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Behind the News

By David Thompson

Not "Way" Behind

I was gleefully informed this morning that this column is inappropriately named. It seems that at least one of my readers (perhaps the only reader) thinks that it should be dubbed "Way Behind the News" rather than just "Behind the News." As far as the subjects presented are concerned, this is often very true; yet I would like to point out to Mr. Higgins in particular and my readers in general that it is not the intended purpose of this columnist to try and scoop the Associated Press and other news services. That would obviously be a bit impossible when one is stationed in Lincoln.

However on many occasions I shall try to indicate what developments might be forthcoming as the result of past happenings. The general purpose of the column is more to analyze and place the events discussed in as near their proper perspective as possible. Another avowed intention of this columnist is to set forth the happenings in the foreign situation as briefly as possible each day for the benefit of those students who find themselves too busy with other things to read the detailed news stories appearing in the daily papers.

By the way, I am looking for an ambitious foreign correspondent who can manage to get to the Russian front and maintain himself there on the budget the Daily business staff would offer. He would certainly come in handy. Perhaps then we could call this the "Ahead of the News" column. Can you oblige Tim?

Now that I have justified the column, to my own satisfaction at least, it might be well to briefly sketch the day's happenings on the foreign front.

Senator McKellar introduced a bill into Congress to repeal the Neutrality Act of 1939. . . . German troops entered the suburbs of beleaguered Leningrad. . . . A plot to seize the Argentinian airforce was prevented by the quick action of the Argentinian authorities. . . . That is about the size of it today, so we'll call it quits.

Theatre Vote Slow

For two days students have been voting for the plays they would like to see produced this year by the University Theatre. Of 10 plays, including comedy melodrama, drama, mystery, approved by the Theatre advisory committee, each student selects three. The reason for a student vote on the plays is part of the Theatre's move to become an all-out student activity.

This year all students may try out for parts in the plays, which have heretofore been restricted to members of the University Players. This year also Theatre participation will be pointed as other school activities are.

The changes made this year are in line with an attempt to further the importance of the Theatre and bring it nearer to the position that similar groups hold on other campuses. In some schools the theatre is almost as important as the football team. It cannot be expected to be as important as Nebraska's football team, but the University Theatre should be helped because it is a branch of university activity which should not be slighted in planning and keeping a well-rounded university program.

By last night only 323 students had voted in the play selection. It is hoped that more students will show their interest today—the final balloting day. The list of 10 plays approved by the Theatre advisory committee are all successful Broadway productions and any of them would be successful here. It's a matter of choice and we hope more students will express their choices.

Chips

By Gene Bradley

An Egyptian Pharaoh once said: "I don't know whether you folks know it or not, but dreams are plenty significant." Right you are, Pharaoh! You have given the incentive for this column!

In an attempt to explain the significance of some of the more unusual dreams, necessarily we must deal with case histories. In the interest of simplicity, we shall call them "A" and "B".

Case A. Subject dreams he is walking home from the dorm, pulling a sled behind his motorboat. Suddenly, his faculty adviser skis over to him and shouts: "And what do you expect to do with that reindeer?" Scene changes. Stanford wins the Rose Bowl game.

Explanation: Subject's conception that he is walking home from the dorm expresses a perfectly normal desire to associate with the opposite sex. The motorboat, implying summer vacations, means that he had just taken home a girl that he had met at the lakes in Minnesota. (Minnesota is cold and snowy in the winter; consequently the sled, the reindeer, and the skis.) The subject brought in the adviser just to make the dream harder to analyze. And Stanford did win the Rose Bowl game, so that part of the dream is logical.

Case B. Subject dreams that he is being chased into Long's Book Store by a giant owl. Clerk looks up and mutters: "I wish you two would do your playing someplace else." Owl clubs clerk and disappears out transom.

Explanation: Subject is merely expressing a secret ambition to become a Phi Beta Kappa. (In order to do this, naturally, he must buy books from some bookstore. He probably, also, would want to study at night. Hence, the owl. Get it?) The incident with the clerk indicates a strong inferiority complex.

Campus Forum

Custodians' New Uniforms Are Blue, Not Olive Drab

A correction concerning the University of Nebraska custodians' uniforms: the uniforms are to be dark blue and not olive drab.

There are no objections against wearing the new uniforms, but the custodians must buy the suits and wear them in service of the university. The custodians held a meeting to decide whether to purchase the uniforms. A vote of 27-6 was cast against the issue. However, this vote was not accepted by the authorities. Later, the custodians were told to buy the uniforms or suffer an inconvenient change in working hours.

Signed,
A Custodian.

Scrap Irony

By Chris Petersen

MY PUBLIC WRITES TO ME.

Dear Chris:
I am henpecked. I seek your advice. My friends say I hide behind a woman's petticoat. What can I do?

Wishy Washy.

Dear Wishy Washy:
Congratulations. You're the first human being who is able to hide behind the type of petticoat they put out today. You'll go places if you droy that Chinese laundry name.

Dear Ionic:
I never have dates on week ends. What can I do that would be exciting?

Excitement Seeker.

Dear Excitement Seeker:
Buy a can of crushed pineapple and try fitting the pieces together.

Dear Agri Chris:
My woes are many and serious. The cow which I am to mike dally won't give. What can the matter be?

Belated Milkmaid.

Dear Belated Milkmaid:
As I see the thing, someone gave you a bum steer.

Social Style Quiz

By June Jamieson

1. What does one do at all-university church night. Is "hat and heels" dress required, or may school clothes be worn?

Lincoln churches give parties and meetings for university students once a year. Depending upon the church, dancing, lectures and games are part of the program. Dress somewhat more informally than you usually do for church, and by all means wear a hat—no school clothes.

2. Who does the dating for exchange dinners, and what are the rules? Is dancing allowed?

When the thundering herd (or horde) arrives at the sorority house, pledges usually follow the same procedure as at hour dances and (much as they hate it) ask the men. Actives are asked or ask as they choose. If you already have a date, you may eat at your house if you like or you may go to the other house. In fact, if you already have a date, you have nothing to worry about except getting in on time. University rules decree that there is no dancing in houses during the week, so that's out.

3. The first football rally will be held Oct. 3. Does tradition call for anything special in the way of dress?

Since most rallies are held on the cold, cold mall or at the station when the team is leaving, warm and comfortable clothes will keep your mind off the weather and the crowd and on the good old football spirit. The only thing that tradition calls for is the red feather with a white N that you'll stick in your hatband, lapel or hair to show that you're a true Cornhusker. And bring along your voice.

4. Is there a good way to look beautiful though drenched on rainy days?

Unless you have rain-proof hair, there's no formula in the world

that can withstand a Nebraska drizzle. However, there are rain hats to match your reversibles and rubber boots to keep the mud off your shoes. Scarves guard your curls, but maybe your professor doesn't like people who comb their hair in class as you will have to do to restore your looks. All you can do is wear your rain clothes and hope that it stops raining at ten minutes to every hour—which is about the only time you're out anyway.

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