

House Investigates Low Convocation Attendance

Do you attend University convocations?
You don't need to answer because if you're like about 80 percent of everybody else, you don't.
What Chancellor R. G. Gustavson has been trying to decide for several weeks is: Why?
Friday, Dr. Gustavson got part of the answer in the form of a letter from S. J. House, instructor in political science and faculty adviser for the Nebraska University Council on World Affairs.
House, who, like the Chancellor, has been concerned about the lack of student attendance at convocations and extra-curricular lectures, went to the trouble to query 226 students in arts and science and agriculture.
House's Findings
His findings, boiled down, amount to:
1. In the minds of some students, the really "socially smart" students do not attend convocations.

2. Many students consider convocations a part of the classroom grind—a part which can be missed without penalty.
3. A great number of students have decided that the faculty in general has little interest in convocations—so why should the students?
Chancellor Gustavson has a definite opinion about the opportunity that convocations offer.
Important Education
"To me," he said, "good lectures and good convocations are a very important part of a university. We have had some good lectures and some good convocations on this campus. The fact that there is little interest in them makes me wonder a little about how interested our students are in getting an education."
He recalled the recent appearance on the campus of Dr. Howard Hanson.
"Without question," the Chancellor said, "Dr. Hanson is one of

the outstanding composers of our time. For his first lecture, the library auditorium was about half filled."
Next Convocation Speaker
He added that Dr. Paul Weiss, authority in the field of growth and development, from the University of Chicago, will be a guest on this campus, March 20 and 21.
"Dr. Weiss," the Chancellor said, "is one of the most imaginative men I have ever met. It will be interesting to see how many science students appear to hear him speak."
Dr. Weiss will lecture at 8 p.m. Tuesday in Bessey hall auditorium, and again at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the same auditorium. At Chicago he is professor of zool-

ogy and director of the divisional biology sequence.
Five Queries Presented
In attempting to solve the answer to why students are not interested in lectures and convocations, Mr. House asked five general questions. The questions and the results obtained from 226 students are as follows:
1. Why don't you attend convocations? Answers: No interest, 120 students; too much class work, too busy, 47; neglect, too lazy, 23.
2. Would you prefer two convocations per semester if this would result in better speakers? Answers: 228 yes.
3. Do convocations receive enough publicity? Answers: More is needed, 183; Daily Nebraskan publicity sufficient, 43.
4. Would faculty encouragement help your attendance? Of the 226 who answered, 171 thought it would.
5. Should classes be dismissed for convocations? Of the 226

queried, 121 said they probably would go to convocations if classes were dismissed.
Typical Replies
In questioning freshmen about their failures to attend convocations Mr. House got these answers which he described as "typical":
"Went once and didn't like it."
"I have never heard of them."
"I have no time—I'm an athlete."
"I have never heard of any faculty member encouraging attendance to a convocation."
Mr. House said that after he prepared his summary on the 226 answers, he contacted another 40 students. These later interviews, he said, confirmed his suspicion that many social groups give their new members the impression that only creeps go to lectures and convocations.
"I'll admit," said Mr. House, "that's a very silly notion, but it's a real factor."

