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### MUST WE BREAK A TRADITION?

Student enthusiasm for the annual Mackay Day celebration was retarded this week when the student affairs committee ruled that no costumes were to be worn Friday, April 5.

It was the argument of the student affairs committee that the costumes, such as those of last year, would detract the students from their class work and be merely another day of merry-making. And yet, if we remember right, there were very few professors who lessened their school work on the students last year. If one cut class to watch the "lakings" and listen to the "jam band" he was given a "cut," and it was his own loss, which according to university regulations, was only right.

The student affairs committee, at the meeting, said the "jam band" last year made it too noisy for class sessions. The Mackay Day committee this year assures us that there'll be no band and everything will be run off in orderly fashion.

The costumes when originally proposed were to add color to the celebration and provide a part in the celebration for the women students. For prior to the last two years the festivities, save for the luncheon, put on entirely by the men students.

Mackay Day has always been the highlight of the university year, and this year and the years to come—just as last year was the first—should have double significance, because it will not only be a tribute but also a memorial to Nevada's late benefactor — Clarence H. Mackay.

### Math Club To Hear Talk

Stewart Williams, Reno banker and mining man, will speak before the Math Club at its regular monthly meeting to be held on Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Mackay Hall of Science. Mr. Williams, whose hobby is mathematical puzzles, will speak to the members on that subject.

Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

ranks as one of the outstanding lives of Lincoln. It contains much new and interesting material, giving an intimate picture of the great Emancipator President. It is interesting to note the impression created in the south by the assassination of Lincoln by J. Wilkes Booth. I quote two paragraphs from a recent review in the Readers Digest:

"A paragraph in Harper's Weekly, captioned 'Mourning in Richmond,' told of sorrow even in what has so recently been enemy territory: 'General Lee at first refused to hear the details of the murder. He said that when he relinquished command of the rebel forces he surrendered as much to Lincoln's goodness as to Grant's artillery. The General said he regretted Mr. Lincoln's death as much as any man in the north, and believed him to be the epitome of magnanimity and good faith.'"

"Confederate Brigadier-General Louis Wigfall called it 'the greatest misfortune that could have befallen the South.' And the Confederate Major Charles F. Baker, at Cairo on his way to New Orleans for exchange, published a letter in which he wished 'the vengeance of Heaven' on the assassin, and declared that, if the Confederate authorities were implicated, 'I am as far on my way south as I wish to go.'"

It is also interesting to note in another paragraph the impression created in Europe by Lincoln's tragic death:

"Among the people of England, the masses, whose sentiment kept the government from recognizing the Confederacy, the mourning was genuine. In Germany many workingmen's clubs, cooperative societies, labor journals, spoke their loss. In Sweden and Norway flags were ordered at half mast on the ships in harbor. To the four corners of the earth spread the Lincoln story and legend. He was wanted. What seemed to mean was reached for. Travelers on any continent came to expect in humble homes the pictures of Lincoln, readiness to talk about him."

### Home Eccers Give Valentine Banquet

A valentine theme will be carried out at the annual dinner of the Home Economics club to be held Tuesday for election of new members and officers. At this time there will be new members named to Sigma Sigma Sigma, honorary home economics organization, and pins will be presented to girls who have served on committees for 250 hours.

Miss Gertrude Freeman will be hostess, assisted by members of the club, and honored guests will be Mrs. Leon Hartman, Dean Margaret Mack, Mrs. James Aiken, and Mrs. Robert Stewart.

All members will attend in valentine costumes and prizes will be offered for the most beautiful and the most original. Each class will present a skit with a prize given for the best one.

The dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. in the home economics rooms and prepared by the Quantitative cookery class.

### Board Offers Cash For Best Essay

The Nevada State Board of Health, division of venereal diseases, is offering three cash prizes for the best essays on "The Social and Economic Significance of Venereal Disease," according to an announcement made this week by Bill Pasuti, president of Alpha Epsilon Delta, campus medical fraternity.

The prizes will be \$50, \$25, and \$15 for the first, second, and third best papers.

