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CONGRATULATIONS

Every loyal Cornhusker will take time from his studies, his lunch, his movie, (or whatever takes time) to congratulate the new members of Iron Sphinx who were initiated Tuesday night! It's your duty! If you don't, who knows what will happen?

The Daily Nebraskan takes this opportunity to officially and publicly extend congratulations to each and everyone of the freshmen who paid \$10 (or signified his intention to pay it) in order to become an Iron Sphinx. We hope every one of these young men will write home and tell his friends what a great honor has been conferred upon him at this institution of learning. Here is a chance for home-town papers to print a lot of names. Will someone please see that they receive correct and authentic information in regard to the momentous initiation Tuesday night?

It is a great honor to be an Iron Sphinx. In the first place, it is evidently necessary to be a fraternity man. No bars were included in the list. And this is as it should be, because bars play an inconspicuous, if not entirely negligible, part in the "big man" race. How many bars have been innocents?

In the second place, Iron Sphinx is a sophomore organization. It should be an honor to belong to it, because no one can get in unless he is a sophomore. The young men initiated this week evidently plan to be sophomores next year. They are to be congratulated on staying in school this long.

In the third place, their initiation signifies that they have been here all this time and not spent all their money. Iron Sphinx initiations are not cheap. They are exclusive and they cost money. After several months in an environment filled with temptations—such as movies, the Grace Coppock drive, the Silver Moon, the Y. M. C. A. drive, the Liberty, etc., etc.—they still have enough money to join the Iron Sphinx. Ay, they deserve the heartiest of congratulations!

And in the fourth place, it is an honor to be an Iron Sphinx because of the importance of the great organization's work. Don't confuse the Sphinx, dear reader, with one of the societies that never does anything. These estimable, picked young men have usually assumed responsibility for making freshmen wear green caps. That is one traditional practice which is the inalienable right of freshmen. If a new student wants to wear a green cap, no one should deny him that right! And it wouldn't be fun for the freshmen, unless someone compelled them to wear such caps. The Sphinx pretend to coerce them.

There probably are other reasons why it is an honor to be a Sphinx; but the task of discovering or inventing them may be left to the minds of the new members. Let them revolve the problem in their intellects, view it from all angles, consider all aspects, and see just how many reasons there are why they are deserving of congratulations for having spent \$10. Every eligible man on the campus who was not initiated Tuesday night must be green with envy.

But a Sphinx is a Sphinx; and enough is enough, so we must quit. To the old members who have succeeded in getting their money back, we extend condolences. It's tough to think how the pleasures of youth must vanish. But then, \$10 in TEN DOLLARS.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MR. D. S. DOMER

Dear Mr. Domer:
 In a letter from you (published in the "Other Opinions" column of this newspaper today), it is charged that The Daily Nebraskan has been partial and unfair in its treatment of the compulsory drill controversy. I have never received a letter stating the views of Dr. Fling. No such letter is in our waste basket. I had never even heard of such a letter before your complaint reached this office.

Before going on vacation, The Daily Nebraskan reprinted an editorial

from The Omaha World-Herald advocating a course in international politics, dealing with the cause and prevention of wars. We extended an invitation to students and faculty members to comment upon that proposal. I sent personal notes to about twenty active participants in the controversy and authorities on the subject, asking that they express their views in our columns. Not one accepted that invitation.

This is, in my opinion, sufficient evidence that there is no longer much interest in the matter on the University campus. Such a condition may or may not be unfortunate. But from a journalistic standpoint, it is sufficient reason for refusing to print letters upon the subject. For this reason, we shall print nothing in the future unless it has genuine news value, brings new arguments to bear, or advances evidence hitherto unexpressed.

During the past few weeks, The Daily Nebraskan has attempted to keep cool, to present both sides, to urge students to reach a logical, rather than an emotional conclusion, and to state the truth at all times. We love truth more than we love the military department, and we love truth more than any church organization or reform group. If we have published anything which is not true, we are willing to be corrected. If we have been unfair, we are eager to correct our mistakes.

