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## May the Council Vote With Eyes Open.

This afternon the Student council will vote on a motion made last week concerning the abolition of compulsory military science in the university. It is not within the power of the student group to eliminate this course, but it will, if the motion is passed, go to the proper authorities and present its cause.

The Daily Nebraskan, being responsible for the present discussion on this campus, is anxious to see the council act with its eyes open on this issue. Arguments for both sides have been published in the columns of The Nebraskan, for although we are openly opposed to forced drill, we have not limited the discussion to those who favored our stand.

It is unnecessary to reiterate our arguments against the course. We have ca ried on this campaign for what we consider the good of the university, the state and the nation. Our attempt has not been motivated by laziness, as some of our editorial opponents insinuate. If students are sufficiently acquainted with the issue to form a rational opinion, we are content to drop editorial discussion and trust the student leaders and the authorities of the institution to settle the matter.

Since A Cadet Officer believes we are either insincere, dishonest, or just ignorant. we must accept his challenge. Says the of-

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Since we are not responsible for and have taken no part in circulating this petition, we do not know the opinions of those who circulate it. The editor, whom our friend calls a gentleman, strangely, began his discussion before the petitions appeared on the campus. Just why A Cadet Officer should have been surprised at our lack of knowledge concerning that petition is a mystery. We have studied the compulsory drill question and are prepared to discuss it with the cadet officer who accuses us of being insincere or dishonest, though we

have not given the petition much "thought." Those who send out R. O. T. C. literature are not "the government."

To say that one should accept everything in this university or go elsewhere is unreason-

Since the commentator's main objection is to the petition circulated on this campus, for which we disclaim responsibility, we have nothing more to say. We do not accuse A Cadet Officer of being insincere or dishonest. He simply disagrees with us.

# MORNING MAIL

## Facts-Not Fancies.

TO THE EDITOR:

The title may, perhaps, be a misnomer, for while I shall attempt to dispasionately view the subject of compulsory military drill, I am admittedly human and as such possess emotions. To begin with, I was, owing to certain circumstances, not required to take the basic course but chose to do so of my own free will. Then later I elected the advanced course, so I feel that perhaps I can discuss it fairly.

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If the proponents abhor only the principle of compulsion, then I accuse them of being insincere and dishonest. For the principle of compulsion is the same in drill, in physical education, or in anything it is connected with. To prove their sincerity. I then asked these people to add to drill all other required subjects on the campus. I use the word required. for it is the same as compulsory.

The United States government, it is true, does not require that drill be compulsory, but the university has thought fit to require it for graduation, just as it does physical education

for women. Also, may I point out that there is no compulsion in any case, as no one is forced to attend the university. But, when they avail themselves of the privilege, they should accept the duties connected with the eniversity. For

one may attend a state normal school and enter as a junior, thus escaping drill. Again may I point out that a good citizen has certain duties as well as privileges.

"Dishonest" is strong perhaps, but the alternative seems still worse. However, in Required Military connection with this petition, they claim that military courses teach principles contrary to our government. May I point out that everything in the military department is sent out from our government at Washington, where they may perhaps be better judges of what our government principals are.

The citation used to bolster this accusation shows lack of principle amounting to dishonesty. From a three quarter page on the subject of democracy they have lifted out three words. They have done this without explaining in what sense they are used, what leads up to them, or what follows them. In proof of this I refer any interested student to Training Manual 2000-25 at the military department office. Of course, the people circulating the petition on the campus are not responsible for its origin, but in circulating it they stand sponsors for it and should examine it carefully.

The editor being willing, I should like to explain tomorrow a few more facts on the fi nancial end of the subject.

A CADET OFFICER

#### TO THE EDITOR:

Morrill Bogey Man. It is unfortunate that the discussion of

compulsory military drill should involve the question of federal aid to land grant colleges. The Morrill act of July 2, 1862, provided a grant of land to the states for "the endowment. support, and maintenance of at least one college where the leading object" was to be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts.'

Both this act and the Morrill act of 1890 may be found in full in "The Code of the amendment. Laws of the United States of America in Force Dec. 7, 1925." title 7, pages 111 to 115. This ber being 345.2; qUn34. Possibly someone may over which they were in an irrebook is in the university library, the call numbe able to find a statement in these acts implying compulsory military drill; I confess that I am unable to do so. I hope that proponents revision of the eighteenth amendof the compulsory feature will limit themselves ment which would permit congress to upholding it on its own merits. The Morrill to "regulate or prohibit the liquor act "bogey man" has been discredited too long to have any weight in an intelligent argument. H. G. B.

