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Favorable Publicity.

Nebraska's glee club has been discontinued. Once one of the better known institutions on the campus, the organization has been floundering in ever deepening quicksands in later years.

During the last two seasons its customary tour of the state, the annual major activity of the club, has been dropped from the program. Last year the only out-of-town engagement failed to pay the expenses of the group.

Now comes word from its director of the official death of the organization, not to be resurrected unless a complete reorganization can be effected.

There are some two hundred campus organizations of one nature or another at the University of Nebraska. It is safe to predict that the student body as a whole will little miss the demise of any one of these.

Engaged in the round of study and activity, characteristic of college life, even the members of the glee club themselves will soon forget their loss and will turn such time as was formerly given to the club to their other interests.

But there is another factor to be taken into consideration. In making its tours over the state in years past the glee club has served, as consciously or unconsciously every organization and individual does which goes out from the campus, in the capacity of an advertising agency for the university.

It is surprising to note how little is really known in many communities throughout the state concerning the work of the university. Many a skeptic has had his misapprehensions concerning the institution cleared away and been won over as a friend and supporter of the school through just such a visit to his town by a campus group of the more wholesome kind as that made annually in past years by the men's glee club.

The loss of such a power for the promotion of good will is the truly sad thing about the disappearance of this organization at the University of Nebraska.

Something That's Needed.

Students in Lincoln are entirely ignoring one aspect of university work that really is included among the most important. Ask any student what he knows about the medical college in Omaha and you will readily recognize the lack of that something. Not only are students behind in such knowledge but many parents and citizens in the state are in the same predicament.

The Nebraskan courageously bears most of the blame for the condition that exists among students. Ever since the founding of the Omaha college this newspaper has never attempted to give any space to medical news of any kind. That this has been a mistake, we sadly acknowledge.

Why can't local students be cognizant of what the medics are doing? Why can't the citizens of the state know there is such a thing as a medical college connected with the University of Nebraska, where young men are trained for one of the most responsible professions?

In reply, we can only say that The Nebraskan should start right now and give publicity to the Omaha department. Negotiations have been started; The Nebraskan is willing, the whole matter now hinges on the reaction of the medical college itself.

If the arrangements can be completed, as we hope, in favor of our proposal, then Nebraska students will have no excuse for their dire insufficient intelligence concerning the college of medicine. Nor should the parents of students continue in the same track. The students, learning of the college's work through the columns of this newspaper, will be able to give correct information to their folks.

The Nebraska college of medicine is entitled to as much advertising as its sister colleges; it needs advertising; let us hope it gets its share.

Hold Your Meetings Elsewhere.

The Daily Nebraskan offices are located in the basement of University hall—rooms 4 and 4A, to be exact. These rooms are not hard to find, yet somehow only a small percentage of students ever sees the home of the university's newspaper.

Now that the work is fairly well started for the semester, we extend a warm welcome to all students to visit us and watch us work. We shall be glad to show you our business department, our news room, and, of course, the editor's own little cage.

In our invitation, though, we are forced to make a distinction. We ask every student

to avail himself of this opportunity before the school year is over, but draw the line on groups who apparently think The Nebraskan is a good place to hold their conclaves.

We are now addressing such organizations as "honoraries," social and professional fraternities, councils, et al.

Naturally campus "leaders" and other potentates like to come "round and see how things are going, and especially to see if things are coming their way. That's all right; we don't want to stop them from coming in and giving us the once over. But we do object, strenuously, too, to their enlisting of regular or special meetings in our domicile, at least during working hours, to discuss matters that interest no one but themselves.

Not only do such gatherings tend to detract the interest of the workers at hand, but they serve as a bad example for aspiring journalists: Future campus editors, who, in order to fulfill adequately their positions must be nonpartisan in their views and must not be swayed by "influential" students.

We admit The Nebraskan is a convenient place. But that's about all we can say. To be sure, it isn't the most appropriate place for such meetings and we should like to see the leaders take their tribes elsewhere.

Due Respect.

Recognition of religion as a definite part of a student's life is evidenced in the observation Sunday of all university church day. Hundreds of students answered the hearty welcome extended by Lincoln pastors and attended the services of their particular denomination.

