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For 15 Millions . . .

In order for the college generation to appreciate fully the liberal benefits granted the World War II veterans under the G. I. bill of rights, it is helpful to contrast this law with the inadequate provisions for veterans made following the last war. Vivid in the memories of World War I's veterans is the knowledge that hundreds of them, able-bodied and disabled alike, had to resort to apple selling and pencil peddling on the streets to earn a living, and not a few them "sniped" for cigarettes in the gutters. Under the 1944 Servicemen's Rehabilitation act, this will not happen to the 15 million men and women who are serving in this war.

In the peace period between the two wars the veterans administration was established, there being no such organization following War I. In the G. I. bill this important rehabilitation agency is declared to a war agency with priorities in personnel, equipment, and material, over which only the war and navy departments take precedence.

There were no government hospitals for veterans after the last war. Now an appropriation of \$5,000,000 has been authorized to build 100 veterans administration hospitals. A list of 20 hospitals in as many states was approved by the Federal Board of Housing last July 4 at an estimated cost of \$70,000,000.

Boards have been set up to review veterans discharges, where none existed after the last war, and a quick settlement of the claims procedure, which was stifled by red tape at the end of World War I, has been made mandatory under the '44 law.

Educational opportunities were non-existent for able-bodied veterans of the last war, while vocational training was only offered the disabled. Now there is a government financed program offering both education and vocational schooling for all whose education was interrupted by war service, with provision for a \$50 a month subsistence allowance, plus \$25 a month for dependents, plus \$500 a year for tuition fees.

Loan provisions for the purchase of homes, farms or small business were not even dreamed of after the last war, while now the government guarantees 50 percent of the loan, guarantee.

Nor was there any effective employment placement service offered after World War I. The G. I. bill has set up the best veteran's employment bureau, job counseling and placement service, which is operated by veterans. Unemployment benefits too were unheard of 20 years ago. The present law provided \$20 a week for period not to exceed 52 weeks.

War Week . . .

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of party and who led the group seeking complete U. S. co-operation in an international organization. Unlike most American leaders of the past 25 years, Willkie believed that to be great a nation must accept the responsibilities as well as the advantages of a great power.

Council . . .

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present plan at least until after the war when men come back to the campus and work out the problem for themselves.

McEachen Disagrees.

McEachen stated that he thought one party head would dominate the other in each case and that probably the majority of the students would join the Progressive party.

As the discussion continued,

Dixon rose again to present an alternative plan which might be more acceptable. Dixon's suggestion was to keep the present Barb and Union parties as they are but

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Les Said The Better

By Les Gloffely

To say the very least, we are confused, just plain confused. Obviously, we should have attended Student Council Wednesday, altho we aren't too certain that that would have cleared up things very much. It seems that at long last the big battle over elections, factions, primaries and what have you began. The upshot of it all was that the council met last night in closed session to try and get straightened out itself. Apparently there are two proposed election plans up for consideration. One plan provides for leaving the Greek-Barb parties as they are, but instituting a primary election, which, supposedly, will put the nix on factions. The main objection there, as we see it, is that the university will still have the same election problems, only twice as much. The trouble with the present system is that too many students vote for Greeks when they are a Greek and likewise for Barbs when they are a Barb. We are inclined to think that the Greeks are much more guilty of this foolish practice than the unaffiliated students. The idea is that any organization will go to pot if it is not headed by capable leaders. The best man for the job should be chosen regardless of affiliation, but apparently Nebraska sororities and fraternities have instilled the idea of voting for Greeks whenever possible too firmly in their little pledges to get the students out of the old rut.

The second proposed plan provides the scrapping the Greek-Barb parties and setting up two entirely new parties, such as Liberals and Progressives, each party to be headed by two persons, a Greek and a Barb. Here too there are a number of objections. In the first place, there is no issue strong enough to give either party a good election platform. Secondly, it is believed that the two parties will eventually revert to the old split and NU will end up with four parties—Greek and Barb, Progressives and ditto Liberals. What is more, the men's faction is wholeheartedly again scrapping the affiliation party lines, and consequently the men's faction will still vote a Greek bloc no matter to what party they belong.

