#### **EDITORIAL PAGE**

## This Missouri—Nothing Pleasant

OMAHA-Instead of the cold, steady rain restricting Omaha's war against the muddy Missouri flood preparations. Here the water had risen to Thursday, it simply produced more layers of the bottom of the splash board which were just sticky mud for workers to plow through making two feet high. The newly constructed dike across the crucial work more tedious, strenuous and the railroad tracks looked quite strong, but the challenging.

At least that is the impression this editor got after several hours of trudging up and down the dikes in Omaha Thursday. Unfortunately, our party, composed of Daily Nebraskan Photographer Frank Mnuk and Feature Editor Dick Ralston, was unable to secure passes to cross bridges to Council Bluffs. The two bridges had been closed at noon. With passes from Civilian Defense headquarters we managed to get in flood areas in South and Central Omaha. From there we could see the results of the hundreds of volunteer workers in the past week.

Arriving first at the dike in South Omaha we met former University students who had been working in the area. They had filled sandbags property.-J. K. and stacked them around boils the day before. A boil is an upshot of water behind the dike which has forced its way beneath the dike.

As we walked along the bank, workers were piling more dirt into splashings which had been constructed several feet above the top of the original dike which is about 30 feet high.

The rain which had started Wednesday had made the slopes so slippery it was difficult and almost impossible to carry sandbags rapidly. Sprinkled along the bank were hastily improvised canvas shelters where workers would grab a quick lunch or set up communications.

coming. We saw the answer later. Hills within so until his return in early June. Beyond this, he donating the money to buy a Omaha were literally being lifted and trans- seemed to say that he will not even do this until sandwich for someone else, ported to the river for use in vital areas.

As we gazed across the muddy waters, we could see but a couple feet of the top of what was once the army engineers barge plant. Fire wood and debris of all sorts was being swept along with the swift Missouri current.

We met volunteer workers all along the way from Midland, Creighton, the University of Omaha as well as the University. They were doing all sorts of jobs-filling sandbags, helping in lines to policy. If he does he will have sacrificed the transfer bags to dikes, working at telephone stations, driving trucks, directing traffic.

**HST Was Angry** 

flood-hit area of eastern Nebraska a federal disaster area and has indicated that federal funds will be made available to augment local and state who commend the governor for asking state funds efforts. Harry Truman has angrily said: "It's before calling to Washington for help. And there the "one-party" system, the only time to take action. We've fooled around long is Harry Truman who says, "It's high time" for way is to vote them out. To take enough." And the President, nearly equalling the the governors of flood-ridden states to "get to- a back seat and believe the situawide, angry Missouri River in fury, has declared, "I want a flood control program that covers an that works." area from Denver to Pittsburgh and from Minnesota to the Gulf."

uation, wants federal funds used for flood control and wants his budget passed by Congress. Truman has emphatically stated that his trip to the mid-west has not been for political reasons. He turned to Gov. Val Peterson, during one of his press conferences, and said "And I didn't come out here to make a Democratic speech, either."

editor of The Lincoln Star and chairman of the Missouri River Study commission, U.S. Senators governors of seven states trying to hold onto their

Hugh Butler and Fred Sector of Nebraska, Carl states' rights; and we have the River Study commendation of South Dakota, Chavez of New Mexico mission trying to find a solution to this problem.

Why is it that so few capable people file for offices? Could it be that it is known that the candidates that are invariably elected didates that are invariably elected serve as vice-president and sec
3:00 "Music from Everywhere" 3:15 "YM-YW Show" 3:15 "YM-YW Show" 3:30 "Comparing Notes" 3:30 "Comparin

needed, as is money and cooperation. And be- states-rights cause, whatever it might because the flood control problem raises such fundamental questions as: state or federal funds for the dams or a combination of both; which of several suggested methods such as dams, watershed authorities, or a combination of both to be used; if dams are to be built, which states in the area are to receive the power so provided. These and a hundred other questions arrive when one attempts to tackle the flood control problem.

There are those who desire a Missouri Valley authority, patterned along the TVA; and there are the backers of the Pick-Sloan plan for state development of the flood-threatened areas. There is the Missouri River Study commission to analyze the situation and to arrive at a solution of the misery brought by rampaging waters each year.

#### Margin Notes --

Although members of Sigma Alpha Mu are earrying on "business as usual," they have sacrificed their social life in the face of an emergency. The Sammles cancelled a house party to permit men to join the flood relief work in Omaha this weekend, the time when men and aid will be most needed. The Daily Nebraskan would like to commend the spirit of cooperation that prompted this decision.