To many this may have been the first time church attendance has been more than ordinary routine of home-life. Happily only a few will welcome this time when they "don't have to go to church." Those who before this have "had to go to church," will find in voluntary attendance a new opportunity for serious thought.

Lincoln churches, ever considerate of the welfare of university students, have as pastors some of the most capable men of the state. Visits to many of the sanctuaries of the city during the school year would offer wonderful opportunity for a broad and intelligent view of religion.

Those who hold the peculiar rah rah idea of college must find it hard to reconcile such views with the serious attention given to all university church night and all university church Sunday.

Echoes of the Campus.

Letters from readers are cordially welcomed in this department, and will be printed in all cases subject to the common newspaper practice of keeping out of all libelous matter and attacks against individuals and religions. For the benefit of readers a limit of 250 words has been set. The name of the author must accompany each letter, but the full name will not be published unless so desired by the contributor.

An Appreciation.

To the Editor of The Nebraskan:
First, the writer wishes to assure you that whatever is said in this "echo" is without the knowledge or consent of the person primarily concerned. That this "person" is a friend of the writer is acknowledged to be true; yet, does anyone deny to another the right to speak in behalf of a friend? Now that we understand one another let us "go on with the story."

Sunday's Nebraskan contained an article purporting to announce the retirement of Alan G. Williams from campus politics. Now the writer has no "inside knowledge" whether this is or is not true, but he has very good reasons (not concealed) for hoping that this statement is not true.

Now, frankly, wouldn't it take a lot of color out of campus life if the most aggressive and picturesque figure of the whole lot was suddenly to become "too busy?" It can be easily understood why some "folks" with social ambitions could desire Alan's retirement—there would be "less friction" they say between the "groups"—but I cannot believe that the Greeks, themselves, want him to retire. You see the only implication would be that the Greeks fear a good fight, and whoever heard of any college chap—particularly a Greek—who feared the joy of a good political squabble? You never will.

"But," you say, "perhaps Williams, himself, wishes to retire." "Perhaps" is a good word! Just think it out for yourselves if you doubt my conclusions. Take, for instance, the fact that Alan comes from the very same stock as Lloyd George. Did you ever hear of an Englishman—or, more specifically, a Welshman—who, convinced that he was right, showed his colors to be white? Let us not be foolish!

Still, you contend, wouldn't the "democratic feeling" be promoted if there were less politics; wouldn't Williams be glad to see such a state of affairs; and wouldn't he feel his retirement would insure such a condition? Dear readers, an American might be fooled by such "ballyhoo" but never an Englishman. Alan must realize, as all thinking Englishmen do, that democracy is a mere figment of the politician's imagination; and, as far as the Nebraska campus is concerned, is merely a nicely baited tidbit prepared for the consumption of unsuspecting Barbs. (If you believe that the Greeks are so easily fooled, just watch their constant scrutiny of the region over your heart—in search for a pin. Watch and learn!)

To see the chap retire who gave the Barbs whatever of recognition they have on this campus, is, to my way of thinking, unthinkable. Others may boast of their efforts in behalf of the nonfraternity group, but the fact remains that the greater share of the work and effective thinking was done by Alan himself. This, moreover, was done in the face of daily disappointments, embitterments, and rebuffs.

Let us hope that this "retirement" is not to be!
JOHN ALDEN.

The year 1929 has been significant, too, in university circles. It's the first year since 1925 that the May Queen crowned at Lincoln was the one really elected.—Madison, Neb. News.

We learn from the press that the Rockefeller foundation recently gave Yale seven and a half million dollars. This should entitle John D. to one seat on the ten yard line.—Judge.

Between the Lines.

By LASALLE OILMAN.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT once said that a thorough knowledge of the Bible was worth more than a college education.

It is the contention of a great many seniors and graduates that a thorough knowledge of most anything is worth more than a college education.

