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DR. LUCKEY DENIES HE IS UNPatriotic

Says He Is Loyal to President and Democracy's Cause

DID NOT TEACH DISLOYALTY

Declares Star Insulted Patriotism of Nebraska Students by its Insinuations

An expression of fealty to and faith in the president of the United States and a denial that he has been to his knowledge unpatriotic was made to The Nebraskan yesterday by Dr. G. W. A. Luckey, dean of the graduate school of education, who was called before the council of defense a week ago on the charge of making disloyal utterances.

The particular charge for which Dr. Luckey was called before the council came following an impromptu talk before the Open Forum club some time ago, in which he criticized the German school system. Dr. Luckey said that at the time the alleged disloyal statement was made he was scoring German autocracy and its dominance of the German school system. He is reported to have said in this connection that he would just as lief "live under a government run by kaiser Wilhelm as by kaiser Theodore." He declared that it was not sure to his exact words, but meant to imply, not a comparison between Emperor William and any American, but to convey the incomparability of the idea of autocracy. His thought was, he said, that even a benevolent despot was undesirable, and that the name of autocrat was immaterial.

Students Loyal

The charge of disloyal teaching, about which council of defense members also inquired, was also denied by Dr. Luckey. He declared that such an accusation was, if nothing else, "an incrimination of the patriotism of Nebraska students."

"I do not believe that a more loyal body of students and professors can be found anywhere in the country. Nebraska students would not countenance disloyal teachings for a moment," he declared.

The story in the Lincoln Star last Tuesday regarding a petition denying disloyalty in Dr. Luckey's classes insinuated that many of the professor's students were signing the paper to make sure of the credit hours. This story Dr. Luckey branded as an insult to the integrity of his students. They were not so easily bought, he declared. The accompanying rumor that Dr. Luckey himself started the petition was also denied by him. He said that he knew nothing of the paper until it was showed to him signed.

Conflicting Reports

The conflicting stories coming from Dr. Luckey's students who denied that the professor had made disloyal utterances of any kind, and those coming from the Star, inferring his lack of patriotism and opposition to the war, started The Nebraskan's investigation.

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NEBRASKA ORGANIZATIONS DISCUSS FARM PROBLEMS

Historical Society, Pioneers, and Memorial Association to Consider Rural Questions

The forty-first annual meeting of the Nebraska State Historical society begins today. All meetings are in the Temple theatre unless otherwise indicated on the program. The auxiliary organizations, the Nebraska Territorial Pioneers' association and the Nebraska Memorial association will also hold their meetings today at the Lindell hotel.

The program of Nebraska State Historical society follows:

PROGRAM
Tuesday, January 15
8:00 P. M.—General Topic: Farmers' Movements in Nebraska, 1857-1917.
Early Farmers' Clubs and Granges: In Nemaha County, Hon. Ben T. Skeen, Brownville; In Otoe County, Hon. Patrick Roddy, Nebraska City; In Saunders County, Hon. W. H. Dech, Ithaca; In Butler County, Hon. Frank F. Loomis, Edholm.
The Anti-Monopoly Movement: Beginning in Buffalo County, Hon. J. E. Miller, Kearney; The State-Wide Move-

ment, Hon. I. D. Evans, KGenesaw; Farmers' Combines in the Legislature, Hon. Thos. J. Majors, Peru.

Wednesday, January 16

8:30 A. M.—Annual Business Meeting: Report of Secretary, Report of Treasurer, Report of Committees, Election of Officers, Miscellaneous Business.

9:30 A. M.—The Farmers' Alliance. Recollection of Farmers' Alliance Lecture Work, Hon. O. Hull, Alma. Beginnings of So-operative Buying Through the State Alliance, J. M. Thompson, Lincoln.

The Struggle Over Merging the Farmers' Alliance in the Populist Party, Hon. Charles Wooster, Silver Creek.

The Non Conformist and Central Farmer in Nebraska, C. Vincent, Omaha.

Woman's Part in the Farmers' Alliance, Mrs. Otto Mutz, Lincoln.

The "Farmers' Alliance" and "Nebraska Independent," Charles Q. DeFrance.

(Noon Lunch at Commercial Club)

1:30 P. M.—Mutual Farm Insurance: The Rise and Progress of Farmers' Mutual Insurance in Nebraska, J. Y. M. Swigart, Lincoln.

