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Examining CWA Student Employment.

ACCORDING to the university administration, about 235 students are now employed under the federal student employment fund granted the university early in February. With nearly a quarter of the semester gone, authorities find that slightly over half of the 400 students to be given aid have actually received their jobs.

The slow procedure can be laid largely to the fact that the federal government hedged about the funds numerous qualifications and restrictions that necessitated large quantities of red tape. The most obnoxious qualification required of students before they were able to receive loans, was included in a provision that 75 percent of those applying for CWA jobs be individuals not in the university at the time of the grant.

The purpose of the provision is somewhat obvious. The actual results have not been satisfactory, however, for it has required an infinite amount of work through correspondence. This in turn has slowed down the process of job assigning so that probably little will be realized by those obtaining federal aid.

To rectify this condition the federal government very wisely announced that CWA aid would be extended to all university students who made application for such help and approved by university authorities.

This move should speed up the employment of needy students to the point where it may be reasonably expected that nearly 400 students will be at work in the near future.

That students need financial aid can well be ascertained by the applications, numbering over 600. We suspect, however, that many filing for CWA work on the campus are not really deserving of such help. This unfortunate factor, in a measure, justifies the infinite amount of red tape the university requires a student to endure before he finally realizes that he has a job.

University authorities must of necessity guard against a duplication of student loans under the new plan. There will be cases where students have applied for university loans and at the same time apply for CWA aid. The university should encourage student self support but not displace it. There is always the opportunity for socially unrealistic people to look at the university as a handy employment or loan agency.

On the other hand, however, there is always the well meaning sincere student whose ability exceeds his financial means. To such students the university should give due consideration. For them federal and university aid will probably be of some benefit.

As we have previously pointed out, a note of futility is sounded in such a scheme as the CWA funds. For it is highly questionable whether the small salary allotted each student will be self-sustaining, and save the students from unnecessary privations. It must be recognized, in addition, that for the student whose main interest is earning room and board, education holds little value.

On the whole, however, the university authorities must be commended for the endless work they have performed in attempting to make the measure a success. Indeed should the CWA grant help the students to some extent, and at the same time increase the efficiency of a university cramped by the devastating retrenchment effected last spring. As such the CWA may be regarded as a successful project. In other respects it has not proved to be the much heralded panacea for depression ridden education.

For the Prom—Twelve Clouds.

SOCIAL climbers holding their breath until the Junior-Senior prom orchestra announcement now have the opportunity to explode. The explosion will not be an innovation. It is a tradition.

Andy Kirk and his Twelve Clouds of Joy were ushered in on the Nebraska campus Wednesday with the usual amount of trite ballyhoo. Indeed, the prom committee bravely announced that Andy and his boys had played over both networks, made the usual number of recordings, and have been featured at all the leading dance halls in the country. How different!

We haven't the slightest doubt that Andy Kirk's band is the best available. In fact, we openly assert that he is another underdog in the world of music who "came west to make a name for himself." Such undying devotion to the profession should make at least a faint impression upon the most cynical radio-dialer in the university.

But rather than fust our opinion upon the more skeptical we note that Walter Winchell recommends the band. This should prove conclusively that the prom committee is well-meaning.

The Student Pulse

Brief, concise, contributions pertinent to matters of student life and the university are welcomed by this department, under the usual restrictions of sound newspaper practice, which excludes all libelous matter and personal attacks. Letters accepted do not necessarily indicate the editorial policy of this paper.

Help for the Big Sisters.

TO THE EDITOR: After reading the article regarding the Big Sister board and the work the board has (or has not) been doing, it occurred to me that perhaps a logical remedy for the situation would be to make the board entirely a barb affair and to let it take over the work that the newly formed A. W. S. Barb league has been doing. An efficient organization might thus be built up.

