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# Editorial Dear Editor

When a busy executive leaves his office and accepts an invitation to speak, you would think that at least a majority of students would attend. I am, of course, referring to the Charter Day address by Wendell Berge, assistant attorney general of the United States.

Aren't Nebraska students interested in their school or were they just too lazy to get out of bed? If the Tassels and about 25 other students hadn't been present, Mr. Berge would not have glimpsed a single pretty Nebraska coed or dashing Nebraska young man.

Even if the address had been the worst ever given (which I'm sure it wasn't). I am sure this former alumnus deserved a greater applause for his very fine speech (though that was the loudest the mere handful of people could clap).

I hope no one else has to be disheartened (as I'm sure Mr. Berge was) by the poor student attendance at Marsa Lee Civin. any important meeting.

Ed.: It has been rather generally known for quite a while that students are not receptive to special events when great exertion on their part is involved. We cannot defend this student position in the least; for we recognize that such spirit is deplorable.

But on the other hand we cannot blame the student body altogether for the small turnout last Saturday, A convocation should never have been scheduled on a Saturday morning even though that morning were Charter Day. Perhaps it takes a poor turnout like this to convince the convocation committee that you can't expect too much-even from students.

# Beneath the Golden Dome by Art Rivin ¥

## Students protest

University students, committee members and a greyhaired old lobbyist laughed and argued the "no hitch hiking" bill to its knees yesterday afternoon.

Strangely enough the bill's introducer, Senator Martin Mischke, is chairman of the public works committee which heard the bill. He opened the debate. "In the past few days," he said, "I have been haunted by students protesting against such a measure. I understand they have been hanging me in effigy up at the university."

The senator explained that it was not his intention to deprive fellows of the chance of getting to and from their homes. He declared that, "this whole thing is solely in the interest of safety." He asked the assembled group of some twenty students if they weren't being a little selfish in heir demands and said he doubted if they realized the hazards involved in hitch hiking. Then Senator Mischke, in numbers at least overwhelmed, turned the floor over to the bill's opponents.

A member of the committee, Senator Blome, began the remarks of the pro-hitch hiking group. It was his contention that, denied the right to hitch hike, students will ride the box cars. "That is far more dangerous." he of the bill's opponents. He declared that a law is not declared. "I don't discourage my 16 year old son from hitch hiking," and then directing his remark to the committee chairman he predicted, "walt until your son is 16, Martin."

First student to speak was Paul Rhodes. He asked the committee if the state had the right to deny a motorist who wanted to pick up a hitch hiker because he wanted some company, that privilege.

Tim Green, junior, proposed a hitch hiker's organization, members of which would wear some kind of identification to certify their "good intentions."

Jack Lee, law freshman, pointed out to the committee that the driver is exempt from responsibility in case of accident when the person riding with him is a guest.

"A similar bill passed in Iowa has since been declared unconstitutional," said Tom Brogan, law freshman.

Frank Smith, freshman, summed up the argument "a good law unless it is respected." Then he went on to show by specific example that similar laws in other states are not respected, not even by the authorities.

He suggested that if safety is the object then it would be wise to mark out safety zones on our highways where hitch hikers might stand. The audience roared when Mr. Smith accused Mischke of being unfair in trying to prohibit hitch hiking after his hitch hiking days were over. Laughingly replied the senator, "How did you find out?"

All of the student speakers agreed that the outlawing of hitch hiking would work a severe hardship on those students in the university who have very little money

With a sigh of relief, Senator Mischke closed the hearing. The bill will now be discussed in private committee meeting.

## Blome-

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vides for regulation of underground waters. Along with Senator Gantz, Blome is the introducer of the measure, L.B. 460. The proposed act has been discussed in this column before but

so we must regulate the use of underground water."

Under the terms of the bill the state would be divided into areas and regulation of the underground water in each area could only take place if the free voters of that area approved such action in an election.

Senator Blome's schooling at session this summer. what is now Midland college was France, the senator had the very a hospital unit.

Twenty-two trips to California fessor. travel.

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cussed in this column before but the senator said he wanted to add a few things. "The problem of sufficient wa-ter in this state," he said, "is most important. We can't make it rain so we must regulate the use of

is now working on costumes for the Ballet Russe.

At present, he is doing free lance designing. In addition to this Royer has opened a professional school of fashion in Beverly Hills, Calif., which will have its first

The lecture tour he is now makinterrupted by the country's en- ing includes leading educational trances into the war. While in institutions "in all of the states south and west of Louisville, Ky., unique experience of serving, dur- and including Arkansas, Florida, ing the entire war, in the same Louisiana, Missouri, Kansas and base camp with his sister. She Nebraska." He will stay at was a Red Cross nurse, he was in Stephen's College in Missouri for two weeks, serving as a guest pro- foreign war to the extent of send-

in 20 years is a lot of traveling. For the men on fashion tips, soil. I am in favor of giving all And that's the senator's hobby- only this: at five o'clock in the aid possible to Britain. . . How-"I've seen seven Rose afternoon Royer, who is recover- ever, I do not believe we should mes." he said, "and I can ing from a mild attack of appendi- give aid to Britain to the extent Bowl games," he said, "and I can ing from a mild attack of appendisincerely say that the game this citus, wore a white shirt with diyear was the best I have wit- agonal striped bow tie; a gray suit with black stripes, black silk socks, and, at the time, lounging slippers. This for the women: for spring aand summer wear, sport clothes with an Oriental accent will be tthe vogue. Coolie hats, Tahitian prints and South Sea designs will be "it." But remember, "twelve petticoats, which weigh as much as 25 pounds" are strictly OUT.

