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## What's Happened To It?

A BIT blunt, perhaps, but nevertheless rich in truth in today's student pulse contribution by P. L. who upbraids the board of regents for its attitude towards the proposed used book store sought by the student council last year. Also setting forth the dire need for improvement in the used book situation, but evidently written without knowledge of the council's efforts, is G. L.'s letter decrying the strain on the student pocketbook.

Both missives strike at an evil that has long been the bane of Nebraska students yet one which has for some reason defied and withstood assaults of successive student generations.

What was perhaps the strongest movement against the second hand book racket was launched last year when the student council, after conducting a nation-wide survey, opened a campaign for a university-owned and managed book store for Nebraska. Petitions asking the regents to establish such a store were circulated on the campus and were signed by more than 4,000 students, or almost four out of every five then enrolled. The signed petitions were then presented to the regents for action.

Inquiry at the end of the spring semester disclosed that the proposal had been referred to a sub-committee of the regents for action and students went home looking hopefully to this fall for favorable action.

But, from all that can be learned today, the project stands right where it did last spring except that the sub-committee apparently does not know that the book store proposal was to be considered. As a matter of fact, one regent actually did not know he was supposed to be on such a committee. A second had never heard of the book store. A third regretted that nothing had been done but promised to "look into the matter."

Here is an example of subterfuge of the first magnitude. Why the sham and pretense that something four-fifths of the student body asked for and desire will be considered if the regents will have none of it? Why smile benevolently and keep their hopes alive if the matter is doomed to defeat?

It is not that opposition to the plan was unexpected. But the student council thought it had the answer to adverse arguments. Used book exchanges, university-controlled, are in operation on too many campuses to brook the argument that one could not pay its way here. The surplus book problem had been solved through connections with a national exchange.

One administration official was quoted as being opposed to the plan because, as P. L. writes, "it would be almost impossible to find a capable manager." This far-fetched and feeble observation is such a poor and insupportable excuse as to bear no comment.

A second objection was that there are no housing facilities. But for a need as pressing as this, room could be found—if necessary in the basement of U hall where quarters now little utilized by student organizations could easily be converted into a book store. And beyond this, expense of constructing a small temporary frame building would not be prohibitive.

No one intends that the university shall invade the domain of private enterprise, which has also been mentioned as a possible objection. But sale of used books is definitely within the jurisdiction of the university, even as is that of chemicals and other materials and supplies which are used in the various courses and for which fees are charged.

The university has spread its protecting wings over students in the matter of student health. It has seen fit to give the student a discount on new books at the regent store. Why has this most pressing problem of used books been slighted, this business of reducing the huge gap between the price received by students for books and the subsequent resale figure?

Of course, if the university were in the used book business, some professors could not change their texts as often as they might like, and it is possible that certain royalties con-

cerning which there is much ugly rumor, might thus be cut off. But after all, they shouldn't mind for here is an opportunity to save the students, for whom the university was founded, thousands of dollars.

Students don't mind spending their money so much when they get value received, but paying much and receiving little is a very unappetizing menu. And that they are certainly dissatisfied with the present arrangement is indicated by their action in endorsing the book store proposal last spring.

The student body has presented simply but plainly what it sincerely feels to be a strong case for the establishment of a university used book store. But one answer to its petitions can be forthcoming if the regents act in behalf of student interest.

## 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 must be signed, but names will be withheld from publication if so desired.

### What's the Use? TO THE EDITOR:

Last year I signed a petition circulated by the Student Council, aimed to establish a co-operative bookstore on the campus. I didn't sign it because a friend asked me or because it might make an activity man of my fraternity brother; I signed it because after three years of getting stung I wanted to get a square deal on my books.

Fellows at the house were for the plan, and a bunch of us kept our books over the summer instead of selling them, to take advantage of the decent prices we could get at the student bookstore next fall. When we got back up here, we read that the board of regents had lost the names of 4,000 students—far more than half the university population—in some subcommittee, but that further action was useless since the majority seemed against it.

