

SOCIETY

GLOOMY WEATHER RAMBLINGS . . . made more gloomy by thoughts of exams . . . and foremost conversational topic being second semester schedules and exam schedules . . . with love both in bloom and in break-up . . . Alpha Sig Paul Wagner is devoting the greater part of his nights-off-work to Alpha Phi Mary Lou Daly . . . while Betty Lamphere, also Alpha Phi, had one of the well known spats with Sigma Nu Frank Day—then Frank sent "Flowers to Madame," and all is well . . . SDT Betty Beeson is embarrassed yet over the call she received from a Sigma Alpha Mu while she was at the Zeta Beta Tau party . . . but Florence Meyerson had a gay old time with Buddy Goldstein, and Miriam Rubnitz with Marvin Taxman . . . now on the steady list—ever since the DU formal—are Janet Harris and Bob Nelson, DU . . . Chi Omega Helen Daly, ex of a Phi Alpha Delta, is now spending her time writing letters to a love in Fremont—Midland coach . . . Jack Hyland, Beta, showing everyone the pictures he took in Estes this vacation, and including some velly good shots . . . Thursty Phelps, Phi Psi, in the Crib with some of the football boys, but letting his eye wander to the table where Louise Mackay, Theta, sat . . . times rushing, so do your final cramming early . . .

Mildred Florence Righter and Richard D. Chowins announced their engagement Sunday. The marriage date has been set for February 12. Both attended the University of Nebraska where Mr.

Chowins was affiliated with Phi Delta Theta fraternity and Sigma Tau honorary.

Acacia mothers club will meet for a one o'clock luncheon Tuesday at the chapter house. Hostesses will be Mrs. E. R. Leverton and Mrs. Adella Miller.

Beta Theta Pi alliance met Monday at the home of Mrs. Walter S. Whitten. Mrs. Vera May Yinger was the special guest and discussed "Our Student Union."

Alpha Phi mothers club will meet today for a one o'clock luncheon at the chapter house. The program will be given by Mary Elizabeth Keinholtz and Jean Hughes of the active chapter. Mrs. D. E. DePutron is chairman of the committee in charge and will be assisted by Mrs. C. L. Morrison and Mrs. E. W. Beerman.

Alpha Sigma Phi mothers club members will go to Elmwood today where they will be entertained at luncheon given at the home of Mrs. Bess Streeter Aldrich.

Sigma Nu auxiliary will entertain at a book review and tea from one to three p. m. today at the chapter house. Mrs. T. D. Bradley of Beatrice will review the book, "My Son, My Son." Mrs. Dana Cole will be chairman of the tea.

Mrs. John Scofield will serve as hostess for a one o'clock luncheon at the Sigma Phi Epsilon auxiliary meeting today at the chapter house.

Prof. Wible Tests Results of Stimuli, Noise on Study

Research Deals With Motion of Heart

Those students who are constantly startled by unexpected noises and those who practice the use of stimulants during long periods of study will be interested in the results of two researches recently completed by Prof. Charles L. Wible, chairman of the department of pharmacology and assistant professor in the department of physiology. The researches deal with the effect of the speed of movement of impulses through the human heart and the effect of benzedrine sulphate on the learning process.

While on leave of absence at Texas university he began the work with benzedrine, a drug which is a stimulant. At the present time he is running another series of tests with rats so as to make a final check of his earlier results. At the same time he is also engaged in analyzing electrocardiographic statistics and preparing this information for publication.

Misses Christmas Dinner.

With the benzedrine research, Professor Wible spent more than 50 consecutive days at Austin testing the effect of the drug on rats to see if the use of the stimulant in any way affected the learning ability of the animals as reflected in the accuracy and length of time they required to run a complicated maze.

This type of research is what scientists call a drag. Every test must be run at the same time every day regardless of personal inconvenience. During the 50 day period of testing at Texas, the experimenter was at his post every day including Sundays and holidays. Now that the experiment is being repeated here the same punctuality must be observed. That is why Professor Wible was forced to give up his Christmas dinner so as to keep his appointment with the rats that afternoon.

Results of Exercise.

The work dealing with the effect of startle and exercise on the heart as reflected in electrocardiograms has been performed with the help of 450 individuals. A blasting airhorn is used as the auditory stimulus to produce startle, while in the case of the exercise experiment, the subject is instructed to do standing running at the rate of 200 steps per minute for 30 seconds.

Immediately following the short period of exercise, the individual

reclines on a cot placed inside a screen cage while an operator records the heart beat. The cot must be screened in so as to eliminate all outside electrical disturbances which affect the extremely sensitive apparatus.

