# Tabloid or Not?—Campus Will Decide Friday

Readers of the Minnesota Daily—16,000 of them—will be given the opportunity to decide the format of their newspaper in a special poll, to be conducted in conjunction with the all-University elections Friday.

Ballots will be distributed to both student and faculty subscribers through the campus mail Friday morning.

This was decided at a meeting of Daily editorial and business heads yesterday. The plan supersedes an arrangement whereby "the Daily question" would have appeared on the all-University ballot. The latter plan was discarded because it would have eliminated all voters failing to bring fee statements to the polling places.

Under the new plan, ALL readers will be able to vote in The Daily referendum. Ballot boxes will be situated at convenient locations in both the main and Ag campus post offices. The ballots will be printed separately and will not have to be clipped from the newspaper.

The vote, which is expected to be the largest ever recorded in a campus referendum, will determine whether The Daily is to be an 8-column or 5-column (tabloid) newspaper. Starting with the issue of November 14, the first after the election, the voters decision will become effective immediately.

Today's paper is another tabloid, the third in the series of 8 experimental editions—4 of which will be in tabloid format and 4 in 8-column format. The final "tab" of the experimental series will be published Thursday.


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## Swing Your Partner!

**Only complaint of coeds attending the YWCA-YMCA sponsored folk dancing class yesterday was that enough men didn't show up at the weekly session. However, those that did attend had a good time as is evidenced by these students doing the Schottische.**

**In the picture, left to right, are Jerry Young, Nels Nesslund, Dorothea McKee, Joe Flaig, Barbara Burnap (blacked out) and Jim Barnard.**

## Board Accepts Graiewski's Resignation

### Nurse Official Quits to Marry

The resignation of Miss M. Ramona Graiewski, assistant superintendent of nurses and instructor in the University hospitals, effective November 25, was accepted Saturday by the Board of Regents.

She will be married at her home in Hurley, Wis., November 30, to John Hollihan Jr., graduate student in biochemistry. They will live in Thatcher hall, Ag campus.

**Miss Graiewski has been here since 1936. She is a graduate of St. Mary's School of Nursing, Duluth, and was assistant supervisor and head nurse in pediatrics there in 1935.**

The regents accepted 10 other resignations, approved 40 appointments and 7 promotions and transfers.

Among the appointments were those of Mildred M. Bergheim as recipient of the fellowship for graduate students in social work for the fall quarter; Hazel M. Mahood as recipient of the Caleb Dorr special scholarship prize in home economics; Raymond Saunders as first recipient of the newly-created Appreciation Day band fund scholarship and Harriet Morin as recipient of the $250 scholarship in music.

The regents also:

**Heard a discussion by W. T. Middlebrook, comptroller, of the disputed contract regarding leasing of the University gravel pit near the State fair grounds. Action was deferred.**

Approved a practice-teaching agreement with the school boards of Hopkins, Worthington and Jackson.

## U., Government Unite to Curb Flood Damage

### Board of Regents Approves $25,000 Research Project

The University of Minnesota Saturday formally joined forces with the United States department of agriculture in a research project expected to cost more than $25,000 and to benefit farmers throughout the Midwest.

Approval of the work was given by the Board of Regents and will get under way as soon as technicians from the Soil Conservation service are assigned to the campus.

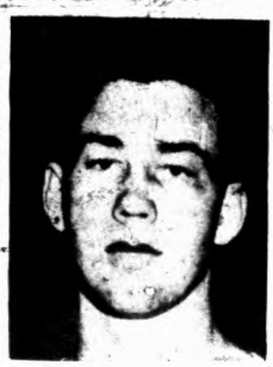
Professor Clyde H. Bailey, vice director of the agricultural experiment station, told the regents in a memorandum that the research is planned to solve "the most difficult technical problems confronting the field engineers of the Soil Conservation service." It is hoped to bring about improvement in present facilities for reducing damage from floods "and thus reduce the cost of safely handling and disposing of the flood waters originating on farm lands."

The exceptional facilities of the new hydraulic laboratory operated under the Institute of Technology will be used in the work. The University's estimated contribution of $15,500 includes $10,000 for the use of this laboratory, $4,800 for technical assistance and mechanical service and $700 as the value of the services to be rendered by the Department of Agricultural Engineering.

The government's estimated cash contribution will be $10,000.

The types of hydraulic structure to be studied will be largely limited to those usable in the central United States, and particularly in Region 5 of the Soil Conservation service, which includes the Northwest.

## Keniston Back In Class After Rescue of Girl



Robert Keniston, engineering sophomore who early Saturday fought off a would-be masher from a waitress of a campus cafe only later to be slugged by him at Como avenue and the city limits, returned to classes yesterday bandaged up a bit but cheerful.

Keniston suffered face and head lacerations and bruises about the body. He was struck from behind after he had knocked the assailant out and taken the girl home. Police were still searching for the masher last night.

## Negro Students Hold New Vote on 'Porgy'

Negro students will go to the polls again this afternoon to take a second vote on the issue of the University Theatre's proposed production of "Porgy", it was announced yesterday by the Council of Negro students.

In the first poll taken last week, the Negro students voted their non-support to the play, 47 to 6.

**The council made plans for the poll yesterday after a meeting directed by Director C. Lowell Lees of the Theatre. Director Lees present a synopsis of the play and answered questions concerning point which the council objected.**

"I am deeply appreciative of the chance afforded me by the council to direct the meeting," Lees said later in his office, "and of the gracious way in which I was received.

"The Negro students have my promise that the University Theatre will abide by any decision they reach in their poll tomorrow."

**The story of "Porgy" is more important than any individual characters in the play, Reid Erekson, assigned by Lees to direct the play, said yesterday.**

"Porgy" concerns the lives, loves and hates of the Negroes living on Catfish Row, Ala., an actual locality," Erekson commented. "It is based on the 'eternal triangle' plot. The three 'angles' are taken by Porgy, a crippled Negro beggar; Crown, a big, handsome, strong Negro; and Bess, who is loved by both men. There is no caricature of character but a realistic picture of human relationships."

## 'Middle Way' Is Talk Topic Today

Dr. Svend Riemer, instructor in sociology, will speak at a meeting of the International Relations club at 2:30 p. m. today in 104 Union.

He will discuss the "Middle Way in Danger" and answer questions after his talk. Dr. Riemer is well acquainted with Nordic countries.

### Pioneer Hall Council Calls Meeting Today

The Pioneer council will meet at 7 p. m. today to approve a new budget and to appoint two new members to committees. Appointed will be Sy Tante to the ticket committee and Maxwell Parker to the publicity committee.

### Ag Dancing Classes Meet in Gym Today

The regular weekly meeting of the Ag dancing class will be held in the Ag gym tonight, instead of in the Ag Union, usual place of the lessons. The beginning class starts at 7:30 p. m., and lessons for the advanced group at 8:30 p. m.

## *A Deplorable 'State'*

## Official U. Colors Unknown

This University has been, and still is, in a deplorable state.

