

EDITORIAL PAGE

Nebraskans And The Nation

A quick glance around the nation's college daily papers shows that the Nebraska Greeks aren't alone in their annual problems of IFC, rushing rules, social privileges and attitude toward newspapers.

From the Silver and Gold, University of Colorado's student publication, came a recent editorial comment strongly suggesting that the IFC take an unpopular stand and prosecute eight fraternities failing to make an IFC grade requirement.

At the University of Nebraska the IFC has no grade requirement for fraternity men to fulfill—thus we are spared this problem. Applying to all students regularly enrolled is a minimum grade average necessary for graduation, most organized women's houses insist upon a certain grade average for their members and some men's organizations—including fraternities, require a minimum scholastic effort from their members.

The pertinent problem at Colorado is that some of the "banned eight," on social probation for their low averages, went ahead and held social functions. The IFC is actually being dared by the Silver and Gold to back up and not further punish those offending groups.

A New York paper with the question, "So how about it, IFC, are we going to see some illegal rushing action," the Syracuse Daily Orange, student newspaper, strongly indicated its sentiments toward the regulatory body of the male Greeks. The Daily Orange, in regard to the "common knowledge that illegal rushing does exist" suggests a full-scale survey of current rushing regulations and also the possibility of deferred rushing.

Nebraska's IFC had a system of "enforcing" their rules and regulations this year—so neither are we burdened with this situation. Several fraternities were fined for their violations of rushing rules—as reported by the IFC police committee and other fraternities. The IFC may not have "caught" the major offenders during rush week—but, after all, one's "own illegalities will be brought to light" if an investigation is demanded, quoting from the Syracuse daily.

From the Daily Tar Heel, student publication of the University of North Carolina, comes a plea "for a sane, equitable, humane, and workable system."

A THOUGHT FROM THE FACULTY

Alumni Challenge

By ROBERT L. CHASSON, Assistant Professor of Physics

Our University can be no greater than her sons and daughters will make her. After one receives his degree, he is no less a member of the University community than he was during his years on campus. In fact, he should become an even more responsible member in that his contributions to the support and expansion of the University should grow during his post student years. It is here on this campus that most of the students get their start toward cultural and social advancement and, as a result, gain the opportunity for better employment.

In examining the history of the University, one sees an ever-growing effect upon the welfare and progressive development of the state that supports it. Students, alumni, and faculty are in a position to know that the University does offer sound moral and practical leadership that more than justifies the cost of its maintenance. This is the only justification for having a state-supported university.

Consider, for example, the Cell-Growth Institute, directed by Professor Donald M. Pace. The financing of this Institute was started with an individual grant, and further grants have made it a continuing and expanding project. The findings of its research program are of immediate importance to the people of Nebraska and the rest of the world, for it is here that knowledge is gained that may be basic in the fight against cancer. It is essential that the people of Nebraska guarantee that adequate funds always be available for such work, and students and alumni must take the leadership in a continuous drive toward this end.

Margin Notes

We'd Like To Know . . .

It's heartening to see the sincere attempt by students to find the real issues and the real voting purposes of this 1952 presidential campaign. Through all the ballyhoo of campaign talks, it's like looking for a needle in a haystack to find out what's important and what is political drive. University students seem anxious and eager to know what it's all about. Perhaps our generation is silent—but thinking.

It's Refreshing!

A government official visited Lincoln this week—without intermixing politics with his subject matter. He was Charles Sawyer, Secretary of Commerce, who made a brief stop during his tour of the nation, in which he is studying current business trends and conferring with local and state businessmen.

Bragging Or Complaining?

The Daily Nebraskan feels that John W. Lewalski of Peabody, Mass., (56 years of age), must either be a fulltime caveman or else a man without a face. According to "Believe It or Not," Lewalski has never been kissed. College students should learn more about life outside the red brick walls.

Can This Be Inflation?

Perhaps it's because it happens every four years; perhaps prices are lower in the United States; perhaps it lacks the color and regality. But, at any rate, seats for the Jan. 20 inauguration are selling for only \$1 to \$10, with some not-so-good locations being offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. On the other hand, the most expensive seats for Queen Elizabeth's coronation parade are priced up to 100 pounds or about \$280 in

Daily Thought

They who make the worst use of their time most complain of its shortness.—La Bruyere.

tem of fraternity rushing." The Tar Heel has noticed three different methods of placing men in Greek organizations throughout the nation. 1) meet them at the train and take them (the rush-ees) straight to the lodge and bestow the pledge badge; 2) allow the rushee a short period of immunity from the fraternities during which he sizes up the Greek system; and 3) deferred rushing—which insists that the rushee must maintain a certain scholastic average before he is allowed to pledge.

