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Personality:

Knowles Recognizes NU Pastor's Duties

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Dr. Rex Knowles, Presbyterian-Congregational student pastor, said in a Summer Nebraskan "Personality" interview Tuesday that "I see my function as three-sided."

Knowles was recently awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from a stings College at the 1955 Commencement exercises.

The first side, he said, is the "providing of a religious program for church kids from church families who come to the University."

The pastoral side, Knowles said, concerns "counseling and care of all the students and organizations on campus." This involves "visitations to fraternities and sororities," he added.

The third side is interpretative, Knowles said. His function in this way, he explained, is to make

"the whole University—faculty, administration and students—face up to its true purpose for being." In this role, Knowles said that he tries to explain to them "the place of a university in God's world and the place of a student in this University."

He illustrated what he meant by citing a mural by Orozco in the library at Dartmouth College. It portrays, he said, an "obstetrical table on which a skeleton mother is being delivered of a skeleton baby wearing an academic mortar board. Assisting are doctors in academic garb. Arrayed on shelves in the background are other skeleton babies."

This mural, he continued, illustrates a "university's proficiency in the production of sterile ideas unrelated to life."

Knowles said, "I don't believe our University is this way, but it can be this way unless the University recognizes its particular calling under God."

He said that within a year a chapel will be built which will complement the three functions of a university pastor.



Knowles

Commencement Exercises Friday

The University summer commencement exercises will take place at 7 p.m. Aug. 5 in front of the East Stadium. Approximately 320 students will be granted degrees.

The commencement speaker will be Chancellor Leland Forrest of Nebraska Wesleyan University. He will speak on "If Tomorrow Comes . . ." Chancellor Clifford Hardin will preside.

Students receiving degrees will assemble at 6:30 p.m. in the Coliseum. They will obtain diplomas in the Coliseum after commencement ceremonies.

Dr. Forrest was appointed Wesleyan chancellor June 1, 1954. Previously he served three years as Dean of the College at Wesleyan. Forrest also was director of student personnel services and dean

of the college at Taylor University, Upland, Ind. He was an instructor in English and Bible at Anderson College, Anderson, Ind.

NU Enrollment Rise Expected

Between 7800 and 8000 students are expected to register for the fall semester at the University, Dr. Floyd Hoover, director of registration and records said Tuesday.

Hoover attributed this increase of 1000 over last year's second semester figure of 7000 students to a "growing interest in higher education, not only the increase in the birth rate."

Final total registration for Summer Sessions was 2,852. The breakdown by college follows: Law, 2; Dentistry, 66; Pharmacy, 20; Arts and Sciences, 278; Teachers, 740; Teachers Advanced Professional, 525; Graduate, 618; Engineering, 177; Business Administration, 219; Agriculture, 121; Junior Division, 19, and Students-at-Large, 67.

Union Schedules Two Film Presentations

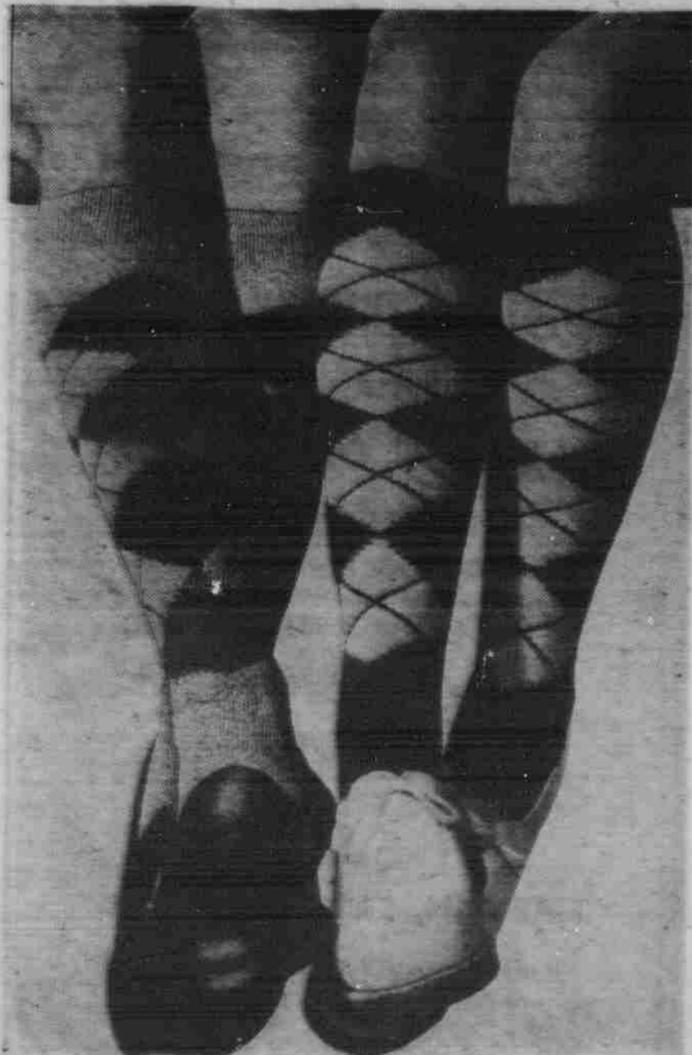
Two foreign films are on the Union agenda this week, one tonight and one Sunday evening in the Union Ballroom.

