20 consecutive hours.

NU Bulletin Board

Friday

"University News in Review" featuring an interview with Byron Hooper on the Dri Nite Club at 4:15 on KOLN.

Sunday

Sigma Eta Chi annual Silver Tea at the residence of Mrs. C. B. Anderson, 1950 C Street, from 3 to 5 p. m.

"And Then There Were None," starring Barry Fitzgerald and Walter Houston, 3 p. m. in the Ag Union. Coffee hour will follow.

Monday

Filings for ISA president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer close at 6 p. m. Applicants must have sophomore standing and a 4.5 average. Filings made in Room 209 Administration hall.

Information on YWCA alumni including married names and addresses and what they are doing at the present time should be turned into the YW office as soon as possible in order to be placed in the file.

make it so. The same goes for the entire Farmers Fair, of which the rodeo is just one part.

The goal of the Farmers Fair besides presenting an activity that will be fun and informative for those who do not know Ag so well, is to provide a chance for all Ag students to work together. If Ag students cooperate, each doing the jobs that they are most fitted for, the Farmers Fair will help to draw Ag college together to accomplish other goals ahead.

Mary: "Why did you stop dating that checker champion?"

Jane: "He was always trying to get me in a corner."

Too many flames can make a girl the toast of the town.