

RE-EVALUATION

New IWA Faces Problems

Re-evaluation. Last week, the Independent Women's Association (IWA) released its program of re-evaluation. Within the next few weeks, Panhellenic will begin a program of evaluation. The Interfraternity Council (IFC) has been in a state of re-evaluation during the past year. Builders is trying to re-program.

It seems that the thing to do is develop and re-develop the campus organizations in an attempt to counteract the current cry of apathy on the part of the student body.

It was sort of an "inspirational-depression" to talk with Norma Countryman, chairman of the IWA constitutional committee, earlier in the week. She is extremely idealistic and enthusiastic about the new IWA and its future programs.

In earlier conversations she stated that the program of IWA must "provide opportunities through which women may contribute to the growth and development of their university."

To do this, she hopes the committees can be revitalized and that more than the present "approximate 100" girls interested in IWA will increase to a better percentage of the 1,500 or so membership.

But there are problems that must be overcome. Miss Countryman points out that IWA, a major organization, does not have an actual headquarters. That the files are scattered all over and the librarian keeps her files under her bed. There appeared, up to now, a problem of communication and weak presidents.

Primary, however, is the problem of that nasty and too-often used word, Apathy. She indicated that the independent women for the most part are happy to be "hiding in the dorm" and not participate in IWA or any other campus activity.

This points to a problem of most organizations on campus. The problem of getting students interested in their own University through organizations like IWA. Another problem that can be pointed

to is that of getting Lincoln Independents into their organization. IWA represents all independent women. Not just those in the dorms. However, Unicorn, a co-educational group, is supported by independent Lincoln women. There is an overlapping; one which could and possible has been a contributor to the unfeetual activity of both groups.

Another factor is the men's groups. There is no single group of "all male independents". The Residence Association for Men (RAM) speaks for the independent male in the dorm while Unicorn represents the male not in the dorm.

It seems that a more logical organizational pattern would be two organizations — Independent Men and Independent Women. Two groups which could work together and accomplish the same goals together — service to and a knowledge of their University.

Another important feature of IWA, both past and present, is its selection of the president. She is elected at the time of All Women's elections by a vote of all the independent girls on campus.

This is a feature that Panhellenic should look at and do some serious thinking. It appears ridiculous to select a president of a major organization on campus, one that affects 1,200 Greek women, on a rotation system. What if that house does not have the interest in Panhellenic that it should? What if the representative is void of leadership qualities? Does she deserve to serve as president merely because it is her houses' turn?

While we do not advocate that all leaders should be elected from all of the membership of an organization, such as IWA, we do feel that it should be by a democratic vote of the representatives or delegates, at the least.

Editor's note: In Monday's Nebraskan, the column: Therefore D + I = ? was written by Jagit Singh, staff columnist. The byline was erroneously left off the story.

ADVISE AND CONSENT

Story of Political Struggle

By WILLIAM KEMPER

If you are going to review books, the man with "editor" engraved on his forehead said, why don't you review the number one best seller, FRANNY AND ZOOEY, J. D. Sallinger's third novel which has been the nation's most popular since it first appeared.

I promise that next week, therefore, we will devote this space to the latest Sallinger effort. But first, we are going to do something that we want to do. Take that, Ferg.

What we want to do is talk about ADVISE AND CONSENT, by Allan Drury. Although this book is no longer a best seller, there is a good deal of interest in it because of Otto Preminger's forthcoming movie adaptation.

If Mr. Preminger can make a good movie of this modern political drama, he is the genius he says he is. The book sprawls through more than 600 pages, 14 major characters, three love stories, a suicide, the White House, the U.S. Supreme Court and the reader's patience.

But most of all, it sprawls through the United States Senate, which must give its advise and consent to the appointment of the most controversial Secretary of State in American history or shatter the foreign policy of the nation.

The choice is made harder still because the nominee is a very popular, urban, intellectual and eloquent gentleman, a very close personal friend of a very popular president, whose large majority in Congress can be used to discipline those who oppose him.

The reason for the existence of any opposition is the rather peculiar attitude of the nominee toward our missile toting neighbors across the Bering Strait.

On the other hand, the nominee is a vanguard liberal which calls forth all their passionately illogical and intolerant disciples in his behalf. And, of course, the worst of the worms from the other side of the house emerge from the woodwork with swastikas flapping and crosses ablaze.

Mr. Drury's point is obvious by the 200th page. Parties be damned, this man has got to be beaten. He is dangerous because he is weak and the president nominee would "rather crawl on his belly to Moscow" than endure a contest of any kind between two hostile powers. The president can't decide whether to crawl or fight and figures if he can stall the decision long enough, the trouble will all go away and he can return to his favorite game, which is politics.

So all Mr. Drury has to do is have the vote and settle the thing. But he has introduced too many characters, there are too many loose ends, too many subplots. The tight ball of yarn has become unraveled and Mr. Drury spends more time and ink wrapping it up than the New York Times.

In a way that's politics. Solutions in national affairs are never complete or easy. They can never be found in the pat "nos" of the far right or the hand wringing of the soft left. They can never be found in the reality of the present by men who have a firm grip on their conscience and their courage.

Now that sounds just fine, but how do you get that on celluloid and at the same time develop 14 major characters played by such notable, and temperamental hams as Henry Fonda, as the nominee, and Charles Laughton, as Senator Seabright Cooley, opposition leader? Good luck, Otto.

Campus Calendar

THE 4-H CLUB will meet 7 p.m. tomorrow instead of tonight as earlier scheduled. Three \$100 scholarships donated will be awarded, and members will vote on freshmen to determine Frisby Scholarship recipients.

TEACHERS' COLLEGE students are urged to attend the UNSEA meeting tonight at 7 in 332 Union. The program will be a panel discussion on the SEA and teachers' unions.

