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### Letters For Boxing.

A suggestion was made recently by a downtown sports columnist that boxing at the university be made a regular varsity sport with minor letters awarded for competition. This suggestion is nothing new. It has been made before by city fans, city sports writers, certain university athletic heads, the campus itself, and, most vociferously of all, the athletes themselves.

There are many grounds upon which to base the contention that letters should be awarded to participants in the ring sport. The bare fact that it is a sport, and the only intercollegiate sport at Nebraska for which no letter is awarded, provides a good argument in itself.

The boxers put in as much time in preparation for matches as do those who turn out for football, basketball, track or any other form of athletic endeavor. The training grind is just as tough, if not tougher. A glance some afternoon at the athletic cellar under the coliseum will furnish adequate proof for the doubting Thomases.

The boxing squad, when it travels to other schools, is just as truly a representative of the Nebraska campus as is the tennis team or the wrestling aggregation. And its prowess, or lack of it, reflects back on the campus just as much as does the showing of the football squad.

It has been argued that most of the men on the boxing team are members of a boxing class and are receiving scholastic credit for their work, thereby eliminating the need for a letter reward. This, however, is not fair, for it is safe to say that many members of the other athletic squads are registered for credit in their particular sport.

THE greatest stumbling block in the way of letters for the boxers seems to be the fact that it is not a recognized Big Six sport. And without that recognition it is said that Nebraska cannot make boxing a regular varsity sport with the customary awards.

The same situation which applies to one school in the Big Six, however, will apply to all, and it is difficult to see why boxing long before now has not taken its place along side wrestling, tennis, and golf.

A look at the record of this year's squad shows that something is needed to stir up a bit of interest. Nebraska fighters have been consistently plastered all over the place every time they step into a ring. A letter or numeral award seems the logical method of providing that spur.

### War Wiped Out At the Dinner Table

by John Chamberlain

Mr. Chamberlain is the author of a daily column in the New York Times, and this article is reprinted through the courtesy of that paper.

WITH Hitler taking the bit between his teeth, and with France, England and Russia all showing visible signs of perturbation (alho Ernst Henri told them a year ago what was coming, and others, including Gen. Tasker Bliss, uttered a premonitory "I told you so" the day after Versailles), it may not be the precise moment to be flippant about war and the rumors of war. Yet Sir Norman Angell's "Peace and the Plain Man" (Harper, \$2.50) invites flippant treatment. Rhetorically speaking, the book is positively brilliant.

But, as I read, I was haunted continually by Lawrence Dennis's epigram: "While the free traders were winning all the arguments, the protectionists were winning all the elections." Sir Norman wins all the arguments, but his opponents simply won't come around of evenings to the Oxford Union. Which leaves Sir Norman in the plaintive position of one crying: "If only the world were in-

### FACULTY HAS VARIED OPINION ON CHICAGO UNIVERSITY PLAN

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Teachers' college that such courses must be integrated and give a general appreciation rather than a "hodge-podge" of unrelated facts as would probably be the case unless carefully planned.

Bengtson Interviewed.  
As described by Dr. Neils A. Bengtson, chairman of the department of geography, the introductory courses must be fact and reasoning combined to give the student what he termed "intellectual curiosity" and the ability to solve problems.

Dean J. E. LeRossignol stated it was his belief that students of the social sciences should be able to take, in place of a laboratory science course, an introductory course, an introductory course, a general appreciation rather than a "hodge-podge" of unrelated facts as would probably be the case unless carefully planned.

In discussing examinations, it was generally held that the method of measuring accomplishments by the addition of hours and credits to obtain a degree is outworn, and that comprehensive examinations designed to measure the abilities of the student is a desired goal. It was generally believed that students will actually study and learn more under such a system

telligent, it would listen to me." Which is true. If you want to refute the militarist who sits next to you at the dinner table, Sir Norman can help you. With Sir Norman's aid, I can imagine a conversation running along in this fashion:

General Smirkonthe face: "But, my dear man, war is inevitable."

Caspar Milquetoast (brave with four cocktails under his belt and an evening of Sir Norman behind him): "Which war? Any war? Plainly, militarists don't believe that all wars are inevitable, because they urge more armament, on the ground that that will help to preserve peace."

General S.: "But human nature is essentially quarrelsome."

Caspar: "That is why we must have a League of Nations or institutions of discipline. If human nature were perfect, regulatory institutions would be unnecessary. If man were not a fighting animal, there would be no need for courts, police and decalogues. Just because man's a fighter, you don't assault your neighbor when he dislikes you. Or, if you do, the police stop you."

