

UPP... It's Future?

IT SEEMS that the Daily Nebraskan "jumped the gun" in commending a few individuals connected with the RAM Newsgram and the University Party for Progress (UPP). We said that the Newsgram had finally formulated an editorial policy which was sound and dignified.

True, the editorial comments which they made in the Newsgram were not presented as the views of the University Party for Progress. But, it seems strange that the editor of the Newsgram should, the next day, do an about face and, as a representative of the UPP, issue a challenge to the Interfraternity Council president, and that organization's slated council representatives, for a debate on the merits of the UPP's principles.

WE DO not feel that the "principles" embodied in the party's platform are sound. We don't feel that the party has, as yet, proposed any actions which will bring about the betterment of the University. And, we notice that the two representatives of the Party "pushed through" their challenge in a hurried manner. Could it be that they had planned a "bomb attack on the IFC slate members... hit 'em hard, hit 'em late

and color them disorganized so that we can really wipe 'em out?

Posters announcing the debate were placed around campus before the IFC President had answered or commented on the challenge. Could it be that the two UPP representatives are trying to give the IFC a black eye when they say "no" to the debate after the publicity has been distributed? Let's hope that the party is not resorting to petty, political pranks already.

THE IFC is not a political party. Why then would the IFC, as an organization, care to debate the policies of an infant, political faction on campus? What would the IFC have to gain?

We respect the Party's right to exist on campus. We hope that in the future they will adopt some constructive purposes and will disregard the insignificant, publicity-seeking tactics. If they don't, how long will the organization exist... how long will the organization's leaders have any devoted followers?

WE ARE interested in the organization's future... will our first organized political party go on file as a four-week stand of students interested in radical talk?

Party for Progress Challenge

EDITORS NOTE: The following is the challenge issued to Bill Buckley, Interfraternity Council president, by George Kimball and Robert Cherny, representatives of the University Party for Progress.

We the undersigned Student Council candidates of the University Party for Progress, do hereby challenge any two of the members of the Interfraternity Council slated Student Council candidates to a debate, the topic of which shall be:

RESOLVED: that the principles embodied in the platform of the University Party for Progress should be enacted by the Student Council.

The debate shall take place at 7:15, April 11, 1963, in the Student Union, room 234. The constructive speeches shall last eight minutes, followed by three minutes of cross-examination. The rebuttal speeches shall last four minutes.

The undersigned representatives of the University Party for Progress shall uphold the affirmative.

George Kimball Robert Cherny

Buckley's Answer to UPP

EDITORS NOTE: Bill Buckley, president of Interfraternity Council, sent the following letter to Robert Cherny and George Kimball following their challenge for a debate between IFC Student Council candidates and the Council candidates backed by the Party for Progress. A news account of the proposed debate appears on page one.

Dear Sirs: Thank you very much for your communique of April 9, 1963. I apologize for not being at the house when you first came over. I realize that your time must be very precious.

I have read your letter a number of times, and I must confess I am a little confused. I am not personally running for Student Council, although I was privileged to serve one term from Arts and Sciences last year when Steve Gage was president.

I believe you are laboring under a misconception. The Interfraternity Council is not a political party. To the best of my knowledge, the UPP is the only student oriented political party on campus. Although I am not very familiar with your organization (except for some of the printed material which you enclosed in your letter) I wish you well.

Let me clarify one thing, however. The list that the IFC announces is merely a service that it performs for its member fraternities and for the students here at the University. The IFC interviews freshman and sophomores who are prospective Student Council candidates.

What the IFC "Slate" is then (I put "Slate" in quotations because actually it is a misnomer) is simply a list of people whom the Special Nominations Committee of the IFC think have outstanding qualities and could possibly make outstanding Student Council members if elected. The gentlemen on the list are independent candidates, who run on their own platform and run their own campaigns; they are in no way obligated to the IFC. We offer them assistance in the campaign if they so desire.

I might suggest that if you are interested in contacting the other candidates for Student Council, it would definitely behoove you to contact them personally. I, myself, have no official connection whatsoever with them. I am sure that they would be very interested in discussing the Student Council, its functions, problems, prospects, etc., with you. This, I think, is a fine idea.

Wishing you the best of luck, I am

Sincerely, Bill Buckley, President Interfraternity Council

What's Done Is Done

IN YESTERDAY'S Student Council meeting, the publicity of cheerleading tryouts and the selection of cheerleaders was questioned via a motion which was presented and referred to a committee for further study.

