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To the Editor:

It is time that the misconceptions held by you and many other university students pertinent to the Morrill Act be corrected. If you will check with the library, any other authoritative source, or the university ROTC department you will discover that the law under which the university was established, which was enacted in 1862, merely requires a land-grant college or university to offer the subject of military training to any eligible male student who elects to take it. The act does not state that the teaching of military science be compulsory.

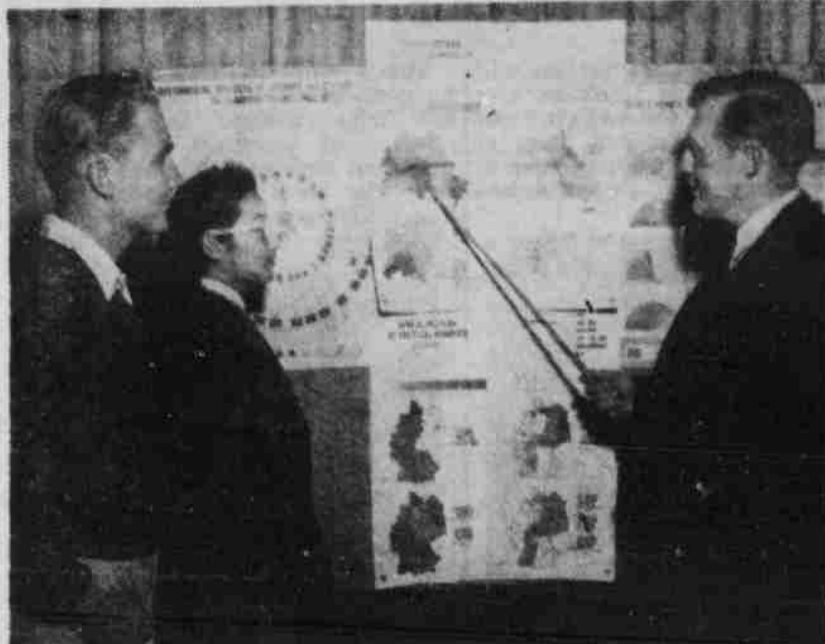
Indeed, the same problem has presented itself on the campuses of many other land grant schools, also established under the Morrill Act, and in many instances, the University of Minnesota for example, the subject has become an elective. Here at the University of Nebraska the taking of four semesters of Military Science is required by the Board of Regents, but this is an administration ruling rather than one required by the Morrill Act.

As we are all aware, there are many well founded arguments against the compulsory teaching of military science, and there can be little doubt that it will become more and more prominent as compulsory military training becomes an issue in the present session of the Congress of the United States. My only fear is that unless all of us begin to take an active interest in such things we shall soon be sacrificing the democratic principles which we all cherish and begin existing for the state, rather than having the state exist for us.

Since my letter of yesterday there has been much comment on many of the phases of military science and compulsory military training, which is being pushed in Congress by the American Legion. It is my belief that The Daily Nebraskan would be performing a service to the campus by printing a series of debates on these subjects and then conduct a student poll. Just a passing suggestion
EUGENE BERMAN.

String Interest Lacking, Says Music Prof

Addressing a clinic sponsored by the university's music department, Prof. Emanuel Wishnow of the School of Music told music educators from throughout the state that school, college and community orchestras are slowly disappearing in Nebraska because of a disinterest of students in stringed instruments. Prof. Wishnow asked "Why should Nebraska people travel miles to hear orchestral music, or not hear it at all, when it is relatively easy to start building foundations now for school or-



DR. CARL FRIEDRICH, internationally famous Harvard political science professor, explains the intricacies of spatial patterns of political behaviour in Germany to two university students. Dr. Friedrich completed the third of a series of special lectures at the university Friday night. He lectured here as the first in a series of visiting professors sponsored by the Montgomery lectureship fund.



PICTURED FROM LEFT to right are: D. Ann Richardson, Dean Graunke, Bill Reuter, Shirley Sabin, and Jim Welch. Graunke is president of the Nebraska Masquers Chapter of the National Collegiate Players, and here he welcomes the four recent initiates. Gladys Jackson, not pictured, was also named to the honorary for students of the theatre.

Debate Conference Results

Discussion results from debate-discussion conference held Friday and Saturday, Jan. 9 and 10, at Illinois State Normal university, Normal, Ill., were learned today.