Nebraska's system gets away from the evils inherent in all these systems and generally follows the second plan. Of course, while the prospective fraternity member sizes up the Greek situation, he is free from member-pressure, is objectively allowed to decide if he wants to be a Greek and, if he does, to rationally choose his future home.

The facts of our University's IFC placement speak for themselves about the worthiness of this system. According to unofficial figures, 577 men went through fraternity rush week this fall and 460 pledged. In 1951, out of 493 rushees, 397 became pledge members of fraternities. This shows that 86 rushees didn't pledge in '51 and 117 this year.

The nation's IFC's are having troubles. And, in some instances, this University's IFC has its problems, too. The Nebraskan wonders, along with the Silver and Gold, about the possibilities of its IFC becoming a "minor debating society."—R.R.

VOTE!

In recent national elections in some free countries, the following percentage of eligible persons voted:

Table with 2 columns: Country and Percentage of eligible persons voted. Includes Australia (96%), Great Britain (83%), Sweden (80%), Western Germany (75%), Canada (74%), Israel (72%), and UNITED STATES (51%).

Only about one-half of our voters went to the polls in the last presidential election. The right to vote is a privilege and a responsibility. Let's make this year's vote the largest in history. Get out and vote Nov. 4. Urge all your friends to do likewise.

The Cell-Growth Institute is only one of the more dramatic examples of what the University has to offer to the community. There are many other important projects, pointed toward general cultural and scientific advancement, which also deserve generous support.

"One can't look back upon his campus days and feel that he has fulfilled his obligations and is displaying real school spirit if he does nothing but root hard for the team and attend Homecoming Day. How many graduates have asked themselves, "What can I give back?" Most of us aren't wealthy enough to donate buildings or fellowship funds. But remember that the University cannot rely for its existence upon the very few who are able to support it in such dramatic ways.

Each alumnus and student can, in his own small and devoted way, do his part to insure the growth of the University and its ability to make better lives for the people of Nebraska. He can use his influence in his home community to insure that young people are adequately prepared for a university career. He can help to develop community scholarship and fellowship funds and a community pledge of funds for the University Research Foundation. He can urge his classmates to set up a fund, the proceeds of which will be a class gift to encourage future research and better scholarship.

These are just a few of the ways, but if the sons and daughters of Nebraska will each exert a small effort, the overall result will be a University whose greatness will prove to the world that Nebraska is truly in the heart of the United States.

American money. It could be, however, that Americans are simply waiting to see who will be inaugurated before they start a rush for seats.

Our Ivy-World . . .

When state teachers gathered on the NU campus this past week during their convention-time, the difference between the working world and the typical collegiate became quite evident. It takes a little contrast to make us realize how much fuller our lives can be through the merits of a college education.

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Sound Off

By MARI MORAN Sixty years ago this week . . . The University lost a football game to Denver, 4 to 18, blaming it on the altitude. In this month of October, 1952, the altitude hasn't changed—but the Huskers have!

We might attribute the change to modern air travel and the smart planning of Coach Bill Glassford which minimized the time spent by the team in the "mile-high" air. Or we might credit the change to the winning spirit that seems to be so firmly instilled in both the players and the fans this year. Whatever the reason, the 1952 traveling squad (both Husker team members and fans) went to Boulder believing they would give the Buffs a good fight and the Buffs will long remember Nebraska's visit.

Speaking of football—it seems that your columnist, with many writers throughout the nation, was a little premature in bidding farewell to Number 12. This is one case where I'm glad I was wrong!

Looking back again, it was just 50 years ago this week, according to the Omaha World-Herald, that "Chancellor Andrews gave University students a heart to heart talk about their disorderly conduct. They had taken the mules away from a street car and done other unseemly things." At least this year we have not been censured for mule swiping.

The attitude of some segments of the American people towards the antics of college students was brought to light in a little ditty sung by comedian Joe E. Lewis on the "Toast of the Town" TV show Sunday night. Sang Lewis:

"Oh they send their sons to college So they'll get a lot of knowledge For knowledge, they say, teaches you to think. "So, of course, I went to college But I didn't get the knowledge For, in college, all I learned to do was drink." It was supposed to be funny but there were quite a few people in the audience who weren't laughing.