Latta to Begin Lecture Series On Communism

A series of five public lectures on "Communism—Threat to the American Economy" will begin Wednesday when Dr. Maurice C. Latta, professor of economics at the University, speaks on the costs of communism to the American economy.
The series being sponsored by Alpha Kappa Psi, professional business fraternity, will include five lectures by the following speakers: Rev. Philip Schug, Dr. Paul Meadows, Dr. Lane Lancaster and Gov. Val Peterson.
Dr. Latta will speak Wednesday, March 21, at 8 p.m., in Love Library auditorium. His topic is "Communism and American Business: Burden and Proof."
A native of Iowa, Dr. Latta received his bachelor of arts degree from Simpson college, his master's of arts at the University of Iowa, and his Ph.D. at Ohio State college. Now in his fifth year at the University, Dr. Latta has previously taught at Morris College and Doane colleges.
An ordained minister, Dr. Latta has had articles published in Book Reviews, Church History, Education and Mississippi Valley Historical Review.
Moderators
Moderator for the first lecture will be Dr. Earl S. Fullbrook, dean of the College of Business Administration. Dr. Latta will serve as moderator for the remainder of the series.
The second speaker in the series is Rev. Schug of the Unitarian church in Lincoln who will discuss "Communism and Christian Faith." Before coming to Lincoln in 1947, he was an instructor in the speech department at North Central college, chaplain at Elgin State hospital, Illinois, and pastor at the Unitarian church in Urbana, Ill.
Dr. Meadows, the third speaker will consider the topic: "Communism as a World Force." A Phi Beta Kappa, Dr. Meadows is also a member of the American Sociological society, and has had articles published in more than a dozen technical and general journals. He is author of "The Culture of Industrial Man," co-author of "Social Problems and Social Policy" and author of "John Wesley Powell: Frontiersman of Science."
Political Theory
Delving into the political theory of communism in the fourth of the series will be Dr. Lancaster, who will speak on the topic: "Communist Political Theory and the Democratic Tradition."
Concluding the series will be Governor Peterson who will answer the question "Do We Want Communism?" Governor Peterson is an honorary member of Alpha Kappa Psi.
Following each lecture a question period will be held.

Former 'Staters' To Meet

Former Boys' and Girls' Staters will meet Saturday, March 31 for their second annual reunion.
Dancing, skits and a program are on the agenda for the reunion which will begin at 8 p.m. in the Union ballroom.
During the program former governors of both Boys' and Girls' State will be introduced. Refreshments will be served during the dance.
Pat Patterson, '48 Girls' Stater, is in charge of the Girls' State skit which will represent some phase of the week spent in Lincoln. Others working on the skit are Janet Steffen, Marilyn Mangold, Ruth Gibson and Sally Kjelson.
Eldon Shafer is directing the Boys' State skit. Names of the participants and his committee will be announced later.
Reunion Chairman
Chairman of the reunion is Pon Chinn, governor of 1948 Boys' State, who also served as chairman last year. He is being assisted by Bill Adams, Bud Bitner and Shafer. Girl Staters helping with the reunion are Pat Patterson, Joan Krueger, Doris Carlson and Ruth Gibson.
Sponsored by the American Legion auxiliary, the first reunion was held last spring under direction of 1948 Boys' and Girls' Staters, attending the University. Members of the committee were Pon Chinn, Bill Adams, Bud Bitner, Jim Justice and Dave Sjogren. Coeds planning the reunion included Willa Hill, Sally Kjelson, Janet Glock, Joan Krueger and Doris Carlson.
More than 200 were present for the dance and program. Five past governors of the Cornhusker states were present: 1946, Gib Eggen; 1947, Eleanor Erickson; 1948, Pon Chinn and Ann Frederick Boyce; and 1949, Jim Lancaster.
Letters to High Schools
Letters have been sent to various Nebraska high schools inviting the 1950 Staters to the reunion. In addition invitations have been sent to Girls' and Boys' State officials who will be introduced at the reunion.
The reunion last year was the first of its kind in the United States. Although all 48 states now hold both Boys' and Girls' State, Nebraska was the first state to organize a joint reunion of both groups.
University students will also be featured on the program. A tentative schedule will be announced later this week.
Cornhusker Boys' and Girls' State are held in separate sessions each June on the University city and Ag campuses. The week session is aimed at teaching high school juniors, by practical experience, how the state government operates. The participants elect their governor and other state officials similar to the way actual elections are carried on in Nebraska.
Besides the joint reunion, the only other combined session the two groups hold is a Boys'-Girls' State dance in June while both are meeting in Lincoln.

