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ELECTIVE SYSTEM

DEFENDED BY HYDE IN DECIDED TERMS.

He Declares Biscuit Battles and Marauding Expeditions Only Normal Conduct, Sometimes.

A recent book of especial interest to students, is President Hyde's "The College Man and the College Woman." It deals, according to the author's preface, "with the personal, ethical, spiritual side of college life, and presents as the best spiritual drink for college youth a blend of Greek sanity and Christian service."

The book is in reality a collection of essays in which many various topics are discussed, having in common only their bearing upon the problems of college life. One particularly interesting chapter is a biographical sketch of President Elliot. The author discusses the religious beliefs of college students, gives a typical college creed, considers the relative earnings of college graduates, takes up the work of the college paper as distinguished from that of the University, argues against co-education, and warmly favors the elective system.

The following is taken from the chapter entitled "The Six Patrons in College Administrations."

"Academic freedom is as necessary to the students as to any other part in the university. In early college days, no provision was made for the free life of the students; accordingly they created such a sphere for themselves. By robbing the hen-roost of neighboring farmers, translating live stock to the roofs of college buildings and establishing them in recitation rooms, by greasing black boards and barricading lecture rooms, by tormenting tutors and annoying freshmen,—the student made for himself an artificial world in which they found the freedom that the rigid curriculum and the paternal discipline of the college failed to provide for them. . . . If the disorder which used to mark the college dormitory life. . . . If the rude manners and biscuit battles, like that at Harvard in which the historian, Parkman, so nearly lost his eyesight, have disappeared, it is. . . . because a wiser educational policy has provided spheres of freedom by which these rougher disciplines in independence have been superceded. No man can gain in character unless he is doing something into which he can put the whole energy of his will, the whole enthusiasm of his heart. The modern college provides this freedom in study, in athletics and in a more dignified and enjoyable social life among the students themselves. . . . The question of athletics is not the question of whether this or that form of exercise is intrinsically good or bad. . . . The question of the elective system is not the question whether the student will always choose a wiser course than the professor could make out for him. . . . all these are phases of the deeper question whether the college shall hold its students in a state of tutelage. . . . or gain them the largest liberty in the conduct of their personal affairs which is consistent with their reasonable progress in the studies they come to the institutions to pursue.

May Morning Breakfast

May 4

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

FRESHMAN PRELIMINARIES.

First-year Men to Hold Try-outs Next Saturday Afternoon.

The Freshman track preliminaries will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 on the athletic field. All the events with the exception of the two-mile run will be run off, and the prospects are that there will be close competition in each event.

Some very good material has shown up so far, and the preliminaries are expected to bring out more.

Miner in the 440-yard dash and half-mile run, Collins in the weights and McMaster in the pole vault are showing up especially well.

There will be no conflicting dates on Saturday afternoon so that there should be a large number out to see this meet. The Freshman team should be well supported by the whole school for they in a sense, determine the strength of future 'varsity teams. Admission will be free.

REPUBLICAN CLUB.

Unanimously Endorses the City Ticket.

The University Republican Club endorsed the policies and nominees of the Republican ticket for the coming municipal election at a meeting held in U. 207 last night. Among those who spoke were Chairman Anderson of the City Republican Central Committee; Jesse Chappell, nominee for councilman in the Third ward; and John Stewart, nominee for city attorney.

The policy of the party was set forth and explained at considerable length by the speakers. Plain and definite statements were made as to just what the party candidates stand for, whereupon the club unanimously endorsed the ticket.

D. N. Wins.

In a game marked by wild pitching and hard batting the Delta U's defeated the Phi Psi's yesterday by the score of 12 to 8. Batteries—Moser and Russell; Vangeren and Beernett.

NOT PRACTICAL CITIZENS.

Students Are Not Trained for Citizenship, Says McCandles.

J. W. McCandles, writing in the Inlander declares that college students do not get proper preparation for good, practical citizenship.

"Determining the velocity of a fly-wheel, he says, or studying the anatomy of frogs for four years, or pursuing certain sociological investigations downtown will not suffice to fit one for citizenship. The thoughtful consideration of public questions, economic and social as well as political, is the indispensable education for doing one's public duty; and yet these things are left strictly to a few classes in economics and sociology, and a few debating clubs."

"We are not 'cloistered' against the world's morals, nor its amusements, nor against anything, apparently, but the problems with which we should be conversant—and with which most of us are not. The political responsibilities and powers of the college man are great. He is to live in society and must accept the burden of solving that society's problems. Four years of the formative period of his life, shut off from the consideration of those problems and from the enthusiasm they awaken, is surely poor training for the fulfillment of civic duty."

Convocation.

Miss Ada Castor, well known to Lincoln audiences, has just returned from a season's study in New York City and will give the following program at Convocation this morning:

Aria—"Elsie's Dream" (Lohengrin) Wagner
a. "Longing"
b. "From Thee, Dear Heart" . . . Campbell-Tipton
Nocturne Nevin
Duet—"Fair as a Rose in Paradise" (La Traviata) Verdi
Miss Castor, Mr. Gillespie.

Clinton J. Miller, M. D. 1905 and Claude A. Davis, L. L. B. 1906 of Ord, Nebraska, were on the campus Tuesday.

ALUMNI DEFEATED

VARSITY TAKES BASEBALL GAME FROM TEAM OF OLD-TIMERS.

Regulars Make Fifteen Runs to Alumni's Ten—Nebraska Strong at the Bat—Features of the Game.

The team composed of former Nebraska "stars" was defeated yesterday to the tune of 15 to 10 by the 'varsity in a seven-inning contest. Neither the 'varsity nor the alumni played an errorless game, both teams being rather "off" in fielding. However, at times there was a very good game of ball put up. Smith of the alumni and Rine of Nebraska doing some very good work.

"Jimmy" Beltzer, who pitched for the alumni, was batted hard at times, but nevertheless made a creditable showing. Elliott replaced him in the sixth inning and did effective work. Blake and Hruebesky pitched for the 'varsity and were both "touched" for a number of hits.

Nebraska was strong at the bat and was able to bunch hits well. The alumni had a number of good batters, but were not able to bunch the hits when necessary. "Ollie" Mickel was especially effective with the "big stick," getting a couple of two-base hits and two singles out of four times up. "Ollie" also had a sensational catch chalked up against him, as did also "Pip" Cook, ex-alumni. Following is the line-up:

Alumni.	Nebraska.
Hyde c	Patterson
Mickel 1b	Carroll
Mammel 2b	Dudgeon
Smith 3b	Rine
Morse s.s.	Watson
De Putron lf	Schleuter
Cook cf	Bellamy
Elliott (Beltzer) rf	Freeland
Beltzer (Elliott) p	Blake, Hruebesky
Umpric—"Buck" Beltzer.	

LECTURES ON ART.

Series Arranged in Connection With Exhibit in Art Hall.

Professor W. M. Patterson of Wesleyan lectured to a large audience at the Art Exhibit at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening. His criticism of the paintings was greatly appreciated by all, being a keen critical analysis of the merits of the various paintings.

It has been arranged to have two lectures each week during the continuance of the exhibition, by eminent art critics of the state. These lectures are proving of great value to those visiting the exhibit, as they furnish a great help to better appreciation of the paintings.

Laws Elect Manager.

At an enthusiastic meeting of the Law students Tuesday morning in room U. 309, Robertson was elected manager of the Law College baseball team. President Keyser of the Senior Law Class presided at the meeting at which more than sixty men were present. The only two candidates for manager were David and Robertson, the latter being elected by a fair majority of a standing vote.

Freshmen Hop

Saturday, May Fourth

FRATERNITY HALL