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## Defense Affects Students

Tomorrow, October 1, the revenue bill recently passed by Congress will go into effect. It will mean that a large number of commodities and entertainment features will be taxed an additional ten percent for national defense.

Here's something that will make university students think more about national defense than they seem to be at present. Here's something that will affect them, just as the men who are now in military training have been affected. On page one of the Daily Nebraskan today there appears a story headlined "Today's the day to celebrate; for tomorrow collegians pay." The story shows how the new sales taxes will affect many of the things used every day by university students.

The result of the taxes may show this to be true—that people don't think much about anything until it affects their pocketbooks as United States efforts for national defense are doing now.

## Behind the News

By David Thompson

## Catholic Church Moves...

The long suffering remarkably quiescent Catholic church is beginning to exert more and more of its influence against the inhumanities being carried out in Nazi occupied Europe. And peculiarly enough that reaction is being unleashed first in Germany itself with the attacks from the pulpit made by Bishop Count Von Galen of Muenster. His most fiery sermon dealt with the Nazi policy of killing the physically unfit and the insane in Germany. That is nothing less than mass murder and an organized survival of the fittest program.

The greatest influence of the Catholic church obviously lies in Italy, the site of the Papacy, and in the Irish Free State. It is no secret that the Italian people are fed up with this war. The unsuccessful Greek campaign, brought to a successful conclusion only by Germany's taking over, had much to do with the collapse of Italian morale. In the first place Italian Irredenta or nationalism never did extend beyond colonial expansion and the inclusion of Italian nationals in Croatia and Albania. The Greek attack was completely without these plans. Talk of a successful Italian revolution against Mussolini, fostered by the British secret service, would be much more plausible if we did not know that all the key positions in the Italian government, and the key positions in the Italian defense system were in German hands.

A popular uprising in Italy would face great difficulties, but it would, as it is in Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia, cause the Germans a good deal of trouble at her back door and thus hinder the Russian campaign.

Ireland is the potential "Achilles Heel" of the British Isles. Her neutral course has made Ireland a hotbed of international intrigue, and a base for Nazi fifth column activities in Britain. The Irish Free State is a strongly Catholic nation, and the unpopular sentiment will follow, to a large extent, the position of the papacy. This rumored anti-Nazi stand of the church would then have a great influence upon the future Irish policy and perhaps remove the threat to Britain's back door.

The power of the Catholic church cannot be underrated. It is the most powerful international, non-political and extra-territorial organization in existence. If it takes a strong stand against Germany, its influence will be felt in every occupied territory and in Germany itself. It will immeasurably increase the morale of the conquered peoples, and thus stiffen their internal resistance to the German cause...



## "Rag Jags"

By Mary Kerrigan

We're always hearing tales about newlyweds but we never though we'd hear one on Bob Aden, last year's president of the Innocents society and editor of the Cornhusker. It seems he has been introducing his bride as Miss Marion Cramer instead of as Mrs. Aden.

—rag—

Two boys came to the university this year as new students. They hadn't met before, but now live at the same address and are buddies. There's nothing unusual about that except their names—Dick Ake and Harold Hurtz.

—rag—

No, those grocery sacks a number of students were carrying around last week didn't contain groceries, lunch, or any of the other assorted suggestions we've heard. They were books for Mr. Gettman's novel course. It might be a good idea to return the books accompanied by a picnic lunch, however. That's what Nancy Haycock did last spring.

—rag—

Speaking of picnics (although nobody wants to on a day like this), here's another one on Karl Arndt, bizad prof. He was taking roll in Ec 103 the other day and had to stop after each name to blow his nose. Finally he just gave up and said: "Honestly, this is no weather for picnics."

## On Other Campuses

By Marjorie May

### Coming Up

It looks like a good year ahead. Strange words? ... considering that the world is in a terrible turmoil and that the turmoil may soon be felt more than ever right here on the Forty Acres?

Or closer still ... considering the long registration lines that have to be navigated so soon? Nevertheless, we are inclined to be optimistic. It never hurt anybody.

It looks like a great year for school spirit. Coach Dana X. Bible and his super-eleven have made the Orange and White mean something again in the Southwest conference football fields and there is no denying that a winning football team is a moving factor in active school spirit. Perhaps nothing in the world could have drawn so many students and ex-students closer together than that glorious 7 to 0 defeat of the mighty Aggies. This year, every time those Orange and White jerseys appear on a field ten thousand persons will be as one we are convinced.

It also looks like a good year for making friends. Somehow, when world conditions are not exactly rosy and you're not so sure what is coming up, you like to talk to the fellow next to you, as it were, because you realize that you are not the only guy in the universe. The common problem now facing all the people cannot help but draw them together.

It should be a good year for learning. You can't help but learn something when history is being made right in front of your nose, figuratively speaking—literally, if you read the papers. And somehow, when you feel you have a stake in what tomorrow brings you take quite a great interest in what it is. There are also many people who are realizing for the first time that they may not have forever and nine years to complete their formal education.

If these be gloomy days, let's make the most of them.—The Daily Texan.

"Patriotism is more than a pride in the physical greatness of our nation, more than pride in its natural resources and in its tremendous armament. Genuine patriotism is a quality rooted deep down in the souls of men and involving their minds, their wills and their lives. It demands honor, love and service of our nation. Such patriotism is based on the inescapable virtue of justice and love. But this type of thinking and active patriotism is not only rare today, it is difficult. This type of patriotism ... needs aggressive citizens who will take immediate legal and aggressive action against those who enjoy the hospitality of this land with the definite hope of destroying us."—The Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., head of the school of philosophy of Catholic University, Washington, D. C.—ACP.

