

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Final Handshake...

Letters from two irate students appeared in the Letterip column of yesterday's Daily Nebraskan protesting the final semester grades. He complained of the faculty action (or inaction) in two different instances. One reader would have the faculty members make haste in waiting with "baited breath" for the announcement of grades.

The second letter, written by the president of the senior class, was not as long or spiced with the bitterness of the other but we believe the complaint is in good faith and deserves further mention. The senior prexy was disappointed with the manner in which mid-year graduates received their diplomas. He asserted that "after four years they walked into the Administration building, gave their name, were handed a diploma, and walked out." It wasn't the type of ceremony that leaves a lasting impression of school loyalty with the new alumni.

Administration officials had earlier declared that a complete commencement exercise was impossible for the January graduates because of existing conditions. This fact was accepted by all and the situation understood. But it seems logical to assume that for the third largest mid-year graduating class in the history of the University, some sort of ceremony recognizing their efforts could have been provided.

The University has too few traditions to which graduates may cling. It may safely be said that the one memory which stays with them the longest is that of the final commencement exercise. Even a period of four long years, filled with memories of classes, parties, Ivy Day, etc., may soon be forgotten if that period is brought to an abrupt ending with nothing more than signing your name and receiving a diploma. The University has trained these people in their special fields and should be partly responsible for their futures. Whatever is achieved by them later will reflect on the University.

Just a hand shake by the head of the department or an instructor would show the graduate that the University approaches his efforts.

Letterip

Is God Welcome On Our Campus?

To the editor:

My concern for people and particularly my concern for students gives me the sense of urgency which is needed in order to write this article. Now at a time when students are lining up to give service to their country, certainly things must be said.

What this article is about is, of course as the title "Thy Word is Truth." Now just what do most people think about when they hear of this phrase, or come across it in their reading?

The "Thy" would suggest God. Does anyone really down deep totally disbelieve that God exists? I really doubt it. When we on this globe get ready to leave, we begin to wonder about what we will find in the next. And when people are asked if they believe in God, very few will say that they do not believe.

Do many students think somewhat along the following lines? Just what is the purpose of life on earth if not to get ahead, to drink and fight and dance and work and play and sleep and to drive a fast car? Do many of us try to live such a fast life or such a full life occupied with subsuperficialities that we do not see that to live only with these in mind is to commit suicide?

While we are in a university we like to think that we are broadminded and tolerant and that our education pretty well prepares us for this business of living. I cannot agree at all with this conception. The university by its lack of mention of religion is denying God's existence.

Mr. Average Professor by ignoring and denying his own faith has done a good job of thoroughly confusing Mr. Average Student. After four years of indoctrination into the philosophy that a student's education consists of separate channels of studies, the colleges have done a much better job of turning out schizophrenics than of turning out well-integrated persons.

The university claims that it tries to educate the student so that he will learn how to get along with his fellowmen. This is impossible to do when the faculty and administration leaves out the prime motivating force which deals with man's relation to man. Or does the university think that it can take the place of God in the student's life?

By denying that there is a God, the university is not fulfilling its supposed objective which is to graduate persons who know how to get along with their fellow men.

The rest of the title has to do with a subject that men have thought about for many thousands of years. The philosophers will tell you that facts are truth. What are facts but things that happen in peoples' lives? Can we leave out the book that tells about many facts that happened to many people a few hundred years ago?

The Bible is about a certain person who was to save the world, as promised by God. Can any of us think of a time when the world needed saving more than now? The world means nothing without people. People mean nothing in themselves without a Person to relate themselves to, who gets them away from their own petty "loused up" affairs.

My feeling is that in our zeal to carry out religious freedom on our campuses we have done a good job of making them religious vacuums so that when God is mentioned in a classroom the professors and students are actually shocked.

The time has come when we must stand up and say what we believe and to live our lives the way that we talk. If this article is too religious to be published in a student newspaper then I think that this newspaper is ignoring the most vital area of the Student's hunger and need for security.

Sincerely,

Phil Hain

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Potpourri

By Marylou Luther "I've just been to a movie. And whoever said movies are relaxing ought to see his psychoanalyst. Stimulating, maybe, if you've spent the day in bed and want to fill two and a half to three hours waiting in lines, trying to get a seat below the fifth balcony, and straining to hear the dialogue of the plot above the roar of popcorn eaters—but never relaxing.