The Big Sister board, composed of both barb and sorority members, selects a number of girls to whom are assigned the names of girls entering the university and whom they are to help during registration and throughout the year. A party is given for them at the beginning of the year, and then gradually throughout the year the interest in the "little sisters" ceases. This is in part due to the fact that a number of the Big Sisters chosen are sorority girls, and they have little in common with their "little sisters," who are in many cases barbs. And it is the latter who need help and instruction during the year, because the interests of the freshmen who pledge sororities are looked after by their own groups.

The A. W. S. Barb league has stated as its purpose the furthering of the interests of barb girls in activities and it has built up an organization which probably reaches more barb girls than the Big Sister organization has ever done. It has not only reached them, but it has also encouraged them and helped them to become active in women's activities. It is being organized so as to reach still more girls.

Since the Big Sister organization functions primarily for barbs, although it is run by sorority girls, it seems that it should be made effective. If it were doing its work efficiently, if all the "little sisters" were told about and interested in activities, there would have been no need for the organization of the A. W. S. Barb league. The Big Sister organization has the theory and the offices to be filled—the A. W. S. Barb league has the workable and working part of the plan and the logical girls to fill the offices—why not combine? INTERESTED.

Contemporary Comment

A Look Into The Future.

AND what are college graduates for? they are asking, seriously awaiting the answer.

John Hoepfel, representing California in the national house, has introduced a bill which suggests the answer to that question.

In recent remarks to the house, Mr. Hoepfel took cognizance of the anomalous unemployment conditions among college graduates. Pointing out the evils he said: "... the minds of these college-trained men are stagnating and retrograding, remarkable brain power is being wasted and the nation is suffering a scientific stalemate. Climaxing this situation, the many undergraduates, observing the plight of their graduating seniors, who have spent much money and four of the best years of their lives in attaining their goal, are wondering if this goal is worth the struggle."

He proposed immediate employment by the government of 10,000 technically trained graduates for a period of one year at a salary of \$1,600. They would do needed research in practical sciences in the various college laboratories.

Not merely of itself is this proposal interesting; it marks a great progressive step in our thinking. In the years to come, more and more students will be graduated from American colleges, each graduate trained in his special field, each inspired by his own ideals.

Social planners today are facing the problem of what to do with the ever-increasing numbers of educated men. They are facing the problem of how to promote the true liberty of pursuit of happiness, not for the college graduate alone, but for each and every individual.

Those with vision can see the dawn of a new day when a trained individual will not have to forsake his ideals to accept a place in the world ill-suited to his temperament and training. That day may come in the next decade or two. It may not come for a hundred decades. It all depends upon the number and the men who plead its cause.

The danger which exists now lies in the popular notion among some that the way to meet the problem of "too many graduates" is to curtail the future production of college graduates. These are the same who, blinded in the past by their own selfish interests, have never been able even to see the simple answer to the simple question, "For what is food, and clothing, and homes?"—The Daily Texan.

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WANTED: Graduates of Harvard, Yale and Princeton to learn restaurant business, starting as bus boys in famous Times square restaurant, weekly salary to begin at \$15; splendid opportunity. More than 1,000 applicants answered this advertisement which had been inserted in a New York paper by the Paramount hotel. Among them were twelve doctors of philosophy and six members of Phi Beta Kappa.

Here is a vivid description of the value of a degree—as such. Fifteen dollars per week—but boy! What a rebuttal to those students who declare that a diploma means an education. A diploma today means nothing more than—in one case—"144 credits with an average of 70." That is "education," according to the cock-eyed system under which our universities are contemporarily struggling.

We do not blame our social system. It is our sincere contention that the world owes man nothing, but that man owes the world a very great deal. An individual cannot expect to graduate from college, and have a job thrown in his face. This old life is one of many rewards. But rewards are only given through effort.

Right here in our own university there are those who have no other desire in college than to "just pass." They are satisfied with watching things go by. And they will be watching all their life!

