

# American Press—Impartial?

With carefully chosen words, that great organization in behalf of freedom, the American press, pledged itself at the beginning of the European war, to be as fair as possible in its treatment of news from Europe. The American press has been bought and sold by advertisers on such comparatively minor issues as child labor and electric utilities, but never has it so completely misused its "freedom" as it is doing every day during the present conflict. History is repeating itself at a dangerous rate of speed, for with completed editorial naivete, our American newspapers have become little more than distribution points for British propaganda.

The New York Times, altho examples in local papers could also be cited, is a fair example. Within the past two weeks, at least two news stories hidden in the financial section of the Times have contradicted the reactionary headlines of the previous days. The Times admitted, far back in its second section, that all the glorious combats near the Western wall during the first weeks of the war were pure hokum dashed out by government propaganda agencies, and correspond-

ents eager to earn their pay. It is difficult to see how Americans are to discern propaganda, if they get nothing else.

Just a week ago today, the same paper noted on one of the back pages, that the United States government had released the information that England had seized and held twenty-four American ships, one for over twenty days, and two of them so neatly hidden away that our government could find no trace of them. On the same day The Times was continuing to keep the trivial City of Flint chase a first page sensation. Not even that much mention was given in a local paper.

None of this ship seizing, whether it is done by Germany or England, is of real interest to American citizens. Its only effect upon our lives is the effect it may have upon our emotions. The American newspapers are handling that aspect of it very well, indeed.

When we pick up the papers today and glance at the latest items from the British censor's office, it might be a good idea to ask ourselves, "Is it possible that somebody wants us to get into this war?"

## Our Own Little Problems

Here in our own university community, which this paper would serve, problems arise which are challenging to impartiality in our news columns. Readers, with matters generally of trivial concern, contest and dispute our "free" treatment of news with more vexation than our complaints against metropolitan newspapers.

Last week stories dealing with factions, faction rallies, and the election were branded as "biased" and "showing favoritism." Letters and comments to us leveled charges that dealt mostly in personalities against our editors. They have been charged with being susceptible to "misplaced emphasis, false editing, and seeking to promote other interests."

We do not question the logic behind these charges. We, too, have seen examples of misplaced emphasis for promotion of other interests, such as Kosmet Klub, Corn Cobs, and Innocents, whose membership are partly composed of our staff members—staff members who divide their time and efforts in a conglomeration of activities, who consider work on the DAILY more of an activity

than a paid position, and whose "seriousness" is more in the indulgence of looking ahead to a higher-esteemed position the following semester than to the work at hand.

These are our problems. Since the first day of publication this year means have been taken to rectify them. It will be done—someday. Then and only then, when newspapers can be considered something more than mere expressions of small groups of editors, will the word "impartiality" come to be known in its true sense.

## 'Joe Huskings' says:

(Editor's note. The following bright cracks are "filied" from the Northeastern News, Boston, Mass.)

- That he could see the forest if the trees weren't in the way.
- That the ice man is just a dealer in frozen assets.
- That a scholarship is some kind of boat.
- That a seminary is the place where people go after they're hung.
- That a chiropodist is his arch enemy.
- That "Melancholy Mood" because she was contented.
- A preferred creditor is one that doesn't come around very often.
- That a line is the crookedest distance between two joints.
- That he is just shirking his way through college.

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## Scrap Irony

Chris Peterson

We've all read true confession stories about the trials of love life. Under the supposition that we stumble across a couple of the souls who write of life's cares, their conversation might run something like this:

He: "Good morning, Cosette. How are you this beautiful day—a day which causes the wind of life to sparkle in the hearts of the young?"

She: "Quite well, thank you, but still somewhat saddened. Saddened by potent, mercurial memories that tear at my very being; filled with memories that seek to destroy me."

He: "Why? Was it on this day, years ago, that Guy De Puyster came into your life to exert his strange influence?"

She: "Yes, ho yes. I was but a slip of a girl then but a fair-haired immature maid, dressed in honest calico, yet somehow stirred by powerful emotions—curious compelling emotions."

He: "The cur! Did he—?"

She: "Lord, had I but known him for what he was! But how could I? In my childish innocence, I did not know the black heart of him. He carried me away. Told me he loved me. Took me in his arms. Pressed hot kisses on my girlish lips. Held me close to him. Oh, the pangs of it! The memories."

