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Virtue vs. Appetite.

THOROUGHLY disheartening but fairly analytical was Dr. E. A. Gilmore's address to the university's eagerly expectant group of high honor students and others in attendance possessed of the avowed purpose of gleaning all bits of inspiration offered. If ever there was an occasion for spurring youth to greater efforts, it would seem that this was the time. Evidently it was not. With the presentation of a "take life as it is" philosophy, because human nature is not capable of betterment, Doctor Gilmore struck rather fiercely at "centralization" and "too much government." With his ideas on "too much government" the Nebraskan is fully in accord, for the obvious reason that when there is "too much government" there is quite naturally "too much government."

The founders of the constitution did not aim at freedom from physical suffering, declares Doctor Gilmore. Using this as the theme for his entire text he goes on to say that "in these clamors against constitutional restraints someone pathetically cries, 'You cannot eat the constitution.' After all what's a constitution when stomachs are involved." This Doctor Gilmore characterized as a "purely materialistic attitude" and continued: "But constitutional integrity may require enduring the pangs of an empty stomach. It is easy to surrender liberty and integrity for temporary physical relief. Freedom from physical suffering was not the objective of the founders of our institutions."

Certainly freedom from physical suffering was not the objective of the founders of our institutions. But this is where Doctor Gilmore's analogy falls short. When the constitution was drawn up almost any man seeking livelihood could obtain it. Vast, unexploited resources and a great frontier made it possible for an individual to establish a home. It required diligence, patience, and the sufferings of great hardships, but ultimate economic security at that time was hardly a problem. While luxuries were almost unobtainable, starvation was equally rare. It was upon this misconception that based his talk. Different times exist now. The former problem of "liberty" has evolved itself into one of "liberty vs. economic security."

Dr. Gilmore says "appetite is never a substitute for virtue." Well spoken, but who ever heard of virtue being an adequate substitute for appetite? That is the problem of today. Cassius was a lean and hungry man. Few men, no matter what theory they espouse over a well-filled "pouch," will die a saintly death rather than partake of the delicious "apple." Condemning human nature for the cause of all our troubles, fearing human nature in government in any large scale, Doctor Gilmore believes this same human nature will substitute virtue for appetite. Here it seems that reality needs entrance; practicality should lead the way. Philosophy and theory will not gain much consideration from a man with hunger gnawing at his belly. In overlooking this Doctor Gilmore is neglecting, all to slightly, much of the reason for the chaos in the world today.

PEACE, contentment, and a happy home are not the lot of a hungry man. Submission to ills will not correct them. Fear will not overcome existing evils. Had the Wright brothers stopped flying after their first failure, air transportation of today would be much more elementary than it now is. Doctor Gilmore uses history to prove that human nature changes very little and that we should therefore try to get along with as little government as possible. By reference to that same history it would be equally easy to show that governments have been overthrown, lost their powers, degenerated into corruption and nothingness because they failed to take cognizance of human beings, their trials, tribulations, and vicissitudes. Only those for the moment secure ran the government and they were not interested in the sufferings of others, thus their overthrow. If history must be used as an authority then let's use it authoritatively.

Instead of wholeheartedly blaming human nature and then calling it "quits" it would seem that additional effort is really needed. Modern developments in the handling of criminals and irresponsible juveniles has shown that by the use of the proper environment, correctly applied progress can be made in the better rehabilitation of human beings. It would seem that instead of disheartening students Doctor Gilmore could have pointed the way toward greater achievement by inspiring them to work for improvement of our social sciences and arts. He should rather encourage them to more vigorously attack existing evils, advance civilization and not to accept outmoded ideas.

True, the constitution was a "deliberate choice," but it was the "deliberate choice" of 150 years ago. By this the Nebraskan does not wish to imply that the constitution is not worthy of keeping but rather that it is the greater because it is WORTHY OF CORRECTION.

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'LA MATERNELLE' APPEARS HERE

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located. Jean Benoit-Levy, director, looked upon 250 waifs and gutter-urchins of Paris, before he found fifty or sixty who work thru the film. His marvelous discovery was eleven-year-old Paullette. Eileen, Bert, whose whole tragic life has been lived in the slums. In the play this ad-eyed little girl is the daughter of a streetwalker whose fortunes vary with the men who pick her up in the smoky dives of Montmartre. By day she is one of the hundreds of little waifs who stream into the gates of the day-nursery, La Maternelle, in the morning and out again at night. But with the darkness come the terrors of night alone in a garret, or of being dragged to some bawdy den of casual lovers by her mother.

Marie Seeks Affection.