If it takes patience and stamina to survive the ordeal of getting situated in the theater, it takes even greater courage to remain there. After you've sat through a newsreel, a comedy, previews of coming attractions for the next six months, a travelogue, some local advertising, a stimulating appeal for some current drive, a Pete Smith speciality, Candid Microphone, and a sports feature you think the management has lowered your resistance enough to risk presenting the feature attraction.

But what an optimist you are! A sign is flashed on the screen saying that there will be a 10-minute intermission for those who wish to buy candy, cigarettes, popcorn, coca-cola, or a tire for their new helicopter.

As you enter the lobby you are set upon by ushers trying to sell you gift tickets for your mother-in-law's Easter present. By this time you've spent the initial 65 cents for the price of the ticket, 20 cents for hot buttered popcorn (only the proletariat eat just plain popcorn), 20 cents for a package of cigarettes (you'll need these if you're to sit through the remainder of the movie), and \$5 for the gift tickets (that cute little usher was irresistible).

Reinforcements in hand you return to your seat only to find it occupied, so you check your binoculars at the fourth balcony and trade them for some colored glasses to lessen the glow of your front-row seat.

Your morale rises as some deafening bugle notes inform you that you are about to see the main feature.

But again disillusionment confronts you as the technical staff of the picture is listed from the director to the errand boy in charge of delivering food to the special effects man. And to add to your chagrin the lists of characters are made unreadable by grotesque pictures superimposed on the screen.

By the time the actual plot gets under way, you are so tired of sitting that you can't enjoy the picture. I'll take a nice quiet dance marathon any day to the challenge of a "relaxing" evening at the movies.

Joan Sharp Wins Kappa Phi Award

Joan Laverne Sharp, University student, has been awarded the Bette Fleming scholarship as the outstanding Kappa Phi for 1951.

The scholarship was established by Dr. and Mrs. P. D. Fleming of Beaver City in honor of their daughter, whose death occurred while she was a student and vice president of Zeta chapter of Kappa Phi.

Shirley Sidles Florida Bound

Shirley Sidles, University junior will leave Feb. 7 for Florida State college in Tallahassee.

She will be enrolled for the second semester and will assist in colonizing a Delta Gamma chapter at the school.

Mrs. Sidles will resume her studies here next fall.

Home Ec Club To Install Officers

Installation of second semester Home Ec club officers will be held at 5 p.m., Thursday in the home ec parlor.

Following installation there will be a joint meeting of all new and old council members.

Regular Home Ec club meetings will be held at 5 p.m. this semester instead of 4 p.m.

Brave Cupid Continues To Score Despite Weather

Dick Blunk, was the first of three boys from the Acacia house to be married during the last month. He was married in the Westminster Presbyterian church Dec. 22 to Ruth Stevenson who is teaching in one of the Lincoln schools.

Marjorie Roberts who is also teaching in Lincoln, married Bob Kelly in her home town in Texas Dec. 24. Ariene Laurie and Gene Flahback pledged the wedding vows Jan. 21. Scene of the wedding was the Westminster Presbyterian church.

Allice Boswell was married to

Fraternities Elect Officers For Semester

New officers of campus fraternities are: Alpha Tau Omega: president, Don Berquist; vice president, Dick Beck; treasurer, Bill Olson; secretary, Bob LaShelle; Chaplain, Dean Buckingham.

Beta Sigma Psi: president, Harvey Smith; vice president, Dick Buls; treasurer, Delmar Toebbin; secretary, Harlan Brockemeier.

Delta Chi: president, Rusty Parmentar; vice president, Chuck Hammond; treasurer, Vern McKinzie; secretary, Bill Betz.

Delta Tau Delta: Dick Lander, president; Don Crook, vice president; Bob Ficke, recording secretary; Bill Adams, corresponding secretary; Howie Pearson, treasurer; Jack Warren, assistant treasurer; Don Woods, sergeant-at-arms.

Delta Upsilon: president, Dick Amussen; vice president, Chuck Burmeister; treasurer, Dick Skog; secretary, Roger Ritter; corresponding secretary, Dick Satterfield; pledge trainer, George Sutton.

Kappa Sigma: president, Winn Wyman; vice president, Herb Nordin; treasurer, Al Curtis; secretary, Jack Davis; house manager, Jack Barnhart.

Phi Delta Theta: president, Don Edmund; vice president, Dick Meissner; treasurer, Dave Greiff; secretary, Walt Weaver.

Pi Kappa Phi: president, Donley Klein; treasurer, Curtis Vennel; secretary, Morton Novak; pledge trainer, Lee Nelson.

