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## BIG STEW OVER NOTHING

Appearing in the editorial columns of the Nebraskan this morning is a discussion of the origin and import of the words Greek and Barb. Perhaps there is a bit of intimation hidden in the article; perhaps not. At any rate, it attempts to place the fraternity men and women in the palm of one hand, and the non-fraternity men and women in the palm of the other hand.

To contend that a monopoly of culture is no longer in the hands of the fraternity men and women, and to state that the barb is one who remains free to suit himself, does not unlock the portals to any new theory of education or class distinction on college campuses. That there is a difference between the Greek and the Barb, is a matter of opinion.

The article comes at an opportune time for making comment upon the efforts of the non-fraternity men and women on the Nebraska campus to hold a Barb Frolic, and to perfect an organization for the advancement of their interests on the campus—particularly those interests that are identified with elections.

It would not be a college campus if there was not a political situation comparable to that of the Nebraska campus. It would be a poor specimen of college if there were not fraternity and non-fraternity organizations stepping off the distance ever so often, ready to duel. Fraternities possess the advantage of being organized by virtue of their living conditions; non-fraternity organizations must combat that phase of the encounter.

An attempt to erect the framework of a rigid non-fraternity organization, strong enough to withstand the gusts of political wind generated by the fraternity men and women, is commendable. It does not strike terror into the hearts of the fraternity leaders. Nor do they feel sufficiently anchored to boast to the world that they cannot be uprooted.

The danger lies in drawing the line too finely between the status of the fraternity man and the non-fraternity man on a great university campus. Overt attempts to organize provoke antagonism. It leads to the conception that there is an abyssal gap between the two groups of students. It gives rise to the faulty belief that there actually exists a downtrodden portion of the student body.

A situation of this character is detrimental to a school. Politics on a college campus are not so profound and significant that the student body should be split asunder by a stampede of either fraternity or non-fraternity men and women.

There won't be any crashers at the Barb party tomorrow night since there is a twenty-five cent admission price.

## STILL COMING

Demanding that the May Queen be elected by the entire student body of the University, demanding that the students be given a chance to express their opinions as to who should be the most representative of Nebraska's coeds, charging that a handful of senior women elect the Queen—the protests continue coming.

That University of Nebraska students desire to see the election of the May Queen removed from its present status, is entirely evident now. That they realize the significance of the election of a representative coed by the entire student body is also a bold fact.

How much longer will the cat-as-catch-can method of choosing the May Queen continue? How much longer will the students of Nebraska gag over the selections? How much longer will there be insistence that there is but one way to elect a May Queen—the present one? How much longer will six thousand students accept the choice of a few senior women who are governed by individual whims and fancies when casting a ballot?

Yoo-o-o, Ho-o-o-o, Mussolini!

Since the Cornhusker wants snapshots of interesting things, maybe the photographer should get busy snapping a few of these tete-a-tetes between campus politicians this time of year.

## THROUGH THE MISTS

University of Missouri is taking turns at smarting and rejoicing over the dismissal of three members of the faculty who were held responsible for the circulation of a questionnaire among students asking for data as to opinions on questions of sex and marriage. The board of curators declared that the questionnaire created a condition which it alleged to be correct.

It will be a rubric day for the university or college professor when the public gets the mist wiped from its eyes sufficiently to appreciate a scientific search for fact and information rather than throwing up its hands in horror and proclaiming the corruption of youth. Research always has as its greatest barrier unwarranted public opinion and sentiment. Human psychology determines the relish with which a project will be received more than any one factor.

When a group of young men and women are asked for their reaction to a questionnaire it is a scientific and legitimate approach to the solution of a problem. It is a step to combatting downright

ignorance on social questions. Those who clamor for the dismissal of faculty men who seek the truth, are advocating stagnation in the field of human problems of today.

Maybe the board of curators at Missouri better deprive the students of reading Mother Goose rhymes for fear they contain some evil-working suggestion!

If rough initiation is prohibited among some of the honorary and professional organizations, there won't be anything left of the initiation ceremony except signing the check.

Fellows competing in the tri-color track meets ought to buy some of these colored campus crushers. They wouldn't blow off unless some really fast time was made.

Memorial mall might be planted to corn if Nebraska wants that real Cornhusker atmosphere next fall.

Well, when the May Queen is announced, she can remember all the nice things that have been said about her.

There will be a few inconveniences for faculty and students next week. There's mid-semester examinations, and it's such fine golf weather.

More attention can be attracted in a quiet library by failing down. This is a suggestion.

Investigators wouldn't find any difficulty in locating cracks in the walls of 'U' hall.

It would be tough on the aviation student if he went to sleep in class.

It is a wonder someone doesn't start advocating more standing room in front of Social Sciences.

## OTHER STUDENTS SAY—

### GREEK AND BARB

In the days of ancient Greece there was developed in the Greek states a very high state of civilization. Yet this culture was but a veneer. The entire social column was founded upon the institution of slavery, upon the depression of the masses, that the few might rise.

