

# Army Abandons AST April 1, Dents Advance Engineers, Reserves Stay

## Boucher Sees Danger to UN Standing from Lack of Funds

Three alternatives set forth by Chancellor C. S. Boucher to solve the problem which is before the university are:

1. If the state wants a broad and efficient program in the university, more money must be appropriated.
2. If the state cannot afford to appropriate more money for this cause, the university will have to reduce the scope of the present program to the extent necessary to enable the school to operate creditably within the limits of its resources.
3. If no more money is appropriated, the university can continue functioning with a program which is too large for the amount of money which is available.

Nebraska's high standing as a state university has been threatened by lack of funds and resources in large enough quantities to support its extensive programs, according to statements made by Chancellor C. S. Boucher in recent speeches throughout the state.

The Nebraskan believes the question to be a serious one, especially in view of the imminent reduction of the AST unit, and begins in this issue a campaign to interest students and citizens in the problem confronting the university. Special articles by staff members and re-prints from university publications will be used. Comment will be welcome on all questions concerning the issue.

Chancellor C. S. Boucher says that the problem is not a new one

but is one which has been brought to light with war conditions. "For a period of too many years the university has had a program too extensive for the amount of money that has been available for its support."

The third point listed above as presented by the Chancellor is the course which has been followed in the past several years. Although unsatisfactory, it seems the only possible procedure at present.

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## Judges Review Coed Follies Acts Starting Tuesday

Judges for acts for the Coed Follies will visit the sororities and organized women's houses Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, February 22 and 23. They will spend only 15 minutes at each house.

The schedule is as follows: Tuesday night, Delta Gamma, 7:45; Phi Beta Phi, 8; Gamma Phi Beta, 8:15; Kappa Alpha Theta, 8:30; Alpha Omicron Pi, 8:45.

Visit Eight on Wednesday.

Wednesday night, Cox's, 7; Towne Club, 7:15; Alpha Phi, 7:30; Chi Omega, 7:45; Dormitory, 8; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 8:15; Sigma Delta Tau, 8:30; Alpha Chi Omega, 8:15.

Skits should be 5 minutes long and curtain acts, 3 minutes. The acts should be as well developed as possible without the use of costumes, but using any props available around the house.

## Air Panel Talks on Russia

"Russia is moving toward nationalism, and is consequently more willing to cooperate with other nations," said Lincoln Attorney Paul Good on the University "Forum of the Air" broadcast Saturday. His discussion centered the problem of collaboration with Russia after the war.

Prof. Roger Shumate of the political science department, Prof. Charles Morley of the history department, and Mr. Good, with Dr. David Fellman, associate professor of political science, as mod-



—From Lincoln Journal.

CHANCELLOR C. S. BOUCHER.

Chancellor C. S. Boucher expresses views on financial status of the University.

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Confirmation in the way of a copy of the war department announcement reached Col. J. P. Murphy late Saturday. However, no plans directly affecting Nebraska units other than the general report have been received as yet.

Though no specific details have been released by the war department, a large portion of the Army Specialized Training Program stationed here is expected to leave the campus by April 1, since draft boards have failed to meet the army manpower requirements, according to an official release Friday on the college program thruout the country.

No official word from the army has been received by either Chancellor C. S. Boucher or Col. J. P. Murphy, commandant, concerning the announcement that all trainees except those in advanced engineering, dental and medical programs, and 17 year old reservists will be assigned to troop duty.

### Leave 500 Trainees Here.

The maximum application of the policy as outlined in Washington would leave the university with more than 500 trainees after April 1, according to Colonel Murphy, though the full effect of the program cannot be determined until there is further interpretation of some details. The basic engineering group stationed here, which numbers more than 600, is the largest group likely to be effected.

The decision to disband a majority of the ASTP was reached because the army is 200 thousand men short of its (See ARMY TO TRANSFER, Page 4.)



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## Coed Morale Drops, AST Leaves Uni

No more "Hut, two, three, four," no more "She's got 'em," and no more nice men to look at. Yes, 'tis true—the ASTP is leaving the campus, and the campuses all over the country. Uncle Sam wants them in his fighting army.

Imagine the appearance of school on the first of May? There won't be any more of those beaming faces to greet us at eight o'clock in the morning, nor those peculiar songs for us to learn and sing in our spare time. The marching feet will go, and with them will go the last bit of morale left to the girls.

Ah, yes, the women. Some of them are going to be very unhappy, and some of the leaving men will be a bit sad about leaving their corn-fed Nebraska loves. The absence of those greatly appreciated ASTP dances on the week-ends, with that hot band, will be hard to fill with the material left.

