

We Aren't So Different

"Just as soon as I get out of college, I'll slow down and assume my role in the community in the world," you often hear University students say, whether as an excuse for not attending church, for lacking interest in world and community affairs or for raiding campus sororities.

Upon the simple assumption that they are different from everyone else, college students find it easy to justify draft deferment, to walk against the red traffic light and to wear outlandish clothes, to say nothing of hair cuts and slang. Frequently they even imagine themselves so aloof from the rest of civilization (if anyone else is civilized) that they resent community interference into their mob affairs and their midnight pranks.

Actually, a college community is the most unusual group of persons in the world. Not only are their ages, interests and backgrounds more nearly identical than those of members of any other sizable community, but their understanding, their goals and their attitudes toward the world in general are also more nearly similar. The college community is simply an artificial, temporary collection of half-matured adolescents living in an intellectual vacuum, or at least having access to an intellectual store.

Because of the self-sustaining feature of the college community and its continual concern only for itself and written and spoken knowledge, the student easily disconnects himself from any institution or problem outside his magic circle. True, he may apply his business or engineering training in a mentally practical manner, but he still cuts himself off from the basic problems of daily life.

A Sunday evening discussion recently disclosed the belief of students themselves that they are too busy running around seeking the final truth to see where they are running. They search for know-

ledge for the sake of knowledge and argue for the sake of mental exercise. They discuss the size of the universe, the development of human thought and the principles of Marxist Communism. They worry about meeting assignment deadlines, lining up a date for Saturday night and reading the latest Pogo comic strip. They are concerned about Nebraska's football team, the price of a train ticket to Boulder and the distance they have to walk from their cars to class.

No one else in the world has quite the same problem as a university student nor quite the same indifference toward where they're going and why they're here or any place else.

Participants in the discussion seemed agreed that college life and its various facets are of no real value unless the student asks himself, "What does it mean? And am I relating what I learn and do here with my life and its purpose?"

Two very serious, sobering questions perhaps too serious and fun-dampening to be of much concern to college students. An answer, however, would dissolve the barrier between college life and the world of mud and bread and would link these four isolated years in a fleeting community to the chain of human daily existence.

Consideration of "What does this mean?" would not stop panty raids or discussions of the life on Mars, but it should make students aware that they are living in the world they are studying and that their habits and attitudes very seriously affect their lives tomorrow, next year and twenty years from now.

If students became aware that they won't be changing masks upon graduation, the chances are they would at least attempt to connect themselves with the fellow who works downtown and with the church around the corner.

It wouldn't be long before we realized that we aren't so different as we thought. K.R.

What's The Solution?

The members of the Inter-Fraternity council were in session Tuesday afternoon and shall convene again today to hear the cases of 14 fraternities charged with violating the IFC rules in regard to men's rush week. No action was taken in regard to the "offenders" Tuesday. The cases were just heard.

It would appear that the IFC and its officers are making a sincere attempt to clear up the confusion and legislate on the problem of fraternity rushing on our campus. The hearings are at least given those accused a chance to explain themselves.

The Greek system this fall seems unable to be found at this point. Perhaps through enforcement of its often lax regulations, the IFC could change the fraternity attitude toward rush week—once and for all. Instilling a sincere and trustworthy attitude in all Greek organizations would undoubtedly solve the problem.

But IFC cannot become the conscience for every male member of a Greek organization. Individual action seems the only positive solution of the matter.—R.R.

Coffee Vs. Sparkman

The hearings bring up the fact that the entire Greek system took a beating and a severe publicity blow during the recent men's rush week. The IFC made rather unsuccessful attempts to do its part to enforce its own rules. Many fraternities did not even try to live up to what they agreed to through their IFC representative.

However much complaining may be done about the problem—and The Nebraskan has done its share—no equitable solution seems at hand.

Most fraternity men seem quite opposed to running men's rush week on the order that women's rushing period is conducted. The adherence to strict rules during rush week seems to carry with it a connotation seemingly not conducive to the male point of view.

Conducting fraternity rush week without any regulations whatsoever brings with it the prediction that for two or three years, the system would work. And then the evils inherent in the entire rushing system would raise their ugly heads again.

The IFC, in view of years of rush week problems on this campus, formulated rules this year—presumably able to be enforced—that were designed to weed out the wrong from the right.

And those very rules, at this moment, have posed an ethical problem for the IFC. Main question seems to be whether those fraternities "caught in the act" of improper rushing should be penalized when it is conceded that very few fraternities followed the IFC rules completely.

A solution to the definite set-back suffered by

the call of the coffee-shops is quite an alluring one—even if the speaker for the convocation was as politically important a person as Senator Sparkman. What this tantalizing allure is, The Nebraskan shall not attempt to analyze.

The call of a convocation should be just as strong and is not. Is it that University students are too pressed for time that a recreation hour is something to be obtained in any way possible? Is it that University students feel that Senator Sparkman's message is of no importance? Are University students perhaps a little fearful of being bored? Or is it the typical attitude—that of not attending University functions because it's not the smart thing to do—that guides the actions of University students come convocation time?

