

Editorial Comment

Review It Well...

For the past few years a ruling has been in effect that no classes will be dismissed for the Homecoming festivities, particularly those on Saturday morning. It was felt by those who initiated this rule that Homecoming did not warrant a dismissal of classes which would constitute an interference with the education of several thousand "Saturday-class" students.

We do not disagree entirely with these feelings. We realize that our prime objective in attending this University is for educational reasons. We enrolled to learn and to better our minds. But we doubt whether two hours of missed classes would completely dissolve or erase all previous learning and so hamper us that several weeks would pass before we would be able to "catch up." This thought does not prevail during several all-University convocations a year and we fail to see why it would apply in this case.

Some of the students who attend classes on Saturday could play a big part in Homecoming. Take the band, for instance. Because the band cannot appear in full uniform unless all of its members are present, their services in the parade Saturday morning are not available. To be sure, some of the members do participate, but not in full uniform. And it is not unfair to these fifteen or twenty members who do play, to say that the entire band would be much more effective.

The parade can be an impressive segment of Homecoming. It is one of the few Homecoming activities that carries the spirit of the weekend to downtown Lincoln. And a full-dress band leading this parade would be a welcome sight.

We are not advocating a complete elimination of Saturday morning classes. But we do think the faculty should dismiss classes from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. This would give those students who wish to either watch or participate in the Homecoming activities a fair chance to do so. We sincerely hope that those responsible faculty and administrative members will review the question from the student's point of view as well as their own.

Home Ec, Writing Natural Combinations-Clara Snyder

"Home Economics in Journalism" was the theme of the annual Ellen H. Richards dinner Thursday night in the Union Ballroom. Over 200 home economics students and faculty members gathered to pay tribute to the founder of Home Economics.

Guest speaker for the evening was Mrs. Clara Snyder, former head of the wheat flour institute in Chicago. Mrs. Snyder has recently resigned her position in favor of freelance writing.

In a tribute to Ellen H. Richards, Mrs. Snyder said, "One of the things Mrs. Richards did was to write exceedingly well. She was a brilliant journalist and from her we know the things for which she hoped home economics would stand."

doing, develop imagination and have a love of words.

"The best way to become a writer is to write, write, write and write some more. Writing is hard work just as any creative work is hard," she explained.

"Good writers on home economics subjects are scarce. You have an added advantage because home ec writers do not have the problem of male competition as yet. You don't need a union card or any capital in order to write. You have the satisfaction of expressing yourself and knowing that your work is appreciated, often to the point of receiving pay for it," she declared.

Mrs. Snyder concluded by expressing hope that "those of you who enjoy the magic of words will continue your work in journalism. I wish you every success in the world."

Natural Combination

She said that she felt home economics and journalism was a natural combination. "Home economics is so varied you always have many fields on which to write. Since everyone is interested in the home you already have an eager audience."

"One of the greatest satisfactions of home economics journalism is that you know you are helping to add a little bit of glamour to the task of housekeeping. You are helping the homemaker obtain pleasure out of her task," she stated.

Dr. Keim Tells Of Research With Grasses

Journalism is a useful tool for every home economist, she declared. She cited teachers, extension workers, dietitians and 4-H leaders as only a few of the many people who could use journalism training in writing reports, bulletins and case histories. Teachers can use journalism to tell the community what is going on in home economics in the school and, in its broader sense, in the world.

Job Opportunities

In discussing job opportunities for the home ec journalist, Mrs. Snyder told the audience that there are over 2,000 newspapers in the country that have women's pages that must be filled sometimes two and three times a day. She told about many home ec journalism graduates who now have important writing positions on national magazines and metropolitan dailies.

"You may find your journalism job in unexpected places," she declared. "A new and fascinating field is that of television. Everyone is learning together and it is possible to get in on the ground floor. Radio, educational movies and product publicity offer unlimited possibilities for home economists with journalistic ability."

Four Qualifications

The speaker set up four qualifications for writing: have something to say, be interested and enthusiastic about what you are

Even better grasses in the Great Plains area are possible through research and breeding with native and introduced varieties.

That was the report of Dr. F. D. Keim, chairman of the University agronomy department, as he addressed the first annual turf conference at Kansas State college Thursday.

Plant breeders in the Great Plains land grant colleges are constantly seeking better varieties for the area, he said. He declared that strains which produce heavier and more seed, more dense and prolific root systems, hay and pasture types and with more rust and smut resistance are included among the possibilities.

Dr. Keim reported that a great deal of selection work is being done to find strains of grama and buffalo grasses that produce smooth sods for golf courses. He said the native grasses should be of special value in the western and central parts of Kansas, Nebraska and Oklahoma.