So ends the tale of one year of army life on the campus. The fellows have provided the coeds with recreation, dates, and morale. They will certainly be missed. Here's wishing them "Good Luck" over there, from their Army College over here.

## Debators Take Wins at Annual Rocky Mountain Speech Meet

Returning victorious from the annual Rocky Mountain Speech conference held Tuesday, Wednesday,

and Thursday of last week, the four students representing Nebraska university carried off honors in victory speaking, individual debating, and intercollegiate debate.

went to Bill Miller for his superiority in individual debate.

Won Seven Out of Ten.

The two debate teams, made up of Robert Gillan and Bill Miller, (See DEBATERS, Page 2.)

## Rachael Lock Addresses Charm School on Fashion

Rachel Ann Lock will speak on current fashions at Charm School Tuesday at 7 o'clock in Ellen Smith hall, Miss Lock, president of the Mortar Board, is a home economics major.

Mary Bonebright is chairman of the program.

Jean Kinnie won top honors by receiving the highest rating of the conference in victory speaking, technically known as situational oratory. Second highest honors

## Religious Musical Replaces Annual Interfaith Banquet

Musical selections of three faiths, Catholic, Jewish, and protestant, will be featured in a religious music convocation to be held at 7:30 p. m. Monday, February 28, in the Union ballroom. The program will take the place of the annual interfaith banquet sponsored by the Religious Welfare Council.

The program for the convocation will include characteristic music of each of the three faiths, preceded by short introductory remarks by each choir director. The (See MUSICAL, Page 4.)

## Uni Observes Day of Prayer This Morning

Students and campus trainees will gather in the Union ballroom at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning to observe the World Day of Prayer; a day which will be kept by students in colleges and universities all over the world.

Two students, Jane Dalthorp and Mary Ann Mattoon, and an AST trainee, Pfc. Richard Pederson, are in charge of the service which will open with an organ prelude and call to worship. Jane Dalthorp will present her conception of the meaning of the World Day of Prayer and, following a silent prayer, Ann Crosby will sing.

# Nebraskan Shows Need for Appropriations

(Editor's note: This is the first of a series of articles in the university bulletin on postwar plans for UN which was prepared by the chancellor's faculty advisory committee, the administrative council of deans, and the board of regents. It is hoped by the Nebraskan that these articles may acquaint the public with the university need for more adequate appropriations.)

Many writers and speakers are daily urging our people and our leaders to give thought to the necessary adjustments to the peace that will follow the war. Similarly, those concerned with the future welfare of the University of Nebraska should now give thought to any and all eventualities with which the university may be confronted after the clash of arms has ceased.

There was a time in the history of universities, many generations ago, when the academic "ivory-tower" into which a university

could withdraw in time of stress was something of a reality. The "ivory tower" notion was long ago relegated to the status of a myth.

Approximately 70 years ago our university leaders saw that these institutions must be active and useful parts of the society in which they lived, and must be sensitively responsive to the ideals and needs of the democracy that supported them. A university must endure the challenge of change with the rest of our democratic institutions. The remarkable development of our universities during the last 50 years shows the success with which they have pursued this policy. Our universities have demonstrated that they can and will respond to each change in social and economic conditions with the same alertness as

our industry, our agriculture, and our government.

In harmony with this policy many staff members of the University of Nebraska have already begun a restudy of our program that will continue with increasing intensity into the postwar period in order that our courses of study may be brought abreast of the times and may best meet the needs and interests of our constituents.

### Money Answers Questions.

Whether the university will be able to offer the wide variety of educational programs that will be wanted by the greatly enlarged student body that may be expected, and whether our scholars and scientists can undertake solutions of the great variety of research problems that they will be asked to undertake by the various agri-

cultural, industrial, and commercial groups of the state, will depend very largely on the amount of money that may be made available.

### Resources, Scope and Quality.

For a period of too many years the University of Nebraska has had a program too extensive for the amount of money that has been available for its support. The some parts of this extensive program are today, rather fortuitously, at a relatively high level of performance, too many parts, because of insufficient resources, have been unable to keep abreast of rising standards of performance in institutions of our type and size.

The standing of the university as a whole, relatively, in comparison with other institutions of its type and size, is lower today than

it was 30 years ago. This does not mean that the university is not actually as good an institution as it was 30 years ago, because it is now better than it was then; but it does mean that the number of institutions generally recognized as ranking higher than the University of Nebraska was smaller then than now.

This has come about because, tho it had been possible to maintain some parts of our program at a fairly high level of performance in spite of grave handicaps, it has not been possible for other parts to keep pace with other institutions in the improvement of quality of performance. Just as a chain is as strong as its weakest link, a university as a whole is judged by the quality of all the activities it sponsors and its general standing is lowered by the deficiencies of any of its parts.