In the case of the startle test, the subject is told to relax on the cot. Without warning, there is a blast from the horn and the apparatus, which is fastened to the individual's wrists and ankles by means of electrodes, similarly records the beating of the heart.

While all his mass of information has not been completely analyzed, Professor Wible believes, however, there is some evidence that the impulse which is responsible for heart beat travels through the heart more rapidly following exercise than following shock by auditory stimulus.

PLAYERS

(Continued from Page 1.) the remaining clever cracks are enough to support the play.

Two Comedies.

"Sandwiched between the other two plays, both comedies, is the sophisticated tragedy of "The Astonished Heart," a variation of the age old love triangle. The Cowardian touch is seen in that it is the wayward male, in this case a psychiatrist, torn between jealousy and passion, rather than the abandoned wife or the confused mistress, who ends the playlet with his suicide. Here is a deeply serious tragedy with a searching and sometimes bewildering inquiry into motives and mental states.

"Fumed Oak," the concluding number of the triple bill, marks a step down from the upper strata of society of the preceding plays to the middle classes. In concerns the escape of a much bullied husband from a nagging wife, a mother-in-law of the kind about whom jokes are made and a runny-nosed, teary daughter. The uproarious climax comes when the "worm" makes an abrupt turnabout and sharply "tells off" his astonished family before leaving for the south seas.

Col. W. H. Oury Improves After Week's Illness

Coy. W. H. Oury, commandant of the R. O. T. C., was back at his desk for a short time today after being confined more than a week. Though able to be up and about the commandant has not completely recovered.

Brown Edits 'Countryman'

Ousek to Head Business Side Second Semester

Rex Brown will act as editor of the Cornhusker Countryman, ag college monthly, next semester, according to a list of appointments released by the student publications board yesterday.

Other appointments include Edwin Ousek, business manager; Leo Cooksley, circulation manager; Will Pitner, associate ag editor; Sylvia Zocholl, associate home ec editor; Keith Glimore and Mylan Ross, associate business managers; Helen Thomas and Marvin Kruse, associate circulation managers. Staff assistants will be announced later.

Retiring staff members who have served this semester are: Glen Thacker, editor; Ann Gersib, business manager; Melvin Glantz, circulation manager; Rex Brown, associate ag editor; Paula Smith, associate home ec editor; Edwin Ousek and Leo Hansmire, associate business managers.

Instructors' Wages Rise

Moritz Reports Slight Increase Since 1936

Salaries paid to Nebraska educators have been slightly increased during the past three years, according to statistics collected by the office of Prof. R. D. Moritz, director of the University's teacher placement bureau.

While median salaries for superintendents obtaining new appointments have increased from \$1300 to \$1,538 during the three year period, the salaries paid high school men were slightly lower during 1938 than during the previous year. Median salary for high school women has remained stationary at \$950. Likewise, there has been little change in salaries of junior high and grade school teachers.

Rural Scale Low.

In the college the median salary for the past year was \$1,650 for men and \$1,600 for women. Wage scale for rural teachers was only \$472.

In addition to collecting these statistics the bureau fills requests for educators and specially trained individuals such as supervisors and librarians. A total of 897 individuals, from both the teachers college and other colleges in the university have been placed by the bureau.

Photo Contest Closes Jan. 18

Union to Award Cash Prizes for Candid Pix

The cash prize photograph contest enabling candid camera enthusiasts to turn their hobby into money, which began last Wednesday, will be closed at noon on January 18, Mrs. Yinger, social director of the Union, emphasized yesterday. This contest is conducted by the Union for the purpose of obtaining illustrations and photographs for an early spring edition of a booklet dealing with the Union and its activities.

Two first prizes of \$7.50 each will be given for the best interior and exterior shot of the building, submitted. Smaller prizes of \$2.00 each will be awarded to the student submitting the best pictures of the ballroom and each of the rooms on the first floor. Interior shots will not be considered unless they show some phase of student activity.

Basis of Judging.

All pictures submitted will be judged on the basis of general photographic excellence and their adaptability to use in the booklet. According to the rules of the contest, all prints submitted must be at least 3 by 5 inches either in length or width, or in width and length.

All pictures handed in will be placed on exhibition in the Union. After the contest is over, all pictures will become the property of the Union, regardless of the fact that they were or were not prize winners.

No student may win more than \$9.50.

The booklet which is to be distributed to freshmen and prospective students for the '39 session

'Ragchiatrist' Adapts Test Of Word Stimuli to Show Responses Characteristic of Undergraduates

By Edwin Wittenberg.

The other day Dr. D. A. Worcester sprang a word association experiment on several psychology students in connection with a grilling several of them had received for committing an imaginary crime. One of the methods used in psychiatry and criminology, it seems, is to mention a word and read the deepest secrets of the individual's private life from his response.