University students are responding to the state flood emergency with courage and determination typical of their status as men, not "college rah-rah boys." Students who miss classes to loaf, then tell their instructors that they have been "fighting the flood in Omaha" are, however, on a level with the most juvenile, fish-swallowing, play-boys that the roaring twenties ever produced.

It is reported that several British businessmen have made trade agreements with Communist China at the recent Moscow Conference. All goods involved in the agreement are not believed to be on the list of vital goods, nontradeable with Communist countries. However innocent this may appear, it seems strange and inconsistent to be aiding, economically, a goverament whose soldlers are fighting United Nations troops in Korea.

### Daily Thought

If I am not for myself, who will be for Business M me? If I am for myself only, what am I? If not now-when?-Talmudic saying.

... A View From The Muddy Banks

In Omaha's industrial area we watched more Missouri, just a few feet away, looked mighty convincing also.

Omaha's fight seems to be quite well organized. students were mightily con-trance into the It did not seem overly hurried, even though the greatest danger—the crest—was expected soon.

The work was steady and methodical in most current tonic of convergence in the house will be made over an artificial lake The work was steady and methodical in most current topic of conversation that will places; no one seemed especially frantic.

Fighting a flood certainly is no pleasant task, and it is doubtful if you could find one out of the thousands of workers who would offer to take flood combating as a steady occupation. But it is necessary, and those who have answered Omaha's urgent calls or other threatened areas' appeals, have certainly contributed to something worth fighting for-lives and

#### No Questions Asked

"I hope there will be no questions," said General Eisenhower at his press conference last week.

On this point there were no questions, for when a general issues a wish in his own headquarters it is considered that his wish is his

Everyone is wondering when General Eisen- is that Univerhower will begin to state his opinions on contro-versial national and international issues. He as-realize what they can do by giving We had wondered from where all the dirt was serted very clearly that he does not intend to do up that extra cup of coffee and after the nomination if he gets it.

It is difficult to believe that a candidate for the presidential nomination can take such a cavalier attitude toward those from whom he is soliciting votes.

It is incredible that an individual hopes to receive the nomination without telling the voters in what he believes. The Daily Nebraskan hopes the general will not adhere to such a support of every citizen who believes that the electoral process is a rational one .- S. G.

... And Rightly So President Harry S. Truman has declared the There is Governor Peterson calling a special session of the Nebraska unicameral to vote funds for of us on the campus. It seems the flood sufferers of this state. There are those gether so we can have a flood control program tion hopeless is not the American

> The President is angry; Congress might be angrier still; as might the Governors of seven states if their pet projects for flood control are overlooked in this emergency period. In a time of emergency people always select the expediency of the moment to push their favorite plans to the front.

We have Harry Truman with his plan for a This is addressed to seniors James C. Olson are among camcombination federal-state program; we have the with GUTS!! Truman has met with the governors of seven United States Congress economy forces trying to been at NU for four years are sissippi Valley Historical Assosiates, James E. Lawrence, University professor, pare down Truman's budget, part of which prosick and tired of the political sitvides for situations as this flood; we have the uation as it has existed on the ciation at Chicago, April 17, 18, Missouri River Study commission, U.S. Senators governors of seven states trying to hold onto their campus for the last several years, 19.

sional members. The President has gone back to the thousands of homeless in the Missouri River are faction controlled (before and retary-treasurer, respectively, of AFTER the election). Rigged the organization. Thomas LeDuc. 4:15 "This Week on Campus" Washington to give the \$400,000,000 appropria- valley to realize that their plight has been turned tions bill a "shove and a kick."

AFTER the election). Rigged the organization. Thomas LeDuc, elections by the Faction are so a visiting research professor at the organization. homes, possessions and lives have been hurt and not even attempt to put up their the University, is program chair-Along the course of The Big Muddy dams are upset by the raging Missouri, it must be incon- best candidates. needed to hold back the raging waters that break ceivable that some would seize upon their mistheir banks. For these dams engineering skill is fortune to champion their federal government or braska because, first, we feel that

> the vast and complicated problems connected with leave in June. flood control. Nor does this writer attempt to Seniors with guts and who are suggestion a solution for the battle of nature that specially interested please call 5-5051 or 6-6584 as soon as posis raging down the Missouri valley today. But for sible. the political contest that is feeding on the misery of the thousands hit by the river, The Daily Nebraskan does have a suggestion. The seven governors, the Senators, the Congress in Washington and the study commission seem in danger of becoming embroiled in a political race that will not You're Right culminate in rehabilitation of the valley nor in To the Editor: solution of the flood problem.