The agronomist said there is some possibility that the coarser grasses such as brome and western wheatgrass will fit in very well as buffers along the fairways. They would have a special value, he said, in controlling erosion where parts of the golf course were inclined to be rough and erosion becomes a problem.

To sacrifice now, may mean less sacrifice tomorrow. Contribute to AUF.

Vets Not to Use 'Grace Period'

Veterans are again warned against waiting until the "grace period" to make their National Service Life Insurance premium payments.

A recent survey shows that about 20 percent of the payments at the Fort Snelling, Minn., office are sent during the 31-day period allowed after the due date before a G.I. insurance policy lapses.

Ashley Westmoreland, Lincoln regional office manager, urges Nebraska veterans to use the "grace period" only for true financial emergencies. He suggests that a safeguard against lapsed policies is for veterans to return their payments promptly in special envelopes sent with the due notices.

The vets who are now making monthly payments could help insure themselves against lapsed policies and also to save 3 percent per year by making premium payments three or more months in advance.

Arkansas Starts Study of Emotions

In an effort to help students who have emotional problems, the University of Arkansas has organized a psychological clinic in the campus infirmary.

The dean of women, dean of men, student testing bureau and other guidance personnel will work with the clinic officials in conjunction with the student health service.

The program was set up to find the roots of mental frustration and other conflicting worries that are bothersome to many students.

Officers Selected By Pre-Orchestrans

Officers for the coming year in Pre-Orchestrans have been elected. They are president, Shirley Huff; secretary, Ting Lilly; and treasurer, Georgia Hulac.

The new members chosen for the group are: Sally Bartling, Barbara Bell, Jane Calhoun, Cathy Corp, Snooky Coryell, Kathy Grabil, Margie Lu Hedrick, Jo Hinds, Jo Ann Hite, Joan Alexander, Lorraine Johannes, Ruth Jewett, Carolyn Kunkel, Pat Loder, Jerry Longlath, Betsy Lieber, Phyllis Loudon, Martha Lee Miller, Phyllis Moyer, Nancy Norman, Marlene Oehrie, Jo Baben, Jo Richards, Jean Simmerman, Betty Stratton, Mary Kay Tolliver, Sue Neuwenswander, Mickey McKie, and Virginia Poppe.

At the present time the Pre-Orchestrans group is working on the Orchestrans Christmas program in which they will take part. The program is planned for December 13.

Letterip

To the Editor:

During the past few weeks, the University of Nebraska has seen an organization known as Kosmet Klub intensify their endeavors to acquire women for a spring musical comedy. Kosmet Klub has shown, through printed matter and informative discussions with various campus organizations and organized houses, that a musical comedy cannot properly be staged without the benefit of a co-educational cast.

We have weighed both sides of the question. We understand the difficulties of all-male cast; how men trying to act as women can only make a burlesque of a Broadway type of comedy that otherwise would be of a sophisticated nature containing clean, subtle humor.

We are signing this letter because we earnestly support Kosmet Klub in their endeavors to acquire women for a spring musical comedy and that we want to show in a positive move that the campus, well represented in the following organizations, is energetically behind the movement of Kosmet Klub for a co-educational musical comedy in the Spring.

We feel that the University of Nebraska is lagging behind in this particular phase of entertainment. We see no reason why this institution should ban a type of entertainment that is enthusiastically promoted on campuses throughout the country.

We would like to see an all-student musical comedy in the spring—a production written, composed, directed, produced, and enacted by members of the student body. We would like to see a production integrating the best campus entertainment talent. We believe the students at the University of Nebraska can combine to produce a smooth, intelligent, professional type of legitimate musical comedy.

To Kosmet Klub, we pledge our approval and support.

- Alpha Chi Omega
- Alpha Omicron Pi
- Alpha Phi
- Alpha Xi Delta
- Associated Women Students
- Barb Activities Board for Women
- Black Masque Chapter of Mortar Board
- Chi Omega
- Cod Counselors
- Cox Hall
- Delta Delta Delta
- Delta Gamma
- Gamma Phi Beta
- Home Economics Club
- Howard Hall
- Kappa Alpha Theta
- Kappa Delta
- Kappa Kappa Gamma
- Pi Beta Phi
- Rosa Bouton Hall
- Rundell Hall
- Rasmussen Hall
- Sigma Delta Tau
- Sigma Kappa
- Terrace Hall
- Towne Club
- Ag Executive Board
- Coll-Agri-Fun Board
- College Ag Fun Board
- Innocent Society
- Student Council
- Acacia
- Alpha Gamma Rho
- Alpha Tau Omega
- Beta Sigma Psi
- Beta Theta Pi
- Brown Palace
- Cornhusker Co-op
- Delta Chi
- Delta Sigma Phi
- Delta Tau Delta
- Delta Upsilon
- Farm House
- Kappa Sigma
- Norris House
- Pi Delta Theta
- Pi Gamma Delta
- Pi Kappa Psi
- Pi Kappa Phi
- Pioneer House
- Sigma Alpha Epsilon
- Sigma Alpha Mu
- Sigma Chi
- Sigma Nu
- Sigma Phi
- Sigma Phi Epsilon
- Theta Xi
- Zeta Beta Tau

