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## 40 MORE SIGN FOR WORK ON HUMOR SHEET

Total of Applicants for Helping With Awgwan Now Sixty-Five.

## 75 PRESENT AT SESSION

McCleery Explains Project at Meeting Yesterday; Emphasizes Purity.

Forty more applicants for work on the Awgwan had added their names last night to the original list of twenty-five making a total of sixty-five who have signed up to help produce the revived comic sheet.

Seventy-five persons, counting Sigma Delta Chi members who are sponsoring the first issue of the magazine, were present at a meeting in University hall yesterday afternoon. Bill McCleery, editorial supervisor from Sigma Delta Chi, presided and gave a brief description of the kind of material wanted for the book.

## Stresses Purity.

McCleery stressed the point of purity and said everything in the magazine must be kept clean. He said there was a possibility that the first number would even be labeled the Purity issue. If not that, it may be dubbed a Comeback number, or something suggestive of the reinstatement, according to McCleery.

A large amount of short jokes, poetry, and a few short stories will be needed for the publication, McCleery said. He explained that one of the purposes of calling the meeting yesterday was to give students an idea of what to do so they could busy themselves with the project over vacation.

## Robb Speaks.

Gene Robb, member of the Awgwan advisory board, gave a short speech in which he told of the circumstances under which he had secured the article.

## Y. W. C. A. DIME DRIVE NETS MORE THAN \$40

Money Will Be Used for Christmas Aid to Needy Family.

More than \$40 has been raised by the industrial staff of Y. W. C. A. in the past two weeks. The "dime campaign" has been a success, according to Evelyn Adler.

At a dinner held by the group, Miss Mary Alice Vernon, head of family welfare work in Lincoln, gave an account of the family which she selected at the request of the group to be aided in the campaign. She also gave a report of general unemployment conditions in Lincoln, declaring that more than 1,000 men were registered as unemployed. Miss Dunn, head of the case work in the sociology department, was a guest.

Dimes may be turned in at the Y. W. C. A. office in Ellen Smith hall or given to any member of the group. Chi Omega and Delta Gamma lead the contributions with ten dollars to the credit of each organization.

## LARGE CROWDS ARE TAKING IN COMEDY

Work of Players on Oscar Wilde Play Brings Out Good Audiences.

Large and appreciative audiences are witnessing the University Players' current production, "The Importance of Being Earnest." The play is an amusing satire on society, written by Oscar Wilde.

Harlan Easton as the country gentleman who is an example of perfection for the benefit of his ward, Cecily, in the country, and a gay philanthropist in town, does a fine piece of work. Easton, who has had numerous parts in university plays, will be remembered as the father in "Holiday," last presentation of the Players.

Betty Evans, as the young lady with whom Easton is in love, acts the spoiled daughter of wealthy parents very well, and gives her part of the delightful nonsense in the first act with good stage presence.

## Plays Cecily.

Charlotte Wells plays Cecily, the ward of John Worthing, with enthusiasm and a naive air that is effective. Leland Bennett as the gay companion of Worthing, is clever and provides a lot of the comedy.

Janis Lehnoff plays the part of the mother who is very particular about the young man whom her daughter marries and who is not too impressed with John Worthing. Miss Lehnoff creates a typical character.

The rest of the cast supports well, and the play is a good piece of work. The last act of the play is very unusual. The symmetry is rather like a takeoff on an Egyptian dance or a modernistic blue print of some architectural venture. The idea of presenting the entire play in black, white and silver was well received and added to the effect.

## Messiah Director



HOWARD KIRKPATRICK.

Of the university school of music who directed the presentation of "The Messiah" in Grant Memorial hall Wednesday evening.

## N CLUB INITIATES TWENTY-FIVE MEN

Gish Speaks on New Letter Awards Previous to Ceremonies.