The contest is open to all students of the university. All essays must be submitted to Professor Frandsen by April 15 of this semester and should not exceed 5,000 words in length. Judges of the contest are Dr. B. H. Caples, Professor A. E. Hill of the English department, and Professor J. R. Young of the Psychology department.

Authoritative books and pamphlets will be available in the university library.

### NOTICE

Members of St. Stephen's Student Council are urged to attend a special meeting on Feb. 13 (Tuesday) at 7 p.m. The Rev. H. B. Thomas, Chaplain.

On the Hill It's Hello!

### QUAKE DAMAGES U.N. SEISMOGRAPH

An earthquake which occurred at 12:06 a.m. yesterday failed to disturb University of Nevada students, although it made quite a sizeable impression on the campus seismograph. Artemisia Hall, freshman women's dormitory, reported that students noticed unusual activity among pictures hanging on the wall, but nevertheless were not alarmed.

This reaction to the earthquake was fairly general.

Dr. Vincent P. Gianella, officially known as the collaborator in seismology for the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, exhibited considerably more interest in the situation.

His instruments indicated that the quake occurred about 105 miles away; that it could be felt as far east as Wadsworth, at least; that it was probably strongest in Chico, Calif.; that it was sufficiently disturbing to awaken approximately one-tenth of the people in Reno; and that it made quite a mess of the recording plate on his seismograph.

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### Twenty-two Subject To Libe Dismissal

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Those students are Gus Edwards, Al Caton, Bill Andrews, Luana Whipple, Helen Inman, Jeanette Taylor, Alyce Savage, Frank Beloso, Dick Miller, Mark Nesbitt, Venitia Dahlstrom.

Merle Young, Brad Johns, Robert Pillifant, Jack Pieri, Jean Cave, Charles Matson, Walter Schmidt, Pio Mastroianni, Don Burris, Gloria Day, and Artemus Ham.

Thea Thompson, librarian, announced the availability for student use of three new books, "The City," by S. T. Queen, and L. F. Thomas, "Outlaw Trail," by Charles Kelly, and "Green Hills of Arica," by Ernest Hemmingway.

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### Hospital List

Colds and flu still lead the list of college illnesses for this week, with Professor Edward Sutherland, Professor Ernest Inwood, Ridgley Pierson, Jeanette Taylor, Janette Winn, Barbara Fullstone, Nellie Little, and Art Ham absent from classes.

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### The President Says ...

By LEON W. HARTMAN

On Friday, Feb. 23, the faculty and student body will find a new executive occupying the president's office in Morrill Hall. He will serve as the acting president of the University for the day, signing requisitions, issuing orders, attending conferences and visiting the dining hall in the regular round of his duties. This day is known as Boy Scout Day. Many of the state, county and city officials will be filled during this day by boy scouts, who will function as the regular officials who serve in these offices.

Thus again the importance of the youth movement is brought to our attention. The boys of this organization will receive valuable lessons in citizenship and in administration. It is possible that more than one of these boys will be so impressed with the duties and obligations of the office in which he serves that his imagination will be stimulated so that he will be fired with an ambition to become the future occupant for a term of years of the office which he, in 1940 served for a day. Certainly the boy who serves as governor of Nevada for a day should be so stimulated. So the members of the faculty and student body on Feb. 23 may observe in the making of a potential president of the University of Nevada. All of us will extend to him a cordial welcome and show the young man all the courtesies demanded of his rank and position. The boy scout who has been designated by Governor Carville to serve in this office is Vincent Samproni of Troop No. 3 of Carson City.

Aside from this experience which will give the boys concerned some good training in the obligations of citizenship and an appreciation of the duties of our public officials, the boy scouts receive valuable training along artistic, mechanical and scientific lines. In their training they acquire knowledge of birds, animals and fishes. The boy scout comes to recognize the animals and the birds by their calls and he acquires a knowledge of carpentry and masonry which serves well for a beginner in the engineering field. He learns to be courteous, considerate and obedient to his elders through the one good deed he is expected to do each day.