Phi Kappa Psi: president, John Olsen; vice president, James Stevenson; treasurer, Dick Dilling; secretary, Jim Blankenship.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon: president, Bill Dugan; vice president, Joe Gifford; treasurer, Cy Johnson; secretary, Jim Norden; pledge trainer, Dick Kinsey.

Sigma Alpha Mu: president, Len Bush; treasurer, Ira Epstein; secretary, Sid Rubin; pledge trainer, Art Epstein and Paul Galtner.

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Sigma Nu: president, Byron Hooper; vice president, Tom Podhasky; treasurer, Lyle Altman; secretary, Dale Gaeth; pledge trainer, Dick Dunnuck.

Theta Xi: president, Art Kickey; vice president, Ken Johnson; treasurer, Milt Clark; secretary, Bob Sherman; house manager, Don Fornash; pledge trainer, Bob Parker.

NU Bulletin Board

Thursday Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship meeting, Room 315, 7:30 p.m., Union.

Student Directory mass meeting—all salesmen and workers to turn in money and books, Room 313, Union, 7:30 p.m.

Meeting for all persons who have completed a teacher training course, Morrill hall auditorium, 4 p.m.

AWS house representatives meeting, 5 p.m.

Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship—Room 315, Thursday 7:30 p.m. in Union music room.

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Spring Styles Appear Despite Cold Weather

By JEAN FENSTER Sub-zero weather turns campus fashion minds a little to the practical side these days with wool knee socks, and wool caps and scarfs. The bright reds, blues and greens make a pretty contrast to the sparkling snow, too. If you haven't experienced the comfort and warmth of knee socks as yet, you're missing the most practical "high style" of the season.

Out of season? Maybe. But with cotton prices soaring to unbelievable peaks, it might be wise for the college coed to do a little pre-season buying for her spring and summer wardrobe. If you've watched the advertisements for spring cotton dresses or if you have noticed the sale tags on cottons lately, you probably realize what's happening to the price of cotton yard goods and cotton ready-mades.

Downtown stores already have



Does anyone know why Dick Christoph travels to Chicago every week-end? Rumor has it that he is robbing the cradle back there.

Bud Sheburg finally talked his pin-mate into the merits of NU. Mary Lou Carnaby has transferred here and is living at the Theta house.

Another student who transferred here to be with his pin-mate is Dave Menard from Westminster who is pinned to Pat Gilbert.

Have you ever been asked to journey to Emerald for grape pop? This is the true story of Barb Willey and Mary Pitterman. During final week John Sinclair and Don Larson called them and honored them with the trip.

Saturday night the Phi Psi's will go to the Arbor Manor to entertain their dates. Dick Regler and Marlee Mooberry, Gene Gilmore and Shirley Evans, Ronny Karnett and Pat Savage, Buster Lehman and Frankie Nagle, and Jim Blankenship and Jan Hufford will be seen around the tables.

Does Marilyn Coupe have Bob Gangle's pin? The Betas seem to think so, for Gangle was thrown into the showers Monday after pleading the old alibi that "He forgot to wear his pin!"

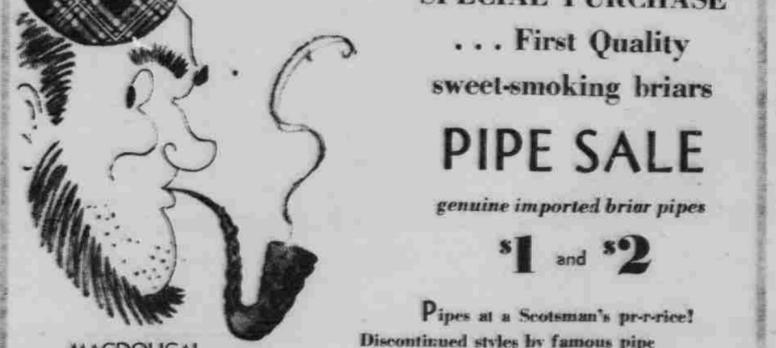
This coming week-end the Phi Delta's will journey to South Dakota where they will compete with the chapter there in the yearly basketball game. Later on, the South Dakota chapter will come to Nebraska and compete with Neb. Phi Delta's in a softball game.

It must be love! Three times a week Walt Spellman drives to Crete to see Jinx Burris. Parties for this week-end are:

Friday Farm House Pirate Party Alpha Phi dinner dance at the Cornhusker Palladian informal party at the Temple

Saturday Sigma Phi Epsilon house party.

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