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#### THE NEBRASKAN

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## Nebraskan Editorials: The Silent Delegation

Attacks have been leveled at many organizations for the decided lack of school spirit this fall. The pep has been defined as so superficial that regulated content on banners has supposedly threatened pep rallies with extinction.

Fingers have been pointed in many directions during this controversy attempting to justify blame, but to date seemingly no progress has been made towards the deciding factor. This silent delegation that will either make or break the future school spirit is none other than the apathetic student body.

Excuses were partially accepted when the attendance at the rally two weeks ago numbered less than 100. But when last week's turnout was almost as slight, many a wrinkle came over the Yell Squad's brow. And this worry is indeed justified.

Something must be dratsically wrong. When less than 100 out of an enrollment total of 8,000 the pre-migration rally.

attend rallies the problem is getting acute. This attitude of indifference isn't casting a creditable reflection on the University, the football team or the student body.

If the University is going to compete in intercollegiate athletics, the school support should be on a similar level. This all boils down to the fact that this fall, students should support the team at all times and not just when they get within their opponent's 10 yard line.

Support at this time is extremely important, but it will never result if this position is never reached. And backing is an instrumental factor in attaining it.

The migration to Colorado is a gratifying example of school spirit if properly channeled. The football team always seems to be inspired for the Colorado rivalry but they need the support of the entire student body.

And this support could best start tonight at

## Westward Ho!

Migration: The time of the Cuckoo. In other of days. It will mean time to catch up on words, the time when the University en masse pays its respects to Colorado, Boulder in particular and Tulagui's and the Sink especially.

The Move-to-the-West is a biennial feature of student life on this campus. Everyone who can pile into a friend's car (anyone who can avoids taking his own car) and starts the stream to the mountains flowing. Cars will creep, fly and chug along U. S. 6-34; if those in your car are under 21, what route is it through Kansas?

To those who must remain in Lincoln over the weekend, we wish a quiet, studious couple

studies, read a book , attend the Homebodies Dance, take in the flicks and listen to the Buffalo-Cornhusker game on radio.

The weekend here won't really be dull; it will be lonesome at the most. The stay-at-homes can laugh at those who return Sunday a little the worse for wear. Professors will be full of wit Friday afternoon (those who stay here hope.)

We wish to those who make the trip the bestof luck and good times. But more than to you the gridiron tourists we wish to Pete and the team the bests of luck against the Buffs.

## From The St. Louis Post Dispatch: **Youths View Scientists**

The world is moving into the atomic age at what seems an amazingly swift rate but the scientists responsible for the transition do not appeal to the nation's youth. That is the essence of Purdue University survey that sampled 15,000 high school students and represents a good cross-section of the 8,000,000 youths in secondary schools of the United States.

Is the acute shortage of atomic scientists to grow even worst? Judging from the survey statistics, yes. They show that boys put medicine as first choice for a career. Then, in order, come chemist, electrical engineer, high school science teacher, mechanic, sales clerk, psychologist, storekeeper, and-last of all-atomic scientist. Moreover, the survey shows that atomic scientists are ranked lowest by every section of the country and by all students.

Why is the atomic scientist at the bottom? A breakdown reveals 25 per cent of the students survey shows where the weaknesses lie.

think that scientists as a group are decidedly "odd" while 14 per cent believe there is something "evil" about them. Such beliefs show that a true picture of the atomic scientist is not being received by youth. It should not be too difficult to put the picture in proper perspective.

But the best clue as to what is wrong lies in the statement that 45 per cent of the students do not believe their school background is good enough to permit them to choose science as a career. So while a surprising number have a distorted view of an atomic scientist as an "egghead," many others evidently believe that their high schools are deficient in giving them the requirements for pursuing science in college. That is where they may well be more knowing than many an adult.

It is up to the adults to provide the curricula and the guidance that are necessary to lead youth into the field of the scientist. The Purdue



"JUST ONE STUDENT TO POSE" FOR, MISS LEER - SEEMS A GTUPID RUMOR GOT AROUND WE WEREN'T HAVING CLASS TODAY"

However, this gaming spirit only extends so far, and if I, in a typically dreamy mood, should happen to check out a tier of books (as I once did, in a liting vein), the institution ought to know that I have every intention of returning them as soon as I have clipped out the pages I need.

And, instead of turning my name over to the campus police, they could dash off a short memo for the secretarial staff, just to keep their records straight, in the playful spirit in which the books were checked out (how else would they be checked out?), perhaps drop-ping me a kidding line in return:

Dear Mr. Brugmann; Noticed a collection of books overdue for nearly six months. Glad to see you are exercising your library privileges again. If you are in the neighborhood, drop in sometime for a drink, and we'll chat about your problems. Damn it all anyway, LOVE LIBRARY'S LOSS.

Now a note like that would dis-

# The **Silent Majority**

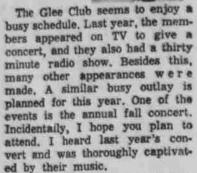
If you are in the Snack Bar of Selleck Quad, and happen to hear a terrific musical sound drifting from one of the adjacent rooms, the RAM Glee Club is probably responsible for it. Not long ago, I had the pleasure of listening to this group display their ability. Although they were not giving a concert, they had a pleasing sound. Everyone would surely enjoy this kind of music.

