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## 'Teenicide'...

Concern over the increased accident rate of drivers in the 15 to 24-year-old group has mounted throughout the nation in recent years. Statistics consistently show a disproportion between the total number of accidents and those involving drivers under 24. Last year 31 per cent of traffic fatalities in the United States involved young drivers.

Insurance companies, the National Safety Council and youth leaders are waging a constant war to prevent accidents in this age group. These interested groups are using constructive propaganda, traffic safety programs and increasing driver schools toward the elimination of "teenicide," the new word coined to apply to traffic fatalities in the 15 to 24 age group.

But despite these increased efforts throughout the nation, the "eliminate teenicide" program is lacking one factor that is needed to make the drive successful. That factor is support by young drivers. Drivers falling in the age group of 15 to 24 are those who are most affected and those who should be most concerned. It is mainly up to them whether the program succeeds or fails.

The University of Nebraska's share in the success of this program will be measured by the interest and concern taken by student drivers and student car owners. Just as it is up to a countless number of young drivers throughout the nation, it is up to the students at the University to promote safe driving.

Our University is not immune to "teenicide." The fatal accident on West O street a year ago in which two students were killed demonstrates this fact. During recent months other students have been fortunate to escape traffic accident injuries involving young drivers.

The responsibility for keeping Nebraska student drivers out of the fatal statistics column rests with the drivers. It is up to you, to me, and to the other guy to see that the elimination of "teenicide" is started successfully, continued successfully and ended successfully.

## Editorial Briefs

The "bird in a series of four broadcasts of John Hershey's 'Hiroshima'" will be presented tonight by members of the speech department radio section. Six faculty members and two students will make up the cast in the "Authors of the Ages" show, reliving the August day in 1945 when the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima. One of the best stories to come out of the war, the testimony of six individuals who survived the blast makes better than average listening.

Last year Fortune magazine told the reading public that graduating college students were individuals who preferred ready-made security to a security for which they had to fight. One of the biggest obstacles standing in the way of progress seems to be this overwhelming fear of failure held by graduates starting out on their own. In spite of the added risk, seniors desiring to go into business for themselves should find the advantages of such a future so inviting as to give it a try.

Things are looking up for the masculine gender of humanity. A recent report of a life insurance company had this heartening news: In 1947, for the first time in history, the females outnumbered the males in the United States. And if the trend continues, by 1975 there will be only 985 males for every 1,000 females. It looks as though the coeds had better start hunting while the hunting's good... before the male animal becomes extinct.

The Daily Iowan recently commented appropriately on new men's fashions. It told of Paris designers announcing a new line of spring fashions for men—short-trousers, lavender-colored tuxedos, tomato-red dinner jackets, ruffled shirts and pointed shoes in assorted colors. The new look for 1950, one designer said, consists of broad shoulders, absolutely no "tummy" and a very pinched-in waist. The designer, of course, was referring only to clothing style, not to men's shapes. Despite changes in clothing styles, the new look for men probably will be exactly like the old look—hunched shoulders, a paunch instead of a "tummy" and a pinched-in wallet.

This is not a "keep off the grass" bit as Daily Nebraskan readers have seen many times in the past. Rather, this is a "save the grass" notice. It should be everyone's inalienable right in the springtime to sit, sleep or otherwise enjoy himself on the grass. But there won't be much grass left if we don't try to curb the careless practice of walking on the grass—not out of any aesthetic pleasure, but rather out of laziness.

According to Albert E. Wiggam, noted psychologist and columnist, entirely too many young people who do not possess a general knowledge of basic English are being graduated from our institutions of higher learning. The major reason for this condition can be attributed to poor instruction below the university level. However, college text books are at least partly responsible. Too many of them are written in the vernacular of the verbal Einstein. For instance, students reading a typical text are confronted with "peregrinations" which means travels and "stylistic banality" which means triteness. Why do it the hard way? Perhaps students would digest a little more practical information if they could understand their textbooks. It is indeed a pity that college students today do not understand basic English; however, it is even more pitiable that the authorities and scholars who write college text books have forgotten basic English.

**NU Bulletin Board**  
Thursday  
The meeting with Wesleyan at 7 p.m. in the C.C. White building. Transportation will be provided from Ellen Smith Hall at 6:30 p.m. and Ag

activities building at 6:45. Theta Sigma Phi meets at 5 p.m. Thursday, Ellen Smith Hall. Block and Bridle club meets at 7:15 p.m. Thursday in the Ag Union for election of officers. YWCA meets at 7:30 in Room 315 of Union.  
Friday  
Corn Shucks advertising staff meets Friday, at 3 p.m. in the Corn Shucks office.

## Letterip

To The Editor:  
The following is in regard to the column entitled "Farber's Folly" which appeared in the April 5 issue of your paper.

Upon reading the column today I was reminded of a child aged 5 to 7 who, when he couldn't think of a clever retort to some teasing, came back with some typical childish remarks such as... nincompoop... pointed head... etc. (These may be familiar to those devoted readers of "Farber's Folly.")

Whether Mr. Farber honestly believes he is a gifted columnist or not—I have no idea. However, I have never heard or read of any columnist who became so very childish that it was necessary for him to resort to juvenile name-calling and ridiculing.

I doubt that Mr. Farber could comprehend that the article in the humor magazine was a satire—the author certainly resorted to no outright ridiculing of Mr. Farber, and consequently turned out a much more effective article than Mr. Farber's "retort."

Mr. Farber—I think it is time you grew up. If you can't think of anything clever to say just don't say it. Personally—today's column left me completely flat.