ALL SOPHOMORES and transfer students in Teachers College who have not completed the required health examination are asked to report to 103 Teachers College, for a permit card. It is important that this be done at an

early date in order to avoid a last minute rush at the Student Health Center. The examinations must be completed before May 1.

SEMPER FI, the University fraternal body of the United States Marine Corps, will hold its last organizational meeting tomorrow at 7 p.m. in 318 Union. The featured program is highlighted by Dr. R. D. Sloan, associate professor of political science. The topic is one of current interest: "The Recent Congressional Investigations of Military Speeches." A short question and answer period will follow the informal address by Dr. Sloan. All University students are invited to attend the meeting.

Nebraskan Applauds

Mu Phi Epsilon, professional music sorority, chose the following officers from their slate by unanimous vote: president, Gail Gallo way; vice president, Nan Sorensen; recording secretary, Sandra Kerlakedes; corresponding secretary, Jan Hayward; treasurer, Carol Copland; warden, Karen Shaw; chorister, Claire Roehrkasse; historian, Carol Kramer; chaplain and alumnae secretary, Joann Otradosky. An unusual office is that of Cookie, filled by Judy Wieggers. She will organize the Mu Phi committees that serve Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia's Friday noon meeting meals.

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'Room for One More?'



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By TOM KOTOUK

In this week of international brotherhood, what could be more appropriate than the challenge hurled at us as University students and faculty in People-to-People.

Today, when Western democracy and freedom are pitted against Communist totalitarianism and lies, we as American students can no longer condone apathy, prejudice and ignorance toward our brothers over the world.

We must stand together in mutual understanding and trust of each other in repelling the Communist menace.

Yet how can we stand together as nations when we stand apart as individuals. When nine of ten international students studying in our colleges return to their homelands "dissatisfied" with their experience in the U.S., we are failing.

Eighty per cent of the 70,000 international students who return to their homelands will be leaders there, and nine of ten are "dissatisfied."

Perhaps it is common sense to realize that it is easier to settle differences among friends than among enemies.

Yet one of our potential "friends," Premier Kwame Nkrumah of Ghana attended the Uni-

versity of Pennsylvania. Today, he is the outspoken anti-American leader of his country.

Yes, if he had attended the University of Nebraska instead of Pennsylvania, would his experiences have been "satisfying?"

Yes, how many Nebraska students would have made the effort to know and understand Nkrumah and his land, to learn about the problems he faced in Ghana, to discuss the ambitions for his nations, to learn who he considered as allies and why?

How many of us? We can answer that question. How many international friends do you have now, do I have? (One international student here admitted that he had been at the University for one year, and as yet had no American friend.)

Remember, a friend is not someone you simply say "Hi" to on the way to class, but a brother whom you understand and trust, whom you can sit with over coffee and discuss your hopes and doubts, whom you are proud to invite over to your house or hall for dinner. A friend is one whom you can take criticism from and one who will accept criticism from you, who is frank

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Iconoclast

by george allen

In the interest of student body unity, we shall attempt today to resolve unequivocally a question which has, at one time or another, occurred to all of us: "Is Stuckey real?" There are two predominant schools of thought extant concerning this subject and it shall be our purpose to consolidate them into one highly unified and militant group, the aim of which will be to ferret out and emasculate any and all dissenters on this vital question.

"Stuckey," for the edification of the less literate, (or perhaps more discerning) is the by-line given to a column which appears at erratic intervals in this publication. We refer to it as a by-line rather than a name; certainly no word so totally absurd and unlikely could ever be a form of appellation for any person or thing, regardless of how invidious that person or thing may be. No down-trodden people, in their darkest hours, were ever referred to by any word so opprobrious as "Stuckey."

It is manifest that such a word could not be the coinage of the most fevered mind; not even Dr. Seuss at his lowest would dare to manufacture such a word. It is true that Robert Welch has come up with "Comsymp" but that is hardly comparable. We must, therefore, conclude that "Stuckey" is a typographical error and a most lamentable one at that, but certainly nothing else. If it were, it could not have existed this long in a civilized community.

Turning now to the column which is allegedly written by the supposititious "Stuckey", we must perforce assume that this incoherent concatenation of puerile, Shumanesque, recremental drivel is a purposive attempt at humor. The most inchoate of reasonable beings could not dismiss this recurrent phenomenon as sheer editorial oversight. Not even the most cretinous of proofreaders, suffering from unmitigated myopia, could consistently overlook this low blow to

journalism and literature. Therefore the column must be intentional.

Let us now refer ourselves to that philosophy student's delight, Descartes. It was this august gentleman who proved his existence by application of that now well known phrase, "I think, therefore, I am." Now, it is obvious that "Stuckey" (real name or names unknown) does not think. On the very face of it, this is a palpable truth. No thinking being, however perverse and demented, could lend himself to such a blatant hoax upon the English language. The proposition is inconceivable. Therefore, since he, she, they, or it, does not think, application of the Cartesian truth leaves us with the only logical conclusion. He, she, they, or it does not exist.

In answer to the few skeptics who remain unconvinced by this highly laudable chain of logic, we shall offer one further proof. If such a person as "Stuckey" did, at any time exist and did mercilessly foist such an inexcusable, vitiating, odious cicatrix upon the face of the reading public, the same reading public would, with consummate speed, rend him asunder and banish the pieces to the Chemistry Department where they could be further studied and eventually extinguished. The column continues to appear, however, so we can logically assume that "Stuckey" is not now and never was real.

In summation, we can only offer our heartfelt commiseration to those others who have suffered so long and so patiently this common aberration. Let us take it for a mass nightmare and dismiss it as such. By the same line of faultless reasoning we can similarly dismiss Myron Papadakis. In fact, we have already done so.

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