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MEN CENSOR TEST FOR 'POPULARITY'

Majority Men Students Interviewed by Nebraskan Line Up Against Mortar Board's 'Most Popular Male' Contest; Some Favor Plan.

THREE TYPES OF OPINION FOUND IN SURVEY

Middle School of Thought Sees Nothing Added to Fete in Proposal and Fears Man Selected May Be Put in Difficult Position.

By THE OBSERVER.

Men students have raised their voices in a general storm of protest against the Mortar Board plan for selecting a 'most popular man' to be presented at the Leap Year party on February 20. In a series of interviews obtained with various men students, Tuesday, the Daily Nebraskan has found that the consensus of masculine opinion is definitely against the idea.

Two faculty members who were interviewed on the question declared that they could see no reason why a 'most popular man' should be selected as far as the success of the party was concerned.

"I don't think the idea of a 'popular man' contest means anything and could be left out of the picture entirely," declared Dr. T. J. Thompson, dean of student affairs. "Such things have a tendency to spoil too many students."

Similar views were held by Dr. J. P. Senning, head of the department of political science, who said:

"There is no criterion on which the girls can base their selection of the popular man. The co-eds will vote on hearsay principles. After all, what is to be gained by such a plan?"

Random Opinion Sought. In the interviews with students the Nebraskan made no definite attempt to pick "activities men" to interview on the subject. Students were picked at random from over the campus by three reporters in an attempt to get a representative cross-section of opinion. Three definite types of opinion were sounded out, as follows:

1. The majority were definitely not in favor of the plan.
2. A number of students thought it a good idea in as far as it would add nothing to the party and that it might put the man who was selected in an unfavorable position for the balance of the school year.

3. Several declared themselves as definitely in favor of the plan, saying it should be established as a traditional event to take place every four years.

Representatives of these three schools of opinion stated their varying views as follows:

"Foolishness. The plan is a lot of foolishness as we have enough dignitaries among the student body as it is," said E. Albert Lucke, Omaha, Kappa Sigma. "The proposal has no value and should have no connection with the Leap Year party."

"While the idea is something new and different, it will put the winning man in a somewhat peculiar and difficult position," said Henry Armatis, Columbus, Sigma Chi.

"I think it's a great idea and will mean the birth of another noble tradition on the university campus," said Edgar Wescott, Plattsmouth, Beta Theta Pi.

Approximately fifty opinions were gathered in all and they were divided as follows: Thirty-six were definitely opposed to the popular man idea; nine took a neutral stand and four were quite thoroly in favor of it. They varied in degree but on the whole their viewpoint is amply represented by the

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'GRIP' AWGWAN TO APPEAR NEXT WEEK
Editor Robinson Promises More, Better Material Than Previous.

The February "gripe" issue of the Awgwan will be released for sale about the middle of next week according to a statement obtained Wednesday from Marvin Robinson, editor.

HERBERT YENNE'S 'JINGLE BELLES' IS PICKED FOR SHOW

Kosmet Spring Presentation Award Goes to Faculty Dramatics Man.

CAST SELECTED SOON

Twenty-Six Men and Two Chorus Will Act Here April 14.

Herbert Yenne's "Jingle Belles," a two-act comedy, has been selected by Kosmet Klub for its annual spring show. Dick Devereaux, Kosmet president announced Wednesday.

"Other plays submitted were good, and selection was difficult," Devereaux said. "There is a possibility that some of the dramas turned in this year may be used for future production."

The prize-winning playwright will receive an award of \$50 for his work. "Jingle Belles" will be presented at the annual spring show of Kosmet Klub, and the troupe will go on a road trip to various towns about the state, according to present plans, in accord with past custom.

April 14 has been set as the tentative date for presentation of the show in Lincoln. No auditorium has been selected yet.

Nebraska Is Scene. Action in the winning play takes place in mid-December during Christmas vacation on a high bluff overhanging the Missouri river. The scene is laid near Nebraska City.

