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BREAKING THE MIRROR

The Western Association of College Comics, in
convention at the University of Washington, voted
unanimously to break all relations with "College Hu-
mor" at the expiration of their present contracts. Mis-
representation of college life was the reason for the
action.

"Our reason for breaking the contract," said Al-
bert Salisbury, president of the association, "is that
we feel that College Humor is painting a picture of
flaming youth which is not real, and which gives to the
average reader a false idea of college life.

"The magazine takes all the gin and sex jokes
and plays them as representative college humor, with
no mention of any other type. College magazines bury
the gin and sex jokes, with a greater proportion of
clean humor just as representative of college life."

Such a step to curtail the misrepresentation of
university life is a worthy one. Students throughout
the country are beginning to realize that such distorted
and unfavorable publicity is a menace to the welfare
of higher education. It is hoped that other associations
will take action to minimize such publicity.

We believe, however, that the Western Asso-
ciation of College Comics failed to strike at the root of
the evil. It is true that College Humor distorts the
idea of college life by selecting the gin and sex jokes
from the various magazines. But, after all, the jokes
were actually published by the colleges which were
given credit when they were reprinted in "College
Humor." By forbidding "College Humor" to reprint
such jokes a certain measure of benefit will be de-
rived from the fact that fewer persons not acquainted
with actual campus life will have an opportunity of
reading such material.

College magazines, however, usually have a cir-
culation which extends considerably past the campus.
Those who read these magazines will see the same jokes
that would have appeared in "College Humor" although
the percentage of "shady" jokes will probably not be
as great. We include the word "probably" because we
have seen college magazines which were so full of such
material that we would have been ashamed to have the
magazine placed in our home. We are glad to mention
here that our own university magazine, the "Awgwan",
is not of this type.

So the action taken by the western schools does
not eliminate misrepresentation. It only reduces it.
When one is displeased with his reflection in the mirror
he does not break the glass. He knows that he alone is
to blame. And if the editors of college magazines do
not wish their gin and sex jokes to be reprinted and
quoted they can easily eliminate the trouble by keeping
such material from their own magazines.

Oh, yes, did you ever meet the girl who has caulif-
lower lips?—Purdue Exponent.

OUR TRACK SQUAD

Twenty-six men make up the track squad that will
leave Lincoln today to represent the University at the
Kansas Relays this week-end. These are the same men
who made such a creditable showing against Oklahoma
and Missouri last week.

Last fall it was predicted that Nebraska would not
have much to offer on the track this spring. The fall
practice sessions, with inexperienced men turning out,
were not entirely satisfactory. Coach Schulte had a
small nucleus of veterans around which to shape a
team.

Through the fall and winter Schulte worked hard
with the aspirants. Some good distances and times
were turned in at the practices and tri-color meets. But
the material was still somewhat green.

With the coming of track competition, it is seen
that Nebraska is not so far behind the other schools.
The defeat handed the Huskers at Oklahoma was by a
narrow margin, a single event deciding the meet. And
the Sooners are given credit for having a good track
aggregation. Nebraska walked off with the dual meet
at Missouri. And the Tigers and Huskers are supposed
to be strong in the same events.

Judging from the work already done by the Corn-
huskers, it is probable that Nebraska will again finish
near the top in the annual Missouri Valley out-door
meet.

To Coach Schulte should go a lot of credit for the
work he has done in turning out a good team from the
inexperienced material with which he had to work. To
the men individually should go a lot of credit for the
way in which they have worked to be able to make a
good showing.

The Cynic Says:
The ideals of men at twenty years of age are
much higher than those at forty, was the statement
made yesterday in a sociology class. Of course few men
are married at twenty.

In Other Columns

IN QUEST OF HAPPINESS

Few men, if any, can boast of having attained at
any time or another in life a state of perfect felicity.
Many recall evanescent moments of bliss following the
attainment of an end, transient joy inspired by beauty,
or even a form of recurrent pleasure which lingers
on as long as life itself. At none of these fulfill the
high standards of happiness. All men find themselves
scurrying from infancy to decrepitude: "If I only
had this one thing, I should be perfectly satisfied with
it." But one thing leads to another, and happiness

seems always just around the corner. Pleasures take
new forms when they are satisfied as the Hydra or
Lerna sprouted heads when one was cut off.