One of the most popular and enthusiastic assemblies of the year was held Thursday morning, Feb. 1, when a program arranged and given by the National Transcribers Society for the

Blind, Inc., was presented to the faculty and student body. Even standing room was at a premium. Every member of the audience must have been thrilled and deeply moved by the demonstrations put on by the blind performers. Their skill and their ability, their patience and their accuracy, shown in the playing of the xylophone and in the reading and demonstration of the Braille alphabet, their well-light perfect transcribing of the printed book into Braille system for their afflicted fellows and the confidence reposed in the seeing eye dogs, put to shame those of us possessed of normal vision. The cheerfulness and the optimism of these blind people and their very real achievements were an inspiration to all who were fortunate enough to witness this demonstration and listen to their musical program. It was a privilege to learn something of the work undertaken for and by the blind. We shall be glad to cooperate in other programs sponsored by the National Transcribers Society of Palo Alto, California.

Before the next issue of the Sagebrush appears our people will have observed the birthday of one of its great national heroes. Then days thereafter the birthday of another great national hero will occur. It is entirely fitting and proper that the birthdays of men who have done much for their country should be observed by their countrymen. The myths, legends and traditions of peoples have played an important part in the development and evolution of nations. Some iconoclasts would eliminate from the life of a people all such folklore and restrict the story to the nation to bare historical fact which can be established beyond peradventure.

Hero worship is usually associated with youth. It seems true, too, that one is as old as he feels. Hence it is that many mature men and women delight in hero worship. The past quarter of a century has seen much debunking of the heroes of our youth, and oftentimes this debunking has been justified, but, despite this tendency as observed in some modern writers, personally I prefer to cling to many of the legends and traditions associated with great names of the past rather than to discard them. My enjoyment of history and literature is greatly enhanced by my acceptance of some of the legends concerning great historical figures. For example, many of the stories concerning William Tell and his daring exploits are said to be fiction but to the traveler who visits Lake Lucerne and its environs, the Tell legends add immensely to one's interest in and enjoyment of the geography and history of this region.

So, as we approach the 12th of February, one's imagination is quickened and his interest stimulated in the life story of Abraham Lincoln as told by Carl Sandburg. I believe this book

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## Applicants Undergo Flying Examinations

Nineteen University of Nevada students are undergoing physical examination for appointment as flying cadets in the United States Army.

The examining board, consisting of Lieut. Robert Taylor, Major E. E. Adler, Capt. J. P. Smith, flying doctor, and Lieut. Follett Bradley, Jr., arrived in Reno Thursday and started the examination immediately. They will continue to test applicants today and tomorrow.

The board, which was appointed by Congress, has been touring the eight northwestern states.

"We have found that the standard of the physical condition of the young men in the western states has been almost twice as good as that of the condition of the young men in other parts of the United States," Major E. E. Adler said.

"This western type of men should make excellent fliers, and the board hopes to be able to fill up its quota with this type of men."

Candidates for appointment as flying cadets must be unmarried male citizens, between 20 and 26 years of age. They must present a certificate of at least two years credit from a standard college or university, or must take an educational examination which will cover history, English, geography, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, and physics.

Candidates who are accepted for flying cadets are sent to a civil flying school which is under the supervision of the Army. Upon completion of this three months training, the cadets will be sent to Randolph Field, Texas, for a three months additional instruction, and then are sent to Kelley Field, Texas, for the advanced training.

While training, the cadets receive \$75 a month, and quartering expense. Upon completion of the nine months course the cadets are promoted to a second lieutenant, air reserve, with the same pay as an officer in the regular army.

"Flying cadets receiving this training are in a position, when they graduate to either continue their army career, or to enter the field of transports, or other commercial flying endeavors," said Major E. E. Adler.

## Fraternity Life Discussed By Scranton

Fraternity relationship was discussed by Chet Scranton, professor of physical education, after a dinner held in his honor last Monday at Beta Kappa fraternity. He was introduced to members by Ralph Moyer, president of the organization.

