

EDITORIAL PAGE

It's About Time

There was a time in Puritan tradition in England when everything in the church year but the Lord's day was rejected. So strong was the feeling that crowds marched and picketed churches with "no Christmas" or "no Easter" banners. It is a long way from that attitude to the present widespread observance of Lent among the churches of our faith and order.

There must be a good reason! It cannot be said that we do it out of long tradition. We have simply found that today it has real meanings for us. Probably we come to the use of Lent the way the minister comes to use a prayer from the "book of Common Prayer," not because it is prescribed but because it is beautiful.

Lent is both a Christian cue and a clue. The cue may be taken from the church calendar, but the clues are taken from the gospel and the needs of our lives. I suspect we are less likely to miss the Lenten cue if we make use of its clues.

It can be summed up in a phrase. Lent is the church's way of saying, "It is about time." St. Paul once spelled it out to the Corinthians, "Now is the accepted time" and he exhorted them to take his cue because he had already shared the clues to their salvation.

So the church says, "It's about time," and it is a cue to be ready for Lent. It means much more than being ready with plans and programs. They are necessary as the tuning of the instrument before the symphony, but no musician confuses this getting ready with his preparation. Playing great music is more than coming in on the right cue.

Lent is our cue to discover for ourselves the Christian faith and to acquire the Christian experience that fits us to play in this symphony called life. The mind is an instrument that needs tuning. Lent says with emphasis, "It's about time to do some Christian tuning."

The word Lent comes from the Anglo-Saxon

"lenten," meaning spring. Among other things that has a very practical meaning.

Maude Royden said, "I feel a periodic need to tidy up my soul." There is no need to labor the point. Everyone has about him many things that clutter up his life—the things that pile up in us. It may not be a big sin that we stumble over every time we walk. It may be a lot of little things left about like old fears, or undiscarded resentments, or some relationship of love once bright and now grown dull. It all adds up, however, to an uncomfortable and unlovely disorder. If so, Lent says something about it.

Lent means doing something worthwhile like that for ourselves. It is also our cue to do something for others. Lenten devotion is both "intake" and "outgo."

There is a higher meaning still which includes them all. Lent suggests the framework of eternity as the only setting that will keep life from being flattened out or from closing in. For temporal life not allowed to open into eternal life becomes corrupt and feeble in its temporality.

Ours is such an age. Consulting its temporary desires, bedraggled by passing events, it limits its perspective only to man and what he can do.

Aldous Huxley put it well: "The only hope for the world of time lies in being constantly drenched by that which lies beyond time. Time must have a stop, and it is only by deliberately paying our attention and our primary allegiances to eternity that we can prevent time from turning our lives into a pointless foolery. The divine ground is a timeless reality. Seek it first and all these other things will be added."

So Lent comes with all the persuasive ways of the gospel to the deep needs of our lives saying, "It's about time!" No, "It's about eternity."—K.R.Y.

The Vacuum?

The news and views of this century have an undisputed impact upon the lives and learnings of college students today. The trends apparent in our world, the politics of our nation and the activities of our state have a profound effect on the sum and total of our education.

Right now, in 1952, we are influenced by the "police action" in Korea. We are touched by national, state and local politics, which are especially fervent in this year of elections. We feel the effect of Communist infiltration into the countries of the Far East. We are deeply touched by the scandals recently made public in our national government. Our athletic teams are greatly influenced by the de-emphasis trend. Innumerable ideologies, forces and factors are at work in the world today, all of which are deeply ingrained in what we are taught and what we think during college years.

The American people—including American college students—have escaped from one factor that could greatly change the course and pattern of their lives. They have lived free of one influence that has hovered over the lives of most of the world's people. They have lived in a land free of the wages of war. They have lived under a government free of Communist or totalitarian practices and fundamentals. And, greatest of all, they live in a land united in cause and government, not divided by the greatest ideological split of all times.

Prof. Herman Wein, German philosopher who visited the University recently, said that the division of Germany is not just a geographical distinction on a map. He called it a scar on the great land mass of Europe. And Professor Wein named one of the forces behind this geographical scar dialectical materialism.