He: "There, there, little woman. I know—I know. And did he leave you in your hour of trial? Leave you alone to face the world with the Little Stranger whose chubby hands—?"

She: "He did. He did. But he shall be punished. Still, he was my first love."

He: "Cosette, Cosette, you astound me! Have there been other loves in your life?"

She: "Many, many others but Guy was my first. You know how a woman feels about her first. However, life is not done for me, despite the false smiles of those who have wooed and won me. I love life; I love love and romance. I shall always search for it; I shall always be waiting for the wee caresses of honest hands! And who knows but what some day—some day—"

He: "My dear, my dear. We both have suffered. There is still hope. The light of hope shines eternal. By the way, babe, what 'cha doin' tonight?"

## Fraternities lag in photo quota

Fraternities, today, lagged far behind the sororities in the number of persons who have had their Cornhusker pictures taken. The deadline is Nov. 26, but less than one-half of the men have been photographed. A much larger percentage of the girls have been. Only 453 men out of 1,028 have visited the studios, while 568 girls out of 635 have. The number of members in the Greek houses have been taken from the student directory. They may vary slightly from the actual number.

Orval Hager, yearbook editor, urges that those who have not had their pictures taken do so as soon as possible to avoid the last minute rush.

Here is a list of the houses, their membership and the number of pictures taken in each.

Fraternity	Members	Pictures Taken
Arctia	36	22
Alpha Gamma Rho	65	33
Alpha Sigma Phi	36	18
Alpha Tau Omega	68	35
Eta Sigma Psi	28	12
Chi Theta Pi	56	28
Chi Phi	35	15
Delta Tau Delta	42	4
Delta Upsilon	49	47
Farm House	67	43
Kappa Sigma	52	22
Phi Delta Theta	46	21
Phi Gamma Delta	52	37
Phi Kappa Psi	50	45
Pi Kappa Alpha	23	9
Psi Sigma Kappa	19	5
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	65	35
Sigma Alpha Mu	33	19
Sigma Chi	51	19
Sigma Nu	59	27
Sigma Phi Epsilon	35	20
Theta Xi	29	21
Zeta Beta Tau	30	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,028</b>	<b>496</b>

  

Sorority	Members	Pictures Taken
Alpha Chi Omega	37	50
Alpha Omicron Pi	41	35
Alpha Phi	58	54
Alpha Xi Delta	52	53
Chi Omega	62	53
Delta Delta Delta	64	56
Delta Gamma	62	50
Gamma Phi Beta	28	27
Kappa Alpha Theta	63	55
Kappa Delta	52	24
Kappa Kappa Gamma	52	42
Phi Mu	37	30
Pi Beta Phi	58	54
Sigma Delta Tau	23	18
Sigma Kappa	22	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>568</b>

## UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA OFFICIAL BULLETIN

- MINIATURE RIFLES.**  
Orders for miniature rifles and sabers are being taken at the military department supply headquarters. Anyone may place an order.
- BARB BULLETIN.**  
The barb council requests any journalism students interested in working on the Barb Bulletin to report to room 307 of the Student Union. The group has decided to continue the publication of the bulletin although it was denied the right to sell advertising space by the publications board.
- COMENIUS CLUB.**  
The meeting of the Comenius club has been postponed to Friday, Nov. 17, at 8 p. m. in Temple 206.
- BAND TRYOUTS.**  
Anyone interested in trying out for symphonic band see Don A. Lentz at the school of music.
- RIDING CLUB.**  
The university riding club will present its fall horse show Nov. 25. Those who wish to participate should notify Lillian Luttgen at the Alpha Phi house immediately.
- GRADUATE CLUB.**  
W. A. Rosene, director of certification of the state department of education, will speak at the regular meeting of the teachers college Graduate club tomorrow at 8 p. m. in Ellen Smith. His subject will be "The Personal Life of an Educator."  
Y. W. C. A. VESPERS.  
Y. W. C. A. Vespers will be held Tuesday at Ellen Smith at 5. Dean Hoop will be the speaker.
- SPANISH CLUB.**  
There will be a meeting of the Club Espanol on Wednesday evening, Nov. 15, at 7:30 p. m. in Temple 203. All persons interested in Spanish are welcome.  
The program will consist of dances by the students of Miss Wilson (L. J. Sabatino), songs by Betty Groth and Marian Stettheimer and community singing.

