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REPRESENTATIVE.

TRULY representative of the student body of the University of Nebraska is the claim the Student Council can make next year—and for the first time in history. Under the scheme of proportional representation in operation at Tuesday's election, every faction secured membership on the new council. Seven blue shirts, five yellow jackets, three bars, and five independents were elected. Fifteen hundred students evinced enough interest to vote. While this number is only one-fourth of the student body, it is the one-fourth that is really concerned with what is going on in the university.

With every channel of student opinion represented on the council, the student body may look forward to a year of progressive legislation. No one faction controls the council as has been the case heretofore. Factionalism should be left outside the council chamber doors. Including holdover members, the constituency of next year's council includes six Innocents, four Mortar Boards, and representatives in all major student activities on the campus. This fact is further proof of its representative qualities.

Real student problems can be settled by the council with the assurance that student support is back of them. The council's reputation is almost made before it gets into action. Its duties and responsibilities are heavy and many, and its reputation for representativeness must be illustrated visibly next year through constructive legislation if it is to keep faith with the student body.

A few things that it should advocate include (1) a new constitution liberalizing the powers of the council, correlating its activities with other groups, and revising the election plan now used, (2) initiation of a movement to gain for the university a student center in the form of a Student Union building, and (3) increasing an unwavering allegiance to the cause of student self-government.

12:30 NIGHTS.

THROUGH the preponderant majority by which the 12:30 night proposition carried in the Tuesday election, no one can doubt sentiment among women on the matter. No one now can declare that Nebraska coeds do not want 12:30 nights.

Final action on 12:30 week-end nights will be taken by the Associated Women Students board. Although its president declares the referendum Tuesday will not influence any action it might see fit to take, it certainly cannot ignore student opinion on the matter and claim to be a representative group of girls.

The referendum vindicates the position taken by the Student Council and The Daily Nebraskan. As long as the issue of convenience is the only one involved, there is no valid reason why Friday and Saturday night deadlines should not be set forward from 12:15 to 12:30 in sororities and women's rooming houses.

CONTINUOUS CURIOSITY.

THE world, every now and then, hears about some college graduate who is found somewhere digging ditches or fixing plumbing. Immediately nationwide attention is focused on the man and on the college from which he emanated.

Usually the alumnus has some story of college inefficiency and of how college life ruined him. And then lots of people wag their heads ominously and fear their boys and girls at college are going to turn out to be ditch diggers or section hands.

Because a man is a college graduate, he is not necessarily an intellectual leader, or even an intellectual individual. Colleges turn out thousands of men and women every year who will never rise above the level of mediocrity. They graduate a number who will sink even beneath this low standard.

A college takes the individuals that enroll and tries to do what it can to sharpen their intellectual curiosity. It succeeds in this with most of them during the four years they are in school. But outside their interest lags and the intellectuality that could have been theirs is never realized.

Just as a gridiron coach cannot make a football star out of an emaciated youth, so is a college unable to insure its students against intellectual failure because many are inherently incapable of maintaining a continuous curiosity of the world about them throughout life—which after all is the true test of an education.

College cannot produce brains—it can only develop them.

ORGANIZATIONISTS.

THERE are approximately 150 student organizations on the University of Nebraska campus today outside of social fraternities and sororities which included would swell the number to more than 200. In every department there are at least one or two honorary, professional or social organizations. Then there are a legion of clubs and societies outside departmental realms.

About this time most of these organizations announce new members and new officers for next year. It is the one time during the nine months of academic effort that the majority of them are heard from. It brings forcibly to student attention the fact that the University of Nebraska is suffering from the dread malady of "organizationitis."

The sorry aspect of the organization problem at the university is two-fold. First, organizations overlap in their respective fields, and second they fall miserably in carrying out their purposes. Possible benefits which might accrue through conscientious work are forgotten. The main idea is to get into membership. The "other fellow" can worry about the future.

The university is overburdened with thousands of "joiners"—people that get into every society to which they are eligible. The organizations in themselves are very fine. Most have lofty ideals and high purposes. A lot are chapters of national societies which glean national dues or initiation fees from the gullible members. Some are doing excellent work—really serving as recreational and educational extra-curricular activities, but a lot of them need to experience some sort of resurrection.

And so, through the complexity of organizations which abound at this university, practically everyone is related in some remote fashion to everybody else. When conversing with new acquaintances it is always wise to prefix names with "Brother" or "Sister." At least one is almost certain to be able to trace connection through other "brothers" and other "sisters."

As to the private organization handshakes, they

are too numerous and bothersome to reckon with. The grip, as a symbol of the organization, usually turns out to be a "grip" plus an "a."