The Greeks in their egotism regarded all who were not Greeks as barbarians, the uncouth and uncultured. But as the Greek civilization was not basically sound, it did not survive. The barbarians, however, today are the cultured peoples and they inhabit a large part of the world. The reason for this overwhelming of the Greeks by the barbarians was because the foundations of the barbarians were laid in democracy.

Today on many university campuses organizations have revived this custom of dividing their little world into two groups—Greeks and Barbs. The significance of the words, however, has changed; now Greeks means merely a small group that happens to be designated by a Greek letter, while Barb refers to such students as have no such affiliation.

The monopoly of culture is no longer in the hands of the Greeks. The old barbarians boasted that grass never grew where once their horse trod. Today we find the president of the United States, was a barb while in school. The Greeks of today are no longer considered among the leading cultural nations of the world.

Then Greek today merely means on the campus that the student has chosen to affiliate himself with an organization designated by a Greek letter, while Barb means that the student has for some reason not chosen to affiliate himself and is free to suit himself.

—A. W.

To the Editor:

I understand that only 58 votes were cast this year for May Queen. If this is true, students certainly have a right to raise serious objections, no matter who may have been selected.

No girl chosen by a plurality of votes out of a total of 58 votes has any right to represent the institution on as important an occasion as Ivy day. I think you will find many students commending your editorial of Wednesday.

Can't something be done to secure the election by some really representative means of a May Queen for Ivy day this year? Or are students going to be forced to swallow this "sassafras" as a tradition?

—Another Protester

To the Editor:

Tradition should build respect. When a tradition is ridiculed by the majority of the students, its purpose has failed. It should be abandoned.

The election of a representative senior coed to serve as May Queen has become a joke on the Nebraska campus. This is because the May Queen is not representative. A truly representative coed can not be chosen when two dozen votes, cast with personal ends in view, will choose the May Queen.

The students of this University have a student council which has as its duty the supervision of student activities. Why should not this body take action to see that the student body obtains a truly representative coed as May Queen? The idea of selecting a May Queen is fine. The present method of selecting her is rotten, in every sense of the word. The student council can change that method. It should do so.

If the student council does not take action on this matter the students should demand that it does. Abolish the election of a May Queen or else see that she is a truly representative coed of whom all the students will be proud.

—D. E.

## ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW

### COLLEGIATE—1788

Shed a tear for the individuals who sought a college education way back in 1792! Here's an excerpt from the rules of Cokesbury college, founded in 1788.

"Students shall rise at 5 o'clock winter and summer. Their recreations shall be gardening, walking, riding and bathing without doors, and the carpenters', tinners' or cabinet-makers' business within doors.

"The students shall be indulged with nothing that the world calls play; let this be observed with the strictest nicety; for those who play when they are young will play when they are old."

—Cornell Sun

Indiana R. O. T. C. Will Soon Be Ready For Spring Review—headlines. The story does not indicate how soon the uniforms will begin itching seriously again.

—Indiana Daily Student

## A STUDENT LOOKS AT PUBLIC AFFAIRS

By David Fallman

The American state department, as well as the departments of justice and the treasury, are confronted with a very embarrassing question. The Washington police intercepted and confiscated sixty cases of forbidden alcoholic liquors which were headed for the Siamese legation home. Now, our highest federal officials have been called upon to reconcile our own domestic law with the rules and immemorial practices of international comity. It appears, however, that the problem will be readily solved, and the ministerial staff of Siam will be able to enjoy a little drink now and then, as international courtesy attaches a great deal of personal immunity to the members of the foreign legations in Washington.

The federal departments are undoubtedly sorely vexed with the meddling of the Washington police into a matter that has always run very smoothly heretofore. The bungling police should have known that diplomatic liquor is quite different from the ordinary mongrel brands. Nevertheless, the state and justice departments are having their little investigation, and there is a hasty scramble through the precedents to find authorities. And the officials who are entrusted with the task of settling this question are praying that Congress will some day legislate on the matter, so that future questions of this sort will not occur.

The latest news from Mexico indicates that the revolution is now doomed to failure. The federal troops have invested Torreón, that has been the stronghold and rallying point for the rebels. It has been reported that General Escobar, the leader of the revolutionists, and his army, are in precipitate retreat. This retreat, by bringing out, in bold relief, the value of airplanes in war, in the use of which the federal forces have a tremendous advantage. The planes are proving very valuable in scouting and locating the enemy's movements, and are most effective engines of war. More than anything else, the Mexican soldier is terrified by the dropping of bombs from the air.