"Gumption" is the word which was used by those who made this nation what it is—those who did not have the opportunity of "education on a silver platter," had to learn by doing. How many of us have this so-called, gumption? How many are striving for a "straight-A" average? How many have set their hearts on campus positions of prestige? Those will be the men who will go places. They need not have achieved, they need only to have aspired. This is the requisite which makes the dif-

ference between a valuable college education and a scrap of parchment. Aspire!—The Daily Pennsylvanian.

BENEATH THE HEADLINES

By DICK MORAN.

THE one bright spot in the unemployment increase for the month of January was the fact that the percentage of increase was the lowest it has been for any January since the depression began. Figures released by the American Federation of Labor a few days ago revealed that the total increase in unemployment for January was 921,000 persons. The high figure for the same month was in 1931, when 1,619,000 persons were thrown out of work. The federation also announced that the total number of unemployed in the country now was approximately 11,700,000 people.

William Green, president of the federation, stated at the time he gave out the figures that this country could not find work for even half of its unemployed unless hours of work were shortened. He pointed out the fact that when hours were reduced last summer there was a considerable increase in unemployment and that during a period of industrial decline. He also urged the shortening of working hours as a means for private industry to absorb the thousands of laborers released by the demobilization of CWA forces. The trade union leader attributed the decline in January unemployment increase to the slight gains in business activity at the end of last year.

TWO thousand unemployed Englishmen from the provinces marched on London the other day, and supported by several thousand sympathizers, held their long planned mass meeting. The meeting was supervised by police, who had few altercations with agitators and trouble-makers, and nothing approaching a riot took place, although the authorities were prepared for any kind of a demonstration. A steady rain all during the meeting dampened the enthusiasm of the unemployed to a certain extent.

The only significant action at the meeting was an adoption of a resolution criticizing the national government and its unemployed bill. Leaders urged the government to beware of the rising anger of the working classes who were aiming to develop a mass strike movement throughout the country with the

object of establishing a worker's socialist republic. Speakers also accused the government of lack of interest in the plight of the worker. The resolution demanded withdrawal of the unemployment bill from the administration's legislative program and demanded the right of a deputation to appear before the house and explain its case.

THE French Foreign Legion, subject of innumerable romantic stories and dramas, has just started a "mopping up" campaign against rebel Berbers, the last of the white barbarians and fiercest of the native desert tribes of Morocco. Two armies of the Foreign Legion have been sent into Morocco to conquer the remainder of this vast territory, fighting against heavily armed natives as well as great natural odds in the form of desert, scarcity of water, impenetrable forests, and heat. Guerilla warfare is the only type of conflict the country permits.

The Berbers have been perennial trouble makers in France's northern African possessions. Despite frequent friendly overtures and attempts at peaceful relations by the French, the Berbers believe that the only way to protect their independence is thru active combat and conduct numerous raids on French towns. They form the white-robed, wild-riding, and picturesque element of the desert rebels, savage in their passionate and furious plundering trips over the desert. It was their Moorish ancestors who invaded France in the eighth century.

THE past week was a most unsatisfactory one for the stock market. Attacked from three sides at once it reacted naturally in the slump in quotations on leading stocks, a slide which has not yet been stopped. Dividend declarations, higher earnings figures, and a note of increased confidence in business in general had no effect on the market. Selling operations were uppermost on the exchange and the average price at the end of the week was four points lower than the closing average of the previous week.

The principal cause of uneasiness is the proposed regulatory bill, now pending in Washington. Continuation of senate investigations has kept Wall Street on the anxious seat, and security exchange control plans, price fixing complaints, and many others only add to the general worry. In addition the prospect of labor troubles, especially in the automotive and farm implement plants, has increased their woes. To top it all advice indicating that the prolonged winter prevailing all over the country is slowing up trade and obscuring the prospects for further business recovery in the spring has had its influence on the market.

TED SHAWN IS ASKED TO GIVE RADIO TALK

Famous Dancer Will Show Here With All Male Troup March 28.

