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Why Stay in School?

Dorothy Walker, College View High

Why should I stay in school? What good is it doing me? What can I gain by it?

These are just a few of the many questions students ask of themselves and others. Why not stay in school? After graduation from either high school or college, you still have enough time left in which to work. But to this, some people reply, "Ah! or "Oh! I can get a job without an education."

What makes young people think they can get along without a knowledge of facts? It is ignorance or lack of interest? I am inclined to think it is the latter. Those of you who have the opportunity now to attend school and learn a few things, should certainly take advantage of it.

The University—It's Swell

Mary Frances Quinn, Fairbury

I feel, as do the majority of students in small cities and towns throughout the state, that the University of Nebraska is the most adequate agency of higher education in this section of the country.

Facts leading to this conclusion are numerous—and effective. For instance, the scholastic standing of this institution in regard to other schools

Chris Petersen, NHSPA Delegate . . .

Blairites Talk Things Over in Interview

. . . But Where Does It Get You

By Barbara Pound, Blair.

Coming out of Blair High and onto the bustling university campus for the NHSPA convention yesterday, I felt a little confused. But as I entered the Daily Nebraskan office and discovered that I was to interview that blaring Blairite and Kappa Stigma, Chris Petersen, I felt quite at home.

After tracking down my assignment, I confronted him with all the questions I could think of and here they are with Mr. Petersen's very intelligent answers:

Why have you changed from journalism to law?

"That is a question open to much speculation. It has a great deal to do with the concentric whirlpool of vocation and avocation. In the end, I suppose it arrives at this one conclusion—that it embodies more prestige to starve as a lawyer than as a journalist. How is your sinus trouble?"

"I have come to the conclusion that it is all in my head."

Do they still call you "Sonny?"

"No. During the knockdown dragout existence that one leads here, I have become as dull as the proverbial coal bucket. In short 'Sonny' ain't sharp no more."

Is it true that all lawyers are liars?"

"A lawyer a liar? I can only answer that by reverting to an age-old axiom which embodies the

idea that many a true word has been spoken through false teeth. And then I ask you, what better testimonial for a positive answer to this query can you find than the utterances that are contained in this journalistic gem?"

Are you going to learn to knit for Britain?

"To knit or not to knit—that is the question. My efforts in the 'drop one, purr two' would probably come in the 'Bungles for Britain' category."

Did you ever attend a NHSPA convention?

"Yes and no. I came, I saw, but

Hamil . . .

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Hastings Tribune, and of his AB in English from Hastings college. College Courses Not Essential.

"As for university courses in journalism," he remonstrated, "I don't say they are absolutely essential but they have a decided advantage. The course acquaints the student with journalistic terms and general routine that is necessary for advancement in this field."

"I would say," concluded Hamil, "that the most valuable asset for a would-be newspaper writer is a curious mind."

To demonstrate his philosophy he asked all sorts of embarrassing questions such as—"What is the

throughout the country proves, conclusively, that it is the best educational agency for Nebraskan youth.

Other factors which play an important part in furthering endorsement of this school are: reasonable financial terms, ample recreational facilities and unprejudiced chance for advancement.

A worthwhile complement to the University are the various Junior Colleges in the state which they endorse and assure full credit at the University proper. In words of one syllable, I think the average high school boy or girl of Nebraska is for the University of Nebraska.

Critic Service Invaluable

To High School Journalism

By Dorothy Miller.

The benefit received from the critic service, so graciously rendered by the capable leader, Professor Paul O. Ridings, of Midland College, is invaluable to the high school journalism classes.

By the individual criticisms, relating to each paper, a more thorough understanding is received of the problems which confront the classes.

This service, when presented at the beginning of the school year, is much more beneficial. New students taking the place of the experienced staff members, are able to correct mistakes made in the preceding year.

Establishes High Standard

In this manner, a high standard is established for the papers of the journalism classes to be rated. Therefore each staff has to strive harder for the higher goal which has been fixed the preceding year.

And, comparatively speaking, each year the general knowledge, concerning journalism, should be increased as a direct result of the critic service.

With this valuable service, no class can have any excuse of not publishing a first rate high school paper.

By keeping in mind the fact that we should receive all the benefit we can from these criticisms, it can only be too easy for conscientious workers to receive an "All State" rating every year.

It Pays To Be Courteous

By Ella Baker

North Platte

Every high school boy and girl should be courteous at all times. We are proud of the schools which we come from and want other students to be proud of them, too.

We should be courteous in a class room. This may be done by not raising your hand or talking while someone is speaking.

When a new student enters our school, we should try to make him or her feel at home and get him acquainted with other members of the student body.

A place where courteousness could increase in almost every one of our schools is at the football and basketball games. No matter how bad our team is getting defeated we, as members of the various schools, should not get up and leave the game until it is over.

