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Students Give the Bird to Mr. Hearst.

EVIDENTLY collegians either do not read William Randolph Hearst's editorials or they are giving him the razzberry, also known as the bird and the Bronx cheer.

Mr. Hearst at present has picked on National Defense Week as a vehicle to get his militaristic principles across to the public, and he has pulled the throttle wide open.

Thru the medium of his papers' editorial columns the Sage of San Simeon issues a "clarion call to American patriotism," with such soul stirring—or slightly nauseating, depending on the point of view—utterances as the following:

"No matter how pressing other problems may appear, their importance pales into significance when contrasted against the security of the land we love.

"We are ready to shed the last drop of blood to prevent the foreigner taking an inch of our territory.

"We should be more than ready to prevent the shedding of one drop more than is necessary for its defense.

"The better we are prepared to defend America the less likely that we shall be called upon to defend her against a foreign invasion.

"There is no substitute for adequate preparedness, and to be adequate it must be equal to the strongest in all the essentials of defense."

MR. HEARST then propounds the theory that the American navy must be second to none, while our air forces must stand head and shoulders above all the rest. His arguments are logical as long as one does not question the wisdom of his original tenets.

But what is encouraging is the great number of students that doubt the advisability of his ideas. He is evidently none too optimistic over the ability of the United States to stay out of another war, while returns in the Literary Digest Peace Poll show that a majority of students hold exactly opposite views. He advocates an air and navy force second to none, but students again disagree.

Mr. Hearst strongly backs compulsory military drill in state supported schools, thereby exposing himself to further criticism. "The time and energy required for military training are a small sacrifice for the privilege of a free college education," he states, but forgets to mention the disastrous effect which military drill has on the student.

He makes a strong plea for patriotism while still clinging to the fallacious and outmoded view that the way to be patriotic is to wave a flag and carry a gun.

WE ARE a peaceful, but not a pacifist nation." No reason, however, is offered to show why we should not become one. Furthermore, the opinion of college students as expressed by the Peace Poll seems to place Mr. Hearst's statement in a bad light.

Hail to The Queen!

Student council sets deadline for Prom girl filings. Prospective candidates get all fluttery. Much whispering. Also bit of log rolling. All on q. t., however. Mortar Boards hate politics. Candidates finally file. More whispering. Students pay out necessary tariff to attend Prom. Vote for favorite. Band stops playing. Everybody gripes. Lucky girl walks down center of coliseum escorted by junior and senior class president. Sorority sisters cheer. Underclassmen get excited. Band strikes up tune. All dance. Prom girl forgotten until Nebraskan comes out with picture and big headline. Again forgotten.

And thus will another Nebraska queen be elected to occupy a page in a special section of the Cornhusker. Her sorority house will also find it a useful point to use in rush talks. Otherwise nobody cares about the election except the Prom committee which finds the contest for presentation ideas excellent publicity material.

It seems a bit silly that grownup men and

women must choose some coed to grace the proceedings at a large number of the campus functions. She has no duties, once elected, but to smile brightly and make a show of becoming modesty. But maybe some of us are too practical minded and can't enjoy a little good clean fun. Anyway the Prom girl race will be a good warmup for approaching spring elections.

What Is Sentiment?

A PLEA for students to drop their false sophistication and to make a show of feeling today is voiced by a contributor to Wednesday's Student Pulse column. At the risk of being called a "sentimental fool," the letter writer asks students to romance a bit for once in their blase young lives.

After all, what is this terrible thing called sentiment, so terrible that all hate to admit their feeling it. True sentiment is something noble, an expression of high regard for some one or something. Thru a process of evolution, however, the term has unfortunately come to connote a display of mawkish emotions, something that is not quite sincere.

It is also unfortunate that Valentine's day, like Christmas, Easter and Mother's day, has been so terribly commercialized. Merchants have seized upon it as a capital advertising idea, and much of its original meaning has been lost.

Nevertheless it might be well for students, as the contributor suggests, to discard their "superficially suave attitude" for a day and meditate for awhile, remembering others.

STUDENT PULSE

Brief, concise contributions pertinent to matters of student life and the university are welcome by this department, under the usual restrictions of sound newspaper practice, which excludes all libelous matter and personal attacks. Letters must be signed, but names will be withheld from publication if so desired. Contributions should be limited to a maximum of five hundred words in length.

Someone Else Wants A Good Orchestra.

TO THE EDITOR: The honorable president of the Student Council once more starts raving about the students being coerced and high pressured into spending a dollar and a half to hear a second rate orchestra like the one that played at the Interfraternity ball.

