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Editorially Speaking

The University's **Budget Proposal** 

Coming upon the heels of the state normal board's extraordinarily high request, the University of Nebraska's bienniai budget proposal -unique in that it was the lowest since 1925 - has created quite a favorable stir among political and educational circles. The normal board asked a boost of one and one half million dollars; the board of regents asked a reasonable increase of \$369,663.

The conjecture can be safely made that the University's request did not fail to impress the state government officials with its downright frankness in appreciating the economy problems of Nebraska. No attempt to minimize or to circumvent the affairs of state was made. Clearly and succinctly, the regents showed the exact and specific needs of the university. Now the matter rests with the state officials.

The university's budget message brings to light a situation that is a serious threat to the university's distinction among the national acerediting agencies. The regents said:

We have already received notice of conditions necessary to attain accredited status for some parts of our program, and have received indications of conditions that must be met to maintain accredited status for other

The quote refers to the Association of Amerlean Universities, ranking accrediting and standard-setting organization in the U.S. edmeational world, to which only 17 state and 16 private universities have been admitted as average politician and the average taxpayer. may never be impressed by the significance of this membership. To educators, such as Chancellor C. S. Boucher, such membership is a - coveted educational goal and once reached, is a distinction to be jealously and zealously guarded. It is to be hoped that the powersthat-be appreciate the university's membership in the Association of American Universities with the reciprocal spirit in which the university's officials regard the State of Nebraska's economic status quo.

But the budget request goes much deeper than professional prestige, Adequate housing, Necessary equipment, Needed library reference books, Sufficient instructional staff, Better teaching and research facilities, Low salaries. These merely touch upon some of the vital and specific factors that are contributing to the university's academic downfall.

The budget increase is designed to keep the university's status in the Association of American Universities from being jeopardized. Ten thousand dollars is proposed to go to Omaha for the college of medicine hospital, \$359,663 is contemplated as the necessary increase in the general appropriation to employ additional instructors to match growing enrolment, award small salary increases to retain outstanding faculty members, make readjustments to improve quality of instruction and research, purchase lab and classroom equipment and library books, pay higher costs of maintenance, increase the staffs and provide additional facilities for the schools of nursing, social work and music, coordinate the administrative departments and establish a bureau of instructional

The budget request includes \$12,500 for the legislative reference bureau. Dr. Boucher suggested this special amount of the university budget for the state legislature's consideration, since it might prove more expedient functioning directly under the legislature.

The board of regents signified its intentions to abide by the findings of the state planning board and a survey by announcing that its request for a special building fund appropriation had been presented to the planning board.

For the first time, the non-tax fund moneys of the university were estimated more closely to the actual figure. The estimated cash receipts during the 1939-41 biennium were based directly upon the 1937-39 netual receipts-\$2,804,709,46. The endowment income of \$80,-000 remained at a constant figure, as well as federal funds for the agricultural development

### Appreciation

forty years a member of the university library staff, Nellie Jane Compton died last March, She left last week nearly six thousand dollars to the University of Nebraska Foundation, stipulating that the income from the fund should be used for the benefit of the library staff, She suggested that the income be spent members. The average student, just as the for payment for expenses of junior members of state who, and whose parents, average politician and the average taxpayer, the staff for attendance at national or state library meetings, and for flowers or pictures for our hands," the regents wrote, library staff rooms,

If there is a deserving group on the university campus, it most certainly is the library staff. The librarians have had to put up with a great deal-insufficient room, under-staffed, among leading universities." small budget and a building that is shamefully filled with dangers to its literary contents and in standing to the following: attendants are only a few main issues that add attendants are only a few main issues that add to the staff's worries.

The late Miss Compton, after forty years of gram, devoted service as assistant librarian or acting librarian, realized and sympathized with the library's predicament. She knew that a new library was the only answer, but new libraries are not to be had as easily as they can be de-structional staff in some colleges. sired. Her thoughtfulness and consideration of her former fellow-workers resulted in the stipulation that flowers or pictures should and offer better facilities for brighten up the library staff rooms and make teaching and research.

6. To our inability to attract things just a little cheerier for the librarians.

She never gave up hope that a new University library would someday be erected. She wanted the junior librarians to attend national faculty members of distinction or state library meetings in the event that a new library was built. The practical knowledge gleaned from these meetings could be put to good use in the present library and eventually in the new library, which cannot be denied much longer.

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Have Known; Paul Gallico; Farewell to Spirit; John R. Tunte; After College What?; Heariek Willem Van Louis; The Arts; Janies Trustew Adams; Epic of America; Ladeig Lewischn; Expression in America.

#### **DECK TENNIS ROUND ENDS AT 6 TONIGHT**

Sixth round of the girls intranural deck tennis tournament oust be completed by 6 o'clock tonight. The teams must contact each other and arrange for a time to play. The last of the fifth round games was played yesterday noon. and was won by the independent team of Pope-Pestal over Douglas-Jones of Wilson hall.

