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Behind the News

H.R. 1776 becomes law

Congress completed action on the historic lease-lend bill Tuesday as the House of Representatives accepted, 317 to 71, the senate amendments.

Some of the main provisions of this "act to promote the defense of the United States" follow.

The president may authorize the manufacture of any defense article for the government of any country whose defense the president deems vital to the defense of the United States. This can be done to the extent to which Congress makes the funds available or contracts are authorized.

After consultation with the chief of staff of the army or the chief of naval operations, or both, the president may sell, transfer title, exchange, lease, lend, or otherwise dispose of to any government whose defense is deemed vital to the defense of the United States any articles of defense, though the value of such articles procured from funds already appropriated shall not exceed \$1,300,000,000.

The terms under which the president is authorized to transfer the above named goods, "shall be those which the president deems satisfactory, and the benefit to the United States may be payment or repayment in kind or property, or any other direct or indirect benefit which the president deems satisfactory."

Further, the president has the authority to "test, inspect, prove, repair, outfit, recondition, or otherwise to place in good working order any defense article" for such governments as he wishes to aid, and to communicate to them

any defense information pertaining to any defense article furnished them.

Congressional authority in the administration of the bill if provided for in the provisions which require reports to the congress every 90 days, which require appropriation of the money to carry out the bill (except the amounts already provided for), and which provide that both houses of congress, by a concurrent resolution, may suspend the act.

"Historic" is an apt word to describe the act, and now that the president has received the authorization of Congress we may expect rapid action to increase the aid being given to the opponents of the axis powers.

Eight teams enter debate competition

Intramural contest begins tomorrow; formal alliance is speaking topic

With eight teams entered so far, the intramural debate tournament gets under way tomorrow. The debates will be held in the houses of the affirmative teams beginning at 7 p. m.

Rules of eligibility, according to H. A. White, debate coach, require that all debaters must be carrying 12 hours of college work, and (See DEBATE, page 8.)

Ag college ball features Ralph Slade

Junior Ak-Sar-Ben show opens with dance Friday; activity ends Saturday

Highlighting the eleventh annual Junior Ak-Sar-Ben on ag campus will be the annual ball Friday evening in the student activities building with Ralph Slade and his orchestra playing for the event.

Slade's "Sweetest Band in Melodyland" features "The Tune Tossers" Don, Dick and Charley. This trio, before signing with Ralph Slade, recently enjoyed a feature spot for eight months over (See BALL, page 4.)

Applications for scholarships due tomorrow

Tomorrow is the last day application blanks for the two Mortar Board scholarships may be returned to the office of the Dean of Women.

Applicants must have at least an 85 average for their first semester this year, must not be deficient in any course, must be registered for at least 12 hours this semester and planning to register for that many next year.

The scholarships will be applied on tuition, \$37.50 each semester next year, if the conditions on which they were awarded are maintained.

Women vote for officers Friday

Juniors, seniors vote for May Queen; barbs select own activity board

Election of AWS and Coed Counselor board members, barb activity board for women, and May Queen along with nominations for 1942's Mortar Boards will take place Friday at the polls in Ellen Smith hall when women students vote between 8:45 a. m. and 5 p. m.

All women students may vote for AWS and Coed Counselor board members, all barbs for the BABW members, and juniors and seniors may vote for Mortar Board nominees and the May Queen.

Identification cards must be presented in order to vote, Pat Sternberg, Mortar Board president announced yesterday.

May Queen candidates.

Candidates for the May Queen must have an 80 average, have attended the university three years; be carrying 12 hours now and have had 27 the preceding two semesters; and must have no outstanding delinquency. The person who receives the highest vote will be queen and the next will be maid of honor at the Ivy Day presentation. Candidates for the honor will be announced Friday at the polls.

Mortar Board nominations will be selected from the list of junior woman posted in Ellen Smith hall. Votes should be cast for not less than five nor more than 20 of the (See ELECTION, page 4.)

Judges select 20 models to appear in Coed Follies

Out of 44 competing, coeds 20 women were selected to take part in the model show in the annual Coed Follies to be presented March 27. Choice of the winners was made at the final tryouts last night in social sciences auditorium.

Following are the winning models and the house or group which they represent:

Dorothy Askey, Alpha Phi; Giggs Berggren, Alpha Phi; Marian Bowers, Kappa Kappa Gamma; Ruth Brickell, Chi Omega; Bette Cox, BABW; Jean Craig, Pi Beta Phi; June Critchfield, Towne club; Mary Helen Dietrich, Delta Delta Delta; Lougene Everson, Gamma Phi Beta; Jean Ferris, Kappa Delta.

Julia Ann Gurley, Northeast Hall, Raymond dormitory; Kay Hanley, Alpha Omicron Pi; Maribel Hitchcock, Kappa Alpha Theta; Nancy Mauck, Alpha Chi Omega; Betty Meyer, Kappa Kappa Gamma; Betty Reese, Delta Gamma; Mary Louise Simpson, Pi Beta Phi; Virginia Tomiska, Northeast Hall, Raymond dormitory; Mary Jean Trowbridge, Delta Gamma; and Beryl Weaver, Home Economics association.

"Women this year were selected on their posture, walk, poise and general appearance," explained Dorothy White, chairman of the Follies, after the tryouts last night. "Because of outside help we were able to choose the girls

who met professional modeling qualifications.

"Instead of selecting one model from the two representing each house, as we did last year, models were chosen entirely on their appearance in comparison to the other contestants."

Judges for the tryouts were Ann Craft, who has charge of the model show; Susan Shaw, Pat Sternberg, Marian Stone, Margaret Krause Wellinger, Jean Simmons, Ben Alice Day, and Dorothy White, all AWS board members; and Mrs. T. A. Leadley, representative from Hovland-Swanson.

