#### **Editorial Comment**

### 'Lackadaisical' Hot Air

efforts last Saturday smacked strongly of the journalistic efforts aimed at ousting Coach Glassford last spring. In this account of the Nebraska-Pittsburgh football game the writer emphasized the fact our team seemed "lackadaisical' about the task of winning the game.

The paper in which this particular writer displayed his ware made quite a point of glorifying the ability and experience of its entire sport staff in a full page display with pictures and number of years of writing experience of each individual on the staff. Whether this -"display" was in defense of what the writers have written or will write or to drum up reader interest is something few persons outside of the organization that caused the printing will know.

#### Aged Pheasant

Three years ago, Frank P. Allen shot several pheasants in South Dakota and shipped them to Nebraska. A state game official spotted the birds and took action which resulted in Allen's appearance in county court for exceeding the limit allowed in Nebraska. Allen was acquitted

by the county court and the case dismissed. The county attorney, however, appealed the case to the Supreme Court of Nebraska which only recently handed down a final decision on the matter. Allen is to be given the pheasantsthree years after first getting them. Some wait for a Thanksgiving dinner!-T. W.

However, the 'lackadaisical' writer, whether he has had 30 years or three months experience, was wrong when he said the Cornbusker football team lacked drive and spirit while losing to Pitt 21-7 last Saturday. The Huskers were lacking in size and speed not in spirit and

Though all University students lack "lackadaisical's" experience in the world of sports, there are comparatively few of them who would agree with his handling of the story. It is clear our players ran into a team that was heavier, faster and generally better. Nebraska's loss to Pittsburgh was not a blot on a football recordit seldom is to lose a game to a better team.

The man who has been most vocally sarcastic about our team's showing last Saturday should have kept in mind the fact Pittsburgh is a better team than the majority we have played this year; a win over Pitt would have been an upset, and a team that looked wonderful in winning over Colorado and Missouri might well be outclassed (hence beaten) by another

Like the freshman's prize winning essay that seems smooth and polished when stacked up against other first-year-student themes, our football team might not have looked inspired compared to Pittsburgh. The fact remains, however, the other freshmen and the Husker football players shouldn't have been taken to task for doing their best .- T. W.

## Whose Queen Is It?

The campus extra-curricular activity, alable longavity and snow-balling potentialities, is queen electing. Some part of the University elects a queen each month or at least every two or three months.

But these queens, although they receive publicity which attaches them to the University as a whole, actually represent only segments of the University. Their representation is based upon those who select them, either in preliminary interviews or elections or on a final

The Ag campus elects a Farmer's Fair Queen -representing the students on Ag campus. The military elects an Honorary Commandant who is ultimately the choice of ROTC students. Nebraska Sweetheart is chosen by those students who have purchased tickets to the Kesmet Klub Fall Review. May Queen is the selection of junior and senior coeds. All these queens represent the University to outsiders but to many students they are supposed to represent the University, whether or not those students had any part in the election.

At the half-time of Saturday's football game another campus queen was presented - the demic standing. Homecoming Queen, According to Tassels she represents the entire University-more so than any other queen elected during the school year. chased football tickets and that number far exceeds the attendance at Kosmet Klub Shows sent the University as a whole, or the Military Ball. The problem lies in the fact that actually by virtue of her candidacy the Homecoming Queen election was taken as she represents the Tassels organization.

and the number of independent Tasseis are pendent women enrolled in the University,

However, membership in Tassels is not a though not recognized as such, with intermin- matter of free choice, that is, not any coed desiring to be a Tassel may do so because she must first be selected by her organized house or, in the case of independents, be selected from those independent volunteers attending the annual selection tea. Because of this restricted membership, Tassels must be termed a selective group and not representative of the University as a whole.

The Homecoming Queen candidates are chosen from junior members of Tassels who have best served the organization and indirectly the Uni-

If the Homecoming Queen is to be a representative of the student body and if the Homecoming Queen is an honor bestowed on that coed who has best served the University, it is illogical to confine her qualifications to membership in Tassels-a selective segment of the

Service to the University takes many forms. It may be in the form of supporting the football and basketball teams through the instrument of membership in a University organization or it may be through attaining high scholarship, thus supporting the University's acad-

If the Homecoming Queen is representative of service to Tassels and in turn the University -through Tassels' defination of their organiza-She is supposedly the choice of the whole Uni- tion's purpose-then she should be presented as versity and is presented to the whole Univer- such. Otherwise it is unfair to students at the sity-at least those students who have pur. University for a queen to be presented in their name, as their choice of the coed to repre-

Because Homecoming is so recent an event, an example. But the same election process holds true for other organizations choosing queens, Tassels are constituted as a service organizaThey should present their queen for what they tion - serving the University. They consider are-representatives of that specific group. Just themselves a representative group in that each as the Farmer's Fair Queen is presented as organized house has two members in Tassels representing the Ag students so should the Homecoming Queen be presented as a Tassel based proportionally on the number of inde- being honored for her outstanding service as determined by Tassels. -J. H.

