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Baby Says 'Thirty'...

"Thirty" is printers' slang. It means the end. Today the baby of university organizations is saying "Thirty" after three years of tireless and invaluable work for the war effort. The baby is the War Council, which was organized four years ago when a need was seen for some organization to coordinate campus war activities. Starting out modestly, the organization under presidents Laurel Morrison, Pat Chamberlin, Ghita Hill, and finally, this year, Alice Abel, grew tremendously to keep up with the jobs assigned to it.

During its four years, War Council tackled and successfully put over war stamp sales (in cooperation with Tassels), surgical dressings, war shows, clothing, tin can and scrap paper drives, weekly entertainment at the air base, bond drives and auctions, Christmas packages for servicemen, the Nebraskan for Servicemen, and many more necessary tasks.

A mere enumeration of the jobs taken over by the War Council is insufficient, however, for not only were the projects vital for the war effort, they were all the nasty little jobs that no one particularly wanted to do. War Council members weren't crazy about taking over all these unwanted little jobs, either, but they rolled up their sleeves, pitched in and got them done.

Since the end of the war, War Council members themselves, and the rest of the campus have been wondering just what the organization planned to do to justify its continuation. That question was answered when the council voted to dissolve at the last regular meeting. President Alice Abel stated that since the War Council had completely fulfilled its purpose and since this is the natural time for the dissolution, the organization should be allowed to end.

We aren't sorry to see the War Council go because there is no reason for its continued existence. It was born in a time of need, it grew up rapidly and did a beautiful job, and now, having outlived its purpose, its "Thirty" and congratulations for UN's baby organization.

Sign It, Brother!

It has never been the policy of the Nebraskan to print unsigned or anonymous letters in its editorial columns. Occasionally, however, we do break this rule for letters which we think merit being printed even though they may be unsigned by any particular individual. In both the editorial column and the Letterip column of today's Nebraskan, such a letter appears. It should be remembered, however, that for the most part, unsigned letters will not be printed.

LETTERIP

Thanks to T. C. S. for the very good editorial, "Democracy at Home?" As a former nisei resident of International House, I should like to add a few comments.

When I was invited to live in the house last year, I understood that it was to be an "experiment in living" for girls of different races, but as time passed I learned, much to my sorrow, that there was segregation within the house, although it has been emphatically denied by the Dean of Women's office. Negro students were limited to rooms on third floor, and both nisei and Negro students were barred from sleeping in the dormitory on the third floor in single beds in the same room with white girls.

As far as the girls in the house were concerned, they went much further in the "experiment" than the officials in charge had ever intended. The girls wanted equality in the house and fought for it, much to the consternation of the authorities.

The housing for nisei and Negro women students in Lincoln has always been limited, near the campus, to one or two houses, and these would accept nisei, but not Negro students. However, even these houses are not available this year.

Why should the housing situation for women be so undemocratic, when the problem does not seem to be of great importance to houses as the Pioneer Co-op which approached much more in thought and deed the true name and spirit of an International House.

Since the International House was a working success in spite of all the opposition (thus deserving whole-hearted support in the direction it is taking this year), and from the example set by the Pioneer Co-op, why not open up

all the other university-owned houses to all students regardless of race or color, and make this university a truly democratic one.

Fusaye Inouye.

To The Editor of the Daily Nebraskan:

As a member of the group of Negro students on this campus, I am writing this letter to inform you of certain grievances that we, as a body, have.

We would like to feel that we are more a part of the supposed democratic school system here at Nebraska. By some we are treated very friendly; by others we are treated as "classmate conversationalists," but persons to be avoided and ignored when met on the campus.

We have been asked to join organizations, councils, and roundtable discussions in order to help clarify our status and solve certain problems affecting us. Upon doing this, people have listened to us, said they were unaware of existing problems, commented and planned solutions, but in the long run have done little or nothing.

Just recently our attention was called to a matter that certainly struck our group as an incident of being overlooked.

Pictures of coeds, fellows, and navy students emphasizing "dear old Nebraska U days" were taken in the Student Union, and Negro students were not photographed. Negro students were present in the lounge when the pictures were taken. It seemed we were purposely overlooked.

Wouldn't it have been more democratic to include us and make us feel we were a part of "dear old Nebraska U," even though it may not be unanimously felt?

We are not asking you to solve the age old problem of race prejudice. No, that will take more time, schools and students. We are only asking that whenever and wherever it is possible for you to remember "it is the little things that count." We enrolled as students; we'd like to be recognized as students.

Sincerely,

A Negro Student.

Climb on Wagon, Gals; Men Love Red, Powder Blue

Here it is ladies (and also the rest of you gals), though our ideas of what the modern coed should wear may not agree with the latest fashion magazines. It is merely the opinion of a couple of us guys that like to make with the eyes and keep on looking at the passing parade of females.

To start things off, we find that the two most popular colors with that favorite beau happen to be a bright red and powder blue. We have noticed that red is by far the most popular, especially if that certain red has a taste that goes along to help matters out. The male sex even seem to enjoy wearing it as many a lip has a very peculiar shade when they return from a date with that certain someone. Blue, because it is a softer color, is so nice on the eyes—we could enjoy looking at it forever. But there must be a blonde, brunette, or red-head to go along with it! (Not too particular, are we?).

