Just Between Us . . .

By DON PIEPER
Editor

The loss of Dr. Gus will be felt for a good many years.

He is probably the most misunderstood man on the campus and his true importance will only be realized after he has left. His absence will leave a vacuum any successor will have to work hard to fill. Like any great man, however, the Chancellor has had critics. But I believe that he will be counted among the greatest when following generations look back at outstanding educators.

It's hard to say goodbye to men like the Chancellor. If you have ever met him, you'll know what I mean.

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A look at the physical changes that have been made on the campus during his administration will begin to indicate his value. Burnett Hall, Ferguson Hall, the agronomy building and the insectory are just a few of the new buildings which have been built under Dr. Gustavson's direction.

Right now, shabby, old houses are being cleared away to make room for a modern men's dorm.

The lawns have improved immeasurably over what Dr. Gustavson saw when he arrived to take over as Chancellor in 1946.

Dr. William F. Swindler, Director of the School of Journalism, told The Nebraskan Monday that the University has made more progress under Chancellor Gustavson than it has under any of his predecessors. This is no idle statement and a look around the campus will prove it.

These changes didn't just come because the Chancellor wished they would. He worked hard—the average student has no conception of how hard—to convince the Legislature that fundamental changes were needed if our school was going to keep up with the times.

An example in point is the recent Legislative action giving the University $6 million to re-build the College of Medicine. I attended several sessions of the Unicameral and several committee meetings where this bill was discussed and I have seen the Chancellor fighting for a better University of Nebraska—the kind of University he believes the people of this state deserve.

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I said that Dr. Gus is misunderstood. He is and in two important categories.

First, most of the state and half the nation still don't understand the Chancellor's views of athletics. He favors athletics and recommends sporting events as one of the best ways of improving human relationships. In fact, last fall in his annual state of the University address, Dr. Gustavson told the student body that he looked for the day when this campus would be able to provide complete facilities for a broader intramural program.

The Chancellor, then, wants athletics to grow. He does not want intercollegiate ahletics to grow out of proportion to their importance. Because of his indictments of the insane lengths some institutions have gone in stressing intercollegiate sports, the Chancellor has been accused of being anti-sport. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

The Chancellor (and The Daily Nebraskan) feels that college students can get the benefits of inter-school competition without making this competition dominate college life.

The Chancellor starts with the assumption that college students are in school because they want to improve their minds. This shouldn't be an unfair assumption.

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Dr. Gus has also been misunderstood concerning his feelings toward fraternities and sororities. Go into any house and almost everyone will tell you that the Chancellor hates Greeks.

However, most of these students find themselves pretty hard put if you ask them for concrete examples of this hatred. Most of them will mutter something about the new dorms and a recent crack-down on organized house rules.

Let's look at these two examples of hatred. It certainly doesn't take a superior intellect to see that the broken-down houses which surround the campus until recently do not fit into an academic atmosphere. The simple fact is that new student housing space must be built; there is just no way for a progressive university to avoid it. It is the Chancellor's opinion that the Greek system will benefit right along with the rest of the University if prospective students can be shown a modern campus. An improvement of part of the campus is a benefit to all the campus.

Some Greeks have claimed that there is a crack-down on organized house freedom going on. If there is, and I am not sure that crack-down is the right term, the Greeks have brought it upon themselves. Too many of them are content to think that Greeks, by definition, are divorced from University authority.

It is really too bad that Dr. Gustavson has had to labor under this misunderstanding. Before you appraise him, look at the campus, look at student representation in University government, look at the Honors Day Banquet, look at the annual state of the University speech. Dr. Gus is primarily responsible for these things nad he deserves the deep thanks of everyone of us.

NEBRASKAN EDITORIALS

McCarthy And Fair Play

Several weeks ago a group of 27 men in the arts, entertainment and journalism fields sent a letter to the editors of various newspapers in the nation.

The authors of the letter maintains that Sen. McCarthy's book, modestly entitled, "McCarthyism, The Fight For America," had not received the book review it deserved.

They went on to decry this as unfair and not consistent with the high standards a book-reviewer should insist upon.

Several Daily Nebraskan staff members have read the book, which is paper-bound and sells for 50 cents, and have formed definite opinions concerning McCarthy, his book and his approach to the problem of unmasking subversive elements in the government.

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Yet, the conclusion was reached that, in the interests of complete fair play, these staff members would not be qualified to present an objective review of the book. At the same time, we realized that a book-review is necessarily opinionated and, in a sense, a personal judgment of the work under consideration. Our eason for declining to review the book ourselves was that the charge might be made that we are being "unfair to McCarthy."

