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## SENIOR GIRLS TO VOTE TODAY ON WEARING OF MORTAR-BOARDS

Whether Traditional Senior Caps Will be Worn Last Two Weeks of School Will be Decided by Ballot.

Old Custom Was to Wear Them from Phi Beta Kappa Day Until Commencement—Students Want Compromise.

The senior girls are voting today whether to wear the mortar-board caps the last two weeks of school or just on commencement day. Votes will be taken at the entrance to the library, all day.

Senior caps have been a subject of much discussion. The custom used to be to wear them from Phi Beta Kappa day till the end of the term. So great is the distaste for wearing mortar-boards that in recent years they have appeared only on commencement day. As a compromise between these customs, some of the senior girls have devised the plan of wearing the caps the last two weeks. The old custom seems to be completely abandoned; whether to adopt the suggested compromise or to discard the caps except at the commencement exercises is the issue of today's balloting.

The two-weeks plan is advocated by students who feel that so much significance is attached to the wearing of the mortar-board caps during the senior year in the university that the custom should not be entirely abandoned. This, in their opinion, should outweigh the inconvenience of wearing the caps. It is thought that the compromise may appeal to students

who would object to the old custom of wearing the caps from Phi Beta Kappa day till the close of the term.

The mortar-board cap is a tradition. Its origin may be traced back to the monastic schools of the seventh century. At that time all the teachers were monks. When a student had completed a certain course and passed certain tests, he commenced to teach and became a monk, taking the gown and cowl. In the early universities established in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, degrees were conferred only as licenses to teach. The monk's gown and hood were retained. At first the hood was attached, but soon it was made separate and has undergone many modifications. The conferring of degrees has been extended beyond the teaching profession, and, in recent years, it has become the custom for even undergraduates to wear the cap and gown. The mortar-board of the present day is similar in shape to the biretta worn during the ceremony of receiving a degree at the University of Paris in medieval days.

The members of the committee in charge of the voting are Alfred Hintz, Ruth Sheldon and Lorene Hendricks.

## AMERICAN LEGION BALL TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 13

The first military ball of the university post of the American Legion will be held at the Commercial Club, Friday, February 13, beginning at eight o'clock. All members of the University post or those who are members of some other post, all of whom must be in good standing, may attend. There are about three hundred members in school.

Tickets may be purchased from any of the following men at room 208, Law building between eleven and twelve o'clock daily; Cobhey, Bedford, Schlaibitz, O'Brien, Ralston and Huntington. Only 150 tickets will be validated.

Those invited as chaperons are: Chancellor Avery, Dean Buck, Dean Stout, Professor Wilson and Professor Foster.

## 152 TEAMS TO COME IN MARCH

World's Largest High School Basketball Tourney Will Take Place Next Month.

Entries for 1920 Total 33 More Than Those of Last Year's Record Classic.

The greatest basketball classic the world has ever seen will be staged in Lincoln March 4, 5, and 6, when the high schools of Nebraska battle for the honors of the state. One hundred and fifty-three applications have all ready been received by the athletic department and this high number smashes all previous records. Last year the total number of entries was one hundred and twenty and then it was thought the highest possible number had been reached. But the 1920 tournament will be the greatest basketball tourney ever held any place in the world.

The high school event is in charge of the "N" Club and at a meeting last night the following officers and committees were appointed:

Director of Tournament: Paul J. Schissler.

Superintendent of Tournament: Elmer H. Schellenberg.

Floor Managers: Armory, John Pickett; Chapel, Byron McMahon; Y. M. C. A., Mr. Fuhrer; Auditorium, Clarence Swanson.

Clerks: William Day, Glen Graff, Francis Flood, Farley Young, Harold McClasson.

Reception Committee: H. P. Troendly, chairman, Farley A. Young, Jack Egan, Floyd Wright, Harold Gerhart, Harold McGlasson.

Information Committee: Varsity Basketball Squad.

Scorers: E. E. Lamphere, chairman, John Gibbs, Bryan Strome, Edward Smith, H. P. Troendly.

Referee: John Riddell, chairman, Harry Howarth, Herbert Dana.