**CHANGING HUMAN BEHAVIOR.**  
General S.: "But you can't change human nature."

Caspar: "You don't have to. But you certainly can change human behavior. Man was once cannibalistic, believed in human sacrifice to the gods, upheld the Ordeal of Fire, sanctioned dueling."

General S.: "But war is a spiritual cleanser. Without it, man would grow soft."

Caspar: "I thought you said in your last lecture that we needed armaments to insure peace?"

General S.: "Well, I was only making a point that those people at the community center would understand. War will continue so long as man is selfish."

Caspar: "But war demands of men the greatest possible unselfishness, the greatest sacrifice of all life. It destroys property, wealth and trade. If men were intelligently selfish, war would not take place."

General S.: "But what would you do if a brute attacked your sister?"

Caspar (swallowing another drink): "I'd give him a sock on the jaw. But if conditions were such that women were liable to violence, I'd try to co-operate in organizing a system of police, courts, and so on, which is precisely what those who use your arguments as analogous to the restraint of violence in the international field refuse to do internationally."

General S.: "But would you leave your house unlocked?"

Caspar: "No. But if I had merely to depend on the strength of the lock, with no reliance on the community, with its police and magistrature, my house would be plundered anyway. Defense must be collective and co-operative or fail. The League is an effort at such collective defense—made weak, I admit, because the householders fail to pay the international tax (in trust) to support it."

General S.: "But capitalist nations must have markets for the disposal of their surplus goods."

Caspar: "Britain had victory in 1915 over its most powerful commercial rival. Are British capitalists more able to dispose of their surplus than they were before the war?"

**MR. SMITH DECIDES.**  
General S.: "Some capitalists, however, may benefit by war."

Caspar: "Some capitalists would benefit by a new great fire of London; all industries relating to the building trades would boom. It does not make arson a capitalist interest."

General S.: "Well, I'll leave it up to our host, Mr. John Smith, who as a plain man is interested in the preservation of his hearth and home, to decide between us."

John Smith: "I'm afraid, General, that Caspar has it over you."

And, of course, Caspar has outgeneralized General Smirkonthe face. But this is only because those who think that war is "inevitable" have failed to provide Sir Norman with the real reason why nations blunder into war. No one wants war, as war, save for a few pathological souls who are not numerous enough to count, even in Germany. But the elites in control of nations want certain things. They may want new markets.

Here we come to the crux of the matter. We have wars, not because of the things which Sir Norman talks about for some 300 pages, but because the game of power is, like poker, not only a game of indisputable cards, but also a game of bluff. And any one who is willing to bluff must take the chance that the bluff will be called. Wars result when some one calls a bluff that is made by a man who is too proud to back down, or who thinks the man calling the bluff is himself bluffing.

**WAR IS AN ACCIDENT.**

In other words, war itself is never solely a matter of policy, but an incidental accident incurred in pursuing (other) policies. This being true, does it matter much whether men bluff by the old diplomacy or over the green baize tables of Geneva? Of course, if we had a world with only one reigning elite. . . . But hush, hush, little man, you're suggesting international socialism or an imperialist victor, such as Rome of the Pax Romana. And how are you going to get France and Russia, or Japan and the United States, to agree on either of these?

P. S. If you know you're living in a munitions factory, you will be careful how you throw matches around.

### CHANTS BY CHANCE.

Bill Marsh as Don Bello, the "greatest swordsman in all Spain" makes a dapper Spaniard in "Kiss Colombo," the current Kosmet Klub show at the Temple. An elaborate costume of black and gold, and to mention the plumed hat and turreted cloak add elegance to the royal court, and oh, the "moustachios"! It takes Lois Patterson and Polly Gellatly from 6 o'clock on, getting the grease paint on Don Bello. Bill is really remarkably graceful with a sword, maybe that comes from wielding a baton, who knows?

Few musicians are good reporters, and still fewer journalists have good voices. However, Duncan Sowles seems unusually fortunate, at least in "Kiss Colombo." As Andy, the love-making reporter at the court of Isabella and Ferdinand, Duncan rather stirs up the court. His love songs to Art Bailey, "Miss Peters," caused sighs among the fairer members of the audience, and envy among the disgruntled escorts.

The Princess Johanna, Pete Baker to his friends, upset his "mother's" ever temper dreadfully, when he chose to call her majesty "maw." It was surprising how reluctant King Ferdly was to have his little "baby" married, after the husband was found; but until one appeared, the Princess was merely another deficit on the hands of the King, second only to the national debt.