But, as I have said before, a book review is by definition a value appraisal. Then, how could one present any analysis of any book without admitting that bias entered into the review? The answer: It can't be done. The solution: Recognize the bias or viewpoint when a review is read.

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In tomorrow's issue of The Daily Nebraskan, McCarthy's book will be reviewed by two different persons. Both are students and both have different opinions of McCarthy. By announcing from what viewpoint the reviewers present their case, we believe we will more closely approach the standards of objectivity we seek.

Richard Stuben's attitude on McCarthy was made public in a Letterip appearing earlier this semester. He criticised The Daily Nebraskan for attacking the Legion and Sen. McCarthy. Later, in answer to a letter criticizing his own Letterip, Stuben wrote a longer, more definite Letterip. His viewpoint is clear.

Norris Heineman's attitude on McCarthy unlike Stuben's is not as publically known. But, as described by him when asked to write the review, it, too, is clear. He said that while he did not like the implication of McCarthy's actions, he had an open mind and would not form a definite conclusion until he knows all of the facts.

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Tomorrow's book reviews will be the independent work of the two men and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of The Daily Nebraskan. While it is possible that The Nebraskan may agree with some points brought out by both authors, we do not expect any such agreement.

By presenting the opinions of others, we hope to achieve the measure of intellectual honesty we believe is basic to a better understanding of current and important issues. By speaking to only those having the same opinion, by reading a paper with which one does not agree, a certain stultification of thought takes place.

Progress, we believe, cannot come about when differences of opinion are not tolerated.

It is in this vein we offer what we hope will be two very different appraisals of a controversial book.—E.D.

Yesteryear At NU . . .

By DICK RALSTON
Staff Writer

Anyone ever heard of "The Prairie Schooner"?

No, it's not a "covered wagon" or any other means of locomotion. It's a magazine. A magazine internationally recognized for its literary content . . . a magazine published by the University of Nebraska Press and edited by Professor of English Dr. L. C. Wimberly.

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Twenty years ago, The Nebraskan printed a feature on the Schooner containing a letter from a literary critic:

"The Prairie Schooner, now in its seventh year of publication, has gained a national reputation as a literary magazine and is well thought of abroad, according to Edward J. O'Brien, international short story critic who compiles an anthology of short stories annually.

"Extracts from O'Brien's letter are as follows;

"'I trust you will pardon me for writing to express my opinion of the Prairie Schooner. Knowing as I do what such a magazine as you are editing means in American life, it has seemed to me that it should be more widely known than it apears to be.

"'I have asked myself why this is not the case, and the conclusion to which I have come is that it is unable to draw the necessary attention to itself because it is not taken seriously enough at home.

"'I have known people to say it was merely a college magazine, but the quality of its stories, articles and poems is such that it ranks with the Midland, the Frontier and not more than one or two other American periodicals, as the most significant expression of American life which we possess. As such it focusses the whole cultural life of a section of America.

"'As an experienced reader of American short stories I find it more vital as an interpretation of American Life, than the Forum, Atlantic Monthly, or Harper's Magazine. I know that New York editors watch it closely and English men of letters to whose attention I have called it find that it gives them a clearer picture of American life than most American periodicals."

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WORLD REPORT

By PAUL MEANS
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TODAY'S HEADLINES . . . Communist forces continue to advance in the French Indo-Chinese province of Laos . . . French forces also alerted for uprising in province of Cambodia.

U. N. Armistice group names Pakistan as neutral country for the repatriation of Chinese POWs who do not wish to return to the Communist world . . . U.N. warns Chinese negotiators that armistice talks will be cancelled if progress is not made.

Defense Department officials disclosed Monday that economy plans will slice nearly 200,000 men from U. S. military strength and may reduce draft calls even if the Korean War continues.

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World Leadership Of US Threatened

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following editorial is the fourth and last in a series of editorials published in the Washington Post on the so-called Bricker amendment, now awaiting congressional action, which would re-define the treaty-making powers of the President and the Senate.

In devising his fetters for the treaty makers, Senator Bricker at least left the initiative in negotiating with foreign powers in the hands of the executive branch.

But in applying the restrictive policy of his proposed constitutional ammendment to Executive agreements, he transferred a large share of even the initiative to Congress. The President could make agreements with foreign powers and international organizations "only in the manner and to the extent to be prescribed by law."

The Supreme Court once pointed out that in dealing with other nations the United States has only one voice—the President's. Now Senator Bricker comes up with the revolutionary idea that a majority of the 531 voices in Congress should speak first—before the president could even agree to receive a foreign dignitary, to establish a military base on foreign soil, or to arrange a truce.