Timers: Charles Gillilan, chairman, Floyd Wright, Herbert Dana, Jack Egan, Ed Hoyt.

Police: Wade Munn, John Pucelik.

Entertainment: Al Reese, chairman, Joe Reavis.

## STUDENT DIRECTORIES MAY STILL BE OBTAINED

New students can still secure student directories at the offices of the university Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. These books contain the students' names, addresses, society affiliations, home town and telephone number. It also contains the list of students in the fraternities and the sororities, the officers of the campus organizations, the numbers of the faculty, and campus telephone numbers. The books cost forty cents.

## HUSKERS AND HOOSIERS WILL GRAPPLE TONIGHT AT ARMORY

Stiehm's Warriors Will Have Plenty of Steam for Initial Clash With Schissler's Victorious Basket Tossers.

Both Teams Have Had a Successful Season and are Contending for High Honors in Basketball Circles.

The shrill blast of the referee's whistle will send the Cornhuskers and the Hoosiers into a battle royal at 7:30 tonight in the Armory. Both teams have excellent records to their credit so far this season. They have each lost but one game; Indiana to Purdue and Nebraska to Colorado College. Indiana is looming up as the championship team of the Big Ten conference by reason of her victories over Michigan, Ohio State and Northwestern. Nebraska has defeated Morningside, Omaha Athletic Club, Colorado College, University of Colorado and South Dakota, and is well on the road to the most successful basketball season in the history of the school.

The games with Indiana are the most important which have yet appeared on the Husker schedule. For the first time this year the Cornhuskers will face an eastern team of high standing. If Nebraska wins from Indiana and the Hoosiers turn around and grab the Big Ten pennant, Schissler's team will rate as one of the very best in the country.

The strength of the Hoosier five is well known to Nebraska fans. Stiehm has a wonderful aggregation of basket flippers and the Huskers must play a decidedly better brand of basketball to defeat them than has been apparent in the past. The fact

that tonight will mark "Jumbo's" first invasion of the Cornhusker school, where he was formerly all-year coach, adds considerably to the interest in the game. While at Nebraska Stiehm attained a reputation for rounding out winning teams but up until last year his efforts at Indiana have not been crowned with any great degree of success. He surprised himself, his team, and the whole state of Indiana, as well as the Syracuse team and adherents, when the Hoosiers trampled the Orange in the dirt on the gridiron last fall.

Stiehm is bringing his basketball team to Nebraska determined to show Nebraskans that he is still capable of producing winners and that the standard of athletics at Indiana is fully as high as at the Cornhusker school. He is confident that his team will return to Bloomington with two victories over the Cornhuskers to its credit. But Husker fans have not lost hope and results of the game tonight may tell a different story.

A short practice was held in the Armory yesterday from twelve to one o'clock. Coach Schissler is slacking up on the work and wants to give his men a good rest just before the games. Schissler left last night for Omaha to witness the clash between Indiana and Creighton on the Creighton floor.

## "RAG" SUBSCRIPTION FAR BELOW NORMAL

Circulation Must be Materially Increased to Insure Successful Publication.

The Daily Nebraskan subscription is progressing slowly. Unless a sudden spurt is made by the solicitors who are canvassing the campus indications point to one of the smallest circulation lists in the history of the publication.

In order to push the sales well above the danger zone every solicitor must work faithfully and diligently the remainder of the week. Every student in the university will be canvassed before Saturday by co-ed workers and Viking members with the high expectation of extracting \$1.25 for a semester's subscription for the "Rag." The circulation of the paper last semester was 1200. The campaign workers have succeeded in securing about four hundred subscriptions during registration days and three days of this week.

The size of the paper has been reduced by order of the publication paper together with small number of subscriptions has necessitated the board. The members of the board declare the high cost of producing the (Continued on Page Three)

## TODAY'S TROUBLES WILL BE DISCUSSED AT FORUM

Rev. T. S. Dunn, university pastor for the Congregational church of Lincoln, will lead the discussion at the "Y" Forum meeting at the Temple, Thursday at 5 o'clock.