Between the Lines welcome address: Deated to freshmen:
To the members of the class of '33. Gentlemen. . . I use the word advisedly. . . and ladies. . . ditto. . . As I stand here gazing into your intelligent faces, I feel that the success and reputation of this great institution is at stake. . . I repeat, gentlemen, and ladies, that with each moment as I stand here the feeling is becoming stronger. . . The college of engineering is not a snap course, my young friends. . . I should therefore advise those who are more esthetically inclined to take. . . or journalism.

Some of you have come here to this state institution to throw spitballs. . . others to throw the gentleman cow. . . I warn you, young people, that neither course will net you more than an A. B. . . To you who think it will, let me repeat the old Finnish proverb: "Gallia est omnia dividit en partes tres!" translated: "It will take all of our gall to tree them parties!" The connection is quite apparent, I think.

Four years of scholastic life are staring you in the face, my friends. . . Four years of quizzes and cuts. . . I retract: there is no such thing as a cut. . . Face your fate like R. O. T. C. cadets. . . Learn your campus and your professors and your Greek eating houses.

Learn your curriculum. . . If any of you youngsters are writing in a state of indecision over your courses, I would be glad to see you in my private office. . . I will remember all the pipe courses from my undergraduate days. . . plumbing, for instance.

In parting. . . always use a comb. . . I congratulate you, young people. . . you are now part and parcel of this, The University of Nebraska-uh!

"Whither Mankind," compiled by Charles A. Beard, is a modern symposium, the aim of which has been to set up a balance sheet of our machine civilization. He has summoned to the task a group of eminent men, each of whom casts up an audit of his own special field of interest in contemporary life.

It introduces into its pages pertinent problems which we must face in relation to science, business, law, war, the family, education, literature, and a host of others. Not recommended as light reading, it is one of the most illuminating and brilliantly conceived critical estimates of present day civilization we have yet had. Published by Longmans, Green & Co., New York, 1928, \$3.

Brief synopsis of the S. M. U. Nebraska game: A lot of people carrying flags walking north to the stadium. Some men trying to take a ball to the north goal post. Some men trying to take a ball to the south goal post. A lot of people carrying white flags walking south from the stadium.

Charles Scribner's Sons, publishers, have put out a 1929 edition of Barrie's plays in one volume. It includes the majority of the most famous: Peter Pan, Admirable Crichton, Kiss for Cinderella, Alice-Sit-By-the-Fire, Shall We Join the Ladies? and others. A very fine edition. There has long been a crying need for just such a book.

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It is with pleasure that we announce the enthusiasm with which the campus poets have greeted our intelligence minus verse contest. Here are two that have put in an appearance during the last few days:

ETERNITY MOMENTARILY.
This cow
and all these biots of woe
Schillate
in blinding flashes of light
Upon the retina of my inner eye.

The Roman soldiers
laughed
hardbrassy laughs
And the maidens wept.
Still does the dun cow
low.
—R. H.

Mud dribbles drably o'er the drill
field.
Snow slips slidingly soaking shoes,
Mountains merge majestically mid
the muck.
People plow ponderously past the
puddles.
Wanton words are wont to wax
from wily wumps.
Y O Y do piddle plow through
muddy miles of muck?
"Td anger," came the grim re-
ply, "but I couldn't
Cause I'm stuck."
—Medusa (Goddess of Mud.)

RAG WAGS.

By MARGARET TINLEY.

WE wonder, do the yellow jackets
ever get blue?

"Missouri school starts project
in Peking" it must be across
from a dorm, too.

No matter what it says these
days, the weather report is likely
to be all "wet."

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Wisconsin Coeds Excel In Scholarship Report

According to announcement the undergraduate women in the University of Wisconsin have succeeded in excelling undergraduate men for two successive semesters in grade averages. The tabulations

of the university statisticians regarding last semester's work were recently compiled, and the success of the women students for this semester makes the whole season of 1928-29 their triumph.

Of the total undergraduate enrollment in the University of Wisconsin, which was 7,349, 4,361 were men and 2,988 were women. The heaviest enrollment was in the college of letters and science, with 3,453.

Directory Lists Are Open for Correction

Lists for the 1929-30 student directory, up through the letter R, have been posted on the social sciences bulletin board for correction. Robert Venner, editor of the directory, asks that corrections be made as soon as possible.

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