Twenty-six parts are called for in the cast, and there will be two choruses. The cast will be exclusively male. Tryouts and selections of actors will be started within the next two weeks, Devereaux stated.

The committee in charge of picking this year's production was composed of Cyril Coombs, graduate student in the department of political science and former member of the Klub, E. F. Schramm, faculty advisor, and Edwin Faulkner and Dick Devereaux, present members of the organization. Coombs wrote plays produced in 1923, 1924 and 1924.

Yenne Former Klub Man. Yenne, also a former Klub member, has previously written two shows for Kosmet Klub, the more recent being "The Love Hater," in 1928. In 1927 he was the author of "The Dream Pirate."

Final selection of the show this year was based on reading out the best of three manuscripts. A recent announcement from the Klub indicates that it is seeking permission from the office of the dean of student affairs to make a more extended road trip this spring than in past years. If successful, the Klub will plan to visit some of the larger towns in the state.

Negotiations preliminary to the final decision on a lengthy trip are now being made with Omaha, Hastings, Norfolk, Nebraska City, McCook, Fremont, North Platte, Columbus, Grand Island and Kearney.

Klub Founded 1911. The Kosmet Klub was founded in 1911 and since that year seventeen plays have been presented. With the exceptions of the year's (Continued on Page 2.)

RIFLE TRYOUTS COMMENCE

Twenty-One Report at First Test and Find Occasion For Amusement.

Pershing Rifle tryouts opened Wednesday with twenty-one men reporting. About thirty-five men have applied for tryouts. According to active members of the organization, the tryouts did not appear to be up to the previous standards. A large number of freshmen were among those trying out.

Despite the seriousness of the occasion, the aspirants found several occasions to enjoy the questions asked of them. One denied that he had a girl, but another proudly admitted that he had several. Tryouts will be continued tonight, and results will be announced next Tuesday.

Policeman Who Attends School Advises Study

"If all peace officers had the advantage of an education in a law school there would be no question but what they could do their work more efficiently and wisely than if they had had no opportunity to study the laws they are to enforce," is the opinion of Felber Maasdam of the Lincoln police force and part time student in the University Law College.

Maasdam, who is planning on continuing his courses in the Law College, in speaking of the future of his present occupation stated that the day would come when it would be a requirement for police officials to have an enlightened knowledge of the laws and regulations they administer.

"The college man has an advantage of an education which tends to mature his judgment, while the man who has had to rely on experience alone is at an disadvantage," the policeman-student declared.

At the present time there are six men on the Lincoln police force who have attended university. The majority of these men are planning on remaining in their present occupation permanently.

According to Maasdam people generally have a mistaken impression of the men on the police force. "Most people have a distorted idea in regard to police officers. Police officers aren't here to cause all the trouble they can but to help individuals and to serve society as a whole."

"The old days of the hard boiled cop are past," asserted the law student. "The modern policeman is the servant and guardian of the (Continued on page three.)"

BIG POLITICAL BATTLE SLATED ON AG CAMPUS

Three Major Factions Ready To Put Up Candidates For Positions.

AG CLUB PREXY A 'PLUM'

BY THE ONLOOKER. With the annual midwinter election but a week away, interest on the college of agriculture campus is greater than ever before, political bosses of the three factions announced this morning. It looks like a battle for the major offices in the Ag club and other organizations.

Though it is not definitely known what candidates will be put in the field for the various positions, it is an assured fact that all three factions will put strong men up for practically all of the positions.

Despite the fact that the two organized fraternities, Farm House and Alpha Gamma Rho, on the agricultural college campus dined together recently, it is not to be interpreted that the two houses are combining in the coming election in favor of the other. Instead both houses are expected to put candidates in the field for most of the positions.

The major office open to election next week is presidency of Ag club. Delphin Nash has held the post during the past semester, despite editorial criticism on the part of the Cornhusker Countryman. Other officers to be elected include vice president, secretary and treasurer. Jess Livingston is the present treasurer and David Bengston is the secretary.

New Rules After This Year? In addition to the Ag club election, some men is to be elected to the publication board. In normal years a junior is elected. Greth Dunn, Farm House, now holds the position. The office is held over for two semesters.