"Earrings of Madame De," which was scheduled two weeks ago, but failed to arrive in time for its scheduled Sunday showing, will be shown Thursday at 7:30. The regularly scheduled movie for this week is "Pit of Loneliness." Both films will be shown with-

out charge for admission. All persons participating in the Summer Sessions program are invited to attend, according to Judy Kaplan, Union activities director.

Starring Charles Boyer, Danielle Darrieux and Vittorio De Sica, the first film's story revolves around a pair of diamond earrings which complicates Madame De's unruffled wedded life. She pawns them and her husband repurchases them for his mistress.

To Expose Or Not To Expose...



Unsportingly?

For the information of the reader, the knees appearing on the left of the picture are those of the male animal and the more graceful appearing knees on the right belong to a young coed. The dress is quite

similar for both men and women and the best way to discover the sex of a Bermuda short wearer from the rear is to check the shoe size. The men, inevitably, wear larger shoes. (See Picture on Page 5).

After two seasons on the scene there still doesn't seem to be any decision as to the acceptability and propriety of Bermuda shorts. Segments of the college community would like to take shorts from the realm of the back yard—the garden and the lawn mower—and place them in a respected position on the campus and the streets of the city.

Last "Father's Day" many male were presented with this particular type of shorter pants. The only problem is where should they be worn, or should they be worn?

An editorial in the Colorado Daily has started a rather significant (if Bermuda shorts are significant) influx of mail to the editor's desk. The Summer Nebraskan decided to see what the few summer students had to say on knee exposure.

Norm Strand, graduate student in accounting, said, "I don't see any particular objection to them except in church and air-conditioned buildings."

Asked if he owned a pair or had ever worn Bermuda shorts, Strand admitted that he had worn shorts in Hong Kong. But he hastened to add that he doesn't wear them on campus because the only buildings he frequents are air conditioned—Social Sciences Hall, Love Library and the Union.

A male University faculty member who declined to give his name commented, "They look ridiculous." With that, he walked on.

A sophomore in journalism, Beverly Buck, answered, "Oh! I think they're lovely. They're very comfortable, cool and attractive, for both men and women." Miss Buck, however, had one reservation. She said, "Men shouldn't wear them without knee socks." Otherwise, she observed, "They look icky."

The former English department secretary, Mrs. Ann Gustafson, said, "I think they're great. I like them for both men and women. I wish we could wear Bermuda shorts to work."

The new secretary of the English department, Mrs. Dorothy Patrie,

in what she said was an Alabama accent, drawled, "Oh, definitely I think Bermuda shorts are the thing, the coming thing, that is."

She added, "My husband wears them all the time."

Following is the editorial which aroused indignation and comment at the University of Colorado:

"There's certainly nothing worse looking than a pair of men's knees, especially when they're sticking out of a pair of pants." Arthur Godfrey said recently in reference to Bermuda shorts. We agree.

And we found it difficult to become accustomed to even the most curvaceous female legs protruding from Bermudas. Since their introduction into the feminine wardrobe more than a year ago, Bermudas have spread in popularity faster than Davy Crockett reached the top of the hit parade. They've even gone as far as to make Bermuda tuxedos and pajamas. What'll be next?

We're certainly not against people wearing comfortable clothes, but it seems that all sense of beauty was thrown out the window when Bermudas became fashionable. The bonier a girl's knees, the more often she wears Bermudas, or so it seems. And even those females with attractive knees and shapely legs don't look any too terrific in the new fashion.

During the past year we have slowly become accustomed to girls wearing Bermudas. It's one of those things that's bigger than you, so why fight it?

But let's stop this foolishness before it spreads too far. We'll have to put up with women and their Bermudas until the fad dies down, but something should be done to limit their introduction into the male wardrobe. Is it necessary for men to look like grade school kids just to be fashionable? Do our clothes designers exert that much power over us that they can dress the population in clothes that look completely ridiculous? We say an emphatic "No!"

So let's keep those bony knees

and hairy legs under a pair of full-length trousers. Let's keep our sense of respectability.

"I am glad to find someone who is brave enough to face the criticism that he is bound to encounter as result of objecting to this growing fashion of bermuda shorts. To me, however, they are equally or more attractive than short shorts on most women. Those who should not wear bermuda shorts definitely should not wear them shorter, although they do.

As for the men: I think there are few things less attractive than bermuda shorts that display, not only bony knees, but hairy legs as well. If they don't care what most women think of their latest fad being usurped by the opposite sex, won't they even listen to a disgruntled member of their own sex?"

—and other's not so laudatory:

"1. Bermuda shorts are unattractive—even on girls with attractive knees. This is a flagrant abuse of editorial right of opinion—an attempt to foist upon the reading public a bigoted and unkind notion. I don't know the sex or inclinations thereto of the writer, but as for me, I like girls' knees, and if they choose to display them I am the gainer.

2. The sense of respectability is lost when men don Bermuda shorts. If so, then the most respectable people in England, on the Continent, and on the East Coast have been deluded for years. They are sensible, intelligent people, and the leaders of their countries. We should do well to lose a similar degree of respectability.

3. To wear shorts is to follow blindly the dictates of the fashion designers. How perverted can reasoning be? Trousers are obviously the most popular garments for men. Who, then, is being slavish—those who wear trousers, or those who wear shorts? Who is following blindly the dictates of the mass?