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## Straight Stuff

BY TORCHE REDIGER

Over KKG way there is Little Sally "Birdie" Becker who is constantly being kidded about how skinny she is. One of her sisters was overheard to say the other day that Birdie would never be able to play archery for fear that she might be mistaken for the arrow.

### Question of the Week

Is it really as teady deal between Tri Delt June Fislar, and Phi Gam Squat Myers? If so why did Squat call Alpha Chi Jo Jesse for a coke date just this week?

### Watch These Couples

John Peck Phi Gam and Lou Eiler Tri Delt seem to have found an interest in each other and plan to date each other quite a bit. Marilyn Nelson AOPi and Joe Sauchez have even decided to go steady already. Quick work kids! Going to the Phi Delt House party Friday night will be Sue Samuelson and Tom Shea, Jane Hale and Dave Davis. Oh-these popular dorm girls.

Flash! News has just been received that a couple familiarly seen on campus last year were secretly married in July in South Dakota—namely Al Bush, Tau and Barb McKinley, Gamma Phi. Coming back to that sad subject of break-ups! Barb Dunn KKG, has decided to end her steady deal with Phi Delt Dale Hatch. Guess she likes the free life, eh Barb!

Another sad boy who seems to have gotten the brush off this week is Don Smith from Janet Kahn, Alpha Phi. Even though Marilyn Lowe and Boots Gardner made the break-up a couple weeks ago they are still dating one another as they have a date for the Mo. game.

### Break-Up

We hear there are possibilities of a break-up between "practically steadies" Bev Owens, Towne Club, and Bob Watson. Maybe those reserved football seats will link them back together.

At a candy passing at the SDT house, the girls jumped to conclusions and started congratulating two "possibles" whose names were read—only to find out the event was really in honor of the engagement of alum Mary Arbitman and Marvin Feld of Omaha. Pot Saout announced her engagement to George Sweeney by passings of the sweets to Towne Club Monday night.

A certain Tassel really puts her heart into the yells for the younger Fischer brother. Can't you hear her calling, Kenny?

### CLASSIFIED

WANTED—Passengers to Kansas State game Saturday. Bill Starks, 2-4709.

LOST—Blue pencil belonging to a Parker "51" set. Has name of owner on it. Reward. Phone 5-8745.

LOST—Blue Esterbrook pen, in or near Andrews Hall. Call 2-4889.

ROOM—Student desiring to share double room call 5-8888 after 3:30 p. m.

FOR SALE—Kensington double breasted tax. Size 36. Like new. Max Hayward, 3048 R. 5-9319.

FOR SALE—Double decker bunk beds. Wood with springs and mattresses. \$25.00. Call 5-4991.

BALLROOM dancing: Studio 2705 Royal Court. Nellie Speidell. Telephone 3-5480.

LOST—Log Log Decitrig slide rule in Avery lab Thurs. Reward! Clayton Sompter, 241 No. 12th St.

WANTED—University girl to share large attractive room in good location. Phone 3-2354.

GIRL students—We have an opening for experienced dining room help. Short hours. Tullman's Grill, 118 S. 11th.

MALE university student interested in single basement room. Cooking privileges. See E. R. DALEY, 1517 No. 33rd.



**IBM OPERATORS**—Supervised by H. M. Cox, director of the bureau of instructional research, demonstrate the machines as used on university registration cards to the Daily Nebraskan reporter.

## IBM Machines Speed Up Grading System; No Errors

Reports while they are still warm—that is the long suit of the IBM service as applied to university registration and grading reports.

Accuracy must be the prime consideration in recording registration data, Dr. F. W. Hoover, assistant to the director of admissions, emphasized. Without the IBM machines, time consuming multiple records had to be kept for cross reference to catch clerical errors.

With the IBM system, operated by the bureau of instructional research under the direction of H. M. Cox, rosters, grade reports, and permanent records may all be prepared accurately, quickly and at the time needed. Information, once correctly punched onto IBM cards, may be printed innumerable times onto lists and individual reports without error.