A year ago it didn't even have an official seal. That was remedied by an artist on the Board of Regents.

A month ago it didn't know how old it was. That was remedied by President Ford and the regents, who decided on February 25, 1851, as the founding date.

**But it still didn't know its name was taken care of until Saturday when the regents passed a resolution by R. J. Quinlivan, St. Cloud attorney, to call the corporate body "Regents of the University of Minnesota."**

But the colors. Well, no one is sure about that even yet.

They were believed to be maroon and gold until recently when C. Page Hanify, registrar of the University of Queensland at Brisbane, Australia, wrote asking for the official seal and colors which are to be carved on the capitals of some new buildings.

Malcolm M. Willey, University dean and assistant to the President, discovered the only mention of "maroon and gold" is in Laws and Regulations of the University of Minnesota," approved by the University Senate May 4, 1916.

**In the regulations mention is made of the lining of hoods worn by graduating students. They should be "maroon and gold," it is suggested. But Dean Willey isn't sure that's official. He plans to take it up with President Ford.**

If he finds that we don't have any school colors, the University will have to get along as best it can for another 88 years.

## Hanson to Appear In Court Today

Dale Hanson, captain of the University wrestling team, will appear in municipal court at 9 a. m. today to face a charge of disorderly conduct growing out of a brawl in a lower Hennepin avenue cafe early yesterday.

Hanson was arrested with Robert Hoy, 24, 1403 Fourth street southeast, a former student, and Rook Ganz, also known as Hillard Thompson, an orchestra leader, of 3736 Fourth avenue south.

Police reports said the battle started when Hanson got into a conversation with a white girl seated at Ganz' table.

Hanson, out on $25 bail, last night asserted he had stepped into the fight only to aid his friend Hoy, whom he said had first got into conversation with the girl.

# U. S. Lines Switch Ships To Panama Flag

## Maritime Commission Okays New Registry

*By United Press*

Washington, Nov. 6—The Maritime Commission tonight conditionally approved the proposed transfer of eight merchant vessels of the U. S. Lines to the Panama flag, a move designed to circumvent the drastic Neutrality law restrictions against the entry of American vessels into European war areas.

This important development in the application of the new neutrality policy came shortly after the government, through the joint Army-Navy aeronautical board, established rigid control over American plane sales to European war customers to protect military secrets and prevent European orders from delaying this nation's own air expansion program.

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The Maritime Commission's final approval of the proposed transfer of the eight freighters to Panamanian registry hinges on several undisclosed conditions which were submitted to John Franklin, president of the U. S. Lines, for acceptance or rejection tomorrow.

Prior to giving Franklin their answer, the commission members consulted with State department officials who informed them that the transfer would involve no question of foreign policy. These officials said, however, that under Neutrality law restrictions on the travel of American citizens to certain combat areas, it probably would be impossible to man the freighters with American officers and crews.

## Norway to Hold Nazi Prize Crew

**Oslo, Norway, Tuesday, November 7—The Norwegian government, rejecting Germany's demand for "immediate release" of the Nazi prize crew taken from the American steamer City of Flint, announced early today that the Germans will be sent to a concentration camp.**

**Simultaneously the Oslo radio station revealed that Germany had demanded compensation from Norway for the loss of the City of Flint's cargo when the ship was turned back to Captain Joseph A. Gainard and his American crew Saturday after internment of the Nazi prize crew.**

## U. S. Freighter Sails 'At Own Risk'

New York, Nov. 6—The Columbia Broadcasting System reported tonight that its short wave listening station, picking up the 8 p. m. news broadcast in German from Germany's DXBN and DJD stations, heard this warning concerning the American freighter Black Gull.

"The American ship Black Gull sailed from New York today at her own risk with a cargo of contraband allegedly destined for Belgium and Holland."

The Black Gull, a 5,029-ton vessel of the Black Diamond Line, sailed from New York Saturday forenoon, November 4, and not today. She was probably the last American boat to leave before the revised Neutrality law became effective.

## Germany Reported Cancelling Leaves

**Copenhagen, Denmark, Nov. 6—The Berlin correspondent of the radical newspaper Politiken wrote tonight that Germany was cancelling military leaves by telegraph and that this action, plus German-Italian conferences in Rome, foreshadowed a "big German offensive in the Mediterranean in an effort to entice French and British fleets to positions where they may be attacked."**

**The dispatch said General Francisco Franco, head of the government of Spain, was being pressed to open an offensive at the psychological moment from big German batteries at Ceuta against the British fortifications at Gibraltar, across the Strait.**

**The correspondent said Italian and Spanish fliers are on the Western front and that many Italian officers are in Berlin, wearing German uniforms.**

## French Shoot Down 9 German Planes

Paris, Nov. 6—French aviators flying American Curtiss pursuit planes and outnumbered 3 to 1 today won the biggest air battle thus far on the Western front and shot down 9 German planes, the French high command announced.

French military leaders, elated over the victory, said it "definitely proves" the superiority of the American-made French planes and the courage and skill of the French air force.

The 9 French planes, which clashed with 27 German pursuit ships over the fighting lines, returned to their bases without any losses, the announcement said.

## What's Doing

**TODAY**

**Meeting:** Music hour, 12:30 p. m., 211 Union.
**Meeting:** University Cooperative club, 12:30 p. m., 104 Union.
**Meeting:** International Relations club, 2:30 p. m., 104 Union.
**Meeting:** Publicity course, 3:30 p. m., 104 Union.
**Dance:** Twilite, 3:30 p. m., Union ballroom.
**Meeting:** Peace council, 3:30 p. m., 211 Union.
**Meeting:** Minnesota Student alliance, 3:30 p. m., 103 Union.
**Meeting:** Current Affairs conference, 4:30 p. m., 211 Union.
**Meeting:** Institute Chemical Engineers, 7 p. m., 110 Union.
**Meeting:** Tech Glee club, 7 p. m., 104 Union.
**Meeting:** Classical society, 7 p. m., 103 Union.
**Meeting:** Ag Engineers, 7 p. m., 106 Union.
**Meeting:** Student alliance, 8 p. m., 211 Union.
**Luncheon:** Beta Gamma Sigma, 12:30 p. m., 206 Union.
**Luncheon:** Professor Thiel, 12:30 p. m., 200, Union.
**Luncheon:** Recreation committee, 12 noon, 208 Union.
**Dinner:** Faculty Dining club, 6:15 p. m., 202 Union.
**Dinner:** Agricultural Engineering, 6:30 p. m., 201 Union.
**Dinner:** Junior high school principals, 6:30 p. m., 208 Union.

## WLB

**TODAY**

10:30 a.m. Market news.
10:45 a.m. Familiar music.
11:00 a.m. Minnesota School of the Air—American history.
11:15 a.m. Background.
11:30 a.m.—Beethoven.
11:45 a.m.—First Symphony.
12:00 noon—Mozart, Adagio and Fugue.
12:15 p.m.—DAILY NEWSCAST.
12:30 p.m.—Sign off.
1:30 p.m.—Science news.
1:45 p.m.—Music.
2:00 p.m.—Minnesota School of the Air—Art for You.
2:15 p.m.—Art and Employment.
2:30 p.m.—WLB Playhouse.
2:45 p.m.—Retribution.
3:00 p.m.—Tom Taylor.
3:15 p.m.—Background of the News.
3:30 p.m.—Sign off.