If the President should happen to lose the confidence of Congress, or if a few willful men in the Senate should launch a filibuster, the President might thus be left utterly helpless in the midst of a world crisis.

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As if to make doubly sure of hamstringing the President, Mr. Bricker and his following would also require that even after Executive agreements were negotiated under these trying conditions, they would have to be approved in finished form by Congress before becoming effective.

Presumably this would destory the reciprocal trade agreements program, under which the President has been able to reduce tariff duties in return for similar concessions from other countries. If all of the trade agreements negotiated under powers delegated to the President had to be submitted to Congress for separate approval, few of them could be expected to survive the logrolling that would ensue.

Of course, a large number of executive agreements are made in response to legislation, and many others are implemented by Congress through the appropriation of funds or the enactment of laws. This is wholly proper, for a combination of executive and legislative powers is frequently necessary to effect the desired result.

But that does not excuse in any degree the current effort to sweep the executive responsibility in this sphere under the control of Congress.

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In wartime such restraints upon the President might prove disastrous. He would need the consent of Congress for perhaps hundreds of agreements, both petty and momentous, for the conduct of the war.

Presumably he could not arrange for a military base abroad or even the transit of allied troops on American roads without the consent of Congress. The result could be only a breakdown in the division of powers.

The most charitable explanation for this assault upon our constitutional system is that the sponsors of the resolution do not know what they are doing. It is impossible to believe that 64 senators would be lined up behind Mr. Bricker's proposal if they were well informed as to its implications. The proposed amendment is not a prop to freedom, but a vicious assault upon the international leadership of the world's greatest free nation.

HILLSDALE

After The Election —No Government

Students at Hillsdale College, Michigan, find themselves with no student government—and it's their own fault.

Voting on a double-ballot, students repealed the old government constitution then failed to pass a new one. As a result, "a state of nature exists on this campus," according to the Hillsdale Collegian.

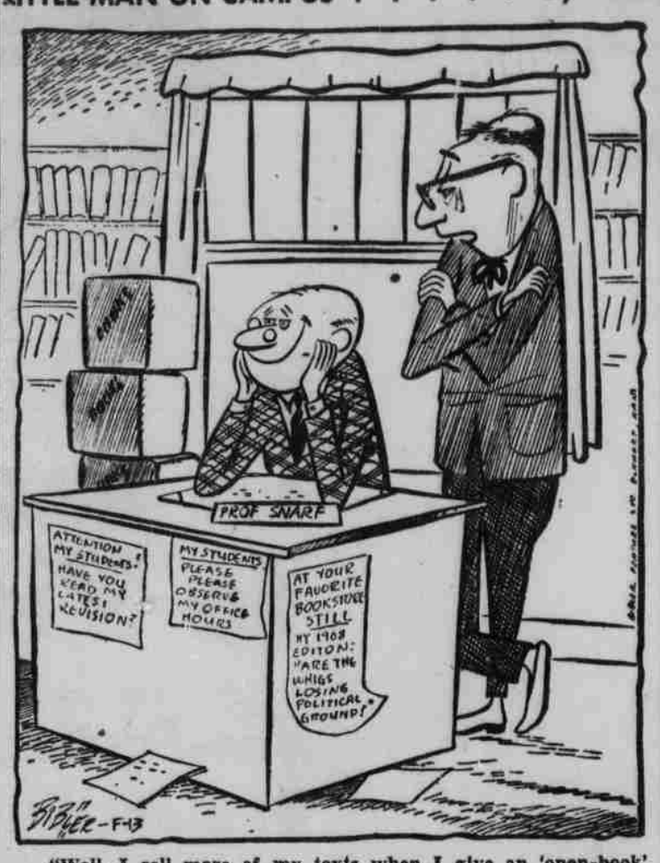
All activities under student government sponsorship, points out the Collegian, have automatically ceased to exist. The activities include the paper. Commented one student leader, "We've committed political suicide."

High Standards

You have to know how to write if you want to graduate from Michigan State college. A new ruling there states that seniors can't graduate until their "writing technique is improved to a point where they can write legibly."

Currently 418 students are enrolled in a non-credit writing course, designed to improve literacy among future degree holders. MSC officials have said nothing thus far about any reading requirements.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS . . . . . By Bibler



"Well, I sell more of my texts when I give an 'open-book' quiz."

Union Cues

Union To Celebrate 15th Birthday On Ivy Day Eve

Marianne Hansen

First of all, good wishes to the Union, which is celebrating its 15th birthday this week.

