

MORTAR BOARDS . . .

Reason for Being Seen

Junior and senior women students at the University will have an excellent opportunity next Wednesday evening to find out the why's and how's of graduate education.

For the second year Nebraska's chapter of Mortar Boards will present a seminar to acquaint junior and senior women with the opportunities available in graduate fields of study. And for the second year the Mortar Boards will be serving the campus in a definite manner and filling a void long overlooked.

On lower levels of the educational system great measures are taken to acquaint students with the advantages and methods of acquiring higher training and education. Most of us as high school juniors and seniors were bombarded by college representatives and literature concerning the subject of why we should go to college instead of quitting school to make good money outside. Advisors and principles, friends and parents—all were an influence on our coming on to college through their mature and realistic discussions concerning college. A big step, they would say, but one that can be easily made if you understand what a college is and what college life is like. They made us understand.

This is the purpose of the graduate seminar which the Mortar Boards are sponsoring in conjunction with the Graduate College here at NU. Through this seminar University coeds will be able to clear up their doubts and questions concerning a graduate education. Questions like "Is it really necessary?" "What use is it?" "How do you go about applying and to what schools?" and other questions concerning specific details: "How do you get accepted?" "What tests need be taken?" etc.

The seminar will consist of a general talk by Dr. Roy Holly, dean of the Graduate College, on how to become a graduate student. Then a panel of deans will answer and discuss any questions the students might ask concerning graduate study in general or in their particular field of interest. Following the panel discussion, the group will break down into small forums according to colleges for close and specific discussion about graduate study and possibilities in specialized areas. The deans of the various colleges on campus will lead these small groups in their discussion and answer questions.

The seminar which is open to junior and senior women is a fine step for any service organization to make; and, in particular, for Mortar Boards to initiate since they are an organization that is concerned with the promotion of good scholarship among women.

In connection with their interest in promoting graduate study among women here at the University, Mortar Boards will announce at the seminar Wednesday the offering of a \$300 fellowship for any University women planning on attending any one of the University's graduate schools next year. The fellowship is offered to both undergraduates planning on attending graduate school at NU or any women graduate students planning on continuing her graduate study here.

Through both of these services—the graduate seminar and the \$300 fellowship for women—show a sincere effort on the part of our Mortar Boards to fulfill their obligation to the University of promoting scholarship and furthering education. Too often both the Mortar Boards and Innocents Society never let the general public or student body know about the services they perform. Thus, most people do not understand why the two honoraries are called "service" organizations.

Not wanting to overdo our comments on Mortar Boards, but they have initiated with funds left over from last year a fine financial aid program for foreign students (men or women) studying at the University. Emergency foreign student scholarship they call it. It is a \$150 scholarship which the Foreign Student office will grant to any foreign student enrolled in the University (length of time not important) who shows a need for the money in order to continue his education.

It is the finest type of scholarship that could be set up by any group or individual. Foreign students often need cash during a school year, which they are unable to acquire from normal sources. Many are forced to drop their training and education in this country because most scholarships have requirements as to how long the foreign student has been going to the University and assurance of his scholastic qualifications. The awarding of the Mortar Board's \$150 is contingent only upon need.

The mystic Mortar Boards have dropped some of their mysticism in order that we might see and appreciate the truly fine service they are doing.

Supplementary Statement

Prof. Albert Schrekinger of the Graduate School of Social Work recognized some of the adjustment problems of new foreign students at an American University at a meeting of the Nebraska International Association. He suggested to these new students that they cope with some of these problems by getting to know American people and American culture. Each foreign student needs to determine for himself what he can and what he cannot accept. Professor Schrekinger appealed to the new foreign students to look not only for evidence of "rugged individualism," provincialism and prejudice, but to recognize the strength of the humanitarian tradition in American culture and to look at evidence of concern for human welfare, world orientation, and open mindedness in a growing number of American people in our time. The University expresses its concern for the welfare of foreign students through its foreign student advisors. Professor Schrekinger encouraged foreign students who need help with personal problems to use the service of these advisors.



Coed Commandant Changes Opinion

To the Editor:

While serving as an enlisted man in the U.S. Army, I had a very low opinion of ROTC officers. I see now, however, that more is being done than I was aware of to give our future military leaders the correct perspective on the true condition of our Armed Forces.

I wish to applaud the decision to elect an Honorary Commandant (female type) to head our future warriors. I hope the members of the ROTC realize the full significance of this act. It is a token gesture giving recognition to the actual command power that presently runs our military services.

In the battalion in which I served in Europe, the chain-of-command went like this: Colonel's wife makes a decision, brings it up at supper table, colonel's daughter (19) comments on it, the colonel then brings the suggestion up at the staff meeting, the decision is delayed until the staff members have a chance to talk over the idea with

their wives, the wives discuss it at a bridge meeting and reach a final decision. The husbands are told of the decision which is then accepted at a second staff meeting.