Buddha, dreaming beneath his tree, was suddenly
struck with the idea that man's only hope of happiness
lay in the possibility of escaping desire and want. This
seemed impossible on earth, but in death he saw a loop-
hole in the blank wall of despair. Nirvana alone, the
negation of being, the complete absence of desire,
would bring happiness to man.

Another moral genius who saw beyond Buddha
knew that there was a way other than death to avoid
the regenerative tendency of desire and the pangs of
want. Man might side-step his own wants by concern-
ing himself with the wants of others. There was a liv-
ing oblivion to be found in service.

Today men work without quite knowing why. The
millionaire says he cannot retire because he has be-
come a part of the "game" and the "game" is a vital
part of him. The restless son of a wealthy father
scorns the coupons of the "parental bonds" and sets
himself up in business. The carpenter with his plane
and chisel is as near to happiness in his simple life as
the great financier in his yachts and country houses.
Both derive their pleasure not from what their service
enables them to demand from others, but from the in-
ward satisfaction that the actual rendering of that
service brings to them. College as an instrument of
acquisition can bring nothing but want and disillusion-
ment; college as an instrument of service can give
happiness.—The Minnesota Daily.

Americanism—It's not right to punish criminals
in the spirit of revenge but that vile wretch needs
hanging.—California Daily Bruin.

A BROADENED VIEW

Much has been said of the increasing narrowness
of the American college education. Undeniably the
major system contributes to this narrowness, but it is
our belief that this tendency might be offset by certain
curricular changes for which there is a decided need
at this institution. The major system is necessary in
preparation for any profession, but the electives could
offer broader viewpoints.

The principal fault in the major system at the
University seems to be that in every department, and
in every subdivision of a department, there are offered
only very detailed courses in each subject. We have
courses in English literature and in Spanish literature,
courses in Greek literature and in German literature,
but there is in the schedule of courses no mention of
a course in which we might get a general idea of Eng-
lish, Spanish, German, Greek, French, Italian, and
American literature; the student majoring in a subject
other than literature must take upwards of seven
courses to get an idea, even of Occidental writings.

There are offered courses in English, French, Rus-
sian, American, and Chinese history, courses in ancient,
medieval, modern history, courses in revolutionary and
imperial history; but what of the student who, interest-
ed specifically in his own major subject, wishes, as a
sideline, a general view of Occidental, Oriental, or
even World history?

It may be said that it is impossible to give courses
so general in their scope, impossible in the short four
years of a college course to teach a course in world
history that should have been learned in junior high
school. The solution to the question is merely the
choice between liberal, cultural education, and narrow,
specialized education. The student, as a rule, selects his
major with care, and makes the choice because he is
intensely interested in some one subject. In this field
he desires specialization and detail to give him a
thorough knowledge of the subject. But the student
who realizes the much-heralded advantages of a college
education and he wants to take general courses in
varied subjects in which he may get a broad view with-
out devoting too much of his course to extra-major
subjects.

Whether or not he should have had world history
in junior high, the geology major possibly did not,
for he took a course in general science instead. When
he comes to college, he wants the opportunity to obtain
a broad view of history without twenty-five or thirty
credit hours devoted to that study.—The Silver and
Gold.

"Why is northern Wisconsin like your two hands?"
"Because it's supported by tourists."—Wisconsin
Cardinal.

"SESSIONS" AND ERUDITION

When a Northwestern dean cast his stamp of ap-
proval on "bull sessions" recently . . . he eased the
conscience of thousands of students who have been
harassed by the idea that they were wasting time by
engaging in informal intellectual discussions.

It is consoling to realize that educators are be-
ginning to justify the unauthorized workings of the
students' minds; and if the dean is right it will not be
long before the students' ideas will be given more
value than they are at present, for he forecasts in the
near future a new type of education which will be
founded mainly upon informal discussions between
students and faculty members.

The erroneous idea that "bull sessions" were
nothing but "smut fests" is fast passing. It is true
that when a group get together, at first there is no topic
before them and they are forced to pose a few stories.
Eventually, however, some question of ethics comes up,
and then the real discussions begin. Where these end
is oftentimes an interesting study. If the arguments are
very fiery, no conclusions are derived; but one thing
has been accomplished, and that is a fair organization
of ideas.

