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Freedom of the Press

Freedom of the press and the dangers to it are discussed in a recently published report of the Commission on Freedom of the Press. Financed by Time, Inc. and the Encyclopaedia Britannica, Inc., the commission was composed of 13 American men, who, although they are not journalists, are considered to be philosophers and thinkers of great intellectual ability.

The report itself does not reveal any new or startling facts about the press, but it does confirm our ideas that the standard methods of communication have not done the job they should and have fallen down in many ways. Because it has fallen down, its freedom is endangered, although perhaps not immediately, by a great public demand for governmental control of the press.

The problem as it is studied by the commission deals, of course, with city newspapers, not college publications, but the conclusions it reaches apply to the school papers, too. Instead of presenting a "truthful, comprehensive and intelligent account of the day's events . . . a forum for the exchange of comment and criticism . . . projection of a representative picture of the constituent groups in the society . . . presentation and clarification of goals and values of the society . . . full access to the day's intelligence," any media of communication rely on "scoops and sensation." Other forces acting to make reform of the press essential are the pressure of the audience and the bias of the owners.

Recommendations to the government, the press and the public are set forth by the commission. To us, these recommendations seem idealistic and, we are afraid, impractical, because the men who made them are philosophers and not working journalists.

We are inclined to agree with the editors of Fortune magazine in their comment in the April issue: "Final answers to the problems of freedom, responsibility and effectiveness will come, perhaps, when every philosopher is a journalist and every journalist a philosopher."

Reading such a report as this may at least give journalists an insight into a philosopher's view of the press, which is to us the real value of the report.

Dirt

Diggings

BY JOHN SOENNICHSEN
AND SKIP STAHL.

As introduction we would like to say that we have no political axe to grind, but instead we would like to call certain events to the notice of the student body and faculty. Events that are bound to occur, and events that can easily be missed by all concerned, not because of apathy, but instead because the job to be done is too big.

It has been rumored that all is not as it should be out at Huskerville. It seems that certain Lincoln firms have been granted an exclusive monopoly of certain forms of trade at the airbase, with the understanding that the goods would be sold at a price equal to or lower than those charged in Lincoln. This, of course, would be a break for the families of Huskerville.

But such, apparently, is not the case. In effect, it seems that the commodities sold at the airbase are from two to three cents higher per item than here in Lincoln. It is our object to inquire why. We aren't criticizing, but we would like to know the why and what for.

We believe that since an exclusive contract has been granted, it is obvious that the terms of this agreement should be lived up to, not only by the university, but also by the merchants involved. We believe that this agreement should be enforced by the university and by the student body so that the persons involved get a fair deal.

YM, YW Show Foreign Movie, 'The Puritan'

An advanced showing of "The Puritan", second foreign film to come to the campus this year, proved to a small but attentive audience that the success of a motion picture can be based upon something more than extravagant sets, fine lighting effects and high production costs in every aspect.

Filed at less cost than a Hollywood short, "The Puritan" is an intensely dramatic film which deals with the religious mania of a youth "whose normal sensual appetites have been overlaid by a crust of religious fanaticism," as described in a New Statesman and Nation review.

Tickets for the movie to be held Friday in the Temple at 8 p. m. are available at the YM and YW offices or from any YM member.

Bulletin

CHESS CLUB.

The regular meeting of the University Chess club will be held in Parlor C of the Union Tuesday at 7 p. m.

AIR RESERVE MEETING.

Dr. T. Torgeson, professor of physics, will speak about and hold a forum on "The Atomic Bomb" Wednesday at 7:30 p. m., in Room 201 of the Temple building.

PICK UP PIX.

Students who wish to buy the glossy pictures which they had taken for the 1947 Cornhusker may get them in the Cornhusker office any afternoon this week.

Exam Schedule

Laboratory classes meeting for several continuous hours on one or two days shall meet for examinations as follows: Classes meeting on Monday and Tuesday shall be examined on the date scheduled for the first hour of their laboratory meeting; Wednesday or Thursday classes on the second hour of their meeting; Friday or Saturday classes on the third hour. Unit examinations have been scheduled for all sections in the following subjects: (1) Business Organization 3, 4, 21; (2) Civil Engineering 1; (3) Economics 11 and 12; (4) Education 61 and 62; (5) English A, 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 12; (6) French 11, 12, 13, 14; (7) Home Economics 41 and 42; (8) Mathematics 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 41, 42, 101, 102, 107; (9) Mechanical Engineering 1; (10) Psychology 70; (11) Spanish 52 and 54. If students have regularly scheduled examinations conflicting with the above specially arranged schedule, arrangements to take such specially scheduled examinations at another time should be made with the department concerned on or before May 21. For example: If a student is scheduled for an examination which conflicts with a specially scheduled examination in French, arrangements should be made with the French Department to take such French examination at another time.