POOR SPORTS.

EGGS—and lots of them—were put into extra-curricular use at the political stem-winders Monday night when jealous members of one faction could restrain themselves no longer and let fire a generous volley of them. This eggging business as applied to political campaigns has its humorous side, but is presently an indication of mighty poor sportsmanship.

Last year witnessed a similar orgy in which bars, taking their maiden political voyage, were served whites and yolks of eggs on their campaign costumes. Egg tossing at some time or other during the political year seems to be ingrained in Cornhuskers as deeply, or more so, than any other campus tradition.

If both sides had eggs, that would make a worse mess, perhaps, but it would not be characterized with the unsportsmanlike spirit that prevailed at the eggging cannard of Monday night. One faction, its rally ended, found its opponents staging a bigger and a better demonstration, allowed impulsive emotions to overcome all sense of judgment and fair play, gathered eggs, and let fire at the defenseless enemy troops which took their eggging like lambs going to the slaughter.

There are several types of clean politics that university students are striving for. One is that there be no crookedness at the polls. Another is that there should be no "fast ones" pulled by the various factions. A third is that legitimate demonstrations be met by no activities that would soil the "reputation" of any faction or the shirt of any opponent.

The Student Pulse

Signed contributions pertinent to matters of student life and the university are welcomed by this department. Opinions submitted should be brief and concrete.

COSMOPOLITAN IDEALS.

To the editor: On Oct. 25, 1929, appeared in the columns of The Daily Nebraskan a personal communication by Dean T. J. Thompson suggesting the advisability of members of a national or various national groups confining in a general way their social life to members of their own group and to young men of the university. The publication of Dean Thompson's letter was followed by resignations of foreign students from the Cosmopolitan club of the University of Nebraska.

The situation thus arising created for the Cosmopolitan club a rather serious difficulty. Moreover, the club constitution provides:

ART. II—Objects.

"Sec. 1. The objects of this club shall be to develop in the world the spirit of human justice, tolerance, mutual esteem, cooperation and brotherhood, and the desire to serve humanity, unlimited by color, race, nationality, caste, or creed, by fostering this spirit in college and university students of all nationalities.

"Sec. 2. To this end the club shall act as: (a) a social medium for the students of all nationalities attending the University of Nebraska by which tolerance and mutual esteem between members of different nationalities may be developed and those personal, lifelong friendships made which mean so much later on in good international relations; (b) a means for making the lives of foreign students attending the University of Nebraska happy and profitable, and insuring that they come in contact with the best of American life and ideals; (c) a medium for fostering among the members and in the community the spirit of human justice and brotherhood and the desire to serve mankind of whatever race or caste or creed; (d) a chapter in the Association of Cosmopolitan clubs to help in bringing this Cosmopolitan spirit and message to university and college students throughout the world."

In December, after due deliberative discussion, the Cosmopolitan club adopted a motion empowering the officials of the club kindly to invite Dean T. J. Thompson to address the Cosmopolitan club at his earliest convenience.

Dean Thompson accepted the invitation and appeared before the club in January. Dean Thompson expressed his position, to the club, as one which favored the free and open discussion of the various problems facing not only university groups but also the world in general, with a plea that conclusions be reached in a spirit of scientific analysis, without prejudice and without emotional generalizations. Dean Thompson further expressed his idea that he believed the Cosmopolitan club of the University of Nebraska has before it a greater future than any club upon the campus. The club adopted a motion thanking Dean Thompson for his kind courtesy in addressing the club.

In March, 1930, at a business meeting, the club adopted a motion providing for the formulation of a public letter explaining the situation and the position of the Cosmopolitan club in reference thereto, said public letter to The Daily Nebraskan not to be released from its editorial committee for publication before due and deliberative discussion by the club as a whole in accord with the club's spirit of utmost democracy.

Before closing we desire through your columns to call attention to a few additional matters, relative in a general way to the comment and publicity to which the club was subjected as a result of the above situation. The club realizes full well the rocky road ahead if the club is to stand by its principles—for the golden rule is worshiped by all and perhaps truly practiced by none.

A few weeks ago Prof. E. W. Lantz stated publicly that he believed the Cosmopolitan club has before it a future as has no other club on the campus and that the "ground hasn't even been scratched" compared to what might be achieved by the club in a realization of its ideals. The club realizes only too well the validity of this criticism, but it has been forced to make progress slowly. The club itself must first of all achieve an absolutely democratic spirit within its own ranks—and a courageous willingness to stand by the principle of such a spirit.

The club, having achieved at length through the years what it deems at least a fair measure of such a spirit, now believes that it can well appeal publicly to students who are interested in the furtherance of those democratic ideals. The activities of the club in the furtherance of its ideals are in the hands of the club membership itself.

