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NU Bulletin Board

Wednesday

Cosmopolitan Club, 7:15 p. m. in Union.
UNESCO Education commission meeting, 7 p. m., Parlor B of Union.
Phalanx Initiation meeting, in Armory—pledges at 7 p. m. and actives at 7:30 p. m.
Student Council, 5 p. m.
Kosmet Klub meeting, 5 p. m., Union clubroom, for all active members.
Scabbard and Blade meeting canceled.

Thursday

Union Competition Games committee, 7 p. m. in Parlor B.
AUF mass meeting of all workers in Union ballroom, 7 p. m.
UNESCO Cultural Interchange Commission meeting, 7 p. m., Room 316.

Friday

Ag Union Entertainment committee planning square dance, 8:30 to 11:30.
Registration for Ping Pong tournament, to be held the evening of the eighth, closes at 5 p. m. Anyone interested may register this week.

EE Graduates Receive Honor

Named as America's Most Outstanding Young Electrical Engineers of 1948 were two university graduates, Jay Forester, 1939 graduate, and Milton Mohr, 1938 graduate.

They were selected from a list of fifty nominees for what is considered the highest electrical engineering award in the United States. The award is conferred by Eta Kappa Nu, national electrical society.

Mr. Forester is now associate director of the Serve-Mechanisms laboratory of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is a native of Anselmo, Neb. Mr. Mohr is technical engineer on the research staff of the Bell Telephone laboratories in New York City. He is a native of Sioux City, Iowa.

From the Front Page

By Bruce Kennedy.

Army engineers, under the direction of Maj. Gen. Lewis A. Pick have freed hundreds of snowbound victims as Operation Snowbound started its frontal attack against the elements. Reports from seven sub-areas are not as yet available, but around Broken Bow and Valentine approximately 700 persons were liberated from the prison of snow.

Letters of praise for the editorial, "God Hates a Coward," continue to flood the Omaha World-Herald and particularly the desk of Editor-in-Chief Harvey Newbranch, author of the much-discussed editorial. Published Jan. 26, the editorial hits and hits hard at the leaders of the Republican party for not developing a strong enough leadership to effectively counteract the leftist trend in American politics. The editorial has been broadcast twice.

President Truman's labor law recommendation to return the mediation service to the labor department was called a "backward" step by Federal Mediation Director Cyrus S. Ching, who appeared before the Senate labor committee.

AF of L leaders believe that prices have declined too little to avoid a fourth round wage demands. They even went so far as to dispute the labor department's figures on price drops. At any rate, a demand for wage raise may be seen this year.

Although American and British officials remained silent on Stalin's talk of peace, French Premier Henri Queuille declared that Stalin's statement should be translated into facts. That is apparently the entire world's feelings on the matter—less words more action.

Norway seems to be near accepting an invitation from the Western Powers to join the Atlantic Pact. Even though Russia sent a note to Norway requesting information on that country's intentions, Foreign Minister Halvard Lange will ask the Parliament for authority to join.

The Crib Situation . . .

While we may not be in agreement with what appears to be a majority of student feeling, we contend that the purpose of a college education—whether one is in Engineering, A & S, Ag or Teachers—is not to confer degrees upon whomsoever may have fulfilled the necessary requirements. The degree should indicate (but doesn't) that the individual has spent several years studying the general background of a variety of fields and has looked into one or two fields more deeply than the others to realize its more profound meanings, complexities and problems. In short, the degree should mean that the individual has honestly learned a great deal more than he knew when he first entered.

Our concern at present is with that word "honestly." With the exam week just completed, our belief in the integrity of the college student is pretty much shattered. While we still believe (perhaps foolishly) that the majority of students taking exams write them honestly—that is, from what knowledge exists in the mind as gained through the methods prescribed by the professor—we have heard of and seen enough incidences of cheating that we are convinced that far too many students need to be taught (maybe with the aid of a baseball bat) that cheating on exams is cheating themselves and, what is more important can endanger the academic standing of their classmates who have the integrity to get through the exam on their own mental powers.

A year ago, writing our little-read "Crossfire" column, we gave partial excuse to the cribbers on the basis that, not having adequate time to prepare for the final, they relied on cribbing methods out of desperation. Thanks to the administration and the Student Council, exam week is now preceded by at least two free days in which the student may make preparation for his finals. This past semester, there were three and a half days between the time classes ended and the first exam began. So the "not enough time" excuse is out.

Through the years we have become almost callous to the "minor" forms of cheating—using crib notes and observing a neighbor's paper—and have been practically forced to conclude that, with the failings of human nature, perhaps this type of misconduct can not be eliminated completely.

There is one method of cheating, however, that can not be excused on any basis and must be eliminated immediately. That is the unethical device of getting hold of the exam before the exam is given. All during final exam week, the telephone wires between organized houses buzzed with innumerable requests, demands and threats for the possession of final exams which had gotten out. In all probability, judging from comments made after exams were over, the number of exams that actually were obtained was probably one-tenth of the number which rumor dictated. Nevertheless, many hours, and laborious ones, were spent by students—we use the word loosely—in trying to get hold of final exams.

There are three points we would like to make on the matter, two addressed to the administration and faculty, one to organized houses.

- 1) To prevent any future delinquencies of this nature, we suggest that the administration require all professors to turn in all copies of their final exams to one or several central points where they may be stored in a vault or under heavy lock and key and may be checked out by a clerks to the professors on the day the exam is given. If this plan is not at all feasible, we would appreciate the administration's letting us know.
- 2) To reduce the cheating during final exams, we suggest that all professors use a method currently practiced by one of the profs in Engineering college. That is, require each student to bring to class early in the semester three blue books which will be kept by the prof until the final exam. Students must then be expected to come to the class exam empty-handed.
- 3) If members of the organized houses will read carefully their constitution and their initiation ceremonies and study the full implications of the standards and ideals which they purport, we are certain that the members will realize that it is their purpose and duty to see that the highest form of academic pursuit is carried out among their members.

Alpha Kappa Psi Elects Stickney

Harold Stickney has been elected president of Alpha Kappa Psi, professional society for Business Administration students. He succeeds Richard L. Culbert. Other officers are Daniel Patton, vice president; Gerald Mason, secretary; Robert Larson, treasurer, and Robert Clark, master of rituals.

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LOST: Silver I. D. bracelet. Call Bob Fiecke, 5-7853.
FOR sale—1947 "M" system 25 foot trailer house, porch, electric refrigerator, running water. See after 5:30 or Sunday. Leslie Sheffield, 1201 West "O" st., Capitol Trailer Camp.
BUS BOYS—We have placement for two male students in our food service department. Work consists of carrying heavy food trays and dishes. Work hours 11-2 daily. Apply Employment Office, 7th floor. MILLER & PAINE.

Postponed from January 27

Polio Benefit Dance

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Thursday, Feb. 3

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Home Ec to Elect Cabinet Members

New Home Ec cabinet members will be elected at a general meeting of the Home Economics club Thursday, Feb. 3, at 5 p. m., according to Gwen Monson, president. Installation of new officers will also be held at this meeting.

This semester is the first time that popular election has been used as a method of selecting Home Ec club cabinet members. All interested members may file for cabinet positions by leaving their names and qualifications in a box which has been placed on the first floor of the Home Economics building.

NU Meds Select Spring Officers

The following gNu Med officers were elected to serve the coming semester: John Kahle, president; Leland Gartrell, vice president; Rex Hoffmeister, secretary-treasurer; and Benny Robinson, publicity chairman.

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