Some of us thought it almost hilariously unfortunate that a woman of the influence and recent responsibility of Miss Piper should have the twisted sense of values leading her to take more pride in being a sorority woman than a college graduate. But that, if the Rag does not misquote her, (Eds note—which we didn't) is her opinion, and she and those who hold the same opinion are certainly entitled to it.

However, I feel that readers of the Rag should consider the other side. Many girls on campus do not feel that a sorority is necessary for the fullest enjoyment of and benefit from the University experience, nor for the greatest service to it. Many enjoy their sorority, but only as an incidental part of the total life at the University, leading to graduation. Most girls realize that the diploma signifying graduation, rather than a pin of a Greek society, will have more influence on their employers and associates after college is over.

In spite of Miss Piper, may the unaffiliated girls on campus not sorrow in their independence, but know that their pride in having fulfilled the scholastic requirements of their college need not be less because of an ignorance of Greek.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Dill

Campus Lutherans, Baptists Sponsor Variety of Activities

By Bernard Nelson

Lutheran students can find a place for worship and recreation in the Lutheran Student association. The LSA sponsors Christian courses during the week.

The association has divisions on both the Ag and city campuses. The Ag LSA holds a chapel hour each Tuesday at 5.

A supper at 6:30 p.m., followed by social fellowship and an inspirational meeting are held also.

The city campus group meets every Sunday at 5 p.m. in the First Lutheran church. They have a coffee hour from 3 to 4 p.m. every weekday at the Student House. Friday night is party night and parties are sponsored weekly by one or both groups.

The choir meets every Thursday at 7:15 p.m.

Intramural Sports

The Lutherans are very active in intramural sports. Last year they copied three trophies. The LSA was not represented in intramural football this year but plans to have teams in all other intramural sports.

Future plans for the group include a new student house and changing the "Corn Stock" from a monthly to a weekly publication.

The active organization for Baptists on the campus is the Baptist Student Center on 16th street. One of the more active groups on the campus, the Baptists have a co-op boarding club which feeds 30 boys daily.

Discussion Group

Their Sunday evening discussions begin with supper at 5:30. Supper is followed by a worship service and a discussion period led by a student or a guest speaker.

They are represented in intramural sports by their boarding club. On the entertainment agenda are parties, square dances, and ping-pong. Cell groups meet for short periods throughout the year to discuss various religious problems.

A fall and spring banquet and statewide student conference in conjunction with Cotner House are some of their annual events.

The Baptists have been deliberating on plans to build a new student house.

Music Majors Compose Half Of Uni Singers

"Fifty per cent of the 110 members of the University Singers are music majors and the other half are students from the other colleges on campus," says Dr. Arthur Westbrook, director of the group.

Tryouts are held to discover the range and quality of the students' voices. Students register with or without credit for the regular class which meets at 11 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in Room 24, Temple building.

Approximately one-half of the singers have trained voices and the other half have good voices, a good tone sense and an awareness of what is going on, according to the director. Dr. Westbrook says that the class is a good lab experiment for future music teachers. Equal participation from other students is also desired, he says.

Year's Program

This year's program of the University Singers will include two performances of Christmas carols Sunday, Dec. 3; the presentation of the Messiah Dec. 10 with other University choral groups directed by Dr. David Foltz; special concerts in Lincoln; and a spring concert given with other choral groups.

No operas will be given until the University Theater is completed.

Building Committee

"The University building committee is working as fast as it can," says Westbrook, "and feels the importance and necessity of a theater."

The fine arts director believes that the theater should be ready for use by September, 1951.

Applications For Research Grants Open

Applications for the annual research grants given by the General Electric Education fund are now being accepted for the scholastic year, 1951 to 1952, William W. Trench, company secretary and chairman of the G-E Education committee, has announced.

The program now in its 27th year, grants awards up to \$1,500 annually to college graduates who wish to continue individual study and research in scientific and industrial fields.

Applications for the fellowships must be filed by January 1, 1951. They have been distributed to libraries of engineering schools, department heads of electrical and mechanical engineering and deans of graduate schools. The applications should be mailed to the secretary, General Electric Company Education fund, Schenectady, N. Y.