## NEWS COMMENT.

### Assassination attempt fires Germans

Germany is deeply aroused by the attempted assassination of Hitler. The seven men killed in the unsuccessful attack were buried on Armistice day at 11 o'clock and a declaration was made that at last Germans have been taught to hate. The long awaited hurricane blow in the west may soon strike.

Campus-guest Prince Loewenstein feels that the attempt on Hitler's life was planned and executed by none other than Hitler's right hand man Goering. The prince points out that Goering was not present at the celebration and that according to his knowledge once before attempted to kill Hitler.

Other students of the situation believe that the whole affair was planned with Hitler's knowledge as a move to arouse the sympathies of the German people for the fuhrer. They point out that no prominent man was hurt and that the occurrence was in a national shrine dear to the hearts of the Nazis. The Germans once before played such a card when the Reichstag fire was set to discredit the communists.

### Small states fearful.

The small neutral states of northern Europe are fearful tonight. Russia charges that Finland is irreconcilable and refuses to cooperate. Belgium has closed her German border and Holland is indignant about a border incident which cost the life of one of her citizens. English papers tell of a German ultimatum to Holland, but the Dutch deny the story.

The president appears to favor the transfer of American ships to Rumanian registry. Prof. E. A. Gilmore speaking in the campus forum Thursday deplored that violation of the spirit of the newly passed neutrality act. Gilmore pointed out that as English ships are withdrawn from other routes to carry goods from the United States to England and France, American ships barred from the latter trade, may secure a good share of the abandoned trade.

Gilmore also believes that much of the boom which will result from war purchases in the United States has already been felt. It was anticipated and has not proved as great as was expected. England will use her dominions and Argentina as sources for many supplies which she bought from the United States in 1914-18.

The Swiss report that German troops are moving into the Brenner pass region on the Italian border, which is an indication that relations between Germany and Italy are not as close as Hitler would have the world believe. Still, there are reports that German goods are flowing out to the world thru Genoa.

### Kosmet Klub workers begin sales drive

500 tickets already sold for fall revue; Thomas predicts sell-out

With 500 tickets to the Kosmet Klub Fall Revue already sold, members of the Klub predict a sell-out for the Revue which is to be presented at the Liberty theater next Saturday afternoon. This week workers will make a final ticket sales drive. Business Manager Grant Thomas states that when the tickets for the remaining 490 seats in the Liberty have been sold it will be impossible to secure further tickets.

Plans for the presentation of the 1940 Nebraska Sweetheart are well under way. Clyde Martz and John Mason, members in charge of the presentation promise the public something "novel and different" but refuse to divulge further details concerning the plans.

The program for the Fall Revue has been completed. It will contain the words of the song "Sweet Nebraska Sweetheart." The Klub is endeavoring to have all persons attending the revue learn this song. Lamar Burling and Joyce Ayres, the latter a member of the Klub, wrote the song in 1928 and presented it copyright to the Kosmet Klub.

Next Friday evening a dress rehearsal of the revue will be held in the coliseum. All groups whose skits are included on the program are expected to have their entries completely prepared at this time.

The revue proper is scheduled to start at 3 p. m. Saturday, Nov. 18. Prior to the presentation of the revue, the Nebraska-Pittsburg game will be broadcast to the audience. Johnny Cox's orchestra will furnish the music for the show.

### Oldfather to speak

Dean C. H. Oldfather of the College of Arts and Sciences will address the Alliance Kiwanis club November 21 on "The War, The Peace, and The United States."

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will draw a laugh only on the Orpheum circuit.

Pi Beta Phi: Adequate idea but not sufficiently concise.

Chi Omega: Lacked labeling—better view if you cut the tree down or else move display a little to the left.

Raymond Hall: A budget and about a dozen pledges would help like everything.

Kappa Alpha Theta: Too small—a little trite. But, if at first you don't succeed trite, trite again.

Gamma Phi Beta: Good, but not original, idea. Rather poor artwork.

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