Donald Olson, speech instructor, announced that B. J. Holcomb and Jacqueline Wightman were awarded "superior" ratings for discussing "What Can We Do to Insure Peaceful Relations Among Peoples of the World?" Eloise Paustian and Mary Dye were given "excellent" ratings.

From the 118 students of about 25 schools who participated in the meet, only nine "superior" ratings were given. In the debate part of the conference, Eloise Paustian received "superior" and the other three girls got "excellent" ratings.

Experts Discuss State's Resources

Three Nebraska university experts presented their opinions regarding groundwater resources in Nebraska at the annual meeting of the Nebraska Reclamation association held at Kearney last week.

Speaking in a panel discussion, presided over by Dean Carl Borgmann of the university, the experts—Dean Roy Green, E. C. Reed, and M. I. Evinger—reported that nothing less than sound planning would enable Nebraska to make full use of its rich groundwater resources.

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Delta Omicron Tells Winners Of Scholarships

Winners of the Delta Omicron national rotating music scholarship, which this year was given to Theta chapter at this university, are: Freshman, Patricia Olson; sophomore, Helen Anderson; and junior, Dorothy Taylor.

Auditions, held on January 9, were judged by a Delta Omicron alumnus and two Delta Omicron patrons: Mrs. James S. Blackman, who teaches piano at Lincoln; Mr. Bernard Nevin, director of the orchestra at Lincoln High School; and Mr. Leonard Paulson, professor of voice at Wesleyan.

The original scholarship of \$100 was divided into three equal parts so that more might benefit.

Bornoff Cites State Plan To Musicians

Dr. George Bornoff, music educator of Columbia University, addressed over 50 college and high school music educators Friday and Saturday when they gathered on campus to plan a program to encourage more students throughout the state to play string instruments.

"If you buy a child a tennis racket and ball and tell him to bounce the ball against the back of the house for four years," said Bornoff, "he soon loses interest. If he plays with someone else he learns quickly.

"The same is true of students learning the violin. Today we know that teaching youngsters violin in small classes develops group comparison, observation and competition."

MASTERTON GUEST SPEAKER.

Bernie Masterton, University of Nebraska football coach, will speak at the athletic dinner Monday at Chappell. The Chappell chamber of commerce is sponsoring the affair which honors the athletes of Coach Gerald Ferguson's Chappell high school teams.

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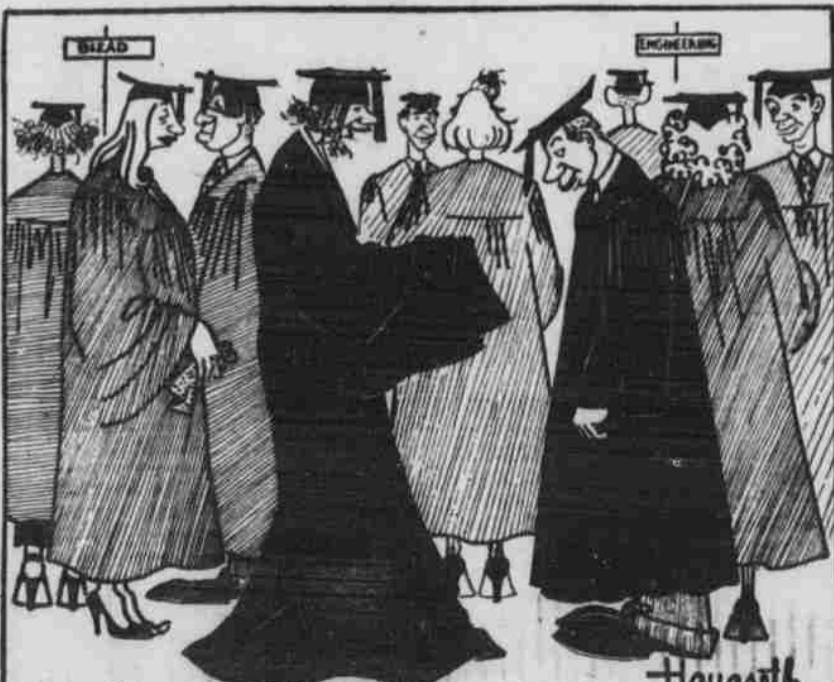
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