WEDNESDAY, May 28

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 4:00 p. m. Tues. and Thurs. or either one of these days
8:00 a. m. to 10:00 a. m.—All sections in Mathematics 11, 12, 41, 102 (Coliseum)
11:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m.—All sections in Mathematics 13, 14, 15, 42, 101, 107 (Coliseum)
2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.—Classes meeting at 8:00 a. m. Tues., Thurs., Sat. or any one or two of these days

THURSDAY, MAY 29

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 11:00 a. m. five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri. or any one or two of these days
2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.—Classes meeting at 1:00 p. m. Tues. and Thurs. or either one of these days

FRIDAY, MAY 30, MEMORIAL DAY

Classes Dismissed

SATURDAY, MAY 31

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 9:00 a. m. five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri. or any one or two of these days.
2:00 to 5:00 p. m.—Classes meeting at 10:00 a. m. Tues., Thurs., Sat., or any one or two of these days.

MONDAY, JUNE 2.

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 12:00 m., five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri. or any one or two of these days.
9:00 to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 5:00 p. m., five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri. or any one or two of these days.
9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 5:00 p. m., Tues. and Thursday, or either one of these days.
9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 7:00 p. m., Mon., Wed., Fri., or any one or two of these days.
9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 7:00 p. m., Tues., Thurs., or either one of these days.
9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—All sections in Civil Engineering 1.
9:00 a. m. to 10:00 a. m.—All sections in Business Organization 3 and 4. (Coliseum).
7:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.—All sections in Education 61 and 62. (Coliseum).
10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.—All sections in Psychology 70. (Coliseum).
2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.—Classes meeting at 1 p. m., five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri. or any one or two of these days.

TUESDAY, JUNE 3.

8:00 a. m. to 10:00 p. m.—All sections in English A and 1.
8:00 a. m. to 11:00 a. m.—All sections in English 3 and 4.
11:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m.—All sections in English 2.
11:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m.—All sections in English 11 and 12.
2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.—Classes meeting at 11:00 a. m. Tues., Thurs., Sat., or any one or two of these days.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4.

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 8:00 a. m., five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri., or any one or two of these days.
2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.—Classes meeting at 9:00 a. m. Tues., Thurs., Sat. or any one or two of these days.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 3:00 p. m. Tues. and Thurs. or either one of these days.
9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—All sections in Mechanical Engineering 1.
9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—All sections in Home Economics 41 and 42.
8:00 a. m. to 10:00 a. m.—All sections in Business Organization 21. (Coliseum).
8:00 to 10:00 a. m.—All sections in French 11, 12, 13, 14. (Coliseum).
8:00 a. m. to 10:00 a. m.—All sections in Spanish 52 and 54. (Coliseum).
11:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m.—All sections in Economics 11 and 12. (Coliseum).
2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.—Classes meeting at 2:00 p. m., five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri., or any one or two of these days.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6.

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 10:00 a. m., five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri., or any one or two of these days.
2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.—Classes meeting at 3:00 p. m., five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri., or any one or two of these days.
2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.—Classes meeting at 4:00 p. m., five or four days or Mon., Wed., Fri., or any one or two of these days.

SATURDAY, JUNE 7.

9:00 a. m. to 12:00 m.—Classes meeting at 2:00 p. m., Tues., and Thurs., or either one of these days.

Vets Encouraged To Re-establish Insurance Plans

The Lincoln Association of Life Underwriters are sponsoring a booth in the Union this week to encourage veterans to reinstate their life insurance. This is part of a nation-wide movement to reinstate policies.

Fred M. Waggoner, regional insurance officer, said Monday, that there has been \$125 million worth of reinstatements in branch office No. 8, of which Nebraska is a part, since Jan. 1.

Two other booths are being maintained in Lincoln; at Miller & Paine's and at Gold's. The Union booth will remain open through Friday night.

Letterip

Dear Editor:

In regard to Mike Ueoka's letter in the Rag of May 18, concerning the rather crude refusal of a local cafe to serve at Nisei veteran of World War II, some of us feel the cafe might also wish to be relieved of serving those who are not in sympathy with its discriminatory tactics. In the interests of accommodating the cafe in such a desire, it would be appreciated if Mr. Ueoka and the Rag will supply the establishment's name.

Sincerely,
Madge Reinhardt

Von Bergen Wins Towne Club Prize

Sherrill von Bergen received the '47-'48 scholarship award of the Towne Club Alumni association, at the organization's annual May morning breakfast Sunday.

Officers were installed as follows: Marilyn Davis, president; Renee Stokely, vice-president; Virginia Lange, secretary; Geraldine Tubman, treasurer; Martha Heuser, activities chairman; Lydia Nekuda, social chairman and Miss von Bergen, historian.

Marhella Holcomb was named '47 Towne Club girl and Lois Gillett was given the Mother's club award for outstanding sophomore activities.

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