The epitomy of this philosophy is captured in the statement "Give me your freedom and I give you your living." Advocates of the philosophy of materialism say to the people, the people divided and confused by the political struggle in Europe, that they have freedom because they get what they want. Error in this statement is in the fact that the government of such a situation educates the

Could We Fill

people to want what those in power desire.

Professor Wein paralleled this situation to that of a contented cow. The cow's needs are provided for; it produces as well as possible and is "happy." From the Greek thinkers, Wein quoted "Any totalitarian taking care of human needs violates the very principle of humaneness," and "The elimination of all human need is elimination of all human freedom." From Nietzsche he quoted, "Man can foster man as one desires man to be."

Professor Wein warned his audience of the dangerous effect that such ideologies will have on the minds and lives of the German people. These people, from their past years of war, dictatorship and oppression, have a spiritual and mental vacuum in their lives which needs to be filled. They need a faith and a strong philosophy to sustain their lives and efforts in the face of attack from these materialistic contentions.

Wein emphasized that America has a good and fighting chance to win the cold war in Central Europe by filling this mental and spiritual vacuum. He asked that we "... not get drowned into this age of reports... not replace man... with cold-hearted reports of each other." He pleaded, "Let us try to fight hatred with love. Hatred doesn't need us. Love does."

The American people have a great opportunity to fill this ideological vacuum in many ways. The American people could clean up their own democracy first of all. They could see to it that the San Francisco anti-Japanese incident and the Cicero, Ill., riots and the North Carolina terrorism are wiped from the face of their democracy.

The American people and students of the University could make sure that their relations with the rest of the world are spotless. University students could participate more actively in the affairs of foreign students on their campus. And University students could communicate more often with students of Germany and take a greater interest in the problems of a people less favored than we.

The American people and University students could fill this vacuum.—R.R.

Margin Notes

Student Council parking committee has suggested that a system of fines against parking violators be used instead of the rustication procedure now in operation.

If the fine method were used instead of the questionable rustication procedure, Student Council will have taken an important step toward finding a solution to the parking situation problem.

As yet, no formal action has been taken on the Student Council motion to abolish segregated faculty-student parking by the faculty committee. The committee will vote on the motion Tuesday.

Carl W. Borgmann, dean of faculties, said the reasons for segregated faculty-student parking are: 1. A faculty member late for class keeps 50 students waiting, while a student late affects only himself.

2. Faculty members should be entitled to some consideration for seniority.

3. Staff and faculty are more permanent parkers, while students move a lot.

4. Some faculty persons have to drive from Ag to city campus and have trouble finding space during off hours.

These four reasons do have their points. However, it appears to The Daily Nebraskan the University students are being taken advantage of in this situation.

The Daily Nebraskan congratulates Dr. Frank Sorenson, chairman of the department of education, who is being considered for director of the educational staff of Point Four.

Dr. Sorenson said, "If the appointment is confirmed, I will probably accept the position. It would be a great honor to be the director of the Point Four educational staff."

Not only would it be a great honor to Dr. Sorenson who truly merits the position, but would be a great honor to the University.

Senator Robert Taft has come out in the open

Daily Thought

The cynic is one who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing. Oscar Wilde.

by advocating that Universal Military Training be postponed for about three years. This policy appears to be just another Taft statement on policy, but during these times of political string-pullings, one might look a little deeper into his statement. Mr. Republican has been noted for his uncertain and changing political views. If he continues to support the postponement of UMT, he will undoubtedly obtain more votes. But the public should be prepared for his stereotype statement, "UMT should be temporarily postponed, but..."

Gov. James Byrnes of South Carolina has gone on record as favoring the abolishment of that state's public school system rather than giving up segregated schools. It is inconceivable that this type of leadership is tolerated in a country based on democratic principles.

Such thinking, expressed in the legislation of that state, is undemocratic. Yet it is allowed to exist, Gov. Byrnes, if he succeeds in legislating his ideas, might move other southern states to follow this action.

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Barbed Wire



Barb Wylie

The funniest thing to come out of Coed Follies last Tuesday night happened in the SDT dressing room. Seems about five or six fellas had come into the theater early and secured standing room only in some lockers in the basement dressing room. I imagine the fellas thought they were on review when the whole show cast gathered around to see the "show."

