

Uncle Sam Foots GI's Bills Via Vets Billing

By Lois Gobar.

Each semester Uncle Sam pays for GI students' books and supplies through complicated processes, one of which is Vets' Billing. The Vets' Administration arms each GI with an authorization slip that entitles him to credit for fees, books and supplies. Beginning with "one" a year ago, the authorization numbers are now in five digits.

One tough ex-sergeant swore, "If I have to sign my name once more, I'll go back to Tokyo." The maze of tables, partitions and ropes through which he must find his way makes him feel like a mouse in a psychological learning experiment.

The Advisor System.

A well-intentioned but tired advisor cross-examines the subject and issues the sentence, "You are condemned to take history, foreign language and English!"

Lines, photos and signatures coming later, the vet penetrates the book buyers, three deep at the counter, presents his schedule and authorization slip, and loads his arms with brain food for the coming semester. He proceeds to the supply side for a \$4 notebook (paid for by the government), stands in line to be billed, then staggers out the door toward home—if he can pass inspection by the doorman.

Billing the GIs.

Billing is the bookstore's way to get the money for its products. If one number or initial is mis-copied, someone may spend hours correcting the error. Bills must be accurately alphabetized, and when twenty Smiths, five of them Robert Smiths, are billed in one

day, there are complications! Index cards are alphabetized to simplify the finding of expendable supply cards, which entitle each vet to \$3 worth of supplies that he can get any time during the semester.

Costs of books and supplies are added separately, then totaled. Law students average \$69 for books. Art supplies are as high as \$32.25, and potential engineers get \$35 drafting sets, \$18 kits and \$22 worth of books.

Figures are checked, rechecked, sent to the official UN representative at Regents Bookstore and checked again. The University pays the bookstore, then bills the government who checks to see that no one got more than he was entitled to and then pays the university. Uncle Sam bills us in the form of taxes, and the vicious circle of processes starts again.

Bengtson Attends Research Meeting

Dr. Nels A. Bengtson, university geographer and Dean of the Junior Division, left Wednesday for Washington, D. C., where he will attend a conference called by the National Research committee for October 16 and 17.

Dean Bengtson is one of three geographers in the U. S. named to an 11 man subcommittee on environmental protection which will advise the council's division in engineering and industrial research.

Tentative plans call for the committee to be removed to Boston for further meetings after the Washington conference.

Letterip

Dear Editor:

Like you, I am a student of this University. I am a loyal Nebraska football fan, as I am sure that you are also. I have tried to put down on paper my feelings about the coming grid battle between our Cornhuskers and the Irish of Notre Dame. If you consider it to be printable, I would like you to do so. It might help. Anyway, here goes.

This coming Saturday afternoon the fighting Irish of Notre Dame will meet the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers in a renewal of an old and heated grid rivalry. This Notre Dame has one of the strongest teams in the history of their school and will probably be spotted at least thirty points over Nebraska, by the experts. Everyone knows these facts, but what everyone doesn't know is the fact that Nebraska could win this ball game, if they were inspired and enthused enough. Underdog teams have risen up to destroy great "unbeatables" before. Witness, for example, just last year, little Cincinnati smashing down the great Indiana grid machine. The point that I am trying to make is this: If you are a real Nebraskan and if you really want a victory, come out and yell at the top of your lungs at the rally Thursday evening. If the student body will only turn out en masse and for once really back up their team, showing them that we are really pulling for them and believe that they can win, in spite of the odds, perhaps an inspired bunch of Huskers can pull a few surprises out of the bag for Coach Leahy and his vaunted green-clads.

There has been some talk on this campus about the spirit of Cornhusker football being dead. Indeed, one would almost have believed it had he been at that so-called rally last Friday night. Thank goodness the team didn't have to witness that sad exhibition. However, I am one who refuses to believe that this Cornhusker spirit, the spirit of Brown, Weir, Howell, Luther, is dead. I believe, rather, that it has been asleep for a long, long time. Perhaps, the cheers of thousands of Nebraska students Thursday evening, resulting in a fighting, driving, dying-to-win, scarlet and cream eleven on Saturday, could arouse this giant slumbering spirit, the same spirit that in the past

NSA Delegates Submit Summary of Convention

A summary of the National Student Association as organized this summer at the national convention in Madison, Wisconsin, has been prepared for The Daily Nebraskan by official university delegates to the convention, Jack Hill, and Betty Jeanne Holcomb.

The series will make available to all students the information presented in the delegates hour long report to the student council, and in the informal sessions before the Innocents and Mortar Board societies.

Four hundred and fifty colleges with total enrollment of over 1,200,000 were represented at the convention held on the University of Wisconsin campus Aug 20 to Sept. 7.

The 700 delegates attending drafted the constitution and elected national officers for the year.

Hill and Holcomb reported feeling on the part of the national delegates that a nation-wide student organization was needed to represent the interests of American college students as whole. Hope was that such a permanent group could improve conditions for students in U. S. colleges and provide an official body to select U. S. representatives in the growing sphere of international student activity.

NSA has a two-fold purpose: The development and improvement of campus activities and student welfare programs; and the achievement of closer contact between American students and those in the other United Nations.

Organization is on three levels, campus, regional, and national. On individual campuses NSA will beat such other "unbeatables" as Minnesota, Pittsburgh, and even those supermen, the Four Horsemen of Notre Dame themselves. Isn't it worth a try? Let's all be Novaks and smash down to the ground forever this feeling of defeatism that is so prevalent on the campus today. If by some chance, we can arouse this Cornhusker spirit, then Irish beware! The student body, you and I, can do it if we want to. Let's all be at that rally, and send the team off with enough fight installed in them to do what every real Cornhusker knows deep down can happen, but is afraid to admit. Oust O'Conner, sink Sitko, level Lujack!

Yours truly,
George R. Schmid,
College of Agriculture.

work through existing student governments. Commissions will be appointed to carry out special NSA projects.

NSA will serve as a clearing house for information on student activity within the U. S. and throughout the world. It will maintain agencies for the compiling, editing, and disseminating the data to member colleges. It will foster student-faculty cooperation on student problems and curricula. Practical measures will be undertaken to create democratic and functional systems of student government on its campuses.

On the international scale NSA will aid programs of exchange scholarships and program devoted to the welfare of foreign students. The latter will take the form of relief and rehabilitation abroad and help for foreign students in the U. S. The association will plan and conduct summer exchange tours in conjunction with unions of students in other nations.

Revenue to carry out the program of NSA will be obtained from annual assessments of member colleges through local student governments by the national and regional organizations. Assessments are to be computed on a per capita basis according to the enrollment of the school. No college, however, will be assessed for more than 10,000 students. The national assessment for the university this year would be \$369.

The university may affiliate with NSA either through approval of the association's constitution by the student council or the student body as a whole. In either case a voting majority is sufficient for ratification according to the NSA constitution.

Kirsch Schedules Tours Displaying Art Faculty Work

Recent work of University of Nebraska art department faculty members will be displayed on tour this fall and winter. Prof. F. Dwight Kirsch announced three traveling shows Wednesday.

Watercolors and drawings will be shown in municipal and college art galleries and in high schools in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, Illinois, Texas, New Hampshire, and Connecticut.

A show of drawings is being exhibited at Racine, (Wis.) Art Museum at present, and from there will travel to other galleries this year.

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