#### Just Imagine.

TO THE EDITOR:

Three fraternities on the Columbus, O. campus hope to eliminate flunking frosh and raise their scholastic averages by hiring a members favored this plan providgraduate student to act as a tutor for the de. ing the present regime proved un-linquents. He will also advise the chapters on This plan could only be adopted questions of finance, administration, and ac- if the eighteenth amendment, as it tivities. When the fraternity "files" of old now stands, was to be revised to exam papers and term papers were discussed, permit the regulation of the liquor it seemed at the time the final step in cramming facts down the throats of their freshmen. the amendment were to be revised. Now they hire tutors. How soon, we wonder, it should give congress the right to will they hire brilliant outsiders to go to the regulate or prohibit the traffic and classes and take exams for the poor under-classmen? It would seem the poor logical change would result in a more classmen? It would seem the next logical flexible system, for it would re-

In spite of the fact that the system is approved by Dr. Samuel Renshaw, psychology professor and Fred I Million and States desiring it some form of liquor sale. professor, and Fred J. Milligan, assistant dean of men, both of the Ohio campus, it seems to us the plan will injure the freshmen more than as opposing the restoration in any it will help them . At present fraternity frosh form, of the legalized saloon, and are aided to a great degree in their scholastic work. If the Greek letter groups continue work. If the Greek letter groups continue going into the liquor business, along this line of effort, the final result will The report did not favor the sale be something like this:

Joe: Well, tutor, what classes did I attend of inadequacy of enforcement, but

Tutor: Psychology, Journalism, English, and French, Joe. And you got grades above to congress that federal approprianinety in all of them. You'll have a term tions for enforcement of the lipaper to hand in for English 4, though.

Joe: Hey, Jack! Go up to the files and dig me out a good term paper for English 4,

Tutor: In general, Joe. I am pleased to report that you are doing excellent work in every gres shall have power to regulate subject that you are earrying.

Joe: That's fine. And I'll need to have you toxicating liquors within, the imto register for me next week, though, because I don't recall just what I've taken.

Postscript: Nebraska fraternities, as yet have not adopted this system! -T. W. I.

## Why No Delegates?

TO THE EDITOR:

Conventions galore were held during the Christmas holidays. Excepting the meeting of the National Football Coaches association none prescribed and the number of presreceived more publicity than the convention of criptions. the National Student Federation of America at Atlanta, Ga.

Student leaders from every part of the United States gathered and discussed the problems most pertinent to college students. They discussed new educational plans, subsidization of athletes, student government, compulsory military drill and the honor system. Honed above include the major Those are exactly the problems that most concern Nebraska students, judging from the space given them in the editorial column of The Daily Nebraskan,

Why wasn't Nebraska represented at the

convention ? It was not for lack of finances because the budget committee, (Thompson, Selleck and Gunderson) expressed its willingness to send a delegate. A move to affiliate the local Student council with the national association failed to

pass the council by an almost unanimous vote. Nebraska students who had attended these conventions formerly had reported to the council that the N. S. F. A. dealt with some problems which did not concern Nebraska students right repeal. The majority of the in the least. But investigation failed to find body, or the body as a whole, submitted to no repeal recommendaany better student association with which to affiliate.

One of the difficulties in putting student government into effect at our school is that we are inexperienced at student government. We have little in the past to build upon. Con-sequently we must go elsewhere for ideas. The sequently we must go elsewhere for ideas. The N. S. F. A. and its convention presents the best opportunity to do that.

Crying over spilt milk accomplishes nothing. The Student council and possibly the A. W. S. board should take steps next semester to affiliate with the N. S. F. A.

A COUNCIL MEMBER.

## COLLEGE COMMENT

Question Answered.

This winter there has been quite a general movement throughout certain colleges in the United States to abolish compulsory military training. Dozens of articles have been sent to anti-compulsory movement.

arguments against forced army drill in Ameriean colleges:

The Reserve Officers Training Corps was created in 1920 for the primary purpose of had it not been superimposed upon the compulsory in many other institutions.

entof the John's Hopkins R. O. T. C., author tion are stressing the point that compulsory or co-author of many R. O. T. C. manuals and drill is a poor substitute for sports and games of the famous Plattsburgh manual, and a com- -it is even worse physical training than milibat officer in the A. E. F., has said, "Exist- tary training. Is it not time for the best way ing conditions in the R. O. T. C. ought to be of preparing reserve officers or of providing changed. Many of the imperfections are the adequate habits of physical exercise for civilresult of conditions o at (the) time grants lians !- Montana State Exponent.

of government land were made to state universities \* \* \* The heads of these institutions took the attitude that military training was compulsory. Boys forced into it grew to hate it . . . Compulsory military training is an unfortunate plan because of its unpopularity. It is far wiser to offer training under an understanding personnel. Take away compulsion, but foster pride and tradition, whielf are very necessary to the movement.