The trouble with ideas in the classroom is that
they have no time to be evolved. So many students are
obliged to contribute to the discussion that a short
time only is permitted for pondering, and this is with-
out enthusiasm. If a student in class cannot reply with
a fact the next one on the list has a chance to supply
it. In time someone will answer, but it remains a fact
without enlargement and without any justification in
the student's mind.

In the "bull session" the student does not dread
his turn on the floor. Rather he fights for a break in
the discourse of others, and if he gets off on the wrong
start, he may resign without disgrace, and enter again
when he is better able to express the fleeting idea.

We have often sat in at these informal discussions
to watch the phenomena of real ideas and the reactions
they make upon minds used to being passive in the
classroom. It is no wonder that such sessions break up
in the small hours of the morning with a vague concep-
tion of infinity, or some equally puzzling theory, hang-
ing in the balance to be fought out some other time.

What has done some students more good than a
four-year application to Phi Beta Kappa has occurred
in small rooms on the third floor to which some pro-
fessor or instructor has been invited with promises
of sandwiches, cake, and coffee. Here over cigarettes
and physical sustenance class room problems have been
made into tangible issues, and ideas have run rampant
with the professor's lore of factual information to con-
trol and direct their course.—The Daily Northwestern.

Notices

Friday, April 20

Lutheran Students
Lutheran students are invited to a party
given under joint auspices of the Lutheran
Bible League and the Lutheran club in the
Armory Friday, April 20, at 8 o'clock.
Delta Literary Society
Delta Literary society will hold a meet-
ing with entertainment and program on
Friday night, April 20 at the Temple, room
202. All University students are invited.

Social Calendar

Friday, April 20

Varsity Dance, Coliseum.
Delta Upsilon spring party, Scot-
tish Rite temple.
Sigma Phi Epsilon, house party.
Modern Language Association din-
ner, Ellen Smith Hall, 6 o'clock.
Alpha Sigma Phi, spring party,
Lincoln hotel.
Kappa Delta, house dance.

Saturday, April 21

Sigma Alpha Epsilon, house dance.
Artist's Masquerade Ball by Sigma
Lambda, Art gallery, Morrill hall.
Omega Beta Pi, spring party, Lin-
dell hotel.
Phi Delta Theta house dance.
Sigma Kappa house dance.
Zeta Tau Alpha house dance.
Alpha Chi Sigma house dance.
Gamma Phi Beta house dance.
Beta Theta Pi house dance.
Alpha Sigma Phi banquet, Lincoln
hotel.
Alpha Tau Omega spring party,
Scottish Rite temple.

Girls Prepare To Edit Paper

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semester. Florence Swihart will serve
from 3 until 5 o'clock. Miss Swihart
was a news editor of the "Rag" last
semester. Dorothy Nott will handle
the news desk from 7 o'clock until
the paper goes to press.

Harriett Ray and Frances Elliott
have been selected to act as assistant
news editors. Editorials will be writ-
ten for the special edition by Mary
Louise Freeman. Florence Seward
will take the position of assistant
editorial writer, and sports reporter.
Features will be written by a staff
composed of Alene Miner, Helen
Day, Audrey Beales and Ruth Mc-
Cormick. Notes from the College of
Agriculture will be written by Re-
gina McDermott.

A special book column will be ar-
ranged by Pearl Collett. Y. W. C. A.
news will be written by Eloise Keef-
er, while co-eds from news-writing
classes will serve as reporters.

The Theta Sigma Phi issue has
been planned for the purpose of giv-
ing women in the School of Journal-
ism an opportunity to take all the
responsibility of putting out a daily.
"I don't think they'll do very well,"
remarked a freshman reporter, but
Nebraska authorities expect a clever
paper from the co-eds.

Committee Names Banquet Speaker

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mittee in charge not to have the pro-
gram too long, so that students may
return to their studies as soon as
possible. Merle Jones, president of
the Innocents society will preside as
toastmaster.

Leo Beck and his orchestra, one
of Lincoln's leading bands, will fur-
nish music during the dinner hour.
Another feature musical act is being
arranged for, and will be presented
during the banquet.

Tickets for the annual banquet
will be placed in the hands of the
fraternity stewards by Monday, ac-
cording to an announcement made
Thursday by Gordon Hedges, who is
in charge of the ticket sales.

