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**Students Plus . . .**

Graduation with distinction marks a student out in the level of outstanding achievement. His scholastic record places him above the average run of "collegiates" and in a position deserving recognition. But a discrepancy exists in our present system of graduating students with distinction. And the list of those credited with outstanding performance does not indicate the differing routes these students have followed in attaining this recognition.

To graduate with distinction from the College of Arts and Sciences the student is required to leap two hurdles. He must pass an honors course by writing a thesis in the field of his major, and he must take a comprehensive examination in the same field.

To our knowledge, no other college makes this demand on its students who claim the honor of graduation with distinction.

The result is that graduation with distinction means greater achievement in the Arts and Sciences college. The scholastic requirements no doubt vary little among the colleges, but the extra Arts and Sciences requirements set students in that college apart from the rest in the sense that they have met greater demands.

The system also means that some students in Arts and Sciences are just as worthy of this honor as students in, say, Teachers college, but they are not recognized because they do not choose to take on the extra load. Only around eight Arts and Sciences students wrote major papers and took the comprehensive exam this semester. Many more students in that college, students who have maintained averages commensurate with this honor, will go unrewarded. At the same time, students in other colleges will have the honor bestowed upon them for doing no more, and perhaps less, than the outstanding Arts and Sciences students who did not meet their college's requirements. If these Arts and Sciences students had taken up their University careers in another field, they too would attain the honor.

Students with "above the average" records are cited for their work at the annual Honors convocation. They achieve distinction for their scholastic endeavors by being elected to the various college honoraries. In any college but Arts and Sciences, graduation with distinction implies no more than honorary or Honors convocation recognition. In Arts and Sciences graduation with distinction implies extra effort in the student's more intensive field of study.

To erase this inequity the choice seems to lie between lowering Arts and Sciences requirements to the level of the other colleges, or raising the demands in other colleges to meet the Arts and Sciences level. The cream of the crop students do gain recognition through the means already mentioned . . . Honors convocation and honoraries. Perhaps graduation with distinction should mean more. Dean C. H. Oldfather of the College of Arts and Sciences has told us that the faculty of that college felt this honor should mean more . . . more than high scholarship alone. Graduation with distinction undoubtedly should point out the student for the highest record in college achievement.

## Editorial Briefs

Nebraska students will cheer their teams again next year with Yell King Frank Piccolo at their head. Mr. Piccolo has brought spirit from the stands throughout the year in a fine performance, and under his leadership next year students should give Nebraska squads the whole-hearted support they deserve. It takes an able yell king like Piccolo and his first assistant, Brick Paulson, to unite student spirit into outstanding cheering sections.

The Courtesy campaign is winding up with a note signed to linger in our ears long after the drive has ended. "Y," say the campaigners, stands for year in and year out courtesy. During the past two months and more, our ears have grown accustomed to the latest courtesy slogan, and our eyes have become used to seeing the changing posters. Constantly being reminded of the campaign, we find it all too easy to forget its significance. Courtesy is not something to shout about for a couple of months, only to let it pass from our minds as soon as its exponents cease their drive. It is not something to put away in a drawer with last year's notebooks. We live with it. We can't live without it. Courtesy makes living worth living.

Time will be reserved in Monday night meetings for taking up the issue of cheating. The Student Council, in a final effort to remedy the general cheating situation and the problem of stolen finals, has sent a letter to all organized houses asking their pledges to do their utmost in preventing the problem. The Daily Nebraskan has taken up the issue with ardor. It has thrown the blame at everyone, students, faculty members and everything but the kitchen sink. It remains that cooperation alone will alleviate the situation. To the organized houses falls the responsibility for invoking an honor system. You've heard us hammer on the old truth that "it's for your own good." Observing fair play in college living is a good indicator as to whether we will sink or swim in later life. The exam issue puts the entire student body on probation. Only if every individual proves he can live up to the standards of decency can he call himself a "student."

The 69 new members and associate members of Sigma XI, scientific research honorary, have a claim to fame which certainly is well deserved. Anyone who bears the title, Sigma XI, is worthy of the highest admiration of his fellow students and instructors.

It was a photo finish, with John Luebs leading the race. To Mr. Luebs went the grand prize in the second photography salon sponsored by Kappa Alpha Mu. His news shot of a woman critically injured by a runaway fire truck brought him highest honors for talent in his field. Subject matter alone did not bring him recognition. The pictures were judged on all counts that go into making a good print, and this student's skill brought him out on top. Mr. Luebs and the four other division winners deserve a round of applause for their fine showing.