It is indeed interesting to note that at least one member of the Student Council has the initiative to start raving if nothing else. It will take more than the observations of the president, however, to bring worthy orchestras to the major parties at Nebraska. The rest of the council will undoubtedly sit back and maintain a Sphinx like silence, just too typical of the midwestern temperament.

It will be interesting to note how successful the protege of the Student Council, namely the Junior-Senior Prom committee, will be securing a "really big" band for their annual affair. Special attempts to give the campus an orchestra worthy of the affair will surely come to absolutely nothing as long as present restrictions exist.

It almost seems that one would hesitate to serve on the Prom committee for fear of shelling out three or four months' allowance to make up a likely deal, inasmuch as the committee members themselves must underwrite the party. This is not to the efficiency of the committee because it is undoubtedly composed of the more brilliant and more ambitious juniors on the campus, but rather to the antiquated rules the University Senate invoked many, many years ago.

It is indeed a sad state of affairs—the result of the wisdom radiating from the overly cautious professors and instructors composing that illustrious body. Possessing not the slightest idea of the relative cost of such parties, their action has imperiled the one thing that might have universal appeal on the campus.

It should be the duty and the goal of every student organization that finds itself dictated to by these rulings, to see to their revision! Is there any reason why an organization like the Student Council or the Interfraternity Council be made to suffer because of something that could and should be remedied? After all, the logicality of any modernization of the now existing rules cannot be questioned. The ones in force are certainly not filling the bill.

Immediate action might save the Prom committee from a very embarrassing position and give the student body at least one good party this year. There is no reason why steps shouldn't be taken while the aftermath of the Interfraternity ball is still felt. An appeal should be made to the Senate and facts of the case presented to them in such a way that their action could be only one—the lifting of the mid-victorian and out of date rules. —B. C.

Give the Grid Fans a Break.

TO THE EDITOR: We need a new public address system at Memorial field. The one we now have, as you can remember from last season, is quite unsatisfactory; it is neither clear, loud, nor far-reaching enough. Football enthusiasts can understand the eastern games broadcast over the NBC and Columbia networks better than they can the Husker games, even when they are watching from the 50-yard line. The booster who pays two dollars to see a game is often puzzled as to who carried the ball, who made a tackle or what a penalty is for. There is no reason for such an injustice when an efficient address system to explain all such things can be procured for a few hundred dollars. The fans should be given the best; they pay for it.—Booster.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

Book Shop.

The following books are in demand at the Swap Book shop: "Analytical Geometry" by Love; "Governments of Europe" by Munroe; "Social Psychology" by Alport; "Typing," college edition; Gregg Shorthand; "Money and Banking" by Bradford; and Gregg Speed Builder. Those students owning copies of these books which they wish to sell should bring them to the Swap Book shop in the Temple theater building.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES. All interfraternity council representatives or alternates will please check in ball tickets at the Student Activities office by Friday, Feb. 22.

MILITARY SPONSORS. All sponsors are asked to attend a meeting of the Sponsors club at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon in Ellen Smith hall.

GAMMA ALPHA CHI. Gamma Alpha Chi will hold initiation service Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock in Ellen Smith hall. Dinner will be held at 6:30 at the Y. W. C. A.

SWAP SHOP. Students who left books at the Y. W. C. A. swap shop to be sold, can find out what books of theirs were sold by calling at the Student Activities office in the coliseum today.

Handcraft Group. The handcraft interest group will meet in Ellen Smith hall Thursday at 5 o'clock.

Sigma Gamma Epsilon. Meeting of Sigma Gamma Epsilon, honorary geology fraternity, Thursday, Feb. 14, 8:30 p. m. in Morrill hall. Richard Hufnagle, university photographer, will show colored slides of Yellowstone park.

SWIMMING POOL. There will be no free swimming for women in the university pool at 4 o'clock, Friday, 15, because of a swimming meet.

Komensky Klub. An important meeting of the Komensky Klub will be held at 8 o'clock Friday evening, Feb. 15th in the Temple room 203. All Czech students are urged to attend. Professor Stepanek will give a short talk.

Freshman Cab. Freshman cabinet will meet Thursday evening, Feb. 14, at 7 o'clock in Ellen Smith hall.

ing something for nothing, for creative thought is, as we have seen, confined to the very few. One cannot but wonder at this constantly recurring phrase, "getting something for nothing," as if it were the peculiar and perverse ambition of disturbers of society. Practically all we have is handed to us gratis. Can the most complacent reactionary flatter himself that he invented the art of writing or the printing press, or originally discovered his religious, economic and moral convictions, or any of the devices which supply him with most and richest of any of the sources of such pleasure as he may derive from literature or the fine arts? In short, civilization is little else than getting something for nothing. "How much execrable reasoning and how many stupid accusations would fall away if this truth were accepted as a basis of discussion!" —Oregon State Barometer.