Professor Clark Amens of the mechanical engineering department spoke to the group on organization of the CAA of which he is university director. According to Sam Osgood, activity chairman, Clarence Heckethorn, editor of the Sagebrush, will speak to the group Monday.

## Faculty Members Listed on Board

Four men of the University faculty have been invited to serve as members of an advisory board in connection with the Nevada Writers' project of WPA.

This project, sponsored by the Nevada State Historical society, is for the purpose of providing work for unemployed writers in the state.

In connection with the project, Nevada Notes, a pamphlet published monthly on various phases of Nevada history, is published for the use of people not acquainted with the history of this state.

The latest issue of this guide has just been released and deals with the early history of the vigilante groups in Nevada's mining camps.

Copies of the issue can be obtained from Mrs. Sheila Parker Rast, University of Nevada journalism graduate and project supervisor.

Members of the faculty on the advisory board are Dr. Jeanne E. Wier, sponsor, Dr. Vincent P. Gianelli, Prof. J. A. Carpenter and Prof. A. L. Higginbotham.

The most ambitious part of the writers' program is the publishing of "The Nevada Guide," a large, bound volume including history and current information about the state. This book will be completed soon.

## Social Doings

### Y.W.C.A. Meeting

The campus Y.W.C.A. held a supper meeting, the first of the semester, on Thursday evening at 5:30 in the rooms in Artemisia Hall. A short business meeting was held, with Kay Devlin presiding. A buffet supper was then enjoyed.

Prof. Reuben C. Thompson, dean of men, was the speaker of the evening, and plans for the activities of the group during the coming semester were discussed.

### Pi Beta Phi Initiates

Pi Beta Phi will hold initiation services for the following girls tomorrow: Harriett Williams, Frances Hawkins, Betty Perry, Patsy Prescott, Mary Anxo, Helen Westall, and Leota Davie. A slumber party will be held at the house Friday night, and following initiation, a banquet will be held at the Riverside Hotel. Plans for the dinner are being made by the alumni.

### ATO Work Week

Nineteen pledges of Alpha Tau Omega are going through "work week" this week. They are: Willie Curran, Sam Drakulich, Ira DuPratt, Kenneth Esther, William Etchemendy, Walter Flagg, Hugh Fulton, Tom Kent, Kenneth Mann, Eugene Michael, Francis

## SIX NEVADA COEDS TO DANCE FOR CLUB

Six University of Nevada girls will take part in a dance to be presented for the Repertoire club Monday evening at the home of Dr. William B. Johnston on California Avenue.

The Repertoire club is composed of a group of townspeople interested in hearing and studying classical music.

The dance presented will be Bach's "Gigue" in three voices.

Those taking part are Marie Hursh, Mary Katherine Carroll, Norma McDowell, Billie Jean Stinson, Myrtle Elges, and Virginia Spencer.

They will be accompanied by Mary Higgins at the piano, Ella Corbett playing the violin, and Venetia Dahlstrom playing the clarinet. The dance is under the direction of Miss Audrey Stewart, fellow in the Women's Physical Education department.

Nagle, Mario Reacanzone, Grant Sawyer, Delbert Stewart, Franklin Stewart, Mark Stewart, Robert Stewart, Tony Sutich and Dave Nelson. Initiation will be held a week from Sunday.

### SAE Pledge Dance

Sigma Alpha Epsilon is holding a pledge dance at the chapter house tonight. Members of the committee in charge are Elake Speers, Jack Pieri and John Radovich.

Sergeant and Mrs. Michael McCormich will act as chaperones, and Les Leggett and his orchestra will furnish the music.

Pledges of Phi Sigma Kappa are holding a radio Valentine dance at the chapter house tomorrow night. The committee in charge is made up entirely of pledges.

A representative of the pledge class from each sorority, and a member from Manzanita association and the Independents have been invited.

### Kappa Alpha Theta

Kappa Alpha Theta entertained members of Bet Kappa fraternity at a

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social hour Wednesday night. Doris Rice was in charge of the affair.