Harry Truman was angry, and rightly so. But even in his anger Truman is using the flood to agitate for his budget under fire in Congress and for his federal-aid-to-states plan. The flood control problem must come out of the political arena into a humanitarian attempt to save the lives and property of Missouri valley residents.

### The Daily Nebraskan ents on campus nave got no grip. coming if you don't vote. ALSO DISGUSTED

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**Barbed Wire** 



Barb Wylie-It's funny how college to the Phi Gam thoughts run. A few days ago House, The enstudents were mightily concerned with national politics and spring picnics. Now, the current topic of conversation is flood waters and personal experiences while filling sandbags in the flooded areas. The administration should be commended for the will furnish the lights.

Tonight's the night for the Pi urday—2 p.m., choir practice. Sun-held in the Terrace room of the Lincoln hotel. Dates to the formal include: Jody L'heureux and Ray Mladovich; Nancy Stimson and Bob Sarim; Bezzie Smith with Bob Sarim; Bezzie Smith with Bob Yarwood; Judy Palmateer and dominate the scene on the inside of the house. Lighted fountains should be commended for the will furnish the lights. should be commended for the will furnish the lights. wonderful attitude it is taking toward students who wish

to help. Also coming in for its share of praise is The Daily Nebraskan and its campaign for funds for

flood relief. Quick thinking on the part of the staff is responsible for this sten ward relief for the thousands left homeless by the stampeding waters. My only hope

If anyone wants to read a good book to fill up the "extra" hours before finals, read "They Went To College." The book is based on a survey of U. S. college students made by Time magazine and is a more complete report than made in the recent Time article called the "Silent Generation."

Along this same line, a college president says students have changed very little in the past 30 University Freshman Collects years. Maybe this is why parents who have sons or daughters Indian, Lincoln Head Pennies in college worry. in college worry.

Did you all read the Letterip in Thursday's paper urging all independent students not to vote in the coming campus election? I hope you did, because it is the attitude taken by a great many it is a rather stubborn attitude to take in such a situation.

has a full collection of Lincoln and just watching pocket change If we are ever to do away with VDB on the back worth about

This is living?

### Letterip

Wanted: Guts! To The Editor:

Those of us below who have fifth annual meeting of the Mis-

man of the convention. We address this to seniors with

just a score of days left at Neyou more than any group have -political aspirations and, sec-This writer does not pretend to understand be proud of the campus as you

JOHN ADAMS GEORGE COBEL REX MESSERSMITH GENE ROBINSON CLAYTON YEUTTER

Disgusted is right-it is time the independents on campus woke

But I think they should wake up to the fact that there are more independents many campus than Greeks. The faction will win the spring elections only because nobody is interested enough in the elections, outside of the Greeks, to do anything about the situation.

You and all the other independents on campus have got no grips



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The Fijis will call for their dates Saturday evening on hayracks which will carry them

Some of the islanders and their dates are: Bert Linn and Joan Larson; Clark Caley with Peg Wells; Don Pederson and Ginning Cummings; Con Wool-wine and Sharon Fritzler; Dick Bush and Barb Hershberger; Glenn Rosenquist and Pat Bechan; Bill Karrer and Bev Bush; John Forsyth and Elaine Miller; Jerry Roe and Mimi Hamer; Murl Maupin and Mary E. Kinsinger; Don Nuss and Margie Hallis; Tom Tobin and Rita Al Goding; Don Larson and Dot Lowe; Bill Melville and Jody Reifschneider.

Just got word that the Sammies has canceled a house party this weekend. The reason is to allow men to help with flood relief work in Omaha. Although it will make the society editors work harder, spirit of cooperation and helpfulness shown by the Sam-mies, is one that could well be followed by other groups.

The AOPi's are holding their dinner-dance Saturday evening at the Lincoln hotel. Rose formal is the name and theme of the dance.

Some of the AOPi's and their dates to the dance will be: Mar-lene Rees with Ted Forke; Lou Nelson and Miller Whitham; Mary Clearman and Bill Johnson; Jo Vanderhook with Ted Simonson; Gretchen Hein and

\$15, an 1877 Indian head penny

nickels which are very rare.