Co-operative Buying and Selling: Beginnings of the Co-operative Elevator in Nebraska, Hon. J. S. Canaday, Minden; Present Status and Future Prospects, J. W. Shorthill, Aurora.

The Farmers' Co-operative and Educational Union: Early Development in Nebraska, Hon. H. C. Elwood, Creighton; Present Status of the Nebraska Organization, Hon. C. H. Gustafson, Mead.

The Later Grange Movement: Its Revival and Progress in Nebraska, Hon. J. D. Ream, Broken Bow.

The Nebraska Farmers' Congress: Its

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ORGANIZED AGRICULTURE MEETINGS BEGIN TODAY

Corn Growers, Horticulturists and Sheep Raisers Arrange Programs

The first programs of Nebraska Organized Agriculture will be held today at different places in the city and on the state farm campus. The meetings beginning today will last throughout the week, closing on Friday, January 18, 1918.

Of special interest today, will be the program arranged by the Corn Improvers' association. The program is divided into "Field Crops in Relation to War Problems," "Corn and Corn Shows," "The Land Problems," and "Crops, Soil and Climate." C. G. Williams of Wooster, Ohio, who will speak this afternoon, is one of the best authorities on agronomy in the country.

The fruit and corn show, which has been a feature of past meetings of Organized Agriculture, will be held as usual in the city Auditorium. The exhibit of fruit, flowers and potatoes will be under the auspices of the state horticulture society. Nebraska potatoes will also come in for consideration. Four or five of the biggest potato producing counties in northern and western Nebraska will have county exhibits. Cut flowers and potted plants will be on display also. All of the exhibits will remain open until 4 o'clock Friday and nothing will be sold or disposed of by any of the exhibitors until that time.

Following is a program of the meetings of Organized Agriculture today:

Nebraska Corn Improvers' Association
Plant Industry Hall, Room 110

9:00 a. m.—Live Stock as a Factor in Food Production During the War, Steers and Hogs, H. J. Gramlich, Lincoln.

The Dairy Cow, J. H. Frandsen, Lincoln.

10:00 a. m.—Food Problems From the Chemist's Viewpoint, F. W. Upson, Lincoln.

10:45 a. m.—Cost of Production and Food Prices During the War, Dean E. A. Burnett, University Farm, Lincoln.

11:20 a. m.—General Discussion, led by E. P. Brown, Davey.

1:30 p. m.—Factors Influencing the Yield of Corn, C. G. Williams, Agricultural Experiment Station, Wooster, Ohio.

2:00 p. m.—The Seed Corn Situation, T. A. Kieselbach, University Farm, Lincoln.

3:15 p. m.—The Value of Continuing Competitive Corn Exhibits, E. P. Rist, Humboldt.

3:30 p. m.—The Futurity of the "Pretty Ear" Corn Show, Edwin Hopt, Lincoln.

3:45 p. m.—Discussion, led by Charles Grau, Bennington; J. O. Shroyer, Humboldt.

4:20 p. m.—Election of officers, State Board of Agriculture, Lincoln Commercial Club.

2:00 p. m.—Report of committee on credentials; report of president; nomination of proposed members; secretary's report; treasurer's report; report of committee on revision of premium list.

Horticulture
Lindell Hotel

9:45 a. m.—Address of Welcome, J. E. Miller, mayor of Lincoln.
Music, University quartet.
President's Address, R. F. Howard, Lincoln.

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FRATERNITIES PLAY FAST SEMI-FINAL GAMES

Phi Kappa Psi and Alpha Tau Omega Victors

WERE LAST YEAR'S RIVALS

Promise of Intercollegiate Brand of Ball in Finals Tomorrow Evening at 6 O'Clock

Two of the best games ever seen in an inter-frat basketball tournament were played in the semi-finals last night, when Phi Kappa Psi defeated Phi Epsilon, 16 to 7, and Alpha Tau Omega put Delta Tau Delta out of the race by grabbing the long end of a 13 to 10 score.

The Phi Psi's put up a strong game against the Sig Eps, and their playing indicated that it will not be any easy job to cop the finals from them. Their stars in last night's game were Kellogg, Day and Smith. Dale and Townsend both played good ball for the losing side.