## COLISEUM DINNER HELD

Twenty-five Nebraska athletes were initiated into the N club Tuesday evening after a dinner in the coliseum. Fourteen football men, seven track men, and four baseball men were accepted into the club. Herbert Gish, director of athletics, spoke to the organization previous to the initiation on the new letter awards which will be announced later.

Members of the club and men to be initiated met together at dinner in the coliseum at 6:30. After the dinner the meeting adjourned to the N club rooms where Gish and Claude Rowley, club president, spoke. Following the meeting initiation was held.

## Men Initiated.

Football men initiated were Bert Durkee, '33, Rock Island, Ill.; Roscoe Kroger, '32, Grand Island; Lyle Eno, '33, Sharpsburg, Ia.; Corwin Hulbert, '33, Burlington, Kas.; Jerry Adam, '32, Plattsmouth; Forrest McPherson, '32, Fairbury; Lawrence Ely, '33, Grand Island; Christ Mathis, '33, Perry, Ia.; Lewis Brown, '32, Wisner; Clarence Nelson, '31, York; Berne Packer, '32, Lincoln; Everett Kreizinger, '31, Bellwood; Buster Long, '31, Buffalo, Wyo., and Bill Bitters, '31, Monroe.

Track men were Guy Craig, '31, Tekamah; Gordon Nuernberger, '32, Wakefield; Harold Petz, '32, Nelson; Ralph Rodgers, '32, Lincoln; George Smutny, '33, Seward; Henry Seger, '32, Emmett; and Emil Eret, '32, Dorchester.

Baseball men were Clyde Bittner, '31, Omaha; Wayne Fairchild, Endicot; Ed Kotab, '31, Cedar Rapids; Charles Davison, '32, Lincoln.

Durkee played an end this season and saw service in several games. Kroger, Eno, and Hulbert all played tackle and lettered there. Adam was a guard. McPherson and Ely filled the center post this year.

## Positions Played.

Of the six backfield men lettering Mathis and Brown were quarters, Nelson, Packer and Kreizinger were halfbacks and Long played fullback. Bill Bitters received a letter as the student manager of the team.

Guy Craig is a broad jumper, Nuernberger hurled the discus, as does Seger. Petz is a hurdler. Rodgers runs the 440 yard dash and is on the relay team. Smutny runs the sprints and is on the relay team. Emil Eret received his letter as a manager of the track team.

Bittner and Fairchild were pitchers on the Cornhusker baseball squad last spring. Kotab was an outfielder and Davison was a second baseman.

## 'Hesperian Student' of 1875 Is Father of Journalistic Organs Here; Contained Dull Material

Publication Took Place of All Present Works; Was Composed of Four Small Sheets; First Issue Dealt With 'Where Man Comes From.'

## By REX WAGNER.

Back in 1875 the University of Nebraska got along very well without an Awgwan. Indeed many of the frivolities found on the campus at present were absent, including the Cornhusker, Daily Nebraskan and Prairie Schooner. At that time a little yellow sheet known as the Hesperian Student was put out as the official university organ and served the combined

State Historical Society library in the basement of the library building is dated June 1875. It was the fifth number ever to be published. Contents uninteresting. Practically all of the first issue is devoted to a treatise entitled, "Where Man Comes From." It takes the time and trouble to wade through its long dull paragraphs of laborious sentences, and involved phrases, he is still at as much of a loss when it comes to determining the origin of man as he was before he read the dissertation.

Religion, art, politics, literature (Continued on Page 2.)

## COUNCIL GROUP TO INVESTIGATE UNION BUILDING

Committee Will Look Into Plan of Erecting a Student Project.

## PROBLEM OF FINANCE

Fee at Registration Idea Is Considered as Way To Get Funds.

In consideration of the University of Nebraska's lack of swimming and club facilities a committee was appointed to investigate the possibilities for construction of a Student Union building, at the Wednesday meeting of the Student council.

