

—University Press—

# 'Mollie' Provides Clue To 96 Year Mystery

The University Press has recently published a diary of a pioneer homesteader, Mrs. Mollie Sanford, under the title of "Mollie."

A passage in the diary provided a clue to the unsolved saga of a three-year old Nebraska girl who was captured, tortured and separated from her family in a savage Indian attack along the Little Blue River some 96 years ago.

### Uncovered

Don Danker, archivist of the Nebraska State Historical Society, said the passage referring to the girl, Isabelle Eubank, was uncovered during the preparation of the manuscript for publication.

A clue to Isabelle's fate was discovered in the book "Mollie", in which Mrs. Sanford relates:

"There were some prisoners ransomed by Col. Wynkoop from the Indians, Laura Roper and two children. . . I had them at my house (in Denver) for a while. . . Miss Roper was subjected to all the indignities usually given

white captives, and the children were brutally treated by the squaws.

### 'Father Butchered'

"The mother of little Bell was taken away by some distant band, and the poor little things left. She saw her father butchered, and only three years old, can and does recount the whole tragedy. I took her, thinking I might adopt her, but I could not stand it. She would wake from a sound sleep, and sit up in bed with staring eyes, and go in detail over the whole thing.

"She was scarred all over with the prints of arrow points that the squaws tortured her with. Dr. Bronsdall has adopted her, where she will have medical care and good care otherwise."

The rest of the story, Danker said, is still hazy. It is believed that Dr. Bronsdall lived out his life in Colorado and Miss Roper spent the remainder of her life in Oklahoma. But no additional information has been learned about Isabelle.

# Union Work Is Boosted At Conference Wrapup

"What Will Student Union Work Do for You?" was answered by former campus Union president Diane Knotek Butherus at the windup of the regional union meet here Saturday.

She told conventioners at a banquet that she felt union experience had given her the following and would do the same for all who participate in similar programs:

- Provides training to be a leader.
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- Provides excellent opportunity for association with alumni from the universities.
- Varied activities in Union rounded personality.
- Union is a well known word and people look for

those who have been connected with it.

—By striving to improve the campus and by improving it one improves himself.

—Union work enables one to meet the challenge of world living.

—Union work keeps one from becoming blasé.

—Union does have a place on the campus and the Union has a place for you; therefore, you should have a place for it.

Mrs. Butherus now teaches in the Lincoln schools. She served as president two years ago at the same time she was a Phi Beta Kappa and Miss Nebraska.

After the banquet Jim Herbert's Combo entertained.

# MU Delegates Orange-Oriented

Big oranges displaying Missouri flags were presented to everyone attending the Saturday evening Union banquet.

Were the Missouri delegates campaigning for the next Union conference, wondered some?

No, they were advertising or maybe "rubbing in" the fact to the other Big Eight schools that they were making the trip to the Orange Bowl in January.

# Calame Is President

The new president of Region Eight of Student Unions is Barney Calame of the University of Missouri.

Calame is also editor of the student newspaper at Missouri.

The next conference will be held at the University of Wichita next winter.

# Nebraska, Turkey Have Similarities

Dr. Turgut Sarpkaya, one of two Turkish engineering instructors at the University, said that his government could not have picked a better-suited college than the University after which to model Ataturk University.

Although the area, located in Turkey, is mountainous, its broad plateaus resemble the plains in Nebraska, he said. The climate is also similar, with temperature extremes ranging from sub zero to 110 degrees.

Dr. Sarpkaya, an associate professor in engineering mechanics, has been here for three years. He received his doctorate from Iowa State University and was an instructor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He then returned to Turkey to fulfill his one and one-half year military obligation before coming here.

Dr. Sarpkaya said that despite different cultural backgrounds, the result of the parallel in physical environment has produced people of matching character.

The other Turkish engineer, Sabri Sungu, said that the Nebraskans from the University are doing a wonderful job in helping establish the new university.

Sungu joined the Engineering College staff in 1957. He received his education in England and the United States, then worked as an engineer in Turkey for several years.

# Sky Show To Feature Guiding Star

The Christmas Star is the feature of the new show which opened at Mueller Planetarium Sunday.

"Star of Bethlehem" will run through the holiday season and will be presented at public showings at 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 2:45 p.m. Saturdays and 2:15 and 3:30 p.m. Sundays.

Weekday shows may be reserved for private showings.

The Christmas story will be told beneath the canopy of winter stars. John Howe, Planetarium director, said that whether the Christmas star has a "natural" or "supernatural" origin will be discussed in the show.

He added that the show attempted to explore the various possibilities in a way that helps the viewer to make up his own mind.

# YR's To Discuss Mock Convention

Plans for a mock convention will be discussed and committee chairmen will be selected at a 5 p.m. Wednesday meeting of Young Republicans.

The meeting will be held in the Student Union Auditorium. Convention chairman Gary Rodgers emphasized that any Young Republican may attend the meeting.

# LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"LOOK, COONSKIN, YOU DO TH' BROAD JUMP YOUR WAY AN I'LL DO TH' BROAD JUMP MY WAY."

# Analytical Work on Keats Nets Miss Slote \$200 Prize

Bernice Slote, associate professor of English, has been awarded a \$200 prize and plaque by the Explicator, a literary monthly published at the University of South Carolina.

The award was made for her book, "Keats and the Dramatic Principle," recently published by the University Press.

### Word by Word

The prize is awarded each year for the "best book of a word by word analysis of works in English or American literature."

Miss Slote's works also have been published in the Atlantic Monthly, American Scholar and such literary quarterlies as the Sewanee Review and Yale Review.

She has twice won the Summer Hopwood Award at the University of Michigan, one of the most coveted achievements in creative writing.

### Effects of Theater

Her analysis of the works of Keats, a major 19th cen-

tury poet, is the first from the standpoint of describing and discussing the effect of the theater on the individual works of the poet.

Judges for this year's selection were Elizabeth Nitchie, Goucher College; Charles Walcutt, Queens' College and William Wimsatt Jr., Yale University.

Miss Slote has been teaching creative writing and literature at the University since 1947.

# Zink and Thulin Tie for Second In Egg Grading

Top honors went to a University poultry judging team for egg grading at the 36th Intercollegiate Poultry Judging Contest in Chicago last week.

Sixteen teams took part in the contest. The Nebraska team ranked 10th in all-around judging.

Team members were Roger Zink, Elvis Heinrichs and James Thulin. They were coached by D. E. Wight, staff member of the department of poultry husbandry.

Zink and Thulin tied for second place in egg grading; Zink tied for third in production judging.

# Cattle Research Under Study At Fort Robinson

Three of the most important fields in beef cattle research are being investigated at the Fort Robinson Ag Station.

Research on developing the most effective breeding practices, research on reproductive problems to find ways of increasing calf crops and nutrition-management studies on wintering, summer grazing, and fattening phases of beef production are the three areas in which research is being done.

Dean W. V. Lambert of the College of Agriculture reports that the research program was important to Nebraska which derives 40 per cent of its income from beef cattle.

Funds for the research program are derived from state tax money and from the sale of cattle used in the experimental projects of the station.

Today On Campus Tuesday

Amateur Radio Club, 7 p.m., 205 Military and Naval Science Building. Faculty Senate, Love Library Auditorium, 4 p.m. Phi Beta Kappa, 6:30 p.m. Student Union.

# Red Cross Sets Christmas Party

The Red Cross College Unit is having a Christmas party Wednesday from 5 to 6 p.m. to make favors for orphanages and hospitals.

The party will be held in the basement of the Lutheran Student House at 535 No. 16th. Refreshments will be served.

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