

Editorially Speaking

Fun to Be Fooled

The terror which struck at the hearts of thousands of radio listeners Sunday night through the vivid imagination of an author and convincing portrayal of Mercury theater players did not miss the University's student populace. The stark realism of the air show and the hysterical reaction of the audience stole the show all day yesterday as exciting topics of conversation. Nebraska's gridiron loss to Missouri was eclipsed by the "invasion" of the men of Mars in their meteors.

Although the program was punctuated with announcements that it was only a fictional show, Americans cried, shouted, prayed, ran and, in general, behaved most extraordinarily. Interesting to note is that students were similarly affected by the pre-Halloween hoax which Orson Welles, producer of the show, feared would be "too old fashioned for modern consumption."

Old fashioned? There isn't such a word when it applies to fear for one's own safety. Self preservation isn't old fashioned, it is the first law of man. And how the law was being obeyed Sunday night!

In a way, it is a sad commentary on sanity and intelligence when a strong emotionalism sweeps away all semblance of judgment and

mental balance. But this radio hoax serves another lesson in demonstrating how jittery the people of the United States are. Coming on the heels of the greatest European crisis since the World war, the mock invasion of this country showed that nerves are taut and high strung. Perhaps it is only the result of our fast living in which imagination plays little or no part.

Punishment for the hair raising broadcast has already been promised. Congressional leaders announced their intentions of curbing similar programs. The federal communications commission prepared to investigate the situation. Cries of freedom of the radio became loud, for certainly Sunday night's affair of the air waves definitely proved the immeasurable power of the radio as a medium for reaching effectively the great mass of people.

It is to be hoped that the incident will not sound the death knell for future realistic radio productions under Orson Welles' guidance. The affair does raise one question: What will happen when a real emergency arises?

Afterthought

Perhaps it was a good thing for the morals of the country that Charlie McCarthy was on the air at the same hour Sunday night. His popularity probably saved the entire nation from going berserk. He is our nominee for the Carnegie medal.

Student Pulse

Greek, As Barb, To Barb; As Greek

Re—Mr. Otto Woerner:

Having been a barb all of my freshman year, I think I am almost as well as qualified to speak for the barbs as you are. Perhaps I am better qualified, having seen both sides, so to speak. When I wrote a letter a week ago, I was speaking as a barb, because naturally I would not attempt to speak as a Greek about barbs. Conversely, I don't think Mr. Woerner, as a barb, can really know much about the Greek side of the picture. I repeat, it was from my experience as a barb that I drew the material for my letter last Tuesday.

This time, however, I am not going to use emotional arguments or fine speeches. Nor shall I play upon the inevitable jealousy which most barbs have toward the Greeks. Instead, I shall try to be tolerant of people. Sometimes, however, I fail to be tolerant of intolerant persons, such as Mr. Woerner and his crowd. For this intolerance, I apologize.

In my own defense, I will say that I was right on Tuesday in my statement of the feeling of most barbs toward barb political organization. I mean that it is evident that most of the barbs didn't care enough about having barb class presidents to take ten minutes of their time to vote. As far as I am concerned, the issue is closed. I was right last Tuesday. Whether conditions have changed since then, I don't know. I will even admit—for the sake of argument—that there may come a day when the barbs will care enough about seeing barbs in office to vote for them. Even so, they didn't care enough on last Tuesday.

I didn't say that they shouldn't care. I know a barb who voted for another candidate, instead of the barb candidate. He had known this other candidate practically all his life. Is this to be criticized?

Also, I don't see the relevancy of the remark about the shabby clothes. I certainly think there is no causal relationship between being a barb and wearing shabby clothes. If anything, the necessity of paying dues would—it seems to me—be more likely to cause the wearing of shabby clothes than otherwise.

Also, I think that inquiries into housing and employment conditions on the campus can be made more effectively by trained socialologists, rather than by the students themselves.

Also, I fail to see the significance of the remark about uncorrected eyesight and poor meals. Do the Greeks have anything to do with these things? Do they, now, Mr. Woerner? Would a barb senior or junior class president have remedied these evils? I know that he would if he could, but could he?

In my letter, I was speaking of a barb political organization, not of barb social, athletic, or any other organizations. I have nothing to say regarding them—be-

Barrage of Questions Hits NYA Safety Patrol

Student Traffic Officers Arouse Much Comment

"Do you carry a gun?" "What street is this?" "What are you doing?" "How much do you get paid?" These are just a few of the questions asked by university and elementary students alike of the N. Y. A. safety patrol.

Now all these questions are to be answered. This is a feature to end all features; plus, the answer to all questions that will ever arise concerning the poor boys standing on their corner, doing their duty and yet arousing so much suspicion and concern among the student body on this campus.

cause I know nothing about them.

Incidentally, I do not delude myself with the possibility that I may convince Mr. Woerner. My purpose in writing this is to show my side of the case to people who did not read my first letter, but who did read Mr. Woerner's, and consequently must have formed a very erroneous conception of what I really said last Tuesday.

Fred Koch.

P. S. I shall not resign from my fraternity, whatever happens.

Fair Deal From Union

To the Editor:

Before the Student Union was completed, the familiar cry was that the Greeks would take it over with the resultant exclusion of the poor barbs. That worry is no longer existent, for the privileges offered by the building are enjoyed by any student who can avail himself of the opportunity. Further, the Union management represents the model of efficiency, especially, we are told, in the case of the food department.

The building, of course, was built in large part by the contributions of the students and was intended for their enjoyment and convenience. That purpose, however, has been somewhat obscured by the dominant tendency toward commercialism which has pervaded several departments. In a commercial institution the employees are selected with the purpose of getting the greatest possible amount of efficient labor for the lowest possible wage. In this type of a place a faulty employee is not patiently taught how to become a better employee, but usually he is ruthlessly fired and another fills his place. This has happened several times in the Student Union, chiefly because of prejudices and lack of patience.