The line-up for this game was as follows:

Phi Kappa Psi	Sigma Phi Epsilon
Kellogg	Townsend
Smith	Hoffman
Thorpe	Dale
Day	Gardner
Wright	Burnham

A. T. O. Wins Hard Battle

The scrap between A. T. O. and Delta Tau resembled an intercollegiate rather than an inter-fraternity mix. Both sides had plenty of stars, good teamwork, and the game was played fast and clean. The entire A. T. O. team showed such good form that it was impossible to select any individual stars, while Hubka and Gillian showed up slightly better than their Delta Tau teammates.

The line-up was:

Delta Tau	Alpha Tau Omega
Gilliland	Schellenberg
Strohmer	Thomas
Bekins	Gerhardt
Hubka	Neumann
Richards	Bailey

Phi Kappa Psi and Alpha Tau Omega will play the final game for high honors tomorrow night. This promises to be another fast game, and will not be won until the last whistle blows. There will be more than the usual rivalry between the two teams, because the same two played the final game in last year's tourney. Phi Psi won that game, upsetting all the dope. They are determined to repeat their performance this year, thus gaining the unusual distinction of having won the championship twice in succession. On the other hand A. T. O.'s vow they are going to avenge their defeat of last year, by giving their opponents a sound drubbing tomorrow. A. T. O. is given a slight advantage over Phi Psi, but the dope may again be upset. At any rate, it is going to be a real game, with lots of pep and action.

HENRY L. SOUTHWICK TO READ "RICHARD III"

Noted Interpreter of Shakespeare to Entertain at Temple Tomorrow Night

Henry Lawrence Southwick, president of the Emerson College of Oratory, Boston, Mass., will give a dramatic reading of "Richard III" Wednesday evening, January 16 at 8 o'clock in the Temple theatre.

Mr. Southwick was on the stage at one time. He has played both in the United States and in Europe with Augustus Dally and is at present with a lyceum bureau. He is a man of broad culture. His lectures will bear the test of searching literary criticism and he has won enviable distinction as a reader, especially in the interpretation of Shakespeare.

"The Brooklyn Eagle" said of him: "Mr. Southwick is a speaker of marked literary talent as well as of dramatic powers far above the average witnessed on the stage. The excellent impression made on his first appearance before the Brooklyn Institute the day previous was heightened by his reading of 'Richard III'." The climaxes in the closing acts of the play were taken with a fire and dash that made the nerves tingle.

"Richard III" was the play chosen by the elocution classes, who are responsible for Mr. Southwick's coming to Lincoln, from the list of readings he offered including "Julius Caesar," "The Rivals," "Othello," "King Lear," "The Cardinal King" and others. Admission for tonight's program will be 25 cents.

Offered Excellent Position

Mr. Charles Lesh, who was a graduate of the college of pharmacy last year, has been offered a position as assistant professor in the college of pharmacy at the University of Oklahoma, but could not accept because of the fact that he had already enlisted with the University of Nebraska base hospital corps.

Short Course Begins Monday

The winter course of the school of agriculture at Lincoln will begin next Monday, January 21. There is still time for any one to enter the course. It will not be necessary to write in advance, but arrangements will be made upon arrival for every one to register and secure rooms near the school. Any man or boy, over fifteen years of age, can enter the four weeks' course. A wide variety of studies, embracing every farm subject, will be offered.

Automobile Course

The department of agricultural engineering of the University of Nebraska will offer a four weeks' course in automobiles, trucks and traction engines this winter. It will be especially for the man enlisting in the army who desires to get into the automobile or other mechanical branch of the service, and for the man or boy who expects to stay on the farm and who wishes to learn the short cuts in farming by using a modern tractor. Among the subjects to be taken up will be wood work, forge work machine shop practice, and repairing automobiles, trucks and traction engines. The course will begin January 21 and will close February 16.

EYE WITNESS TO GIVE HIS ACCOUNT OF WAR

Ross Hammond, Noted Fremont Journalist, to Speak at Convocation Today

A description of conditions on the world's battlefields as seen by an eye witness will be the theme of an address to the student and faculty body at today's Convocation, by Ross Hammond.

Mr. Hammond is a Nebraska man who has gained a wide reputation as one of the leading journalists of the country. He has edited a Fremont paper for a number of years past with a success that has room for him no little recognition.