The foreign relations of United and the means to remedy international troubles will be taken up. New remedies to cure today's troubles are needed. What should be the form for them to take? Does America know how to face the conditions that events have brought forth?? University men will get a chance to advance a solution to this problem in the discussion.

## PROFESSORS TO SERVE ON CIVIC PLANS COMMITTEE

Professors Alexander, Howard, Pool and Barbour of the university have been selected as members of the civic plans committee of the Lincoln Commercial Club. Professor Alexander is chairman of the committee which will deal with plans relating to the educational development of the city. Professor Howard will head the committee on trees and shrubs for the beautification of parks and streets.

The Commercial Club board and the committee on civic plans, held a joint meeting Monday at noon. Mayor Miller addressed the meeting. About thirty members were present.

## GIRLS URGED TO BUY SWIMMING TICKETS

Fifty More University Mermaids Must Enter Class to Insure Use of High School Pool.

Fifty more tickets must be sold in order to have the high school pool for the university girls' swimming classes this semester. So far only about thirty-five girls have registered for swimming and secured their tickets. Those who are enrolled in the regular swimming classes receive one hour credit. Girls other than freshmen may take swimming instead of the required gymnasium floor work. Any girls who wish are allowed to join the swimming classes without receiving credit for it, provided they have had a physical examination and pay the fee which is \$3 a semester.

Now is the time for those who intend to enter the swimming tournament in the spring to secure tickets. Arrangements are being made so that two girls may buy a ticket together. Those who are interested in this plan should see Mrs. Clapp or Miss Clark. Ten practices are required before one can enter the swimming tournament. Tentative plans have been made for (Continued on Page Three)

## PALLADIANS AND DELIANS TO CELEBRATE SATURDAY

Mr. Faubel of the conservatory will present a special program on Saturday evening before a joint meeting of the Palladian and Delian societies. Since this is the first time this semester that the two societies have had a chance to become really acquainted, the attendance of every member is expected.

An interesting musical program has been arranged in addition to the social hour for the Palladian open meeting Friday evening at eight o'clock. An invitation is extended to all university students, particularly new students, to come out and become acquainted.

## GUARD OF ST. PATRICK TO BE ORGANIZED HERE

New National Society of Engineers Will be Voted on by Nebraska Men.

The recent convention of engineers at Columbia, Mo., which was attended by a student delegate from Nebraska, promises to be the initial movement toward a national organization of engineers. The meeting was an outgrowth of a celebration started some seventeen years ago by Missouri engineers, and similar celebrations were held last year by seven different colleges in the Missouri Valley.

In 1903, the engineers of Missouri, feeling the need for a permanent day each year on which their celebration might be held, and also for the edification of the other members of the student body in regard to engineering activities, chose to hold their celebration on St. Patrick's Day, as St. Patrick was himself a renowned engineer.

The celebration consisted at first in merely skipping classes and a general get-together of all engineers in the afternoon of the celebration day. (Continued on Page Three)

## NATIONAL CITY BANK OFFERS INDUCEMENTS

New York Establishment Trains College Students to Become International Bankers.

An opportunity for a group of American college students to become international bankers is given each year by The National City Bank of New York, according to particulars received by Dean LeRossignol of the College of Business Administration.

The nomination of these men is left largely to the universities themselves, although the final selection is reserved by the Bank. These men are chosen because of particular qualifications, and they are developed by intensive training in the bank to take their places in the bank's offices and branches in foreign countries.

Interest and knowledge concerning economics and political science will best fit the applicants for selection for the class. Only American-born students are eligible. The rating of each applicant is based on the following:

Character, personality, scholarship, practical experience, personal reference. (Continued on Page Three)

## CONVOCATION

For Thursday, February 5, 1920

Rex Elton Fair of the University School of Music will give a flute recital at the Temple Theater at eleven o'clock this morning. This program will consist of the following numbers:

1. Sonta for Flute and piano.....A. Terschac, Op 16
2. Kinlech of Kinlech.....J. Ocoa
3. Nocturne.....Fr. Chopin, Op. 89
4. Serenade Russe  
.....W. Repp, Op. 261

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