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For This Issue

THE ELECTIONS.

Today the honor spirit and the revised constitution for the Student Council come before the students. Are you going to vote or have you bothered to take a stand on these questions? They are big propositions to settle and they should be carried or defeated by every student in the school—not by a few organized groups on the opposing sides.

The first question is that of the revisions to the constitution. The Student Council actually went into action last year with the original constitution which they now feel is inadequate for representative action. Yet the main criticism of these new revisions seems to be that they are autocratic rather than representative. The Student Council in other schools has so far been a success, but their action is well governed by the students at large. As soon as much power is given to any one executive body, the same existing situation of political swing will come up. The fact that the revisions provide staggered members of the council to act on practically all the representative committees and boards of the school is a fine idea "house rule" by the council.

The honor spirit is the second important question at hand. This is indeed a worthy idea and has worked at some schools. But it seems hardly possible that with so little discussion and preparation, Nebraska is ready for the enforcement of such rules. It is such a big thing that it would do more harm than good to put it into action in a hurry and then have it fall later. When it goes through, it should be with the approval and desire of the great majority so that the rules will be kept willingly and not under protest. Campus Bolshevism even in respect to the honor spirit would not be a pleasant situation to experience. Let's begin this idea gradually by working up a "spirit of sportsmanship and fairness." Then the honor spirit will come in good time.

WHERE ARE OUR MANNERS?

Don't University students have any manners at all? This question was put by a Freshman who is worried by the apparent lack of manners displayed on this campus. In fact, she even went so far as to name the few whom she thought really paid attention to that art. This is rather extreme accusation to make, but isn't it after all a little bit true? In certain large classes, the men always make a rush for the door the minute class is out, and if the girls made any attempt to go first, they would be crowded out of the way immediately. Then the custom of hat-tipping is not always followed according to the household etiquette guide. Of course in the busy rush from one class to another and from work to play, it is hard to tip one's hat to every girl one meets. But the girls do appreciate it when you can and do. Another rather disappointing thing is to have men come in and out of the various offices and work-rooms about the campus without taking off their hats. This is a practical age and we are all willing to waive the more formal acts of courtesy, but there is just enough of the "when knighthood was in flower" in us to desire that little sign of respect. Isn't it just thoughtlessness?

Just as a last remark, we might add that the students' manners down town are not always to be complimented by Lincoln people, and are not. They frequently comment on the fact that the University students crowd into the elevators, expect the clerks to wait on them first, forget to return "approval" articles on time, and in many other ways violate the best rules of conduct for ladies and gentlemen. These people notice us much more than we realize and some of them are inclined to be rather cynical of the advantages of a University education at such times. We should remember these little points whether out in company or not.

UNI NOTICES

Xi Delta

Xi Delta meeting at 12:30 Tuesday, May 4. Be on time.

Student Volunteers

A special meeting of the Student Volunteers will be held in Room 208 of the Social Science Building from seven until eight o'clock, Tuesday evening. All students are invited to attend. Miss Hazlett, one of the National Student Volunteer Secretaries, who has been visiting at the University for several days, will speak. She will also speak at Y. W. C. A. Vespers this afternoon.

Menorah Society

Menorah Society will meet at seven-thirty, Sunday evening, May 9, at Faculty Hall. Rabbi Mandelbaum will speak on "The Orthodox View of Modern Judaism." All students welcomed.

Lecture at Teachers' College

Dr. Henry F. Cope of Chicago will speak to the graduates of the Training School for Christian Leadership in the assembly room of the Teachers' College tonight at eight o'clock. You are welcome.

Freshman Commission

Freshman Commission will meet tonight in Woman's Hall at seven o'clock.

Socio-Economic Club

A special business meeting will be held at twelve o'clock Thursday at the Grand Hotel.

Pershing Rifles

Pershing Rifles will drill Thursday evening at seven o'clock. The Pershing's have been reorganized and are going strong. If you do not know whether or not you are a member see the list on the bulletin board in front of the Armory. If you are a member be there Thursday night.

Cadet Officers Association

There will be a meeting of the Cadet Officers Association Thursday evening at eight o'clock in room 102 in the Armory. It is important that all Cadet Officers attend this meeting.

Student Council Meeting

The Student Council will hold a special meeting Tuesday evening at eight o'clock, in Hall 110.

University Union

Union business meeting Tuesday evening at seven o'clock. Bring your picnic pictures.

Engineers' Hop

K. of C. Hall on May 15 will be the scene of the annual Engineers' Hop. Tickets may be obtained from S. Saunders, Ferd Byng, W. B. Alexander, R. N. Tracey, L. K. Holloway and G. S. Salter.

Home Economics Club

Come out and have a good time at the Home Economics party Wednesday evening, May 5, from 7:30 to 10:00 at Woman's Hall. Eat and program. Bring your trinkets. Election of officers for next year.

MANY ARE ENROLLED IN EXTENSION DEPARTMENT

From April 1, 1918, to April 1, 1920, there have been 1,917 enrollments for credit courses through the University Extension Department. In the same period 263 courses have been completed and 241 courses have been discontinued. There are now 513 active registrations. The ratio of completed courses is very high, in comparison with reports from other institutions. It has been estimated that not more than two per cent of courses are completed in commercial correspondence institutions. One difference is probably the fact that no effort is made to "sell" University extension courses. No one is encouraged to begin work without a pretty definite purpose in mind. Then there is great freedom permitted as to the length of time which may be given to a course. Students may work as fast as they can or as slow as they must. All possible aid is given students in completing courses begun.

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