In honor of itself, so to speak, the Union is throwing a huge birthday party, French style, on the eve of Ivy Day. "Bonne Anniversaire," the annual shindig, will be a street dance featuring an outdoor French Cafe atmosphere, complete with murals depicting famous French scenes, outdoor lighting, Jimmy Phillips combo, intermission entertainment, tables along the sidewalk and all the trimmings. Plus, of course, the traditional birthday cake.

Ellie Gillet, as a University version of a strolling French painter, will saunter through the crowd, sketching individuals. In accordance with the Nebraskan's safety campaign, the streets between 15th and 16th will be roped off to protect Cafe patronizers.

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Internationally minded, the Union turns the limelight on yet another European country this week. Dr. Werner Richter, rector of the University of Bonn, Germany, will speak at an all-University convocation on "Re-educating Germany."

Sponsored jointly by the Union Convocations Committee and the University Convocations Committee, the lecture will be given Thursday at 8 p.m. in the ballroom.

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Also on Thursday, but at 11 a.m., a demonstration of choral techniques plus a variety of popular, spiritual, and novelty numbers will be presented by the East High School choir of Sioux City, Iowa. The 96-voice choir, under direction of Mr. George Iseminger, has planned an hour program of high school techniques and light vocal numbers, and will feature several small groups. Their appearance in the Union Ballroom is part of an annual educational tour, and while in Lincoln they will also sing at Lincoln High and be conducted through the Capitol Building and around the University.

Union workers should circle May 12 on their memo pads as the day of the annual all-Union awards picnic. The all-Union affair, to be held on the Ag campus picnic grounds, will include presentation of the outstanding committee worker from each campus, games, and a picnic supper. Plans for the picnic, to which all Union workers have been invited, are directed by Nancy Hemphill and Jeanette Selk.

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In the interests of science and higher education, Crib workers conducted an impartial, but probably inaccurate, survey. The results of this exhaustive research indicate that the Crib is most crowded between three and five in the afternoon and between 8:30 and 9 p.m. So conduct yourself accordingly, depending on whether you seek companionship or prompt service.

STOLEN GOODS

Minnesota Korean Vets Analyzed

By CYNTHIA HENDERSON
Staff Writer

Ever since somebody thought up the law of averages, there's been a plague of average things—the average citizen, the average man, the average taxpayer—and so forth. Now there's another to add to that list. He's the average Korean veteran attending the university.

In the months since fall quarter started, a continual parade of veterans at Minnesota have received counseling from the university's bureau of veterans' affairs. Figures released recently by Kermit Almos, director, give a composite picture of the Korean veterans interviewed.

The average Korean veteran attending the university is 22 years old and has served in the armed forces from one and a half to two years. This entitles him to government-paid education for 24 to 36 months.

The veteran is from the Twin Cities metropolitan area, he is single and he is a beginning freshman. After serving his years in the army, his educational objective now is either engineering or business administration. The findings are quite complete since most of the 1,005 Korean veterans enrolled at the university have received some sort of counseling from the bureau.

A breakdown of the figures shows that most of the veterans —79 per cent of them—are single, 16 per cent are married, 11 per cent more are married and have children.

Fifty-six per cent of the Korean veterans now at the university were in the army. Air Force claims 21 per cent; navy, 15 per cent, and marines, 8 per cent. Forty per cent of the veterans actually served on active duty in Korea.

IT'S THE RULE

NU Ivy Day Observed Since 1901

By KAY NOSKY
Staff Writer

Tradition will reign Saturday from the time the Ivy Day Queen is presented to the tapping of the last Innocent.

Students have gathered together for the fateful Day every year since 1901, except during war years.

The long-awaited Ivy Day will start about 9 a.m. with the presentation of the queen and her court. The queen and her maid of honor were chosen earlier in the year by senior women.

Mortar Board members selected approximately 15 attendants from candidates submitted by organized houses.

Members of the Ivy Chain complete the group of women students honored in the court presentation.

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With the queen and her court presiding, Ivy Day will move into the Ivy day sing, with organized houses competing for first place. The men's contest is sponsored by Kosmet Klub and the women's by the Associated Women's Students. The winners are presented with a 16-inch traveling cup and a plaque.

Throughout Ivy Day, Mortar Boards dressed in the traditional black and Innocents in red stalk through the crowds preparing for the masking of Mortar Boards and tapping of Innocents.

Prior to Ivy Day, The Daily Nebraskan prints a racing form giving the odds of each junior competing for membership.

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With this spirit of speculation and suspense, the crowd awaits the selections as all juniors in activities are asked to stand. According to custom, junior members in the court or chain leaders will not be masked Mortar Boards. One by one, at least five junior women are chosen to wear the black and gold suits for the next year.

Thirteen new Innocents are tackled by the old members. The new officers are tapped first, and then each member in the order in which he was chosen.

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