This motion, if passed by the Council after vacation, would provide for the invalidation of the cheerleader selections which were made last night.

IT IS fine for Council members to question the fairness and policies of campus selection committee, but it hard-

ly seems right for Council to begin their consideration after selections have been made. Is it fair for them to try to invalidate a decision and call for another try-out?

We suggest that the Council consider this problem in retrospect. Perhaps the problems could be ironed out so that the selections next year will measure up to Council's standards.

BUT, FOR now, let's let what's been done stand as it is.

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—by don ferguson

"THE UPP VS IFC"

Boy, if that isn't a bunch of garp. The University Party for Progress has really done what the Pink Rag and some other columnists have referred to as "prostituted" its purpose.

The kiddies form a political party, say it is for the purpose of developing a strong, united, university community, put forth a good number of statements of policy, and then base the whole pot on the Interfraternity Council!

This proves one purpose, at least — that the UPP was obviously started by a few petty individuals who for some reason have a grudge against the Greek system. It does not prove that they have any intention of building a strong University — How could they when they are promoting openly a split in the student body? How could they when they are no longer basing their program on issues and good leadership, but rather on false personal prejudices?

And to put the finishing touches on this ridiculous chain of events, the UPP has challenged the IFC to a debate. This would be well and good if IFC functioned as a political party. The UPP members should check the past couple elections and they would see that the IFC dropped its forced slate provisions, its forced voting provisions and has gotten out of that particular position. Now, they perform a service for their member fraternities; one which we might add

was asked for by those member houses. It is now merely one way of seeing that the best available men run and carry on a good campaign in the interests of the University. Individuals who don't agree don't have to hold back, but can still run — this is currently being done. If individuals don't want to vote for them, they don't have to.

And speaking of the debate proposal, the mighty railroaded minority of the UPP issued the challenge one night, put forth publicity the next morning, and planned the debate for the next. Real good logic. Plenty of notification. Suppose the UPP's were prepared a week ago and thought this would be a really neat way of doing a job on their feared opponents.

I am glad indeed to see that Mr. Buckley has replied as positively as he did to the challenge. And I hope the UPP leadership will drop its stupid attitude of anti-Greek and start working for a better NU. The last move has completely lowered their membership to some pretty grungy tactics — and I feel certain that the sincere students with an interest in their University will give this serious consideration.

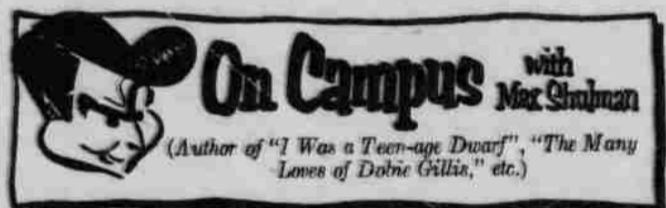
Student Council elections are important. There is a lot it has done and can do. I certainly hope the student body will weigh issues when they make their choice, and not be swayed by tactics unbecoming the UPP or anyone else who would use them.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS



"HERE IT IS ALMOST THE END OF THE TERM AND YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TARDY OR ABSENT— YOU HAVE DONE THE ASSIGNED HOMEWORK AND YOUR PAPERS HAVE BEEN HANDLED IN ON TIME! — TELL ME HAS THE DRAFT BOARD BEEN BUGGIN' YOU ABOUT GRADES AGAIN?"

Drive Home Safely



NOW YOU CAN BE YOUNGER THAN SHE IS

It is a scientific fact that girls reach emotional maturity earlier than boys. For this reason freshman girls are reluctant to make romantic alliances with freshman boys, but instead choose men from the upper classes.

Thus the freshman boys are left dateless, and many is the night the entire freshman dorm sobs itself to sleep. An equally moist situation exists among upper-class girls. With upper-class men being snapped up by freshman girls, the poor ladies of the upper class are reduced to dreary, monotonous evenings of Monopoly and home permanents.

It pleases me to report there is a solution for this morbid situation — indeed, a very simple solution. Why don't the two great hate-not groups — the freshman boys and the upper-class girls — find solace with each other?

True, there is something of an age differential, but that need not matter. Take, for example, the case of Albert Payson Sigafos and Eustacia Vye.

