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Engineers invite uni physics professor to speak at meeting

The American Institute of Electrical Engineers has invited Dr. R. C. Spencer, associate professor of physics, to address the networks session at their winter convention in Philadelphia on Jan. 31. "Operational and Moment Analysis of Transient Distortion in Electrical Networks with Application to Television" is the title of his paper.

Dr. Spencer is the author of a number of published articles on analysis and correction of experimental curves, and his latest paper, "Operational Analysis of the Diffraction Grating," has just been accepted for publication in the Journal of the Optical Society of America.

Tests show Artie Shaw has mild effect on coeds

(By Associated Collegiate Press) Comes this week a dispatch from Kent, Ohio, that should, we rather expect, start a howling storm of protest and contradiction:

"Coeds are much less emotional than men students, if measurements taken by Kent state university psychology students are accurate.

"Using respiration, blood pressure and electric changes of the skin as measurements, a man and a woman student were tested by university psychology club members.

"Various types of music ranging from Artie Shaw's 'Night Ride' to a DeBussey funeral march were played to stimulate emotion. With the funeral march the man's breathing became much slower and deeper, his blood pressure fell and his general body metabolism decreased. When 'Night Ride' was played the man's blood pressure rose, respiration became shallow and rapid, and metabolism heightened. Under Ravel's 'Bolero' each period of raised tempo brought a corresponding rise in the student's body processes.

"But the young lady? Ravel and his trumpet blast hardly produced a shiver. DeBussey left her cold as ice, and Artie Shaw made her only tepid."

Book Nook buys 44 new volumes; all best sellers

Forty-four new books chosen from the list selected as best sellers by the New York Herald-Tribune have been added to the shelves of the Union book nook. According to Pat Lahr, social chairman, the books selected are mostly fiction, as those seem to be the type students enjoy most in spending a few moments of leisure in the Book Nook.

Following is the list of the new books:

How to Read a Book, Mortimer J. Adler.
Let There Be Sculpture, Jacob Grawling.
Country Editor, Henry Beetle Hough.
Land Below the Wind, Agnes Newton Keith.
Smattering of Ignorance, Oscar Levant.
Tragedy in France, Andre Maurois.
Tellers of Tales, W. Somerset Maugham.
Best Stories of 1939, Edward J. O'Brien.
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Time for a Quick One, Margaret Fishback.
Make Bright the Arrows, Edna St. Vincent Millay.
Men of Music, Wallace Brockway and Herbert Weinstein.
Eleven Verse Plays, Maxwell Anderson.
The Nazarene, Scholem Asch.
Night in Bombay, Louis Bromfield.
The Ox-Bow Incident, Walter Van Tilburg Clark.
Whiteoak Heritage, Mazo de la Roche.
Omad Hama, Walter Edmonds.
The Family, Nina Fedorova.
Children of God, Vardis Fisher.
Gypsy, Gypsy, Rumer Godden.
The Star-Gazer, Zsolt de Harsanyi.
The Fire and the Wood, R. C. Hutchinson.
How Green was My Valley, Richard Llewellyn.
The Beloved Returns, Thomas Mann.
Kitty Foyle, Christopher Morley.
The Voyage, Charles Morgan.
Kitty Foyle, Christopher Morley.
Portrait of Jennie, Robert Nathan.
Oliver Wiswell, Kenneth Roberts.
Verdun, Jules Romains.
World's End, Upton Sinclair.
Madame Dorothea, Sigrid Undset.
Escape, Ethel Vance.
Wild Geese Calling, Stewart Edward White.
You Can't Go Home Again, Thomas Wolfe.
In Place of Splendor, Constanca de la Mota.
Bolero, Madeline Goss.
John D. Rockefeller, Allan Nevins.
Autobiography with Letters, William Lyon Phelps.
The Vanishing Virginian, Rebecca Tancy Williams.

Dance recital Wednesday

Tomorrow evening, from 7 to 8, Mrs. Danielson, instructor of physical education at ag college, will present her sophomore folk-dance classes at a dance recital. The public is invited.

A year ago Professor Spencer received a grant by the university research council to continue research in this field. Methods developed by him may be applied to a number of fields, including television where the correction of distortion in the televised picture is of major importance.

ASAE names new officers

The January meeting of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers was held last Thursday in the Student Union at which time officers for the second semester were elected.

Those men who will head the student branch of the society are: Ernest Munter, president; George Lewis, vice president; Winston Hedges, secretary-treasurer; and Walter Sanderson, reporter. In addition, Vernon Kreyck and Earle Cox were chosen as candidates for chairman and vice-chairman, respectively, of the Engineers Week activities.

Plans for a February party were discussed and preparations were made for the next meeting of the society, Jan. 27.