Marshal Ferdinand Foch of France died last Wednesday evening, in his seventy-eighth year, after an illness of two months. His death marks the passing of one of the chief personalities in the war drama. Just eleven years ago, Marshal Foch, hero of the first battle of the Marne, was given command of all the allied American forces on the western front. From March, 1918, till the end of the war, Marshal Foch, as generalissimo of all the armies, was able to direct all the vast fighting forces at his disposal, to fight as one unit. The skill with which he discharged the tremendous responsibilities of his office have been generously attested to by those who served under him.

President Hoover expressed the sorrow of the nation on the passing of France's great war hero. "I have learned with sincere regret," he said, "of the death of Marshal Foch. I shared the respect and admiration in which he is universally held, but beyond this it was my privilege to have been closely associated with him in various activities after the war, and in this way to gain perhaps a special insight not only to his ability but also to his fine human qualities of straightforwardness, kindness and modesty. I realize how keenly his loss will be felt by the French people. In this loss they have the full sympathy of our people."

The latest political fiasco in Oklahoma has been brought to an end with the impeachment of Governor Johnson. He is the second successive governor of the state who has been removed by the legislature via the impeachment process. The charge against the governor partook of the nature of personal delinquency, in the main rather than political irregularity. On the other hand, Governor Johnson claims that he is the victim of political spotters, that his political career has been blasted by office seekers whose appetites he had failed to satisfy. The senate vote was thirty-five to nine, a very decisive decision.

We have a little suggestion to make in this connection. Now that the removing propensities of the legislature of Oklahoma are so very evident, with the ousting of two governors in a row, it would be a meritorious reform, perhaps, to abolish the direct election of the governor by the vote of the people, and to allow the governor to be chosen by the legislature henceforth. It is a waste of money and effort for the people to go through the whole process of electing a governor and then have the legislature, by the exercise of its judicial prerogatives, remove the governor summarily, and swear in the lieutenant-governor. To insure a governor who would always be in agreement with the legislature, let the legislature choose one itself. This will remove the necessity of frequent and costly impeachment processes, insure a great degree of harmony in the conduct of the state government, and maintain the dignity and reputation of the state of Oklahoma in the great American sisterhood of sovereign states.

It is interesting to note that the very influential Association of the Bar of the city of New York is on record as being opposed to the Volstead act, and in favor of the repeal of the Eighteenth amendment. The association is now in a rather embarrassing position, as Mrs. Mabel Willebrandt, assistant United States attorney-general, and apostle of the dry forces in the last political campaign, had been asked to speak before the association. Some members of the bar are protesting against her speaking to them, although her address will deal with the work of the department of justice. It was reported that one member of the lecture committee had threatened to resign, and was dissuaded from his design only upon the assurance that Mrs. Willebrandt had been invited to speak before the campaign

began. It is earnestly hoped that Mrs. Willebrandt will do nothing to disturb the delicate sensibilities of the members of the bar of New York City, and stay off the touchy question of prohibition.

## PAINLESS DENTISTRY IS NO MYTH

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Confoundingly technical words to the layman, are local anesthesia and novocain, but they are worthy of explanation from the sheer joy in the absence of pain their use occasions. The administration of local anesthesia by infiltration, has to do with the killing of pain. Pain, said the sceptic, is something that does not hurt. If this was true the sceptic would be an optimist in the dentist's chair.

Pain in the phenomenon wisely instituted by nature, a warning signal for the outbreak of disease. In this sense pain is a boon. But pain is also a troublesome torment. This is where local anesthesia comes in. Novocain, the drug which is used in the operation, is both mild and powerful. It is mild in its toxic effects thereby not injuring the heart. It is powerful in allaying pain by virtue of its power to paralyze nerve trunks and thus cut off the sensation of pain that the nerves are carrying to the brain from the affected part.

### Chases Pain Away

Suppose a person had an abscess in the root of a tooth. In this condition he will be continually holding communion with pain. He goes to the dentist for relief and the dentist finding the trouble, sees that he must operate and tells his client so. But the whole affair will be painless. Enter novocain and the hypodermic needle with its point of irridio platinum composition.

Taking the instrument and loading it with a definite amount of

the pain-killer novocain solution in it, the dentist holds the instrument lightly like a pen-holder and tells the patient to say "ah-ah," and to open up wide. He then proceeds to advance the needle cautiously and injects the tip of the needle horizontally, just below the gums, and with considerable pressure forces the needle along the bone of the jaw, squirts in the novocain solution, withdraws the instrument and then waits for eight or ten minutes for the drugs to work.

It works, and the dentist can go ahead with his operation, and the

patient can be in a measure at ease, both secure in the belief that there will be a minimum of pain.

## PASTORS WILL HOLD EVENSONG SERVICES

Evensong services for students will be held throughout Holy week at the University Episcopal church at Thirteenth and R streets at 5 o'clock. There will be short sermons by the university pastors, W. C. Pawell, F. W. Leavitt, Father

MacMillan, and Dr. Paul Leland. The regular choir will be reinforced by choir members from other churches. All services will be short, lasting forty minutes at the longest.

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