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By Elwood Randol.

Colonel Lemuel Q. Stoopnagle and his inseparable companion Budd, will be the guests of Al Jolson's musical and comedy program this evening over KFAB at 7:30. The famous comedy duo will swap dizzy nothings with Jolson who will do his best to hold his own. They will also be heard in a skit which will enlist the services of the show's stooges, Martha Raye and Parkyakarkus.

Stoopnagle and Budd have been on the air since 1930 when Announcer Wilbur Budd Hulick of the Buffalo Broadcasting Corporation dashed into the continuity department to see who would brave an ad libbing assignment with him. He found F. Chase Taylor there pounding out a script. Together hey went on the air and remained before the mike for an hour and a half. A thunderstorm had cut off the network wires and that amount of time elapsed before they were repaired. They thought they had pretty well completed their service on the air when it was all over, but hundreds of letters came pouring in and they became a regular station feature, soon to transfer their hilarious dialogues to the national networks. Since they have been on the air, the team has been credited with such amaz-ing contributions to troubled civilization as the inventions of upsidedown lighthouses for submarines; red, white and blue starch for American flags when the wind is not blowing and revolving bowls for tired goldfish.

Beth Langford Writes.

Additional news of Beth Langford has been received by Joe di-Natile, publicity director of the local stations. According to a letter he received from her, Miss Langford is now rewriting practically all of the scripts used on Edward Robinson's show, Big Town. She is assisted by her husband Ray Buffum. Recently she was commissioned to write five original scripts to be heard during the first 13 weeks of the drama's broadcasts and seven to be produced during the last 13 weeks. In addi-Miss Langford handles the publicity for Al Jolson's variety show heard Tuesday nights at 7:30. for Joe Penner's broadcast and of course for Big Town.

Tom Haywood of New Bern, N. C., had his trouble when he tions. Congressmen are looking demonstrated his "self-disciplining. self-kicking" machine on a recent Gabriel Heatter's We, the People program heard Wednesdays at 6:30 p. m. over KFAB. Mark War-

now's instrumentalists, either prankish or bent on soothing a guilty conscience, spent so much a complete overhauling of the en-time stepping into the gadget and tire tax structure. Principle moditurning the crank, causing hob-nailed boots to smack their pos-the capital gains and undistributed terior sections lustly, that by broadcast time, the machine was out of kilter and would barely operate. The musicians, it is reported sat gingerly on the edges of their chairs throut the half hour on the

Cracked Ice.

as all studios, are faced with the result of the first two weeks work.



On to Nanking.

Direct attack on Nanking is the city proper.

Meanwhile, plans for a new, autonomous government for Shang-hai get under way. Shu Hsi Wen announces his assumption of the duties of mayor of the "great way' (the Shanghai area outside the foreign settlements)

Citizens of Nanking remember the fate of Shanghai and have fled, leaving an almost deserted capital city.

Oh, Where, Oh Where Has The Original Five-Point Plan Gone?

Roosevelt returns to the helm to rescue vestiges of his proposed measures and to iron out the to appreciate comedy in life. ominous rift which has arisen between liberal and conservative democrats on the budget balancing plans.

servative democrats in the senate shout that the farm bill is "unsatisfactory" and would make Secretary Wallace a "dictator over agriculture." Senator Frazier of North county agents and agriculture de- himself. partment workers had racked the egional hearings of the senate's cusation, and the situation points toward probable referring of the bill back to the senate

BUDGET REDUCTION .- New deal liberals are violent in their at the beginning and end of the course. revolt on the president's proposed reduction of highway appropriatoward the 1938 elections, and slices of appropriation funds with which to appease constituents will not be quickly surrendered.

TAX REVISION .- A house tax sub-committee is working daily on profits taxes, blamed by business men as the chief agents responsible for the present slump.

HOUSING .- Witnesses urging action on the president's plan are Graduate Finds Dean. appearing before committee meetings. However, with the present Guides in NBC's studios, as well fate of the farm bill as the chief LeRossignol Off-Color

From Bad to Good Taste at Other Schools

What college students think is funny is pitifully lacking in humor, Dean Irving H. Berg of New York university said at the Lafayette college baccalaureate services.

The American undergraduate's lack of a genuine sense of humor and good taste is evidenced in the quality of so-called humorous magazines published by students, he explained. "The supposedly humorous publications

emanating from various college and university campuses seem to deal exclusively with the momentarily expected today, Japa- subject of sex. This is deplorable. It indicates nese troops were within sight of an attitude of mind which doesn't know what the ancient walls of the city yesterday and only three miles from is really funny. Many situations in life are ludicrous, but they are not necessarily nasty.