We don't have the answer. And, obviously, neither does the University. But The Daily Nebraskan would like to put in the timeless plea for appreciation and acceptance of those things which matter—when the University gives them to us.—R.R.

We're Not Afraid?

Sen. John Sparkman of Alabama, Democratic nominee for vice president, continuously and consistently mentioned to University students in his Tuesday morning address that the members of this nation have security and are not afraid.

The "Southern Compromise" of the Democratic party spoke in regard to the many governmental programs of the past 20 years—such as social security, bank deposit insurance, old-age pensions—expressed strongly the attitude of the Democratic party that the government's duty is to provide security for its citizens.

The Daily Nebraskan would like to disagree with Senator Sparkman about the virtues of "security" as a master goal or motive. Our governmental philosophy of the past two decades has undergone such a radical change that the individual initiative and pioneering in the business world are now shadows of pre-D.R. days.

In regard to his oft-repeated phrase—"We are not afraid"—The Nebraskan would also like to

argue with Sen. Sparkman. Perhaps the Senator's generation is unafraid. But our generation seems unable to radiate such optimism.

Most college conversation these days—when elevated to a serious level—centers around the draft, possibilities of enlistment, Korea, corruption in government, misplaced morals, the U.S. position in world peace leadership and such other topics that find our world in a rather unstable position.

Perhaps Senator Sparkman would have changed his viewpoint if he could have heard the remark made by one University student following the address.

"Perhaps they aren't afraid to be old but we're afraid to be young."—R.R.

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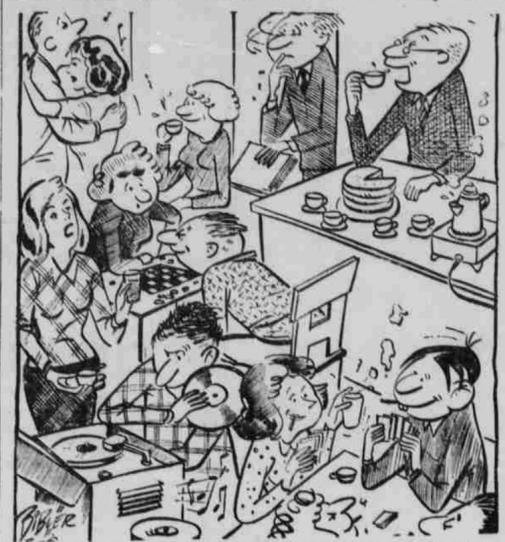
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"Oh, no one really learns much—But I sure teach a mighty popular seminar."

Once Over Lightly Movie Madness Strikes Ardent Flynn, Bogart Fan

"Movies are better than ever."
Whenever I go to a theater, I see this slogan.

Movies influence thousands of people. What little boy has not wanted to be like Hopalong Cassidy? And what young girl hasn't wanted to be movie star? Who has not secretly wished to be like the polished characters on the screen?

Last week I went to see a Humphrey Bogart picture. He was dynamic! He hit people, he pushed them around. I somehow fancied Humphrey, and a common bond grew between us. When he was in danger, I was in danger. When he was hurt, I was hurt. When he snarled, I snarled.

Even as I left the theater, I kept thinking of how much of Humphrey (as he is known among his friends) and I had in common. In fact, we were practically alike. An usher smiled at me. I slapped him. When he went down I kicked him in the teeth. He gurgled a little. I smiled my best Humphrey Bogart smile.

It took me a week to get over the Humphrey Bogart influence.



Bree

Then I saw an Errol Flynn picture. It was remarkable how women were attracted to him. My eyes shone with anticipation as I left the theater.

Sure enough, women began to notice me. They were attracted to me. As I walked down the campus, my presence seemed to have a marked effect on the ladies. The bolder ones smiled their most enticing smile, while the shyer of them hung back and just snickered a little.

One young lady, ignoring her escort, flung caution to the winds and flirted boldly with me. Being a naturally cautious man, I tried to ignore her, but finally let down the barrier and discreetly slipped her a note with my telephone number on it. (After all, it isn't every young lady that I go out with.) But, I fear that she was illiterate, as I haven't heard from her yet.

But the picture I really liked is "Where's Charley?". How graceful the dancers were . . . how rhythmic and perfectly co-ordinated . . .

As I walked out, passers-by paused to admire my graceful, even step and the rhythmic swaying of my body. So complete was the illusion that I heard one of them, a complete stranger mind you, saying, "He's crazy!"

Are movies better than ever? Brother, I hope to kiss a pig they are! And, conditions being what they are, I just may at that!