INJURIES FATAL TO COED HURT IN CRASH TUESDAY

(Continued from Page 1.) side of nose cut off but sewed back on, deep gash below left knee, bad cut on left lower and upper eyelid, five broken ribs and fractured right shoulder blade. Dr. B. A. Finkle attended Meade. Both were taken to St. Elizabeth hospital. Parents of both Miss VanBrunt and Meade arrived in Lincoln Wednesday morning.

Beauty Queen Candidate. Miss VanBrunt was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray VanBrunt of Sioux Falls, S. D. She attended Ward Belmont college at Nashville, Tenn., and studied for two years at a Sioux Falls school. She was a beauty queen candidate for the 1935 Cornhusker, and was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Meade, who played football at Nebraska during the 1933 season, is employed as service salesman by the Continental Oil Co., at the 12th and L street station. He is a member of Sigma Nu.

Alice Howell Expresses Delight at Finding That Ballet Russe Program In Lincoln Resembles Parisian Show

"On getting out my program, I find to my delight that we are to have almost the same program here in Lincoln that I saw in Paris in July, 1933," exclaimed Miss Alice Howell, head of the dramatics department, when questioned as to her opinion about the Ballet Russe which will be presented in the coliseum the evening of Feb. 14 at 8 o'clock.

"All Paris flocked to see the artists who comprised this goodly company," she went on to explain as she described her impression of her first view of the noted Russian band of dancers. "We had to stand for a long time in a que to get our seats. The tickets ranged from about two dollars down to a none too modest price. The theater, as well as the stage, presented a beautiful spectacle as the audience was dressed in Parisian splendor."

Miss Howell stated that she was overjoyed to discover that the same leading artists, Monsieur W. de Basil as Director General, and M. Leonide Massine and Mlle. Irina Baronova as leading dancers, would be with the troupe in Lincoln.

De Basil Noted Director. Monsieur de Basil, the leader of the company, with whom Miss Howell was so favorably impressed is a former military man of old Russia and lately was the director of the Russian Opera in Paris. He organized his ballet in 1929. Often

Recital hall. Besides Mrs. Kiesselbach, those who appeared were Ruth Haynie, Marshall Gibson, Vera May Peterson, Harriett Byron, Marcella Suchan, Franklin LeBar, Helen Naevo, Laura Kimball, Marcella Laux, James Fitch, Claralyce Davis and Mrs. Geraldine Fuerst. Ruth Kuehn, a student of Sylvia Cole Diers, sang for a school program at Murdock on Friday evening.

CHANTS BY CHANCE.

Era Lowm, the member of the "Return of Peter Grimm" cast who was taken seriously ill during the engagement of the play, was seen back yesterday roaming the campus, looking a little worse for his experience. It seems that he always has had luck during at least one play a season. Last year during one performance of "Dangerous Corner" bad luck came his way, and this year it returned in the latest vehicle of the Players. Speaking of "Peter Grimm," one of the cast members mentioned that the old pewter and oil portrait which adorned the walls of the set, were genuine; the former being valued at \$125 and the painting at \$150. As these props were so valuable, Don Friedly, the stage technician, and Don Buell the prop man, took these props down every evening and packed them in boxes, which they hid, and then put them back in place before each performance. The hanging lamp over the piano, which was a genuine spinet piano by the way, was also genuine and came from a second hand store. Although the city was searched high and low, no tasseled curtains could be found for the center windows, so old fashioned tie-backs were used instead. In order to create the rain effect, water was piped from the basement to a pipe outside of the set window, which went into a canvas covered trough, thus making a realistic sound effect. One man in the audience one evening actually thought the rain was so real, he left the performance to go outside and put up the windows on his car. Few of the members of the audience realize the effort it takes to collect properties for these university plays until they have seen a production like the one recently shown here.

With all the activity and senior recitals being given by members of the School of Music, the Conservatory has really been on the map, musically speaking, this last week especially. In a recital at the Temple yesterday afternoon Charlotte Easterday Kiesselbach, a student of Alma Wagner, was presented in senior recital. Bettie Zabriski presented the following students from her class in a cello recital at 8 o'clock Monday evening in Recital hall: Mildred Right, Ruth Sibley, Mary Louise Baker, June Day, True Chappell, Josephine Welch, Marie Anderson, June Meek, Cornelia Whisler, Frances Spencer, and Philip Heller. Violet Vaughn, student with Herbert Schmidt, played a group of piano solos for the meeting of Beta Sigma Phi, Tuesday evening. The same evening Alma Wagner presented students in a voice recital in

One of the greatest masterpieces ever recorded by Leopold Stokowski is the new Victor recording of excerpts from "Die Walkure" by Richard Wagner. The selection is not routine; naturally if Stokowski did it, it wouldn't be. He has chosen the most poignant and dramatic moments in the great Wagnerian music legend and dramatized them still further by his own highlighting of the performance played by the Philadelphia Symphony and sung by Lawrence Tibbett under his direction. It is alive and will be welcomed, this album of "Die Walkure," to those who love entertainment as well as those who worship Wagner. Lawrence Tibbett does some of the most beautiful singing of his career, and the result is magnificent. There is apparent in every measure that elusive thing called art.