The Glee Club has actually jumped into existence. One year ago the first practice was held. Here, eight men gathered and called themselves the RAM Glee Club. Since then they have

### **Dwane Rogge**

progressed into a solid, polished singing group of thirty members. Dick Oehring, their director, deserves a lot of credit. He has devoted many hours toward making this group a top Glee Club. Of course, every member deserves part of the credit for the group's success.

The Club likes to sing all types of music and constantly tries to enlarge their music library. For instance, one of the members said they sang anything feasible. I found that this includes some contemporary serious numbers, old standards, novelty numbers, and n gro spirituals. Such a large selection can hardly help but satisfy most member's likes in music type.



Another of the group's interests is the Ivy Day Sing. Last year, they made a guest appearance here, I believe that such a group should not be excluded from regular competition in this event. Our country and our University and its students supposedly support demo-cratic ideals; one of which is the ideal of equality and equal opportunity for everyone regardless of association.

The RAM Glee Club members like to sing and they show it when they perform. They enjoy work-ing together and learning from each other. This makes them one of the lively, vigorous organizations that are serving the U. of N. Independents, giving them part of the finer side of life, and developing the informed, well rounded college man.

#### **AWS Workers**

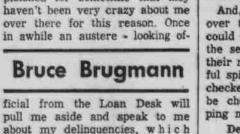
The first AWS workers meeting will be held Wednesday at 5 p.m. in room 313 of the Union, Rita Jelinek, AWS Workers Chairman announced.



#### LANGUAGE MADE SIMPLE: No. 1

In this day of swift international communications, like radio, television, and the raft, it becomes increasingly important for all of us to have a solid grounding in foreign languages. Accordingly, I have asked the makers of Philip Morris whether I might not occasionally forego levity in this column and instead use it for a short lesson in language.

"Of course, silly !" chuckled the makers, tousling my yellow hair. Oh, grand men they are, the makers of Philip Morris, just as full of natural goodness as the



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There has always been a slight feeling of strain in my personal

relations with Love Library, ow-

ing doubtless to my never being

able to get borrowed books back

I may be overly sensitive about

the whole thing, but I have sus-

picioned for sometime that they

serves only to worsen this infer-

These people always seem

pleasant enough, and, I imagine,

wouldn't be a bad sort to have a

beer with some evening. However,

under these circumstances, I al-

ways feel a bit uneasy, especially

when an affectionate pat on the

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on time.

iority.

The following feature contrasts the opposing views of selection methods for the title of Homecoming Queen. Since a controversy has arisen the Nebraskan has decided to print the exact words of the two people in charge of this election process. Mick Neff is vice president of Student Council in charge of elections and Shirley McPeck is president of Tassels, the sponsoring organization of the Homecoming election.

**Opinions** Contrasted

### **By Mick Neff**

A very unusual condition exists on this campus at the present time. A condition wherein the Homecoming Queen-a representative of the entire campus population and the University in general-is chosen from a minute group of junior girls belonging to a small organization with selective membership.

Unlike the Farmers Fair Queen or the Honorary Commandant, the Homecoming Queen represents every college, every organization and every person on this campus. In the above instances if the Farmers Fair or Military Dept. were to fold, the Queens would also disappear. However if the Tassel organization was to dissolve there would still remain a Homecoming Queen. Then why do Tassels control the selection? To limit the candidates to the juniors of one organization is in effect allowing us to elect a Queen of girl yellers, who ultimately is Homecoming Queen.

It has been stated by a member of Tassels that this is a truly representative organization with two girls from each sorority and an equal number of independents-ten girls surely cannot be termed representative. The question must then arise why not have a truly representative group of candidates of the campus, who do not have the limitations of Tassel membership.

We must not overlook an excellent group of junior girls who have shown outstanding qualities of campus leadership and have been loyal supporters of the University. Should these girls be exempted from this honor because as a freshman they were not selected for membership in Tassels? However even more detrimental to the choice of candidates is the fact that the method of election can be altered each year (It is not in writing). An unscrupulous group of officers could hand pick their own Queen by method alteration, (Four beasts and a beauty.) It has been stated that membership is relative low this year. If the proportionate membership does not remain constant, why then can not the membership dip even lower?

The only real defense for the present system is that a girl should be rewarded for her support of the teams, Undoubtedly the Tassels perform a fine campus function, but why should they be allowed to use our queen as a reward for good elub activities.

### By Shirley McPeck

The Homecoming Queen should be chosen from Tassels because, in my opinion, a Tassel is really the best girl deserving of the honor. Why should Tassels have the authority to choose the Homecoming Queen? Each sorority house has two representatives. There are a total of sixty girls in Tassels. Thirty are affiliated and thirty are independents. The independents have an equal chance with the affiliated girls for the honor. Has the girl who stated, "I just don't understand why we all can't have a equal chance to be Homecoming Queen" ever thought about who decorates the coliseum, the stage, arranges the parade, works on rallies, sets up homecoming half-time ceremonies, makes the float for the H. C. Queen, creates school spirit by standing on street corners selling pom poms, balloons, suckers, and N flowers, sets up the card section every Saturday morning at 8 a.m., attends all basketball and football games?