## Letterip

To the Editor:

In the recent Ivy Day selection of new members for the Innocents society, a preference was shown to the members of Kosmet Klub. All three officers of the Kosmet Klub were chosen as Innocents. The Innocents society obviously places considerable stock in the worthiness and importance of being a Kosmet Klub member. It is granted that other activities are necessary to become an Innocent, but isn't too much importance being given to the members of Kosmet Klub?

Possibly in the past, the Kosmet Klub was an important campus organization and its members deserved recognition by the "select" campus honorary society. But, at the present time, the Kosmet Klub is a defunct organization. Basically the Kosmet Klub has two functions: (1) To sponsor a fraternity talent review in the fall, and (2) to produce a spring revue later in the year. In the fall the Kosmet Klub merely sponsors a show in which the fraternities assume the entire burden of talent, preparation, and production, while the Kosmet Klub acts only in the capacity of a managing agent. In the spring revue, the Kosmet Klub supposedly shows its colors by assuming all the responsibility of producing a spring talent review. But this year "THE KOSMET KLUB DISCARDED ITS PLAN FOR A SPRING REVUE, AND SUPPORTED THE A.E.R. HISTORICAL SHOW."

The Kosmet Klub has cancelled its show, which from the very beginning, it supported with a very doubtful intention of performing. It has fallen back on the feeble crutch of the sudden coincidence with the theme of the A.E.R. Historical show—a sudden coincidence which had been given publication a week ago in this paper. If the Kosmet Klub is such an important organization, why does it abandon plans for its show which were publicized one month before the A.E.R. show was publicly announced?

To accentuate this already glaring hypocrisy, the Kosmet Klub, with an unusually large heart, has generously thrown the tremendous weight of its influence in support of this organization, whose show was publicized after the announcement of the Kosmet Klub show. A very diplomatic way of getting out of a very tight situation. This leads to the more general consideration involved here—the very obvious fallacies connected with the present method of Innocent selection.

Every year the Candidate Officers association sponsors the oldest and biggest social event of the year—the Military Ball. It is not only an important event on the campus, but receives city and state recognition, for the University as well. It seems highly impossible that the Military Ball has or ever will be cancelled because the lack of organization, planning, or merely someone beating them to the punch.

Another campus activity that has ascended in a position of much higher regard than it receives now is Engineers' Week. The Engineering Executive board not only puts on E-Week each year, but it puts on a show that encompasses more talent, preparation, and foresight than any other campus production. Engineers Week also, like the Military Ball, is received as an important function of the University by the campus, the city, and the state. The Candidate Officers association and the Engineering Executive board are doing a good job, and their members should be rewarded accordingly. They have proved themselves each year as being outstanding organizations and do not merely rest on tradition or previously won laurels as the Kosmet Klub seems content to do.

Scholarship is another field in which the Innocents society should revamp their criteria. Scholarship should not only be a stringent requirement for membership to the Select 13, but extraordinary scholarship should be an important requisite to all the applicants of the Society. Innocents should strive to select the 13 most outstanding men of the junior class, and not merely the 13 men showing the most perseverance in several non-functioning campus activities. There should be no question as to the worthiness of superior scholarship, and the Innocents society should reward it in proportion to its worth.

In conclusion we feel that the correct weight should be given to campus organizations which actually perform a function and give the students a production of value, instead of giving credit where credit is not due. If campus organizations are to be properly accredited there should be some sort of elastic scale by which Innocents can correctly evaluate the job which has been done. The Innocents should reward, not only for perseverance, but also for applied capability in all fields of campus activities. POLITICAL PERPETUATION WILL DO NOTHING BUT DEGRADE THE INNOCENTS SOCIETY INTO A MEANINGLESS GROUP. POLITICS AND PAST GLORIES HAVE NEVER BEEN TRUE CRITERIA OF CAPABILITY.

Ed Donegan  
Dick Russell  
Al Potter

## N U Bulletin Board

Monday

Kosmet Klub active meeting at 5 p.m. in the Kosmet Klub room.  
Theta Chi meeting at 7 p.m. in Room 121 Burnett.

LINCOLN: "Stage Fright." 1:00, 3:05, 5:10, 7:16, 9:23.

STUART: "The Third Man." 1:23, 2:24, 5:24, 7:25 9:26.

NEBRASKA: "Free For All." 1:00, 3:56, 6:52, 9:48; "Shadow on the Wall." 2:30, 5:26, 8:22.