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Watson Champ Of Ak-Sar-Ben

Bob Watson was named Grand Champion Showman at the annual Junior Ak-Sar-Ben show Saturday night. He was chosen from five class champion showmen by Ed Janke, state 4-H club leader.
Watson placed first in the beef showing and fitting class which qualified him for grand champion showmanship contest. His beef, "Bright a Lady 2nd," won him the top honor given in the show. Watson's name will be engraved on a trophy presented by the Nebraska Live Stock Breeder's and Feeder's association.
Russell Schelkopf was honored as Reserve Champion Showman, having won first place in the sheep showing and fitting class. He showed a sheep named "L. X.'s Flashy Perfection."
Other Grand Champions
Other class winners and competitors for the Grand Champion Showman honor were Marvin Hanson in hog showing and fitting and Charles Fredericks in dairy showing and fitting.
Second place winners in each class were Glen Nelson, sheep; Rex Meyer, dairy; Bill Johnson, beef; Ray Quackenbush, hogs; and Bill Johnson, beef showing and fitting.
Winners in the coed riding contest were Virginia Baskin, first; Gayle Gutherless, second. This class wasn't judged in showmanship but entirely upon the riding ability of the girls.
Clayton Yeutter was master of ceremonies for the show and managed to keep the mike hot. While everyone else was bothered by the freezing weather in the drafty old fairgrounds arena.
Show in Record Time
Show managers were Bob Raun and Bob Radin. Between the two of them, they managed to bring the show forth in record time.
A jumping horse exhibit was highlighted by the performance of "Big Mo," ridden and owned by Clyde Henson of Lincoln.
Because of icy road conditions, many of the scheduled performers in the American Saddle Horse classes as well as other events could not get to Lincoln to perform.
"Pepper's Stepper," owned and ridden by Patrice Hammond of Lincoln, won the three-gaited saddle horse class which was judged 85 points on the rider and 15 points on the horse.
Taking the spotlight in the specialty acts were the trick and dancing acts of Red Ace and Tucson.
Red Ace, owned and ridden by H. L. Oldfield of Elmwood, Neb., performed his specialty, dancing to "My Wild Irish Rose," a kicking conga and "Show Me the Way to Go Home."
Tucson performed trustfully for Johnny Rivers of Omaha, who did several acts including trick roping and the performance of his high schooled pony. Tucson is a double registered, Palomino Quarter Horse stallion.
Specialty Acts
Another of the specialty acts was Mill's act, a renowned rodeo clown and bull fighter who performed with his craft mule, Jerry.
Some of the items on Jerry and Mill's repertoire were counting, walking on his hind feet, pumping water from Jerry's tail and a drunken act.

UN Delegates Elect Student Chairmen

Delegates to the model United Nations political committee in April named four student chairmen and vice chairmen at their meeting Thursday.
Jim Tomasek, from the Philippine delegation, was elected chairman of the sub committee which will take up the Korean problem. Charles Gomon, head delegate from Great Britain, will serve as vice chairman. Sigma Nu will represent Great Britain. The vice chairman will replace the chairmen in the latter's absence.
Elected chairman of the subcommittee on admission of new members was Harold Peterson, NUCWA president, and a member of the Indian delegation. India is being represented by Delta Sigma Phi. Joan Krueger, from the United States delegation will serve as vice chairman. Gamma Phi Beta is representing the United States at the conference.
Foreign Students Speak
In addition to the election, NUCWA members and spring conference delegates heard talks by two foreign students, Ti Tien from China and Suk-Soon Suh from Korea.
Suh presented background information on Korea and pointed out various ways he believed world peace was possible. One would be establishing a world empire, he said, which of course is not good. Another way, he continued, was by establishing a balance of power.
The talks Thursday evening were a part of the pre-conference preparation to acquaint delegates with the Korean situation and the circumstances surrounding the admission of new members.
Conference Schedule
The conference will open Tuesday evening, April 3 at 7:30 p.m., in the Union ballroom with a political committee meeting. The following day, Wednesday, delegates will adjourn to the two subcommittee meetings for an afternoon and evening session.
Law college will present model world court Thursday evening in the Union. Winding up the conference will be a political committee meeting as a whole Friday afternoon.
Moderator Jack Solomon will preside at all political committee meetings. The newly elected chairmen and vice chairmen will be in charge of the subcommittee meetings.
Chairman Doris Carlson announced that mimeographed copies of the schedule of the conference will be available and distributed at the next meeting, Thursday, March 29.