## God's Place Questioned

various religious houses on campus.

Last week, the statement came in for a surprising amount of criticism. One student has but faith is an enigma. God is not an object to charged that The Nebraskan is editorializing, On the other extreme, the Professional Religious everywhere, anything and everything. He is Workers organization suggested changing the head because it did not give proper emphasis to God's place in student life. They felt it should be more positive.

To the agnostic, there is no recognizable God. Therefore, his claim is that it is merely the newspaper's opinion, and not actually a fact at all, that there is a God on campus. And opinion in news columns, whether in the story or the headline, is a journalistic taboo.

The Nebraskan believes that God does have a place on campus. We also believe that this is a fundamental faith, a basic concept of life tor the great majority of people-and we do not feel that we have taken too much journalistic freedom by saying so, Therefore, "God Has a Place On Campus" will continue to precede the religious news each week.

This headline acknowledges merely that there is a God. It does not attempt to say what form that God should take for any individual. God has many names, many forms. He stems from many different beliefs. It is the simple acknowledgement that there must be a power greater than man. What shape that power is-whether material or spiritual-is an individual decision, which The Nebraskan makes no attempt to influence.

The argument goes that if you can't prove-For several semesters. The Nebraskan has with cold fact and logic that there is actually run this standing head across the top of a a God, the concept of one must be just opinion. column including the schedule of activities of "But religion is not a subject which can be defined so clearly. Man's conscience and everything in nature testifies that there as a God . . . be set forth as Exhibit A. He is anywhere and whatever you choose to make Him.

> 女 Neither does The Nebraskan say what place on campus God shall have. That again is the student decision. We merely say that he has a place here, as he has everywhere.

On the other side of the fence, the Professional Religious Workers have said that the controversial headline underemphasizes and winds up giving the wrong impression. There contention is that the statement seems to say only that. well, we have our books and our parties and our activities and somewhere in this mess there is a little corner for God, too. This, they feel, does not give enough importance to God and his place in our lives. Obviously, in their opinion, we are not editorializing enough!

They also mentioned that the head was no longer effective. Through long semesters of use, it had become trite. So instead they suggested an impersonal label head, such as "Religious News." But is this supposed to be more effective and less trite?

The Nebraskan does not believe in injecting opimon in its news columns. But neither does it believe it is doing so by saying, "God Has A Place On Campus."

God has a place on campus, and The Nebraskan will still say so .- M. H.

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LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"One big advantage in having to take this course over is that I know when I'm supposed to laugh."

A Star Is Born

## Garland Frenzy Strains Scenes

By ELLIE GUILLIATT

ture in the grand old extrava- comedy is funny. At times I felt gant Hollywood style. It comes to a little uncomfortable in Judy you on the wide Cinemascope Garland's scenes. They tend to screen, sparkling with brilliant take on a frenzied aspect and one technicolor, and it engulfs you wonders whether Miss Garland with the omnipresence of stere- will stand up under the strain. phonic sound. Yet through "I this James Mason creates a believmaze of "bigness" comes a deli- able, and rather pathetic, characcate thread of quality. It is an ter in Norman Maine - a sensiinconsistent thread which some tive actor who lets himself get times gets lost in showiness, but lost in the treacherous Wonder-

comedy scenes. It is a picture a- while. a light vein.

bit jumbled, the musical numbers mission.

"A Star Is Born" is a BIG pic- are generally quite good, and the

land of Hollywood. But every so I think the thing that was most often the film reaches a disquietimportant for me was the honesty ing intensity and it is these moof the thing, apparent even in the ments which make the film worth

bout "Filmdom's Capital," but A Star Is Born ranks with the along with all the magical aura better movies that Hollywood has of stardom, you are given a look produced. It does not, in my opinat the tinsel, make-believe and ion, reach the level of art because hypocrisy inherent in the un- of its inconsistency and obvious stable Hollywood life. It is not a attempt to deliver its impact with brutal honesty - a baring of the "velvet gloves" as it were; it is soul type picture - but it is an not devastating in its expression

attempt to point a valid moral in of theme as say, for instance, "Sunset Boulevard" was. In short, lightful entertainment. Although be remembered over the years, the sequence of Vicky Lester's but it is certainly a good movie (Judy Garland) first movie is a and well worth the price of ad-

The Question Is . . .