Sparkman Added To Demo Ticket To Gain Back Southern Loyalty

(Editor's Note: The following clipping was taken from the Daily Californian and was written by Norm Golds, assistant city editor. The Daily Nebraskan agrees with the general thought of this article and feels that it is especially pertinent because of Sen. Sparkman's appearance on the campus Tuesday. If the student will remember the point that is brought out here—that Sparkman was chosen primarily to please the Southerners—he will find the senator's points in the speech more meaningful. This analysis is also important since there have been many claims that the real party split was taking place with the Republicans.)

Governor Jimmy Byrnes of South Carolina yesterday decided to support Eisenhower for the presidency. His chief reason is a fear that Adlai Stevenson will merely continue the policies of the Truman administration, something that former Secretary of State and U. S. Senator Byrnes does not approve of.

This is the second important Southern Democrat who has decided to "place loyalty to his country above loyalty to his party," the first being Governor Allan Shivers of Texas, who broke with Stevenson over the Tideland issue.

No doubt there will be more to follow, perhaps proving that the

move to get Southerner John Sparkman on the ticket will not gain the Democrats any Southern votes they may not have had anyway.

His nomination was a move to stop any rebirth of a Dixiecrat movement, and although there is no more Southern third party the fact that certain leaders are going Republican amounts to the same thing. They won't take Stevenson with or without Sparkman.

Thus the Democrats may have a white elephant (no pun intended) on their hands. What Northern votes he might lose for the ticket could more than make up for any help he could do in the South.

There is a vote in this country, located in the more important states, which does care about such issues as civil rights, even though the politicians have chosen to ignore it since the convention.

The fact that Sparkman has a liberal voting record on foreign policy and certain of the New and Fair Deal domestic issues is only of minor importance to many people. Sparkman is still from the South.

Exactly what led up to the nomination is impossible to say. We would have to ask Stevenson, Truman, Arvey or Farley for that one. But we can guess, and most of the guesswork boils down to an attempt by Adlai to woo the South, to get the nomination and then the presidency.

Poll Shows Students Favor Colorado Migration Trip

BY JAN HARRISON
Staff Writer

With the controversial subject of migration in mind this reporter decided to take a poll on the matter to find out how student opinion is running.

As I well know the Student Council had decided on Kansas University as the migration point for this year, however, remembering their former decision of last spring and the election of Colorado as the tentative migration objective, I was interested in discovering if the students were satisfied with the revised plans.

Visiting from booth to booth in the Union Crib between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m. I asked the students socializing there this question: "Taking into consideration the distance and price to Kansas University or Colorado where would you prefer to go for migration?"

In answer to my query, approximately 75% of the 85 students polled preferred to go to Colorado, and 25% to Kansas. Asking Dick Clausen and Bob Pecha, both juniors in Business Administration, what their reasons

were for wanting to go to Colorado, they told me they thought the Colorado - Nebraska game would be a better game than the Kansas - Nebraska game. They also thought Colorado would break the monotony of always going south for migration.

Sharing their opinion were Fred Allen, sophomore in Agriculture and Roger Sack, freshman in Business Administration.

Thom Snyder, senior in Teachers, said he would not consider the price difference between Colorado and Kansas to be great enough to make any difference in the student decision.

Many students wanted to head toward the Rockies just to see the sights. Others said they had friends there and had hoped to see them at the game. And many said they were going to Colorado anyway so the problem of migration seemed less important to them.

Most of the girls when asked where they would prefer to go just said "Colorado," giving no reason other than the tone of voice in which they answered.

NUBB

Wednesday
Block and Bridle Meeting, 7:15 p.m., Animal Husbandry Hall.
TRI-K meeting, 7:15 p.m., Crops Laboratory.
VARSITY DAIRY meeting, 7:15, Dairy Industry Building.
AIEE meeting, 7:30, Ferguson Hall.
AUF PUBLICATION BOARD meeting, 3 p.m., AUF office, Union.
Thursday
RED CROSS COLLEGE UNIT ORPHANAGE COMMITTEE mass meeting, 4 p.m., Room 313, Union.

Worcester Relates Trip To Germany

Wednesday at 3 p.m., Professor D. A. Worcester, Chairman of the Education Psychology and Measurements Department, will discuss his recent trip to Germany at the first Psi Chi meeting in the Union Faculty Lounge.

Professor Worcester met and discussed the application of psychology in German education with ten representatives of different countries. Jack Monderer, president of Psi Chi, educational fraternity, said all members and anyone else interested are welcome. Refreshments will be served after the talk.

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Margin Notes

To The University Symphony

The Daily Nebraskan congratulates the 66 members of the newly-appointed University Symphony and wishes them a good season. Their first concert is scheduled for Nov. 9, under the direction of Conductor Emanuel Wishnow and featuring a nationally-known guest soloist.

Sand Which Is (Sandwiches) There

Nebraska appears to have become, once again, the Great American Desert, as innumerable (political) caravans traverse its highways and street corners. Even if free lunches are not served to participants, they should not starve with all the political baloney flying again.

Daily Thought

Experience is the father of Wisdom, and Memory the mother.—Anonymous.