**TOMORROW**

7:00 a.m. The Weather Vane.
7:30 a.m.—U. of M. Bulletin.
8:30 a.m.—Lecture.
8:45 a.m.—Social problems.
9:00 a.m.—Toime Kyllonen.
9:15 a.m.—Music.
9:30 a.m.—Sign off.
10:30 a.m.—Market news.
10:45 a.m.—Child welfare.
11:00 a.m.—Minnesota School of the Air—Children's Story.
11:15 a.m.—Forest Full of Friends.
11:30 a.m.—Classroom lecture.
11:45 a.m.—A. N. Christensen.
12:00 noon—Political science.
12:15 p.m.—DAILY NEWSCAST.

## Doctors to See Dowling School

### Cardiology Course Schedules Trips

Physicians in Minnesota and adjoining states who have gathered at the Center for Continuation Study for courses in urology and cardiology will visit Michael Dowling School for Crippled Children today to observe training methods used for treatment of heart diseases.

The series of lectures, demonstrations and trips which began yesterday will continue through Saturday. The cardiology course also includes a number of other trips.

The University hospitals will be visited tomorrow. Thursday's itinerary includes the Ancker hospital in St. Paul, and Saturday's trip will be to the Minneapolis General hospital. Friday is reserved for discussion of heart diseases in children.

The urology course calls for trips to the Ancker, Eitel, St. Mary's University and Minneapolis General hospitals. A clinic at Glen Lake Sanatorium will be reviewed Thursday.

The faculty for these courses is drawn from the University of Minnesota.

## Baker to Discuss Opinion Polls At Student Forum

The significance of polls of public opinion like the Gallup poll will be discussed by Dr. Kenneth E. Baker of the psychology department at a Students Forum meeting at 12:30 p. m. tomorrow in 211 Union.

This meeting was scheduled for yesterday, but was postponed because of the special Forum meeting last Friday at which Harry Elmer Barnes spoke.

This will not be a luncheon meeting.

## YW Calls Five Interest Group Meetings Today

Five YWCA interest groups, meeting today, will help to keep co-eds busy between classes.

Joe Franklin, Peace council chairman, will address the World Winds club at 11:30 a. m. in the Jean Martin Brown room of Shevlin hall.

Food Fads members will learn how to make party favors at 11:30 a. m. in the Shevlin radio room.

Benny Goodman and Artie Shaw records will compete for top swing honors at the Melody Matinee, meeting at 1:30 p. m. in Shevlin ballroom.

At the Book Nook meeting, Helen MacDonald will tell what new books are headliners and why. This group meets at 2:30 p. m. in the Jean Martin Brown room.

Religion Today will hear Mr. Guillermo Reina of Honduras discuss "The Dogmas and Politics of the Church of South America" at 3:30 p. m. in the Jean Martin Brown room.

### Stargazers to Hear Miss June Miller

Stargazers, drama group of WSGA, will meet at 7:30 p. m. Thursday in room 3 Music building to hear Miss June Miller, assistant to Dr. Lees, talk about University Theatre.

Money for the Theatre tickets, which are 50 cents, must be in Dean Blitz's office by noon today.

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**CONVOCATION**

All-University convocation Thursday, November 9, 11:30 A. M. in Northrop Memorial auditorium.
Speaker: E. B. Hitchcock.
Subject: Perpetual Crisis?
Malcolm M. Willey, University Dean and Assistant to the President.

**LIBRARY NOTICE**

All of the reading rooms of the Library will be open as usual from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. on Armistice day, Saturday, November 11. The offices will be closed.
Frank K. Walter, University Librarian.

**NOTICE TO FEDERAL STUDENTS**

Pay checks for Federal students will be mailed from St. Paul on Monday or Tuesday, November 6th and 7th, to the University home addresses.

State supplement checks will be ready for distribution as soon as federal checks are received and should be called for promptly at the Federal window in the Bursar's office on the Main Campus and at Room No. 200A, Mr. Bassett's office, on the Farm Campus.

Students who are paying their tuition and fees in installments must make payment on or before November 10th. Failure to do this will result in the immediate loss of NYA appointment and cancellation of registration.
Malcolm M. Willey, University Dean and Assistant to the President.

**COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, LITERATURE, AND THE ARTS**
**Zoology Seminar**

The Seminar of the Department of Zoology will meet at 4:30 p. m. in room 313 Zoology on Wednesday, November 8th.
Speaker: Dr. Otto H. Schmitt.
Topic: "The mutual interaction of simultaneously existent nerve impulses in adjacent axons."
All interested are cordially invited to be present.
D. E. Minnich, Chairman of the Department of Zoology.

**EDUCATION AND GENERAL COLLEGE PHYSICALS**

All students graduating from the College of Education and General College at the close of the fall quarter are urged to make their appointments for complete physical examinations as promptly as possible at the ground floor desk of the Students' Health Service.
Ruth E. Boynton, M. D., Director.

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION FACULTY MEETING**

The fall quarter faculty meeting of the College of Education will be held Monday, December 4, at 6:00 P.M. at the Campus Club. The meeting will be devoted to hearing reports of committee chairmen and to acting on such recommendations as may be presented.
W. E. Peik, Dean.

**GRADUATE SCHOOL**

The final oral examination of Francis M. Boddy, candidate for the Ph.D degree, major Economics, minor Mathematics, will be held on Tuesday, November 14, 1939, at 2 p. m., in room 206, Vincent hall.
Examining committee: Profs. R. A. Stevenson, chairman; Garver, Dunham Jackson, Treloar, W. W. Waite, Marget and Mudgett.
Royal N. Chapman, Dean.

## Social Calendar Set For New Ag Union

Another step toward permanent organization of the new Ag Union was taken last week when members of the new temporary combined Union board met and decided on a calendar of social events for fall quarter.

The temporary board is comprised of the former Ag Union and Ag Shevlin boards. Stan Seaver, president of the temporary board, presided.

An innovation this year is appointment of board members as sponsors for Ag Union activities. Sponsors will select members of the Ag student body to act as arrangements committees for sunlites, coffee hours, music hours, games and tournaments.

Sponsors appointed at yesterday's meeting are Susie Van Sickle, sunlites; Adell Lind, coffee hours; Marvin Smith, games and tournaments; Marjorie Stowell, music hours; and Harold Johansen, to assist in enlarging Ag Saturday Nite club activities.

The sponsor system is expected to get more Ag students active in functions of the new Ag Union, Seaver said last week. He urged that anyone interested in working on a committee should see the sponsor.

Another major feature of the meeting was the appointment of Vetta Goldstein, instructor in Home Economics, as arrangements chairman for the open house celebration when the new Ag Union is opened.