Pleas Hull, official University f Georgia bell ringer, estimates he has rung the instrument 250,000 times in six years.

Exactly 3,269 organized events ere held in the University of Wisonsin Memorial Union building

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# Safety Head Warns Uni

#### Holiday Accident Rate 39% Above Normal

Sharp warning was issued this week by national safety committees to university and college stu-dents to drive carefully during the holiday season, the period of the heaviest accident toll. In a letter received by Miss Florence Mc-Gahey, registrar, James S. Kemper, safety, leader asks Nebraska students to join in a nationwide campaign for holiday safety.

"Analyzing 7,241 automobile ac cidents in the last three years classified as serious, we found 523 were in the period from Dec. 16 to Jan. 3," said Mr. Kemper. "This shows a holiday season frequency 39 percent above the annual rate."

Safety Hurdle. Students, homecoming half of December compared with into the program." the average for December and Regents Make Specific January. The first three days of Requests for University January provide the worst record

The holiday season is considered to meet student demands for the last hurdle that the many safety campaigns have yet to face.

special student hazard, the letter points out, is unsafe conditions driving home from school and back. Typical of such conditions is a poor car, overcrowded, drive night and day by a relay of excited young drivers.

## UNIVERSITY BUDGET

(Continued From Page 1.) status among the numerous national accrediting agencies to whom we are accountable for the various parts of our program," the regents' letter continued

"We have already received no-tice of conditions necessary to attain accredited status for some parts of our program, and have received indications of conditions that must be met to maintain accredited status for other parts."

The regents referred to the high-

est standing accrediting and standard setting organization in the United States to which Nebraska U. has had the distinction of full membership since 1908. The Association of American Universities was founded in 1900 and has only 33 members-17 state universities Nebraska was the fifth state university to be elected a member) and 16 privately endowed universities (including Harvard, Chicago, Columbia, Yale, Princeton and Johns Hopkins).

"Our distinction on the score of quality must be jealously and zeal-ously guarded for the sake of the young men and women of this N. U. Lacks Essentials

## of Modern Curricculum

"During the last three bienniums our actual standing and our relative standing have been lowered The regents attributed the drop

quate (not luxurious) housing for several important parts of our pro-

2. "To the lack of necessary (not merely desirable) equipment. 3. "To the lack of library reference books.

4. "To the lack of sufficient in-5. "To the loss of some of our best faculty members to institutions able to pay nigher salaries

6. "To our inability to attract faculty members for teaching and research.
7. "To our ability to attract faculty members of distinction faculty members for teaching and faculty members for

equal to those lost, or men for new positions equal in caliber to those who won for the University its place of distinction.

In the matter of the state plan-ning board and survey, Dr. Bouchtold Gov. Cochran and Budget Director W. H. Smith that "we cannot dodge the facts."
"Even without the planning

board survey, the wisdom of hav-ing a new library is recognized, but that doesn't provide for the financial side of it," he said.

The regular Tuesday evening meeting of the Disc and Needle club will not be held this week, ac-cording to Mrs. E. A. Yinger, di-

where I have seen the board of vacution.

# Union Program

Tuesday. 11:00-Allison Forum, toom

12:00-School of Social Workers, parlor X. 6:00-Alpha Phi Omega, par-

lor A. 6:00-Delta Phi Delta, parlor

6:00-A. A. U. P., parlors Y 7:00-Hobby group, parlor 8. 7:00-Sigma Eta Chi, room

7:00-Tassels, room 316.

7:00-Phalanx, room 315. 7:00-Alpha Phi Omega, room 7:00-League of Evangelical Students, room 209.

regents, trustees and officials comport themselves as if they owned th institutions or had vested interests in them,

"It is not the business of the chancellor or the board to argue or seem to argue with the goverand nor," Dr. Boucher explained. pleasure bent, are 39 percent more is our duty to furnish information apt than usual to figure in serious for the governor and his advisors automobile accidents at this sea- to act upon as they think wise. son. The rate doubles in the last Then we should fit our institutions

Recapitulating the budget re of the year, with 71 percent more serious automobile accidents than the December and January average.

According to the letter, so far

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Recapitulating the budget request increase, the board of regents specified the following University functions to be carried out from the additional \$369,663:

1. To employ additional instruc-

1. To employ additional instructhis year the nation has improved tors needed to reduce the number this year the nation is saving 6,000 of classes with enrolments too lives as compared to other years, large for effective teaching; and

2. To award small increases in salary to some of the best faculty members who have distinguished themselves as research scholars and as teachers in order that the University may retain their serv-

3. To provide funds for readjustments in some departments. schools and colleges necessary to bring them up to minimum stand-ards required by accrediting

4. To purchase laboratory and classroom equipment and books for the library needed for effective nstruction and adequate research facilities.

