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Editorially Speaking

A New Deal For Activity Leaders

The new series of leadership conferences starting tomorrow under the sponsorship of Mortar Board and the office of the dean of women is an important and laudable undertaking which should bring rewards later in the form or more efficiently organized and better directed women's activities on the campus.

Up to the present when new officers have been installed to head activities, they have known very little about their duties and responsibilities. They had to learn from experience how to run meetings, how dispense necessary publicity, who to see about various matters that come up, how to organize their respective groups properly, and countless other details that a competent officer must know. Under the new plan about to be tried out, no one would assume a responsible activities position "green" from lack of information. The conference series is designed to teach activity participants what they need to know before they take over offices. Not only will coeds be informed about their own particular activities but they will have valuable knowledge about other groups with whom they must co-operate. They will have the advantage of the experience of other women who have preceded them instead of having to make a fresh start with each change of officers. Thus there should result better continuity in the work of the organizations, a helpful integration of various related activities, and a generally smoother-running, more efficient activity program.

If the plan proves successful, no doubt it would be in order to set up a similar one to benefit men's activities in the same way. Like all undertakings, however, its value will depend upon the number of students who take advantage of what it offers. Seemingly all of the necessary "equipment" has been set up by the sponsors of the conferences. All that remains is for those who can profit by using it to do so by giving the series their interest and attendance.

Students AND Faculty: The Way To Vote Is To Register

As April 9, primary election day, draws near, efforts to get-out-the-vote grow more intense. Whether it is justified by facts or not, the University of Nebraska campus is considered a rich field for improvement along the line of voting interest. It is generally thought around Lincoln that faculty members are quite lax about participating in elections, some persons claiming that not more than one-third of the teaching staff goes to the bother of registering. And certainly there are many students of voting age who fail to assume this privilege and responsibility of adult citizenship.

Two more days remain in which persons who have not yet done so may register at the city hall.



News Roundup

Davis, Loos, Mahnken

FRENCH ACTION.

The positive action which the new French government promised its citizenry appears aimed not at the Germans but rather at the Nazi ally, Soviet Russia. At the suggestion of the French, Jakob Surits, Soviet ambassador to France, has been recalled. For some time Surits has been a persona non grata in the French capital, and the new government of Paul Reynaud appears to have responded to the popular insistence that the ambassador be eased out of Paris.

The official reason for the recall demand is that the allies were "insulted" by a telegram which Surits attempted to send Stalin congratulating him on the peace treaty with Finland as a stroke against "British-French warmongers." With the confidence of the French government thus destroyed and a specific request filed for his recall, there was no alternative for the Russians.

Doubtless more than this "insult" urged the French demand for the ambassador's recall. First of all it indicates a more determined diplomatic offensive will be undertaken by the Reynaud government. Since this, the leading story of the day is combined with another which indicates the possibility of improved Franco-Italian relations, this "diplomatic offensive" seems to define French policy. Another factor which doubtless was involved in the recall is the difficulty which the French government has been having with communists and Russian espionage agents. The Soviet embassy has for some time been regarded as the "nest" of these enemies of the republic, and yesterday's action may be part of a cleanup drive.

In some quarters it is believed that severance of diplomatic relations will be the next step, as some doubt exists as to whether any new Russian envoy will be acceptable. What is more likely to occur is that the present status quo will be maintained, the Russians neglecting to name a new representative, and the French envoy continuing his "official illness."

Candid Clippings

Morton Margolin

The "Ohio State Lantern" tells the stories of 29 ROTC members of the Boston College regiment who found out to their sorrow that surprise is a large element of the attack principle.

"Ah," said the future backbones of the army when they went in to take an exam, "A true and false exam. Without doubt, this will be a snap."

Unfortunately they forgot to remember that most important principle of successful warfare, for after the exam it was discovered that the prof had laid a trap for the unwary by making all of the statements true. No one had a perfect paper.

And from the same paper we find a summary of trends in collegiate greetings evolved by Prof. R. H. Miller, instructor in Greek at Wittenberg.

1895—students lift hat when professor approaches.

1905—students say, "How do you do?"

1918—greeting becomes, "Hello".

Today—"Hi!"

And tomorrow—"

The office is open from 8 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. and from 7 p. m. to 9 p. m. today and Saturday. The DAILY urges all its readers, faculty and students, who are eligible to vote to make sure this week that they will be properly registered when election day comes around April 9. At that time the ballot will carry the names of candidates for political offices from the president of the United States on down thru such state offices as governor, U. S. senator and congressmen. It is a sad commentary on the university community if its members do not interest themselves in such important matters as the filling of these positions. Not only is the university supported by the state, but theoretically its faculty and students should be in a superior position to vote wisely and carefully.

We must avoid thinking of the university as a unit complete and important within itself. There is a city, a state, a nation surrounding it and each is greater not only from the standpoint of size but from the consideration that after all they represent that outside world for which all the work of the university is designed as a means toward a better life there. One of the easiest as well as one of the most important ways in which we can become a constructive force in that world is to take advantage as soon as possible of our opportunities to be intelligent voters.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA OFFICIAL BULLETIN

This bulletin is for the use of campus organizations, students and faculty members. Announcements of meetings or other notices for the bulletin may be submitted at the NEBRASKAN office by 5 p. m. the day before publication or at the registrar's office by 4 p. m. on week-days and 11 a. m. on Saturday. Notices must be typed or legibly written and signed by someone with the authority to have the notice published. The Bulletin will appear daily, except Monday and Saturday, on page two of the NEBRASKAN.