After serious consideration of the editorial "Ah, To Be Dumb" we have come to the conclusion with subversive elements would. that the reasoning behind it must even though legal, be morally be either superficial or fallacious, proper." A straight forward in-Rather than unjustly condemn, terpretation to the first shows therefore, we would like to know exactly what the author was at abysmal ignorance of history and tempting to say

For the benefit of us, the confused, then, please answer the torial jurisdiction - the subverswhat courses denounce the princi- ive element of which he speaks is pes of a good life? Name them, apparently the Communist Chi-What courses claim the "mind to nese government, be the only supreme being in this Mr. Sogandares-Bernal's letter universe and deny the possibility is the botched expression of of revelation and insight having botched thought and as such may any place on earth?"

ways the "individual who never orical power to convince one that gets to college" is "a lot better those not similarly maundering off" than we are.

JANET GORDON

Wrong Policy

Dear Editor: A further point to Mr. Cooper

on why we should not recognize (Nebraskan, Nov. 9, 1954) is

the 1950 purge of Counter-revolu- intellectualism at the University tionaries claimed seven million of Nebraska. An intelligent liblives in execution, and 20 million eral arts student dies not consider courageous imprisoned citizens, intellectualism to be a profound Quite a toll don't you think?

tion?" Should we accept crimin- life, but, having gained a true libals into the UN? I will answer eral education, he attempts to

Please Answer

Dear Editor: sue independent foreign policies, oped his own philosophy of life." (Germany) is dismembered, with and written in those

gain the whole for its side.

spect to these nations is wrong, professor has told him. Instead of opposing, it should To state that liberal arts stustrongly support any moves that dent considers those who do not tend toward the development of have college degrees to be unforstrong Chinese and German re- tunate and to state that profesgimes. The internal character of sors like to laugh at and ridicule such regimes is one of our busi- men of other ways of life is to ness. Their external policies will insult the whole purpose of educainevitably frustrate Russia and tion and to be as naive as the cannot, of themselves be danger- wide-eyed" student who "was

ous to us. His statements in support of this and Andrews Halls. contention are awkward at best

-"I know of no government in history that has been corrupt and survived for long." "I don't beheve that ingratiating ourselves the second reveals a most vague idea of the extent of U.S. terri-

have certain phychological valid-And too, please explain in what ity, It scarcely has sufficient rhetmust admit themselves to be lack-JOHN GOURLAY ing in good-will or in sincerity. GUY L. COOPER III

#### Who's Dumb?

Dear Editor: Your editorial "Ah, To Dumb!"

a poor attack based on an ob-The latest statistics show that viously warped interpretation of pillar from which he mocks and May 1 again pose "The Ques- pities other men in other ways of sympathize with and understand FRANKLIN SOGRANDARES all men on all educational levels. Nor does an intelligent professor wait in gleeful anticipation to dis-China and Germany will impede cover and indoctrinate the "wide-Russian expansionism if they pur- eyed student who has not devel-They want to pursue independent The function of any professor in foreign policies and would do so any college is to help students to if they could. The reason they do understand and criticize subject not do so now is that the govern- matter with intelligence. The inment of the one (that of China) structor cannot possible turn the has no means of supplying itself or naive student into "an agnostic gaining any international status ex- who doubts everything that is not cept through Russia, and the other spoken by those godly professors the U.S. proclaiming it will not let 'texts' and who "believe (s) every go of what it holds, except to word of every lecture and book, for an agnostic is one who doubts The United States policy in re- everything - including what his

simply never taught to think for It seems to Mr. Sogandares- himself." Perhaps, M. M., you Bernal that such an opinion as should come out of the "seclusion" the above could be expressed on- of your intellectual vacuum and ly by a "Pink" or an eccentric become acquainted with some of who "just wants to be different." the "pseudo-intellects" in Burnett

Givin' 'Em Ell

by Dick Bibler

# 'Free' Means 'No Good'?



sense of good and bad. I do not a concert. (I use the term loosely.) mean good and evil; this is a moral problem which is personal. apparently eternal, and hardly a politan Opera Association was the matter to be dealt with here. 1 might even confine my remarks to sisted (so to speak) by Galen Lurof recreation, of good and bad business being at the piano, but forms of cultural education.

cally American: "You can't get of hicks; she sang what she felt a time, this phrase meant that a "Coming Thru the Rye." I have tainment.

The mid-west is culture-starved, friends. in the sense that we do not have Thursday night, Sinfonia, naing the students of this university tended. It was free. who are attempting to bring to us "Lord, what fools these mortals some of this classical culture, be!"