Come on students let us practice being courteous and see if it not only helps us but also helps the reputation of our school.

I didn't conquer. At that time my efforts were of waste basket quality. Even now, there seems to be a great deal of thought among my constituents that my literary efforts should still wind up in the wastepaper basket."

Do you prefer polka-dot or striped pajamas?

"This question entails the choice of going from bed to worse. It makes no difference."

population of your city? What is the population of the state? Where does your city rank in size? Does the Missouri-Pacific run through your city?"

In the maze of questions which almost put your reporter on the spot, Mr. Hamil summed up the whole thing by saying, "If you don't know these things, it is because you aren't curious enough to investigate. If you know the facts, you are definitely one with initiative to find out about them. This is the type of person that makes a newspaper successful."

Ag Frosh Council, YM Hold Retreat

Ag YM and ag freshmen held a retreat and outing Friday night at the Hi-Y building. Newton W. Gaines, assistant extension sociologist was the principal speaker.

Prize Winning Editorial

By Margaret Moore Kearney

Ed. Note: This is the winning entry in the NHSPA editorial writing contest held yesterday.

The burden grows heavy; we tire of the strain. But out of a black cloud that holds we know not what in store, a bit of sky shows through—a break in the gloomy monotony of suspense, anxiety, despair. And so Americans pause on this Thanksgiving day to turn clouded faces from the threatening front page headlines, and to think a little about the other side of this life.

No American is going to say "What have we to be thankful for?" No American is going to forget, even in a time of world crisis, that all that for which he stands is still worth fighting for. Guns and bombs and war-mad men are constantly reaching out with greedy, eager fingers to quench the flame of democracy, and a democratic nation fights fiercely back—faithfully, unceasingly—and wearies of the feverish struggle.

But although our battle must go on, and a solution to the problem must be found, there comes a time for liberty-loving people to rest—to look about for some brighter incentive with which to renew the effort. We need to pause to think of that which we have instead of how we are going to keep it. The newspapers, the radio, statesmen all over the world will be reminding us that the struggle has only begun, and that it will be a long hard one. But even amidst the chaos the wearied must rest, and turn from the threatening cloud to the brighter sky for needed encouragement.

So let Americans pause along the road, cast off the burden, and take a new breath. Let Americans look about them and realize and acknowledge the purpose of Thanksgiving—created yesterday, and living today.

Best News Story

By Betty Miller Tecumseh

Eds Note: Contestants in the news writing contest were told they were to hear an address. Max Whittaker, in the fictitious role of Homer Q. Goldschmidt, regional director of Patriotism, Inc., started to speak. He had barely started when there rose in the audience a young man with a gun. The contestants were given facts subsequent to developments that took place before them and told to report the whole proceeding.

Two shots, fired in rapid succession, critically wounded Homer Q. Goldschmidt, regional director of patriotism incorporated, who was delivering an address to members of the Nebraska High School Press Association in University Hall.

"Let's abolish war," were the words so dramatically spoken by Mr. Goldschmidt, which caused an unknown assailant to interrupt the speech by shouting:

"Why you low-down traitor! People like you should be shot."

The two shots were then fired.

Mr. Goldschmidt staggered through a door else to the speaker's stand, into a back room, followed by the assailant.

Suddenly Detective Egroeg Nilknarf, of the University Police Force, burst upon the scene and rushed to the door through which the two men had disappeared.

Detective Nilknarf, after his hasty examination, stated that Mr. Goldschmidt was shot once in the abdomen. He was immediately rushed to Lincoln General Hospital where doctors described his condition as critical.

The only clues to the crime were an open window in the back room, through which the assailant supposedly escaped, an overcoat in the same place, which was evidently left behind by the culprit and a report of three witnesses. They told of a car bearing an Indiana license, parked in back of the building, that disappeared immediately following the crime.

A photograph taken by an unknown reporter at the scene of the crime, which included a picture of the culprit, will undoubtedly prove an asset to the apprehension of the criminal.

"We're doing everything possible to apprehend the culprit. All state, city, and county police officials have been notified," stated the Chief of Police, Frederic Schartz.

Chem Honorary Gives Dinner After Initiation

Iota Sigma Pi, national honorary chemistry sorority, held initiation for two members yesterday, in Avery lab at 6 p. m. Those initiated were Betty Green and Lillian Wind. To be eligible for this organization, one must have completed fifteen hours of chemistry with an eighty-five average in all

chemistry course, as well as an eighty average in all other subjects.

A dinner was held in honor of the new initiates at Beaumont's. Other guests included Mrs. Blor, Phyllis Rhodes, Margaret Strenge, Margaret McMasters, Fern Bloom, and Madeline Schmidt. Mary Jean Lauvetz, president of the chapter, presided at the dinner.

Penn college home economics students have a new six-room laboratory suite on the eighteenth floor of the college tower.