Those in charge of elections on the college of agriculture campus are under the belief that new rules will be put into operation after this year. Some phases of the present rules have been inadequate during past elections. However, as usual it is expected that the students will vote in the dean's office next week.

COLUMBIA EDUCATOR SPEAKS TO FACULTY

Wood Denounces 'College Goose Step' in Talk For Teachers.

In a scathing denunciation of the "college goose step" which he claims retards rather than stimulates the most capable students, Dr. Ben Wood of Columbia university told faculty members Monday night that education is falling short of its possibilities.

His most vigorous objection to college life is that it discourages individual initiative and effort or at least fails to encourage and to reward it when manifest.

NEBRASKAN DRIVE FOR CLOTHING TO CULMINATE TODAY

Drouth Area Aid Donations To Be Collected at Daily Office.

NEED GROWS SAYS SMITH

Contributions to Be Packed, Sent to Sufferers Immediately.

All contributions to the Daily Nebraskan clothes collection for the northern Nebraska drouth sufferers will be collected at the student daily office this afternoon.

Practically every fraternity and sorority house has notified the Nebraskan that they will contribute. All material will be delivered to the Daily Nebraskan office or will be called for at houses by Nebraskan representatives this afternoon.

'CROCK'S' CHANGE TO 'CAKES' WHEN BALMY DAYS NEAR

From "crock" to "cake" covers the whole metamorphosis of many a collegian's career. And, since several months have elapsed since the beginning of school, now is about the time one can see the worms turn and become social butterflies.

Depression seems to have made no great inroads on the number of students which hourly flock to the coffee shops. The timid frosh have learned that social prestige may be gained by the amount of time spent there and consequently they squander their nickels with true abandon.

Their attitude is more indolent and self-possessed, their stride has a little more swagger, their vocabularies rock with the latest slang. There are all the ingredients, hence, the cake.

Likewise the coeds gather at the social centers with unstudied diligence. Many a pair of spectacles have been exchanged for the same complexion, mannerisms, berets and line as other sorority girls use. The sisters take a visible pride in the magic they have wrought.

The various cake shops offer different sweets—some boast quiet seclusion—others the boisterous noise that assures one that they are, at least, in the same social zone as everyone else. Some have tables clean enough for a foursome to engage in a game of bridge. Others have magazines handy and the "Ballyhoo" can be seized upon its first appearance.

The year is half over—the result is inevitable—the campus is fresh out of crocks and has a fresh supply of cakes.

HONORARY EXPLAINS 'POPULAR MAN' VOTE

Mortar Board Describes How Winner Will Be Determined.

TICKETS SELL RAPIDLY

To correct an erroneous impression created by an omission in the announcement of the means of selecting Nebraska's most popular man in the statement prepared by the publicity chairman of Mortar Board, the senior women's honorary Wednesday issued the following statement:

"The announcement in Tuesday morning's edition of the Daily Nebraskan relative to the selection of the most popular man on the campus neglected to mention that letters had been sent not only to sorority houses, but to all organized houses and dormitories recognized as such by the university as well. In addition, Mortar Board is making further efforts to secure the selection of a man who in the opinion of the majority of all women students is the most representative, by making inquiries in houses which, by reason of their small number of residents, are not officially recognized rooming houses."

"The idea of the election of the most popular man was not conceived as something new and startling in university social affairs by members of Mortar Board on this campus. Such a selection is made on many other campuses, and the tradition of the election of the most popular man has to be as much an anticipated event as the selection of women for honorary positions."

The ticket sale for the party is progressing rapidly, according to Berenece Hoffman in charge. "We expect about 700 couples to attend the affair," she said. Ticket salesmen must check in their tickets to me by Thursday of next week, and before then they should follow up their promises and get rid of their tickets."

RACE RELATIONS TEA WILL BE GIVEN TODAY

To Take Place From 4 to 5 O'clock; Y.W. Sponsors The Affair.