Today's lecture will be a vivid picture of Europe's great battlefields as Mr. Hammond found them on his personal visit to the front from which he has just recently returned. The speaker has acquired through his experience as a journalist a power of description peculiar only to experts in the newspaper field. The students and faculty members are especially invited to avail themselves of this opportunity to learn something of interest about the present great struggle from an undisputed authority on the topic.

Mr. Hammond has, aside from his other work, maintained an active interest in University of Nebraska affairs. Through his newspaper he has been instrumental in promoting educational interests within the state. He will doubtlessly give an account of the fighting conditions as they relate generally to the student.

SECRETARY LANE SENDS REGRETS TO PROF. FOGG

Son's Departure for France Makes Impossible Filling of Conference Engagement

Secretary Franklin K. Lane of the department of the interior has expressed in the following telegram to Prof. M. M. Fogg his regrets at feeling obliged to break his engagement at address the Nebraska War Conference Friday evening in St. Paul's church:

"I regret very much that you have had to ask Mr. Bestor to release me from my promise to speak in Lincoln, but my son, who is a lieutenant in the aviation corps, is sailing for France next week and Mrs. Lane and I must see him off. I had hoped to be able to take part in these war conferences, and it is with a great deal of regret that I find I am not going to be able to do so.

"FRANKLIN K. LANE."

HUSKERS START FINAL WORKOUTS FOR FUNSTON

Opening Game Promises to Be Fastest of Season

PROFITS TO CAMP ATHLETES

Southerners Have Some of Fastest and Best Known Basketball Men in Country

Interest in basketball circles of the University centers entirely upon the coming game with the soldier team from Camp Funston, Saturday night of this week. Coach Stewart is working hard to get the team in the best possible condition, dopesters are busy figuring out the chances of beating the Funstonites, and the varsity candidates themselves are making a last desperate effort to beat out their competitors and make the regular five.

Indications now are that Saturday's game will pack the gym full of Cornhusker rooters. There are several things which are responsible for this belief. In the first place, interest in basketball has been growing throughout the country, and this year it is expected to be more popular than ever before. The fact that this is the first game of the season for Nebraska will arouse still more interest. The team for this year has been largely an unknown quantity. It is inexperienced and light, and will have to fight against odds Saturday and in every game it plays. The more help the rooters give it, the less these odds become. People who go to the game expecting to see a walk-away for the soldiers are pretty liable to be disappointed. The varsity has been going at a fast clip, and are conceded to have a fifty-fifty chance of holding their opponents down well, if not of beating them. During the past week the team has been showing form that, if it keeps it up, will turn out fully as good a squad as last year's.

The team will be the first one of its kind in the history of Cornhusker basketball. There is not a man who could be termed a crack basket shot, but on the other hand, the team will work and fight harder, and get more tries at the ring, to make up for this deficiency. It will be a real "rover" team, and can be relied upon to make plenty of trouble for any aggregation it may meet.

Profits to Camp Athletic Fund

Beyond the appeal to school spirit, for support of deserving team, there is a special appeal that is being made to get a record crowd out for the game. All the receipts of the game are to be donated to the Camp Funston athletic fund. This does not even exclude local expenses, but means every cent taken in at the door. It is for this reason that the regular students' tickets will not be accepted Saturday night. Soldiers say that athletics provide their best entertainment. They are compelled to manage the financial affairs connected with the teams themselves, and have a hard time making both ends meet. There are many ex-Cornhusker athletes at the camp, and

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AWGWAN AGAIN BRINGS CHEER TO CAMPUS

Fifth Issue Out Yesterday—Wood Print Cover by Kirsch a Feature

The fifth number of the Awgwan, comic magazine of the University, was issued on the campus yesterday morning. The book surpasses in many ways all other copies put out this year. The striking wood-cut cover by Dwight Kirsch, is one of the main features of the issue.

Many well drawn cartoons, interesting editorials, exchanges, and good jokes fill the paper. Wayne Townsend, editor-in-chief, has three excellent editorials on "Again-Why Not," "Reasons Sufficient," and "Concerning Criticism." The art staff composed of Donovan Bryant, Dwight Kirsch and Verne Jenkins, have done much to make the paper as attractive as it is. This issue is better filled with cartoons than any previous number of this year or last.

The cover entitled "No Smoking on the Campus," is a wood cut, carved by Dwight Kirsch. It is done in golden-rod, and decorated with blue ink. Kirsch has been a member of the

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