Yours in the great movement toward maturity,  
Edward C. Lennword

## worth reading

BY ARTHUR J. VENNIX

I feel better today. Praise has been effectively applied to my injured ego. Two weeks ago I reported that one of the profs had embarrassed me by asking for a book I had reviewed without even seeing, much less reading.

The other day that prof stopped in and made the following comment: "Any fool can review a book he's read. It takes a genius to review one that he hasn't even seen." Do you suppose he means a genius, junior grade?

As evidence that somebody's been reading this column of literary levities, a student asked me to show him that long list of books about ships and sailors. My surprise was tremendous. I'm entirely amenable to further surprises of a similar nature.

So many people have been asking me about the new Collie pup (delivered on schedule by the Easter Bunny last Sunday morning) that I think I'd better provide a bit of a sequel. My daughter no longer has illusions about from whence come the eggs and gifts of Easter time.

You should see my daughter's mother. She fusses over the pup more than she did over our first ten or twelve children. She (the pup) is as awkward and clumsy as an overgrown pup can be, and it amuses me to see her ram into the furniture as she gambols—or do only lambs gambol?—about on the waxed hardwood floors. But she (my wife) worries that she (the pup) will injure herself permanently.

She has made quite a change in my life—my wife did so many years ago. I spent all day Saturday building a large pen in the back yard and my hands and arms are scratched and scarred. Yesterday evening I put in several hours building a pen in our basement out of an old coffin case. Our Collie isn't yet 'house-broke' so we have to confine her somewhat.

I wish someone would help me find a name for her (the pup). The names of her dam and sire and their dams and sires, and theirs in turn, are all so impressive sounding that we can't simply call this one "Sandy" or "Lassie" or anything else so common. Suggestions will be gratefully received at 301 Love Memorial Library, either by personal visit or by a note in the mail.

So much for the pup—almost. Practically all of my reading lately has been confined to books about 'Man's Best Friend.' Hence, I'm not in a position to review anything except Rowland John's "Our Friend the Collie," and Milo Denlinger's "The Complete Collie." If you're planning on getting a Collie pup, though you might like to consult those helpful little volumes.

Five years ago this morning I awoke in a Red Cross Club in Belfast, Ireland, where I was on leave. O' happy day! A home away from home! One of the first things I heard that morning, after rattling the Guinness about a bit, was that President Franklin D. Roosevelt was dead. I was positive that had to be merely German propaganda. But now I'm convinced that it wasn't. The number of books written about FDR will soon approach the number written about year old girl on March 18.

Mrs. Darlington took the stand after Judge J. H. Broady had overruled a defense motion for dismissal. The motion charged that Darlington was "forced" to sign a confession, forced into trial before psychiatric examinations had been completed and discriminated against in that counsel for five other youths involved in similar charges had been given "unlimited time" in which to plead.

## Baptist-Christian Students Convention Opens April 14

The Christian and Baptist churches will jointly sponsor a Baptist-Christian state student convention in Lincoln April 14-16.

The Christian student fellowship and the Roger Williams fellowship on the University campus will be hosts at the conference.

Students from colleges all over Nebraska will attend, as will University students of the Christian and Baptist denominations.

On the general committee for the conference are Calvin Ravenscroft, Winifred Gilson, Alice Harms, Dick Fisher, Loraine Lagerquist and Gwen McCormack.

Speaking at the Saturday morning sessions will be the Rev. Lowell Bryant, First Christian church, Lincoln; the Rev. Richard Nutt, Methodist student pastor; Ruth Shinn, University Y.W.C.A. director; the Rev. Rex Knowles, Presbyterian student pastor; C. B. Howells, Baptist student pastor; Mrs. R. M. Benson, Christian student worker; and the Rev. John Lepke, Congregational student pastor.

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## news and views

By George Wilcox National

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"Did you say something, dear?"

## Campus Closeups Contest Begins

The new Campus Closeups contest is underway in the Union Crib.

The voice of a "mystery" student may be heard on the Solatone record players in the Crib singing "In the Still of the Night." Students may enter the name of the person they believe to be the owner of the mystery voice by writing the name on ballots which will be handed out with every purchase of a "crib." The name Campus Closeups was submitted by Jerry Warren, in the contest held to choose a name for the mystery voice contest. The winning contestant received \$1 worth of free cokes in the Crib.

Each week, a new voice will be placed in the record players. This week's voice belongs to a coed who was recently heard singing the same song at a University show.

The winner of each weeks contest will receive free purchases in the Crib or other suitable prizes.

## Canterbury Club To Give Dance

Canterbury club will present a cabaret dance Sunday evening as part of their spring schedule.

Atmosphere will be created with soft lights and card tables surrounding the dance floor. Records will provide music and refreshments will be served. Members of the club, their guests and friends are invited to attend from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m.

**MAIN FEATURES START**

**STATE**  
"Cinderella"  
1:00, 2:44, 4:28, 6:12, 7:56, 9:42

**Varsity**  
"Port of New York"  
1:00, 3:44, 6:28, 9:12

"Boy from Indiana"  
2:19, 5:03, 7:47, 10:31

**HUSKER**  
"Lassie Come Home"  
2:36, 5:10, 7:44, 10:19

"Search for Danger"  
1:30, 4:04, 6:38, 9:13

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**LIVE-ACTION VITALIS** and the "60-Second Workout"

## Med Students Get Loan Fund

Students at the University Medical college in Omaha got good news Monday.

Mrs. Lizzie Oltmanns and her son, Frederick, of Belgrade, Nebr., established at student loan fund with the University Foundation, Perry W. Branch, Foundation director-secretary said that money from the fund will be for loans to Medical college students at low rates of interest.