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Equal Representation.

COMMENT in today's Echoes column gives further evidence to the fact that not all's well with student activities at the University of Nebraska. In that department, Disconcerted gives vent to his opinion of equality here, asserting that it "is becoming more and more of a joke."

To strengthen his point, Disconcerted cites the Corn Cobs, one of the most highly regarded men's organizations on the campus. According to this student, not only was a fraternity deprived of any representation last year, but from all indications will have a repetition of the same thing now.

Disconcerted is entirely justified in his denunciation of the prevalence of inequality at this institution as regards student activities. The University of Nebraska is state owned, supported by taxpayers whose children are privileged to enjoy the same rights in the securing of an education.

As the situation stands at present, this most cherished prerogative is being imposed upon and abused to the fullest extent. How can there be equality of rights when full and complete representation does not exist in such an organization as Corn Cobs, supposedly founded on a representative basis.

At a meeting of the pep group last fall, on Oct. 12, 1928, to be exact, plans were drawn up for absolute reorganization with the assistance of the student council. Among other things it was planned to have at least one member come from each fraternity, as up to that time the membership in Corn Cobs was not wholly representative of social organizations. And beginning this fall, each fraternity was to have two representatives, one a junior, an initiated member, and other a sophomore, a pledge.

Of course, the list of this year's members published the other day in The Nebraskan was not complete. The leaders of the organization attest to that, with the assertion that the full list will be promulgated at a later date after all eligibility requirements have been checked.

We cannot say that some fraternity will be slighted then; we only have to wait in patience. But it would not be too much to suggest that Corn Cob leaders make a careful survey of all fraternities on the campus and see that equal representation comes from each one.

Know Nebraska!

Nebraska students, after spending twenty years in the state, and receiving a high school education in Nebraska institutions, often display a really remarkable lack of knowledge of the affairs of their own commonwealth.

In a news familiarity test given last week to a class composed in the most part of sophomore students, one answer revealed the surprising fact that Arthur J. Weaver was "a New York business man, and a shrewd stock market authority." Other answers showed a like ignorance of the more outstanding items of the day.

While the student who gave such an answer is no doubt an exception, he nevertheless gives an exaggerated example of a condition that is all too prevalent. University students, potential voters, and leaders in all phases of activity, lack even the most general knowledge of the affairs of their own state. Perhaps the fact that they are so constantly in contact with Nebraska makes them belittle the really outstanding place it holds in the country's progress.

A new publication that has just appeared under the name of Nebraska's Own Magazine, gives some idea of the many unusual features of the golden rod state known to but few of its own people. The initial issue, devoted particularly to the Scotts Bluff section of the state, describes some of the progress being made in agriculture and in industry. Contrary to the belief that Nebraska is almost solely an agricultural state, it shows that articles manufactured in the state yearly have a value of nearly half a billion dollars.

In a multitude of different activities Nebraska has become a leader and has won for itself a rank that is worthy of the attention of its citizens. Nebraska's rich tradition and tales of pioneer days make a study of its progress a romantic one. It's position today should make its citizens interested enough to follow its advancement.

"I get the blues when it rains" was never sung by a freshman drill student.

Some students seem to take university life as a matter of courses.

Seniors graduate from colleges by degrees.

Echoes of the Campus.

Letters from readers are cordially welcomed in this department, and will be printed in all cases subject to the common newspaper practice of keeping out of all libelous matter and attacks against individuals and religions. For the benefit of readers a limit of 250 words has been set. The name of the author must accompany each letter, but the full name will not be published unless so desired by the contributor.

Equality—Do We Have It?

To the Editor of The Nebraskan:
Equality on Nebraska's campus is becoming more and more of a joke. Political factions have had control of the elections for many years but it has been within the last two or three years that they have so completely controlled all of the student activities.

Political parties are not officially recognized by the university yet every member of every fraternity and sorority, and it would not be far amiss to say that many members of the faculty, are members of one of the two Greek political parties.

Within the last few years a new political party has come into being. Last spring it made its greatest bid for student offices. The two Greek factions forgot their differences momentarily and united to put down this fledgling in politics, which they did rather decisively. Hope sprang up in the hearts of some that the old feud, whatever it might be, was over and that fraternal equality would again reign.

It is to laugh. Recent Corn Cob elections show the fallacy of this hope and aspiration. An organization which is supposedly nonpolitical, composed of members of fraternities and bars, has entered into another year of cutthroat competition and as a result Nebraska's pep organization becomes another political plaything.

One fraternity, which has given Nebraska some of her finest athletes, was completely ignored during the recent election of new members. Not only that but it was entirely ignored last year, also. According to the constitution of the club, each fraternity is entitled to two members and the nonfraternity men receive a comparative number. Due to inability to return to school the acting Corn Cob of the aforementioned fraternity was unable to attend the election. The fraternity was not called or advised in any way to nominate men for the vacancies existing.

So it is with all of our prominent offices. More surprising than the fact that one faction is entirely out of the running at the present time is the discovery that only six fraternities out of the twenty-six organizations aligned with the other faction, have men in important offices.

Equality. I chuckle. DISCONCERTED.

A Defense of Exclusiveness.