President and Mrs. Leon Hartman were entertained at a dinner at the Theta house last night.

### Lambda Chi Entertain

Pi Beta Phi members were guests at the Lambda Chi Alpha house at a social hour Wednesday. Bud Williams, social chairman, was in charge of arrangements.

### Sigma Phi Sigma Dance

Sigma Phi Sigma is holding a dance at the chapter house tonight. The committee in charge is composed of Bud Young, Hank Clayton and Dick Vince. Professor and Mrs. Frederick H. Sibley, Professor and Mrs. Ernest L. Inwood and Professor John Gottardi will be chaperones. Music will be provided by Jerry Salter and his orchestra.

### Houses Entertain Guests

During the past week-end, sorority and fraternity houses entertained guests from many other colleges and universities represented at the ski carnival.

At the Delta Delta Delta house were Kathryn Hank and Roberta Fritz from the University of California.

Guests at the Pi Beta Phi house were Peggy Helms and Eleanor Watson from Stanford, and Marion Morrow, Terry Babcock, Peggy Morehead and Rosemary Stolz from the University of California.

Ted Castle, Phi Delta Theta from the University of California, was guest of

the Lambda Chis.

At the S.A.E. house were Gene De Luca, Buzz Saxton, Ted Coates, Fred Holden and Dick Wells from the College of Pacific, and Dick Huffman, Tom Schumacker, and Paul Jarvis of U. C. L. A.

Wally Fairweather, Frank McKinnin and Biff Melbourn of Stanford stayed at the Phi Sigma Kappa house.

Sigma Nu entertained Mike Milligan, from Davis, Doug Hudson and George Thorston, U.C.L.A., and Frank Jenkins, Cal Aggie.

At the Kappa Alpha Theta house were Jeanette Thomson, Nancy Hawkins and Wilberta Leavine, U.C.L.A.; Diane Davis, Betty Boardman, Mary Brown and Ann Searle, Stanford; and Alice Moses, Cal Aggie.

Among the women spending the week-end at the Gamma Phi Beta chapter house were "Pinky" Austin, Jean Shaeffer, Marge McConnell, Elizabeth Simonsen, Marjorie Barker, Betty Harrington, Miriam Cruzen, Marge McMillan, Virginia Samms, Harriet Gadston, Katherine Vail, Jane Gorrell, Shirley Gibson, Velma Maddox, Miriam Baidens, Margaret Yealland, and Annette Vollman, all from the University of California.

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### Thetas Entertain

Kappa Alpha Theta sorority entertained members of Beta Kappa fraternity at a desert hour Wednesday evening.

Dancing and games provided entertainment for the hour.

### Hall Barn Dance

A barn dance will be held at Lincoln Hall tonight with a barn theme being carried out. Members of the committee

making preparations are Larry Carter, Bud Bacon, Harvey Johnson, Grant Anderson, Guy Allen and Bill Mitchell.

Professor and Mrs. Eldridge Vance, and Professor and Mrs. Paul A. Harwood will act as chaperones. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farrar will be guests at the dance.

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### Frosh To Tangle With Prep Cagers

#### Douglas and Yerington Meet Yearlings Over Week-End

The Nevada Wolf Cubs will play host to the Gardnerville and Yerington prep schools in a two-game series tonight and tomorrow at the university gym in a basketball tilt preliminary to the Nevada varsity and College of Pacific game.

The Cub quintet lost its last week's game with the Fallon Merchants by a score of 40-49, with Big John McDonald high point man for Nevada, scoring 8 points, and Boyce Miller scoring 6 field goals and 4 free throws for the team from Fallon.

Coach Jim Bailey had worked out a clicking combination between Gene Quilici, Tom Ross, Marion Motley, John McDonald, and Alf Sorenson, who form the nucleus of the Frosh first string. Sorenson was unable to appear for the game, and the combination was not able to function properly.

The Fallon Merchants played the whole game with five men. Jumping into an early lead, they held a steady margin, although the Frosh threatened at every point.

