

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Students 'Cold' at NU But PSA Still 'Hot'

Manitzas

(This is the third in a series of stories about colleges and universities visited by Co-Editor Frank N. Manitzas on a recent tour of the mid-west.)

By FRANK N. MANITZAS Battalion Co-Editor

EVANSTON, Ill. (Delayed). — "Whatever things are true, whatever things are honest, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report; if there be any praise, think on these things."

This was first written in Philippians 4:8, and besides its many other uses, it serves as the Northwestern University motto.

We think of it, for it is hard for us to find much praise about the university located on the shores of Lake Michigan near Chicago. Perhaps its beauty, being located in a dense forest area with a sandy shore to its side, or its many academic honors, paid especially to its arts schools, but most to its school of journalism, should give us a good impression of the college, but they do not.

It was cold at Evanston. Not only the 15 degree weather, but also the students.

Prof's, Staff More Cordial

On the other hand, perhaps we're being hasty, condemning this old university which was founded Nov. 5, 1855. For it was here that the many professors and school staff showed us a southern welcome, and, of course, we didn't meet a fair proportion of the some 13,000 students.

Interviews with different instructors showed us they were very interested in helping students keep their problems solved, devoting much time to counseling. Yet NU is not a strict educational institution.

"It's definitely a party school", they told us. This was easy to see.

For proof we donate this bit of conversation garnered in one of the lavish lounges of their student union:

"What time did you get in last night?" "Not sure, but it was a heck of a party." "Were you with Betty?" "Only part of the evening." "That's what I thought. Say who took my gal home?" "I'll see you Joe." And that was that. Northwestern may be in the news in the near future.

PSA, Reds, and NU

With the proposed investigation of American colleges for communist infiltration deemed a necessity by a couple of idiotic senators, it is hard to believe that many of the northern colleges will escape notice. One of these to be investigated may be Northwestern, because like other institutions north of the Mason-Dixon line, liberalism had been a byword of the college. It has changed some now.

A group at NU, suspected by officials was abolished last year. It was called the Progressive Students Association (PSA). It was at the NU union where more than 600 students were rallied by a spiritual yell session by the PSA which almost resulted in a "march to the president's home."

As one adviser said: "The students left the meeting wild eyed. We did not know what was going to happen. But the seemingly certain riot was quelled, after hours of persuasion by some of the other campus leaders."

Newspaper Stymied

Also at NU, a recent strife between the college's paper and the administration, brought unfavorable results. The paper which published four times a week, was cut to three issues because "of rising production costs." After a word jambalaya exchange and written notices, the editor of the paper was discharged and a new one appointed. Students are seemingly prevented from voicing their opinion in choosing their editor.

As a University of Chicago student said: "Oh, you might like NU. It has nice looking girls. But it's a teasipping school." No comment.

Your Income Tax-IV

When to Itemize Deductions Or Take 10 Per Cent Cut

(Editors' Note: This is the fourth in a series of six articles on how to make out your federal income tax return.)

By FRANCIS J. KELLY AP Staff Writer

WASHINGTON —(AP)— It may pay you to itemize your non-business deductions on your federal income tax return, instead of taking the standard 10 per cent allowance based on your income.

A comparison of the tax computed under each system certainly is in order if you paid out a lot of interest on a home mortgage or incurred heavy medical or hospital bills.

The government neither wants nor expects you to pay more than the minimum tax due, honestly figured.

You can itemize deductions only if you use long-form 1040. Otherwise you are automatically given a credit of about 10 per cent of your income.

The principal allowable deductions are state and local taxes;

interest paid; contributions to religious, charitable and educational organizations; property losses by fire, storm or theft; and—under strict limitations—some medical, dental, hospital and nursing expenses.

Charity and Donations

Contributions to religious, charitable and educational organizations and deductible only up to 20 per cent of your income. You don't get anything off which exceeds 5 per cent of your tax bill for gifts to needy individuals, or to political organizations, or labor unions, or chambers of commerce.

You can deduct for real estate and personal property taxes, state income taxes, state or local sales taxes, state gasoline taxes, and automobile license fees.

But you can't take anything off for federal income taxes paid, social security taxes, federal excise taxes such as those on liquor, furs, jewelry and phone calls, or for local taxes which tend to increase the value of real estate owned. A

paving assessment is a case in point.

The law sets tight limits on the amount of medical expenses for self and dependents that may be deducted. First, taxpayers under 65 can take off only that portion of such costs which exceeds 5 per cent of their adjusted gross income. However, if either you or your wife is 65 or over, you may claim the entire amount of medical expenses for your dependents which exceeds 5 per cent of your income.

