

Nebraskan Editorials:

The State Of Diversity

The events of the past week have left campus politicians gasping for words. Even, the Student Council's vital issue of Homecoming Queen election has been forgotten.

If it is possible to discover a common denominator among the IFC's letter to the Chancellor, the removal of two skits from consideration for the Kosmet Klub Show and the investigation into a dance held at the Turnpike Homecoming evening then it may be found in the Division of Student Affairs.

The IFC's letter is now in the hands of J. P. Colbert, Dean of Student Affairs, who is also chairman of the committee on student affairs of the Faculty Senate. The two skits which were rejected were turned down by a committee appointed by Dean Colbert. Associate Dean Frank Hallgren reportedly jotted down license numbers of cars at the Turnpike Homecoming eve and Dean Colbert is said to have interviewed several students on the subject.

The IFC query, which is still hush-hush for some good reason, no doubt, was sent to the Chancellor and in effect was a deliberate affront to Dean Colbert and Dean Hallgren.

It would seem that the fraternity system's respect for the Student Affairs office has reached a new low. If the IFC has no confidence in the University officers in Ellen Smith, then something should be done by both groups to alle-

viate an unfortunate situation. The Nebraskan has previously condemned the rash action of the IFC, but we also hope that the Student Affairs office or the committee on student affairs will do their best to bring things to a satisfactory conclusion.

Perhaps, Dean Colbert's office will have to go more than half way, but if they are acting in "good faith," then this may not be too much to ask.

Last year we spoke of a "breach," and a wider gap could not exist at this University than one between leaders of campus fraternities and the Student Affairs Administration. Perhaps at the meeting of the student affairs committee next week both sides will do their best to come to an understanding.

One thing is certain. Something must be done in the very near future to restore confidence in the Student Affairs office which in the past has often followed inconsistent and somewhat confusing policies.

This confusion is a result of too many closed meetings and undisclosed decisions made in Ellen Smith Hall. The IFC is not the only organization noted for secret sessions. Try to gain entrance to a meeting of the committee on student affairs sometime.

But, whatever is done by either side in the future, let it be done openly and yes, let it be done in "good faith."

Fraternity Support

Elusive rumors have been circulating the campus to the effect that there is no fraternity support behind this year's Military Ball.

More specifically, the basis of the argument revolves around an invalid syllogism stating: Fraternities are against the administration

The Military Ball is affiliated with the administration

Therefore the fraternities are against the Military Ball

This argumentum ad administration is not the opinion of the fraternity system. This can be proven by the results of ticket sales in organized houses.

Where fraternity support can be justly ques-

tioned is on the matter of the so called "package deal" which offers dinner for two, orchid, transportation and tickets for a total price of \$8.50. Many organized houses are sponsoring group dinners before the dance at various restaurants, thus causing conflict.

However, as these are dinner parties, they will disband before the ball assuring attendance.

It is a recognized fact that the Navy department has done an outstanding job in their sponsoring of the Ball and from all indications it will result in the best on-campus dance in recent years, following a prolonged drought of more than dry dances.

From The New York Times: We Accuse

We accuse the Soviet Government of murder. We accuse it of the foulest treachery and the basest deceit known to man. We accuse it of having committed so monstrous a crime against the Hungarian people recently that its infamy can never be forgiven or forgotten.

Lenin wrote in 1900: "The Czarist Government not only keeps our people in slavery but sends it to suppress other peoples rising against their slavery (as was done in 1849 when Russian troops put down the revolution in Hungary)." How apt these words sound today when we substitute "Soviet" for "Czarist" and 1936 for 1849.

Hatred and pity, mourning and admiration, these are our emotions today: hatred for the men and the system which did not hesitate to shed new rivers of Hungarian blood to reimpose slavery; pity for the Soviet soldiers, duped into thinking they were fighting "Fascists" when they killed defenseless or nearly defenseless men, women and children; mourning and admir-

ation for the heroic Hungarian people who feared not even death to strike for freedom.