"That the American university undergraduates are merely evil minded is something I refuse to believe. Bad taste and irreverence are neither of them humorous, said Dean Berg. "Perhaps our age is peculiarly subject to demoralizing influences. With the strip tease, the suggestive movie and the salacious novel on every hand, there is a special challenge to the college man or woman to lead the way to a better and higher sense of humor and good taste."

Dean Berg's remarks on the subject of humor have made one university realize the importance of developing the student's ability

A course to develop a sense of humor, the first of its kind in any American college, has

been instituted at the University of Florida. A FARM BILL-New deal and con- bulletin of the course says the aim is to develop the student's ability to view life from the standpoint of the spectator at a comedy, to perceive the comic elements in situations and in Dakota charges that farmers, people, and to recognize the comic elements in

Florida's English department, which is bill. Violent denial greets his ac- providing the course's teacher, is convinced that the sense of humor is acquired and not inherited. To measure results, a special test of humorous perception is given to the students

> The development of a sense of humor is undertaken by both extensive readings in masterpieces of humorous literature and numerous class discussions of the psychology of laughter and the comic elements in language, situations

and character.

On the suggested reading list of the course are such authors as Mark Twain. George Ade, O. Henry, Dorothy Parker, Ring Lardner, Cervantes and Shakespeare.

Contemporary Comment Grade 'A.' at No Extra Cost

Strange are the factors which enter in to raise or lower the marks of a group of college students. Oceasionally, the professor provides the stimulus that brings up the academic standing of his classes.

Among the various patent methods of raising academic standing, the solution offered by Dr. D. M. Allan, psychologist at Hampden-Sydney college in Virginia, is certainly unique.

He claims that by talking a student into a hypnotic state and then urging him on to one foot on a table, the other on greater endeavor, he can actually raise marks. the back of a chair on which two Once the student is hypnotized the doctor other individuals were standing, looks him in the eye and states with emphasis: "As the result of this trance your powers of answer. Some 6,000 people, slightconcentration will be greatly increased and ly more than half of them spectayour mind will work better and you will not be nervous during examinations. You will have great ambition to be successful in your punch, and literally hugged to studies and to improve your class records."

Dr. Allan reports that as a result of this experiment, a number of "D" students jumped to the "C" group, while others elimbed from "B" to "A," and a few jumped straight from failure to the honor group. During the past five years, Dr. Allan has worked on 61 volunteer subjects, five of whom could not be hypnotized. These five were the only ones whose marks were not improved.

Another instance of raising marks was the ited, many overheard. case when a California teacher devised the in- Bizad junior: genious method of placing corrected papers in three different receptacles, out of which each student must retrieve his own product.

Good papers were placed in a jar which, when the lid was lifted, gave off a delightful ball to dance, not to stand on a aroma; papers only "fair to middlin'" were contained in a jar the odor of which was slightly unpleasant; but to retrieve a paper death grips, lest they drop them. marked "F," the student must encounter most offensive fumes. The class average rose appreciably with this innovation.

Still another method of raising their I won't be tired out before I get standing was arranged by the students them- to the dance floor. selves in a Georgia Tech classroom, in which Arts and Sciences senior: failures predominated. The class was conducted on a basis of answering "yes" or "no" to questions put by the professor.

Among the class members was a blind tho-why not have the officers re boy, who was an "A" student. As this individual was permitted the use of a typewriter in class, it became a matter of routine for the other class members to await his answer be, bend with their spurs high. fore they put down their own. If he struck two keys, they wrote "no;" if three, they wrote "yes." However, the professor devised the method of having the informer type a period after the "no" answers, and thus the fun was spoiled.

To the Editor:

could see this hall,

dancing

Ball.

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Horde.

is bored.

the sword.

shoes.

And the necessary booze.

happy.

Whuzzit

Inquiring. Reporter



"Why," caustically inquired the individual, teetering precariously, 'did I come to this mess?'

We're still looking for the tors, witnessed the ultra in military balls and colonel presentations on Friday night, drank pale music, because you can't call dodging elbows and spurs in a two foot

square dancing, , but it was fun. The orchestra was good, the floor was as dancable as the Coliseum floor will ever be, the ball was well staged, and the military department should be complimented upon its presentation. Compliments fell with the moans as students aired their gripes

about the affair. Their comments are anonymous-some were solic-

"The military department should be given a little room in the base-

ment where it could march and drill and look pretty all evening if it wanted to. I came to the chair and watch a bunch of wouldbe soldiers in bowlegged boots hanging onto their sabers with "I'd enjoy a military ball if we didn't have to wait so long for things to start. Next year, I'm not

oming till about 10 p. m.-maybe night at 7 o'clock.