President Robert Kelly appointed a committee consisting of Katharine Williams, chairman, Edwin Faulkner, Gretchen Fee, and Marvin Von Seggern to confer with various members of the faculty and student organizations as to the chances of such a building being launched as a student project.

Need Expressed. Need for a recreational center of some sort such as the union buildings at Kansas, Ames, Iowa and other Big Six schools has been expressed intermittently by both faculty and student representatives.

The complete lack of swimming facilities and the disorganized system of apportioning meeting rooms for such campus organizations as the Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic association, Kosmet Klub, Innocents society, and Student council has aided in stirring up sentiment for a concentrated recreational, social, and activity center such as a Student Union building would provide.

It was suggested by members of the council that faculty and student representatives who plan to attend group or professional meetings at other universities during the holidays be delegated to investigate student recreation systems at other schools. This would initiate (Continued on Page 3.)

## GRADUATE STUDENTS' CLUB ELECTS HEADS

David Fellman Is Chosen President of New Society.

At its first meeting, the newly organized club of graduate students of the university elected its officers Tuesday night. David Fellman of the political science department was chosen president; Albert Lightbody, chemistry, first vice-president; Mrs. Ruth Pike, sociology, second vice president; June Hill, English, secretary; and Herbert Kahler, treasurer.

Louise Mitchell and Mrs. Harriett Tverdick were placed in charge of programs.

The meeting was in the form of a dinner which took place at the Annex cafe with 150 students present. After the dinner, Dean Fred Upson of the graduate college spoke. William F. Thompson gave a monologue and Mrs. Tverdick led songs with Ed Hoyt at the piano. Eugene Robb presided.

The next meeting will be a dance to be given early in January.

## Kappa Phi Christmas Meeting Is Planned

Kappa Phi, Methodist sorority, will hold its Christmas program meeting Thursday evening from seven to eight at Emmanuel church. Each girl is bringing a guest.

The program will consist of a play, "Nativity" under the direction of Hazel Beecher, singing by the choir under the direction of Marguerite Foreman, responsive readings of Christmas stories, choral singing and the traditional lighting of the "little light" in holly wreath.

## CHOSEN TO BARB COUNCIL POSTS



JAMESINE J. BOURKE.



J. J. PETERSON.



GEORGE THOMAS.

These students have been chosen to fill the vacant positions left in the Barb council by Luella Harshberger, Vivian Will and Paul Gillan. Miss Bourke, junior in the teachers college, is vice president of Kappa Beta, Christian girls sorority, and a member of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet. Peterson, whose home is at Blair, is a freshman and was a member of the first year football squad. Thomas of Nebraska City, junior in the college of arts and sciences, is secretary of the Barb faction and member of Corn Cobs.

## PAIR OF SUBJECTS OFFERED DEBATERS

Material on Free Trade and Unemployment Insurance Gathered at Library.

## FIRST TRYOUTS JAN. 15

Students who expect to try out for the intercollegiate debating teams for the second semester will have an opportunity to choose between two subjects, "Unemployment Insurance" and "Free Trade." Trials for the first of these subjects will be held on Jan. 15 and for the "Free Trade" subject about Feb. 5.

Books on both subjects have been collected by the reference librarians of the reserve desk on the second floor of the university library. Magazine articles are noted in the bibliography prepared by the reference department but magazines are not on reserve.

## Tentative Plans Completed.

Tentative plans have been completed for most of the debates during the rest of the season. Two or three universities, however, are at present arranging debate trips through Lincoln, and they will be offered dates as soon as their plans are mature. Some of the debates now scheduled for Lincoln will be held before nearby high schools, such as Plattsmouth, Central of Omaha, or before some of the Lincoln clubs.

Last year eight of the nineteen debates were taken off the campus to clubs or to high schools in the vicinity. Return engagements for all these places have been requested for this season. The teams will again debate over KNPA, at Shenandoah. Last season more than 300 votes were received after the radio debate with Drake uni-

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## "Dumbest Crack" Wins Derby for Lloyd Pospishil

A brown derby, size 7 1-4, yesterday began its career as honorary skipper of the freshman law class, with its initial award being made to Lloyd Pospishil, university debater.