Always good for a laugh is the current presidential campaign, but there's one rather serious item that hasn't been given too much publicity as yet. Senator Nixon's stirring TV explanation and itemization of his funds has been accepted or rejected by most of his audience by now; but Sylvia F. Porter, writing in the New York Post, emphasizes, not the senator's honesty, but his inefficiency. Miss Porter, co-author of the recent book "How To Live Within Your Income," cites Nixon as one of the worst managers of money she's come across.

"If Nixon ever had the chance to run the nation's finances the way he has run his own," she points out, "our debt would be way over the half-trillion mark, our interest bill alone would be 10 per cent of our income a year, we'd be in hock to our eyeballs . . ."

By his own report, he owes \$32,500. To cover this indebtedness, he has protected his wife Pat with \$4000 life insurance (on which he has borrowed \$500). Not very much to raise two daughters and pay for two houses at \$41,000 and \$13,000. Looks like Pat would end up in a trailer.

Still in the realm of politics and politicians, Robert Lucas, editor of the editorial page of the Denver Post, had an interesting comment to make Wednesday on the "one-party" press. While almost 90% of the nation's papers are editorially backing Ike, Lucas said, almost an equal percentage of the correspondents on both the Eisenhower and Stevenson campaign tracers are pro-Stevenson. This feeling seems, in many cases, to be creeping into the news columns of the paper. Looks like the teeter-totter could be replacing the merry-go-round in this phase of politicking.

Letterip

Why, Mr. Glassford? . . .

Dear Editor: To Mr. Glassford: Since the Colorado game Saturday I have heard two things above all others: why a third-down field goal and why a long kick off after our 16 to 19 lead? Let us take the field goal first of all. There was less than a minute left in the game. The ball was resting on approximately the 16 yard line. Wouldn't a pass play or a fake field goal have been more appropriate and effective on third down? If you will recall, Penn State used the latter very effectively against you. In a game so close as the Colorado game, you just don't give downs away.

When Carroll Hardy made his long kickoff return, you were leading 16 to 18. Wouldn't an on-side kick have been better? You knew that Hardy and Shy are able to take the ball and go all the way. There was also a possibility that an on-side kick would have produced a fumble, which might have given you the ball.

Under such nerv-racking conditions, thinking straight thoughts may have been impossible. However, different measures may have been taken, than those which were applied.

Nevertheless, the arguments cannot outweigh the prestige that the team gained at Colorado. We are proud of them.

A CORNHUSKER

Last Installment Of 'Giants' More Boring Than First

Barbara Dillman

Preface

I finally read the last installment of Edna Ferber's "Giant" in the Ladies Home Journal. The last installment was more boring (if possible) than the first. There isn't much in "Giant." Miss Ferber has nothing to say and she says it with inordinately bad style.

Leslie Linton, Virginia bred, delicate, beautiful, charming, graceful, bountiful, gracious and witty is swept off her feet and carried off to Texas (in a private railroad car) by lusty, handsome, hardriding, hard swearing, hard drinking, domineering Jordan "Bick" Benedict, who except for his Ivy League schooling is a perfect grade "B" western hero.

The Benedict family owns one of the biggest ranches in Texas. They are in practice "noblemen." Leslie is horrified at the living conditions of the Mexican "serfs" on the ranch. Her own tolerance is justified by her father's middle western boyhood.

In fact, memory of her father's great character (the epitome of all southern chivalry and mid-western courage and love of liberty) is Leslie's and witty.

spiritual mainstay throughout her life in Texas. During the difficult years when Leslie has to contend with living in an enormous adobe, mansion, being waited on by servants, being driven in Cadillac, being dressed in mink, her thoughts turn evermore to her father living shabbily but honorably in Virginia.

Not that the Texans are dishonorable. Only a few are. But all the rest except Bick are as much in love with the almighty American dollar as any Yankee ever was. Bick wants to keep things the same in Texas as they have been for a hundred years—the same families ruling, cattle being the main industry, the Mexicans being happy on twenty dollars a month.

But Bick's world comes to an end. A mean ol' renegade that Bick kicked off his ranch makes more money than Bick ever dreamed of. Bick even has to sell this awful person the oil rights on part of the ranch in exchange for a few million dollars. Then Bick's own son violates tradition to become a doctor instead of a rancher and marries a Mexican girl. Bick's daughter doesn't do anything, but at the end she's contemplating marrying a dirt farmer. Meanwhile Leslie flits through the story being Virginia bred, delicate, beautiful, charming, graceful, bountiful, gracious and witty.