The interest of the board of regents in governing the university is supposed to lie with the interests of the students and the state. If it will be to the disadvantage of any student, or any of the parents in the state to allow us a decent price on second hand books, then we don't want the bookstore.

This is one proposition that the students have put squarely up to the board of regents, and they have failed miserably in realizing any sense of duty—even fairness in considering the plan at least. To discard a proposition that will save the students thousands of dollars yearly simply because "it would be almost impossible to find an efficient manager," either means they haven't the initiative to sign a bill or are placing other interests above that of our university.

The fellows at the house simply pass it over with "Nobody was ever able to get the board of regents to do anything anyway," which is about the same attitude that the board itself has. But I think it's about time someone asked the regents just who they're working for, and be able to expect at least a courteous reply.

P. L.

### The Book Racket. TO THE EDITOR:

For the past two or three weeks, the bookstores have been doing a rushing business. Herds of students come out arms laden but with purses much lightened. At the last of the semester, those same students will be coming back with those same books and if exception ally lucky, will receive approximately half of what they paid for them.

After paying out about \$20 in a lump, one begins to wonder just whom such an outlay is benefitting. It is only too apparent to the student that it is not himself alone. Unless he is a professional student, he will hardly glance into an old text—some of them having unpleasant memories of past tortures.

For anyone who really wants to study, there are all sorts of books available without cost. The university itself has a large library with six or eight branches scattered over the campus. In the city are also the city library with its branch libraries, the State House library, and the library of the Nebraska Historical society.

Many courses require outside library readings covering exactly the same material as the text. For such a course the buying of a textbook should not be made compulsory. In several courses giving only two or three hour credit, the cost of the books amounts to \$8 or \$10 and there is so much outside reading required that one scarcely has time to read the text at all.

One remedy for this situation lies with the publishers. Why could they not put out a special edition of books written on cheap paper and with paper covers at a much lower cost? If a student still wanted a nicely bound copy for his permanent library, he could buy one.

It would also be less expensive to the student if the instructor did not change books so often. There are some courses in which the books are changed every year. Of course, one likes the latest information on the subject, but there is seldom enough new material written or discovered in such a short time to justify changing books so often. Surely this plan is not unfeasible, and it would be worth while trying something of the sort.

G. L.

### AG COLLEGE 4-H CLUB HEARS FRISBIE TALK

Social Functions Planned At Organization's First Session.

The Ag college-University 4-H club, an organization of former 4-H members met recently in Ag hall to discuss their plans for the season. L. I. Frisbie, state leader of 4-H clubs, spoke to the group on the organization and results of the 4-H club program throughout the state.

In addition to numerous social functions planned for the early season with the aim of increasing membership, the club plans a city-wide program for next spring to

increase general interest in 4-H club work. The next regular meeting will be held Oct. 24, at Ag hall, and all former 4-H members are invited to be present.