Ag Union Will Install Television Next Week

Next week when you hear students saying: "Let's go over and have a coke while we watch television"—they are headed for the Ag Union.
A television set and a coke and coffee vending machine are the two new services scheduled as additions to the Ag Union in the very near future.
The 21" x 28" screen (a commercial size) remotely controlled television set will greet students from the west end of the Union lounge.
The vending machine will be parked by the Dell to allow students quicker service—and a cut in the Dell's labor expenses.
Last year, to alleviate deficit spending necessary to maintain the Ag Union "Dell," the food service was discontinued during the evening hours.
Students raised to arms. And according to Duane Lake, Union director, students had a justifiable complaint, but Ag just can't support the extended service, he said.
The way it stands now, Ag coffee sippers will have the same service but in a different form.
The installation of the self-service vending machine and its use during these slack periods of the day is designed to cut labor costs, and by so doing remove the red ink from the Ag Union account book.
The coffee and coke vendors already have worked satisfactorily in five buildings on the city campus.
If the Ag Union operated on the same principles as the shops down the street, he said, it would close.
But the Union is more than just a commercial enterprise, he said.
The Kwik Kafé machine serves 600 cups of coca-cola and 450 cups of coffee at one setting. It is completely automatic, with push-button selection of black coffee, cream or sugar, or both.
In the Kwik Kafé type machine, the coffee is made instantly from a frozen concentration. According, instant coffee

Hershey Introduces Plan For Educational Deferments

Selective service director Lewis B. Hershey disclosed a plan Friday for deferring high school and university students who are able to pass test of their knowledge.
Officials said that the number of educational deferments may increase if the plan is put into effect.
First, second and third year college men passing the tests with a 70 or better would be deferred to go ahead with another year of school.
College freshmen in the upper half of their class would be allowed to continue in school.
Second-year college students would have to be in the upper two-thirds of their class to continue.
Juniors in the upper three-fourths of their class could finish the last year.
Graduate and professional students of medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, osteopathy and optometry would be deferred without taking any tests, provided they are taking a scholastic requirement leading to a degree.
High school graduates of draft age passing the test with a 70 or better would be deferred to enter college.
It is still to be decided whether the proposed policies would be binding on the local draft boards or optional. General Hershey indicated that he wants it to be binding.
AUF Installs New Board
The new AUF board members were installed at a special service Thursday evening in the AUF office.
Jo Lisher, former AUF president, installed the new members, beginning with the publicity board. Each member was introduced individually and Miss Lishes gave them their duties and obligations to AUF.
The solicitation board was introduced as a group and presented their duties and obligations.
The executive board was then installed by Miss Lisher. The installation service concluded with the new president, Sarah Fulton congratulating the retiring president on her excellent job in heading the most successful drive in AUF history.
The new board members installed were: Solicitations; Virginia Koehler, Martin Lewis, Sue Brownlee, Tom Larson, Lois Gerelich, Jane Calhoun, Barbara Bell, Joan Fike and Rockford Yapp.
Publicity: Sue Gorton, Mildred Yeakley, Joan Holden, Jan Steffen, Mary Ann Kellogg, and Harriet Menke.
Executive board: Sarah Fulton, president; Ann Barger, vice-president in charge of publicity; Adele Coryell, vice-president in charge of solicitations; Joan Hanson, secretary; Eugene Johnson, treasurer. Stuart Reynolds will serve as Johnson's assistant.