Jasper, the English butler, might really have come from jolly old Britain, so realistic was Glen Ayres' Oxford accent. As the third son of the King of England, merely being playful as the butler, his marriage with the Lady Mona turned out okay, but while King Ferdinand suspected an English spy at court, the revelation of his incognito was not such an advisable thing to make.

Dwight Havens found himself in something of a predicament when Queen Isabella wished to marry him off. As the Lady Mona, an attendant in the Spanish monarch's court, Havens was well cast. "She" also happened to be the sister of Don Bello, and whenever a suitor looked twice at her ladyship, the blood-thirsty swordsman challenged said suitor to a duel. "To avenge his sister's honor," and incidentally to avenge his craving for swords play.

At first, Captain Cook of Cook's tours, in other words Fred Graham, didn't go over so big with Izzy and Ferdly, for he made the mistake of saying that America discovered Spain. However, when the rulers found out that he was in search of a Spanish bride, they remembered that after all, they had an unmarried daughter. Soon the match was arranged and Fred was the future son-in-law. His love song to the Princess was more than touching, for people so often wonder just how love is made to royalty.

Last but not least in these personal sketches of the principals in the Kosmet Klub show, is David

Goldware, "Ginsburg" to the Spanish court. His troubles are numerous, from selling the Queen's jewels, and firing executioners, to paying off the national debt and hiring new secretaries. As the chancellor of the exchequer, Dave is okay, and gets a good share of the laughs at every performance.

**GREAT NATIONS WILL NOT FIGHT NOW SAYS BRITISH MILITARIST**  
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routes. Without iron, coal and steel brought by sea, Italy would be helpless.

"Germany despite all the militarist thunderings of her leaders doesn't desire to fight. She has a magnificent professional army, which can put 300,000 men in the field, but she is short of heavy artillery. The navy is weak also; warships can't be built in secret. There are no submarines. With her present equipment, the German army would have great difficulty in making headway, even against the Poles. And in the background is Russia. The Red army is known to be efficient; their equipment and especially their air force, is good. Germany can't rely on being able to fight on only one front. Her generals and their staffs know perfectly well that now or at any time in the next few years, would mean strategic suicide."

What of Russia? Harry Carr wrote a feature in the Los Angeles Times, in December, in regard to the futility of conquering China that holds equally well for Russia. The headline reads: "Conquering China Like Beating a Featherbed." In it he humorously avows: "No body can do anything to China. It is like beating a featherbed with a club. There is no resistance but no finality. It is like cutting water with a sword; like fighting a curtain or a rag hanging on a clothes line."

"The military problem of conquering China, is impossible because this is no solar plexus—no nerve center. Japan took Manchuria in order to avoid the war perils that threatened the life of England during the World War. This was the peril of being blockaded and starved."

"Manchuria forever removes this peril. But in taking Manchuria, Japan found herself between two jaws—Russia and China. Were she to get into a foreign war, these jaws would certainly close."

"Russia has no intention of fighting Japan if she can help it. She is playing a waiting game—pushing steadily down thru Mongolia to establish contact with the Chinese. She knows that Japan can't keep a great army in the field indefinitely without going broke."

"The same is true with China. China retreats from any actual conflict, but compels Japan to keep large and expensive armies in the field. In the end, she knows that Japan will crack up financially under the strain."

Again, Lord Strabolgi emphasizes the fact that the soviet government is in the throes of economic reconstruction, and war would upset all their cherished plans.

"Japan is vulnerable. Her air force is not efficient, despite the

### OFFICIAL BULLETIN

Comenius Club.  
The Comenius club will meet at the home of Prof. and Mrs. Orin Stepanek Friday at 8 o'clock.

### PHI PSIS LOSE FINAL ROUND 10-15, 15-1, 11-15 Thursday.

The Alpha Gamma Rho volleyball team recovered from an attack of stage fright which possessed them throughout the first game of their match with the Phi Kappa Psi team in the volleyball finals Thursday night to capture the Intramural fraternity Volleyball crown two games to one. At the same time the Panthers and the Ag college Boarding club, rulers in all barb sports to date advanced into the finals of the barb tournament.

The A. G. R. team assumed an early lead in the first game of the final but seemed to suffer from overanxiousness and lost. The Phi Psis took the lead and ran out the game 15 to 10. In the second game the new champs recovered themselves and won the game before the Phi Psis could get started 15 to 1. They had a 14 to 0 lead at one time. In the third game the victors started out and amassed a 10 to 2 lead. Then the Phi Psis started a rally which ultimately brought the score to 12-11. Then the A. G. R. team won the game match and tournament by taking the final game 15 to 11.

The barb finals will take place Monday night.

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