Her starved heart hungers for affection, and when one night her mother disappears, little Marie fastens herself to Rose, the new maid at the day-nursery. Rose, who is the educated daughter of a business man who failed and committed suicide, takes the little girl into her heart and her room. For a time little Marie beams with happiness, until again all is dashed by the fact that she sees young Dr. Libois embrace Rose and take her away from the school. Thus left alone a second time, little Marie runs from the school to the docks. There high above her, looms a bridge where two figures embrace. They are reflected in the water below. She leans over to throw a heavy stone at the reflection that will shatter the hated image, and falls in.

Scene Touching.

She is rescued and revived. And then, in a scene touching as anything ever filmed, the little outcast discovers the doctor and Rose are to be married and plan to take her into their hearts and home. But as the New York Morning Telegraph described it, "It is not the story that makes the picture. It is the tender heart-breaking scenes of the day-nursery—the children, scrubby-faced, dredged up from the gutters of Paris, coming into contact with love and kindness for the first time in their lives. There is that little boy who didn't know how to smile, there is that other little boy who stole a wilted flower from a garbage can to give to Rose, there is that little girl who locked the door on her drunken father."

"Baloney" declares Snedley Butler, is what antiwar strikes amount to. "The only way," he declares, "to prevent war is to put the fear of God into the hearts of your bloody congressmen."

"Organize, sure," he admitted, "but you have to do more than talk. Get out petitions and frighten your senators and your president to death with them. The only thing they fear is public opinion."

RADIO REVIEW

Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians are in Boston for a week's vaudeville engagement, and their weekly program will be heard from there tonight at 8:30 over KOIL through facilities of station WBZ. The entire Waring group, including the Lane Sisters, "Pokey" McClintock, Gene Conklin, Fernie, the Waring violinist, Tom Waring, Stella and the Fellas and Johnny "Scat" Davis made the trip. Fred will feature the songs of M. L. T. and Harvard, Rosmary Lane and the lead club will be heard in a special Waring orchestration of "Little Girl Blue" from "Jumbo."

Benny Fields, after taking several curtain falls at the CBS playhouse in New York following a "Ziegfeld Follies" broadcast, merrily recalled an incident when he and his wife, Blossom Seeley, were playing a vaudeville engagement. The applause was so tremendous at the end of their act that they could not leave the stage. Behind the glare of the footlights they kept bowing until the manager finally ran out. "That's not for you," cried he. "The president of the United States just entered a box."

Now radio has its own list of "best dressed women." They are, according to the Fashion Academy of New York, Jane Pickens, NBC soloist and member of the famous Pickens sisters trio; Harriet Hilliard, star singer of Ozzie Nelson's program, and Jessica Dragonette, who also holds the title of "Radio Queen of 1935." This game of picking the best dressed men and women in this or that has gotten to be as common as picking an all America football team. Everybody thinks they have the only selections that should be considered.

Hollywood Hotel makes another appearance tonight featuring music, comedy, and gossip of the movie stars. As usual Luella Parsons will present a short sketch from a motion picture now in production featuring the same actors as will appear in the picture.

DANCE BANDS TONIGHT: Over KOIL there is the College Prom at 7:30, Fred Waring at 8:30, and the King of Swing, Benny Goodman at 10. Goodman will play for a half hour and then switch over to WOW for another half hour, which means a good hour of perfect dance music. Emil Coleman comes on at 10:30. Over WOW there is Henry Bussey at 10:15, Benny Goodman at 10:30, and that well colored band of Fletcher Henderson's at 11.

COCHRAN OPENS N. S. F. A MEETING THURSDAY NIGHT

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Tom Neblett, national N. S. F. A. president, requesting the group to reconsider approval of the N. Y. A. as voted recently in a national convention at Kansas City. Previously in favor of the youth act, Neblett has now reversed his stand, according to the telegram.

Stover Opens Discussion.

John Stover, of Nebraska, opened the round table discussions immediately after the opening session, by leading the group in exchanging opinions concerning campus politics. The body passed a much argued resolution to the effect that "All women students be urged to take as active and equal a part in campus politics as men." The motion was lost, which stated that, "We should as a body favor campus politics to be highly organized with large expense permitted."

The K. U. delegation praised campus political parties as training grounds for similar exploits in real life. On the contrary John Landis of Nebraska, declared that campus politics involve too much mud slinging, and participating "too much for the sport of it" to be of any real value in actual campaigning.

Frank Allen was leader of the urgent problem of the honor system, as an experiment in American universities and colleges. Concluding that the honor system is generally impossible, the body went on record as unanimously opposing "The widely used articulated grading system, feeling that it results in false standards and extensive cheating, so undermining the system." In the following discussion Jim Polkenhorn of K. U. stated that he feels student attitude and the present curriculum is at fault, not the grading system.

The body finally passed the resolution of favoring the honor system. "Provided a more progressive change in secondary schools can be accomplished, and a less articulate grading system adopted."

Arnold Levin, chairman of Nebraska's student council committee on university publicity, led the concluding round table discussion on the function of the student body in releasing school news.

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