5. To pay the necessarily increased cost of heating, lighting, janitor service and upkeep of the ew buildings and improvements, 6. To increase the staff and provide additional facilities required for the schools of nursing.

ocial work and music.
7. To coordinate the adminisrative departments so that they can function with a greater effi-

ciency and effectiveness, 8. To establish a bureau of instructional research which will versity and its affiliated institu-subject the entire educational pro-tions are now estimated at \$158subject the entire educational program to a job-analysis comparable to that now employed by the best fiscal year was \$15,756,444.

ommercial and industrial firms." Tax Funds. 1830, 1841, 380,000. College of medicine, hospital appropriations for 1837-1829, 5412,500 appropriations for 1837-1829, 5412,500 appropriations requested for 1838-1841, 3422,500 increase, \$10,000. Curis heating blant appropriations for 1837-1829, 387-40,540, 1837-1839, 1837-

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1007-1829, \$15,000; appropriations requested for 1939-1941, \$15,000. Legislative
reference tureau: appropriations for 19371919, \$12,500; appropriations requested for
1039-1941, \$12,500. Franting and editing
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1941, \$4,000. Total: appropriations for
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# Library Adds Many Best-Sellers

#### Works of Don Marquis, Yutang Lin Are Added

Wit and wisdom by contempocary best selling authors characterizes the score of new books added to the library this week. Margaret Halsey's "With Malice Toward Some," is now ready for circulation, and Don Marquis Archy the cockroach makes his best for the students in "Archy the Cockroach makes his best for the students in "Archy the Cockroach makes his best for the students in "Archy the Cockroach makes his "Towards th bow to the students in "Archy Does His Part." A book of the Dorothy Parker brand of humor is "After Such Pleasures." Inci-dentally she is "Mrs." Dorothy

Kate Chose, Dominant Daughter, by Mary M. Phelps.
Thinking It Over; the Reminiscences of Hesketh Pearson by Hesketh Pearson. Guide to Understanding the Bible, by Harry E. Fossilek. With Madice Teward Some, by Margaret Halser.

Wift Malice Teward Some, by Markaret Halery.

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Public Plunder: a Ristory of Graft in America by Bavid G. Loth.

Archy Does His Fart, by Don Marquis.

Life on the Stage, by Clara Morris.

Feace with the Dictators, by Norman Angell.

House of Morgan, by Lewis Carey.

Pursuit of Happiness, by Herbert Agar.

A Hundred Years of Music, by Gerald

E. H. Abraham.

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Parker.

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Your Puppy and How to Train Him, by
Ruidine V. Beamish.

Way Against the West, by Aurel Kohast.

Sit Dosn with John L. Lewis, by Cyrus
L. Suizherger.

Scholars, Workers and Gentlemen, by
Malcohn Mactena.

Contemporary Continental Theology, by
Walter M. Horton,
Law and the Modern City, by Barnet
Hodes.

Chalcaubriand, Poet, Statesman, Lover,
by Andre Maurols

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Richards, Guergen, Misson, Carmen, Walter, Andonestic Skoda, Betty
Richards, Guil Ferguson. Miss Wagner.

# YW Christmas Vespers Today

### Freshman Cabinet Has Charge of Meeting

Y. W. C. A. Vespers will have its annual Christmas gathering at the University Episcopal church today at 5 o'clock. This meeting is in charge of the Freshman Cabinet of the Y. W. C. A.

Tarsels will commemorate the Christmas season at a party this evening following the regular meeting in room 316 of the Union. The room will be decorated ap-

is in charge of Phyllis Curtis, with Christmas trees, beneath Katherine Houfer, and Mary El- which members will place ten cent len McKee. Father McMillan will
give the address on the "Significance of Christmas." Evelyn Pacper is to present a Christmas readbeen invited to attend. Refreshing and Marian Cramer will read ments will follow the distribution of the gifts.

of Luke, chapter 2, verses 1-20.

Before the party begins, all Tas-The vesper choir will sing "Hark sels will check in their remaining the Herald Angels Sing," and "Joy Mortar Board party tickets and to the World," with Jane Allen as money. The meeting is to begin at soloist. The meeting will close with

The resources of Columbia uni-868,638. Its budget for the last

One quarter of the Princeton university freshmen are more than six feet tall.

#### CHARM SCHOOL PLANS BOOK HOUR TONIGHT

Reviewing one of the latest books, Mrs. Roy Green will speak to Charm School members tonight at 7 o'clock in Ellen Smith. All girls who are interested are urged

Charm School is under the supervision of Helen Catherine Da-vis and Elizabeth Smith and meets regularly every second and fourth

#### Advanced Students Offer Weekly Recital

Advanced students from the uni eraity school of music will precation in the Temple Wednesday at 4 o'clock. A variety of num-

# Tassels To Hold **Christmas Party**

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Berningway; To Have and Have Not;
Frame Werlet; Farq; Days of Monas
Dagh; Shollat Levels; Fredligal Parents
and Bablitt, Ignacio Silone: Bread and
Wine; Gaue Fossler: Trenbriton: Margavet Bulsey; With Malice Towards
some; A. J. Crum: The Citale!
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Bellamy; Leoling Bandare: Edward

UNION BOOKS

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