The Race Relations tea sponsored by members of the interracial and international staffs of the Y. W. C. A. will take place today in Ellen Smith hall. The purpose of the tea is to permit students to become better acquainted with the personalities and cultures of other races and nationalities. The hours scheduled for the affair are 4 to 5 o'clock.

A musical program is being planned under the direction of Lois Laffordink. Catherine Williams, Dorothy Cook, Audrey Reed and Alma Williams. Miss Violet Chan and Miss Richardson will pour at the tea. Catherine Williams and Margaret Buol are co-chairmen of the party.

All women students and faculty members are invited to attend this first tea of the second semester.

GRAD COLLEGE WARNS

Students registering in Graduate college will be charged the late registration fee if they have not completed their registration by Saturday, Feb. 13, an announcement from that college said Wednesday.

APPLICANTS MAY FILE

Candidates for teaching positions who have not yet registered with the teachers bureau may do so at any time any Monday or Thursday, according to an announcement from Dr. R. D. Moritz' office Wednesday.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Thursday. Phi Upsilon Omicron tea for Home Economics students and faculty. 11 a. m. Y. W. C. A. study group, Ellen Smith hall. 4-5 Race Relations tea, Ellen Smith hall. Scabbard and Blade, 5:00, Nebraska hall.

Friday. Methodist Student council, 12:00, Temple. 7-9 Social Dancing class, armory.

COUNCIL DECIDES FOR REFERENDUM

Students Will Indicate Opinions of Securing Member On Athletic Board of Control at Election Tuesday; Investigation to Follow.

COMMITTEE SAYS SOME WORK ALREADY DONE

Questionnaires on Handling Problem to Be Sent to 53 Schools; Voters Tuesday Will Answer 'Do You Favor Representation?'

Acting upon the recent recommendation of the representatives of the N. S. F. A. convention, namely that the council investigate the feasibility of securing student representation on the athletic board of control, the Student council at its meeting last night decided to secure a student referendum on the question at the election next Tuesday.

Ballots will be prepared by the council bearing the question, "Do You Favor Student Representation on the Athletic Board of Control?" The results obtained from the referendum will be used by the council in their investigation of the matter.

The athletic relations committee of the council, composed of Art Wolf, chairman, Gretchen Foe, Lucile Hendricks, Howard Allaway, and Bob Kinkead, will work on the question. Some investigation relative to the matter has already started, according to Art Wolf.

Questionnaires have been prepared on the subject of student representation on athletic boards of control and will be sent to a representative group of about fifty-three universities throughout the country, according to Wolf. The questionnaires will seek information regarding the number of students on the board, length of time students have been represented, and other matters pertaining to the subject.

Delegates Recommend. The original recommendation to the council was made by Edwin Faulkner, president, and Julia Simunek, secretary, official delegates to the convention, who found that most of the schools represented at the conclave had some form of student representation on the athletic boards of control at their respective schools.

Twice in the past the student council has attempted to secure such representation, but both attempts were unsuccessful, and interest in the controversy died out. In 1930, the athletic relations committee of the council, with Walter Huber as chairman, tried to get student representation on the board, but the effort failed. The move was supported by Robert Kelly, president of the council.

According to Huber the athletic relations committee met with the athletic board and thoroughly discussed the question. Last spring the committee met with the board at a luncheon to talk over the matter.

At that time the committee laid before the board a plan of having two student representatives on the board. These two students were to be elected by the council. One member was to be a holdover from the board the previous year, and the other would be a junior who would be a member of the board the following year.

Alternate Plan Made. An alternative plan suggested to the board by the committee was that of having the athletic relations committee of the council meet with the board on matters of athletics and athletic policies in which the students were involved and concerned.

The athletic board of control took the matter into consideration at the time and promised to make some answer to the committee after (Continued on page three.)

KAPPA PHI MEET THURSDAY

Alumnae Will Entertain Actives at Wesley Parsonage.

