#### **Editorial Comment**

# Extending Library Hours

At last there seems to be a tangible step in some direction in the Student Council's long effort to get an extension of library

A three-page report from Frank A. Lundy, director of Libraries, was presented to the Council. In this report, Lundy stated that the heads of the public service divisions have given "thoughtful attention with regard to desirability, feasibility, and cost" to the Council's proposal that hours be extended to 11 p.m. on weekdays and Sunday.

The report further states that all are in agreement with the students "as to de-sirability." No such agreement is forthcoming on the other two points under consideration, feasibility and cost.

The report indicates that any such extension would require additional student help to man the library between the presen closing hours and the proposed time. In addition, it states that a University policeman would be required to patrol at these times in order to guard the books.

Cost of the additional student help, plus all other additional expenditures to the library is estimated in the report to be

At the present time the Libraries of the Colleges of Law and Medicine already enjoy a schedule somewhat comparable to the proposed one for the main library. Both are heavily utilized in the evening

It is a justifiable assumption that Love Library would be similarly utilized with the extended hours. Many types of study cannot be done without the immediate use of a library. For the vast majority of students, most intensive study is done in the early and late evening-partly because of classes, partly because of jobs and other activities.

Thus the funds which would be required to put the extended hours into operation do not seem great enough, under the plan devised by the library staff, to warrant shelving the idea because of cost.

The Daily Nebraskan concurs completely with the findings of the Student Council study group in saying that an extension of Library hours is definitely desirable. We sincerely hope that the small increase in the financial burden will not be allowed to discourage this increase in hours.

#### Still Another One?

Wednesday night the Interfraternity Council learned that Lambda Chi fraternity is looking toward the possibility of reestablishing a chapter on the Nebraska

Lambda Chi is no stranger here, having an active chapter until the years of World War II when more than one fraternity was forced to quit for various reasons, lack of finances being one of them.

Lambda Chi Alpha is a strong name in national fraternity circles; its number of chapters approaches the top of the list.

It is probable that the fraternity could become a strong one on this campus within a few years with national backing and support of local alumni.

The IFC has deferred action on the request; Lambda Chi did not ask immediate attention.

After next year's rush week the IFC will check ruch week figures and see whether there are, to put it bluntly, enough rushees and pledges to go around.

This is the only procedure that possibly can be used in considering the fraternity's request. Rush weeks in past years have shown a slack in numbers coming through; fraternities seem to be losing their popularity, the national alumni president of one fraternity said at the recent National Interfraternity Conference in New York City.

From the editor's desk:

By Diana Maxwell

holds their annual Officer Orientation

program to acquaint treasurers with the intricacles of handling funds, presidents

with parliamentary proceedure, and social

Then there could be practice session in which such techniques as smiling, joking

pleasantly, looking human and generally following the dictate of good behavior could be exercised.

From here the session could move into

a confessional session conducted by suc-

cessful publicity chairmen. Topics could range from "How I got the Rag to co-operate," to "Why I organized an effective calling committee."

By now the chairman would have to rap for order since there are about 150 organ-

izations on campus, and each publicity

chairman is turning to the fellow in the

Third item would be a demonstration of

how not to get parties, coffeees, teas and luncheons into the campus newspaper. It would consist of a fire-breathing, red-eyed

creature careening into some newspaper

chairmen with something or other, there ought to

This one would consti-tute a real public serv-

It would be called

"Publicity Chairmen — how to get cooperation." First item on the agenda

would be a big sign which would be handed to each

publicity chairman. Said

sign would say, SMILE.

next chair to snicker.

be one more session.

In the fall when the Student Council

In light of such evidence, it does not seem feasible to admit another fraternity to campus unless the picture changes considerably within the next several years. Perhaps the fraternity could prosper; perhaps it would fail.

Some houses on this campus undoubtedly are having financial difficulties in maintaining their existence and their charters. The addition of new competition would only hasten their death.

Four years ago rushees had 24 fraternities to choose from; now the number is down to 23. Another several years may drop the number even lower.

Fraternities for the most part are proud of the free enterprise-type system by which they obtain their membership. But having an additional fraternity in the competition in a situation such as the present one would serve little good.

The IFC, the whole University, owes much to the fraternities presently on campus-they have made large contribu-

It seems fair then that they should share in some spoils-which to fraternities are pledges.

If the IFC finds next year that the number of rushees continues to be low, it should unqualifiedly tell Lambda Chi Alpha that there is no room-that the IFC owes to its members to keep the status

the Betterment of Student-Parent Rela-

tionships was not prominently displayed

on page one of the newspaper a week

Fourth would be a demonstration of an

intelligent-looking individual dropping off

a press release about a news-worthy event

(not just free publicity) with the news

editor of the paper, explaining perhaps

any special interesting or pertinent aspect

Fifth on the agenda would be more

mass snickering as all publicity chair-

men confided to the same guy next to him that after all, his own organization

was so all-important that when he said

he had a story, by golly, that paper

Final item on the agenda would be the

lynching, in effigy or otherwise, of the editor of the campus paper.