Variety of types.

"There is a pleasing variety of model types—petite, sophisticated, and vivacious—in the show this year," commented Mrs. Leadley.

Models are instructed to wear the clothes they will appear in at the show on Tuesday, March 18, when a practice will be held in the social sciences auditorium at 7 p. m.

Awgwan-Flash misses schedule

Scheduled to come out today, this month's Awgwan-Flash will not be out until tomorrow morning, Ed Wittenberg, business manager, announced last night.

For men only! Apply to date Stephens girls

Stephens College girls, numbering 690, will attend a tea dance sponsored by the university Tuesday, March 25, from 3:30 to 5:30 in the Union ballroom. Henry Mattison will play for the dance.

The group has been on a tour through the northwest and along the Pacific coast. Their stop here is the last lap of the annual tour.

At a 4:30 intermission several of the Stephens college singers who are in a broadcasting class will present a program.

Dates with UN men.

Any university man may arrange a date for the dance by seeing Pat Lahr at the Union.

Tonight all fraternity social chairmen will meet with Stephens alumni in room 315 of the Union at 7 p. m. to organize dates and make plans for the party.

Union Flickers Sunday features 'Thief of Bagdad'

Douglas Fairbanks will star in "The Thief of Bagdad" to be shown in the Union Flickers show Sunday at 4 p. m. The show is open to students and no charge will be made except for peanuts which will be peddled through the audience.

"The Thief of Bagdad" was produced in 1924 at a cost of \$2,000,000. It was the peak of Douglas Fairbanks' career although he continued to produce his own pictures and star in them until 1931. At the time this film was made Fairbanks, with his wife, Mary Pickford, and Charlie Chaplin, were the best paid actors of the screen.

The Bagdad trio composed of John Mason, Bob Sandberg and Lynn Myers will sing. Russ Gibson will be at the piano.

Believe it or not, students want marriage and pronto

By Student Opinion Surveys.

AUSTIN, Texas, March 12.—

"What does the future hold for me?" That is one question that many a college youth, faced with an upset world, is asking himself today. Is the collegian giving thought to the time when he leaves the campus—how soon would he like to be married, what is his life work to be?

Because of the uncertainty brought by the war, these are questions of importance especially to those young in the threshold of adult life. To discover what students of the nation are thinking about their future, Student Opinion Surveys of America has held interviews over a cross section of colleges and universities. The results:

1. Nearly two-thirds of the men and women now in college hope to be married within three years after they leave school.
2. Many college women—about four out of every ten—want to teach, at least for a short while.
3. Almost half of the men are

planning to do engineering work, to teach, or to go into private business.

Comparatively little pessimism was manifest upon the campuses over the country. Practically all students are proceeding with their preparations for a normal life. But this is not to say that collegians are not aware of the changes going on about them. Other surveys have pointed out that students are keenly interested in the European troubles, and in keeping this na-

(See SURVEY, page 4.)

WPA, university project gives new fund material on state government

Off the presses this month is a new fund of information on Nebraska state government as the first of three books compiled under the sponsorship of the university and financed by the WPA near completion.

"Nebraska Party Platforms, 1858-1940" is the title of this first mimeographed and bound publication of 525 pages. It will be followed by two volumes of readings on Nebraska government and political institutions thru the years, and later by a set of four volumes on "Nebraska Governor's Messages and Proclamations."

Aylsworth directs.

Prof. L. E. Aylsworth of the political science department represents the university in the project which was begun about a year and a half ago, altho Professor Aylsworth conceived the idea a number of years ago. Dr. John G. W. Lewis is supervisor and editor with a staff of ten workers under him employed in the project of compiling for the first time important historic records previously scattered in hundreds of obscure and unexpected places.

"The Nebraska party platforms not only furnish an interesting record of the formal declarations of party principles since the beginning of party organization in Nebraska territory, but they also constitute a valuable index to the political, social, and economic life of the time," states Professor Aylsworth. "Indeed some of the most dramatic political campaigns of the nation cannot be understood without reference to their Nebraska origins."

From the past.

In some of these documents of the past are proposals which then aroused extreme fear and bitter opposition but which are now regarded as everyday political wisdom, Aylsworth points out. For example, the earliest proposals for an income tax were denounced as communistic and unconstitutional, altho they provided an exemption of about \$5,000 and carried only a 2 percent levy on income in excess of that amount.

Nebraska political parties were of no help in rounding up the many platforms since they have made no effort to maintain permanent

headquarters until very recent years and possess no historical records. Newspapers were the main source for material, and tracking down the 283 platforms or equivalent documents contained in the book called for considerable ingenuity and painstaking search by workers in old and obscure papers.

Many copies.

Copies of this book and the other volumes to follow will be placed in the editorial rooms of every state daily newspaper, in the library of every university, college and normal school, in the city library of every community over 5,000 population, in high school libraries of the larger towns, and in a few other places where they will be available to interested persons.

Professor Aylsworth hopes that the work of the project may promote interest in, and study of, Nebraska government. The two volumes of reading to be out in July are expected to be among the most useful. They will contain 800 pages of carefully selected source material beginning with (See GOVERNMENT, page 7.)

Dancing classes begin Thursday

Advanced dancing classes will begin Thursday at 7 p. m. in the Union ballroom. Irv Kuklin will instruct the group in any steps they request. The group will meet every Thursday for a month.

Engineers hold convo tomorrow

The general convocation for all engineering students will be held tomorrow at 10 a. m. in social science auditorium instead of today as was previously announced in the DAILY. A technicolor film on the lumber industry will be shown.