Recent reports tell us of the story of a gunman who took \$14,000 from a New York cafeteria while four police officers were eating there. The question could be asked where the officers are eating now?

Noticed a large truck loaded with crushed rock in the Union parking lot Wednesday morning. Guess they have finally come to the end of a long debate as to whether they should let cars bog down to the windows until the new Union addition is built, or put in some kind of surface so pedestrians won't get their faces muddy when wadding across. Now, the fence, gentlemen.

Speaking of the parking situation, a fella came up to me the other day and wanted to know just what was going to be done. He cited various problems and wanted to know what power the Student Council had in the situation. He talked of riots, past and future, and unorthodox methods of clearing up the problem. If average University students are presently thinking in such terms, I think it's about time an acceptable solution was found. The Student Council has done everything in its power (dramatically limited in this case) to right the situation. Now it is up to the faculty parking committee to do something about it. My only solution is to gravel the first floor of the "new" state historical society building and throw it open for parking.

A New York authority on kisses says a girl's lip prints can help you analyze her character. Wonder had kind of college course you would enroll in to become an authority on kisses, probably extra-credit. Just to be on the safe side, though, you fellows might get a few extra copies while you're at it.

It is usually a pretty simple thing for a campus Joe to get a good night kiss from his girl, but I heard a story the other day that breaks this theory in pieces. Seems this particular Joe didn't start thinking about it until around midnight one night when it was too late. Undaunted, he hurriedly enlisted the aid of a friend and rushed over to a friend's house. With the help of said friend, he climbed the face of the brick building to a second story window where the girl was waiting and planted the buss on her lips. As everything that goes up must come down, so he did with a mighty crash. That girl sure must have packed a mighty whollop.

"This is living?"

Leave Us Alone To the Editor, In regard to S.G.'s editorial on the campus apathy of independent women, I would like to disagree completely. As an independent woman, I would like to work in activities very much. Last year when I was a freshman I signed up for activities at the AWS mart. I went up to the Builders office and tried to work for a few days. It was obvious that certain board members were pushing their friends and I finally dropped it. I also tried to work for the All University Fund. During their last election, a friend told me that one very capable girl was disqualified because a member of the executive board did not like her. Also several fellows were not given offices because they did not belong to a certain fraternity. I dropped AUF not because I felt I did not have a chance to work, but because I was an independent, but because I felt the board did not judge the applicants on their merits. Maybe you cannot see it since you are a Greek but there is a distinct barrier between us. One, I think, which will always be there. So please, won't you just lay off the independents and let us do what we choose. —DISGUSTED.

Letterip

He Likes Hell Week To the Editor: Only one thing can help to bring the Greek into favor with the public more than doing it favors gratis. That is for the Greeks to live as gentlemen and ladies who practice courtesy and refinement constantly, since people are prone to judge an organization or group by some notorious individual or act which is in no way characteristic of the whole. A few Greeks have failed to live perfectly; consequently a tide of public antipathy, aggravated by movie and magazine propaganda, has begun to force conformity on the high-idealized fraternities all over the country. Young men live together in fraternity houses practically without supervision on several thousand campuses in this country, yet there have been fewer than ten scandals involving fraternity chapters in more than fifty years. The public is not friendly to the Greek system because of sensational adverse publicity. If because of this misjudgment, it is necessary to take on social welfare projects in addition to the other tasks college men have, then let us do it cheerfully and with a desire to serve. But why abolish Hell week? So far, most of the motive has been the desirability of doing "something constructive outside their house." This can be done at another time than that set aside for the mis-named Hell week. True, there have been incidents which have resulted in tragic bodily injury for boys; here again the activities of Hell week are judged by a few isolated cases. In the last few years, of the more than 250 boys submitting yearly to Hell week, there have been no cases of serious injury on

Sound-Off Male Concern Over Follies Deserves Immediate Reward

Tom Rische

(The views expressed in this column are not necessarily those of The Daily Nebraskan.)

Who says the University doesn't have any traditions? Maybe it's not such an old tradition, but the second annual large scale gate-crashing at Coed Follies Tuesday night was quite a show of something—school spirit, masculine spirit, whatever you want to call it. Anyway, it was spirited.

Most of those in attendance, with the exception of the police and the manager of the Nebraska Theater, seemed to have a good time, from all reports.