Inappropriate though it may be at this point, one word about Handel's Messiah

which is being presented at 3 p.m. Sun-

day in the Coliseum. It is a tremendous

performance, which normally draws a

huge audience from Lincoln and a comparitively small following from the cam-

For a performance of the scope of this

one, no term paper or Monday exam

should keep someone from attending it. Poor acoustics and all, this is a mag-

nificent musical production, and one of

those traditions which is really that-

something so valued on campus that no

one would consider letting it fade into the

And in the swan song, the ladies of the

Black Masque ask me to relay to all cam-

pus males who will be bringing in damsels

ahead of the meeting.

of the upcoming event.

darned sure better get it in.

On Campuses 'n Things

## PEANUTS THAT DECEMBER 16# 15 BEETHOVEN'S BIRTHDAY? DION'T.







# By George!

By George Moyer

Sources reveal that my last column has been the subject of a classroom discussion in the PE depart-

Never was there an author with so much pride that he would reject kindly words, whatever their source. And the fact that only two members of the class had read the column mars only slightly my ecs-

Obviously, there are some discerning, keen and piercing minds tucked in unsuspected places at this institution.

Thus fortified with success after my first gambit into the world of athletics this year, I will dive once more into Sports Illus-

trated (about the s o l e leisure - time reading m a terial availab l e in most fra ternity houses, dorms, law l i braries. etc).

Moyer

It seems that Sports Illustrated is beginning to take itself seriously as a Luce Publication (that's the outfit that produces Time, Life, Fortune and riots both in South America and on the floor of the U.S. Senate)

Last week, this glossy magazine continued a fine old Luce tradition of helping Americans to think the way Henry Luce wants them to think for themselves by plunging the world of Sports Illustrated into politics.

(The Luce group can't claim the honor of plunging the entire world of sport into politics because Avery Brundage, Micky Cohen, Cus D'Amato, the Chinese communists and several other various and sundry irresponsibles have already done that.).

Observing that U.S. mens teams have so far measured a touring Russian men's basketball team by substantial margins, the magazine said that although basketball is one of the most Intricate of team sports, the success of the team still depends on the ability and desire of the individuals on it to assume responsibility.

The willingness of the individual American basketball player to assume responsibility sometimes results in team play that is flamboyantly original. All of which, says the maga-zine, should lead the average reader to draw the necessary conclusions about the relative merits of Communism and Democracy.

Having thus established that Democracy is a veritable hothouse for producing talented basketball players, the article then says nothing about Democracy's ability to get moon rockets launched.

Nevertheless, it is a wonder some Luce publication hasn't started worrying about the facility with which our universities, colleges, high schools and junior highs produce excellent basketball players without turning out similarly excellent rocket engineers in similar quantities.

Could it be that American classrooms no longer encourage flamboyant originality so that the individual's' only chance to be original within the framework of a cooperative enterprise comes on the basketball

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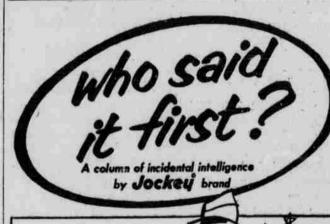
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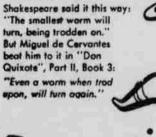
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"THE WORM TURNS"

#### "MUSIC HAS CHARMS"

The 17th Century playwright, William Congreve was the first to set down this classic metaphor concerning the powers of sound and rhythm.
You'll find the whole quote in "The Mourning Bride", Act 1, Sc. 1:

"Music hath charms to soothe the savage breast, To soften rocks, or bend a knotted oak." "RHYME OR REASON"



Edmund Spenser, 16th Century poet, expected a vension. He didn't get it. So he wrote this rhyme "I was promised on a time/To have reason for my rhyme;/From that time unto this season. I received nor rhyme nor reason."

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### Be Our GUEST

By Don Geis

Have you ever stopped to ask yourself not "What does my country owe me," but, "What do I owe my country?"

Examine yourself! You are in college receiving an education given you as a result of someone's desire years ago that the words set forth, "All men are cre-ated equal," be applied to reality.

You also receive such basic freedoms as speech, religion, and others set forth in our constitution a document containing rights and privileges which are being taken for granted today.

There are numerous answers to this question but let us take a concrete ex-

Are you aware that Russia is now leading us in the armaments race? This has been confirmed by the following three reports:

-Legislative report to the President in U.S News and World Report, 22 June, 1959. Page 75;

-Rockefeller report to the people, New York Times, 6 January, 1958, page 20;

-Johns Hopkins report to Congress, U.S. News and World Report, 31, January, 1958. Pages 50-57.

It is estimated that we will need approximately fifteen billion more dollars per year to strengthen and build our national and civil defense.

Your voting franchise is another point of interest. There is a considerably low percentage of people who exercise this constitu-tional right, and many of these are poorly informed. Have you ever stopped to consider that you owe your country a vote?

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