Dillman

Stolen Goods

Denver U Males Petition Dean To Be Treated Like Men Again

Peg Bartunek

Night owls at Denver University were recently dealt a low blow—the men were given "hours."

The upshot was anguished cries from the male students who refused to be treated like girls.

But there is a happy ending. A petition to the dean finally convinced him that one door in each dormitory should be left open for the latecomers.

Another ruling effecting the men was passed at the University of Kentucky. Fraternities who wish to operate on the campus must have an overall grade average that is equal to or above the overall men's average on the campus.

A disillusioned out of state Texas U student found that three fourths of the world-be

wealthy Texans have to wash their own Cadillacs. What a shame!

A somewhat novel election was held at the University of Minnesota. In campus-wide balloting, a faculty member was elected as the "Absent Minded Professor."

EDWARD R. MURROW

A Silent Hour, Please

(Editor's Note: Edward R. Murrow, CBS newsmen, gave a commentary on what he sees as the choice before the American voter as voiced by responsible spokesmen of both major parties. The following article was in answer to Gov. Stevenson's suggestion that a political party buy a half hour of radio silence during which the voter could think about their Nov. 4 decision. Murrow thinks what follows here is what the voters have to think about.)

"Do you want your throat cut? And if not what do you think of this degrading and disgraceful spectacle? Are you going to cast your ballot for thieves and rustlers, or for an unholy crew. Stand up and make your choice between a man with a funny bone and a man with no backbone. Make up your mind whether you go for good old American khaki or state department pink. Of course, now that winter is coming on, you have your choice between a cloth coat or a mink coat. You must decide whether we could have avoided World wars I and II and the Korean war, and while deciding these matters, neighbors, you must both look ahead and look out. Also beware of counterfeit rhetoric passing as legal tender, because the big money boys like a little unemployment and low wages.

You would have a formidable list of questions to decide during Governor Stevenson's half-hour of silence. For example, you would have to decide whether you ought to have your head examined; whether you know the difference between real artillery and harmless blanks; whether what you are witnessing is a great crusade, or a sad and pathetic spectacle. If you decide that an egg is bad you must determine whether to throw it out. If you are a farmer you must determine whether you are, or are about to be enslaved. And moreover, you must decide "who stuck the pitchfork in the farmer's back."

"There is some very direct lying going on," you must decide who's doing it. You must determine whether someone is trying to scare you in order to get your vote. "Is it time for a change?" or did you never have it so good? Or, as a third alternative; why shouldn't you have it better? Rise up and decide whether you want a president that is arrogant, complacent and indifferent. Are the candidates and their henchmen discussing the issues? Or is this whole thing a wave of filth?

You are asked to name the man who is just plain dishonest; the man who is using garbage pile tactics; and the candidate who has surrendered to moral scoundrels and moral pygmies. Make your choice between free and daring men and the old disciples of boom and bust. You cannot avoid the issue by indulging in "a hodge-podge of platitudes, generalities, half-truths and plain misrepresentation."

One candidate made off with a plank from the other fellow's platform in broad daylight. You must determine who did this deed and whether he is to be commended.

There appears to be an uncommon number of pussyfooters about; also traitors, incompetents and crooks. But be not discouraged, for there is an adequate supply of men with skill, know-how, vision and integrity. But if you look carefully there are hypocrites, sad of countenance, who

other surrendered something or other lock, stock and barrel. There have been a whole lot of unbelievable, complete and incredible surrenders to various things at various times. You will have to decide whether these actions were deliberate. Do you want to live in a purgatory of improvisation? Or do you want to elect all members of one party, good, bad and outrageous. What's your preference—an appeal to the emotions or the intellect?

"Are you fooled by the Big Lie technique—or just half-fooled?" Whichever it is, if you aren't careful the demagogues will get you. Do you want to buy a whole hog? And is your preference for night-mares or dreams? These decisions must be made because "it will be a long time before we get another chance." This is definitely the time to "cast away some stupid and wicked things." After all it should be relatively simple to determine which is the "do-nothing, know-nothing, care-nothing party." Presumably we all want "security and solvency." We'll just have to decide who's likeliest to get it for us.

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