Albert Payson, a freshman in sand and gravel at Vanderbilt University, was walking across the campus one day, weeping softly in his loneliness. Blinded by tears, he stumbled upon



We could build a Snowman...

the supine form of Eustacia Vye, a senior in wicker and raffia, who was collapsed in a wretched heap on the turf.

"Why don't you watch where you're going, you minor youth?" said Eustacia peevishly.

"I'm sorry, lady," said Albert Payson and started to move on. But suddenly he stopped, struck by an inspiration. "Lady," he said, tugging his forelock, "don't think me forward, but I know why you're miserable. It's because you can't get a date. Well, neither can I. So why don't we date each other?"

"Surely you jest!" cried Eustacia, looking with scorn upon his tiny head and body.

"Oh, I know I'm younger than you are," said Albert Payson, "but that doesn't mean we can't find lots of fun things to do together."

"Like what?" she asked.

"Well," said Albert Payson, "we could build a Snowman."

"Bah!" said Eustacia, grinding her teeth.

"All right then," said Albert Payson, "we could go down to the pond and catch some frogs."

"Ugh!" said Eustacia, shuddering her entire length.

"How about some Run-Sheep-Run?" suggested Albert Payson.

"You are callow, green, and immature," said Eustacia, "and I will thank you to remove your underage presence from mine eyes."

Sighing, Albert Payson lighted a cigarette and started away.

"Stay!" cried Eustacia.

He stayed.

"Was that a Marlboro Cigarette you just lighted?" she asked.

"What else?" said Albert Payson.

"Then you are not immature!" she exclaimed, clasping him to her clavicle. "For to smoke Marlboro is the very essence of wisdom, the height of American know-how, the incontrovertible proof that you can tell gold from dross, right from wrong, fine aged tobaccos from pale, pathetic substitutes. Albert Payson, if you will still have me, I am yours!"

"I will," he said, and did, and today they are married and run the second biggest wicker and raffia establishment in Duluth, Minnesota.

Freshman, sophomore, junior, senior—all classes, ages, types, and conditions—will enjoy mild, rich, filter-tip Marlboro—available in pack or box in every one of our fifty states.



Education and Religion

TO THE EDITOR:

I agree with those opinions in last week's GAP Vine which state that every student should try to answer the question of religion.

But, in order to do so, he must have a clear path. That is, he should be able to consider many areas of thought concerning religion; he should not have any one theory or doctrine dominate his thought so much that he is unable to consider other areas of thought.

Therefore, one particular religious institution does not answer all the questions concerning religion, because it offers only one explanation. It may help find something to believe in, but in itself it does not offer a way of getting educated.

A student can go to other religious institutions and can find reading matter on religion if he searches for them. He can think, feel, and experience other religions of life a little. This he can continue to do all his life when a citizen of the United States.

By the time a person is a student, or of that age, he probably has the ability to think maturely, that is, reason without being guided by emotion. Then he will probably arrive at some sort of conclusion about religion after he supposedly studies new ideas and those which he was subjected to as a child. In the process, he will become partially educated, but he must continue the approach he has in order to be really successful in being educated.

Therefore, I think a student is successful in religious matters if he is able to use this definite approach to the religion question and possibly

reach a tentative conclusion, which he will live by as long as his reasons are valid. A statement by Bertrand Russell brings out this approach:

"If you think that your belief is based upon reason, you will support it by argument, rather than by persecution, and will abandon it if the argument goes against you."

The author of this article in the Daily Nebraskan also stated that the "demand for positivistic proof — that God exists — ultimately leads to completely throwing away the virtue of 'faith' and substituting in its place the 'positivistic proof'."

I think that the scientific courses such as biology should have this method of "positivistic proof." Faith is a belief which must be supported by argument if it is to be reasonable. In scientific courses, facts and theories are presented. Facts are acquired by actual observations and then theories are presented to explain those observations.

This method of "positivistic proof" has yielded the best results in the past and is therefore the most reasonable argument. In scientific thought, then, the belief acquired by this method is most commonly held, and in a course such as biology which is a scientific course which employs scientific methods, this method of "positivistic proof" is a natural part of the subject.

Therefore, I think that the present conditions in our University offer a very good chance of getting "educated" and that any changes in supplying a religious education should be approached with extreme caution.

A STUDENT