Definite dates on the social calendar include a free sunlite dance every other Tuesday from 3:30 to 5:30 p. m.

Tentative plans of the temporary combined board call for a meeting every other Thursday.

# Need for a New Lecture Hall Is Cited

## Study Groups Crowd Burton

### 'Inadequate' Is Cry Of Students, Faculty

What this University needs is a good, big lecture hall!

That is the consensus among students and faculty members, especially those who either give lectures in Burton auditorium or listen to them.

R. M. Elliot, professor of psychology, pointed out yesterday that Burton auditorium is the largest lecture hall on the campus. Over 2,500 students use it daily. Its seating capacity is 690, yet there are classes with an enrollment as high as 1,300, which is the present figure for psyscology 1f.

**This University has gone on record advocating the large lecture session as a method of teaching," Mr. Elliot said. "We have found that students do just as well in large lecture groups as in small ones. Yet we haven't the proper facilities to follow this program."**

"Burton auditorium was built before anyone knew much about the structure and needs of a large lecture hall. Consequently, it is poorly ventilated, badly arranged and inadequately equipped."

A great deal of publicity was recently given to A. N. Christensen, professor of political science, when he had some members of his class bring portable radio sets in order that they might listen to the broadcast of the lecture.

**"I did that because some way of improving the speaking in the room had to be found," he said. "Students sitting in the back of the hall weren't hearing the lectures."**

Probably the reason that Burton auditorium causes so many classroom difficulties is that originally it was not intended for a lecture room. It was the University chapel until the requirement of chapel was discontinued.. Then the seats were torn out and it became the library reading room.

When the new library was completed in the early 1920's, seats were again installed in Burton auditorium. It has been used for lecture sections ever since, even though the enrollment of the University has almost tripled what it was when Burton was built.

The instructors questioned all agree that a one-story lecture hall would be the best solution of the present problem.

**"The hall would be used and designed for lecture purposes exclusively," Mrs. Alice Felt Tyler, professor of history said. "Special attention should be be paid to acoustics, ventilation, visual education aids, blackboard facilities, and map display."**

Both Mr. Elliot and Mr. Christensen advocated these points and also added that special facilities for entering and leaving the room should be carefully planned.

## Ellen Johnson Named to Head Contact Group

Ellen Johnson
Foundation Contact Chairman

While leaders of student organizations have already started promotion work for the third annual Foundation ball, Art Buchman, chairman, yesterday announced the appointment of Ellen Johnson as contact chairman.

Miss Johnson yesterday named the following committee chairmen for the Thanksgiving eve dance:

Academic fraternities, Bill Pickell; professional fraternities, Eldon Eichorn; clubs and organizations, Stan Shores and Roxy Klein; Ag campus, Joye Whitten; and transportation, George Witcher.

## Herman Throws Block At 'Pneumonia Foe'

Herman Glander, campus cop and super Gopher fan, confined in the Health Service with what originally was thought to be a "bad cold," knows how it feels to be tackled.

His opponent was "Powerhouse Pneumonia." But the campus cop, displaying that famous Golden Gopher goal stand technique, has pushed the disease back for a loss.

Yesterday Herman received visitors after his strenuous battle with the lung infection.

"I'm over the hump now," said Herman, "and it sure feels good to be past it."

An ardent Gopher fan, Herman had planned to go to Ann Arbor for the Minnesota-Michigan game this Saturday. Now he will repeat his performance of last Saturday—rooting from his bedside seat while listening to the broadcast.

### Forestry Club Party Set for Tomorrow

Twelve freshman members of the Forestry club will give a surprise party for other members of the club in the Ag Union at 8 p. m. tomorrow.

Identity of the principal speaker and his topic are being kept secret by the arrangements committee. Entertainment will be several comedy films and three skits by the freshmen.

Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

### Ludwig to Olivia

Clarence C. Ludwig, associate professor of political science, will attend a regional meeting of the League of Minnesota Municipalities in Olivia tomorrow.

Eight students of Little Rock Junior college are earning their college expenses operating a peanut butter plant.



## Interfraternity Council Adopts New Cash Donation Policy

The Interfraternity council has a new policy governing fraternity contributions to charitable and social organizations.

In the past, donations to the Community Fund, YMCA and other welfare groups were given by individual fraternities which had no way of determining the value of the project to which they donated.

**Under the new ruling, applicants for donations must apply to the Interfraternity council office which will in turn act as a clearing house for the 26 academic houses on the campus.**

The system will help fraternity men judge applying organizations and will insure prompt support of worthy projects. The council's funds will be collected from fraternities on a pro-rata basis.

The $350 Community Fund contribution voted by the council at its last meeting is the first donation to be passed under the new ruling.

### Star-Journal Feature Editor Will Speak

Nat Finney, feature editor of the Minneapolis Star-Journal, will explain the mechanics of getting campus news into the downtown press at the final session of the publicity course at 3:30 p. m. today in 104 Union.

Today's talk is a sequel to one made last week by Charles Roberts, editor of The Daily, who discussed "Your Daily and the News." Publicity chairmen of more than 40 campus organizations compose the audience.

### Graduate School Dance Postponed to Nov. 24

The fall Graduate school dance, which was to have been held Friday, November 17, has been postponed until the following Friday, November 24.

The event will be held in Powell hall. Dance music will be furnished by a PWA orchestra and games, refreshments and cards will provide entertainment.





## Daily To Give 'Soap Box' Page To Politicos

Tomorrow, The Daily will hold a "caucus." Political parties and independent candidates will be allotted a special page where they can fight out election issues undisturbed.

The only restrictions are a 500-word limit on platforms of political parties and a 75-word maximum on platforms of independent candidates. All platforms must bear the signature of the party chairman or the independent and must be turned into The Daily by noon today.

The Daily reserves the right to cut all platforms exceeding the prescribed lengths.

# Schmitz to Talk At Greek Smoker

### Pioneer Freshmen Meet Tomorrow

The third and last in a series of freshman smokers will be held at 7:30 p. m. tomorrow in Pioneer hall.

The affair is sponsored by the Interfraternity council to acquaint freshman men living in the hall with fraternity organization.

James Webster, council president, will give an introductory address, after which Wayne Krogfoss, tenor, will sing. Harvey Stenson, assistant to the dean of student affairs, will preside.

**Henry Schmitz, chief of the forestry division, will discuss "What My Fraternity Has Meant to Me."**

"How to Become a Fraternity Man" will be the subject of a talk by Carroll Geddes, financial adviser to student organizations.

Refreshments will be served.

# Punchinello to Hear Thompson Today

Dave Thompson, instructor in the speech department and winner of last year's Masquers award for the best performance in the University Theatre, will discuss "First Principles of Acting" at the meeting of Punchinello, Ag dramatic group, at 8 p. m. today in 217 Engineering building.

**The meeting is open to all Ag students. Freshman or transfer students interested in dramatics or play production are urged to attend.**

Members will hold their regular bi-monthly business meeting in the same room from 7 to 8 p. m. today. Plans for the production of "The Rock," three-act play, scheduled for December 7 and 8, will be completed.