The alumnae of Kappa Phi, Methodist girls club, will entertain the active chapter at their meeting Thursday evening at 7 o'clock at the Wesley Foundation parsonage chapter house. Miss Geneva Wheeler, president of the alumnae group, will be in charge of the meeting which was organized scheduled for Ellen Smith hall.

A leap year party will be given by Kappa Phi and Phi Tau Theta Methodist Men's group, Friday evening at 8 o'clock at Grace Methodist church. More than forty couples will attend the party, at which a Valentine motif will predominate.

CANNOT TOTALLY DISARM VIEW OF CAPTAIN SPOERRY

U. S. Defensive Force Ranks Sixteenth Among Other Nations.

TALKS AT WORLD FORUM

Says Army Officers Do Not Want War; Advocates Preparedness.

"We cannot totally disarm," declared Captain G. W. Spoerry of the University of Nebraska department of military science, speaking before about fifty students at the World Forum luncheon Wednesday.

"Nations are just like individuals," he continued. "Each one possesses a different point of view from that held by his neighbor. We cannot do without our police units, and nations cannot either."

Captain Spoerry quoted figures to show that the defensive military and naval equipment of the United States now is far inferior to that of almost any other powerful nation today. In size of defensive force, that of the United States ranks sixteenth in the world. But in point of cost of support and upkeep, United States' army and navy rank first. This surprising inconsistency between a cost and efficiency, according to Captain Spoerry, is accountable by the higher standard of living in the United States army and navy, and the higher salaries paid both officers and men.

Budget Any Limitation. "One of the plans for disarmament is budgetary limitation," he said. "But in cutting the budget for defensive forces in the United States, the burden of the reduction would be born by the personnel, who would be forced to accept lower salaries. And besides," he asserted, "fifty percent of what we spend is necessary because of our lack of preparedness, in the face of a crisis."

In outlining the progress of the idea of disarmament, Captain Spoerry declared that the subject was discussed one hundred years ago, at the Congress of Vienna. Following that conference, there was a steady decrease in armaments up until 1870, at the time of the Franco-Prussian war, when a sudden increase developed. Germany at this time adopted the device of conscription to assure a large standing army. Since that time Japan has also resorted to army conscription. Subsequently, Germany has consistently balked many efforts to achieve international disarmament.

Terms of 5-3 Rating. By the terms of the three year power treaty, after the war, a 5-3 ratio for battleship tonnage was set up between Great Britain, United States, and Japan. This treaty allowed Great Britain and United States to maintain a fleet of ships to the extent of 500,000 tons, and Japan to the extent of 300,000 tons. Japan, however, requested the inference of inferiority implied by this treaty, and requested further disarmament by the United States and Great Britain, to which they complied.

Japanese Well Equipped. "At the present time," commented Spoerry, Japan has the best of us in navy equipment, in spite of the 5-3 ratio. For of the (Continued on page three.)

COLL-AGRI-FUN SET FOR WEEKEND FEST

Start Big Ticket Sale for Friday Night Frolic at Ag College.

Tickets for the annual Coll-Agri-Fun winter festival at the college of agriculture were put on sale yesterday, Glenn LeDioy, who has general charge of the ticket sales, announced this morning. The event is held Friday evening of this week in the student activities building.

In announcing that the ticket campaign has opened, LeDioy declared that managers of the show expect several hundred students to attend. Thirty-five cents is being charged for adults and 25 cents for children.

Twelve students in the college sale yesterday, Glenn LeDioy, help with the ticket sales. They include Ray Murray, Murray Brawner, Muriel Moffitt, Lorraine Brake, Scott Beadle, Willard Waldo, Howard White, Louis Shick, Mary Gerlach, Katherine Jones, Vernon Filley and Norman Jeffrey.

With fourteen acts scheduled for performance, it is expected that the performance this year will exceed any of previous year. Managers of the show say the coll-agri-fun is the "Kosmet Klub" show of the Ag campus. Practically every organization on the campus has an act entered in the annual frolic. A total of \$50 in cash prizes is being awarded the winning skits. The sale of tickets for the fun-fest will continue until Friday noon, according to LeDioy. He is asking his committee members to check them in at that time.