The club thus intends to stand by its principles—pledged to have Dean Thompson's support as expressed to us in meeting last January—and invites to membership subject to constitutional procedure those interested in the active cultivation of those ideals as interpreted by the club membership in the club's various activities, regardless of sex, caste, creed or nationality of those wishing so to join the club.

A copy of this letter has been left previously with Dean T. J. Thompson. Sincerely,

The Cosmopolitan Club of the University of Nebraska.

Claude H. Gordon, vice president. Ruth K. Stough, president. Fred Christensen, secretary.

MILESTONES AT NEBRASKA

May 14, 1920. Nineteen sophomore men were initiated into Vikings, junior honorary society. Mrs. Cora Milnes, traveling for the Pictorial Review of New York, talked to home economics girls. The Sig Eps and Delta Chis went into the semi-finals of the baseball tournament by defeating the Accacias and Delta, respectively. 1915. Innocents were tapped and Black Maques were masked at the Ivy Day picnic in Epworth Park. Pharmacy students celebrated their annual week. The Nebraska tennis team defeated Bellevue college. 1910. The baseball team defeated South Dakota, 7 to 4. The track team won from Kansas, 56 to 53. The chancellor denied a current rumor that he had issued an ukase against flirting. 1905. The baseball team returned from its 2500 mile trip, having played thirteen games. Thirteen new members were elected to the Innocents Society, and their names announced. The junior class gave a play in convocation.

NEW MORTAR BOARDS TALK OVER PROBLEMS

First Meeting Occupied in Planning for Future Activity Drives.

New members of Mortar board, who were masked at the Ivy day ceremonies, met with the old members of the organization Monday night to review the activities of the group during the past year, and discuss plans for the coming year.

Establishment of an honorary organization for freshmen women, membership based purely on scholarship, the settlement of the form of election to be used for the choice of the May queen and problem of the organization were settled satisfactorily by the faculty committee on student affairs Monday.

Mortar board, as an honorary organization for the outstanding women of the senior class, as they represent service scholarship and leadership in campus activities plays an important part in setting the pace for most other activities. Tassels, women's pep organization is directly sponsored by Mortar board, as are all women's activities on Ivy day except the intersorority sing.

In addition to these major activities Mortar board has assumed charge of the sale of tickets for grand opera for student groups, and has also conducted a sale among townpeople. At the convocation for freshmen in the fall, Mortar board takes part in welcoming the new students, and also holds a special convocation for new women students who register in the middle of the year, in order to introduce them to various campus activities and customs.

BLUE SHIRTS LEAD IN NEW ELECTION

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candidate for senior woman, polled 1,012, second highest.

Fred Gray, Bennington, candidate for senior man at large received the best support of the male vote, getting 726 chalked up behind his name. He is a blue shirt, affiliated with Delta Phi Gamma.

Other senior men at large are Kenneth Gammill, Delta Upsilon, blue shirt; Don Maclay, Kappa Sigma, yellow jacket; and Alan G. Williams, barb, the last two elected by proportional representation.

Lucile Ledwith, barb, is the third senior woman at large elected, receiving her place via proportional representation.

Arts and science college will be represented by Edwin Faulkner, Phi Kappa Psi, yellow jacket, and Gretchen Fee, Delta Delta Delta, independent.

Julia Simanek, Alpha Omicron Pi, independent, is the teachers college delegate. Pharmacy college man is Dale Parker, Kappa Psi, blue shirt, who was unopposed on the ticket.

Two Brothers Elected. Two brothers, both blue shirts, were elected to the council Tuesday. They are Boyd and Marvin Von Seggern. The former will represent the agricultural college and is a member of Alpha Gamma Rho. The latter will be the engineer's councilman. He is a member of Pi Kappa Alpha.

Unopposed on the ballot, Paula Eastwood, Kappa Delta, independent, is the new fine arts school representative.

The closest race in the whole election took place in the graduate college. Joe Hunt, Phi Kappa Psi, got one more vote than his next high opponent. Hunt is a yellow jacket. Another close call came in the business administration college when Tyler Ryan nosed out his rival by two votes. Ryan is also a yellow jacket, being a member of Phi Sigma Kappa.

Walter Huber, Delta Theta Phi, blue shirt, was the easy victor in the law college run as was Bill McGaffin, Sigma Nu, yellow jacket, in the school of journalism. Florence Hofer, Delta Sigma Delta, blue shirt was without any competition in the dental college.

The election, on the whole, was anybody's and it was not until the last ballot was counted that anything certain was known about the outcome.

