

#### Icebergs Important to Titanic—And Coeds

After we had saved the world concerning Christmas shopping and seeing the Military ball pre-sentation, some erstwhile reader disgustedly exclaimed "Pretty soon you'll be pulling a Mary Lane!" And, by golly, that dole-ful day may not be so far away. Cards like the one which follows, received just the other day, fairly demand an open answer:

"Dear S. L. "Dear S. L.
"We the People have a proberlem. Would you please answer it in your column. It is the following: Can one not be an ice-berg and be an ice-berg at the same time? This has been worrying us since our last blind date. What an argument we're having. Phew!

"Love and kisses, "A Quandaried Coed". So mark, you-all, the debut of "Sary Lane," her maiden love-lorn letter being on the teeberg situa-tion. But fer gawd's sake, don't leave her out in the cold too long. Dear Q. C .:

The green ink in which you set forth your query leads me to the impression that you are the original iceberg wool gath-erers—you the People. Actually, aithough your self-styled quan-dary is not exactly an innova-tion upon the face of the earth, the "proberlem" it represents is a question that descends upon every girl sometime—utterly new. The fact that thousands of other coeds have made, are mak-ing, have yet to make a deci-sion on the same worriment means nothing to you. You are different and this is purely per-sonal. Thus is life,

If you are a typical coed, you probably already know your side of the question—as of the blind date allusion. But you also know that your eventual mind on the matter depends on something other than your own ideas. You are reserving final judgment on the subject until you have determined the collegian attitude on the subject. How college boys feel about icebergs is the most interesting material on the field for

both boys and girls.
You know, probably, as well as I do, that the lads are not unanimous in their dealings with the iceberg situation. There are some, I guess, that would never push you to a defensive freezing point. There are many who believe that there are no genu-

believe that there are no genuine loebergs; they are sure that
"There isn't a girl on earth who
can't be had." And the "better
boys" do a pretty good job of
bearing out their contentions.
Between these rightist and leftlst caups is a vast army of middle
grounders. Some haven't, most
have and they may or may not. I
think you follow me. For the manot, get just about what they want. will never be hot even when filled

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## MORTAR BOARD SIGNS FLOYD RAY

# PLAYERS TO OPEN IN 'PENNY WISE' TOMORROW NIGHT

Betty Widener Leads Cast Of Six in Refreshing, Novel Comedy.

"Penny Wise," the comedy se-lected by the University Players for their December appearance, will open its first night Monday, at the Temple theater, starring Betty Widener, and showing thru Saturday evening with a Saturday mat-

cast of six includes John Gaeth, in the role of Gordon Chase, Penny's playwright husband who has the happy faculty of sliding from one affair to another with rapidity. The ex-mistresses who appear on the scene to fill the comedy with cracks and quips and keep the pace fast are roles filled by Ruth Wan Slyke, Helen Rice, and Flora Albin, Arthur Ball wift be seen as the water commissioner of the town, Mr. Dunn, and Don

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# UNION GETS FIRST UNIT ON CAMPUS

University Lets Contracts For Installation of \$22,480 System.

Just last Friday afternoon con-tracts were let for the installation of an air-conditioning unit in the

Student Union building.

After studying bids submitted
Thursday morning, the board of
regents approved the bid of the Natkin Engineering company of Omaha to supply a 198-ton cooling system for \$22,480, the Newberg and Bookstrom of Lincoln bid of \$16,900 for installation and piping, and the Natkin bid of \$3,-140 for cooling coils. They also approved the bid of Summerour & Devine of Kansas City of \$4,950 on electric lighting fixtures.

jority of these guys the deciding only building on the campus that factor is the girl. We might just as will be completely air-conditioned. factor is the girl. We might just as well cast aside all Victorian pictures of womanhood assailed and betrayed. Girls today, happily or right temperature, the ballroom

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### litary Ball Presents Jane Walcott Colonel

Pageant Honors Engineer, vited to attend the ceremonies, but Artillery Unit; Dance Opens Formal Season.

Stepping forth from the doors of an improvised castle on the coliseum stage, Jane Walcott of Lincoln was revealed Honorary Col-onel of the twenty-ninth annual Military Ball of the university Friday night. A crowd of more than 6,000 persons watched as Miss Walcott, escorted by Cadet Colonel William Crittenden, left the stage to begin a round of the

main floor under a shining arch of sabers formed by cadet officers. The theme of the presentation ceremony was designed as a formal welcome for the new engineer and artillery units. Behind the castle from which Miss Walcott entrance curtain displayed guidons with the insignia of the three branches of the R. O. T. C. at Nebraska. Flanking the castle, the engineer insignia, were the crossed guns of the artillery.

Pershing Rifle Drill.

The ceremony began at 9:15 with a crack squad drill by Riflemen. following Pershing which a number of cadets took part in an elaborate pageant depicting the history of the R. O. T. C. unit at Nebraska from the time of its inception in 1876. At one point during the pageant, the picture of General John J. Pershing was displayed beside that of the Chancellor. He had been in-

#### PROF, POOL TO ADDRESS **VESPER SERVICE TODAY**

Cathedral Choir Stages Second Program in Cornhusker.