But I do not believe that The Nebraskan has been unfair. If anyone has evidence to indicate that it has, I shall be glad to hear it.

The issue is dead from a newspaper standpoint, whether you or I like it or not, Mr. Domer; and no communications concerning military training will appear in the news or editorial columns of The Daily Nebraskan during the remainder of this semester unless they have genuine news value, advance new arguments, or contain new evidence. Persons whose contributions do not measure up to these standards, may secure publication of articles in the advertising columns at regular rates. There is no reason why we should spend our time and money giving publicity to letters which will not interest our subscribers.

Sincerely,
 VOLTA TORREY.

Other Opinions

The Daily Nebraskan assumes no responsibility for the sentiments expressed by correspondents and reserves the right to exclude any communications whose publication may for any reason seem undesirable. In all cases the editor must know the identity of the contributor. No communications will be published anonymously, but by special arrangement initials only may be signed.

An Indignant Reader

To the Editor:
 About two weeks ago I addressed a letter for your consideration on the subject of military training at the University of Nebraska, giving a brief review of a lecture that Dr. F. M. Fling gave to one of his history classes in which there are some eighty or one hundred young men and women.

I wrote the letter as a matter of defense to the question as to what the University professors and members of the faculty are doing to teach peace in the university and their position on the question of compulsory training.

I have thus far seen nothing of the letter or any part of it published in the paper.

I am well aware of the fact that you are able and competent to run your journal without the advice and help from me, or others unconnected with the paper. It is your privilege to print or not to print anything that you deem worthy or unworthy of public notice.

But it seems to me that courtesy and fairness would have appealed to you to at least make a brief mention of what is done, and an abstract of the sentiment of Dr. Fling on the subject. There is no one on the faculty more competent to express his opinion on the matter than Prof. Fling. In view of your failure to publish the lecture as I reported it I charge The Nebraskan with:

First—unfairness; second—with being opposed to military training in the University; third—you publish at least three times as much material against compulsory training as you do for it, as I read the paper every day and estimate its contents. You

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have failed to show where in you are a loyal supporter of the land grant act colleges giving this military training in colleges. Again, you have published more speeches and reports against military training by a large percentage than you do in favor of it.

I offered you the lecture Dr. Fling gave in full, and you could have made such extracts as would serve to answer the question you asked Dr. Fling to answer—in fact you never even mentioned that any answer was made to your query when I personally know it was answered, which certainly shows your utter unfairness to the school as a military training institution. The objectionable clause in the R. O. T. C. is not taught in the lower classes of the training department. This you have failed to emphasize.

Now Sir—I am a student in the graduate college doing work in my Alma Mater—a school I love with as much enthusiasm as you may possess in your own soul. This may find its way to the waste basket as my former letter did without notice, but in order to at least save you trouble of throwing it away I enclose stamped envelope for its safe return.

Respectfully yours,
 D. S. DOMER, '21,
 1500 P St., City.

From a Visitor

To the Student Body of the University of Nebraska:
 I came a stranger to you all, And told of what I did, You came in reply to my call, Yes, boys and girls they did.

I showed you all the dislocations, And how to treat the same, I proved to you a sensation, To heal the sick and lame.

There was Doctor Clapp and Miss Lee And students by the score, A man like me they never did see, And I had to show the students some more.

And as for the class in anatomy, You bet I was there, With a man you all know, Dr. Latimer. So here's to you all, Good luck and success, May your life be as happy out of college as it is now in it.

From Dr. Elies Whitman, Montreal, Que., Canada.

College Press

Half a League Onward (The Harvard Crimson)

The tutorial system at Harvard is very much in the same position as a new baby. It has sufficient ugliness to make honest friends of the parents casual in their praise; it is sufficiently naked to allow real inspection by the skeptic who rather doubts the worth of babies as items in the sum total of pragmatic profit; and it is enough of a power, for all babies are autocrats, to make the older brothers and sisters worry about future fattened calves.