TODAY

REQUEST PROGRAM. There will be a record request program on the Carnegie Music Set in the faculty lounge of the Union, Friday at 4 p. m.

YOUTH COUNCIL. University students are invited to attend the Lincoln Youth Council's second Fun Night at the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce at 8 p. m. Ivan Gould will be the guest of honor.

NOON BIBLE CLASS. Friday Noon Bible Class will meet in room 5 and 6 of Former Museum.

YMCA RETREAT. A retreat will be held from 5 to 8 p. m. at the Hi-Y building.

TANKSTERETTES. Tanksterettes will meet at 5 p. m. at the pool. The club will also meet tomorrow at the pool.

FRIDAY FORUM. At the regular Friday forum in the Home Economics cafeteria Dr. F. D. Kelm

will speak and lead the discussion on the topic "College and Character." The forum will be held at noon.

SATURDAY

LEAGUE OF EVANGELICAL STUDENTS. A banquet will be held at 5:45 p. m. Speaker of the evening will be a missionary from China.

BARB DANCE. A Barb dance will be held in the Union at 7:30 p. m. The Barb party will be held in parlors ABC at 8:30 p. m.

NEBRASKA FIELD COMPANY. Members of the Nebraska Field Company will meet in Nebraska hall at 9 a. m. Watch the bulletin board for details.

LIBRARY PETITIONS. Petitions are being distributed with the DAILY today in order to probe the question of keeping the library open on Sunday afternoons. Each house is requested to hang these petitions in a prominent place after they receive them and all members interested in such an extension of library hours are urged to sign.

Voting Ballot ALL-AMERICAN COLLEGE QUEEN CONTEST

DAILY NEBRASKAN:

I hereby enter one vote in the All-American College Queen contest for:

- Marjorie Adams, Beth Howley, Bettie Cox, Pat Reitz, Jean Cullinan, Gerry Wallace

to attend the World Premiere of "Those Were The Days" at Nebraska's representative at Knox College, Galesburg, Ill., May 21st.

Signed

Address

(All votes must be in the DAILY office not later than 8 p. m., March 29. Ballot Box near entrance to Union.)

Playwright Ledley . . . Divulges deep secrets of art that gave us "Ski Stealers"

By Bob Schlater.

On the sidelines for every rehearsal of the Kosmet Klub show "Ski Stealers" which will be presented next week at the Temple is Bob Ledley, author of the show. He is serving as technical adviser and is more than a little interested in the outcome of the production. He hopes to make his future work radio writing and this first production will give him good experience.

Ledley modestly draped over a chair, divulged the secrets of his authorship. "I got the idea in bed late one night, rolled out of bed at 3 a. m. and began to write. The play is a satire on the international situation."

"Hot" writer.

It took Ledley five days to write the play. He wrote when "hot" and carried pencil and pad between times for suggestions of gags. There are no steals in the play. It is original, he declared.

The stage settings for the show were sketched for Ledley by Virginia Fleetwood. Simplified in nature Ledley thinks they will make for faster changes and also will not detract from the idea of the play. There is a snow scene in which the chorus does a dance on skis.

And the dances.

The dances were specified by Ledley as to type and idea which was to be conveyed but the actual routines were left to others. Mary Kline is directing the chorus and Rosita Royce, the dove dancer, acted as adviser for a few days. The songs were taken care of in the same manner.

While the show is a satire on war, according to Ledley there is no attempt to make war funny. There are no lines about guns, blood, or killing.

Light Finns.

Throughout the show there is a definite transition between Russia and Finland from one scene to the next. This is carried out very effectively by showing Finland as an airy, light, happy country through brighter lights on the stage, happier songs, a more direct method of speaking. In Russ

Come to Church

Sunday, March 31

First Baptist

14th and K. Clifton H. Walcott, Minister. 9:45 A. M.—Roger Williams Class for College Age Group. 11:00 A. M.—"Real Religion." 7:00 P. M.—Roger Williams Club. "The Negro's Contribution to American Life." Rev. C. H. Nicks.

First Plymouth Congregational

20th and D. Raymond A. McConnell, Minister. 11:00 A. M.—"Easter Leaves Oblige Us." 6:00 P. M.—Youth Supper. 7:00 P. M.—Sunday Evening Club. James N. Ackerman.

University Episcopal

15th and H. Rev. L. W. McMillan, Priest in Charge. 8:30 A. M.—Holy Communion. 11:00 A. M.—Choral Eucharist and Sermon.

First Presbyterian

17th and F. Dr. Edmund F. Miller, Minister. 9:40 A. M.—Bible Class for College Age Group. 11:00 A. M.—Morning Worship. 7:30 P. M.—University Group.

Westminster Presbyterian

Sheridan and South. M. V. Ogden, Minister. 11:00 A. M.—"Bonds That Matter Most." Dr. C. H. Patterson. 6:00 P. M.—Fellowship Supper. 6:30 P. M.—Discussion. "The Living Rhinoceros." 7:30 P. M.—Evening Worship, Meditation. "The Buffalo Herd." Dr. M. V. Ogden. 8:15 P. M.—Party for high school seniors, Student Center.

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