At the second vesper service of the year held in the Cornhusker ballroom Sunday afternoon, Dr. Raymond Pool will give the meditation and scripture reading. The Cathedral choir will present the vesper music with instrumental music of the Lincoln string quartet furnishing a background. The service starts at 5:30 p. m.

was detained in Washington on business. Miss Mae Pershing, his sister, read a brief message from the general, however.

Following the presentation, the new Honorary Colonel reviewed the grand march of the cadet officers and their partners, and was presented her commission by Col. W. H. Oury. She made a speech of appreciation and left the stage with her party as a signal for informal dancing to begin on the floor.

Wears Nebraska Colors.

Miss Walcott was dressed in a regular cadet officer's uniform of scarlet and cream with black belt and boots. She is a member of and is a former society editor and news editor of the Daily Nebraskan. Her sophomore and junior years she served as a Tassel and last spring she was co-chairman of the Junior-Senior Prom com-

# TORRID HARLEM DICTATORS PLAY FOR BALL FRIDAY

Floyd Ray Brings Bronze Belles Who 'Sing, Dance, Strut.'

Harlem Jazz in its holtest form will hold sway in the Coliseum Fri-day night when Floyd Ray and his Harlem Dictators, a musical aggregation of colored en-tertainers, play for Mortar Board's annual Leap Year party. The 14piece orchestra comes direct from several engagements on the west coast, where it placed second to Benny Goodman's swing band in the recent swing concert held at the Palomar in Los Angeles. Featured with the band are three bronze belles, Ivy, Vern and

Van, who sing, dance and strut in typical Harlem style, and Joe Alexander, "the Harlem Bing Crosby." It is one of the few col-ored orchestras that can play both sweet and hot music. Most of the arranging and composing of special numbers is done by Floyd Ray himself, who is a saxophonist. Ray has a staff of two assistants, and the band plays only music which has been especially arranged for

The orchestra leader himself is a nephew of the celebrated colored (Continued on Page 4).

# POLICE TO ERECT **NEW STOP SIGNS** AT INTERSECTION

Traffic to Halt on 14th at S Street Corner; Scouts Will Supervise.

Traffic at the intersection of 14th and S streets in front of the Teachers college will be regulated hereafter during rush periods by stop signs and pedestrian lanes. "Stop school" signs will halt auto-mobile traffic from both directions Kapps Kappa Gamma, Mortas on 14th, and pedestrians will be Board, and the Student Council, forced to cross between white lines

Alpha Phi Omega, service fra-ternity, is assuming the responsibility of supervising the new safety precautions. University police have deputized George Vlasnik, member (Continued on Page 6).

### **Undeclared War in China** Reprisal Not Conquest, Say Japanese Commercialists

Statement of Japan's Position Likened to Declaration Of Independence.

"A decent respect for the opinions of mankind causes us to set forth the reasons which bring about this separation." Thus in 1776 did the American patriots preface their declaration of independence.

In a statement issued to America of Japan's position in the Shanghai and north China hostili-ties, the Japanese chamber of commerce of Los Angeles uses these self same words as its purpose for "presenting the true facts and background for the difficulties in the far east."

The independence declaration is

not the only event of American history which the report digs up. It hints, subtly enough, that America too has in years past engaged in activities not totally unlike those which Japan is now carrying on in north China. The incidents referred to are the punitive expedition sent into Mexico after Villa and American military and eco nomic penetration into Central American republics.

"Good Neighbors."

Purporting to be in full accord with President Roosevelt's "good neighbor" policy, the Japanese chamber of commerce points out that there has been a steady in-crease in commerce between the two countries recently with the

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#### Recent Elixir Disaster Reveals Necessity for New Pure Food, Drug Act, Prof. Burt Declares

'Ginger Jake;,' Water' Cause Similar Deaths in Years Past.

"The recent deaths due to the elixir sulfanilamide have brought it home to the common people what we in pharmacy have long known, that a new pure food and drug act is necessary," asserted Prof. Joseph B. Burt of the pharmacy college, "The present law prohibits only misbranding as to contents, mislabeling as to the medical effects and adulteration of the chemical used."

Burt agreed to the statement made by W. S. Campbell, chief of the pure food and drug adminis-tration, following the deaths due to the elixir. He declared, "All we can do is to gather up the bottles

'Radium along with the corpses." He stated that the law does not prevent the sale of harmful drugs as it can be violated only by mislabeling as to action, misbranding or by inclu-sion of adulterated compounds. The professor declared that a law should be passed requiring drugs to be tested as to safety before they are sold.

Shaken Public Confidence, Referring to the 73 deaths which came from the use of elixir sulfa-nilamide Burt said, "It is too bad that the deaths had to come at this time for they have shaken the public confidence in sulfanilamide which is the only drug that has proved to be beneficial in the treatment of streptococcous infec-

tions. In tablet form the drug was (Continued on Page 5).