Fellowships are awarded in the fields of electricity, physics and physical chemistry, with particular attention given to the research problems of each applicant. Also awarded will be fellowships in the fields of industrial management, engineering, the physical sciences and any other scientific or industrial field.

These fellowships are intended for graduates who need financial assistance, and who have shown by the character of their work that they could undertake or continue research in this country and abroad. A committee representing the National Academy of Sciences, American Chemical Society, American Physical Society, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Society of Engineering Education, will pass upon candidates for the fellowships.

Ag Bulletin Board

City	% Above Or Under Sept. 1949	% Above Or Under Aug. 1950
Omaha	4.7	-3.9
Lincoln	19.1	-2.8
Grand Island	11.1	-3.8
Scottsbluff	4.3	-10.3
McCook	30.3	9.3
Nebraska City	16.9	-6.0
Hastings	0.8	-7.8
Permiot	4.1	-15.5

Monday
A Union Building committee meeting, 5 p.m., Room 110.

Tuesday
Craft class, 3-5 p.m., Room 110.
Y Cabinet meeting, 5 p.m., Room 3.

Wednesday
Hour Dance, 4:30 p.m., Rec Room.
Dance Committee meeting, 5 p.m.
General entertainment meeting, 5 p.m.
Ag. Exec. board meeting, 7 p.m., Room 3.
Dancing lessons, 7:30 p.m. gym.

Thursday
Campus Quarterback Movie-Nebraska vs. Kansas, 12:15 p.m. Lounge.

Sunday
Movie, "Keys of the Kingdom" 3 p.m., Lounge.
Coffee Hour, 4:30 p.m., Lounge.

Homecoming...

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play and float competition will also be announced at the dance.

Decorations in the house display contest must be complete before 6 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 3, if they are to be considered by the judges. The judges will inspect all of the house display on Friday night and make their decisions.

The exact number of entrants in the annual homecoming parade has not been announced as yet, but Jayne Wade and Dick Walsh representing Tassels and Cobb said that they expected the same number as last year which was 32. Sororities are not eligible to enter the competition because of a ruling by the Panhellenic council.

Participants in the parade will line up at 10:30 a.m. Saturday morning on the corner of 14th and Vine streets. The parade will start at 11 a.m.

The procession will march down 14th street to R, down R street to 15th, down 15th to O, down O street to 11th, down 11th street to R, down R street to 12th and down 12th street back to the Coliseum.

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Little Man On Campus



Shocking Colors, Stickers Decorate Campus Jalopies

From the wild assortment of vehicles that frequent the campus, it is easy to gather that the mechanized age is here to stay at NU.

Whether it be 8 a.m. or noon, there are equal chances of being run down by anything from a two tone red and yellow Olds Holiday to a "souped up" Irishman's green hot rod.

Looking further, a royal blue and vivid pink job comes into view. In perfect color harmony with the chartruse and black Ford tailing it, too!

However, the shock of this incident is only a mild one when there are those whitewashed, red-trimmed Model T's and fire engine red antique Buicks roaming about.

"Henry J."

The little pastel green "Henry J." that sits on the corner of 14th and S has been food for many a conversation, while that gaudily plastered black convertible, the best Chevrolet on the road back in 1930, is a subject of unceasing curiosity also.

For those who have been just too lazy to turn their "little darlings" into artistic nightmares via the paint brush, the sticker routine becomes a solution. What a difference a few of those 12by12 "N" and "Nebraska Cornhuskers" decals can make when placed at strategic spots!

Highbrow Touches

The highbrows with their up-to-date convertibles and sedans who are not yet ready to mar that shiny newness often add that personal touch with those almost distinguishable initialed blocks on their car doors. A fellow, instead of exhibiting his ego on both doors, sometimes shows his devotion for that certain girl by clipping her monogram to one side.

Rally nights bring out this whole gas-burning squad in its full glory. Each chariot in the caravan tries to compete for the largest number of red "N" feathers, the longest "roon tails", the loudest horn and the loneliest bunch of pepsters. A nice bright spotlight is a valuable asset too, if there is room for it on top of all the other gingerbread.

When this show is assembled, ready for the road, the performance is liable to produce a variety of effects—hilarity, awe, loyalty—which is it?

Truly, the Nebraska campus is more mechanized than ever.

State Business Above 1949

Retail sales in eight representative Nebraska cities in September were well above the same month a year ago, but slumped slightly from the August, 1950 level.

The Business Research department of the University business administration college reported Thursday that the eight cities were 11.5 per cent above September, 1949, but 5.4 per cent under August, 1950. McCook was the top gainer, showing a 30 per cent increase in September over a year ago and it was the only city showing a gain for the month over August.

The September business activity is as follows:

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