## Personal Prejudice

A GOODLY FELLOWSHIP by Mary Ellen Chase, an autobiography, is released today.

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Writing of her graduate study at Minnesota . . . "During the five years I studied there I had no unwise, incomplete teachers, none damaged by their subject, none ill-nourished and 'palely loitering'."

*Scotty*


# Ag Education Groups To Hold Amateur Hour

### "Major Moffit's Amateur Hour" . . .

. . . directed by Cyril Moffit will be the feature of the joint Ag Education club and home economics education party at 7:30 p. m. today in the Ag Union. Winners of the Amateur hour program will be decided by the audience's applause. Kent Jacobson and Margreth Leigh are co-chairmen. The 5-cent admission price includes refreshments.

### The Spanish room . . .

. . . of the Union will be the scene of the annual Ag Engineers student-faculty banquet at 6:30 p. m. today. Professor A. J. Schwantes will act as toastmaster. Professor A. G. Tyler will be the "fun master." B. D. Grussing, advertising manager of the Minneapolis Moline Power Implement company, will discuss "Methods of Advertising Farm Machinery." Professor Andrew Huftrulid has made arrangements.

### Brides play . . .

. . . bridge at the Faculty Womens club meeting at 2:30 p. m. today in the home of Mrs J. W. Buchta, hostess. Mmes. Howard W. Gilkinson, Edward S. Loye, John Turner, Walfred Nier, H. E. Miller and Gordon Moe will assist Mrs. Buchta with plans.

### Chapter officers . . .

. . . of Lambda Epsilon Xi, professional law fraternity, are Phillip Breitman, president; Leo Wolk, vice president; Joseph Gitis, treasurer; and Henry Segal, secretary.

### Pledge row . . .

. . . has increased this week with Phi Epsilon Phi taking in Maurie Harrison and Basil Banks, Sigma Chi adding Patrick Carr.

### Engagements . . .

. . . at the Alpha Chi Omega house are announced by Dorothy Rodgers to John Klingen and by Shirley Brede to John Rievald.

### Fourteen pledges . . .

. . . of Alpha Kappa Kappa, professional medical fraternity, are William Alcorn, Jack C. Booren, James Brennan, Llewellyn Christianson, Arthur Felion, Robert Hanson, Blair Henningsgaard, Jay Kevern, George Kleifgen, Henry Korda, Leslie Parent, Claude Potts, John Randolph and Harold Ulvestad.

### Triangle . . .

. . . professional engineering fraternity, announces the initiation of Gerald Olson and Philip Nolan. Recent pledges include Hevin Winker and Donald Hammel.

### Four initiates . . .

. . . at Kappa Sigma house are George Stransky, Lloyd Swan, John Lockerby and Bill Bowen.

### Pledge officers . . .

. . . of Sigma Alpha Epsilon are Bob Gustafson, president, and Al Akers, secretary.

### An 'Armistice' . . .

. . . theme will be carried out at the Ag YMCA stag dance in the Ag gym from 9 p. m. to midnight Friday. Tickets are 25 cents a person. Freddy Rick's orchestra will play.

# Talent Audition Tryouts Begin Today in Union

Registration for the Union Board of Governors' all-University auditions next Monday and Tuesday opens today in 100 Union, Ray Higgins, Union manager, announced yesterday.

The auditions, said Higgins, are intended to build up the Union board's talent bureau, from which all organizations can obtain either amateur or professional talent.

The auditions, he said, will not be competitive, and anyone registered in the University may try out. The board is looking for all types of performers. In registering, students should designate which day they prefer to appear.

# Listening Hour To Give Numbers Played Friday

Recordings of all the numbers played at last Friday's Minneapolis symphony concert will be played at the Union Listening hour from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. today in 211 Union.

The program will consist of Mozart's "Jupiter" symphony, Bach's "Brandenburg Concerto No. 5," Respighi's "The Fountains of Rome," DeFalla's "Three-cornered Hat" and Tschaikowsky's "1812 Overture."

Five orchestras will be represented on the program—the Boston "Pop" orchestra under Arthur Fiedler, the British Broadcasting company Symphony under Sir Adrian Boult, the Adolf Busch Chamber players, the New York Philharmonic-Symphony orchestra under John Barbirolli and the Madrid Symphony orchestra under Enrique Fernandez Arbos.

# Student Fliers Examined Today

Preliminary medical examination of applicants for this year's Civil Aeronautics authority civilian flight training program begin today in the University Health service, it was announced yesterday.

Applicants should apply in the aeronautical engineering office, room 5 Armory, where they will receive official examination blanks, fee statements and appointments for the examination. Failure to apply may result in cancellation of opportunity for training.

Further examinations will be held tomorrow.

Pi Batar Kapper is the name of the mock honorary fraternity at West Virginia university.

# German Students To Give Dialogue

A dialogue, Gardinenpredigt," will be presented at the second meeting of the German club at 8 p. m. tomorrow in the west lounge of Sanford hall. The three players are Helen Hofer, Michael Chessnoe and Richard Anderson.

Vocal selections will be presented by Donald Morgan, instructor in German, accompanied by Mrs. Robert T. Jones. J. Thomas Dale, also of the teaching staff, will relate a German anecdote.

After a short business meeting, new members will be initiated. Refreshments will be served.

### Archers Meet Today

The University Archery club will meet at 12:30 p. m. today in 103 Union. Plans for the Sadie Hawkins Day party at Eaton's ranch next Saturday will be completed.














# From the Gran'stand

By Orris Gran

**'We Can Lose Five' - -**

One by one, two by two, the Golden Gophers filed out of the dressing room and onto Northrop field last night with their third defeat by Northwestern in 4 years only 2 days old in their minds. As in 1936 and 1938, they had lost a Wildcat game they expected to win. But the magnitude of 1939 defeat was different. In those 2 previous years, it was the first defeat of the season; this was their third loss of 1939.

**Before the Arizona game, Bernie Bierman remarked, "we can lose five games." He said that because he feared that his Gophers didn't have the physical stuff, because of all-around strength in the Big Ten. But no one took his customary pessimism seriously.**

But, thus the football scene changes. As before, laxity on pass defense, spotty blocking and tackling and, perhaps, a lack of what Bierman calls "determination" were mainly responsible for defeat Saturday. Yet the Gophers' gallant goal-line stands, their two power marches down the field, their completion of four out of their first four pass attempts, the brilliant punting of George Franck showed that they have enough stuff to have their say about who gets the top spots in the final Big Ten standings.

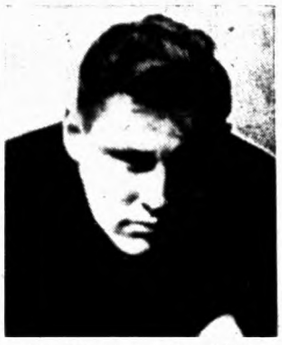
**And the Wolves - -**

The surprise and convincing 16-7 victory of Illinois, a team that had lost three times and tied once in previous games, over a super Michigan eleven, the "white hope" of Big Ten football, shows the folly of trying to foretell the outcome on the gridiron. You can throw form to the four winds, pull straws and be just as certain of being right—except, perhaps, if Chicago is involved.

