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Sport Or Business?

TOMORROW Dana X. Bible's Cornhuskers go out to meet one of the toughest foes of the season. There will be few rooters at Pittsburgh to cheer for the Nebraska eleven as it battles its strong opponent, but there will be plenty of people here who will anxiously await the outcome of the game.
Yet for many "loyal" Nebraskans there will be another reason besides that of wanting to see the old alma mater win which will glue them to their seats and make them anxiously await each new score as it comes over the radio. They will be wondering whether or not that bet that they placed will win or lose them the money which it is hoped will make their Thanksgiving a merrier one.

Much has been said and written about the commercialization of college football from the standpoint of team management and subsidization of players. There is still something to be said and written about the fans who eagerly hunt "bookie" offices to discover the best way to make a few dollars erase the total on the red side of the ledger.

Unfortunately this aspect of college football is not a sport with a great many people; it's a business. A quarter or a dollar from a Nebraskan saying that LaNoue will wriggle past that line for the first touchdown is sport. Ten dollars saying that Pittsburgh will beat Nebraska is business.

Careful survey of the betting agencies will show that odds of 5 to 2 and 12 to 5 for Pittsburgh are being offered. Or you can bet even money if you give 7 points and take Pittsburgh.

Now, if you're a business man and have some ready cash, you can probably wangle yourself a little spending money by taking advantage of the experience and knowledge of these men and placing your bet on the other team.

The Nebraskan does not take it upon itself to criticize betting. We only ask whether or not that student who bets against his own team can be truly pulling for that team. Is it impossible to suppose that though he'd like to see Nebraska win, he'd also hate to lose the \$5 he's placed on the other squad? Those persons who regard betting as a business are probably not those who would be glad to lose a little money just to see the Scarlet and Cream come through with colors flying.

In both news and editorial columns the Nebraskan has attempted this year to stress the importance of building up the Cornhusker spirit, not only in sports, but in all projects which the university or any group within the university undertakes. To bet against the Biblesmen is hardly a good sample of the spirit of loyalty which ought to enliven the student body.

Football should be sport. We want to give our team all the encouragement and support of which we are capable. If you knew your classmates were betting against you would you feel like going out to win or die for dear old Rugby? You would not. You'd feel like telling the Monday morning quarterbacks to go out and win their own game.

It's not entirely discouraging to hear about the alum from a nearby town who came to the Husker-Gopher tilt with \$100 bet on Minnesota. He lived in a rather small town and by the time the game had rolled around there was no one in the place who was on speaking terms with him. He must have had a dreary trip down here, sitting among Husker rooters, frowned on, alone. He had his hundred dollars, he could glory in his astute discernment, but he didn't have fun; he didn't know what "sport" meant. There were enough real football enthusiasts left in that place, that his action, wise though it may have been, must have given him little pleasure.

Those who want to make money should stick to dice or horse racing. Let the real sports, the real fans, the real Cornhuskers bet on Nebraska to win every time.

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.

A Vital

Need.

TO THE EDITOR:

It is a thrilling experience to visit a large university in the heat of action. Every available parking space is occupied all day, and much of it well into the night. The general appearance is that of an enormous automobile factory working at top speed, with all its products on outdoor exhibition.

A gong rings in each building. At once the walks are swarming with enthusiastic, hurrying youth, making the shortest route to some other building. They all appear to definitely

know where they are going, how long is required to cover the distance, the speed they must make, and to have a general idea what may be acquired upon reaching the destination.

But does the objective end there? The need for a keen training toward objectives for youth is at high tide. To be busily absorbed in a college education, or in a technical training, with never an eye to the future is like driving a car blindfolded. One would need to be alone in the Sahara desert as a highway to proceed safely. Yet even a blind man may drive with comparative safety if his companion guide be alert, and if the guide carefully direct the way.

Are college students enrolled mostly for the thrill of college, for society and the social uplift, for the activities, and are they being unintentionally taught and permitted to "take no thought for the morrow"? Are they copying our national plan, and preparing each day as it comes and for the present only, or do they see, through recent past history and experiences that they must prepare themselves for tremendous adjustments in the not so far future, nationally, educationally, and technically?

A four year education will no longer last a lifetime. Life requires more adjustment and change during the post-college years than during college, or in the pre-college days. Never has there been so vital a necessity for looking forward, particularly to the college man and woman. And childhood days have passed when we enter college.

College days are the days for viewing from the intellectual mountain tops, when one should be guided into his proper and fitting highway of life. These are the few short days, although they may seem long, when the privilege of higher education becomes the student's privilege of visioning what the world may be doing during his next fifty years, and what place he may be occupying in them.

An objective-minded student means a busy student. It means a student who is learning what to do with himself, and why he is concerned with these activities, and where they will lead him. An objective is good. It is a necessity to a college student. J. G.

"The measure of a man's real character is what he would do if he knew he would never be found out."—Macaulay.