Upon a suggestion derived from a feature story in The Nebraskan, in which a similar stunt was reported at another law school, the class voted to purchase an Al Smith topper to be awarded each week to the fresh who makes the "dumbest" crack of the week. Each week the class will hold an election, at which time candidates will be nominated upon a platform consisting of the "breaks" made in class. The honored victim will then be given the skimmer to wear until the next election.

Perry Opens Field. Nominations were poured upon the president when Art Perry, varsity football mar., opened the field. On the first vote the majority of the favorable votes fell to Collins Weston. It was voted, however, that the honor go only to a man who was nominated on a specific platform, and since Weston could be given only the recommendation of "general aptitude," he was thrown from the field and a new vote taken.

Pospishil easily outdistanced the field, his campaign managers pointing proudly to his re-remark made a week ago in response to the first proposal of the bid idea. In the midst of the first discussion Pospishil arose and asked how the plan would be arranged so that race that one could wear the hat at one time, and how it could be arranged so that it would fit each wearer.

A close rival for the honor was made by those who backed a remark made in criminal law class as to whether it was necessary to kill the person to constitute manslaughter.

## Freshman Commission Plans Program Tonight

A song fest will be given by the freshman commission at Ellen Smith hall this evening from 7 to 8 o'clock. The program will consist of a Bible story, "The Origin of Christmas," by Leone Ketterer; a reading by Erma McLaughlin, head of the commission, "Why Bells Ring on Christmas," and the singing of Christmas carols by the entire group.

## YULETIDE SCENES FEATURE VESPERS MEETING TUESDAY

Traditional Christmas scenes were portrayed by students and children in costume, through song and pantomime, at the annual Christmas vespers Tuesday at Ellen Smith hall. Several countries were represented. Syria was portrayed by the Bethany Junior Girl reserves; Italy, by the Prescott Triangle Girl reserves. The Elliott Triangle Girl reserves portrayed Sweden, and Poland was presented by Elizabeth Neely, an Irving Junior Girl reserve.

The Bethany Girl Reserve sextette, the city wide Girl Reserve octette sang Christmas hymns at intervals during the program.

"The Christmas Story" was read by Maude Gwinn, the traveling secretary of the Rocky Mountain region of the Young Women's Christian association.

Miss Violet Ann Olson, the Lincoln Girl Reserve secretary, had charge of the program. The entire service was sponsored by the Girl Reserves of Lincoln.

## 200 FROM NEBRASKA EXPECTED AT FROLIC

Students From Colleges All Over Country to Be at Omaha Party.

(Special to The Daily Nebraskan.)

Students from universities and colleges throughout the country who will be in Omaha for the Christmas holidays have been invited to Omaha's biggest party, "The Yuletide Frolic," Dec. 19, at the Ak-Sar-Ben coliseum. The largest delegation will come from the University of Nebraska. According to advance reports, more than 200 from the Nebraska institution are planning to attend the frolic.

Final plans for the party were approved Tuesday by the committee from the junior chamber of commerce, sponsors of the affair. An array of local and imported talent will provide entertainment Friday evening.

Many Headliners. Among the headliners are Harriet Cruise Kemmer, the "oriole of the air"; Wally and Doris Marrow, nationally known dancers; the Leftoltz sisters, who have just completed a successful season on the R.K.O. circuit; Kenneth Golden, winner of the Atwater-Kent radio audition contest; Jack Osterman, "Broadway's playboy," a headline single on R. K. O.; Billy Meyers, supplied by Publix-Paramount; and Tracy-Brown's Columbia recording orchestra.