**Thus, one is treading on grounds of uncertainty to step out and say that Minnesota will lose its three remaining games, or win any of them. How they will react from their third defeat, whether they realize there is still a lot to be gained in the final games will enhance or hurt their future chances of success.**

No matter how much Iowa and Wisconsin improve, Michigan this Saturday will undoubtedly be the toughest of the three. The Indians of Illinois drove the Ann Arbor Wolves away from their door and the Champaign wolves away from Coach Bob Zuppke's door, all in one afternoon. They made Tom-Tom Harmon and Co. realize, like the Gophers have been shown, that games are still played one at a time. And now, when the Wolverines do get up against the object of their last week's attention, they'll be doubly fired to flount the Gophers for the first time in 6 years.

## Elbowed Out



**Sy Johnson, regular Gopher tackle, will miss the Michigan game at Ann Arbor next Saturday because of a dislocated elbow received in the Northwestern tilt.**

# Gophers Prepare For Wolverines

**Sy Johnson, Bob Smith and Harold Van Every On Injury List; Johnson Dislocates Elbow**

By Otto Quale

Scheduled to leave Thursday night for Ann Arbor, Michigan, Coach Bernie Bierman lost no time yesterday in starting practice for the Wolverine contest. Bierman sent the second string against the frosh in scrimmage while the regulars, minus Sy Johnson, Bob Smith and Harold Van Every, worked on pass defense.

Bob Smith and Van Every were under treatment for minor leg bruises, but both boys will be ready for the game next Saturday. Johnson's condition is more serious, however, and the Gopher tackle is expected to be out of the lineup for about 2 weeks with a dislocated elbow.

**There is a slight chance that Johnson will be ready to face Iowa November 18 with the aid of a brace which can be fitted over the joint and still permit comparative freedom of the arm.**

Taking Johnson's tackle post was Fred Vant Hull and substituting for Bob Smith at guard was Gordon Paschka. These were the only changes in the lineup with John Mariucci, Earl Ohlgren and Bill Johnson remaining at the ends, Win Pedersen at the other tackle and Bill Kuusisto at the other guard.

Bob Bjorklund had a monopoly

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# Volley Ball Teams Open Schedule

## I-M Slate

**PLAYOFFS**

**Academic**

Sigma Chi vs. Beta Theta Pi, 7 p. m., Field 2.

Phi Delta Theta vs. Phi Kappa Psi, 8 p. m., Field 2.

**Professional**

Alpha Rho Chi vs. Theta Tau, 9 p. m., Field 2.

**Independent**

Fumblers vs. Ashlands, 8 p. m., Field 1.

Scoreless Wonders vs. Rangers, 9 p. m., Field 1.

## 10 Survive Rifle Team Eliminations

A new 10-man frosh rifle team survived the cut from 41 candidates in the final elimination match held Sunday afternoon in the University Armory.

These 10 men will bid next year for a share of the varsity team's record breaking run of national honors.

The 10 men with highest scores are W. Hansen, 174; Noel McKinsey, 170; Bob MacGillivran, 168; G. Brandon, 161; Bob Ringer, 160; W. J. Knies, 160; Jack Taylor, 159; and J. Ingraham, 158.

The scores this year are poor compared to those fired in the elimination match last year in which Bob Rice took first with a 182 because the frosh practice was speeded up to make way for intramural matches.

## 28 Fraternities In I-M Program

By Mel Larson
Intramural Editor

Twenty-eight fraternity volleyball teams tonight will start the second half of the fall quarter intramural program when they play the first round games in seven divisions.

Sixteen academic and 12 professional teams will be after the trophy won last year by Alpha Tau Omega. The ATO's are back, as are the Phi Psis, runnerups in the academic playoff last year.

Alpha Kappa Psi is back to defend its professional honors, with Psi Omega set on improving its runnerup position of last fall and regaining its 1937 title.

Games will be played on the basketball courts in Cooke hall, with contests starting at 6:45, 7:30, 8:15 and 9 p. m.

The first round games for tonight are as follows:

Phi Kappa Psi vs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon, court 1, 6:45.
Sigma Phi Epsilon vs. Tau Delta Phi, court 1, 7:30.
Beta Theta Pi vs. Delta Chi, court 1, 8:15.
Theta Delta Chi vs. Phi Epsilon Pi, court 1, 9:00.
Chi Phi vs. Phi Gamma Delta, court 2, 6:45.
Phi Sigma Kappa vs. Sigma Nu, court 2, 7:30 p. m.
Alpha Tau Omega vs. Delta Tau Delta, court 2, 8:15.
Tau Kappa Epsilon vs. Theta Xi, court 2, 9:00.
Alpha Kappa Psi vs. Kappa Eta Kappa, court 3, 7:00.
Sigma Alpha Sigma vs. Mortar and Ball, court 3, 8:00.
Alpha Chi Sigma vs. Alpha Gamma Rho, court 3, 9:00.
Triangles vs. Theta Tau, court 4, 7:00.
Phi Epsilon Kappa vs. Phi Beta Pi, court 4, 8:00.
Phi Chi vs. Psi Omega, court 4, 9:00.

## Herb Rose Wins All-U. Golf Title

Herb Rose, outstanding frosh golfer who has dominated play in both the Freshman and Open golf meets this fall, failed in his ironman stunt over the weekend when he won the all-U title but lost the Frosh crown to John Williams.

**Saturday morning Rose, Jim Dokmo and Bob Lawrence, the three unbeaten players left in the all-U meet, played at Recreation field, and the long-hitting Minneapolis Washburn freshman beat Dokmo, 3 and 2, for the championship. Dokmo at the same time beat Lawrence, 4 and 3, to win the runnerup medal.**

Sunday he went out again, this time with John Williams, promising freshman from Elkhart, Ind. Williams pust had too much stuff, however, and after a first nine 36 had given him a comfortable lead, he went on to win, 7 and 6.

### Pair Win Matches In Ag Net Tourney

Norman Nellen and Les Tjernlund advanced into the second round of the Ag campus men's singles tennis tournament this week by virtue of wins scored in first round competition. Nellen defeated Bob Bingham and Tjernlund defeated Don Johnson.

*Bad for Frosh*

# Reserves Score 3 Times

Things didn't go so well for the freshman football squad yesterday. The frosh met a team of reserves that was clicking in every department, and yielded three touchdowns to Bernie Bierman's men.

The center of the reserve line played particularly fine football, opening big holes between the frosh tackles. Reserve Backs Jim Shearer, Phil Belfiori and Chuck Myre led the attack.

Starting lineup for the freshmen was: **Bob Green and Bill Baumgartner, ends; Dick Wilding and Maynard Wilcox, tackles; Wally Holmstrom and Bob Danielson, guards; Bernie Nelson, center; Bert Lund, quarterback; Dick Feigal and Bob Brody, halfbacks; Bud Leckie, fullback.**

Feigal, playing his first game in more than 2 weeks, did most of the ball carrying for the frosh and he ran into plenty of trouble in the persons of reserve linemen. The freshman offensive just wasn't functioning.