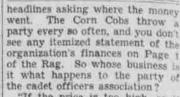
"The ball is really an enjoyable social function. It has good music, a so-so floor, and a good crowd. It's a lot of fun. One suggestion

don't walk so good any more." Overheard:

looker.

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Entured as second-class matter at the postoffice in Lincoln, Nebraska, under an of congress, March 3, 1879, and at a gra-cial rate of postage provided for in section 1105, act of October 3, 1917, authorized January 20, 1922,



"If the price is too high, or if you don't like the principle of the thing, don't go: but at least quit howing about it! Incidentally, I'll bet every member of the Rag staff If 1 were the colonel, Fd. came. really raise hell."

Arts and Sciences senior:

"The military ball is one of the most beautiful scenes I'll ever have the opportunity to witness. The formal black and white of the men the well tailored uniforms of the officers, the splashes of color of the band's scarlet and white, and the women's dresses make a really

beautiful picture. "If we didn't go to the military ball, we'd go to some other dance or formal. I think they're really a pleasure to attend.

'After all, the military department is prohably the largest one in the university, and it ought to be given a chance to strut its stuff once in a while.

Arts and Sciences junior:

"I have four reasons. First, the military ball is fun-anyway, I al-ways have fun at it. Second, it marks the opening of the formal season, and I'm glad to get into my tux again. Third, it's an im-portant social function; and since I'm in love I want to take my girl

everywhere. Fourth, I'm an offi-cer, and I'd go even if I didn't want to.

Phalanx.

Phalanx will hold a meeting in the "N" club room this evening at 8:00.

Scabbard and Blade.

Scabbard and Blade will meet at 8:00 this evening at the Beta Theta Pi house.

Tassels. Tassels will hold their regular meeting at Social Science, 105, to-

Gamma Alpha Chi. Gamma Alpha Chi will meet at. Ellen Smith today at 4:15 o'clock.



James

Cagney

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"Something

Sing About

"THE

AWFUL

TRUTH"

20c

till 6

Kiddies

10c anytime!

Student Pulse

task of breaking the ice whenever City, the tourists are ushered into observation booth to watch a rehearsal. The guides find that one way to put the visitors at ease so that they will ask questions and start talking back is to make a quip about the "Quiet" sign. The guide calls attention to it, but tells the visitors not to pay it too much mind. "It's only there now," says he, "to balance the 'No Smoking' sign over there. That's serious, A young group usually anickers at this one. One guide, Edga, Kahn, had the misfortune. however, of drawing a tour that included six Phi Beta Kappas. The questions they broke down and asked were: "What is the D. B. control level in the studios?" "What is the amount of sag in one year in studio suspension hooks?" and "What is the amount of power used in one week for air-condition-Kahn has since contracted ing? Englishman's distaste for

cracked ice. Freddy Martin and his "Magic Music" orchestra currently heard There will be no admission charge from Chicago's Aragon ballroom will begin an engagement in New York's swank Ritz-Carlton hotel supper room tonight over a Mutual network. Stations carrying the program have not been an inced it is likely that KFOR or KOIL will have the program.

BIL TEMPEL CHORAL UNION GIVES MESSIAH SUNDAY IN COLISEUM (Continued from Page 1.)

various musical programs during the year she has lived here. Mrs. Gillan's renditions should be of inte est to everyone in attendance Bunday, as she is experienced as a church soloist and has a thoro understanding of all the great oratorios

Two other guest artists, Frederic James, bass, from New York City, and Meribah Moore, soprano have appeared before with the choral union in recent concerts. Miss Moore was soprano soloist when "The Elijah" was presented by the university last Christmas, and Mr. James had the bass lead in the 1935 presentation of the same oratorio

Wesley A. Barton, who was chosen tenor soloist, has had a wide range of experience: he has appeared as tenor soloist in sevmetropolitan churches -of Nashville, Chattanooga, and St. Louis, as well as having sung as soioust with choral groups in New York, Minnespolia, Portland, New Orleans and other large cities. Mr. Barton, recognized as an outstanding artist, has been a baritone with the Chicago Grand Opera com-pany and needs no introduction to n audiences.

falls.