If the main purpose for which the building was built is to be maintained it seems that more care and patience should be exercised in at least one division. If students are to be helped by the employment offered by this building why not really help them?

"What are they doing?" Well, they are helping the small children, going to and from school, to cross the street without becoming the victim of some careless driver. Besides that, they attempt to point out the difference between red and green to many persons connected with this institution of higher education.

"How much do they get paid?" Whatever NYA regulations provide.

"Do they carry guns?" No, but it wouldn't be such a bad idea, at least it would limit the number of questions asked to zero.

Anymore inquiries arising from the situation will be cheerfully handled by the questions and answers bureau located in room 20 of the Student Union.

Shouldn't the main spirit of the university, that of developing and helping the student, also be prevalent in the Union? Is it not the student's building? And should not a person—be he a freshman or a graduate—get at least a semblance of a fair deal from an institution which he is helping to support?

Alvin Nelson
Ivan Little

GRAMLICH LEAVES

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constant uproar with a ready supply of jokes and quips, Professor Gramlich took the opportunity to remind Nebraska's future agriculturalists that they should take advantage of their educational opportunity and work on their studies. He mentioned that it would probably rain in Nebraska again some day and give them a chance to utilize their knowledge.

Success Formula.

In speaking of the necessity for industrious study, Gramlich quoted Thomas Edison's formula for success. "Success is 2 percent inspiration and 98 percent perspiration."

Monday night's meeting was sponsored by Block and Bridle club, animal husbandry honorary. Members of livestock and meat judging team which won first place in the collegiate judging competition in Kansas City Oct. 23-24 were introduced to the assemblage. By coincidence, exactly 20 years ago, in 1918, H. J. Gramlich was on the meat judging team and won individual third honors in the national competition.

As a professor, Gramlich was popular with the students and as a speaker, both informative or authoritative and humorous, was sought after for all types of functions. He has also been active in writing fields during his stay at Nebraska, contributing many articles to farm and agricultural journals.

Since Professor Gramlich is officially listed as taking a year's leave of absence, Professor William Loeffel has been appointed temporary chairman of the department.

Jones, Koo Head Church Week Guests

Famous Evangelist Headlines Religion Week Held Nov. 13-18

Headlining "Religion and Life Week" activities on the campus, Nov. 13 to 18 will be E. Stanley Jones, well known evangelist at



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large for the North India annual conference and Dr. T. Z. Koo, secretary of the World's Student Christian federation of Shanghai, China.

Dr. Jones is scheduled to speak at the first big session Sunday evening, when he addresses a public gathering in the university coliseum.

Dr. Jones began his active Christian service in 1907 as a missionary of the Methodist Episcopal church commissioned then as the pastor of the English church in the



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city of Lucknow, India. For ten years he served in various capacities in the mission there and in 1917 was appointed evangelist at large for the North India annual conference.

Dr. Jones' life in India has brought him into intimate personal relationship with Mahatma Gandhi, India's outstanding leader of the masses; Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, the noted Indian Christian poet; Charles F. Andrews, the well known Scotch missionary and biographer of Gandhi; and many other leaders of Indian life and thought.

Dr. Koo served for nine years as an official in the administrative department of the Chinese railway service. He then joined the staff of the national committee of the Young Men's Christian association of China. In 1925 he was a member of the second opium conference called in Switzerland by the League of Nations, being one of the three chosen, thru 34 organizations, to represent the Chinese people as a whole.

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Music Students To Play in Convo

Season's Sixth Program Offered Tomorrow at 4

The sixth musical convocation of the season will be given by advanced school of music students at the Temple theater, at 4 p. m. tomorrow. Students participating are Janet Steckelberg, Mary Elizabeth Kleinholz, Rosalind Lefferdink, Elinor Mccroft, Mildred Claire Freadrich, June Meek, and Betty Bennett.

The program follows:

Bach Chromatic Fantasy, Janet Steckelberg (Mr. Schmidt).
Veracini, Pastoral; Burtleigh, The Sailor's Wife Mary Elizabeth Kleinholz, (Mrs. Gutzmer).
Mozart, First Movement, A Major Concerto, Rosalind Lefferdink, (Mr. Steckelberg).
Liszt, Concert Etude, D flat, Elinor Mccroft, (Mr. Harrison).
Curran, Nocturne, violin obligato, Henry Brahinsky; Dellecqua, Mildred Claire Freadrich, (Miss Wagner).
Boellman, Symphonische Variationen, June Meek, (Miss Zabriskie).
Strauss, Allessehnen, Betty Bennett, (Mr. Tempel).

MEN FROM MARS

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roommate thanked heaven that she had gone to church.

Fellows at the Phi Psi house made reservations for the next train going west, and another fellow tried to get tickets for an airplane headed to the point further from New York Out at the Pi Kappa Alpha house an R. O. T. C. officer hopped into his uniform and started out the door calling, "We've got to mobilize the army."

The Delta Gamma's had to give first aid to a sister who fainted at the top of the stairs and rolled down to the first floor. After much work they revived her, but she passed out again upon hearing that the Mars men had reached St. Louis and were within short shooting distance of Nebraska.

A Sigma Chi shouted, "I'm going home to see my folks," grabbed his suitcase, and whipped out the door. One fellow left his date to go out and find the truth about the terrible news.

Tap Dancing Hobby Group Meets Tonight

All members of the tap dancing hobby group will meet tonight at 7 o'clock in Ellen Smith.

Miss Mary Kline, leader, desires that all members be present in order to make plans for the dance which they will present at the Coed Counselor dinner Thursday night.

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