Never an institution to neglect the latest methods of science for bringing newsworthy facts to its readers, the Daily Nebraskan sent an investigator out on the campus to apply this word association business to the average student.

Words, suggesting important phases of university life were sprung on the unsuspecting victims and their responses, giving a fairly good idea of what was going on in their minds, were jotted down on pink slips of paper.

The slips were then folded three times, mixed in a hat and thrown aboard a truck bound for Kalamazoo. Your investigator then sat down and wrote his own idea of the logical responses that should have been given by a freshman, a sophomore, a junior and a senior. To put the reader on the right track, here is a sample:

Dog (original word).

Freshman—Cat; sophomore—fleas; junior—hot; senior—freshman.

Now go ahead on your own.

Study (original word).

Fr.—72 average; soph.—Dean

Thompson; jr.—Ho-oh hum; aa—What?

Coke.

Fr.—Coking; soph.—Money Jr.—Spike; sr.—No. Straight, Hangover.

Fr.—Junior; soph.—Weekend; jr.—Last night; sr.—2-fifths, Blondes.

Fr.—Yes; soph.—B-1790, B-6534, F-4888, B-6900, B-4221, F-3434; jr.—Weekend; sr.—All the same.

Virtue.

Fr.—Reward; soph.—Nice—but not necessary; jr.—What? sr.—Nice—if you can get it.

Activities.

Fr.—Why?; soph.—B M O C; jr.—Work; sr.—Play.

Military Ball.

Fr.—Formal season; soph.—Money; jr.—Marching; sr.—hangover.

Mortar Board Party.

Fr.—Corsage; soph.—Free date; jr.—Spinach; sr.—Hang-over.

Blind Date.

Fr.—Honey (oops, we slipped) soph.—Confidentially; jr.—No! sr.—Never!

Classes.

Fr.—Study; soph.—Sleep; jr.—Coke; sr.—Occasionally.

Graduation.

Fr.—Cum laude; soph.—Three long years; jr.—Maybe; sr.—Work.

Rushce.

Fr.—Good old days; soph.—Paddle; jr.—Where!; sr.—We'll make him innocent—what??

Modernize College Studies by Radio, Educator Urges

(Indiana Daily)

"Persuade your professors to give classes the opportunity to listen to broadcasts by America's leading statesmen, scientists, and artists," said Dr. Arthur G. Crane, president of the University of Wyoming, in an address given at convocation Wednesday morning in Alumni hall.

"Young people in the universities," Crane said, "are too exclusively studying things of the past, things whose connection with modern life seems remote. Radio gives an opportunity to make these studies more real, more modern, serves to connect the past with the living present. These are influences which can enrich the lives and experiences of university students now."

Heads Commission.

As president of the National Commission on Radio Education, Dr. Crane has made a study of the problems of radio today. He pointed out that radio can be an instrument in the education of the people of America and in saving

America as a democracy.

He compared an ideal radio program to a good newspaper and a good library. "A good newspaper prints only what it believes is true. It prints a variety of articles to meet the interests of a variety of listeners in their varying moods," Crane said. "It will contain wholesome nonsense, but it will contain no trash," he added.

"When I was a college student my instructors used to bewail the decadence of the platform, the loss of the power of the spoken word. Today radio has restored this, and instead of audiences of a few hundreds or thousands master speakers and thinkers can have audiences of millions," Dr. Crane said.

In conclusion he said, "If American listeners can be given as good broadcasts as they will accept, rather than as poor as they will tolerate; if programs be the best America possesses, radio will lead America up hill. Radio can elevate or debase American standards and tastes. Radio can enlighten a people!"

Union Program

Tuesday.

12:00—Social work majors, parlors, X, Y.

6:00—Delta Phi Delta, parlor X.

6:15—Phi Delta Kappa, parlor Z.

7:00—Sigma Eta Chi, rooms 313, 305.

7:00—Disc and Needle, parlor A.

7:00—Tassel, room 316.

7:00—Phalanx, room 315.

7:00—League of Evangelical students, room 209.

will deal with the social life activities, functions, policies and history of the Student Union.

Judges for the contest will be announced later.

The Syracuse university infirmary is asking students to give crutches for use of crippled or injured students.

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Art Group Meets For Dinner, Lecture

Delta Phi Delta, art honorary, will conduct its monthly dinner meeting today at 5:30 in parlor X of the Student Union. The speaker of the meeting will be Raymond A. Paul, instructor in Fine Arts, who will talk on the topic "The Three Things an Art Student Worries Most About." A short business meeting will follow, with Theota Erickson, president of the group, in charge.

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