Why shouldn't a Tassel be repaid for all the work she has done? Let's keep one election on campus clear frce "politics" and let the girl who really deserves the honor receive it.

The present method has been successful in the past and the majority of the students are satisfied. Last year, all five Homecoming Queen candidates were tapped Mortar Boards on Ivy Day. Isn't this proof that the girls chosen were outstanding people?

When a girl is chosen to be a Tassel, she knows that she will have a chance to be a candidate for Homecoming Queen if she stays and works in the organization for two years. Some girls just don't want to try that hard for a title -so hats off to the 1956 Homecoming Queen Candidates who, in my opinion, are the ideal girls on campus deserving of the honor.

## After thoughts

#### The Lighter Side

Bill Moore gave this description of a psychology professor in his column in the Ohio State Lantern. He's a man who enters a classroom 'and says, "Good morning, students. You're fine, how am I?"

head accompanies the solemn intonation: "Well, lad, let's get those books back, ey?"

This approach usually has the effect of solidifying what little resistance I may have left. (My reputation for resisting authority has been steadily ebbing away, now that my morning professors are beginning to comment on a constitutional inability of mine to attend early classes.)

And so it is that I stoically hold on as the bureaucratic machinery turns on me in full force, pelting me with a barrage of impersonally nasty notes from Love Library, teacups from Ellen Smith Hall and unpleasant leers from campus do-gooders busily cultivating their virtues.

Eventually, after I think that the people behind the big desk are sufficiently done in, I contact the finance company and wheel another Brugmann Annex contribution over to the Library.

Now, what I think is needed most in the personal relations between a library and its loanee is a sense of fun. Love Library is usually pretty good about this sort of thing, keeping the good books as well hidden as possible, putting the ones you want to check out on reserve and locking the dirty ones away in the cage.

arm me completely, and would make me do all in my power to get those books back to the loan desk. There wouldn't be this constant bickering inherent in the old system, and if I ever got the chance to do the Library a favor in return, you may be sure that I would follow through with the same spirit of genial burlesque and jolly good fun.

This surely isn't too much to ask, and if Love Library would transmit such a message to me on the four books of mine which are now overdue, I'm sure that I would be more than willing to cooperate.

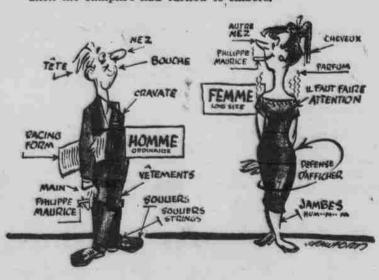
### **Rag Migrates**

The Nebraskan will be available in Boulder Saturday morning at a stand near the main lobby of the Colorado Memorial Center, through arrangements made with the Colorado daily. Friday's edition of the Rag will include several stories on

the Husker-Colorado game and migration. A pep rally has been tentative-

ly slated in front of the Memorial Center at 12:30 p.m.

cigarettes they make. "Of course, fond boy, you may occasionally forego levity in this column and instead use it for a short lesson in language!" said the makers and tossed me up and down in a blanket until, rosy with laughing. I bade them desist, and then we all had basins of farina and smoked Philip Morrises and sang songs until the campfire had turned to embers.



For our first lesson in language, let us take up French, which has often been called the lingua franca of France. We will approach French in a new manner, because, to be brutally frank, the way it is taught in our colleges is archaic and obsolete. Why all this emphasis on grammar? After all, when we get to France does it matter if we can parse and conjugate? Of course not!

So for the first exercise, translate the following real. true-to-life dialogue between two real, true-to-life Frenchmen named Claude (pronounced Clohd) and Pierre (also pronounced Clohd):

CLAUDE: Good morning, sir. Can you direct me to the nearest monk?

PIERRE: I have regret, but I am a stranger here myself.

CLAUDE: Is it that you come from the France? PIERRE: You have right.

CLAUDE: I also. Come, let us mount the airplane and return ourselves to the France.

PIERRE: We must defend from smoking until the airplane raises itself.

CLAUDE: Ah, now it has raised itself. Will you have a Philippe Maurice?

PIERRE: Mercy.

CLAUDE: In the garden of my aunt it makes warm in the summer and cold in the winter.

PIERRE: What a coincidence. In the garden of my sunt too!

CLAUDE: Ah, we are landing. Regard how the airplane depresses itself.

PIERRE: What shall you do in the France?

CLAUDE: I shall make a promenade and see various sights of cultural and historical significance. What shall you do?

PIERRE: I think I shall try to pick up the stewardess. CLAUDE: Long live the France!

OMax Shulman, 1956

Et vive oussi la Philippe Maurice, la cigarette très bonne, très agréable, très magnifique, et la sponsor de cette column-là.

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