All this was discussed in the closed meet-

to do away with factions and bloc voting by conducting separate party primaries two weeks before elections. One week later independent candidates might file and students could vote for any candidate regardless of party affiliation in the general election. To conclude the discussion,

there was a motion from the floor that the Council have a round-table conference closed to the public, Thursday at 7 p. m. Results of this meeting are not available for publication. Janet Mason reported that the rally committee has planned a rally for Thursday and that a

student section is to be roped off for games.

V . . . — Mail Clippings

Pat Chamberlin, Censor

Via the V-mail service it seems that ELMER SPRAGUE, former UN eulogist of "sheep on the mall," and Nebraskan columnist of "White Space", and former AST DON SMITH, 1944 war show pianist, were sitting in a pup tent together somewhere in France, neither of them knowing that either had any connection with NU. So all of a sudden, Don pulled out a picture of Theta Jean Rotton, which Elmer immediately recognized. So—another Nebraska reunion.

PVT. DARRELL DEVOE, Phi Gam, stopped home enroute to Camp Crowder, Mo. to place a diamond ring on Pi Phi Gloria Mardis. "Dee" is with the signal corps, and has just been transferred after 15 months training in Sacramento, Calif.

PVT. REID DEVOE, Dee's brother is also a Phi Gam, is expected home about Oct. 18 from the marine corps at Penn State University. He and Dee have not seen each other for a year and a half, and have timed their furlough to coincide.

CPL. JOHN SLOTHOWER, DU, is on Oahu island of the Hawaiian group with the artillery.

PVT. REMS HEINY, Phi DeM, has returned to the combat engineers at Camp Sheldon, Miss., after an emergency furlough.

PVT. BOYD BREWSTER, Phi Gam, is a pigeonier (one who takes care of pigeons' round-trip flights) in India.

ing last night long after this column had gone to bed. Consequently we don't know how things came out, and if we did, we probably wouldn't understand it. At any rate, more about it later when we get the whole business figured out a little better.

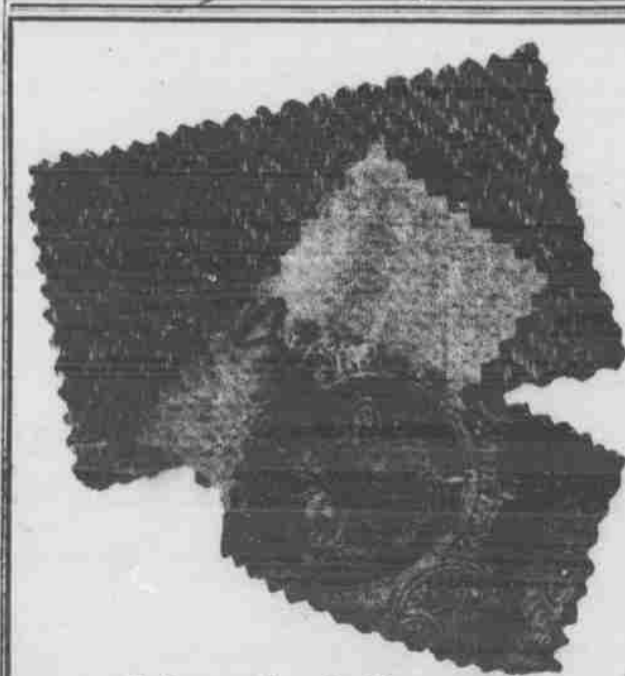
One of the Cornhusker photographers wrote an inspired poem the other day after spending a day tracking down people who were supposed to be having their pictures taken. Quoth he,

"To heck with people who don't show up—
They'll never get my loving cup!"

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