

Behind the Headlines

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Inauguration . . .

To the accompaniment of a ruffle of drums, flourish of bugles the drone of 280 warplanes overhead, and the measured beat of "Hail to the Chief," Franklin D. Roosevelt again rode alone down Pennsylvania avenue—alone because though he had served two terms as President of the United States, the American people, two months before, had decided by an impressive majority that he should succeed himself for a third term.

Never before have the American people conferred the honor and responsibility of the presidency three times upon the same man. Indeed, only 10 of Mr. Roosevelt's predecessors have been re-elected for a second term.

After solemnly repeating the oath—administered for the third time by Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes—"to preserve, protect and defend" the Constitution, the President briefly addressed the throng assembled in the capital, and via radio, the nation and the world.

He did not speak of details. There was no recounting of past accomplishments, save in a general way, and no discussion of specific objectives for the next four years. Instead, he talked of the past, present and possible future of democracy.

"The democratic aspiration," he declared, "is not a mere recent phase in human history. It is human history. It permeated the ancient life of early peoples. It blazed anew in the middle ages. It was written in the Magna Charta . . . Its vitality was written into our own Mayflower Compact, into the Declaration of Independence, into the Constitution of the United States, into the Gettysburg address . . ."

In measured terms he proclaimed his faith in the future of democracy:

"Democracy is not dying . . . We know it cannot die—because it is built on the unhampered initiative of individual men and women joined together in a common enterprise—an enterprise undertaken and carried through by the free expression of a free majority."

The President, of course, was not implying that the future of democracy is clear, and free from threats—for he, more than any other citizen, realizes the nature and seriousness of the threats to the democratic way of life.

At the present time there seem to be two types of fundamental threats to the liberty and republican form of government of the

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'Sarg' Regler says . . .

Naughty, naughty, to little girls who leave purses lying around

Publications filing deadline is Thursday

Thirteen positions are open on university publications for next semester according to Gayle C. Walker, chairman of the publications board.

Positions open on the DAILY include editor, two managing editors, five news editors, sports editor, business manager and two assistant business managers. Students may apply for positions of editor and business manager on the Awgwan Flash. All filings for positions on either of the publications must be presented in U hall 104 by 5 p. m. Thursday.

Daily quits publication until after exams

Even the DAILY staff studies! So, with examinations starting tomorrow, this issue of the NEBRASKAN is the last one of the semester.

Following examinations, publication will be resumed Sunday morning, Feb. 2.

Sergeant Regler of the campus police has been troubled with a great number of pocketbook thefts both on the city campus and at the ag college, but now the noble upholder of the law believes he has a solution to his problems.

On Thursday afternoon Sergeant Regler, accompanied by Officer William Grage, visited the Temple building where many thefts of pocketbooks had been reported. The campus cops, dressed in plain clothes, were inspecting rooms in which previous robberies had taken place. Sergeant Regler wanted to find out if the thefts were due to carelessness.

In a small open room the officers found several girls' coats with purses resting on top of the coats in plain sight. With a thoughtful scheme in mind, the officers took three of the purses to the campus police station in social sciences annex.

Officer, my purse!

Within a short while a telephone call was received by Sergeant Regler reporting the loss of three purses from the Temple building. Regler asked the caller to send the theft victims to his office.

When the girls arrived Sergeant Regler returned the girls' purses (See THIEF, page 8.)

Awgwan-Flash gives advice on examinations

Last issue of year hits stands tomorrow; Rose Bowl, initiation featured

Last Awgwan-Flash of the year will come out Wednesday with special advice to students worried about exams. A special section solving all examination problems is the featured section of the new issue.

"It's a cinch to be a Phi Beta Kappa if students will follow the examples of the students pictured" said George Frischer, Flash editor. "They just have to turn to the Awgwan and they will learn how to pass final exams, with top grades."

With both Flash photographers and other campus camera enthusiasts contributing pictures, the Rose Bowl trip is covered in this month's Flash with special emphasis on what Nebraskans did besides going to the football game. Included are intimate shots of the band and team members having fun.

A girl of the month will also be named. Frischer says she's a freshman, but won't tell more. Hollywood is well represented as Flash covers the recent premiere of "Cheers for Miss Bishop" and reviews the western melodrama, "Arizona." Candid shots distinguish the premiere pictures.

Photos of the entire initiation ceremony of Theta Nu, pre-med organization, make up another featured section. For the first time, pictures of the entire ritual were taken.

The usual sprinkling of jokes and cartoons with "around-campus" shots interspersed are also included. Editors promise that the jokes are the funniest yet.

Another Awgwan favorite, the Gore section, is written in a different style but it rounds out what Frischer believes is the best magazine published this year.