To the Editor of The Nebraskan:
An editorial in Sunday's paper deprecated the snobbishness prevalent on Nebraska's campus, and a "Campus Echo" advised students to "sell" themselves to their fellows, in preparation for the time when they will be obliged to "sell" themselves to their employers.

To my mind, both of these pieces of advice are unnecessary. The average student already wastes a good part of his time in consorting with this person or that, for reasons of policy. How many people are proof against the temptation to stifle their personal inclinations in order to be seen with a "big" man on the campus, or a "popular" girl? Of course, students are not alone in this, the same tendency may be observed in almost any field of American life. But that is little excuse for such hypocrisy.

The humor in the situation lies in the fact that the group which pursues this policy is usually the loser. In their feverish attempts to make friends with so-called "important" people, they miss the really valuable contacts they might have made with lessknown, but more intelligent individuals.

In my opinion, the person who gets most out of college life is the one who has a few—perhaps a score—of handpicked friends who are really worth knowing; who are capable of original ideas and unbiased opinions. He will be forced into contact with too many ordinary, unintelligent, and uninteresting people anyway.

And if that be snobbishness, then make the most of it.

NOT A GLADHANDER.

Contemporary Sentiments

Doing Things.

Syracuse Daily Orange: Henry Ford has said, "Education comes to us as the result of trying to do things. Success is in doing them, in finding out what you can do, and in doing it right." As college students we are given things to do, and hence, we are given the opportunity to take steps toward becoming educated.

Past experience tells us that there are two ways of doing things—the right way and the wrong way. In order that we may be successful we must determine what course of procedure is the right one and then stick to it. We must have confidence in ourselves, and a firm belief in our abilities to accomplish what we set out to do.

Every person can do more than he thinks he can. Some people think that they know their limitations, but in reality, they do not. The experiences of great men such as Edison, Napoleon and Stevenson have proved that it is possible to pass through the boundaries that we believe are our limitations.

To a great many of us, the problems that college present to us seem gigantic. Perhaps this is because we think they are new. They are not really new, but are just new combinations of old things. If we approach our problems from this point of view we will find that we are helping ourselves to overcome the limitations that we think are ours.

On The Campus

BY MARY NICHOLS, CAMPUS EDITOR

Coeds Gather at Ellen Smith Hall This Week

THERE is no place like Ellen Smith hall, or so it seems from the number of informal social affairs which are scheduled to take place there this week. After the flurry and haste attendant to the first two weeks of college life come these events, planned to help the new coeds at the University of Nebraska.

Entertain for Mrs. Bible

Honoring Mrs. D. X. Bible, wife of Nebraska's new football mentor, the athletic department is sponsoring a tea at Ellen Smith hall tomorrow afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30 o'clock. An instrumental trio, violin, cello and piano, will furnish music during the afternoon hours. Presiding at the tea tables during the first hour will be Mrs. Samuel Avery and Mrs. R. G. Clapp, and Mrs. E. A. Burnett and Miss Mabel Lee will preside the last hour. On entering the reception room, decorated with autumn flowers and leaves, guests will be greeted by Mrs. B. F. Oakes, general chairman, and her assistants, Mrs. E. A. Burnett, Mrs. Herbert Gish, and Mrs. H. F. Schulte. Mrs. Bible will also be in the receiving line.

Chemistry Sorority Gives Tea

In chemistry hall, room 819, members of Iota Sigma Pi, honorary chemistry sorority, will be hostesses at a tea for university women interested in chemistry on Wednesday afternoon from 3:30 to

5:30 o'clock. The afternoon hours will be spent informally.

A. W. S. is Hostess to University Women

The autumn note will predominate in the decorations for the A. W. S. tea at Ellen Smith hall Thursday between the hours of 4 and 6. At this tea, the second of a series given by student organizations for all university women, officers and members of the board of the Associated Women Students

will have charge of the program and entertainment. In the receiving line will be Gretchen Standeven, Julia Rider, Gwendolyn Hager, Vivian Fleetwood, Harriet Horton, Esther Gaylord, Mildred Olson, Betty Walquist, Evelyn Simpson and Helen McChesney.

YEAR BOOK STAFF LAYS PLANS FOR 1930 CAMPAIGN

Sixteen hundred is the goal, October 27 to November 2 the time, and \$100 in merchandise at Magee's besides \$50 in cash are the two prizes.

They'll sell for \$4.50, accounting for the usual reduction of 10 percent, and anybody can do it—in fact everybody will be doing it. Twelve hundred of them were sold in the same space of time last year but George thinks four hundred more will be sold or should be sold this year.

Anyway, this is the 1930 model and it's just like the 1929 co-ed, bigger and better than ever. The 1930 Cornhusker sales campaign will officially open Sunday, Oct.

27, and will continue through Saturday, Nov. 2.

"We are planning a real campaign this year with much more spirit than previous campaigns have had," declared George Kennedy, business manager of the annual, yesterday. "We will have a booth in Social Sciences, a young army of salesmen, and anybody interested should drop into my office in the basement of 'U' hall anytime between 2 and 5 o'clock during the next two weeks.

"Our goal has been increased several hundred over last year and because of this we will need many more salesmen than were in service last year."

This Cornhusker sales contest is open to any student in the university and the individual prize to the person making the most sales is \$100 in merchandise at Magee's. The organization prize is \$50 in cash.

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