TIME AND TIDE ABROAD

by
BOB ZIMMERMAN

Among the various sanctions about which we are, as presumably good American citizens should be, concerned, is the economic sanction against belligerent Italy and Ethiopia. And as good American citizens, we should question now the United States may remain neutral and still carry on trade with either of the two belligerents. A similar query has arisen and answers from the state and executive departments have been proclaimed and reiterated from time to time, but in terms of appellate restrictions or appeals to American citizens to abide by the proclamations on the basis of their sense of duty and reason.

How beautiful this may sound in the ears of Mr. Big Business! The arms embargo declaration, of course, precludes the misinterpretation that might arise from the ambiguous statement to the effect that transactions with the belligerents on the part of American citizens are "at their own risk."

To us ordinary onlookers who have a sense of judgment, the neutrality declaration is the only alternative for the Americans to follow. We substantiate our judgment by referring to our national economic and geographic situation. Geographically, we are immune from most types of pernicious aerial attacks, and generally speaking we are isolated to such a degree that any military exploitation by serious powers would be impossible.

But strictly speaking, from our economic position, we are one of the three most self-sufficient nations in the world, competing only with Russia and Great Britain in this respect. Therein is our reason for supporting an edict of state for neutrality; that our "status quo" is such that allows us to remain aloof from it all. But Great Britain, although her "status quo" is satisfactory, must protect her empire, and in so doing she must know the position of America. It behooves us then to avoid discriminations so we declare that we are to remain neutral.

Now just what does Mr. Big Business think about avoiding transactions, other than those of munitions, etc. for war purposes, with the belligerents? It is difficult enough to keep business within the realm of equitable transactions even in time of peace, and it stands to reason, and experience, that Big Business, even at its own risk, will not see its opportunity to make a few extra dollars shattered, especially when Uncle Sam is so generous in appealing to his sense of duty.

In short, someone's cornflakes or candy bars will or might become flotsam and jetsam in some foreign sea. Who would argue against the possibility? England must protect her empire, and the Italians are illiterate and short-sighted enough to misread or mistake the name of some American ship, and down with Paul Jones, or is it Davy, it would go. As a result, we the people will man the boats and go fishing, in military style, for the cornflakes and candy bars, merely because Mr. Big Business interprets "at his own risk" as "do as he pleases."

Insofar as Uncle Sam is able to enforce his declaration of neutrality we are safe; insofar as business is transacted with the belligerents, "at its own risk," we are in danger, due to the evident fact that Mr. Big Business, his selfish interests, his listless intercourse with the government, and his tenacity toward profits preclude his strict adherence to governmental restrictions.

"No man has a good enough memory to make a successful liar."—Abraham Lincoln.
"Blessed is he who has found his life work. Let him ask no other blessedness. He has a life purpose."—Thomas Carlyle.

P. K. A.'S DOWN PHI SIG SOCCER TEAM BY 3-0

Model Water Polo Game to Be Played Friday at Coliseum.

Pi Kappa Alpha gained revenge for their recent defeat at the hands of Acacia by downing Phi Sigma Kappa Thursday with the score of 3 to 0. Burney, Rapp, and Tichy kicked the goals late in the game, after the teams had fought an even match for three quarters. Lambda Chi Alpha forfeited their game to the Kappa Sigma team.

Immediately after the close of the soccer schedule, the intramural water polo and the rifle shoot will be held. Deadline for the filings of fraternities in these sports is noon on Wednesday, Nov. 20. A general letter explaining the polo and shooting has been sent all fraternities already. Another letter about the rifle shoot will follow.

A model game of water polo will be held at 7:30 Friday, Nov. 21, at the coliseum pool, between two of the outstanding polo teams of last

year. All fraternities are urged to attend this exhibition. "Last year many teams were potentially powerful, but lost because they didn't understand the game. I will be at this game to explain the finer points and the rules to the fraternities," declared Rollie Horny, of the intramural office.

575 WOMEN ATTEND COED COUNCIL PARTY IN GRANT MEMORIAL

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Irene Remmers entertained the group by playing southern melodies such as "Old Black Joe" on the piano. Waitresses who were selected from the Coed Counselor membership wore red bandanas to further carry out the party theme. Special Guests Attend.

Special guests who attended the Coed Counselor party were Miss Elsie Ford Piper and Miss Letta Clark, sponsors of the organization; Miss Amanda Heppner, dean of women; Miss Mildred Green, Y. W. C. A. secretary, Mrs. Ada Westover, assistant to the dean of

women and Miss Mabel Lee, head of the physical education department. Chairman who planned and took charge of the event include Doris Weaver, posters and decorations; Marjorie Bannister, program; Gladys Klopp, food; Jean Marvin, waitresses; Erma Bauer, tickets, and Rowena Swenson, general arrangements and closing tables.

FRIDAY DEADLINE ON COLL-AGRI-FUN REVIEW ENTRIES

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Interest of the action rather than originality. Copyrighted plays are acceptable.
6. Each skit accepted and presented in at least two rehearsals and the night of Coll-Agri-Fun

will receive \$2. Each curtain act will receive \$1 under the same conditions. Each of the two high skits will be awarded \$5. The two high curtain acts will be awarded \$2.50 if deemed worthy by the official judges.
7. Upon request of any group, a member of the Coll-Agri-Fun board will be designated to attend a rehearsal and make such suggestions as may seem helpful.

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