Gone now are the last illusions. Moscow now stands self-exposed. The torrent of Soviet bullets recently did not kill only Hungary's freedom and Hungary's martyrs. Those bullets killed first of all the picture of a reformed, penitent Russia seeking to repudiate Stalinism and practice co-existence. Could Stalin have acted more barbarously than did his successors recently? Can we have any doubt now of what awaits us if we ever relax our vigilance and permit ourselves to become prey to Soviet might, as was Hungary recently?

The day of infamy is ended. The foul deed is done. The most heroic are dead. But the cause of freedom lives and is stronger than ever, nurtured by the blood of those who fell martyred in freedom's cause. The Hungarian people will never forget. We shall not forget. And out of hatred and tears is born the resolve to carry forward the struggle till freedom is triumphant.

Newman Club Slates Ball: The Religious Week

Newman Club will hold its annual Harvest Ball at East Hills Friday from 8 to 11:30 p.m. Admission to the dance is \$1 per person.

Baptists and Disciples of Christ Student Fellowship

Sunday: 5 p.m., supper, worship and election of officers.

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

Friday: 8 p.m., worship at South Street Temple, 20 & South.

Friday: 9 p.m., worship at Congregation Tifereth Israel, 32 & Sheridan. Sermon on "What do we have to be thankful for?"

Saturday: 8 a.m., worship at Congregation Tifereth Israel.

Lutheran Student House

Friday: 8 p.m., International Night on "The Middle East Crisis."

Saturday: 4 p.m., post-game coffee.

Sunday: 9:30 and 11 a.m., morning worship; 10 a.m., Bible class; 5 p.m., LSA cost supper and discussion on "The Meaning of Thanksgiving."

Methodist Student House

Sunday: 9:15 a.m., Bible study; 5 p.m., cost supper; 8:45 p.m., discussion; 6:45 p.m., worship.

Newman Catholic Center

Friday: 8 p.m., Harvest Ball.

Sunday: 8, 9, 10, 11 a.m. and 12 noon, masses;

5:30 p.m., Newman Club supper and business meeting.

Weekdays: 6:45 and 7:15 a.m., masses.

Presbyterian-Congregational

Sunday: 5:30-7:30 p.m., forum on "World Tensions in the Middle East" led by Abdul Rahim and Elmosa Hussein.

Monday: 7 a.m., Bible study.

Tuesday: 7 and 11 a.m., Basic Christian Beliefs study group.

University Episcopal Chapel

Sunday: 11 a.m., Morning Prayer; 6:30 p.m., Canterbury Club supper and discussion.

Tuesday: 10 a.m., Holy Communion.

University Lutheran Chapel

Friday: 1:5-15 p.m., announcement for Communion.

Sunday: 10:45 a.m., Thanksgiving worship with Holy Communion; 5 p.m., Gamma Delta supper and discussion on topic "The Romance of Christian Stewardship" led by The Rev. Waldo Werning.

Unitarian

Sunday: 5 p.m., youth group discussion session at the home of The Rev. Peter Raible, 2458 Lake St. Transportation will be provided from the Student Union.

'round the prickly pear



Things have come to a pretty pass when a fellow can't get a quiet little fire started without some genial do-gooder coming along and putting it out. What are we becoming anyway—a University of dull plodders?

Now I don't mean to take Love Library to task again, even though some of their personnel have appeared a bit crisp towards me lately, but I don't like the idea of lighting a fire in the lounging room, and then having it extinguished in a matter of minutes.

Undoubtedly, this sort of thing will keep me on my toes, and I shall be forced to be a little more thorough in future preparations; nevertheless, it confirms my suspicion that Love Library has something up its sleeve.

There always has been something tricky about the place, and, if a recent communication can be any judge of its present disposition, it appears as though the institution might be forsaking its distinctive impersonality for a more amiable approach.

