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It's a bargain!

A paper for every student

The action of the Student Council yesterday in endorsing a plan for automatic subscription to the DAILY set the ball rolling for more amiable Greek-Barb relations in the future, and for a far reaching improvement in the quality of the paper Nebraska students can put out. With an expression of support from the student body, the proposed subscription plan stands a good chance of being accepted by the regents.

Already the proposition is receiving the endorsement of influential groups. Last week the University Board of Publications recommended the slight addition to tuition fees in order to get the paper to that large group of non-subscribers which has a just demand for an organ of information. Such action would furthermore increase the size and quality of the Nebraskan to a par maintained by the large majority of university publications.

At the present time this institution stands almost alone as a university with neither automatic subscription nor an activity ticket to support its student paper.

Students have expressed considerable interest in the proposal in the Commentorial columns of the NEBRASKAN, and voted rather favorably (considering the negative wording of the question) last fall in the general election for just this type of arrangement.

The potential backing that is required is there. It is only necessary now to point out to the skeptics the many arguments for automatic subscription and secure an expression of their support. The latter will be taken care of through petitions by the Student Council within the next week or ten days. The instructional part is the duty of the NEBRASKAN.

That every person may know the relative advantage of an enlarged circulation such as the plan will give it is advisable to review the arguments briefly.

• A paper for every student. Through such a setup administrative announcements can be carried to the entire student body with comparative ease, and the

paper can serve as a communicative organ for news and expressions of opinions of all factions and all organizations on the campus. Thereby it will in reality become a "student" newspaper.

• The staff can insure its readers a paper increased in size, and improved in quality. As most universities with automatic subscription plans are doing now, we would have eight pages of news and feature material daily. Add-packed, newsless papers would be a thing of the past. By a change of this sort, the paper will be immensely more valuable to the student reader.

• Before elections it will be possible for every party to state its aims, to support its candidates and to carry general election news to its readers.

• The human interest and personal stories which ads have heretofore crowded out will find the place in the paper they deserve. It is this type of material that makes any paper interesting to read. But where space is limited they must go into the wastebasket in preference to announcements.

• A vast new series of features could be inaugurated. These would probably include "Washington Collegiate Press" letters, telling how national administrative and legislative policies are going to effect students here. This service now gives advance "dope" on the trends in conscription bills. Also included would be cartoon services, and more pictures to vitalize the stories.

• And if we could be assured of the needed space, and if advertising responded to the increased circulation as is anticipated, the NEBRASKAN could possibly install a "pony" wire service bringing late national, and international news flashes to its readers.

That these improvements may be better understood, every student is invited to come to the NEBRASKAN office and look over our exchanges. The difference between papers supported by automatic subscription and activity tickets and those that are not, is so pronounced, that it is comparatively easy to sort out each group.

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That's a bargain! And it's a bargain no one can afford to turn down.

Commentorial

... from our readers

Must speakers serve wafers to get themselves hearings?

Dear managing editor:

At first, I thought one of us ought to quit! Remember when you told me to cover the convocation at the Union Tuesday morning. You said, "In the ballroom at 11, be sure to be there."

And I was there. But at 11, there were no more than a dozen others. I wondered, "Did I hear right? Maybe, she said the coliseum."

But my hearing was good. For I saw Cal Rollins of the drive committee and George Gostas of the Union and they were talking about moving the convocation to the faculty lounge. You were right. And so was I. But, by now it was after 11 and the crowd had grown to about 50—counting faculty members—and it was finally decided to get underway in the ballroom with the score: 600 seats empty, about 50 seats filled, Claud Nelson up, two strikes against him.

His talk was informative. He told the functions of the World Student Service fund, of which he is national director, in aiding students who, because of war, are now refugees, internees, or prisoners of war.

He must have aroused some interest for the fifteen minute question period following his speech was filled with queries, and those present seemed to be satisfied with Nelson and his organization.

After hearing the speech, I got some satisfaction. I was satisfied that the WSSF is a worthy organization, and I was satisfied that neither of us should quit. We both knew the time and location of the convocation, and I was there. That's more than the majority of students did—although a story about the convo has been in the DAILY for the past couple of days.

One out of fifty.

Bulletin

BARB DANCE.
A barb dance will be held in parlors X, Y, Z of the Union Saturday night from 9 to 12 p. m. Admission by barb activity or ten cents.

PERSHING RIFLES.
The members of Pershing Rifles will

meet today at 5 p. m. in N. H. ARCHITECTURAL SOCIETY. The Architectural Society will meet at 7:30 p. m. in the Union.
MEN'S RIFLE CLUB. Members of men's Rifle Club will meet in Nebraska hall at 6 p. m. tomorrow.
SKETCH CLASS. Sketch class will meet today at 4 p. m. in room 315 of the Union.
AG DANCE. The Student Union matinee dance will be held at 5 p. m. today in the student activities building at ag campus. Free checking.

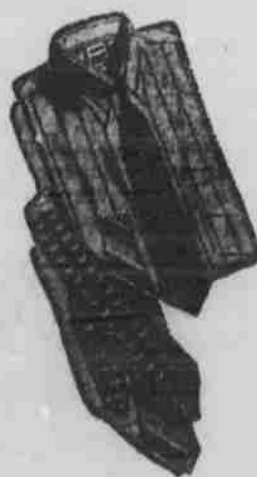
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