Dancing will continue from 9 until morning with bits of vaudeville interspersed throughout the forepart of the evening. At midnight, the principal stage show will be presented, which will be climaxed by the final competition in the midwestern championship crooning contest. More than forty girls entered the contest, six of which will be selected by the judges Wednesday evening to compete in the finals.

## Education Is Needed to Reduce Accidents, Says Dr. A. R. Lauer

AMES, Ia.—"Familiarity breeds contempt" is as true of automobile drivers and pedestrians as it is of other individuals, says Dr. A. R. Lauer, associate professor of psychology at Iowa State college.

The above is merely a short way of saying that the longer a driver slips by a dangerous corner or school at high speed without accident, or the oftener he races a car going up a hill without crashing into another car, the more careless he gets, according to the doctor.

Education of drivers and pedestrians rather than guards and safety devices will eventually reduce the number of traffic accidents to a minimum, says Dr. Lauer. Studies have indicated that safety devices eliminate only about 20 percent of accidents.

## Last Issue Nebraskan To Appear Tomorrow

Last issue of The Daily Nebraskan, published before vacation, will appear Friday, Dec. 19. The paper will appear for the first time in 1931 on Tuesday, Jan. 6.

## GREEK COUNCIL PLAYS SANTA TO NEWSBOYS

200 Kids Are Entertained At Coliseum Party Last Night.

## GET 200 POUNDS CANDY

Playing Santa Claus to 200 Lincoln newsboys, the Interfraternity council last night heaped the list of Christmas parties given for the children of Lincoln by the Greek groups of the campus with a Christmas tree program in the coliseum.

Eddie Jungbluth's Hotel Cornhusker orchestra, dancers from the Doris and Wally Marrow studio and a female impersonation by Ben Myers of the University players furnished entertainment for the frolic. Francis Obert of Atwood, Kan., member of the council's committee for the party, was master of ceremonies.

Treats to Newsies. Following the entertainment, two hundred pounds of candy and nuts and several boxes of apples were distributed to the newsies as the party ended in hilarious enthusiasm.

The entertainment program was as follows: Tap dance by Bessie and Marie Grossman, ages 11 and 13, accompanied by Freddy Langenheim, age 5, accompanied by Mrs. Mary Turner and the orchestra; acrobatic dance by Estelle Mozer, age 7; tap dance by Walter Silken, age 11, accompanied by Mary Silken; tap dance by Mildred Newburn, age 8; female impersonation by Ben Myers of Lewistown; soft shoe dancing by Jimmy and Junior Miller, ages 11 and 12 with the orchestra; comedy song by the orchestra.

The committee in charge of the party was Charles Pierce of Lincoln. Otis Dietrick, York, Kenneth Uehling of Uehling, and Francis Obert of Atwood, Kan.

## GRADUATE DESCRIBES WELLAND SHIP CANAL

Bernard Robinson Writes An Article for "Blue Print."

In the current issue of the Nebraska Blue Print, monthly magazine edited by students of the college of engineering, there is one among several outstanding articles written by Bernard Robinson, former student of Nebraska, on "Electrification of the Welland Ship Canal."

This article deals with the canal which is the fourth one to be constructed around Niagara Falls. The new project permits the largest lake going vessels to travel from Lake Ontario to Lake Erie. Mr. Robinson, now employed by the Westinghouse Electric company says in the article that the canal is electrically lighted from end to end, the bridges are operated with electric motors, and it is the most completely electrified of any in the world.

Among other notable articles are: "A Year in the Tropics" by Ralph Deeds, on duty '31. "Fossil Hunting in Nebraska" by C. B. Schultz, geology '31. "Gas Used as Zeppelin Fuel in Long Flights," by M. Von Seggern, C. E. '32. "Portland Cement," by Louise Westwood, chemistry '31, and an article by Dean O. J. Ferguson.

Editorials, news facts mostly centered around engineering, and letters from the alumni compose the remainder of the magazine.

