

EDITORIAL OPINION

Government Could Aid Student Financial Load

It has been mentioned before and it will be mentioned again. To the average college student, finances are one of the biggest problems.

Individuals, business enterprises, fraternal organizations and universities have set up scholarships, loans and grants to help out the students, but still many of the talented "leaders of tomorrow" slip by the wayside due to lack of funds.

College is expensive, there's no doubt about it. The average costs per year for most students is nearly \$2,000.

Most of us work part time during the school year or during the summer, or both to supplement our income. This money, in turn, is used during the school months to pay the expenses of our education.

Each year the student who has an income of \$2,000 must pay nearly \$250 to the Federal Government in the form of income taxes.

To some this \$250 may not be important, but to most students this sum represents a semester's out-state tuition or a full year's in-state tuition.

If the tax exemption of the college student could be raised from \$600 to \$1,500 or even \$2,000, the number of students leaving universities for financial reasons would drop sharply.

Although the government may not be able to stand the initial strain from this change, we are sure that the benefits to the government and this country would be much more valuable in the form of better-trained, more thoroughly educated college graduates than in the form of tax money.

For all of those who wish to measure major changes of this type in terms of days or years, the criticism they utter will be: The plan will not help us in the next year or so. Perhaps not, but in the future, maybe five years or ten, the plan will help.

We are entering a period of over-crowded universities. School is getting tougher. This may be a solution to lightening the financial load of the student.

Whether or not the plan will work in five or ten years or less is presently impossible to foresee, but the idea seems worthy of consideration by the American people.

If we, the students of today, can bring this idea to the attention of our congressmen, we will be able to help the students of tomorrow.

The Bite's Worse

By Bark

It is now Thursday, Feb. 9, 1961, 8:05 p.m. Eagerly planning to invest an evening in the facilities of the Student Union ballroom to hear the musicalities of the infamous Brothers 4, I have just had my balloon of excitement punctured dramatically by the news that they have not yet arrived for their first performance, which was to have begun nearly an hour ago. However, I just made a hasty phone call to the ever-prepared Union activities office where a still-confident voice informed me, "Yes, they are now at the city limits and have a police escort to the Union." Needless to say, this police escort gives me great confidence that the four young men will arrive in time for the frivolities. I have not yet heard the sirens. The voice on the wire informed me that the second performance (which I planned to attend, not being one to barge right in on a police escort) would begin around 9:30. This is in about an hour-and-a-half. I question this. How can a performance which was to begin at 7 and end around 9 begin at 8:30 and end at 9:30? I have deduced that the group simply will not be able to perform all its hit tunes.

Several people have wandered aimlessly into my room and despondantly mumbled something about what-on-earth-is-going-on, or how-do-they-expect-to-get-all-those-people-in-the-ballroom, or what-a-bunch-of-mickey-mouse, etc. etc. However, not being one for pessimism, I have uncessingly replied, "Never fear. Our ever-conscientious Union board of managers will bring everything under control to the unquestionable satisfaction of the masses." Condemnes, Miss Porter. And how many grey hairs have you?

As I understand it now, the first performance is underway and the second performance (which I planned to attend, not being one to race for the first autograph) will begin about 9:45. This will cut the first show to about 45 minutes. This will, in all probability, make the second show a little longer (that is, if the brothers can make it through two shows after that exhausting police escort). All the underclassmen will get to stay out past 10:30, and the tired, undermournished housemothers will have to answer the numerous ringings of the senior-wear doorbells.

May I wish the Brothers 4 all the luck in the world in their ballroom performance (how DO they expect to get all those people in the ballroom?), and in their future performances about the folk-song hungry colleges of the nation. May I extend to the Student Union a hearty round of applause for its continuous surprises. As-for-me, optimistic as I may be, I have sold my ticket half-price and taken to my books. Come to think of it, I never did hear any sirens...

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The Catacombs Draws Comment

To the editor: If I may be as trite as the author of "The Catacombs," I am sick and tired of hearing about those who are sick and tired. Your criticisms are in many cases warranted, but in relation to the label your writings bear, you might as well do your preaching in a burial vault, as you would undoubtedly receive a better reception. You speak of an air of lethargic complacency. What complacency is not lethargic? But rather than attack your face flattened debut rhetorically, I would like to analyze it from the angle of what you may have accomplished by this diatribe.

fact momentarily, I would urge you to devote your column to social and moral questions which make the student think. If you are radical, take that point of view, if you are a reactionary, take that point of view, if you are a middle of the roader, fine; in that case you will probably have both sides against you. It makes no difference what you think. It does make a difference whether you think. In "Prometheus Unbound" Shelley writes: A thought by thought is piled till some great truth is loosened, and the nations echo round. Shaken to their roots, as do the mountains now. If you would blame anyone for the lack of courageous thought which exists on the campus, it would have to be those who insist on thought control. Toqueville wrote of this more than 100 years ago in his classic, "Democracy in America" He observed the effects of

what he called "tyranny of the majority" on the national character of the people of the United States. "... where the power of the majority is so absolute and irresistible ... one must give up his rights as a citizen, and almost abjure his qualities as a man, if he intends to stray from the track which it prescribes." In many universities and colleges, students are straying, but those who do are fully aware of the complications discussed by Toqueville. Perhaps this is why there appears to be little independent thought on the University of Nebraska campus. But, being somewhat of an idealist myself, I feel that the oppressed will eventually break their chains, and the nations will echo round. Shortfellow Editors Note: The error mentioned by Shortfellow was a typographical error and not one on the part of the author.