Lincoln Now!  
Alfred Hitchcock holds you in suspense in "STAGE FRIGHT"  
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With His Zither!!  
THE 3RD MAN  
JOSEPH COHEN  
ORSON WELLES  
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4¢ to 6 — Deets Open 12:45

Nebraska NOW!  
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ANN BLYTH  
IN "FREE FOR ALL"  
PLUS  
ANN SOTHERN  
IN "SHADOW ON THE WALL"

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## news and views

BY GEORGE WILCOX  
New Housing News for Lincolnettes

Important news to Lincolnettes and of course University students is the report that an amended co-operation agreement was approved by the housing authority of the city of Lincoln, and will be presented to the city council for possible approval a week from today.

The proposed agreement, suggested by members of the Citizen's Housing committee, is so written as to remove all objections to previous contract that was rejected by the city council.

City housing has been a much discussed question in University and Lincoln circles and is a topic of great concern to many married University students.

Specifically revised provisions of the new plan include: A survey of housing conditions and family characteristics will be completed by the authority before any construction will begin.

Any site or sites selected by the authority will be subject to approval by the city council.

Payment in lieu of taxes will be distributed to the city, county, state, school district and sanitary district in the same proportion as actual taxes.

Preference in selecting tenants will be given to low-income families who have established residence in Lincoln.

The 800 temporary dwellings at Huskerville, scheduled for removal within the next five years, may be counted as meeting the equivalent elimination features of the law.

The authority will install all utilities, including water and sewer mains, streets, etc., within the projects at no expense to the city.

They will not be asked to revise the present building codes unless they are found to be unduly restrictive and result in higher costs without adding to the safety of the dwellings.

Quick News Around the World

Federal funds will be available to assist victims of this week's floods and help in rebuilding badly damaged roads.

The problem of what kind and size of the bridge to build over No. 14th Street, and where to place it is the number one question for city engineers.

The Big Three foreign ministers agreed on joining Western Germany economically and politically to the rest of unified western Europe.

Railroads are "just as deadlocked now as at the start," states Francis O'Neill of the national mediation board.

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Beginning canoe class now consists of majors only. However, next fall it will open to

## College Wife Offers Advice On Homes

In a new book of advice to the "College Wife" Mrs. Rachelle Marshall says that "essentially your home should be a pleasant background." Mrs. Marshall, herself a college wife, wrote the book as a guide to cooking and household tasks which face any wife whose husband is in school.

The greatest problem, according to Mrs. Marshall, is not always cooking ability or housekeeping know-how. It is the job of maintaining a home in one's spare time and making it the sort of place the student husband and wife can look forward to after a day's work.

The author learned to cope with these problems the hard way. After two years, during which she has made a comfortable adjustment to this way of living, she decided to write the book as a guide to those in similar situations.

Even if a college wife is skilled at cooking and household tasks, she faces problems of limited finances while one or both partners are in school: cramped living quarters in trailers or small apartments in crowded university towns; lack of time to devote to homemaking; and the lack of permanence of college life.



**DESTINATION OAK LAKE**—Four physical education majors load canoes into the new, built to specifications canoe trailer. A new course at Nebraska, canoeing will be open to non-majors next semester. Requirement for the course is the American Red Cross swimmer's test. Oak lake is only a mile from Grant Memorial, making it within easy access for regularly scheduled classes.

## Paddle Your Own, Say Canoeing Coeds

By Joan Van Volkenburg

all sophomore women who have passed the American Red Cross swimming test. It will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and will be alternated with duckpins. This is the first time such a course has been offered at the University. Such an interest has been awakened in canoeing that many boys have asked to join A mixed class is being considered.

### Story in Life

Miss Schelberg, associate professor of physical education for women, is an expert at canoeing. For many years she has been a parties on canoeing expeditions camp director, and has taken through the North Woods. In Life magazine there was a three page illustrated story on a canoeing trip which Miss Schelberg took Life reports on their request.

## just around

By RED RIGGS  
Now listen all you lads and lasses As you read this between your classes Let's all think back, and shed a tear For all that's come to pass this year.

For the picnics and parties and walks in the rain For the scotch and the bourbon and pink champagne For dear old activities and heroes, too, And the cry of points, points, points all year through.

Of long afternoons shot to pot in the crib Of the date that you broke by telling a fib Of the football games and rallies in fall Yes, think back and stifle a sob for them all.

But next year you'll be back for more fun After a summer of work and play in the sun So as soon as you're back on the ole stamping ground Walk down to "R" street and just . . . Drop around!

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