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# UN Accelerates Program

## PBK Initiates Hear Talk by Uni Editor

European cities which have long been cradles of culture, both ancient and modern, have bowed their heads now under a black-out much worse than the actual, material one, according to Miss Emily Schossberger, University of Nebraska editor, who addressed the Phi Beta Kappa initiation banquet at the Student Union Monday evening.

"They are under a total black-out of education and all of the higher things which we are accustomed to regard as culture," declared Miss Schossberger, who was born in Austria-Hungary and has studied and taught in a number of European universities.

"And yet culture, thru imperishable deeds of the spirit and works of the hand and mind, has outlived and triumphed over the fall of Rome, the fury of the Germanic hordes, the Huns and Napoleon," she said. "Thus, too, it will live on thru the hell of destruction now raging.

This survival of culture is possible only thru man's help, Miss Schossberger told her audience. She appealed to professors, students and alumni of the university to accept this task and "keep up the light of culture that

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## ... Graduation Set for May 25

## UN Grants 171 Degrees At Mid Term

UN granted 171 degrees and nine certificates at the close of the first semester which included 21 master's and five doctor's degrees.

Arts and science college granted 39 degrees, agriculture 28, engineering 22, teachers, 22, business administration 22, law 11, and pharmacy 1.

## Revision Ousts Spring Vacation

While UN students were recovering from examinations, the Board of Regents announced revisions in the university calendar which will put students on an "all-out before June" schedule.

The plan, worked out by the special war emergency committee of the administrative council provides for advancement of commencement day a full two weeks from June 8 to May 25 abandonment of spring vacation, and shortening of the final examination period.

### Permits College Completion.

Universities throught the nation, especially in the east and far west, have also shortened their semesters as a measure to permit students to complete college work before they are required to enter military, agricultural and industrial service.

Although plans approved by the regents Saturday do not call for year-round operation of the university as a whole as had been anticipated, provision is made for the addition of summer school

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## Board Names Paul Svoboda Daily Editor

### Bruning, Schlater Are Made Managing Editors; Business Staff Renamed

Paul E. Svoboda, arts college senior, was named editor of the Nebraskan for the second semester at a meeting of the publications board Jan. 20.

Svoboda, a managing editor first semester, succeeds Mary Kerrigan as editor, while Marjorie Bruning and Bob Schlater, both arts college juniors, were appointed to serve as managing editors. Both previously served as news editors.

Reappointed as news editors were Helen Kelley, arts junior, and Alan Jacobs, a sophomore in arts college. Newly appointed news editors include George Abbott, June Jamieson, and Art Rivin, all arts sophomores. A sophomore in bizad college, Bob Miller, was reappointed sports editor.

The entire business staff of the Daily was renamed with Ben Novicoff, bizad senior, again serving as business manager; Betty Dixon and Phil Kantor, bizad juniors, assistants. Stuart Muskin, also a junior in bizad college, was made circulation manager.

Shirley Kyhn, arts junior, was appointed editor of the Awgwan, campus humor magazine, and Melvin Tannenbaum, bizad senior, renamed as business manager.

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## Church Service Opens UN Greek Week February 8

All sorority, fraternity and unaffiliated students are invited to attend a church service opening Greek Week. The service will be held in the First Presbyterian church Sunday, Feb. 8 at 8:15 p. m.

Dr. Paul Weaver, head of the philosophy of religion department at Stephens college will speak on "Design for Living." Dr. Weaver is head of the largest Sunday school class in the world. During the service an all Greek choir directed by Dr. Arthur Westbrook will lead the hymns and sing an anthem.

Greek Week, which is the first organized week of its kind to be held on this campus, will begin with this church service and continue through Friday. No meetings have been scheduled for Monday.

Thursday's program includes a series of seminars for sorority and fraternity officers led by prominent Greek alumni. Sororities

have planned a seminar on sororities and national defense. All fraternity pledges will meet together for a dinner in the evening. The

dinner is in charge of Ted Finley, fraternity pledge president.

Seminars on finances, social

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## On Ag Campus... Students Hear Leading Authorities This Week

Introductory note: A schedule of events will be a feature of this column along with regular news items. Ag organizations with events scheduled for the coming week should contact me if they wish the date, time and place printed.

By Randall Pratt.

There will be some notables on the ag campus this week to speak during the sessions of organized agriculture. The 1942 gatherings will bring together practically all

the agricultural societies in the state.

M. Clifford Townsend, former governor of Indiana and now director of agricultural defense relations for the U. S. Department of agriculture in Washington will speak Friday during the general sessions. Francis Flood, ex-Ne-

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## War Lectures Registration Ends Monday

A new current events course, America and World War II, will be offered to any interested students every Monday afternoon at 5:00 in the social science auditorium. Under government consent, the new course is composed of lectures by university faculty members and men well versed in current war problems and situations.

Any students who wishes to attend these lectures and receive one hour credit may do so by obtaining a drop and add slip from his advisor and registering for the course before next Monday. Before credit will be given, an acceptable notebook must be turned in after the completion of the course. Attendance at every lecture is necessary also. The lecture course is in charge of Dr. J. O. Hertzler.

# Grand Opera Returns to Campus With Gala 'Cavalleria Rusticana'

Grand opera returns to the Nebraska campus this week as the school of fine arts presents two performances of "Cavalleria Rusticana" Wednesday and Friday night in Temple theater. Mascagni's work will mark the first performance other than concert opera programs to be given in several years.

To obtain reserved tickets students are asked to turn in their exchange receipts at the office of the school of music before Wednesday, Feb. 4, for those wanting tickets for that night, and Friday, Feb. 6, for those wanting tickets for that performance. Also, in order to reach all of the students at the university general admission tickets will be sold at the box office each night of the performance.

Two complete casts of principle have been selected for the performances and a chorus of 60, including the University Singers, will appear. Wednesday's cast includes Catherine Tunison as Santuzza, soprano; Milrae Anderson as Lola, soprano; Lynn Myers as Alfio, baritone; Richard Koupal as Turridu, tenor; and Dorothy Huffman as Lucia, contralto.

In charge of the opera is Dr. A. E. Westbrook, (See RUSTICANA, page 4)



Richard Koupal and Milrae Anderson appear confident that Lynn Myers, left, will show up as good in his role in the opera as he did on the football field. All three have leading parts in "Cavalleria Rusticana."

By Marjorie May.

In a blaze of brilliant peasant costumes, specially designed stage settings and dramatic rendition of famous music, the school of fine arts will present "Cavalleria Rusticana" Wednesday and Friday nights in the Temple theatre. This marks the first time the university has ever given an opera in full stage production.

"Cavalleria Rusticana" is the story of four people—Turridu who loves Lola tho she is married to another; Alfio, Lola's husband a gay young man who is very much in love with his wife; Lola, the faithless heroine and Santuzza, whose words to Turiddu—"Strike me! revile me! still will I adore thee, bow down before thee, loving thee languish"—depict her love for the hero.

Set in the square of a little Sicilian town, the opera takes place during Easter time and a very religious but joyous atmosphere is retained thru-out the production.

Love Story.

The plot of "Cavalleria Rusticana" concerns itself mainly with the return of Turiddu after years as a soldier, his discovery that Lola has married

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