**NU Professors Attend** 

Chicago Historical Meet

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John R. Alden, J. L. Sellers and

pus personnel attending the forty-

worth \$75, and a two 1950 D

Saturday night's the night for Jack 9nderson; Myrna Walston with Dale Olson; Kathy Swingle with Neal Weddle; Nancy Davis with Bill Blue; Madeling Gour-lay and Joe Wachter; Janet Bohner and Tony Rasmussen; Elvie Nelson and Chuck Schade; Nancy Whitmore and Bob Vandel; Polly Stratton and Gus Wolf; Doris Gillett and Kaye Gauger; Mary Fuelbreth and Dave Johnson; Anita Lawson and Tom Gorham; Lu Heniger and Jim Clinton; Robin Rauch

and Don Rauh.

room of the Lincoln hotel. Some of the Chi O's and their dates to the formal in-clude: Jerry Yeager and Dee Hopp; Joe Chapman (Doane) with Idonna Burkhardt; Al Curtis and Mary Jane McCullough; Cy Kocian and Sally Kielson; Don Fischer and Carolyn Gier-han; Knox Jones (KU) with Jan Glock; Gene Lightner and Jan Corrick; Tom Hunton and Barb Aitkenson; Dave Brandon with Yolanda Davis: Mary Ann Norsworthy with Jack Astergaard; Corky Millan with Bill Cozier; Ed McClure with Jo Hoyt; Patty Hasson with Bob Kruger.

Congratulations are in order for Kappa Jackie Sorenson and George Lewis on their engagement. Lewis was a Beta at Ne-braska and is now a member of leaves immediately after worship braska and is now a member of Phi Rho at Omaha med school.

New steady deals around campus include Lynn Holland and Jim Yesley, Aggie Anderson and Duffy Olson, Betty Swan-son and Gary Jones, Sherry Clover and Marty Mathieson, Bobby Russell and Dick Spang-

### Your Church

Julie Bell

Baptist Student house, 315 North 15th streets, C. B. Howells, pastor. Sunday - church school with morning worship in the city Baptist churches; 6 p.m., fellow-ship supper; 7:30 p.m., Council of Churches meeting at St. Paul's church with Dr. Adolf Keller of the World Council of Churches as leader.

Lutheran Student service, Alvin M. Petersen, pastor. Friday-3 to 5 p.m., open house at 1440 Q street; 8 p.m., scavenger hunt, Sat-Tonight's the night for the Pi urday-2 p.m., choir practice. Sun-Dave Noble; Nancy Hemphill and Dave Jones; Andrea Svoboda and Don Pederson; Anne Jane Hall with Tom Harrington.

Supper preceding the program; 6:30 p.m., Ag LSA, 1200 North 37th, cost supper with program following. Tuesday—7:15 p.m., vespers at 1440 Q followed by a The Chi O's are also holding Seminar on Christian vocations at their annual Spring formal in ball- 8 p.m. Thursday-7:15 p.m., choir practice.

> Wesley Foundation, 1417 R street, Richard W. Nutt, pastor. Friday-6:45 a.m., Interdenominational Bible study; 5:45 p.m., meet at student house to go to a picnic at Antelope park. Sunday -5:30 p.m., meet at student house to go to First Methodist church where we will be guests of their Wesley Fellowship, Tuesday—7:15 p.m., Sigma Theta Epsilon program meeting at Union; 7:30 p.m., Kappa Phi election of officers. Wednesday—7 p.m., Wesley wor-

Lutheran (Missouri Synod), Al Nordern, pastor. Sunday-9 a.m., for concerts in Norfolk and Columbus. Gamma Delta will not meet this week. Sunday, April 27 -5:30 p.m., cost supper at Gamma Delta, YMCA lounge, Temple, Sunday, May 4-Lord's Supper celebrated at worship service.

#### NU BULLETIN BOARD

Friday

University freshman Terry Jones' collection, with about Jones will be among those dis- 250 foreign coins in it, is valued Recreation conference luncheon, playing collections in a local de- at approximately \$400. The price 12 noon, Union parlors XYZ. partment stores in accordance of coins is determined by the Varsity Dairy club's dairy prod-

with National Coin Week, April Nusematic association, who considers the condition of the coin, Jones, only University member of the Lincoln Coin Club, is date and the number issued ber of the Lincoln Coin Club, is like it.

Varsity Dairy club's dairy products contest at 2 p.m. in Dairy Industry building.

Publication committee, 3 p.m., Union faculty lounge. principally a penny collector. He Tarding with other collectors Union faculty lounge.

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oins are a 1909 S penny with coins and hear speeches by well-

known coin collectors.

Jones said he started saving

Indian heads about seven years

ago and just kept adding to them. He added that the biggest

thrill he received from his hob-

by was finding a rare coin. He

found his SVD penny while

sorting through his pocket

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