Not Guilty

By Bob Nye & Myron Papadakis

"Today's youth, tomorrow's leaders." This phrase has echoed throughout the centuries, and is being sounded once again as we, today's youth, prepare to take our places in the world. The world situation now is not our failing, but our responsibility. The shoulders of our leaders have grown weary with age and liability. The burden must be lifted and placed in the hands of the next generation, while the old retire with respect and dignity to observe their fruits and their faults. The fathers shall withdraw with a silent prayer knowing that they have instilled the confidence and ability in their heirs which will assist them throughout their darkest hours.

unlock the door to destruction. To be, or not to be, is the question. For many years have passed since the egg was first impregnated. And hope rose from the turmoil as the golden daffodil, only to wither in dank debauchery. Or To be or not to be, is the question. For many years have passed since the egg was first impregnated. And hope rose from the turmoil with the Golden Daffodil. The flower only to wither in dank debauchery. This then is the question, the answer, and the decision that youth make. The world that we pass on to the future generations will be determined by our answer to that very challenge.

The world situation today is anything but desirable, the problems are abundant, the solutions are veiled. Communism poses a threat to our freedom, and the imminent destruction of mankind looms so heavily as to cast a shadow over even the most optimistic.

Medical Honorary Initiates Five Men

Five men were recently initiated into Theta Nu, medical honorary fraternity. They are Donald Metzger, Timothy Rutz, Bruce Bloom, Gayle Peterson and Roy Niimi.

However these difficulties should not be despairing. Rather, they must be taken as the challenge they are, and they must be overcome. A man's true mettle can only be measured when he rises to overcome obstacles in his path. A country's strength will be determined by the threats to unity which it meets, and if victory is achieved, will return even stronger for the next challenge. Without difficulties (which can be set as standards of achievement, or confronted as problems), a man, or a country, grows lackadaisical and eventually lapses into apathy which

Staff Views

Barnstorming

By Jim Forrest

Barnstorming this week reports that second semester activities on Ag Campus are getting off to a quick pace under the direction of Archie Clegg and his band of committee chairmen on the Ag Union Activities Board.

the hospitality committee, requested that each committee chairman present a short skit portraying the activities of their committee based on the Valentine theme of Union Be Mine.

Taking top spot in the things to come category is the Reno Romp featuring Hadley Barret and his Westerners on a return engagement direct from Las Vegas.

The Meeting, which is held each year, is for all Ag Union chairmen, committee workers, representatives from each of the organized houses, and any interested party.

Mylon Filkins, chairman of the dance committee, reported at the regular Tuesday night meeting of the Board that the Ag Union ballroom will be converted into a "hideaway" known as the Flamingo Club.

Attention, attention! A notice of importance to all Ag campus sports minded students. Are you looking for the thrill of combat, the challenge of competition, and the laurels of victory?

Reports have it that the decorations will be appropriate to the theme with a gambling hall, cigarette girls, swinging doors, a "bar," wedding chapel and divorce court. Everything to meet a guest's desires.

Well, the general entertainment committee has announced the opening of the Ag Union ping pong and skill pool tournaments for Feb. 20th.

For those slickers on city campus, Barret and his Westerners are known throughout Nebraska, Wyoming, Kansas, Colorado and South Dakota as Nebraska's own and most popular Western swing band.

Interested combatants may sign up in the Ag Union lobby beginning today... don't miss your chance.

The Westeners are scheduled to play from 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.; tickets are \$1 per person and may be obtained from either the city or Ag Union activities office or from any Ag Union committee member.

The rule sheet for the tournaments provides for double elimination and trophies for the winner and runner ups.

"Union Be Mine" is the theme of the Spring Mass Meeting this year to encourage new members to join Ag Union committees.

Also beginning this month for the more intellectually inclined Ag Student will be free bridge lessons starting Feb. 21.

The recruiting meeting will be held in the Ag Union Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. Dr. A. W. Epp, Ag Union sponsor, and the various members of the Board will hold a discussion to explain some of the Ag Union's activities and functions to the prospective committee members.

The free lessons will be given by Jim Hornby every Tuesday from 5 to 6 p.m. Sign up time is from now until Feb. 20.

To help see the importance of the job these committees are doing, Margrethe Plum, chairman of

Speaking of Ag Union tournaments, the Ag Independents won undisputed first place in the Union's volleyball tournament Tuesday with a two out of three game win over Kappa Delta.

The Kappa Delta's ran their first and last blood quickly with a win in the initial game of the championship play-offs by a score of 6-3.

Not to be defeated again, the Independents came back in the second game to tie, and in the third game to win the tournament by scores of 11-3 and 11-6, respectively.

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