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PROF. SENNING LAUDS ROBERTS NOMINATION

States That Parker Naming Was Purely Political Maneuver.

RECALLS OIL SCANDALS

Owen J. Roberts of Philadelphia, who is now the nominee to the United States supreme court following negative action against John J. Parker, first man nominated for the position, is a man of high caliber, in the opinion of Prof. J. P. Senning, chairman of the political science department. "Roberts has integrity of character, legal qualifications, intellectual honesty, and capacity to deal with legal questions from strictly judicial point without bias created by personal predilection," declared Senning. "He handled the Teapot Dome affair in an able way, brought indictment and conviction of Sinclair and Fall, arch-conspirators in a plot to defraud the government, and has truly demonstrated his legal ability because pitted against him were the greatest men of law the 'oil money' could hire. Roberts has rendered the government a great service and is entitled to such an appointment."

Parker Naming Political. Prof. Senning thinks that the nomination of John J. Parker of North Carolina to the supreme court would have probably been rejected by the senate judiciary committee even though opposition had not been voiced by the labor parties. "Parker's nomination by President Hoover was a purely political affair. Hoover appointed Parker to repay North Carolina for the support that it rendered him in the 1928 election. The senate held that the supreme court should be kept above the mire of politics. And Parker is not a person of great intellect nor has he been a great leader. He was in no sense of the word, qualified for such a position," Prof. Senning stated.

MAXINE MATHERS IS TO PRESENT SENIOR RECITAL

Maxine Mathers will give her senior recital for the degree of bachelor of fine arts at the Temple theater, Sunday, May 18, at 2 p. m. Miss Mathers is a student with Howard Kirkpatrick.

The recital will include compositions by Schubert, Debussy, MacDowell, and Schumann. Earnest Harrison will be the accompanist.

"O del mio dolce ardor" by Gluck is the first number which Miss Mathers will sing. The second will be "Adelaide" by Beethoven. The second group will contain "Am Grabe Anselmo's" by Schubert, "Der Nussbaum" by Schumann, "Ays Mienen Grossen Schmerzen" by Franz, and "Er der Herrliche von Allen" by Schumann. Sait Saens "Amour! Viens Aider," from "Samson et Dalila," will be the next number.

In the fourth group are Luzzi's "Ave Maria," Debussy's "Les Cloches," MacDowell's "Das Meer," and Edwards' "By the Bend of the

Lincoln Spiritualist Forecasts Many Future Events With Help of Medium

By George Dunn. In case no one knows it, there is a spiritualist holding forth in Lincoln, according to a discovery made by a representative of The Nebraskan. Any Sunday evening just pay a visit to the basement of the Elks club, Thirteenth and P streets, and have something told you that perhaps you already know or perhaps do not already know. Rev. Hoffman is the chief spiritualist. About 8 o'clock there is a sermon followed at 9 by a visitation of Rev. Hoffman's medium. He, Rev. Hoffman, walks around the room saying, "My medium leads me to that lady, yes, you lady, with the blue bonnet, you ma'm. You have one . . . two . . . three . . . relatives in the other world, haven't you? Yes? They ask me through my medium to tell you not to doubt that they are very happy and want you to be the same way."

Speaks Broken English. "And you lady, yes, you have someone ill at home, don't you? Don't worry so, they will get all right. Do not fear that there will be a death in your family from this illness. You understand? All right."

This continues for some time. Rev. Hoffman talks broken English, although when some get him

of the pleasures which students who do not work enjoy. Working students develop a sense of responsibility and self-reliance which students who do not work cannot develop. Dr. Hoisington believes.

TRIED THIS ONE? How fresh is a freshman? "Plenty," testifies a certain campus traffic officer.

This guardian of vehicular proprieties, the story goes, recently accosted a campus driver who had just maneuvered his modest chariot into a parking space marked "faculty only."

"How come?" balled the officer. "It's all right. I'm a professor. I always park here," quoth the youthful charioteer, and he departed without delay.

The story might have ended there—but the campus cop knew his denology. He knew that the most precocious professor shows at least a tendency to whiskers on the chin—and this self-confessed "professor" showed no such banner of maturity.

A check of his car license showed him to be a freshman, almost a sophomore.

A fine assessed by the campus traffic court cured him of any late delusions he might have had concerning his right to the title of professor.—University of Washington Daily.

WORKING NO DETRIMENT TO HEALTH. University of Oklahoma, Norman.—Working students should be able to benefit as much from university life as students who do not work, providing they have good health and good power of concentration and do not have to work too hard, is the belief of Dr. L. B. Hoisington, head of the psychology department of the University of Oklahoma. However, Dr. Hoisington believes that working students should be willing to sacrifice many

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