

Editorial Comment

University Rush

Several groups from outstate high schools have visited the University campus in recent weeks.

High School cheerleaders, debaters, and even part of the senior class of Grand Island's top rated prep school have been on the grounds for indoctrination into the mysterious ways of a large state university.

It appears to be a part of a trend. Now, not only do sororities and fraternities carry on rush programs, but the University itself appears to be trying to entice high schoolers into joining the campus scene when they graduate.

To such a campaign, the Daily Nebraskan says "blessings." We hope it works.

Back in the days when we were in high school, it used to be a real thrill to come to the Lincoln campus for football games and speech tournaments. It gave us a feeling of belonging, and increased our desire to use these facilities which our fathers had provided for us.

These visits made the fast approaching

freshman year at college much less terrifying for us and increased our desire to continue our education.

In short, the trips served a useful purpose.

As a matter of fact, they served a much more useful purpose than did the dozens of other outings to other events which our high school sponsored.

Though he wouldn't admit it (and high schoolers still won't) one trip to the University campus gave us as much valuable experience as any out of town basketball or football games, music clinics, band concerts, career days, etc. ad nauseum that our school administrators dreamed up for us during the entire duration of our high school careers.

So here is a helpful hint to the state's school administrators. Why not concentrate on giving your students a solid background for that terrifying day when they must attend their first University class?

After all, someday these kids are going to have to jump into the pond and learn how to swim.

Individual Staff Views

By Emmie Limpo

I'm sorry, but I don't have any views today.

I just don't, that's all. Funny, I always knew there would be a day like this.

I can't think of a thing to gripe about—amazing, isn't it??

Actually, I'm pretty tired of all these astounding declarations, criticizing this and that. Maybe I'm just tired—there must be some reason.

Now I'm griping too, about all the griping that's going on. Oh well, everybody does it.

However, quite a few people have realized the amount of general displeasure on campus. Everybody seems to be completely fed up with everything. (You must admit that takes in quite a lot of ground.)

I suppose I could develop that topic a bit, but as I said I don't have a view. I'm completely neutral today.

No deep perplexing challenge will be thrown at the reader in this column today. Look around the page a bit and see the plans being made to overthrow the Division of Student Affairs, Kearney high

school, the Chinese Communist Army, Steve Shultz and all beauty queens.

You name it, somebody doesn't like it. I guess I'll like everything, just for a change, just for about an hour or two.

Don't get me wrong, though. I may be void of all earth-shaking and timely controversies, but I would like to see a few changes. (naturally)

For Christmas, two weeks for Thanksgiving, no finals, no Saturday classes, serve beer in the Union and I can't think of anything else right now.

If you have any good practical ideas such as these without ones, you might write a letter. They're always good for a chuckle.

And people need a chuckle now and then. Of course in the underground Union, known as the Rag subversive offices, we don't laugh much anymore.

The practically all-girl staff has taped shut their mouths for fear giggles might escape. After a few hours down here anything can happen. And anything makes us laugh—from meetings in the Horse Barn to one writer calling Mr. Jehle (pronounced Yea-ia) Mr. Jelly. The latter went over well.



Emmie

From the Editor

A Few Words of a Kind

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I sit down in my office and wonder how it ever happened — my being here. And Jerry Sellentin opens the door and asks, "How's it going?"

"I'm beat," I reply.

"Tough weekend?"

"Partly, but mostly a tough day of constant defense."

Then Jerry says, "Well, I'll leave you to your tomb then." And he closes the door and leaves me sitting over my typewriter with an aching head filled with questions, doubts, fears, off color jokes, and a picture of how the sky looks when the sun disappears leaving behind a temporary red veil.

This afternoon, as the front page story will indicate, I attended a review of the criticisms of the Student Tribunal. The hearing was conducted by the Student Council Judiciary Committee under the chairmanship of Gary Frenzel. Tribunal judges, including Dean Belsheim; a couple of interested students, including Dave Keene, who worked long and hard to help establish the Tribunal while he was on Council, were present along with a Nebraskan reporter.

The session often developed into a review of the competence of the reporting of the Daily Nebraskan, which is of course only fair. There are two sides to every story.

I could not claim that the Daily Nebraskan has not made mistakes because I know of no paper which does not make mistakes. But I could point, somewhat proudly, to the fact that at least our mistakes were in black and white.

The end result of the session was a clear picture of two opposing philosophies meeting head on. Right to privacy fought right to information. One would be unfair to say that there are not plausible arguments for both sides. The review showed that the

judges sincerely felt the sessions should be closed if the student desired such action, and that I—as a newspaper person interested in freedom of information—felt that hearings should never be closed.

It is possible that someday I may awake and feel that my philosophy toward closed sessions is wrong. At the present time, I doubt it. This may not be the great world, but it shouldn't be pictured as a unique society in which no methods of procedure in the outside world apply.

Keene is a very sincere person. He has worked as hard for the Tribunal as anyone has ever worked for the development of an organization. I respect him for this, but I cannot agree with him that the present Tribunal is effective. I feel that we have merely created a listening board with absolutely no power. The administration may use such a group to argue fairness in its methods of discipline, but it is obvious from discussion that the Tribunal has heard only cut and dried cases. This leads one to wonder if such a function is justification enough for a Tribunal's existence.