The banquet will start at 6:15
o'clock so that it will be over at an
early hour. Both the Pan-Hellenic
banquet and the Inter-fraternity
banquet will be held the same eve-
ning.

Niebuhr Closes Lecture Series

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toward the United States. He spent
some time in Europe last year. In
talking with the liberal and conserva-
tive party leaders in the chief
countries of Europe, and with a
large number of people in the usual
walks of life he learned their atti-
tude toward the United States.

Peculiar Attitude
It is the attitude of the farmer
who has a mortgage on the place.
However generous the mortgage
holder might be toward the farmer,
the farmer nevertheless feels some
resentment toward the banker who
holds the whipcord over him.

The economic situation is a far
more pressing one than the outlawry
of war, the League of Nations or
any thing. The fact that the United
States is a great creditor nation cre-
ates the feeling against her. The
reparation and the funding of debts
of the European nations must be first
smoothed out to get the nations back
on a basis of equality.

To get money to enable her to pay
the heavy reparation bills the exports
of Germany must be greater than
her imports, according to the pastor.
At present the country of Germany
has an excess of exports over imports.

of about a half billion dollars. Her
excess must be greater than that of
any other nation to enable her to
pay. It is about half of the excess
that is being piled up by the United
States. It leaves all the gold coming
to the United States anyway, even
if it is not in payment of war debts.

Payments Lag
He thought that the Dawes plan
was just as feasible a plan as could
be devised that has been built around
a supposition that Germany is to be
able to pay. The rub comes that Ger-
many is unable, because not enough
gold comes into the country. Because
the reparations are not being made
to the Allied powers, they are also
falling behind in payments.

The pastor looks upon the tariff
just as one of the things that causes
a distrust of this country in Europe.
It gets special attention to this
country. Her economic position
makes her the dominant country in
the world. She is in the position of
the big business owner. She does not
have to go into conference. She can
wait and see what the others do. If
she does not like it she vetoes it and
there is nothing that can be done.

In a talk at the Temple before
quite a number of students Dr. Nie-
buhr stressed the need of the stu-
dents to be willing to make the spir-
itual adventure. "There is nothing
that can be done if everybody thinks
too much and therefore no result
comes, nor will anything progress if
no one does any thinking. The same
intelligence that made this civiliza-
tion, is the one that would bring
about its downfall."

Draws Comparison

He pointed out this by an illus-
tration with college students. There
is a certain element of them that
are willing to acquire knowledge
and use it later in meeting the prob-
lems of life. There is also that ele-
ment which maintains a sophisticated
indifference, which due to inertia
counteracts the best efforts of the
first group.

The pastor believed that the leader

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good.

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had to take a position sometimes
which at times appeared ridiculous
but later proves advisable. Too much
speed ahead leads to destruction,
while too much thinking leads to no
action taking place and therefore
no progress either.

Dr. Niebuhr has made ten talks
before various groups on the eco-
nomic and religious situations in the
last three days. He was called back
to Detroit Thursday by a meeting of
a committee of a church of which he
is the pastor. He built the church
from a small institution to one of
some size and hopes to make it a
community church.

He is the author of a book that
has received a great deal of atten-
tion in student publications, "Does
Civilization Need Religion?"
He is also to be one of the princi-
pal speakers at the student confer-
ence June 6 to 16 at Estes Park.

Dr. Lyman Goes On Tour of Inspection

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pharmacy were asked only to observe
certain requirements, and no classifica-
tion was made.

Will Inspect Colorado

Dr. Lyman has been asked to in-
spect the Colleges of Pharmacy of the
University of Kansas, the University
of Oklahoma and the University of
Colorado. He intends to inspect at
the University of Colorado the last
part of this month or early in May.
On Monday and Tuesday Dr. Ly-
man inspected the University of Kan-

sas and on Thursday and Friday he
visited the University of Oklahoma
at Norman. Wednesday he spoke be-
fore the convention of the State
Druggists Association of Kansas, held
at Wichita. Dr. Lyman spoke on
the Relationship of the College of
Pharmacy of the University of Kan-
sas to the practice and business of
pharmacy in the state. About five
hundred druggists were present at
the meeting.

Nebraska has not yet been inspec-
ted, but inspection will be soon ac-
cording to Dr. Lyman.

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