Medical Expense Limits

There are maximum limitations on medical expense deductions, too. A single person who claims only one exemption is entitled to put in for not more than \$1,250; a married couple filing a joint return, \$2,500; married, three exemptions, \$3,750; and married with four or more exemptions, an overall top of \$5,000. Those limits apply regardless of age.

Allowable medical expenses include doctor, dentist, hospital and nursing bills; drugs and surgical appliances; false teeth and eyeglasses; X-ray examinations or treatments; crutches, hearing aids and ambulance service; premiums on health, accident, medical or hospital insurance and cost of travel necessary to get medical care.

However, you cannot deduct the cost of travel suggested by a doctor for rest or change; or funeral expenses, or life insurance premiums.

If you itemize your deductions on long-form 1040, you can take off your income any property losses by fire, storm, flood, etc. Loss sustained in a car accident caused by faulty driving is considered willful negligence, and no deduction is allowed.

Insurance Modifies Loss

No deduction may be claimed if the loss is compensated for by insurance. If partially covered by insurance, the amount of the deduction is reduced accordingly.

The law requires you to report as income any winnings you may have on the races, poker and other forms of gambling. But gambling losses may not be deducted in excess of gambling winnings.

Alimony or separate maintenance payments made under a court decree may be deducted. So may union dues, (as distinguished from gifts to unions) and amounts spent entertaining customers. Despite protests of many working mothers, the wages paid a nurse-maid are not deductible, even though her presence in the home enables the parent to work.

If you keep securities in a safe deposit box, you can deduct the rental cost. You can't however, if it is used only for jewelry, insurance policies and mementoes.

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Editors, The Battalion:

Pictures of members of the Junior Class are now being taken at the Aggeland Studio. Up until noon the 5 of February only three people had their pictures taken.

Perhaps many of you have not received any news about just when you are to have your picture taken. The schedule has been printed in The Battalion, announced in both mess halls, and will be posted on the door outside the Aggeland staff room in Goodwin Hall.

If you do not know when your picture is to be taken, please stop by our room and find out. Try to get your picture taken early so there will not be a last minute rush.

We still have all the sophomore and "frog" pictures to make and this must be completed before it gets too late in the spring semester. Get your class picture taken now so we will not be bothered with make ups when we are trying to work with the sophomores and "frogs."

It is the sincere wish of every member of the Aggeland staff to have the best annual ever published at A&M. Unless we have your help our job is made much more difficult and to some extent it is

impossible for us to give you a good annual.

Let's have everyone's picture in the Aggeland this year and have the finest class section ever published.

Bob Harper Class Section Editor Aggeland '53

THE SHAME OF OUR COLLEGES

Are we a nation of uneducated people with college degrees? Do less than half of our students in college actually belong there? Why is today's campus the target of Communist propaganda—a hotbed of sports scandal—a marriage mart for enterprising females? Don't miss Louis Bromfield's shocking expose, "The Shame of Our Colleges,"

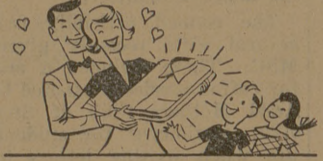
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Mayo Slated to Speak

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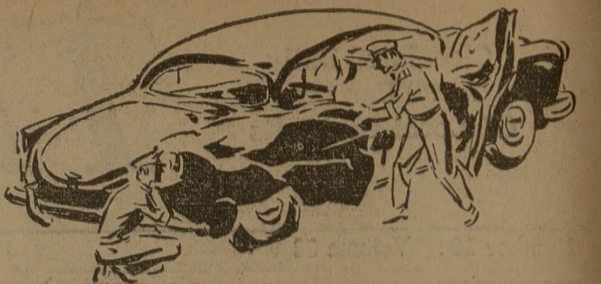


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Candidates will be selected by the Committee for Graduate Study of the Hughes Research and Development Laboratories.

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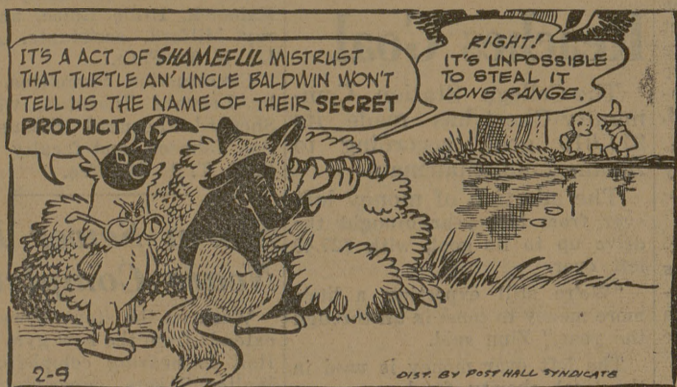
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