## The Saturday Letter

Dear Friend:

Now that the hinges are squeaking on thousands of out-opening doors scattered over the highlands and prairies, as schools and colleges are opening after a three month shutdown, boy and girl hearts are fluttering over the prospect of new experiences and profs are looking over their glasses at the raw material. Both students and profs are doomed to disappointment. The boys and girls will find much of the commonplace mixed in with romantic wishing and the profs will be looking eye to eye, at some future empire builders, discoverers, artists, industrial tycoons and assorted geniuses.

To ask, "How raw is raw?" is equivalent to asking, "How new is new?" When Columbus dropped in at the country estate of the Brown family, he called it a new world. If he had been thinking of commerce and the flow of trade he might have called it a raw world. If raw means new, then one year's influx of students is different from another year's influx only in size. If raw means untrained, then one group differs from another in terms of standard details of instruction and social disciplines.

This fall college freshmen in the

U. S. A. will be boys and girls who were born during and shortly after the last world war and who are now living thru another world war. These students, as individuals, will be taller and of better health than were those of the past generation when they, as individuals, were freshmen. These young men and women will be well posted on the world's affairs, will be independent thinkers, will be unregimented, will be lacking in certain traditional preparations, but will be well grounded in others and will be bubbling with a desire to get all of the pleasure possible out of every student situation. These young people will break the hearts of those who love traditions for their own sake, but will stimulate those who love the delightful contacts with eighteen and twenty year olds who are joyously entering adult life.

Freshmen! They are new, they are older standards, they are crude are unprepared according to the according to some social practices, they are not indoctrinated, they are not susceptible to exploitation, they believe in social justice, they do not believe in revolution, they do not desire war, they do wish to have an opportunity to work, they are patriotic but not hysterical, they are intelligent, they have high moral standards, they are not prudish, and altho they will do a little whooping up, they will not let the institution down.

RAYMOND E. MANCHESTER, Dean of Men, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio.

## Looking Back

Turning our thoughts for a moment to the home economics department, lets see what dietitian graduates of last year are doing. Helen Claybaugh, PBK, is with the University Hospitals of the University of Iowa at Iowa City. Marcella Wright is now assistant manager of Miller and Paine's tea room, and Loretta Dowd is NYA Supervisor at Trenton, Nebraska. Teaching this year are a number of prominent ag college students of last year. Among them are Illah-Mae Rengler, who is at Central City, Ruth Ann Sheldon at St. Paul, Helen Klatt at Randolph, and Betty Jo Smith at Broken Bow.

To give you an idea how Nebraska alums do get around the following is a quotation from a letter written by Edward Beagher, 37: "I occasionally hear news from school and the longer I am in New York, the more Nebraskans I encounter. I just returned from a trip to Haiti, and one of the first individuals I met in the capital of the republic was a graduate of the school of engineering from Falls City. At the present time I am a full-time instructor in Cornell medical college and senior assistant resident at the Payne-Whitney Clinic."

Charles S. Aldrich recently flew his own plane to Nebraska from Hempstead, L. I., to see his mother, Bess Streeter Aldrich. His job is landing gear design experiments for the new republic aviation airplane being developed for the army.

## Gamma Lambda Plans Pledging

Business of the first meeting of the honorary band fraternity, Gamma Lambda, yesterday, concerned new pledges to the organization.

According to Preston Hays, fraternity president, those band men who will be extended invitations to join Gamma Lambda will be chosen soon.

Enrollment for the ROTC at Kansas State college dropped last year. Registration totaled 1,481 for artillery and infantry units.

## YM Announces Faculty-Student Discussions

To promote a closer understanding between faculty and students is the purpose of the discussion groups which are being planned by the university YMCA. The groups, each consisting of one faculty member and ten students, will meet regularly to discuss topics of mutual interest.

Student members of the group will be chosen from the student directory, and the professors will be selected for their known interests in college activities. Selection of the discussion groups will be announced this week by C. D. Hayes, university director of the YMCA.

## Dentistry Profs Attend Banquet

Dean B. L. Hooper, Dean Emeritus G. A. Grubb, Professors Ferdinand Griess, F. A. Pierson, F. W. Webster, and Drs. L. T. Hunt, J. R. Thompson and G. L. Spencer of the college of dentistry attended a dinner last week in Omaha honoring Dr. E. H. Bruening who is leaving the Creighton university dental faculty. Dean Hooper spoke at the dinner.

## Sinfonia Elects Officers; Plans Year's Program

The first meeting of Sinfonia was held Thursday noon in parlors XYZ of the Union, with Keith Sturdevant, this year's president, presiding.

Tentative plans for the year were made and the fall reception for men students in the school of music was scheduled for Oct. 3.

Officers elected at the meeting were James Price, treasurer; Ernest Ulmer, chairman of the program committee, and Deiter Kober, chairman of publicity.

The next meeting will be held Thursday noon, Oct. 2, in Union parlors XYZ.

## Frosh, Upperclass AWS to Meet

Freshman and upperclass AWS meeting will be held on Thursday at 5 p. m. in Ellen Smith. Susan Shaw, group leader, requests that all members be present for this first meeting.

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