Students pay fees between Jan. 24, 31

Students wishing to complete second semester registration must pay tuition fees in Grant Memorial between Friday, Jan. 24 and Thursday, Jan. 31.

All students paying fees will use the east entrance of the building. Fees will be accepted from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. on all days except Saturday and Sunday. The building will be open from 9 a. m. to noon Saturday. Fees may be paid during the noon hour.



WILL MCGAFFIN.
Speaks at convo.

McGaffin tells of European war at forum

Former Husker student will explain newsmen's job in Union Jan. 28

Will McGaffin, Nebraska graduate and now an Associated Press foreign correspondent, will explain what foreign newsmen did at the outset of the war when he speaks at a forum, sponsored by Theta Sigma Phi and Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism societies in parlors X, Y, Z, of the Union next Monday, Jan. 27, at 4 p. m.

Just returned from England, McGaffin has been in close contact with the important events of the war. He covered Hitler's invasion of the low countries and France and the first steps of the Nazi drive into England.

At the forum, he will review his experiences abroad and will explain the work of newspapermen covering the war. Following his talk, an open discussion will be held with the audience firing questions at McGaffin.

Union solicits One-act plays

Contest winning scripts will be produced

Any student who has written an original skit or one-act play should submit it to the Union office or Armand Hunter. The plays will then be judged and those selected to be given will receive a \$5 prize. The deadline for submitting plays has not been determined to date.

Second in the series of plays presented by the speech department on the Union Sunday afternoon program will be given Sunday, Feb. 2 in the Union ballroom at 4 p. m.

Speech students will present three one-act plays, one of which has not yet been selected. The two scheduled to be presented are Elizabeth Gale's "Not Quite Such a Goose," and "Happy Journey," by Thornton Wilder.

The last of this series of plays will be March 30, and Professor Hunter will call for original scripts to be used in the final plays of the season.

The weather

With exams on the immediate horizon to greet all, the hint of snow in the air and the clouds in the sky will do little to brighten the outlook.

To-day's forecast the weatherman says is cloudy with some light rain or snow and supposedly chillier to-night.

Engineers meet here Monday

Students attend dinner; Allis-Chalmers men speak

A meeting for Nebraska engineers will be held Monday, Jan. 27, at the ag engineering department of the university. The program will include a discussion of the new two-cycle Deisel engine used in tractors, movies of the ill-fated Tacoma bridge and a dinner. Speakers will be E. F. Norelius, chief engineer, and A. C. Boock, chief designer for the Springfield works of Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing company.

Demonstration of the new two-cycle engine will be open to the public at 8 p. m.

Members of the Lincoln Engineers club and their guests will attend the dinner at the college activities building at 7 p. m. Engineering students are invited to attend the dinner. Tickets for the dinner are 50 cents and reservations may be made either by phoning or sending a card to W. H. Mendel of the Nebraska State Planning board at the capitol building. Deadline for reservations is noon Friday.

Murray talks at Vespers

Lincoln choir presents devotional sessions

Great Cathedral Choir appeared Sunday evening in the second of its annual series of choral vespers held in the ballroom of the Cornhusker hotel. In an atmosphere of white robes, candles and dim purple lights, the Choir sang sacred selections by Grieg, Gretchaninof, and Sullivan.

Students have chance to take part in national defense

By Bob Schlater.

Special intensive short courses to prepare men for national defense work are to be inaugurated in the college of engineering beginning next semester. There will be no fee for the courses and no college credit given, according to Dean O. J. Ferguson of the college of engineering.

By June students will have covered approximately two years of work as measured by similar courses in the regular engineering curriculum. Three courses, drafting and shop practice, drafting, and materials inspection and testing will be offered.

Shop and Drafting.

The drafting and shop practice setup will prepare the student for a minor position in drafting or in production work. Students in this daytime course of 15 weeks will spend 24 hours per week in the drafting room and 16 hours in shops. For admission a student must be an American citizen, high school graduate, at least 18 years old and in sound physical health.



Each student furnishes his own drawing instruments but paper will be supplied free.

In drafting which is an evening course for men employed in the daytime, students will spend three hours per evening for four evenings each week. Admission requirements are the same as for the drafting and shop practice course.

A materials inspection and testing course is also offered. This prepares the student for civil service examinations and governmental positions as well as for positions in national defense industries. For admission the student must have had three years of an engineering college curriculum including the subject of Mechanics of Materials or equivalent training. It is a daytime course lasting 15 weeks and will include laboratories and lectures. Students must purchase certain textbooks.

Accept 40 students.

From applications received by (See DEFENSE, page 5.)