Outstanding freshman linemen were Holmstrom at guard, Anderson at end, Wildung at tackle and Nelson at center. Coach Dallas Ward singled them out for praise after the scrimmage.

**The freshmen lost and gained a man yesterday. Bill Daly, one of the best fullbacks on the squad, injured his foot in scrimmage last Friday and will be out for the remainder of the season.**

Daly's injury is not a serious one. His retirement from play is a precautionary measure.

Meanwhile Paul Nathanson, a guard who was put out of action early in year with a dislocated shoulder, was back in uniform and ready to go yesterday. Nathanson was wearing a special harness to protect the shoulder. He will probably scrimmage later in the week.

Ward was not certain if the freshmen would scrimmage the reserves today. That depends on Bierman's plans.

## WANT ADS

**FOR SALE—**

BRAND new Underwood Portable typewriter and case $34.50 value. Special this week only $38.75. A B C Typewriter Exchange, next to Tribune Want Ads. 406 Marquette. Br. 8721.

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**DANCE—**

DANCE to DICK LONG'S ORCHESTRA. Credit Union Grand Ball. Minneapolis auditorium, November 10th. Big Door Prizes. Admission 25c.

# MacMillan Cuts Cage Squad to 23

## 35 Report for First Formal Scrimmage

By Linus Ward

Basketball Coach Dave MacMillan's first move toward moulding a team for the 1939-1940 Western conference basketball season was to cut his squad to 23 men. Thirty-five aspirants turned out for the first formal practice session in the Field house yesterday.

MacMillan ran the entire turnout through scrimmage and posted the roster after practice.

**The present squad includes three lettermen and four reserves from last year. The lettermen are Johnny Dick, the only regular from last year's team which placed fourth in the conference, Willie Warhol and Fred Anderson.**

Harold Van Eyery and Max Mohr also won letters last year, but will be unable to report until the end of the football season. Mohr will not be free from a job he has until that time.

**Johnny Durham, who had an operation last year as the result of an eye injury, has been advised by his doctor to give up the game rather than risk serious injury. Durham was a dependable reserve until his injury last year.**

MacMillan has scheduled more scrimmage for today and will begin work with the smaller squad.

Those who remain after the cut are Eugene Ahlquist, Neal Ahrens, Fred Anderson, Bryce Carlson, Don Carlson, John Curry, John Dick, Bob Grono, Frank Holick, Vic Johnson, John Langan, Stu MacDonald, Jack Pearson, Dick Peterson, Don Roth, Jim Smith, Don Smith, George Taragos, Bob Teyro, Jack Thompson, Harold Thune, Willie Warhol and Dick Warner.

### Speed Skaters to Meet in Cooke Hall

All students interested in speed skating are asked to meet tomorrow afternoon when the second meeting of the campus skating club is held. The meeting is scheduled for 4:30 p. m. in 214 Cooke hall.

*Wildcats Open for . . .*

## Practical Purple Puns

By Gordon Spear

The names of the Northwestern football team give a practical punster as swell chance for exercise. And lately I need exercise. The only workout I ever get nowadays is playing Spino-O.

One of the Wildcat guards was a boy named Method. And it seemed that there was a Method in every Gopher line play. And practically every end run came to Grefe. Those hard tackles were a Daly occurrence. Tackle play Saturday was one of the finer Aarts. And they sure unsheathed the Wildcats' Clawson the Gophers. (Editor's note: The kid just went crazy trying to pun on DeCorrevont.)

**Who is the speedy half back who, after relating his experiences with the fair sex, said, "I'm quite a Castle Loma, ain't I?"**

Successive defeats don't dampen the ardor of the most rabid fan I know. She is an elderly cook at one of the fraternities. She was talking about next Saturday's game. "Sure we'll win Saturday. There isn't any doubt about it. I'm not worried. We'll win by 10 points." **(Then she looked around. "Say, who do we play?"**

**Headline in The Daily:**

**STRAUSS, FRANCK BOTH EXEMPLIFY MYSTICISM**

**"I've seen Franck pull gridiron magic, but who is this boy Strauss?**

One of the football boys is late to his fourth hour class every day. He explained it to a classmate this way. "On the first day of school I timed myself from Millard hall. I sprinted all the way to Burton and I had to slide to make it. That was during the seventh hour when there wasn't much traffic. So how in—could I make it during the busy fourth hour?"

### Houses I and IV Win Touchball Games

House I defeated House II, 6-0 last night in the Pioneer touchball league, and House IV defeated House XV and XVI, 18-0 in the only intramural games.

### Gophers . . .

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on the center position for the first time since he was injured 2 weeks ago against Ohio State. Bjorklund had been alternating at pivot with Bob Kolliner.

**Alternating in the regular backfield were George Franck, Bob Sweiger, Marty Christiansen, John Bartelt, Joe Mernik and Bruce Smith. Coaches George Hauser and Bert Baston worked with this group while Bierman supervised scrimmaged.**

Ends were especially weak in the scrimmage and Bierman substitued freely using Ed Steinbauer, Bill Atkins, Fitch and Joe Hirscher.

Following the practice the entire squad went inside for a chalktalk and the Northwestern-Minnesota game pictures.

# The Daily Presents

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## Education, the American Way

THE AMERICAN penchant for labeled weeks has been properly satirized from time to time. The trend has been carried so far that many of the 52 carry a manifold burden. The recent coincidence of Fire Prevention week, National Retail Grocers week and National Business Women's week is only one among a large number of possible examples. Just now American Education week is being observed, beginning Sunday and continuing for the full 7-day span.

University students doubtless join in the semi-satirical attitude with which our superabundance of labeled weeks has come to be so widely regarded. Nevertheless, the one now marked has its direct interest here, even though primary emphasis in its observance is given mainly in the secondary schools. The week's theme—for each in the labeled succession must have its theme—is "education for the American way of life." Perhaps there are some inclined to argue just what that vaguely-designated concept may mean. The American way of life, as revealed in a good many spheres, is definitely subject to criticism and corrective effort. Yet such of its phases as receive emphasis now are, obviously, those fundamentals we regard as integral features of our democratic tradition.

Education has both the opportunity and the duty to aid in preparing for the maintenance and development of what we regard as the best in American life. Doubts arise as to method, of course. Some warn with a great show of concern against the dangers of a one-sided propaganda even when that propaganda may be designed in the interests of American democratic principles. That view holds that allegiance to the American way should not be the product of a "pep talk" approach through classroom and school book. Faults as well as virtues must receive attention. In view of most recent developments, however, proponents of the best to be found in the American way need certainly have no fear of critical scrutiny. Our educational system itself is a vital feature of that way of life, and so echoes of the current week should find understanding response on this campus.