At the time of a controversy at the Unithe Exponent for publication by leaders of this versity of Washington Major F. J. DeRohan of their R. O. T. C. said he would "like to Following is one which gives some of the give every student who does not like drill an excuse and tell him to get out. It is a university ruling, not ours. We do not want compulsory drill."

One readily gets the impression that many supplying officers for the Reserve Corps of colleges retain compulsory courses because our army It might have served this purpose they wish to avoid the expense of instituting more effectively and far more economically more modern courses in physical education. President E. Lyle Spencer of the University of pulsory military courses slready given in land- Washington announced that, "if the university grant colleges and had it not been made com- could afford it, there is nothing I would rather do than take military drill off the required Major Enoch B. Garey, former command- list." Yet modern experts in physical educa-

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ERS' CURRENT DRAMA,

WORKED ON MASTER'S

THESIS HERE 24 YEARS

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Mr. Ballard's most successful play.

The setting of the play is a mur-

der trial in which the twelve men

and true are replaced by twelve

citizen and true with a fifty per-

cent feminine constituency. Com-plications which result in the

course of the trial lend humor to

Skinner Offers Comment.

"A woman who starts out by

appearing as a polite fool may, by

jaunty and unscrupulous presist-

ence, end by bringing about jus-

tice." Richard Dana Skinner said

who by all manners of diplomacy,

not even barring petty bribery, brings the jury about to her point

of view. The verdict is "not guilty.

duction of the comedy Miss H.

Alice Howell will play the lead role, originally held by Mrs. Fiske.

ON WAR CONFERENCE

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ing the outcome and significance

of the recent Indian conference in

London and of the Premier Ram-

say MacDonald's speech Tuesday, Jan. 20, which concluded the af-

fair. The importance of Mr. Mac-

Donald's speech, according to Mrs.

Hinman, is the part that it will

play in bettering international re-lations. "The Indian conference is

one of many which have been held

that perhaps peaceful relationships

Believe Delay Unnecessary.

cording to Mrs. Hinman, the women will endeavor to make the

representatives realize what the

women believe is an unnecessary

delay on the part of the United

States in entering the World court.

can we build for peace?" are two

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"What is the cure for war? How

between nations will be possible,

she concluded.

MRS. HERMAN TALKS

In the University Players pro

in Commonweal after seeing "La-

# LOOSE THREADS

By Gene McKim

President Hoover sent the report made by the Wickersham commis sion on th eprohibition situation to congress Tuesday. Ten of the eleven members of the commission signed the report, which indicated that, with reservations, they were opposed to repeal of the eighteenth

Following months of labor seeking a solution of the prohibition problem the commission submitconcilable deadlock. The majority of the signers appended separate opinions favoring either repeal or traffic at its discretion."

Henry W. Anderson of Virginia submitted a plan which was en-dorsed by four of the commission members favoring the adoption of a modified form of the Swedish plan of controlled sale by private corporations under strict regulations of the states wishing to adopt some such plan. Two other

This plan could only be adopted

The committee agreed that if move the compulsory feature of

The commission went on record opposing a plan of any of the states or the federal government of light wines and beers. The committee reported findings

spoke of improvements made since the passing of the bureau of prohi-bition act in 1927. It recommended quor enactment be substantially increased.

In the report, members of the commission agreed that, should the amendment be revised. "Conor to prohibit the manufacture, in, or transportation of inportation into, and the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof, for beverage purposes.'

Another important recommendstion made by the commission is to the effect that "Removal of the causes of irritation and resentment on the part of the medical profession be accomplished by:

vising changes to make the entire B. Abolition of the requirement

blank to go into the public files. C. Leaving as much as possible to regulations rather than fixing

the details of the statute." Many more recommendations were submitted. The ones menones, and tend to show the general temper of the report.

Much has been said for and against the repeal of the eightsuch statements are made by either biased or uninformed individuals.

In the Wickersham report the country has something on which it can cooly base its judgment. Incorporated within it are the re-sults of intelligent study and re-While admitting room for im-

provement in inforcement and advising changes to make the entire situation more effective, only two of the commissioners voted for out

Along the same line, Senator Sheppard of Texas, Jan. 16, in honor of the eleventh anniversary prohibition the decrease in death rates has equalled the saving of nearly 200,000 lives per year. The senator said, "Under the old

time license system, beverage altook a frightful toll 200,000 lives each year by increas-ing the liability and the possibility of contagion, by decreasing resis-

tive powers, by lowering living FRED BALLARD, AUTHOR standards, and by nullifying certain curative efforts of medical FRS CURRENT DRAMA

Mr. Sheppard branded as "without foundation" the statement that since the enactment of the law there had been a steady increase in crime. He emphasized the fact that the statement that young people were drinking more today than formerly was untrue.