It's kind of nice to be back in classes again after a seige of eight day flu. I had a hell of a time with the fever and everything. And it's just like they told me in rush week two years ago. Sappy Sigma leads in everything. Even flu cases. There were three other bodies in the fraternity ward with me. It got so bad that when anyone knocked at the door we'd just say, "There's no one in here, but us flu germs."

And I had a thousand and one cures. One was that which I picked up from a fellow that died from chronic alcoholism. But he never had a cold. Any germ that crawled into him spent the rest of its life inebriated. I tried his method. At the end of the second day, I was so full that a state liquor agent came in to cap me, paste a label on me, and charge ten cents liquor tax. I didn't get well, but it sure was some fun.

Then I loaded up with pills. I quit that tho. I got scared one day when I picked up a pill and it said to me, "Come on, brother, let's crawl back in the box where we belong."

After it was over, I was just a shadow of my former self. I was so bad that when I went to a class Saturday morning, the prof sent me back out into the hall to see if I didn't drop part of me somewhere.

There were just two of us sick when one of the brothers called the doctor. I gave up when I heard him conclude the telephone conversation with, "That'll be fine, doc. You can kill two birds with one stone."

Well, it's all over but the yelling. So I take time out now to go to some handy manhole and yell. And then it shall be done.

I leave with my parting toast for the semester: May all of your final grades be ten points higher than mine so there will be at least a few grades in the sixties.

Headlines--

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American people.

The first of these is from without. The democratic form of government is based on the philosophy that peace is the normal relationship among the nations of the world. Its principles of discussion, deliberation, meditation, the search for truth, and respect for the rights of minorities require peace for their successful fruition.

In recent years totalitarian governments which regard war as the normal state in international relationships have challenged the democratic principle. There is real question whether a government can hold itself ready for a long time to meet this aggressive challenge and still retain the fundamental liberties ordinarily asso-

Family worries cause failures

Terre Haute, Ind. (ACP). Emotional upset causes more student failures in college than either academic incompetence or laziness in learning subject matter.

That is the opinion of Dr. Gwylm Isaac, dean of the department of philosophy and student counselor at Indiana State Teachers college.

Students are more disturbed by family troubles than by any other worries, including their own love affairs, and the grades of many good students have nose-dived when their parents at home were breaking up, Dr. Isaac asserts.

Dr. Isaac says it is harder to reason with students bothered by their family affairs than those with any other troubles. Usually one good common-sense discussion solves the troubles of collegians worrying about love affairs, the second greatest cause for poor grades.

The third biggest worry is over money matters, Dr. Isaac said.

ciated with the democratic principle.

Realization of the genuineness of this threat is now widespread, and though general agreement as to the proper means of combating it has not been reached, there is the growing conviction throughout the country that the danger of having to subject democracy to the long-time competition of fascism can best be avoided by immediate and decisive aid to those peoples who are fighting to stamp out that competition.

The second type of fundamental threat to American liberties and democracy comes from within the nation itself. Though possibly not so obvious as the first type, it is just as real, and all the more sinister because it emanated from groups that do not believe in the democracy they so glibly praise. These are the groups and the individuals that seek to restrict severely our present democracy. They are the ones that oppose any movement to extend social and economic democracy. They are the groups who look on government as a means to secure to themselves special privilege at the expense of their fellow citizens.

It was this type of threat that became so disastrously real in the France of recent years, where democratic government had rotted from within long before war smashed the vestige remaining.

Security from such dire eventualities arises only from the widespread realization that such threats exist, plus a genuine determination to make whatever sacrifices are necessary to preserve the American way of life.

As President Monroe aptly expressed it over a century ago, "The security of our liberties lies in the eternal vigilance of the people."

UN debate team schedules meets with over 40 teams this season

By Alan Jacobs.

If you can't find them in the library buried under a lot of research books, they might be in the washroom gargling their throats or before a mirror making all sorts of contortions.

They are constantly striving for better speaking voices and more logical, analytical minds. Right now they are debating whether the nations of the western hemisphere should or should not form a permanent union. But later on in the year, they will be arguing about something else.

If you haven't already guessed, "they" is the debate team now beginning an extensive debate season.

Opening their season a week and a half ago against Wesleyan, the squad is looking forward to their big trip of the year during the first week in April, when they will travel to Chicago. There they will debate with students from all over the nation at the national legislative student congress of Delta Sigma Rho, national forensic society.

But making the trip isn't a cinch. The four members chosen must survive competitive try-outs against the best debaters in the school.

Seven Try Out.