Ted Shawn, internationally famous dancer, who will present a program of dances executed entirely by men here on March 28, has been asked by W. A. A. and Orchestra to speak over the radio on that same date. Altho plans have not yet been completed, it is very probable that he will make the address.

Wilbur McCormick, leading dancer of the group, will also probably give a lesson to Orchestra from 6 to 7 the evening of the performance, March 28.

Shawn has for many years been planning a tour of the sort which he is now making, with a group of dancers made up entirely of men. He has directed a troupe of dancers for several years, and was instructor in dancing at Springfield college, one of the foremost schools of physical education in the country.

The following committee has been appointed by Orchestra to be in charge of the affair.

Grace Craddock, chairman of circulation of advertising material; Charlie Godale, chairman of the building committee, which will have charge of the dressing rooms and ushers; and Georgia Kilgore, special usher's chairman, who is planning some form of entertainment for the assembly of men dancers. Miss Edith Vail, of the physical education department, is manager of Orchestra.

BENGTSON TO GIVE TALK.

Professor N. A. Bengtson will give a talk, following the dinner at the First Lutheran church Wednesday evening at 6:30 o'clock. A vocal number will be given by Mrs. Agnes Nelson.

A University of California professor claims that the noise of American life is shortening the span of years of the average American.

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Y. W. Interest Groups. Interest groups of the Y. W. C. A. will hold meetings in Ellen Smith hall at the following hours this week:

Thursday at 4—Know Your City, Lois Rathburn.

Stamp Club. The Stamp Club will hold a business meeting Thursday night, March 1, at 7:30 in Social Science room 301.

Y. W. Staff Meetings. Staff meetings for Y. W. C. A. members for the coming week are scheduled as follows:

Finance, Marjorie Shostak, on Thursday at 4.

Swap Shop, Theodore Lohrman, Thursday at 4.

Thursday at 5—Art of Being a Hostess, Ariene Bors.

World Forum, Beth Schmid, Thursday at 4.

Posters, Ruth Allen, Thursday at 4 p. m.

In addition to these staff meetings, Miss Miller will conduct a special study group on "The Life of Jesus" on Thursday at 1 o'clock and also on Sunday at 9 o'clock.

Social Staff. Social staff of the Y. W. C. A. will give a tea at Ellen Smith hall Thursday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30. All girls who entered at mid-year are invited to attend.

Y. W. Social Staff. The social staff of the University Y. W. C. A. will serve a tea Thursday, Mar. 1, at Ellen Smith hall from 3:30 to 5:30 p. m. All girls who enrolled at mid-year are invited to attend.

Cornhusker. There will be an important meeting of the business staff of the Cornhusker in the office at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

PLENTY OF HORSE SENSE AND BREAKS THINGS THAT MAKE POLITICAL LEADER, SAYS SECRETARY OF STATE SWANSON. (Continued from Page 1).

cal expression and leadership ability. "We must learn the joy of helping others," stressed the secretary. "The kick in knowing that we are helping someone to keep his place in society. Many brilliant and promising young people are hindered in advancement because of the lack of funds and friends. A fraternity, for example, with only a small expenditure, could keep

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some talented and worthy student in school."

Mr. Swanson knows whereof he speaks. As a member of the state pardon board he sees just such cases. A brilliant student with a high school average of 94 percent, without money, without friends, is caught disobeying the law and sentenced to prison. No one to plead for him, no one to miss his going. He must fight his own battles. A future leader, perhaps, is kept from reaching his goal. It is for the help of these that the secretary pleads.

"I criticize debates," said Mr. Swanson, "because they are only a show for the spectators. The rest have no chance to enter the discussion and develop their political ability and to overcome their uneasiness at public speaking. The open forum type of discussion gives every one an opportunity and the state officers even have their discussion group."

Several suggestions were submitted by the state officer as suitable subjects for parliamentary debate. The uniform engineers law and the old age pension act were mentioned at some length. Mr. Swanson being the author of the former.

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