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Christensen Announces New Nebraska Plants

Three companies have decided to erect industrial alcohol and synthetic rubber plants in Nebraska and are seeking priority ratings for the necessary machinery. Dr. Leo Christensen, research executive for the Chemurgy Project at the University of Nebraska college of agriculture, announced Tuesday following his return from conferences in Washington, D. C.

Names of the three companies cannot be made public at this time, he stated, but one, a large eastern alcohol manufacturer, wants to build a 25 million dollar plant, and would build with its own capital. Officials say they are ready to start just as soon as the War Production Board says they can have the machinery. They state that they can

be producing rubber eight months after construction is started. Two Midwest corporations have developed or are developing similar plans. Both private and government financing are available, company officials have stated.

The Chemurgy Project and other departments of the University of Nebraska will co-operate in surveys of raw material supplies, water and fuel resources, and other work required by construction of any plants, Christensen said.

"It is hoped that these plants can be built soon enough to be of use in handling the large grain crop soon to be harvested," he declared. "It is all up to the War Production Board. Every day of delay is one more day of waiting for new tires."

University Receives Copies Of Late Senator's Papers

... From Widow

Papers of Gilbert M. Hitchcock, late Nebraska senator, have been presented to the university library in the form of microfilm copy and photostats by his widow. The original collection of papers has been deposited in the Library of Congress.

The collection, although a small one, derives great value from the fact that Senator Hitchcock, chairman of the senate committee on foreign affairs during 1917-1920, was in close touch with President Woodrow Wilson and had charge of the resolution declaring a state of war between the United States and Germany. As ranking democratic member of this committee, he also led the unsuccessful fight for ratification of the Treaty of Versailles in 1919-20.

Opposes War

Among the documents is a carbon copy of a letter from Senator Hitchcock to President Wilson, dated March 29, 1917, expressing opposition to a declaration of war. Illustrating the controversy in the senate over establishment of the League of Nations is a four-page letter of former President William How-

Prof. Mabel Lee Talks at Phys Ed Meeting in Iowa

Miss Mabel Lee, director of the department of physical education for women, will give two talks at the University of Iowa's 13th annual conference on problems in physical education June 11. In the morning she will speak on "Physical Education's Opportunity in the Present War Emergency," and in the afternoon on "Co-operation on an Intensive Scale."

On June 12 she will attend a conference on college wartime programs of physical education for women to be held at Iowa City by the U. S. Office of Education wartime commission.

Flight to Aonia ... Dream and Variations

By Don Dobry

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(The dream is that one day students of the University of Nebraska will know the inscription in the school of music that reads: "Of all the arts great, music is the one that raises the soul above all earthly storms." Until that day we can have only variations on that dream.)

Whatever other charms music may have it has drawn over 100 Lincoln and outstate high school music students to the university campus for three weeks of intensive study in the theory of music and more particularly in the expression of their talents (which are assumed to be fairly considerable) in chorus, band and orchestra classes.

The public will have its first look at these students in a concert this Sunday at 3 p. m. in the Union ballroom. Understandably they cannot, after only two days practice, be expected to sound like the

New York Philharmonic orchestra, but I expect an enjoyable afternoon.

Play As Well.

All will not be work for these young musicians. Last night they heard Mr. Ulmer, pianist, and Miss DeLange cellist, in a recital, and tonight they will hear Mr. Wishnow, violinist, and Miss Klinker, pianist and organist. An organ demonstration at the Plymouth Congregational church, tours through the capital building and teas for parents are being arranged for them over the week end by Mr. Foltz.

Monday night the SAI's, DO's and Sinfonians will show them what a grand place the University of Nebraska is and what nice music organizations on the campus there are.

The students are being accommodated at the Phi Gam, Pi (See DREAM, page 4.)

Union Resumes Harmony Hour This Summer

Harmony-Hour, the recorded concert of the best in music will be resumed during the summer session. Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, professional music fraternity will continue to sponsor and plan each program.

Seven programs have been scheduled in the Union for the summer under the following headings:

Music prohibited in occupied Europe	June 17
Contemporary music	June 22
Chamber music	June 29
Violin concerto	July 6
Music of our allies	July 13
Opera	July 20
All-request	July 27

Roving Reporter Finds ...

Coeds Against War Marriage

By Mary Aileen Cochran.

War has made a puzzling question out of that most fascinating subject—MARRIAGE. Students haunting the campus this summer have varied views on whether the army should be an interfering factor with their plans.

When asked if they thought a couple should be married if the boy was entering the armed forces, the girls tended to be more conservative. Some were almost rabidly against it. In most cases, when interviewed, the answer was conditioned with "it depends upon the situation and the couple involved." (In every case personal feelings toward the subject were eliminated, supposedly.)

Kay Tunnison—NO. "Conditions in army camps aren't conducive to normal living, and the marriage is apt to be risky with the husband necessarily away so

much of the time." Rather puzzled over the question was Al O'Connor. His final answer was YES, if marriage had already been planned. "Might as well go through with it."

Nate Eastman, who was married to Elizabeth Gailey June 1, didn't have to state his opinions. Obviously, they are pro.