The Texas senator referred to a speech made recently by Edison in which the inventor had emphasized the improvement in the general working conditions of the laboring man since the enactment of the comedy. national prohibition.

With the question still greatly a matter of personal opinion, but with the majority of sane investigation pointing against repeal of the amendment, it would seem wise for the people of the country to investigate the matter in a sane manner, rather than to allow prejudices to sway their judgments, or local conditions to influence their opinions in such a way as to prevent them making a comprehen-sive study of the whole problem.

#### STUDENT COUNCIL FACES MOTION ON ENFORCED DRILL

(Continued from Page 1.) will hinge. If the majority of the members feel that their vote is an expression of student sentiment as a whole, the motion will pass. On the other hand, if a majority of the council members feel that such a vote would be an expression of a number of individual beliefs and not student sentiment, then the motion will be defeated.

Williams is Exponent.

During the discussion of the drill issue at the previous meeting Alan Williams was the lone exponent of compulsory military science. He attempted to defer balloting by "filibustering" and in this he was partly successful. His attempts to table the motion were unsuccesshowever, and the matter ful. would undoubtedly have come to a vote last Wednesday had not Mc-Cleery, father of the motion, suggested that further discussion on the matter be postponed until the following week. That is why the council is meeting today.

Junior-Senior Prom ments will undoubtedly be made in conjunction with the work which confronts the council this afternoon. A number of applications have been received and eligibilities are being checked at the office of the registrar. Twelve members of the junior class, six men and six women, will be appointed to positions on the prom committee. Report Scheduled.

There will also be a report from Edwin Faulkner, who was appointed to submit the new Student council constitution to the subfaculty committee of which Prof. E. S. Fullerton is chairman.

The new document has been presented but as yet the committee has taken no action on it. will pass on the constitution in the near future. After the subcommittee is finished with it the bill will go to the faculty committee on student relations. It is very doubtnent on the part of the medical rofession be accomplished by:

A. Doing away with the statute ising changes to make the entire mester election. Feb. 10.

Although no word has been given out concerning the manner in which the new constitution will of specifying the ailment for be received by the faculty it seems which liquor is prescribed upon a quite likely that any objections blank to go into the public files. which may be made will center about the "power clause" in which the council outlines the powers which it believes it should have. The two provisions of this clause which appear to be in for the most discussions are those in which the council asserts the right to pass rules of eligibility for student activities and the power to pass on all rulings of student bodies efeenth amendment. The majority of fecting the social conduct and well being of the students.



Friday, Jan. 30 Three Bucks

'STRANGE INTERLUDE' TO OPEN ON JAN. 26

questions asked in Mrs. Hinman's talk. If, as women, we care enough

for the human welfare, and if it is

possible to work for peace," Mrs. Hinman said," "we must be

A violin solo was played by Lois

Lefferdink, accompanied by Ar-deth Pierce, Marjorie Peterson, the

chairman of the international staff

of Y. W. C. A. cabinet, led the ser-

# Original Producers Bringing Pulitzer Prize Play

To Lincoln. Theatre Guild incorporated will bring to Lincoln Eugene O'Neill's Pulitzer Prize play, "Strange Interiude." The play will be staged at the Liberty theater Jan. 26 and starting at 5:30 and ending at 11 o'clock each evening. Between

7:40 and 9 p. m. there will be a dinner intermission. "Strange Interlude," which is being brought here by its original producers, does away with the conventional play of current times, and reverts to the form relinquished by playrights many years

play has been staged throughout the last decade and has generally produced unusually heavy ticket sales in all box offices. The story relates how Nina Leeds, a neurotic maiden, thwarted in her desire to marry her aviator sweetheart before he went overseas to give his life, and obsessed by thoughts that she will never bear his offspring, marries Sam Evans under the advice of wellwishing friends,

But Sam is proven by his own mother to have a strain of insan-ity in his blood coming down through each generation on the paternal side. From there on, O'Neill has constructed a drama which will undoubtedly be provocative or more discussion than anything the local stage has had to offer in years. A New York cast is promised, five of whom dies of the Jury" in which Mrs. Minnie Haddern Fiske played the were in the original cast, including many notables of the stage, such leading role of the society leader Elizabeth Risdon, Leonard Mudie, Blaine Barbee, Maud Cordner, Richard Durand, McRae, Ethel Westley, John J. Burns, Jack Grattan.

> Following the Nebraska-Minnesota game of 1902, a special edi-tion of The Daily Nebraskan was published in red ink. Nebraska beat Minnesota 6-0.

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