### Real Merit

Both Cox and Hoover emphasized that the real merit of the system is the saving of time and effort where it counts. Much registration routine can be removed from peak periods. All data except for the student's name can be put on class cards long before registration begins.

With the machines a small staff can handle the rush at registration time and during the preparation of periodic rosters and reports.

About 90,000 IBM cards are now filed in Cox's office. These may be sorted to give systematic lists for a variety of purposes. The machine does this with a single operator in but a fraction of the time required for clerical separation.

### First Test

The first full scale test was the preparation of summer grade reports. These were available within ten days after the term ended.

Already this fall, two complete sets of class rosters have been prepared. The first were given department heads for distribution the Monday following registration.

The second set included late registrations, all drop and adds

and revisions indicated by instructors. A copy of these second rosters will be returned by the instructors with final changes indicated for the printing of his grade report sheets.

Grade reports and permanent records for the registrar's file will be printed with IBM machines.

Grades for all courses carried by a student during the semester will be printed on a single report form which, in time, will replace the unofficial credit books now used as registration aids.

### Machines Aid Directory

Student directory listings were prepared for the Student Foundation as soon as the first rosters were distributed. This required a completely alphabetized list including every student registered.

The first try at the directory list proved the machines not infallible. An error in wiring the bookkeeping machine put a zero in place of the last figure of all telephone numbers.

Even though superhumanly intelligent the machines are susceptible to errors of the human mind.

Each student registered requires two different cards for his personal data and one for each of his classes. In all there are about seventy thousand class cards, each identifying the student and giving the complete description of the course. Twenty-one file drawers are needed to hold class cards alone.

### Seven Machines

Seven machines of four distinct types are used by the bureau to punch and interpret the cards. Four are punching devices, one an automatic sorter, and two are different types of reading and printing machines.

Three of the punches are keyboard machines operating in the manner of typewriters or adding machines. The fourth is a duplicator which will reproduce any portion of a card desired. This is used to punch the duplicate data on all the cards of any one class section and to enter the student's name from his master personal card onto his individual class cards.

### Many Listings Possible

The sorting machine will separate the cards on the basis of any information desired. Listings may thus be prepared by classes, alphabetically, by student numbers, or from some special listing as the student's age.

One of the reading machines prints information on the card from the punches in it, enabling visual identification of the cards. The IBM bookkeeping machine is the central unit of the system. As converted for general use it can print 88 characters, 43 of which are letters and 45 numbers.

It will print as many carbons as desired of selected information from punched cards fed to the machine. In combination with the sorting machine, rosters and similar selective lists can be quickly prepared by the bookkeeping machine.

Application of the system to the university's registration procedures is the result of eight years preparation. Installation of the machines and transition to the IBM registration cards has taken nearly 15 months.

## Sidewalks or Lawsuits

Campus improvement on Ag were quite numerous over the summer months, and students hailed the final realization of several long needed construction jobs. New sidewalks were laid and oil roads were resurfaced. It seems regrettable to this writer that the campus improvements did not include the replacement of several sidewalks which are in a bad state of repair.

A glaring example of a walk in this condition is the one leading from Ag Hall to the bus stop. It would be a comparatively easy thing to step in one of the wide cracks which appear in this particular stretch and come up with a broken ankle. The walk mentioned is especially bad due to the large number of students who pass that way in a hurry trying to make the "quarter of" bus.

This oversight is not the fault of the Student Faculty Board. Dean Burr stated that he has made recommendations as to these needed repairs but that nothing had materialized as yet. Whether the job was too big for the funds allocated we do not know. If finances are the trouble we feel sure that the replacements would be undoubtedly cheaper than one damage suit resulting from injury to some student. Students and faculty are thankful for the improvements made, but this does not cover up the fact that something needs to be done about present walks.

K. F.

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THE PICTURE  
YOU'LL  
REMEMBER  
FOREVER!

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Richard Green

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7c TO 6 P. M.

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AT

# KINGS

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Orchestra

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Prices same as in the Cafeteria