If you have ever noticed a fellows' eyes after taking a stroll on the campus you will probably see that they are going around in circles from trying to follow the design of all the plaids, stripes, and checks. So please, girls, stick to the plain colors for those dates —it accentuates!

Along with the fashions there is something else that should come into the same category: Just what a fellow looks for in the gal that he dates. Of course the assets included in a good personality are always essential, but it is not enough by itself. Just watch a fellow's eyes when you meet him on the street and you will see what he means when he speaks of a girl's personality! After you have passed someone does it seem that you are being watched—well, honey, you are!

It is our opinion that the pledges should think of a new line to use on the first date. The one about having four dates prior to that kiss he has been angling for all evening—is getting a bit boring and bothersome.

Just for one last bit of advice before we sign off for this time—please let your hair grow out long and wear it down instead of on top of your head like a brushpile: That way it will keep your head warm and a part of the fellows arm from freezing when you are out on a date.

Maybe we have wandered from the topic of fashions a little, but let's hope that it has cleared up

a few matters and has given you gals something to think about before your next date with the flame of your heart!

Returning veterans will assume the leadership in universities for the next five to eight years.

Union Book Nook Adds Novels, Non-Fiction Books to Collection

Twenty novels and 13 non-fiction books were added to the Union Book Nook during the summer. These books are from a list of best sellers, said Pat Lahr, director of the Union, and are purchased from the J. C. Seacrest fund for the use of all students.

Included among them is "Captain From Castile" by Samuel Shellabarger, a rousing adventure story of the New World discovery by Cortes expedition, based on historical facts. Pedro de Varga, a young Spanish Castilian, is the hero of this book and his many daring escapades from death, his various romances, and his journeys to strange lands help to make this book hard to put down.

Jalna Series.

"The Building of Jalna" by Mazo de la Roche is another of her famous Jalna series. In 1927 Miss de la Roche was awarded the Atlantic Prize of \$10,000 for her new book, "Jalna." Since that time she has published nine other books of the "Jalna" series, of which "The Building of Jalna" is the latest.

With Captain and Madame Whiteoak, the reader travels from India to England, Ireland and on to Canada where the building of Jalna takes place on the north shore of Lake Ontario. To followers of the Jalna series, "The Building of Jalna" is the foundation for all other stories about this unusually interesting family.

An excellent non-fiction book added to the Book Nook is Margaret Landon's "Anna and the King of Siam," the true story of an oriental court in all its splendor, evil and comedy. It is based on authentic Siamese records, private letters and writings of Anna Leonowens who taught King Mongkut's wives and slaves to struggle for freedom.

FICTION.

Earth and High Heaven, Gertrude Graham.
Green Dolphin Street, Elizabeth Goudge.
Leave Her to Heaven, Ben Ames Williams.
The Razor's Edge, Somerset Maugham.
The History of Rome, Joseph Pennell.
The Building of Jalna, Mazo de la Roche.
The Green Years, A. J. Cronin.
Great Son, Edna Ferber.
Night Into Night, Philip Wylie.

Half Notes

by Shirley Stapleton

It looks like a big year on the campus for Delta Omicron, Mu Phi Epsilon and Sigma Alpha Iota, music sororities, judging from the new material. The groups have revealed the functions of music sorority rush season which lasts three weeks. Each sorority gives two parties for the talented rushes, and Oct. 17, after the last party, the coeds will file preference.

Next Monday will be a high spot on the calendar of music lovers on campus and in Lincoln. The cause—Artur Rubenstein, of course, who appears at the coliseum. And, for those fortunate few able to travel Omaha way, there will be a brilliant music program October 8. The performer, none less than Jose Iturbi.

Congrats to Nebraska's Barbara Payne upon winning the fellowship to Juilliard School of Music, New York. Miss Payne was a prominent student in the university school of music and appeared with the Lincoln Symphony orchestra as soloist.

More than 140 operators are required to handle telephone calls at the New York port of embarkation.

The first cabled news dispatch—August 15, 1858—stated that a peace treaty had been concluded by China with England and France, and that embassies had been established at Peking.

WAA Concessions

All coeds interested in selling for WAA concessions at football games will meet in Grant Memorial at 5 p. m. Wednesday. Sellers will receive 10% commission on all goods and will be admitted to the games free.

Students Divulge Dreams of Ideal Faculty Members

BY MARILYN MEYER.

It isn't that we don't love the faculty and all that, but all students have dreams of the ideal head of a class. While strolling around the Union the roving reporter found several people with concrete ideas of whom they would like to see giving out with the class roll.

Peg Shelley—"Bing Crosby! Reason? It's obvious."

Bud Marsh—"Mary Lou Holtz. One loud laugh."

Jan Thorson—"Van Johnson. He'd be a decided asset to any faculty."

George Johnson—"Lauren Bacall. Nothing like improving morale."

Lynn Stahl—"Bing may have brains, but Dick has glamour."

Bernie Price—"Janet Gibson. It would keep Archie Briggs on campus."

Bob Gillan—"Frank Sinatra. Then I won't be the least athletic persons on campus."

CLASSIFIED

WANTED: Immediately! Bus boys at Kappa Alpha Theta house. Meals furnished.