Every Night

Eve, 7:30

Director Tempel has announced that the chorus for this year's concert will be composed of 200 mem-bers of the choral union and the university men's glee club, with no

outside singers in the group. Beginning about 2:40 p. m., Mr. Chenoweth, sided by John Shildneck and the brass ensemble, will present a group of Bach chorales.

housing measures are likely to rethey have a group of visitors to main little more than an adminis-conduct thru the plant. In Radio

> WAGES AND HOURS .- The To the Editor: provision for administration by the should there be freedom for serfive man board. The constant fear of hureau, day, against the principles of the

> cracy which exists is demonstrated most populous element in the in the action taken on the wageit from partisan interests? hour bill. Outcome of the five point is

problematical, with odds favoring another two weeks of violent discussion and little or no bill pass-

Promptly at 3 p. m., the stirring chords of "Adeste Fidelis" will be the signal for the mass choir to march down the center aisle and onto the platform. The stage and coliseum will be appropriately decorated in Christmas greens. Di rector Kirkpatrick invites every friend and alumnus of the university to be present at the rendition of this 42nd Christmas program.

DELEGATES OF UNION BUILDING CONVENTION RETURN TO NEBRASKA

(Continued from Page 1.) universities, Bob Simmons, student member of the Board of Managers for the Nebraaks Union building, had high praise for the Lincoln building. He pointed out that it is to the workers who help pay his the only union with air-condition-Balary. ing and stated that altho much more costly buildings had been erected as at Cornell, Wisconsin How Elmer Would California and Purdue, our building had very little waste space

Spend Army Money and so compared favorably. Dear Mr. Editor: Simmons explained that the \$3 Bome time ago you printed an fee charged at Nebraska for the interview with Smediley Butler, union building was low compared and I've been thinking about it with other schools. He expressed ever since. Smelley seems to think the belief that any skeptic of the value of the union would lose his

that army men are unprincipled. The man is wrong. I know sevskepticism once he saw one in operal that have principles. eration. While some unions enter Furthermore, there are many extensively into the promotion of rules which army men never break.

a recreational program and oth- For example, they never kill the ers merely provide a place for same man twice. recreation, Simmons believes that After all, fighting is part of the Nebraska will steer a middle nature of man; he has to let off

money he receives by at-

tacking the labor principles held to by thousands of Nebraska

workers. Recently, the National

Association of Manufacturers of-

fered to foot the bill for any

newspaper that wanted to run

Nebraska Graduate.

LeRossignol's column.

course in this respect. Having seen steam some way. My radical roomsome of the problems, difficulties, mate says, "Then why doesn't he and solutions of other schools as beat his head against a wall and presented at the convention the managers of the Nebraska union save all that money?" but of course that is silly. hope to avoid many of the pit-As far as the money is con-

Omaha, Nebraska for isn't it a well known fact that December 4, 1937 there is always hell to pay Besides, look at all the recrea-

tion that war and military train-I would be the last to deny that house labor committee orders the I would be the last to deny that tion that war and military train-bill completely re-written with this should be a free country. But ing offers university students They can all get that nice outdoor habor department, instead of by a five man board. vants in the employ of the state drill and the more ambitious ones to arouse public feeling, day after (especially those in the east) can form clubs such as The Future Progenitors of Future Growers of Poppy Seeds for Future Poppies country-and to accept money for to be Sold for the Benefit of Fu- it looks as the the pen would beat ture Wars. I refer to the syndicated column

written by J. E. LeRossignol, dean of the University of Nebraska college of business administration. It those who want a new library. We appears in the Fremont Tribune, got the Armory Memorial after and in papers in other states. the Spanish-American war, and Supposedly a discussion of schol- the stadium after the World war. arly economic questions, his fay- and if we have a third war, we orite topic is the labor movement. could probably get a library out At every opportunity, he shows the color of the reactionof the deal. So phoney to Smedley Butler.

Yours Truly, Private Eimer Blaine.

NEW PAHELL RUSH RULES GO IN EFFECT DUROING AUGUST, '38

us studio. Girls who are not reg-I don't know how much time ular delegates are asked to co-opthe dean is required to spend on his classes to earn the salary paid that the regular delegates are him by the state. But it seems to there me that his income from such a

At the next meeting a representcolumn is nothing more than a "racket," and a permicious one when he uses it to fight the movestive from Gamma Phi Beta and one from Kappa Alpha Theta will report on an article from their ments which means jobs and food respective chapter magazines.

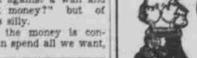
Sororities which are having a Christmas party for daughters sisters of the members of their chapter are instructed to file their party with Mrs. Westover and the Panhellenic office.

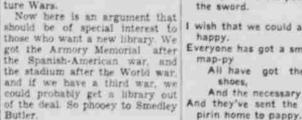
Delta Phi Delta Announces Pledges at Dinner Tonight

Delta Phi Delta, national art fraternity, will announce its new pledges at a dinner tonight.

Terry Townsend, well known commercial artist and decorator. will be the guest speaker. He will discuss the possibilities and limits for the artist in the popular field

of advertising.









Ends Tonite!

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