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Time for Action . . .

Students are a critical bunch. We have a great deal to say about the way we think things should be done in this university, always excusing our failure to change the situation with the plea, "There's nothing we can do about it."

Now we're saying that we should have a voice in the selection of the new chancellor. This time there is something we can do about it. In fact, something is already being done about it. The Student Council has authorized a committee of students to determine the qualifications students would like to see in the new chancellor, and suggest to the Board of Regents examples of candidates who would fill those qualifications as far as possible.

This committee obviously cannot determine the opinion of the students in these matters if the students, not on the committee, do not express themselves. A hearing has been arranged, consequently, to be held at 5:00 p. m. today in Room 315 of the Student Union, at which time all interested students are urged to come and talk over with the committee their ideas on qualifications for the new chancellor and suggest names of possible qualified candidates, stating the reasons they feel these candidates are qualified.

Through this hearing, a letter to the committee sent to the Student Council office, or consultation with any member of the committee, interested students have every opportunity to make themselves heard. This is our chance to have a voice in the course this university will take during the next few years.

Simple Mathematics

For those who haven't been subjected to the rigors of higher mathematics, here's a simple problem. If there are 5,000 people and each one of them contributes two dollars, how much money has been given? Answer: \$10,000.

But here is an even harder one to figure out. With 5,000 available people, only a little over \$1,000 has been contributed to one of the worthiest causes anyone could imagine.

But trying to make university students part with a dollar except for a new pair of nylons or a couple of tickets to a show is a task that has baffled many a group trying to collect money for anything.

Somehow students cannot seem to realize that humanity is more important than one coke or that service is more important than a pair of 51-gauge nylons. The coke and nylons won't last but the effects of services rendered by the Red Cross have been felt in years past and will be felt even more in years to come.

When determining the goal which could be reached by the campus, workers cut it down to the bare minimum of \$2,500. A contribution of only 50c per student would push the drive over the top in one day.

Mathematicians aren't the only ones who have trouble figuring out why 5,000 times 2 or 1 or even 1/2 doesn't equal \$2,500. Men in occupation troops, veterans, men in hospitals, starving children in Europe and civilians struck by disaster will wonder, too.

Veterans . . .

(Continued from Page 1.) the house a formal doctrine of aims and purposes of the organization, which he and the executive committee recommended be adopted and attached to the constitution when it was submitted to the senate. It read: "This organization fosters free and open discussion of all issues, and may officially take a stand upon a controversial matter, except that no political party or candidate will be endorsed. No person shall be denied membership or office in this organization because of race, creed, political party, or affiliation with any other organization."

A heated discussion ensued concerning the limiting nature of the political clause, but the doctrine was approved, and placed on file with the constitution.

Elect Committee Heads.

Election of committee heads, nominated the previous week, was held in the regular business meeting. Bill Young was chosen social chairman, Nelson Parrish membership chairman, Carl Booton housing head, and Craig Johnson athletic chairman. In addition,

George Schmid was tabbed as college representative. Booton went right to work with a plan to supplement lagging community efforts to supply veterans with housing. He organized a workers' group to keep in contact with Lincoln landlords personally, in order to give veterans first chance at any possible openings.

The vets also went on record unanimously supporting the Student Council recommendation for the change in the dates of spring vacation, while whistles and roars of approval indicated support just as unanimous for a proposal by two city girls for a YMCA-sponsored mixed club for vets in the basement of the YWCA.

The next meeting has been tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 20, at 7:30 in the Union ballroom.

Kosmet Klub . . .

(Continued from Page 1.) the Union. All organized men's groups on both Ag and City campus are urged to send workers to the meeting and membership in Kosmet Klub will be based on the amount of work the workers do for the Klub, announced Folda.

The Ash Can

By Marthella Holcomb

Tonight's the night for that swimming party the phys ed department dreamed up. Swimming party, that's a legitimate excuse for sore muscles and amateur strip tease. Freddie Hamlin has positively guaranteed not to appear in his tank suit, so it'll be safe for us naive undergraduates.

Monday afternoon we had to play amateur fireman because some stupid student had dropped a still-glowing cigaret butt into the receptacle of a smoking stand in the Union lounge. It's at such moments we appreciate why the university students in America aren't the guiding political factor they represent in Latin America and European countries.

We've always felt more than a bit jealous when we read of foreign students demonstrating for this or that reform, and wondered why we couldn't do the same sort of thing here. And now we know the answer.

No one with any sense at all would slit the leather coverings on the game room chairs. No student worthy of the name, scholar, would build a bonfire of waste paper on the tiled floor of the men's room. No scholar would stoop to stealing (and that's exactly what it is) the books purchased from student funds and placed on open shelves in the Book Nook.

One of the worthiest recommendations we've yet heard for Nebraska was that the student body here is, for the most part, representative of the upper middle-class American family. Most of us worked for any allowance we got as kids. We weighed the merits of a milk-shake or dessert when he had lunch downtown, because during the depression we weren't allowed to have both. We got "blistered" if Mother caught us with our feet on the sofa, and Dad took care of the disciplinary problem if he mutilated his razor-strop. Now that we're away from home here at the university, however, anything seems to go.

News in a Nutshell

BY BOB BEASON

WASHINGTON—In answer to the charges against soviet Russian made by the United States, the Russians have charged that the United States has tried to broaden the leftist regime in Bulgaria. Secretary of State Byrnes has flatly denied that the United States has broken a Big Three foreign ministers' agreement or has tried to further the leftist regime. The agreement, which was made at Moscow last December, was that the United States and Britain would recognize Bulgaria if the government were broadened to include two members who would "really represent" the opposition.

President Truman's famine emergency committee has pledged to give foodstuffs to all peoples of starving Europe, regardless of color, creed, or religion. The committee has asked the American people to eat less wheat and less fats.

According to an announcement coming from the Senate, the labor committee has junked the Case strike control bill for a complete new measure.

LONDON—Prime Minister Attlee told the house of commons last Monday that Winston Churchill, in his Fulton, Mo., speech of March 5, had "stated very clearly he spoke for himself only." Attlee said the government was not called upon to "express any opinion." Churchill's speech has been attacked very bitterly by Pravda in Moscow as advocating a British-American military alliance that would break up the United Nations.

United States protests to Russia against the continued presence of red army troops in Manchuria and the removal of industrial machinery from that section of China may have been bolstered by a similar British complaint.

CHUNGKING—Chinese nationalist and communist reinforcements have been reported to be moving to Mukden, where the rival forces are battling after sudden withdrawal of Soviet troops from that city.

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