**DAILY NEBRASKAN BEGINS CAMPAIGN FOR CAMPUS PEP**  
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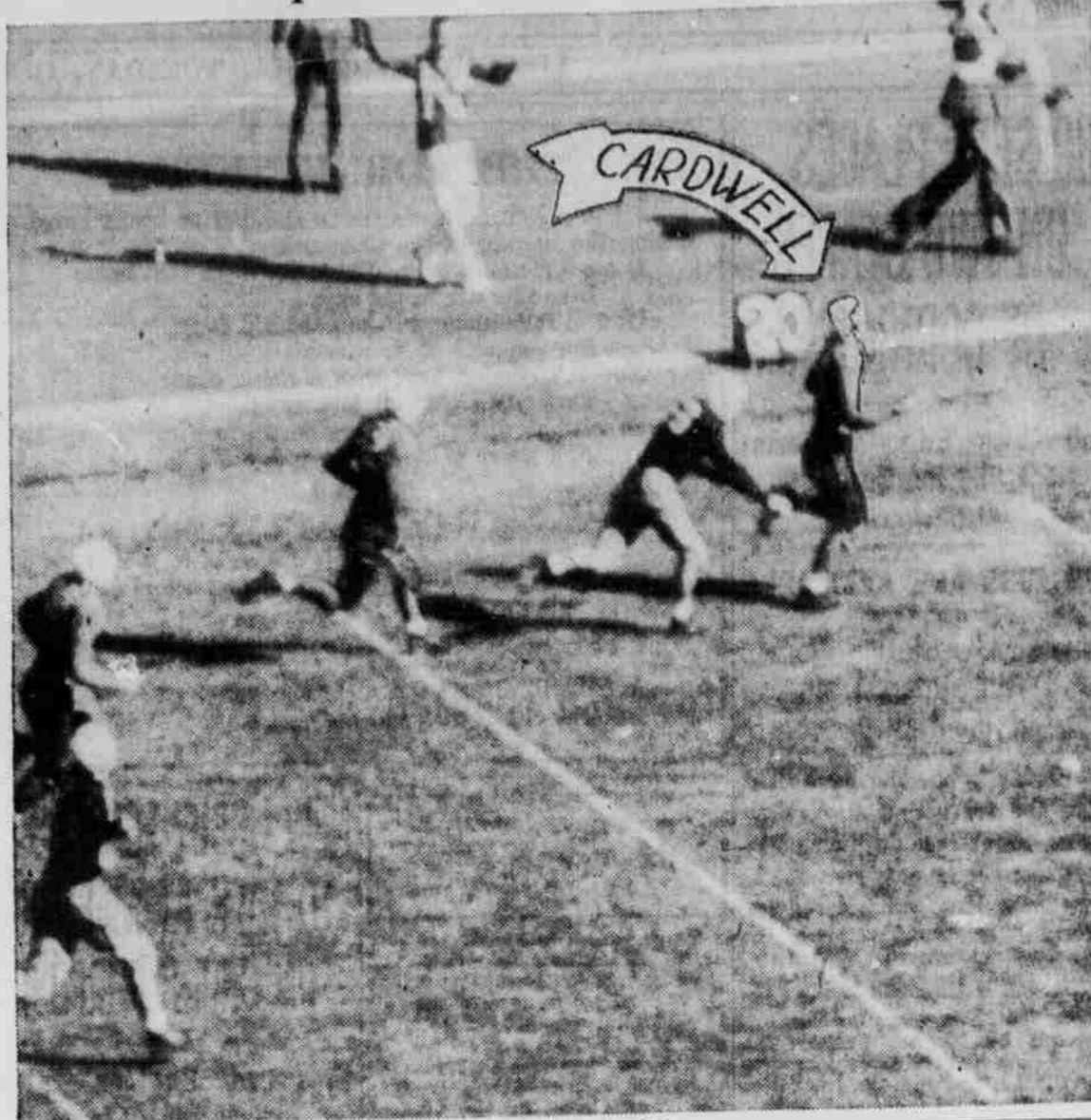
in chief. It is hoped thru the publication of these cheers and songs to acquaint every university student with the chants of the Scarlet and Cream. Ignorance of the traditional yells has been blamed somewhat by the pep clubs for the absence of any united cheering effort at the Chicago game last Saturday.

"The Corn Cobs and Tassels

alone cannot cheer for the entire school," Fischer pointed out; "they can only lead and set an example for the students to follow." By familiarizing the campus, especially the freshmen, with these songs, we hope that the students will take advantage of their newfound knowledge and display cheering at the next game which Nebraska can be proud of," he stated.

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### CABINET HEADS BEGIN ACTIVE WORK TUESDAY

Y. W. C. A. Workers May Report at Activities Tea Thursday.

Cabinet heads of the Y. W. C. A. announced Monday that staffs and commission groups will begin active work, Tuesday, October 1. All girls interested are asked to report to Miss Mildred Green's office in Ellen Smith hall, or at the All-Activities Tea, Thursday, Oct. 3.