"The team worked hard in all practice games and were in top shape, but due to Alf Sorenson's not being able to show up, the combination didn't seem to get started," Coach Jim Bailey said Wednesday.

"Bill Friel played a nice game, and should win a starting berth in this week's tilt. The reserves almost looked as good as the first string. Little Gene Mastroianni, Al Wisniewski, and Tony Sutich turned in a nicely-played ball game."

The Gardnerville quintet will play Friday night, starting at 6:30. John Robb, former University of Nevada cager, is now coaching the basketball team. While the record of Gardnerville wins is not impressive, the scores in all contests have been close.

The Yerington prep aggregation will play at 6:30 on Saturday. Yerington, using a fast break, beat Carson in a division game, while Fallon, the leading high school basketball team of the western zone, was able to beat Carson by a very narrow margin.

Gene Mastroianni, Al Wisniewski, and Tony Sutich should get a starting position in one of the two night games. Drew Smith, Ira DuPratt, Jack Street-er, Bill Bingham, Bill King, William Etchemendy, and Lester Ferguson, the reserves, might start the game, according to Coach Bailey, who thought the reserves looked as good as the first string in last week's play-off.

Pio Mastroianni and Perry Carlson will referee Friday's game, while Mastroianni and Willie Curran will call the Saturday night's contest.

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### Wolf Pack Splits Series With Fresno

Nevada's basketball team split a two-game series with Fresno State at Fresno last week-end to land in third place on the Far Western conference basketball race.

As the teams now stand, Cal Aggies are in first place with two wins and no losses. Chico is in second place with two wins and two losses, while Fresno is in the third spot with one victory and two losses. Nevada is third with one win and three losses. College of Pacific has played no games to date.

Nevada won the first game of the Fresno series, 48-41, in a very rough contest. The Wolves were not threatened seriously during the whole game.

On Saturday night, Nevada dropped a very tight game to Fresno by the score of 52-50. The game featured two overtime periods as the two teams struggled for a lead.

Playing in a round robin tournament, Nevada has two more conference series. One is with Cal Aggies, at present in first place, and the other is with C.O.P.

At best Nevada can get a .625 percentage standing out of the conference, by defeating the powerful Cal Aggie club.

Vane Strother, Arts and Science sophomore student, has been confined in the university infirmary for three days with an injured knee, sustained in a fall on the campus Wednesday.

### Archery Cup Given To Independents

The Independents will be awarded the archery cup this year, it was decided by the intra-mural board last night.

Because only Independent women had completed the required number of practices, no tournament will be held this semester.

It was also planned to play off an intra-mural basketball tourney next week between the Delta Delta Delta and the Independents, and several teams composed of women belonging to other houses.

However, only the two complete teams will be eligible for the trophy and not the squads composed of various members.

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### Frosh Suffer Defeat

Inter-class games in girls' basketball began this week when juniors defeated the Freshmen by a score of 26 to 18 in a fast game played Tuesday afternoon. Earlmond Baker scored 10 points for

the juniors and Frances Hawkins took high score honors for the freshmen with 8 points.

The freshman team was again defeated Thursday afternoon, this time by the sophomores. The final score was 21 to 11. Madelyn Down played the outstanding game, scoring 10 of the 21 points for her team.

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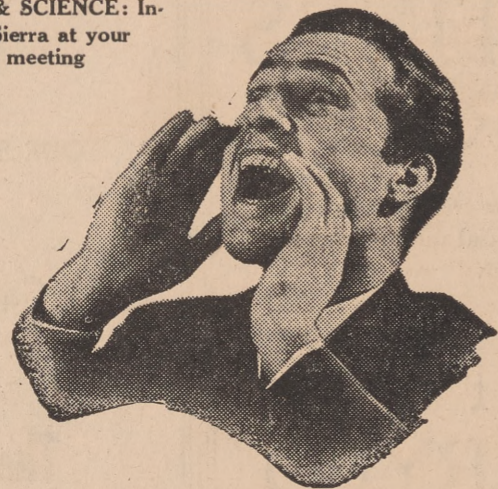
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