Cornshucks Issue Gives 1951 Cornhusker Preview

Sneak preview today!
That's right—a first glance at the 1951 Cornhusker—two months in advance. It's in the Shucks today.
After many hours of deliberation and discussion, the Corn Shucks staff finally figured a way to throw a little light on the contents of the new annual without stealing any of its thunder. How did they do it?
Disappointed?
It's like this. Granted, there have no doubt been many times that you have been all keyed up for a sneak preview—a two or three months in advance affair that turns out to be a ten or twenty years in the past rendition. So you were disappointed. So the Shucks staff had a problem. However, by using pictures—begged, borrowed and stolen—but not from the Cornhusker—they have converted this fifth issue from one what sneak previews are to what they should be.
Aside from a peep at the book that doesn't come out until May, this humor magazine is at it again—portraying life on the typical campus scene.
Combinations
Care for unusual combinations? Raincoats, umbrellas and bathing suits, maybe? Ah, yes—that's an April shower in March when Mary Mackie makes her appearance as pin-up girl for the month.
Shucks will be on sale in the Union for 25 cents—from noon today on. It will be distributed to houses and dorms during the afternoon.

Student Pastors to Participate In Program for Holy Week

An all campus candle light service of meditation and communion, sponsored by the University YW-YM, will be held in the Campus Chapel March 21, at 7:30 p.m.
The Communion service will conclude the Religious Welfare Council's program for Holy Week. The service was initiated two years ago by the Y Mand YW in response to the desire of the students to worship together, without stressing denominational differences.
Student pastors participating in the candle light service are: Rex Knowles, Presby House; Dick Nutt, Methodist Student House; C. B. Howells, Baptist Student House; O. L. Turner, Christian Student Group. Included in the program is a prayer by Romain Rasmussen, scripture read by Ned Conger, a solo by Harriet Swanson and a reading, "Disciples in Clay," given by Audrey Flood and Neil Trabert.
"Disciples in Clay" is a sermon given by Peter Marshall to his Washington congregation and included in his book "Mister Jones, Meet the Master." It has been altered and rewritten in part to fit the college situation by Bob Shuler. It is a discussion of the way in which the 12 apostles were chosen, with implications for present day disciples.
Students not wishing to partake of the Communion may still participate in the service.
The Campus Chapel at which the Candle light service will be held is located at 15th and U streets, (The Emmanule Church).

The Weather

Monday will bring to this vicinity a little warmer weather, possibly 30 degrees or higher. The day will be partly cloudy.

KMTV Television Station Adds Joan Lewis to Staff

Joan Lewis, former student of the University, has been added to the continuity staff of television station KMTV in Omaha.

Dates for Law Tests Named

Students who expect to enter the College of Law next fall should make arrangements now to take their law aptitude examinations.
Application for the examinations may be made now at the office of Dean E. O. Beisheim, Room 208, in the College of Law. The examinations will be given at 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 30.
The examinations will require a total of about seven hours and will be given two periods in Room 202 of college. The first half will occupy Friday afternoon on March 30; the second half will be given Saturday morning, March 31.
Dean Beisheim explained that all students who enter the college next fall will be required to take the examinations. Even students who are uncertain as to whether they should take the examinations this spring, he suggested, the minimum requirement for admission to the college is completion of 63 hours of undergraduate work.

Vandals Take Fire Axes, Books, Records from Union

Vandalism has struck the Union.
University students are believed to be the culprits guilty of defacing and damaging their "home away from home." The trend has been noticed in the past few months.
Three fire axes, according to Duane Lake, Student Union director, have been stolen. This theft is a federal offense and is liable to federal law.
Forty records, some of which cannot be replaced, have been taken from the Carnegie library by "souvenir hunters."
Furniture has been taken from the women's lounge. One of the items named is an end table.
Even some of the sand urns in the halls have been "borrowed." And last year, \$174 worth of books were taken from the Book Nook.
Not only has there been thievery, but much damage has been done.
Furniture is in constant need of repair. Most of the crib juke boxes are out of order because students have willfully broken them.
The record machine in the music room is out of order three-fourths of the time, according to Lake. It is a very simplified type to operate and has complete instructions for operation on it. It is even hard to keep the radio in operation because many of the push buttons are pulled out. This type of vandalism, Lake

UNION VANDALISM—Jack Fisher points to one of the three places where axes have been stolen from the Union. These missing items, which are a federal offense liable to federal law, are one of the many missing items from the Union.

Final Week of Special Rate on Prairie Schooner \$1.50. See a Corn Cob.