This situation could probably be remedied, if anyone is really seeking a remedy, by admission of men to Coed Follies. After all, the men can't really be blamed for wanting to see what goes on. There is always an air of mystery about the proceeding in this annual all-coed affair.

And University men, being men, have a certain interest in things female. The young ladies in attendance report that there is nothing in the show that would shock the tender ears of men. Maybe if men were allowed to go to the show, they wouldn't want to attend after the first year. But anyway, they could be given an opportunity to attend.

As long as the gate-crashing

is simply fun, there is little harm done. But there is always the possibility that the gate-crashing might get out of hand. Someone might be hurt. There is no telling what might happen with 200 or 300 men storming the barricades of the Nebraska theater. Someone could conceivably be badly hurt—or some property badly damaged. Damage Tuesday night was slight.

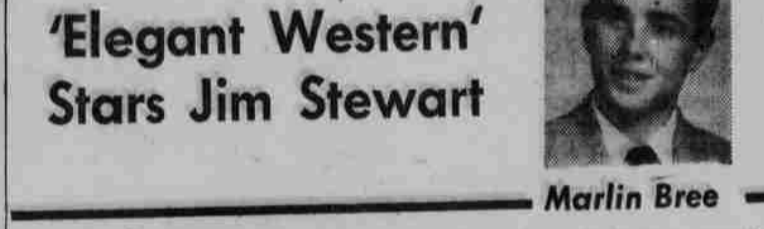
Then, the fun might turn into something not quite so funny.

There would be certain problems involved in allowing men to attend, but these could probably be ironed out. The show might have to be held two nights, in which case there would be some loss of suspense as to the winners. But last year's winners, the Phi Beta Phi, forgot to pick up their loving cup for winning from the engraver until the day before the Follies this year. Maybe the suspense isn't too serious.

Others object because of modesty. Men, they say, shouldn't be allowed to view that part of the female anatomy which might be revealed by the wearing of shorts. But then, don't girls wear shorts to other places? Don't they wear bathing suits? It is doubtful that the men would be shocked. In fact, they might rather enjoy it. Why not give the men a break?

Two On The Aisle

'Elegant Western' Stars Jim Stewart



Marlin Bree

BEND OF THE RIVER, showing at the Stuart theater, is an all-star cast (James Stewart) and features top-notch technical background.

A former Missouri raider, James Stewart, takes a group

of settlers through Indian country to Oregon, where they hope to begin a new life. Stewart rescues a former Kansas desperado from the noose, and after fighting his way by side they reach their new home.

Success in the remote valley depends on a shipment of food, which is to be sent. Starvation faces them. Gold fever hits the town from which they expect food, prices go sky-high and, because of the food's value, they are cheated out of it.

After becoming desperate, Stewart and his friends go back, take what is rightfully theirs and begin to fight their way home with it. They are joined by the Kansan-who, after saving Stewart's life, becomes the villain and sells them out. Brutally beating Stewart, he leaves him to die in the wilderness. The reformed raider follows the stolen wagon train and wages a desperate, one-man war against it, finally killing the Kansan.

Bringing the wagons back to the settlers, Stewart proves that he has finally finally turned respectable and wins the love and respect of the pioneers. Bend of the River is like combining a good Western with a travelogue. The result: spectacular scenery setting the stage for fast moving action and suspense.

I WANT YOU, showing at the Varsity theater, "borrows its message as well as its title from recruiting poster. The picture shows the impact of the Korean war on a movie—typical U. S. middle class family and concludes tearfully with home ties yielding to the tug of patriotic duty. producer Sam Goldwyn coats this sternly real subject with a shiny glaze of sentimentality."

SAILOR BEWARE, held over at the Lincoln theater, "will lay Martin and Lewis fans in the aisles and leave other moviegoers mystified. Martin and Lewis resemble a two man Milton Berle."

result from football injuries. Does that mean football has failed in its duty to build men physically and morally? Beware the editor whose material is hearsay and gossip. As for any fraternity man saying, "I went through it; why shouldn't they?" I have not heard the question more than twice in a year, though I have seen it used in The Daily Nebraskan many times. How about asking, "I had the fun; why take it away from the new pledges?" In general, Hell week activities call on freshmen for courage and stamina. It tests their desire of becoming members of the fraternity. In a few cases, Hell week makes a man out of a boy.