Only seven tried for the first semester team, according to H. A. White, debate coach, but more than 15 are expected to compete in second semester tryouts next

Pi Mu Epsilon initiates 18 at annual banquet

Math honorary plans contest; Sterling Mapes acts as toastmaster

The Nebraska chapter of Pi Mu Epsilon, national honorary mathematics society, held its annual initiation banquet at the Student Union Jan. 16. Eighteen were initiated.

Toastmaster at the banquet was Sterling Mapes, with Prof. H. P. Doole, D. D. Rippe, Marcia Beckman, and Prof. M. G. Gaba featured as speakers on the program. Doole is faculty sponsor of the chapter. Delbert Christensen, president of the chapter conducted the initiation.

Qualifications for membership in the organization based entirely on scholarship and require that students who have taken courses up to and including calculus must have at least an 85 average, while freshman mathematicians must have a 95 average or above.

It was announced at the banquet that the annual Pi Mu Epsilon mathematics competition will be held in May. The only requirement of competitors is that they are taking the course in which they enter at present. A \$10 prize will be given to the student receiving the highest rating in calculus, and a similar prize will be awarded in freshman mathematics.

The next meeting of the chapter will be held on Feb. 13, with Raymond Murray as the featured speaker.

Art prof lists 'do's and don'ts' for coed's dress

New Wilmington, Pa. (ACP).—Women should select becoming colors and not colors to fit the current styles, according to a Westminster college art professor.

Harold J. Brennan, head of the art department, has advised Westminster co-eds to observe the following don'ts:

Don't wear obvious, bright colors; wear subtle off-shades.

Don't fail to look at the color of a street dress by daylight before buying it.

Don't wear bright colors in large masses; wear them as you would a bracelet or a handkerchief.

Don't ask your girl friend about your clothes unless you're sure she will be frank with you.

Don't forget that texture is as important as color in determining the kind of clothes that look well on you.

YM election ends tonight

Mail ballots from active members will decide race

YMCA members on both campuses will complete their voting today for YM officers for the coming year, C. D. Hayes, general secretary of the Y, announced. Ballots were mailed to all active members Saturday afternoon, and must be in the return mail or turned into the office by tonight.

Only active members of the Y who have joined 30 days prior to the date of election are eligible to vote, Hayes stated. He stressed the fact that no ballots have been sent to contributing members who are not holders of active membership cards.

Candidates for president on the city campus are Warren Lyness and Hugh Wilkins, with the one receiving the lesser number of votes being named vice president. Nominees for secretary are Ralph Schroeder and Franklin Scudder.

Candidates for office in the ag campus YMCA are, for president, Carl Epp and Doyle Free; for vice president, Dale Buschow and Robert Gerloff; for secretary, Lawrence Boydston and Miles Cadwallader.

Reed attends conference

Dr. A. A. Reed, director of the extension division, was in Omaha Saturday, Jan. 18, to confer with Dr. Paul Payne of Philadelphia, who is head of Christian education work in the Presbyterian church of America. Dr. Reed is a member of the board of the Nebraska synod in charge of education work among university and college students.

Nebraska Law Bulletin prints Orfield articles

Lester B. Orfield of the Law college has articles in the current issue of the Nebraska Law Bulletin on "The Supreme Court of Nebraska: Procedure, Organization, Selection and Tenure" and "Improving Parole in Nebraska." Copies of the Bulletin were distributed by the Lincoln Council of Social Agencies at the Nebraska Bar Association convention in Omaha Dec. 27 and 28. Henry M. Foster, jr., graduate scholar at Harvard Law school, is the author of "Written Trade Agreements Under the Wagner Act," and Fred T. Hanson, county judge of Red Willow county, has written of "The National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws" for the issue.

Miss Abby Burgess is the thirty-first member of her family to attend Brown university. Her father is a faculty member.

be held with teams on their way to the congress in Chicago.

"Our program would be more extensive if we had more money," White said. "But with only \$200 allotted us for 30 debates, our traveling is limited to one big trip a year and several short excursions to towns around Lincoln."

All traveling is by car to save money, and many debates are lost because they ask for guarantees, according to White.

All debates are non-decision which is all right with White since it eliminates the hiring of judges. "Trend is toward non-decision debating in the larger institutions" White said.

Law students drop out.

Almost all the debaters were law students when White began coaching at Nebraska, but either the law college got harder or law students became lazier, for in recent years, teams have been made up mostly of pre-law men in the arts and bizad schools.

Eligibility rules for debaters are the same as for the football team with competition limited to men above the freshman year meeting certain scholastic requirements. For the first time women are left out even when it comes to talking, but White says that if the demand is great enough, more money might be appropriated for the girls.

"It's hard to compare Nebraska debaters with the squads of other schools thruout the nation because we have no decisions," White said adding, "but we can hold our own with the best of them."