- Staff chairmen, their staffs, and schedules are:
- 1. Caroline Kile—Vespers—Thurs.
  - 2. Jeanne Palmer—Program and Office—Tues.—4.
  - Gayle Caley—Finance—Wed.—5.
  - Eleanor Clizbe—Membership—Thurs.—12.
  - Margaret Philippe—Vesper Choir—Thurs.—5.
  - Beth Taylor—Publications—time to be arranged.
  - Dorothy Beers—Social—Mon.—12.
  - Rowena Swanson—Social Action—Wed.—5.
  - Jane Keefe—International—Tues.—2.
  - Doris Weaver—Poster—Tues.—4.
  - 4. Anne Pickett—Freshman Commissions—Mon.—12.
  - Theodora Lohrmann—World Forum—time to be arranged.
  - Freshman commission leaders are:

- Katherine Winkvist—Tues.—3.
- Loreen Adelsack—Tues.—11.
- Caroline Kile—Wed.—4.
- Betty Paine—Wed.—4.
- Elaine Pickett—Thurs.—4.
- Elsie Shonka—Wed.—5.
- Marian Rolland—Tues.—4.
- Betty Cherny—Tues.—3.
- Theodora Lohrmann—Tues.—4.
- Hazel Bradstreet—Tues.—1.

### MUSIC SORORITIES ENTERTAIN AT TEA

50 Women Meet Members Of Professional Groups.

Approximately fifty women music students attended the music panhellenic tea given Sunday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock at Ellen Smith hall. The purpose of the tea was to afford women students the opportunity of meeting members of the professional music sororities.

An hour musicale was followed by the tea at which Miss Amanda

Heppner, dean of women, poured. Decorations were carried out in green and lavender. Arrangements were made by the three professional women's music sororities, Mu Phi Epsilon, of which Irene Reimers is president; Delta Omicron, headed by Vera Mae Peterson and Sigma Alpha Iota, with Lois Rathburn in charge.

Dr. Joseph E. Alexis, chairman of the department of German languages, has been invited to speak at the Lief Erickson banquet at Vermillion, S. D., Oct. 9.

### OFFICIAL BULLETIN

**Alexis to Speak.**  
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**Fresh Meeting.**  
There will be a meeting of all freshman girls and all big and little sisters in Ellen Smith hall Tuesday evening from 7 to 8. Hobby group leaders will be announced and new students will be told about the groups.

**Lutheran Bible Class.**  
Lutheran students will meet for Bible study with Rev. H. Erik Wednesday evening Oct. 2, at 7 o'clock in room 203 of the Temple building.

**Team Managers Report.**  
All sophomores interested in becoming student managers of the football team should report to Jack Mohr in the East Stadium at 3:00 o'clock any afternoon this week.

**N Club.**  
"N" club members will convene Wednesday evening in the coliseum for a dinner and meeting. The dinner is scheduled for 6:15 p. m.

**Chevrolet to Show Films.**  
Movie films of the Chevrolet Motor Company will be shown to students in the engineering college on Tuesday evening, Oct. 15, according to an announcement by Dean O. J. Ferguson.

We call our rich relatives the kin we love to touch.

### EDUCATORS TO GATHER AT OKLAHOMA NOV. 14

Prominent Speakers Slated For Southwestern Conference.

NORMAN, Okl., Sept. 30. (Special). Celebrating Dr. W. B. Bizzell's tenth year as president of the University of Oklahoma, prominent educators from all over the country will gather on the Sooner campus Nov. 14 to 16 for the Southwestern Conference on Higher Education.

Approximately 3,000 invitations and programs have been mailed to all sections of the United States. "The conference will be the most significant gathering of national figures ever assembled in the state," Dr. Charles M. Perry, general conference chairman, said.

Well known leaders in the fields of social science, literature, art and education will appear on the program. Prominent speakers at the session on creative arts will include John Gould Fletcher, famous poet; Sara Gertrude Knott, director of the National Folk Festival; Henry Smith, associate editor of the Southwest Review, Dallas, Tex.; Haniel Long, well known poet; and John Ankeney, painter.

