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Note to The Innocents

WHAT happened to the idea of informing new students about campus activities and organizations?

Occurrence of the annual all-activities tea for freshman girls shows up in a rather bad light the complete absence of any similar project for freshmen men. The Nebraskan has no way of judging the success or the actual merits of the all-activities tea, but it is, at least, an effort in the direction of instructing new girls in the extra-curricular institutions with which they will be in contact thruout their college years.

But incoming men are left to find out for themselves "what the score is" in activities, and often it is a long, slow and even painful process. Thrown into a world of which they know nothing, freshmen are yet expected to make themselves at home in activities which more often than not are little more than a vast confusion to the inexperienced student.

In recognition of the problem, it must be admitted, at least some effort was made to inform new students last year, and even before.

Older students will recall a meeting of the presidents of most organizations in the spring of 1932, when the problem of increasing interest in activities was posed and it was resolved to take steps toward definite means of informing new students of the campus activities-scheme.

As a result of that meeting, the newly-elected members of the Innocents society put their heads together, and during the summer information was compiled for an "activities handbook," to be distributed to all new students. Adequate means of financing the publishing of such a pamphlet were lacking when fall came, however, and the compiled data had to be shunted into the columns of the Daily Nebraskan, where it ran interminably in daily sections.

The use of the Nebraskan for this purpose was not satisfactory, and could not be unless a special edition devoted solely to the introduction of organizations could be arranged. And altho such an edition might be possible after the passage of the "blanket tax" plan, it is far down the list of impossibilities at the present. Certainly it has been shown to be impossible to maintain interest in the bare outline of the activities structure when the material must be strung

out from day to day over a long period of time.

AND now, for another year, freshmen remain uninformed about the university's extra-curricular life. Snatches of information they will gather, of course, as the year progresses and as organized houses make spasmodic attempts to "get men started in activities," but any vital and valuable attempt to spread information about activities among new men students is completely lacking.

On the surface, that lack may seem an unimportant thing, but ultimately it means a disastrous result for every activity—slow decline of interest and feverish efforts to get workers. Executive heads among the various organizations will be forced to have another meeting to discuss the problem of diminishing interest, and the prospect of gradual decay.

"Gradual decay" is not overemphasizing the seriousness of the problem, either, for without keen competition among many subordinates striving for the top in particular activities, successors to executive positions will slowly approach lower levels of ability and efficiency.

The problem, in short, is a problem with real foundations.

And it is, furthermore, one which should immediately interest the organization about which all campus activities for men revolve—the Innocents society.

To them the campus looks for solution of a variety of problems in activities. Can they afford to neglect this one, which strikes at the very roots of the future of extra-curricular endeavor?

Picking teachers is something like picking wives. It would be hard to find any two men to agree on the qualities to be sought in either.—Dean Harry N. Irwin.

Strike Up The Band!

FALL weather and the football season!

Two inseparable parts of the first semester are beginning to make themselves felt and with annual Varsity-Frosh band benefit clash scheduled for Saturday the first surge of real gridiron interest washes over the campus.

All during the autumn football crowds almost everything out of the spotlight, to the exclusion, even, of one of its very important adjuncts—the band. Only once during the whole year does the band come in for its share of attention, and that one event is the occasion when the musicians have the opportunity of using the receipts of the Freshman-Varsity game for transportation expenses to one of the out of town games.

Only this once is the band given attention, yet what would football be without band music?

It is the band that makes the rallies. It is the band that leads the waves of spirit that flow and overflow in the stands at the games themselves. Practicing, marching, working in all kinds of weather the band is the nucleus around which student spirit grows.

Yet only once are football fans asked to give attention to their musicians, and this year that once is tomorrow, Saturday. Proceeds from the game tomorrow afternoon will be used to send the band to one of the games away from home, where they will carry a big load of Nebraska spirit to foreign sod.

Get out for tomorrow's game, then! Your support of the band at the Freshman game is as much a part of the football spirit as your attendance at any other game. It's the band that makes the spirit, and it's the spirit that makes or breaks team morale. Get behind the band!

Possibly the silliest sophistry with which we have deluded ourselves is that, struggle between

species being in order in nature, war is inevitable and natural.—Alexander Ruthven, president of the University of Michigan.

Biology provides not one shred of observational evidence to support the spontaneous origin of living matter in the world today.—Dr. James Gray, Cambridge professor.

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Discussion of things touching on the life and existence of our people must cease. Those daring to doubt the rightness of nazi principles ought to be branded as traitors.—Fritz Sauckel, reich's Thuringian governor.

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