Jean Murray—NO! "Things are entirely too unsettled for marriage."

The only girl to answer in the

Theatre Group Holds Try-outs Next Tuesday

All summer students are eligible to try out Tuesday, June 16, at 2:30 o'clock in room 201 of the Temple, for parts in the summer session theatre to be presented July 11 and July 25. The plays, regular summer school features, are co-sponsored by the speech department and the Union, and will be directed by Joe Zimmermann.

Two productions will be chosen from Rose Franken's

Two New Professors Know Asia

Taylor Arrives Here From Malaya; McKim To Teach Geography

Two men well acquainted with the Asiatic war theater—Prof. F. L. Taylor and Dr. B. Clavin McKim—will be included on the University of Nebraska geography department's summer faculty.

Professor Taylor arrived in the United States only three weeks ago from Malaya, where he was professor of geography and principal of an English school until the Japanese conquest, and Dr. McKim taught north of Bataan peninsula in the Philippines for three years before doing graduate study here where he received his Ph. D. degree in 1935.

Dr. Nels A. Bengtson, geography department chairman, secured Professor Taylor for the summer to replace Dr. A. B. Cozzens of the University of Illinois, who

(See PROFS, page 2.)

"Claudia," a lively comedy which has been playing all year on Broadway; "Outward Bound," a comedy drama of novel plot by Sutton Vane and "The Importance of Being Earnest," Oscar Wilde's farcical comedy.

The plays will provide opportunity for those wishing to learn technical work and directing, and Zimmerman stated that there will be demonstrations of methods in producing amateur plays, open to all students.

Joe Zimmerman, formerly of the University of Iowa, has been named director of the summer session theatre and instructor in dramatics replacing Paul Bogan, who is now in the army.

Zimmerman received his bachelor's and master's degrees at Iowa, is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and has had a year of graduate study beyond his masters. He has been assistant in the Iowa university during the past year.

UN Journalism School Holds Short Session

Featuring courses in news writing, editing, features, advertising and news photography, the university school of journalism is now holding a two weeks newspaper short course at University Hall under the direction of Harold Hamil.

The course started last Monday with the registration of people from ten Nebraska towns and will last until June 20. Designed especially for training men and women who must fill out newspaper staffs during the war emergency, the course offers elementary work in many types of newspaper problems.

Special field trips under the direction of Mr. Robert Crawford are taken each day from 10 to 12 a. m. to places of interest around Lincoln. This morning a group will go to the Nebraska Farmer, and next week tours are scheduled for home ec building and ag hall on ag campus. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will be devoted to lectures and answering questions in this class.

From 8 to 10 a. m. each day Mr. Hamil is conducting news writing and editing sessions with lectures, practice periods, and discussions. Afternoon advertising and news photography laboratory sessions are arranged with Mr. Blood and Mr. Jensen.

Students Secure Work at Bureau

New students desiring part time employment during the summer session should inquire about work at the Student Employment bureau, room 8, Adm. Bldg.

UN Orchestra Begins Practice

Students registered for summer school are invited to participate in the summer school symphony orchestra, Mr. Wishnow, the director of the orchestra, announced yesterday.

Those able to play some orchestral instrument and desiring to take part in the group should see Mr. Wishnow at room 210 in the school of music or they may come to rehearsals 1:30 to 2:30 daily except Saturday. This course may be taken with or without credit.

Marionette Show Sunday Highlights Week at Union

Henry Mattison and his orchestra will play for dancing in the airconditioned Union Ballroom tonight from 9 to 12 midnight. Admission will be 15c per person. There will be four orchestra dances this summer with Johnny Cox and Mattison alternating on the podium. Matinee Dances with 'juke-box' music will be from 5 to 6 each Tuesday afternoon in the Ballroom with no admission charged.

Mission to Moscow.

"Mission to Moscow" by our former Ambassador to Russia, Joseph E. Davies, will open the summer school series of book reviews to be held each Thursday at 5 p. m. in the Union Book Nook next Thursday, June 18. Patricia Lahr, Union social director, will present six books on this schedule.

Marionette Show.

Miss Marjorie Shanafelt will present her marionette show in the Union Ballroom this Sunday night at 8 p. m. as a part of the series of the Union Sunday night Shows this summer. Miss

Shanafelt and Jack Hendrix will open their acts with "Gooseberry Mandarin."

Six specialty acts will follow, including a ballerina, clown, contortionist, a skeleton. "Whistler and his Dog" will conclude the program along with "The Whatchamacallit," a fabulous bird.

The show is free, and students are asked to present their identification cards. The next Sunday show will feature old-time movies in true "Flicker Show" style with Harold Lloyd and Buster Keaton highlighting the screen.

Concerts.

There will be a number of concerts sponsored by the school of music this week opening with a public rehearsal concert of the state high school music course students Sunday at 3 p. m. in the Union Ballroom.

Wednesday and Friday night at 7 p. m. in the Union Ballroom will feature two faculty recitals with Miss Janet Regnier and Mr. Herbert Schmidt (See UNION, page 2.)