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All of these characteristics have their importance, and each of them is worrying in its own way the mind of the University. But the last is by far the most troublesome. For ugliness improves with age—the red sprawl of two weeks in the delightful, gurgling wonder of two months—nakedness eventually loses itself in pink ribbons and embroidered flannel—but autocracy grows greater and become more formidable with the passing of months. The tutorial system is doing just that. So the brotherly heart of the lecture system beats the double time of panic. And fear seeps its way into the antiquated manuscripts so long used by many a lecturer as notes for his daily disquisitions.

To be brief the truth is this: seniors, allowed freedom by the tutorial system, are refusing to attend uninteresting lectures or those which do not add to their knowledge of their field or their better appreciation of life and learning in general. So many a gentleman long sure of an audience now remarks empty seats and wonders if this child, the tutorial system, is to fatten up his heritage.

Nor has this wonder been without its results. The lecturer still has a certain amount of influence in family circles. He makes his examination cover his lectures instead of the reading and smiles at the worried faces above the blue books. He is an older son and knows the world.

Yet there are better and fairer ways to enjoy brotherhood with the new infant. One man has discovered an excellent way, for—to continue the metaphor—he admits the child's right to dominance and, freed from the responsibility of such prestige, goes his way rejoicing. So his lectures are but marginal notes on his text, modern and succinct comments by a scholar and gentleman upon a masterpiece of literature. And Seniors, attend his lectures for the gain to be derived from his personality and his knowledge.

New babies are troublesome creatures. But they are inevitable and their existence cannot be scorned. The tutorial system already has the college at its feet. The faculty also must bow to reality. Lectures must be made to fit the needs of a college under such a system—they must be vital. For the college mind is a critical mind in a critical age. By giving birth to the tutorial system the University has made one more contribution to the needs of contemporary living—the present duty of the University is to make its elder brothers, lecture and class, as useful and interesting as the tutorial system. If this is not done completely, the infant grown may live on alone

with his relation under the sod. Half a league onward—the University has gone that far. But to be absolutely successful the whole league must be courageously and adequately covered.

Universities of the Future (Daily Californian)

Dr. Frank Aydelotte of Swarthmore College, recently declared that the college of the future "will emphasize quality rather than size. The race for numbers and the worship of size for its own sake are rapidly giving place to a much saner attitude."

That this tendency is taking root is seen in a New York project to found a College of the Greater City, which will be organized along the lines of the colleges of Oxford and Cambridge. Again, in Southern California, a plan is under way to found the Claremont Colleges, unreserved in number, and each separate in administration and faculty.

These facts are worthy of thought when coupled with the announcement made yesterday that the University outstrips its nearest competitor by nearly 4500 resident students, and is the largest university in the country.

This is gratifying, perhaps, but it is hardly important. Possibly, from the point of view of the cynical habit of Wheeler steps, it is proper to wonder whether statistics on quality to envy a like appearance, and to would have a little the student who

can attend such universities of the future, and yet enjoy the privileges and advantages of a small college.

Calendar

Friday, April 23.
 University Players—Temple.
 Co-Ed Follies—Temple.
 Phi Kappa, Spring Party—K. C. Hall.
 Phi Delta Theta—House Dance.
 Alpha Theta Chi, Spring Party—Lincoln.
 Delta Gamma, Spring Party—Rosewide.

Saturday, April 24.
 All University Mixer (Mu Epsilon)—Armory.
 Sigma Phi Epsilon—House Dance.
 Alpha Gamma Rho—House Dance.
 Phi Omega Pi, Spring Party—Scottish Rite Temple.
 Delta Sigma Delta, Spring Party—Lincoln.
 Delta Chi, Spring Party—Lindell.
 Cosmopolitan Club Party—K. C. Hall.
 All Lutheran Club Mixer—Temple.

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