## TO SHOW ALL WEEK.

The production of the University Players will be continued throughout the week, ending Saturday. The play being presented is "The Importance of Being Earnest."

## Campus Calendar

Thursday, Dec. 18. Phi Upsilon Omicron, Ag hall, 7 p. m. Freshmen commission, Ellen Smith hall, 7 p. m. Saturday, Dec. 20. No social dancing class.

## LARGE AUDIENCE HEARS 'MESSIAH' SUNG LAST NIGHT

More Than 1,000 Pack Into Armory for 35th Annual Offering of Chorus.

## KIRKPATRICK DIRECTS

Solo Roles Are Taken by Visiting Artists and Lincoln Musicians.

With a capacity attendance of more than a thousand persons packing the armory Wednesday night, Handel's "Messiah" was sung by the University Choral Union under the direction of Howard Kirkpatrick as the thirty-fifth annual Christmas presentation of the organization.

Solo roles were sung by two visiting artists and two Lincoln musicians. The visiting soloists were Marie Sidenius Zandt, soprano of Chicago, and Stanley Deacon, bass of Kansas City. Herbert Gray, tenor, and Doris Cole Clapp, contralto, were the Lincoln soloists.

Orchestra and Organ Accompany. A twenty-three piece orchestra and Grant Memorial organ furnished the accompaniment for the concert. Edith Burlingame Ross was the organ accompanist. The chorus of 300 voices was made up from singers in the choral union, which includes students of the agricultural and city campuses, and singers from other Lincoln music organizations.

The oratorio, which was divided into four parts, was presented as follows: The Prophecy. Tenor—Comfort ye my people. Every valley shall be exalted. Chorus—And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed. Bass—Thus said the Lord of Hosts. But who may abide the day of His coming. Contralto and chorus—O Thou (Continued on Page 3.)

## R.O.T.C. BAND VOTES TO WEAR SWEATERS

Musicians Will Buy Red Jerseys to Don at Games, Rallies.

## UNDER GAMMA LAMBDA

New band sweaters, each to be of red jersey style with a large monogram in front, are to be worn by members of the R. O. T. C. band it was decided Tuesday evening at a meeting held in the Temple.

Members of the band must wear these sweaters before football games, at rallies, and at basketball games, in a similar manner to that used by the Corn Cobs, according to Gene Robb.

"N" Monogram. The monogram on the front of these sweaters is a large red "N" placed on the red background with a shako in its center. The shako, which resembles in shape the modern bearskin caps worn by the British footmen, is red with a white border and has the small letters "Nebraska" placed at a right angle.

The innovation is under the sponsorship of Gamma Lambdas, band fraternity. Each member of the band must purchase his own sweater.

## MAGAZINE PUBLISHES NEBRASKANS' WORKS

Writings of State Poets Fill Current Issue of "Troubadour."

The Troubadour, a magazine printed at San Diego, Calif., and devoted to poetry and poets has just issued a Nebraska number. A number of prize awards were offered by Nebraskans through the magazine for poems dealing with Nebraska.

Addison E. Sheldon, secretary of the state historical society was the winner of the prize for the best historical poem, offered by Governor and Mrs. Arthur Weaver. Mr. Sheldon's poem was "Cottonwoods of Fort Kearney."

Theodore Diers, radio director for the University of Nebraska, contributed an article entitled "Some Nebraska Poets." Mr. Diers is secretary of the Writer's guild, and is the author of the song "Nebraska."

Nebraskans Aid. Dr. Louise Pound, professor of English in the university, was advisory editor for the Nebraska number. Theodore Diers was one of the associate editors, and Dr. Lowry C. Wimberly, editor of the Prairie Schooner, aided in publicity, as did George Grimes, literary editor of the Omaha World-Herald. Mr. Grimes was a former student in the school of journalism here.

## WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday: Partly cloudy with no decided change in temperature. Lowest temperature Wednesday night, 25 degrees.