One reason why I object so strongly to closed hearings, even when the student desires one, is that they automatically offer the opportunity for false rumor to develop. Also, unless all meetings are open it is impossible to get a complete evaluation of competence of Tribunal members, the fairness of their recommendations, and the actual value of the Tribunal in both principle and operation. The Tribunal should be in existence primarily for the student body, and the student body should have the right to decide — upon a prolonged review of its actions—whether the Tribunal is doing a job worth doing.

Right now, it seems to me, we have a semi-private listening lab where we should have a student court. We may have a fine, worthwhile organization — but again I doubt it. And what bothers me is that it isn't always possible to find out if my doubts are justified.



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My Little World

By Judy Truell

Monday the Judiciary Committee of the Student Council was to meet with the members of the Student Tribunal.

I'm going to be there with reams of papers, folders of pertinent poop and the hope that from it the Student Tribunal will be able to cease being the news of the moment and try to satisfy eight thousand students.



Judy

Speaking of "being kicked in the groin and slapped in the face", has anyone actually stopped to think about this controversial subject, or do they realize that along with some substantial criticism, the Tribunal has been the doormat for a biting wit and a large vocabulary. The power of words and the power of the press are really something.

While sitting outside Bessey Hall frantically studying for a zoology test, I heard my first tiger growl and I really was impressed. It was a large growl (perhaps because it came from a about twenty hearty young males) and really done in all seriousness.

As for all those who find the growl a bit on the humorous side, didn't you quite make the grade; feel that your talents were needed elsewhere; or couldn't they find a uniform to fit you?

Migration is just about upon us and in two or three days the hoard of thirsty students will descend like the proverbial locusts on Boulder. But alas, there are those of us

who will wave good-by and trudge in to spend an exciting weekend stuffing crepe paper. We will sit by the television set and think of the mountains, curse the professor who was so fiendish as to plan his tests on the day of departure and rationalize about how much money we are going to save.

Actually, when it comes right down to it, why worry and plot dark revenge? You can always have some sympathetic friend tell you about the brawl at the Sink There's always another year. Besides who will be there that isn't at Casey's or the Grill?

Moss Discusses Family Relations

Dr. Joel Moss, head of the University family relations and child development division, spoke to the National Home Demonstration Council convention in Wichita, Kansas.

Dr. Moss, in his talk, "Family or Farce, Open Doors Tell the Story," explained that the work of marriage consists of the "opening of mental and emotional doors that stand in the way of understanding," and the understanding of another's point of view by challenging one's own views.

Degree Applications

All students expecting to receive bachelor or advanced degrees or teaching certificates at the end of first semester must apply at the Registrar's Office by Nov. 1.

The office is located at 208 Administration Hall. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

NU Grad Gets National Post

A University graduate has been named as solicitor for the Interior Department by President Eisenhower.

George Abbott, 35, of Grand Island, was appointed to the position, replacing Elmer Bennett who was promoted to under-secretary of the Department.

At present Abbott is an assistant to the Secretary of the Interior Fred Seaton.



The Briar Patch

By R. M. Ireland

The Student Tribunal is in trouble. Ever since its inception many students have been apprehensive about its role on campus.

They doubted this judicial body would ever amount to much. They seemed dubious over its effectiveness in the light of the omnipotent Division of Student Affairs.

Now that the self-righteous people on the Tribunal have seen fit to oppose open hearings and thereby flaunt every remnant of democratic procedure, the vast majority of interested students have given up this body of amateur judges as a thorough fraud.

I thought so long ago. Of course the Tribunal had a point in closing its doors to the press. But it was pretty flimsy.

It seems that in order for the defendant to open his hearing to the press he must submit a written request. Well, our public enemy failed to do this and was therefore denied his right.

From this bit of rigid application we may conclude that the Tribunal does not believe in equity, flexibility or anything else which characterizes a competent bench of judges.

If I were a student defendant (of course my unblemished record at this social haven denies such a possibility) I would refuse to appear before the Tribunal until it cleaned up its rules.

I've even heard of a move by certain enthusiastic campus groups to bring the Tribunal Charter to another vote in the spring and thereby purge it forever from the Uni-

versity scene. Not a bad idea unless reform begins.

There are even people on the Student Council who oppose the Tribunal. I understand certain influential members here are seriously considering usurping the prerogative of the Tribunal to establish its own procedure. Although it would seem that people mature enough to judge other students on very controversial issues should be able to provide fair standards of procedure it appears that this is not so.

And if this is not so then the whole works should be abolished.

Anarchy!



Ireland

Foreign Careers Interviews Set

Students interested in careers with U. S. industry and government abroad can talk with Dr. Stanton von Grabill in the Occupation Office, Room 109 Administration, today.

Dr. von Grabill is the vice president of the American Institute for Foreign Trade. The Institute is a private school open to college graduates interested in careers abroad, according to J. P. Colbert, Dean of Student Affairs.

It provides a one-year intensive study of the geography, economics, and language of the country in which the student would want to work.

Although the Institute does not guarantee employment at the close of its course, it has a very good placement record, Dean Colbert said.

Arnold Society

The Arnold Air Society will meet Wednesday at 7 p.m. in room 203 of the M & N Building. All cadets, both basic and advanced, who are interested in joining are invited to attend.

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