Urging many senior women to file, members of Mortar Board, senior women's honorary society which last year took steps to abolish political factions among sororities, assured candidates that every candidate would have an equal chance in an independent field. "There will be no slates in this election," declared Bast Perkins, vice president of the honorary. "So every girl may file with the assurance that the race will be free of politics." Violet Cross, Mortar Board president, stated that the society would continue its strict policy against factions, and that they would be interested in learning of violations.

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VARSITY DAIRY GROUP ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Verne Jeffers Named New Head of Organization On Wednesday.

Annual election of officers and new members of the Varsity Dairy Club was held at their meeting Wednesday on the Ag campus. Six new members and officials for the second semester were chosen for the organization.

Verne Jeffers of Aurora was named president; Albert Bear of Reynolds, vice president; Raymond McCarty of McCool Junction, news reporter; and James Warner of Morrill, manager of varsity dairy products judging contests.

New members are Palmer Welsh, Seward; Roland Nuckles, Scottsbluff; Burr Rugg, Rosalia; Stanley Whitson, Lincoln; Ribert Gibbons, Lincoln; and Harold Holmbeck, Beatrice.

STUDENT COUNCIL OPENS PROM GIRL FILINGS FEB. 14

(Continued from Page 1.) decision made by the council. According to these rules, candidates must have a minimum of eighty-nine credit hours, twenty-seven of which were earned in the two preceding semesters. Provisions were taken in the meeting to insure an adequate number of filings and an accurate count of the ballots, which will be cast at the door on the night of the Prom, scheduled for March 8.

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Stepanek Gives Talk at Komensky Klub Meeting

All Czech students of the university have been invited to attend the meeting of the Komensky Klub Friday night, Feb. 15, in the Temple, room 203. Prof. Stepanek will give a short talk.

Stokes Gives Speech on 'Economic Nationalism'

Professor Stokes of the political science department will address the Lincoln Business Women club on Thursday, Feb. 14. The meeting will follow a dinner at 6:15, at the club rooms. The subject of the speech is to be "Economic Nationalism."

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Contemporary Comment

Yale Sets Up New Study System.

In the time of Woodrow Wilson, when Princeton instituted the preceptorial system of study, and later, when the four-course plan was adopted, many educators looked askance at innovations which were considered to have qualities dangerously subversive of the traditions of American higher education. The ability of the individual student to get along without the day-by-day supervision of strictly routine classroom work was openly doubted. Only the lapse of years has been able to confound these skeptics, and to place the principles of the four-course plan, with its thesis, preceptorials and comprehensive examinations in high repute in leading institutions throughout the country.

comprehensive examination, covering departmental work for the two upper-class years, and a system of study which partakes of many of the characteristics of the four-course plan. In junior years, Yale students, beginning with the members of the Class of 1937, will take in addition to regular courses, one "group discussion" course, similar in essentials to our preceptorials, and in senior year will take only four courses, devoting the time thus gained to individual departmental work, as is the custom at Princeton. It has not yet been specified whether this individual work will take the form of theses, papers or merely reading and consultation. Also, the additional members of the faculty needed to carry out this plan will be added as regular members of the various departments, as at Princeton, instead of being provided through the Harvard system of a separate body of tutors.

change, is deserving of a great deal of congratulation. As we see it now, there is only one major step to take to round out the picture—the institution of the compulsory departmental thesis in senior year, as at Princeton. Though the thesis entails a great deal of work, Princeton alumni who have worked under the four-course plan are almost unanimous in their approval of the thesis as the one most valuable feature of Princeton's educational machinery. If Yale follows to its logical conclusion the path it has laid out, the inevitable result will be the thesis, and with it an educational system unsurpassed by any in the country. —The Daily Princetonian.

Something for Nothing.

Perhaps a reconsideration of the old idea of "getting-something-for-nothing" may prove worthwhile. Too much time has been spent decrying this common fault, and so it is with interest that we noted the following excerpt from Dr. James Harvey Robinson, celebrated American historian, quoted in a recent letter to the Oregonian: "The race has always been get-

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