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## The Students Appeal...

This is an appeal. An appeal to the governing board of the University of Nebraska; the board whose job it is to direct the policies of this university, both for student and faculty; and to give to the students and faculty alike the best university possible. With this fact in mind, I appeal to that board—the Board of Regents—to return to the Student Council its privilege of occupying a seat on the Athletic Board.

The Student Council is supposedly the medium of overall student expression. I question that in this university. If this were true, why then should this Council be denied representation on any governing board operating within the jurisdiction of administrative authorization? It should not!

A year ago the Athletic Board underwent a revision. Following this revision the Student Council representative found a closed door in his face—there was no longer a place for the students' voice on this rejuvenated board. Revision often means to make better or improve, but excluding students on these functions fails to ring true as an improvement.

To those who may have withdrawn into their shell too far, so that even a single ray of illumination cannot penetrate, I offer this profound observation. The largest single group in most universities and colleges are students. To some, this may come as an astounding fact, but nevertheless, it is true. Usually it is not deemed advisable to overlook a majority.

It is somewhat easier to disregard this majority, however, since precedence has squelched its voice to the point of a hoarse whisper. The Student Council has dwindled to a mere social obligation of its elected members, who realize the futility of attempting any sort of recognition.

There remains one solitary hope for recovery—power. The students are represented by the Student Council. It is now up to the Board of Regents to return to this student governing body its right of representation and thereby renew one of the student body prerogatives established with the building of this university.

The Judiciary Committee, as part of the Student Council, has been empowered to draft a recommendation to the Board of Regents asking that a Council member again be part of the Athletic Board. I refer the Board of Regents to the most recent bulletin published on the university before it arrives at a decision on this issue.

This bulletin defines the Student Council as a body of students popularly elected whose purpose is to assist and manage student affairs. Above that touching phrase, in box form, is a statement regarding the importance of student legislation and government.

These statements read well and look nice in print, but unless the Board of Regents returns this one power to the Council it will be another case of looking through a pair of overworked "rose colored glasses." As further proof of good looking print, I refer the regents to the last sentence, contained in that box. Is this actually true?

The Board of Regents can partially arouse the Student Council from its hibernation slumber by displaying in this way a trust in student judgment which we believe has progressed from adolescent to mature thinking. By disregarding this issue the board merely confirms a rumor of distrust in growing Americans, entitled to the right of expression in one form or another.

D. N.

## The Ash Can

by Marthella Holcomb

There are picnics, and then there are picnics. Some of them make the headlines, and are shouted about. Then there are the whispered accounts, along these lines:

Our back-alley "We hang together or . . ." boys had a big victory celebration the early part of the week. It's no secret, the location, that is; since they aren't noted for square deals, they naturally picked a round house.

Don't jump when they scream "Shmo-o-o-ooth!" It's a natural result of much orange pekoe. After warming up—oh, a few jugs of hot tea, the Caruso complex came to the fore. Sober reflection brings to light the fact that singing sitting down is easier than trying to stand up, and many warblers look fine reclining face down.

Included among the vocalists were the Sinatra of 14th and R, the old president of 616 No. 16, new gavel-banger at 1325 R, that clicker from 15th and S, and a couple of other fellows. One or two, anyway—enough to make the usual 28 delegates swell to a membership of 45.

Getting back in must have been easier than getting out, because fewer people remember it. The latter was accomplished with baited (we did not say Beta-ed) breath.

## Letterip

To the Daily Nebraskan:

The Religious Welfare Council at its meeting on May 2, 1946, passed the following resolution:

The members of the Religious Welfare Council express approval of the recent action of the Student Council on the Big Six conference question.

ALICE RIFE,  
Secretary, Religious Welfare Council.

## Sinfonia . . .

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naval band unit stationed in the Caribbean theater during the war, Hartman will play "Fantasie," by Hue and "Tourbillon" by Krantz.

Leonard Blinde, a "Messiah" soloist this year, and Glenn Clark, returned veteran, will sing the baritone solos with the glee club in "Sea Chanty Suite." Ernest Ulmer and Lee Kjelson will accompany at two pianos, and Barney Heeny will provide the tympany parts.

The Sinfonia clarinet trio, composed of Don Wenzlaff, Bill Kelly and Norman Todenhoft, will perform the three movements of Blatt's "Clarinet Trio, Opus 27."

## Coed Counselors

Coed Counselor members are reminded today that their picnic this afternoon would be held regardless of the weather. Members should meet at Ellen Smith at 5 p. m., clad in picnic togs.

## Hesperia Installs Newly-Elected Officers Tuesday

At a candle light ceremony, following a dinner in the Union Tuesday evening, Hesperia installed five newly-elected officers for the coming year. Billie Smith, president of the organization for unaffiliated coeds presided at the service and in-

stalled Fern Bohlken as the new president. Erdice Lukasiewicz is vice-president and publicity chairman.

Arlene Wittler is secretary, Penny Anderson treasurer, and Jenny Nelson, social chairman.

Outgoing officers were vice-president Pearl Doyle, Jackie Eagleton, secretary, and Peg Hanson, treasurer. Following the installation, plans were discussed for a picnic at Antelope Park to be held Tuesday, May 14.

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