# **Bulletin** FOLLIES SKITS.

Outlines for ideas on Coed Follies skits are due tomorrow at 3 p. m. They should be handed in to Mrs. Westover's desk in Ellen Smith hall. Tryonts will be next Wednesday or Thursday. ORCHESIS.

There will be an Orchesis meeting to day at 7 p. m. in Grant Memorial.

YOUNG ADVOCATES, Foung Advocates will meet tonight at 7:30 in room 209B of social sciences build-ing. Ciliton J. Campbell will speak on "Canons of Ethics for Lawyers."

foreign war because we have enough to take care of ourselves. Why should we take on someone else's problems?'

Jeanne Olander, a senior in education, said: "Naturally I don't want to engage in foreign war. No one with any smattering of common sense does.

In the poll conducted by the Volante, 19 out of 21 students said to participation in foreign "no" war. The consensus was expressed by Allen Wilson, sophomore in He will stay at arts and sciences, when he said: "I do not wish to engage in any ing American soldiers to foreign For the men on fashion tips, soil. I am in favor of giving all



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# Designer-

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art school in New York City, to studying abroad; from there to working with a store, to designing stage settings and costumes, and from that work to Hollywood."

He found recognition when he became stylist and head of designers at Lord and Taylor's wellknown Fifth Avenue store.

He then began designing settings for stage productions in New York and part of his work consisting of the correlation of costumes with te settings.

His success in this field soon led to Hollywood and designing costumes for Twentieth Century-Fox, where he has been under contract for the past nine years.

He has designed clothing for such film notables as Loretta Young, Shirley Temple, Madeline Carroll, Joan Blondell, Myrna Loy, Dorothy Lamour, Claudette Colbert, Jane Withers, and many others. Although his designing is limited mostly to period gowning. his ice-skating and skiing cos-tumes designed for Sonja Heinie set the styles in this field. However, besides commercial designing for large concerns, he designs clothing for Sonja Heinie exclusively in private life, most of Loretta Young's and part of Alice Faye's.

His major work has been in period costume designing, having done this in such movies as "In Old Chicago," "Alexander Graham Bell," "Jesse James," and several African pictures. Only recently he did costumes for the Belles Arts Ballet in Mexico City, and

### War-

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lief that America needs to enter the existing conflict.

Oklahoma women oppose convoys.

At Oklahoma College for Women 65 percent of the students expressed themselves against "convoys." On the question of whether U. S. goods should be "given" to Britain, 70 percent were against it. But this poll showed more than half the students favor giving President Roosevelt the powers granted by the Lend-Lease bill now pending before congress.

There was no concurrence in this thought at the University of West Virginia. Here 53.3 percent of the students expressed dissatisfaction with President Roosevelt's foreign policy by voting against unlimited aid to Britain. Only 16.4 percent of the students at West Virginia said they would voluntarily take part in a war on foreign soil, while 95 percent were against entering the war now. On the question: "Would you fight if the United States were invaded ?" over

90 percent answered "yes." Evelyn Dawson of the Univer-sity of North Dakota, in a poll conducted by the student publication Volante, said:

"I do not believe in engaging in

that we neglect our own national defense.

#### Poll at Minnesota,

University of Minnesota students were questioned as follows "If you were asked to vote today on the question of the United States entering the war against Germany and Italy, how would you vote-to enter the war or to stay out of it?" The results were:

To stay out ..... 79.5% To enter ..... 11.6% Undecided ..... 8.9%

The Duke University Chronicle asked students if they would bear arms in defense of the physical boundaries of the United States. Practically all, or 1,192 out of 1,332 answered in the affirmative. Out of 1,143 students questioned on foreign war, 911 stated they would not bear arms on foreign soil. Of 1,318 students questioned. 688 or over half said the United States should not alone or in cooperation with other democratic powers seek to enforce an "international decency" bye engaging in boycotts, merchant marine blockades, or other economic measures against Japan or any other nation.

# Coliseum-

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open to all. Thru the organization of the intramural office, basketball, baseball, football and volley ball games can be scheduled. Organized recreation need not be restricted to the intramural games, however, Rolland Horney of that office emphasizes. Practice periods will be arranged all thru the year whenever a group makes the request for one thru his office.

The facilities for mass recrea-tion are there. The athletic office urges the more widespread use of them by the student body.

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