At the time "boarding" was officially outlawed on this campus, the administration recognized the need to maintain tradition. The N-club was allowed to retain "boarding" upon the request of soon-to-be-inflated men.

The University of Nebraska has no objection to house activities concerning Hell week if they do not result in bodily harm to students. The University of Nebraska has not officially asked that Hell week be abolished, nor is it likely to. Sincerely, INTERESTED GREEK.

Your Church

Julie Bell

Baptist Student house, 315 North 15, C. B. Howells, pastor. Friday—7:30 p.m., painting party in student center. Sunday—church school and morning worship in the city churches; 5 p.m., fellowship supper; 6 p.m. old fashioned gospel service led by Jo Dunn and Olga Arriaga.

First Evangelical Covenant church, 20th and G street, J. Alfred Johnson, pastor. Sunday—9:45 a.m., students' Bible class with William E. Becker, teacher; 11 a.m., sermon, "Grieved into Repenting"; pastor: 5 p.m., students' fellowship with discussion on "Questions Young People Ask" led by pastor after supper; 7 p.m., vesper sponsored by students with sermon by Rev. Andrew N. Anderson of Swedeburg, Tuesday—6:15 p.m., Covenant Student club dinner meeting in the church parlors with Rev. William L. Hultman of Bethlehem church as speaker. Wednesday—7:45 p.m., midweek Lenten service with Rev. E. W. Swedeburg of Ceresco speaking.

Lutheran Student service, Alvin M. Petersen, pastor. Friday—8 p.m., Leap Year party at 1440 Q, city campus student house. Sunday—Bible study, 9:15 a.m., city and ag student houses; 6 p.m., city LSA at First Lutheran church, 17th and A streets, with cost supper and discussion on "The Role of the Lutherans in the Ecumenical World"; 6:30 p.m., Ag LSA at 1200 North 37th street with cost supper and program. Tuesday—7:15 p.m., Lenten vesper on city campus; 8 p.m., seminar on vocations. Thursday—7:15 p.m., choir practice at 1440 Q street.

Methodist Student house, 1417 R street, Richard W. Nutt, pastor. Friday—7:30 p.m., Leap party. Saturday—2 p.m., Wesley Players; 6:30 p.m., married couples buffet supper. Sunday—3 p.m., student council meeting at home of Les Smalleys, 2035 South 50th street; 2:45 p.m., meet at student house for rides to council meeting; 5:30 p.m., Wesley Fireside Bible study. Tuesday—Kappa Phi cabinet meeting at 7 p.m.; 7:30 p.m., Sigma Theta Epsilon. Wednesday—7:15 a.m., Lenten service with Dr. L. E. Mattingly, speaker; 6:30 to 7:10 a.m., pre-service breakfast.

Presbyterian - Co-n-regional Student house, 333 North 14th street, Rex Knowles, pastor. Friday—8 p.m., Leap Year party with everyone welcome. Sunday—5:30 p.m., forum, "Political Issues in 1952," with Mr. R. B. Crosby, republican candidate for governor, as speaker. Monday—6:50 a.m., breakfast and discussion. Tuesday—8 p.m., Sigma Eta Chi, Congregational girls' sorority. Wednesday—6:50 a.m., breakfast; 7 to 7:30 a.m., Lenten vesper, "I Believe in God" with Rev. Rex Knowles speaking. Friday—6:50 a.m., breakfast and interdenominational Bible study at Episcopal chapel. All week—fellowship, relaxation, records, radio, television, intermusicals, bridge, reading and ping-pong.

Lutheran (Missouri Synod)—Beginning next Sunday and running through the Lenten season there will be a series of sermons on "Old Testament Types of Christ" at the 10:45 worship held every Sunday in the Union, Room 315. Special music by choir, under direction of Harry Gieselman. Laying of cornerstone for new University Lutheran chapel, 15th and Q, 4 p.m. Gamma Delta meets in evening in YMCA lounge, Temple building, beginning with cost supper at 5:30 p.m. Brief true-false question series on Christian doctrine, short business meeting, followed by social period.

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