This is the text of the letter which I received; transmitted on a gently flowered surface, with a dash of perfume:

We of the circulation department like periodically to renew old acquaintances both with our customers and with our old musty books. It seems as though you have one of our books out at the moment which we have not seen for sometime.

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THE AUSTERE OFFICIAL

Now, I ask you, what decently respectable chap would resist such an appealing entreaty? I took back the books within the next two days, and, if I can get the items returned that I have checked out in Marvin Breslow's name, things will be pretty well squared away, I'm sure.

However, I do get the feeling that my relations with Love Library have been stabilized on a more healthy basis, and I now feel free to turn to less important campus trouble areas which merit my passing attention.

I don't suppose that it is important enough to sidetrack any of the big issues for, but I wish that some of those ROTC tacticians would give a little thought some Saturday afternoon to the pressing matter of a tea lift for Ellen Smith Hall.

Presently, the shortage of tea has been as noticeable as the lack of responsibility in Ellen Smith and I shudder to think what might happen should both commodities fall by the wayside at their present pace.

The first of these amiable irresponsibilities evolved last week when four fraternities were asked to disaffiliate with the unofficial Homecoming party at Turnpike, and the remainder of the houses were told it would not be wise to attend.

Associate Dean Frank M. Hallgren appeared at the event, license numbers were taken and a list of names compiled; later Dean of Student Affairs J. P. Colbert ordered Bob Cook to resign from the presidency of the Delt house and the vice-presidency of the IFC for what the Dean termed "an act of bad faith."

Other fraternity presidents were called in for consultation, yet no other action was taken against either individuals or houses.

Monday afternoon Cook was recalled to the Student Affairs Division and told by the Dean, backpedalling like a veteran from a virtually indefensible position, that he was completely restored in his former campus offices.

As if to show that "bad faith" is not a fraternity monopoly, let us examine the ban placed upon the Delt and Selleck Quad Kosmet Klub skits Tuesday. Only minutes before these two skits were to be judged Tuesday evening, the two groups were notified that their acts had been considered unacceptable, and that they would not be allowed to participate.

Yet, it is a matter of fact that the decisions on these skits had been submitted to the Dean's office on Saturday by the faculty judging committee, and that Kosmet Klub president Bill Bedwell did not receive this information from the Dean until 7 p.m. Tuesday evening.

This inconsiderate delay in notification not only denied any opportunity for the groups to correct their scripts, but forced them to practice four extra days.

Although this is not the essential issue, I would suspect that the wise committee—following a ban on a play taken almost verbatim from the Broadway musical "Damn Yankees" and another on a retreat job of the "Odyssey," will be hiking over to Howell Theater this evening to toss stones at "The Garden of Asclepius," a Greek play dealing with an incestuous mother-son theme. (That scamp from the English department should be soundly thrashed for his part in this messy affair.)

These above actions, typical of

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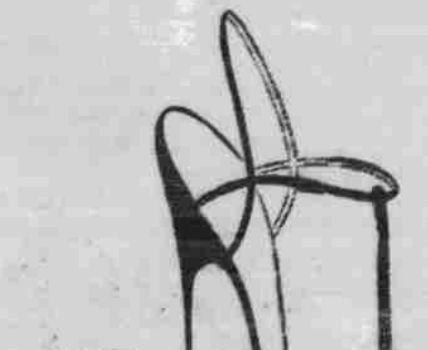
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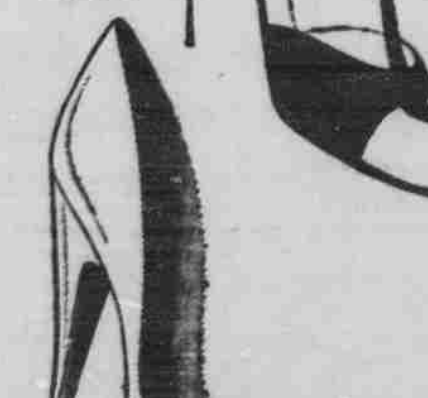
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