We Americans have a strange phony Orchestra Association gave Miss Nadme Conner of the Metrofeature attraction. She was asout ideas of good and bad forms wick at the piano. He had no that's where he was. Apparently We seem to live by the maxim Miss Conner felt that she was in that is trite, fallacious, but typi- the sticks, and singing to a bunch something for nothing." Once upon to be appropriate selections, i.e., man had to put out at least a not met anyone who stayed at the little effort if he wished to realize concert long enough to find out his dreams. Today, it means little how it ended; suffice it to say more than "If it's free, it's no that it was not too terribly successgood. There must be something ful. However, it cost money, Bewrong with it. or it would cost cause it cost money, lots of people money." The "it" here can mean went. It was supposed to be good almost anything . . . food, cloth- for two reasons: first, it cost ing, an act of kindness; mest of money; and second, the term all, concerts, plays, and other ar- "symphony" carries with it deftistic and cultural forms of enter- inite cultural and classical insinuations with which to impress one's

the advantages of the metropolitan tional professional music fratereast. Attending the ballet, the nity, presented a program of sixsymphony, or the play, is not a teenth century music. The numnatural, regular habit to us. As a bers were presented and conducted result, we have not developed a by students. The concert was quite taste for these things; worse, we good: it was certainly far more have not developed the power to enjoyable than Tuesday night's evaluate those artistic displays to fiasco at the Stuart. The Sinfonia which we are occasionally ex- concert was held in the Union ballposed. Worst of all, we are ignor- room. But it was not well-at-

Voice Of The Turtle

## Student Cures Thirst Collecting Cockleshells

By FRED DALY

All through our great campus bitter controversy wages over a problem which has fired the hearts of both students and University of-

dents has caused the administra- must henceforth warm his fingers tion rules. This policy was published for the benefit of students en underground, and people throughout the state.

through parking lots, occasionally looming up in the darkness before some student who was only looking for his car in the first place.

Editorials and articles have been printed, and many faces have been turned in mute and tearful supplieation to those who seem to know what really is going on. Many tables have rocked with pounded live tract to cope with. fists and numberless fists have been shaken futilely in the air.

Such are the external, apparent effects of the problem of drinking. They show the color, the fire and the waving banners. But, deep in the basement, there is a story so full of pathos and human emotion that it must be brought forward. This is the story of Milo Skalnik-student. Milo Skalnik is on O.M.O.C .-

Overlooked Man On Campus. While others wave their flags and bemoan their troubles before all who will listen, Milo takes his problem deep down inside of him and suffers with it. Milo has been bothered very

much by the damper put on his recreational facilities. While not by any means a drinker. Milo was not adverse to a nin or two before breakfast or between meals.

While other students went laughing gayly to Swede's for a coffee break. Milo would tip-toe into the nearest storm sewer for "a finger warmer" as he laughingly called

## Nobel

In Alfred Nobel's earlier will, the one made in Paris in 1893, and then cancelled, there was no specific bequest in regard to literature. Mention was made only in general terms of rewards for the most important and original discoveries or the most striking advances in the wide sphere of knowledge or on the path of human progress.

It is evident that the donor wished to aid, first of all, the exact sciences. It was not until he drew up his final will, in November 1895, that he made the stipulation that one of the five annual awards should be given to "the person who shall have produced in the field of literature the most outstanding work of an idealistic tendency."

Nobel's commendable desire to help and promote the cause of letters was inspired, first and last. by his own interest in literature, which had been developed in his earliest youth and was later stimulated by his continued language studies.

He not only read but mastered five languages, including Russian; his poems in English, written in his late teens and still preserved, show an astonishing toastery of poet diction and an unmistakably poetic instinct.

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ed Datts, suphomore in Arts and Seices. It will appear regularly in The Nesiskan editorial columns.)

(Editor's o'Ne: This column introduces policy on drinking had a profound effect on Milo, leaving him in a state of shock for six days. He spent four of them shivering under a pile of crushed rock in the

parking lot behind the Union. Emerging from his pile of This problem of drinking by stu- crushed rock, Milo realized he with extreme caution. He was driv-

As his supply of "store-bought" The statement of policy resulted produce, as he laughingly called in an influx of campus police and it, dwindled to what he could wring other interested parties tip-toeing out of old corks, he found himself using more and more questionable methods of substitution.

He existed for three weeks on Kelly Cocktails made by straining Mennen's Skin Bracer, through slices of bread. This process removed almost all the harmful elements from the liquid, leaving only the poisonous ones for his diges-

After this diet finally started to eat holes in the lining of his stomach he reverted to crawling along under automobiles with an ice pick and a lard pail, draining the anti-freeze from their radiators. He drank this laced with carrot juice to increase the nutritional

Before he was finally rescued from his destiution by a kindly Alabama yam-stuffer, he had turned to stealing the medicinal alcohol-sopped cotton from Student Health used to wipe off thermometers. He is now happily stuffing yams for union wages of \$2.28 a week. He has cured himself of his bad habits and spends his leisure hours collecting cockleshells. He has the largest cockleshell collection in Alabama, a state noted for the lack of same.

Such is the story of Milo Skalnik, student. Overlooked by the rush and fuss of campus activity, he conquered his problem by succumbing to it. His plight will serve as a symbol to all who follow after

Just what kind of a symbol, no one knows. Maybe collecting cockleshells is the answer, after all.



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