## Argentina Blocks Plan for Pan-American Harmony

WHEN the Pan-American conference concluded its session at Lima a month ago, the United States immediately set about to take advantage of trade opportunities to the south. By the end of last week Secretary of State Cordell Hull had successfully concluded reciprocal trade agreements with 10 Latin American republics. With four more still outside the fold, the department faces an economic and political problem in the leading nation of South America—Argentina.

The answer to the question "Why is Argentina a stumbling block to U.S.-Latin America harmony?" is indeed a complex one. Primarily, the difficulty lies in the inability of the United States to import Argentina products in any appreciable amount. This, in turn, is caused by the very natural reluctance of western senators to agree to a lowering of duties on agricultural products from Argentina. In other words, Argentina's leading exports—corn, frozen and canned meats, wool and hides—are all produced in this country. And corn belt legislators refuse to see their constituents' markets ruined for the sake of Pan-American relations when the question was brought up at a recent public hearing on the proposed pact.

Buenos Aires promptly retaliated by announcing that import restrictions against American goods would not be modified and that Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy would continue to be regarded as better customers.

This caused the state department to consult Secretary of Agriculture Wallace. Again there was discord. Wallace agreed that Pan-Americanism should be a dominant feature of United States policy, but he suggested that South America should be encouraged to produce complementary commodities—those which the United States lacks.

His plan, however, does not solve the present problem. So important do the departments of commerce and state consider better understanding with Argentina that special negotiators are now in Buenos Aires with the hope of reaching some sort of agreement. But for the time being at least, western farming interests will never permit agricultural imports from Buenos Aires; Argentina will watch the other Latin American states get United States trade loans; and complete Pan-American harmony will, temporarily, be only an empty dream.

## Not That It Matters

By Ted Peterson

YESTERDAY morning as I was in the library watching the pretty girls, I noticed a lonesome fellow sitting next to me. He looked so forlorn that I struck up a conversation with him. He was catching up on his reading, he told me, because he had spent the entire summer vacation marooned on an island up north with The World Almanac for 1938 as his only companion.

ME: Are you a student?

**HIM: Yes, at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, organized 1868, 11,998 day students, 611 teachers. Colors—maroon and gold.**

ME: I see. When did you enroll?

**HIM: Hmmm, let's see—September 25, 1938. Sun rose 5:19 a. m., set at 5:54 p. m. Moon rose at 6:41 p. m.**

ME: That's all very interesting. Where are you from?

**HIM: Duluth, famous shipping center, located in northern Minnesota, the "Gopher" or "North Star" state. State flower: cypripedium (mocassin flower). Area: 84,286 square miles. population: 2,563,953—or is it 954? Its navigable waters are the Mississippi, the Minn - - - - -**

ME: Oh. What were you doing up north on the island?

**HIM: Fishing. Well, I really didn't do much when you stop to consider that the world's largest striped bass, weighing 125 pounds, was caught in 1891 in Edenton, N. C. And in 1878, a lake trout weighing 80 pounds . . . .**

ME: No kidding?

**HIM: Right now I'm working for a Rhodes Scholarship, of which 32 are given annually in the United States. These have a value of 400 pounds and are tenable for 2 years. To be eligible a candidate must be (a) a male citizen of the United States, (b) over 19 . . . .**

ME: Well, I'm getting hungry. It's about time for my steak and potatoes.

**HIM: Did you know that in 1915, the United States produced 25,560,000 bushels of potatoes on 355,000 acres? In 1936 we farmed 26,400,000 bushels.**

ME: You don't say? Well, I think I'll be running along. What time is it anyway?

**HIM: Well, it's 11 a. m. right now in Minneapolis. In Denver it's 10 a. m. It's 12 noon in Detroit, Michigan; and in Portland, Oregon, it's 9 a. m. Now in Calcutta, India, it is . . . .**

ME: Good-bye!

**HIM: Good-bye comes from the ancient Anglo-Saxon and it means . . . Let's see . . . It means, oh well, good-bye!**

## *Books*

## Story Reopens Old Controversy on Life

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY**

**W. Somerset Maugham**

**By Bess Dworsky**

Between the writing of "The Summing Up" in 1938 and the publication of "Christmas Holiday" in October, 1939, some of Somerset Maugham's philosophical conclusions seem to have undergone an important change.

In 1938 he concluded his discussion of goodness with a definition of right action as acting in conformity with one's nature and one's business.

**In Christmas Holiday it is precisely that philosophy—the expression of one's capacities and powers—which for Simon Fenimore dictates his course of action. He will suppress love, friendship, delight, pity — all these so that he may be self-sufficient and get power. But for him power is only a means to express the creative instinct in himself, his nature and his business.**

But we cannot think of Simon as a normal or even as an admirable human being. And Mr. Maugham does not admire him either, though the author seems to find Simon more interesting than we do. To us Simon is more gargoyle than man, a discursive, ill-natured gargoyle, growing less discursive as the book goes on, but also more ill-natured and certainly more inhumane in his humor.

Mr. Maugham lays much more emphasis on Charley Mason, whose approach to life, far from being an exaltation of the self, is based on easy-going, good-natured kindness and on the belief that liking people will surely make people like one in return.

But Charley's philosophy is sadly battered when he leaves London to spend the Christmas holiday in Paris. He leaves the middle-class comforts of his London life with high hopes of a gay time in Paris. His primary object is to see his friend, Simon, known in his college days as a somewhat sardonic idealist.

**But beside that there are to be women, the wickedly exciting kind one thinks synonymous with Paris when one is a young man of 23 and is off for the continent, unbulwarked by father, mother or sister.**

Neither purpose is really fulfilled. Charley's few conversations with Simon reveal that his friend has become a saturine ascetic with paranoic dreams of power and self-realization. As for women, his most carnal adventure is to dance part of an evening with a half naked woman. Through her eyes, through Lydia, he sees a dark view of the universe—a universe in which the ruling spirit is so malevolently just that every sin must be expiated, if not by the sinner then by someone else.

**No wonder then that when Charley returns to London he feels at times that he has escaped from a horrible nightmare, and at other times that the pleasant, ordered life about him is merely an illusion barely concealing the unmerciful dark forces of existence.**

In "The Summing Up" the novelist, speaking directly for himself, writes at some length of loving-kindness as an important attribute in human relations, and writes of goodness as the only value that seems to be an end in itself. But obviously such a philosophy does not save Charley from feeling—as Mr. Maugham writes in his concluding sentence—that the bottom has dropped out his world. And the doctrine of self-realization, far from being tied up with goodness as Mr. Maugham seemed to think in 1938, may become vicious and inhumane.

Thinking of the two books together, we feel that the question of values in life has once more been opened, that Mr. Maugham is asking again the question which he thought he had answered: How shall we live?

## Paintings Given To Naval ROTC

The Naval ROTC has just received a complete set of paintings of all the major sea engagements of the War of 1812.

The pictures, gathered by ex-navy personnel of the Sperry Gyroscope company in Brooklyn, N. Y., were originally prepared to be presented to the United States Naval academy museum.

Anyone interested may visit the NROTC's library on the third floor of the Armory to see the pictures.


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