Speakers on educational topics are Dr. Boyd H. Bode, Ohio State university; Radoslav A. Tsanoff, Rice institute; David Y. Thomas, University of Arkansas; Homer LeRoy Shantz, president of the University of Arizona; William F. Ogburn, University of Chicago; W. H. Cowley, Ohio State university; Isaac Lippincott and Frank J. Bruno, both of Washington university.

Governor E. W. Marland will be one of the speakers at the concluding dinner of the conference. Other speakers at the dinner will be Thomas H. Benton, famous painter; Dr. Lotus Delta Coffman, president of the University of Minnesota; and Kathryn McHale, general director of the American Association of University Women.

### C.E. Society to Meet Next Thursday Night

The Chemical Engineering society will commence its years activities Thursday evening, Oct. 3 with a meeting at the Grand hotel. The organization's officers urge all members to be present. A program is being arranged for the evening.

## RAMBLINGS and PAUSES by Rob Laurens

SIDELIGHT on the ballyhooed glamorous, glitterous, sinferous life of the chorus girl—Variety—"Remains of Josephine Leonard, former chorus girl, which remained unclaimed at the morgue for 12 days, rescued at the last moment by Grace Evans, who will provide burial." But then, probably she doesn't know—or if she does perhaps it's rather immaterial.

FROM recent reports it seems that soon you will no longer be forced to endure the unbroken monotony of long train rides through very tiresome country. The Trans-Lux Moving Picture corporation plans to make tests soon over short distance runs in the east. All mechanical requirements have been met, and equipment and details successfully proven so perhaps soon you will be able to lean back in your Pullman and indulge an idle hour or so by allowing your fancies to roam free and unfettered through fields of flickering emotions hand in hand with your favorite emotor.

Outside disturbances of course, will be neutralized; the silence of the night may throbb, night animals may lift their lamented skyward with all the emphasis they see fit, the wheels on the rails may chant their endless rhyme—you will be invulnerable and oblivious, blissfully so. True, you may be forced to listen to the accompanying discourse of kindred souls sitting near you, as they express their appreciative ecstasy in stirring tone gymnastics—but in time perhaps that, too, can be remedied. Then—what unalloyed bliss as you sweep through the miles!

YOU really take your entertainment much too lightly, you know. Too much for granted, as it were, without taking into consideration the many things that have made it possible. For instance, there is the forthcoming Harold Lloyd starrer, "The Milky Way," for which Paramount is trying to arrange with the Dionne quintts. If negotiations are successful, you will see not only Harold Lloyd, but will gaze in rapt wonder at the little pink fingers and toes and various other accoutrements of these five new dimpled additions thrust on an unsuspecting artistic world.

You will gurgle with them and go with them, all unthinking of the powers that made this possible. Harold Lloyd, with proper sound and production equipment would have to fly to Callender, Ontario. The quintts are under the Canadian government, so the question of foreign not legal experts must be consulted to ascertain just what taxation laws will cover the situation, what aspects of export and import, foreign labor, capitalistic aggression over the rights of private citizens, compensation rates, exchange of governmental courtesy, and many other such burning issues of the day will be concerned.

Behind these is the essential fact that upon a certain day a slightly bewildered mother and father gazed into the faces of five new additions to the family board and felt that, surely, something unusual had happened. And behind this, the failure of the rest of the race to propagate thru the ages in such a manner as to make this an everyday occurrence to be tossed off with a casual—"Huh, that's nothing." All these things have entered into your presenting a shiny two-bit piece, more or less at the window and sitting enthralled while the masterpiece unrolls.

THOSE are just a few of the obstacles met in building such a film. There are many such hardships lying heavily on the heads that wear the crowns of "yander." Another example is the fact that you, the people, have shown very definitely your approval for various singers, familiarly known as canaries. This, too, at present, is causing faint stirrings in various crown racks at Paramount Studio.

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