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### VOTING YOUR CONVICTIONS

The University, above all else, should be a training for useful citizenship. No more important duty exists for the citizen than to intelligently cast his vote. A test of the student's grasp of the meaning of his University is the way in which he casts his vote at the school elections.

This semester in particular is one in which independent thinking should be done by the student voters. The coming spring months will mark the celebration of Nebraska's semi-centennial, with Lincoln, as the capital, the center of the celebration, and with the University, on its Ivy Day, and for its part in the great pageant to be given in June, set aside for especial attention.

The students must elect tomorrow, then, those whom they feel will best represent them next spring. The Ivy Day orator must be a man of ability as a thinker, skill as a talker. The class presidents should be persons of force of character enough, and personality enough to favorably impress the people who will visit Lincoln and the University then; and President Wilson, it is hoped, will be one of them.

### TAKE THE CORNHUSKER OUT OF POLITICS

The filings of candidates for places on the Cornhusker staff have closed, and for the two most important positions, editor-in-chief and business manager, but one person has filed. Two have filed for the place of junior managing editor.

Positions on the Cornhusker staff require persons of peculiar and marked ability. It is absurd to think that they can be selected by the whim of class politics. These positions have no place, and have never had a place, in the realm of politics in the University, a realm that is governed largely by cliques and rings, where offices are often bought and sold by promises of plums, an annual melange of personality, intrigue and folly.

The Cornhusker positions should be taken out of politics. The student publication board should take over the selection of men and women for the staff of the University annual, as it now selects the men and women for the staff of The Daily Nebraskan.

It will be generally admitted on the campus, that the Cornhuskers of the past few years have been almost barren of interest beyond the personal pleasure the subscriber may have in seeing his own picture and his own name in print. The book has lacked originality; it has been common campus opinion, strongly supported by circumstantial evidence, that the staff has been more anxious to make money than to put out a worthy book.

It is no reflection on the present Cornhusker staff, or the candidates for places on that of next year, that this condition exists. It is a fault of the political system governing the Cornhusker. A man elected to office as a result of the activities of a ring must dole out appointments to the members of that ring, whether or not they are the most worthy.

The present candidates for places on the Cornhusker staff will probably be able to put out a book up to the usual standard, and perhaps better than any before. In a school of 5,000 students, however, the most important positions on publications should not be filled by default. It has been demonstrated that under the present system, many people really worth while will not try for the place.

If the student publication board should announce that it would hereafter select the members of the staff of the Cornhusker, after a thorough combing of the field for available candidates, student sentiment would support the board.

And the Cornhusker would probably be a better annual.

If the board does not do it at once, out of deference for the candidates who have worked so hard, then let the board make this announcement for the selection of future staffs.

The dinner of the Order of the Golden Fleece was the brilliant success that it was expected to be. The red heads occupy the limelight today. After the election tomorrow the "soreheads" will probably be prominent for a few days.

Although the basketball team came home somewhat battered, remember it is still our team, with a hard season ahead. We are proud of its fighting spirit, even in defeat.

### UNIVERSITY NOTICES

#### Alpha Kappa Psi

The Alpha Kappa Psi Cornhusker picture will be taken at Townsend's Tuesday morning at 11:45.

#### Kearney Club Picture

The Cornhusker picture of the Kearney club will be taken at Townsend's Tuesday noon at 12 o'clock sharp.

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Minnesota.—"Dad" Elliott, the Y. M. C. A. expert, is in Minnesota to confer with the University Y. M. C. A. on the matter of greater expansion of that organization's sphere of endeavor.—Ex.

Texas.—Spring baseball practice has begun at the University of Texas.—Ex.

### BRIEF BITS OF NEWS

**Kearney Club Meeting.**—The Kearney club met with Mary Kirk at 3123 Kleckner court Saturday evening. A general social time was enjoyed.

**Speaks at Hartwell.**—Prof. W. W. Burr, head of the department of agronomy, spoke at Hartwell Saturday evening to the farmers and business men of that vicinity.

**Admitted to Bar.**—H. H. Ellis and Victor Spirk, who were graduated from the college of law February 15, were admitted to the bar by the supreme court, Friday morning.

**Is Night School Instructor.**—Bertha Shanek, a graduate student who is specializing in the Slavonic department, is one of the instructors in the Lincoln night school corps of teachers.

**Alumni Meeting.**—A meeting of the directors of the Alumni association has been called by the president, Frank H. Woodland, '00, on March 10, at Alumni headquarters. Plans are to be discussed for Alumni day of Commencement week.

**Math Club Meeting.**—The regular monthly meeting of the Mathematical club was held last Thursday evening. W. F. Joachim, special president of the club gave an interesting talk on the history of logarithms and the various methods of their computation.

**Gives Lecture at Aurora.**—Prof. H. W. Caldwell of the American history department, delivered his illustrated lecture on the "Life of Abraham Lincoln," at Aurora, Friday evening. The lecture was secured by the Y. M. C. A. of Aurora for the county high school students.

**To Employ Geologists.**—Glen Ruby, '16, assistant to the chief geologist for the Empire Oil and Gas Co., Baresville, Okla., was here Saturday to engage students for geological work. The company which Ruby represents employs over one hundred geologists.

**Will Appoint Secretary.**—The Episcopal church of the United States will appoint secretaries to work among the student bodies of the larger universities of the country, according to Rev. C. R. Tynes, pastor of St. Luke's church, Lincoln, who returned recently from the conference of university pastors.

**Married Folks Meet.**—The regular meeting of the Married Folks club of the University was held Saturday evening at C. L. Culler's, 1735 R street. Forty benedicts were present and spent the evening in playing checkers, dominoes and other strictly domestic games. Mrs. H. J. O'Neil sang a solo. No refreshments were served, for one of the purposes of the club is to prove the proposition that University people can have a good time at parties without the conventional luncheon.

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 The formation of a Glee club, after it had been discontinued several years, appeared to be a certainty.

Co-eds organized the Nebraska club of the Equal Suffrage League, with Miss Alice McCulloch, as president.

**Five Years Ago Today**  
 The cast was chosen for the annual German Dramatic club play, "Minna von Barnhelm."

**Four Years Ago Today**  
 Nebraska's team proved too much for Drake in the second half and the Cornhuskers won, 21 to 4.

**One Year Ago Today**  
 The Wesleyan quintet defeated the Cornhuskers for the second time in the season, this time by a score of 23 to 19.

The rifle team of the Nebraska squad lost to the team from the University of Michigan in its fourth match of the year.

### Coming at Convocation

Feb. 20. John Haines Holmes of the Church of the Messiah, New York city.

Feb. 22. Beethoven Fifth Symphony. String quartet and organ.

Feb. 27. Rev. S. Mills Hayes, of Lincoln.

(Tuesday Convocations during March will be given over to the great epic poems of history.)

March 6. Dean L. A. Sherman, "Hindu Epics."

March 13. Prof. W. F. Dann, "Homer."



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