I must admit I was entirely ignorant of the fact that this procedure was admitted so openly in our ROTC training programs. It was only after I had found out that the Honorary Commandant was to be a woman that my ignorance was terminated.

Hats off to this truthful approach and to the officers (or their wives) who have wisely instituted its use!

Sincerely yours,
Eldridge Foster

Dean Had Better Investigate Team

To the Editor:

The comments made by Don Ferguson on the sub-rosas was most certainly a milestone in journalism.

I agree wholeheartedly with Don but I feel that Dean Ross is still playing the end to the mean. Ross has gotten a few boys, several good ones, but the fact still remains that he is

afraid to touch the football team. It is a widely known fact over campus that half of our football team are also associated with this mess.

Is Ross afraid to take action as he has done with the common student population or are football players immune from the hand of justice. Ross is no better than his word, if he is afraid to take action, he's no better than having no dean at all.

Favoritism is not the best way to run a school. I hope the Administration wakes up to this fact.

A clean-up must be made a clean-up. No person barred or no reason valid if the parties are guilty.

Sincerely yours,
James Penneyworth
Graduate

(Editor's Note: Everyone would agree with you concerning the football team and other organizations on campus. This is not enough. Proof is needed before action can be taken and names are needed before an investigation can begin. If you have names or proof, report them to Student Affairs.)

NOVEL NOVELS—

Book Tells In's, Out's Of Studying Overseas

TITLE: A Guide to Study Abroad
PUBLISHER: Channel Press, Inc.,
66 Community Drive, Hightstown, N.J.
COST: \$3.95

Thinking about going overseas to study? Channel Press, Inc., of Hightstown, New York, has recently brought out their A Guide to Study Abroad by Drs. John A. Garraty and Walter Adams.

This is a comprehensive handbook for students and teachers who plan or hope to study in Europe, Latin America, or the Near or Far East—for several weeks during a summer vacation period, for a year, or in degree-granting programs.

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The author's have made regular surveys of twenty-six nations since 1958, when they were selected to undertake a Carnegie study of educational facilities abroad.

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If there is a problem here (and there must be, because just storing all this hush-hush stuff costs around half a million dollars a year) the government might try solving it with some kind of Surplus Secrets Disposal Act. On the other hand, maybe the government ought not to try to share the burden. Most of us common folks have trouble keeping only one secret.—The Sun (Baltimore)



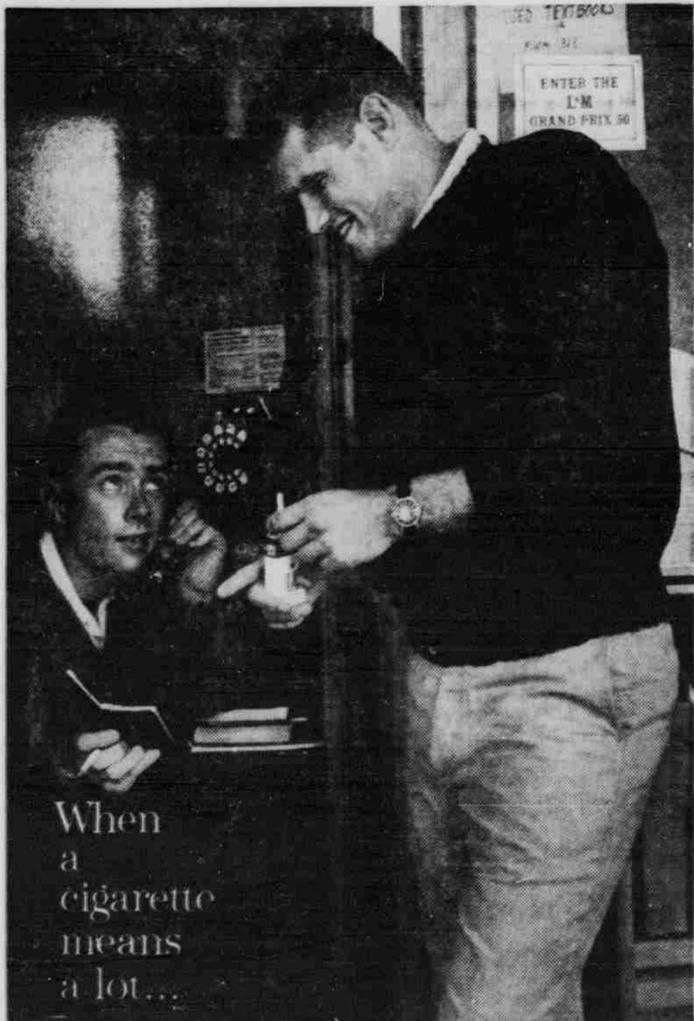
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