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Pledging vs. Being Pledged.

THE Interfraternity council meets tonight to battle through once more one of the most perplexing of undergraduate problems-rushing. The problem is this: How to formulate and enforce a set of rules which will be fair to both fraternities and rushees and which will eliminate all strong-arm and throat-cutting practices in rushing.

In the past, every year has brought a change in the rules and another failure to bring order into the procedure. One fundamental and one practical difficulty underlie each failure:

1. The system is based on the presumption that the rushee is to be pledged rather than to be allowed to pledge at his own choice.

2. The fraternities do not cooperate to enforce the rules because each, being guilty of some rules violation, does not report the violations of others for fear of the consequences to itself if an honest effort to enforce the rules should be made.

Although the use of actual force in putting on the button is disappearing, the "sweat session" remains the tactical basis of operation, "Spiking" is the object of the whole procedure. No pretense at letting the rushee get around to as many houses as possible and make his selection on the basis of a comparison of relative merits is made. To get a man "sewed up" and then keep him hidden from other houses until he is pledged is the summum

Few with a knowledge of real conditions will deny this. None but will acknowledge that this is entirely unfair to the prospective pledge and fraternity brother.

IN MEETING the needs of the situation the sororities on this campus are ten years shead of the fraternities. From the adoption of the preferential pledging system by Panhellenic in 1922 dates the era of orderly rushing by sororities and the end of criticism both from within and without on this

Under the present system, the rushee visits all sorority houses to which she is invited, attending rush parties at specified hours. In pledging, she signifies her choice of houses. Each sorority "bids" those rushees to whihe it offers pledgeship. These lists are balanced against each other and, in the end, each girl pledges the house which she had decided is the one she wants and each sorority has those girls which it desires among its members.

The rules are rigidly enforced by a committee on which faculty and alumni members of the Panhellenic council hold a majority.

The system is fair and equitable. Allowing for inevitable twists in administration, it accomplishes what it sets about to do.

When the Interfraternity council meets tonight a plan to set up this preferential system with a faculty committee to enforce it will be presented.

The time has come for the council to act for once and for all. The trial and error method of finding a solution to the rushing problem has failed. A system based on the needs of the situation must be adopted now if the criticism which is yearly heaped upon the fraternities on this point is to be stopped.

Stone Dart Found in Scotts- pod shells such as are commonly of the senior class, had the lead-bluff Quarry Proves Value, found in the western loess. In addi- ing feminine role in the senior bluff Quarry Proves Valua-Man 10,000 Years Ago.

(Continued from Page 1.) The point was surrounded by

bank and one and one-half feet below the original surface. It was completely surrounded by bones, laid nearly horizontal and pointed outward.

The point is two and threefourths inches long and has maximum width of one inch. The size and leaflike shape indicate a dart the longitudinal groove but in general closely corresponds to one of the types found in the Folsom bison quarries in New Mexico.

22 Miles From Scottsbluff. point was found is situated about 300 yards north of Signal Butte tion. and on the north bank of Spring creek. Scottsbluff is about twentyexposed fossil layer is three feet thick, more than twenty feet long and was opened about six feet back from the face. The layer rested directly on the Brule clay, and is in an old river channel of Brule, commonly seen in channel deposits of western Nebraska. Above the channel material is an overburden of about fifteen feet of fine sandy material.

The layer is exceedingly rich in fossil bison bones, some of which are articulated. The bones distinctly differ from those of the modern bison and approach bison

texanus in form In evaluating this find as proof of pleistocene man in America, we cisted area such as western now occupy. But then my brother braska, the stratigraphy must belonged to that fraternity so I largely determined by fossils may have been prejudiced," she laughed.

Barbour carefully studied the laughed.

When she was in school, Julia total situation, and besides the When she was in school, Julia more, a reserved seat ticket of the fossil bison he discovered fresh-water and land snails, and pelecy-activities. She was the secretary on Nebraska's 1932 schedule.

A Warning

To the Greeks. CCHOLARSHIP reports recently released by As-I sistant Dean Harper show several encouraging trends. Most important is that the general average for all students in the university has shown an almost uninterrupted climb for the last five years.

Another gives the fraternities on this campus brand of human activity known as just grounds for pride: The fraternity average has followed the all student average in its five year rise. While this is commendable and the Greeks may take due credit, there is one glaring blotch on serve political spell-binding tactics the record. For the second semester last year frat- at first hand. It is a lesson in ernity men fell below non-fraternity men in scholarship. This black mark on the sheet is doubly re- patches which emanate from the grettable in view of the up hill fight fraternities office of Governor C. W. Bryan. have recently been successfully waging to gain recognition for their genuine accomplishments in the face of deep-seated adverse public opinion.

nity scholarship is regularly lower than the average in Governor Bryan's fashion. for university men. To those who hold this misinformed belief, what last se aster's report shows ious election races in Nebraska was only expected. Fortunately for the fraterni- there are some interesting matties, it is unfounded. For eleven out of the past Dwight Griswold, for instance. As eighteen semesters, including last, fraternity men the grand old party's candidate have outranked non-fraternity men in grades. Last for the gubernatorial chair Mr. semester's slip now makes it harder to impress this record on the general public.

Fraternities, despite their long establishment, the right of him, speeches on the continue to hold a precarious position in public left of him, and speeches in beopinion. The all-too-plentiful criticism of college Long," my friends, is because the students in general usually finds its point of incidence on the fraternity system. Fraternity men, the sound truck stunt some time in the public eye, thanks to novels and movies of ago. college life—are a gang of hell-raisers, out to spend Huey turned the tide of an elec- o'clock. Both singers and piano their dads' money, who go to school for the fun tion in two days with that sound of it and end up in d. t. wards.

fraternity's biggest problem. That there still are in their fields. But whether the vulnerable points on which the fraternity system good folk of Nebraska are as can be legitimately attacked aggravates the prob- susceptible to the same sort of lem. By a rigorous program of internal reform the tactics still remains to be seen. fraternity system has removed most of the grounds about which once justified the criticism still levied at it notice that they usually mention and have made themselves a valuable part of the his "straight-forward appeal." educational system. The scholarship line is one of started in this fashion we shall the proudest flaunted by every fraternity during confine today's column solely on rush week. Rushees are told how study hall, en- comments political. forced quiet hours and initiation requirements all there are few events on the nagive the fraternity man a scholastic advantage over the one who does not "go." They should and us- ont let's consider the: ually they do.

But now comes a slip-up. Fraternities have let down on the scholarship fight. They have reopened an old hole in their defense against the attacks creede. Shortly after his nominawhich continue.

A new semester brings a new start and a new chance for fraternities to regain the ascendency in the scholarship scale. What, if anything, are they that Rooseveit's master manipulagoing to do about it?

Church Night

When Friday night rolls around and the university decree that there be no dances on that night is being enforced, the more sophisticated of students will undoubtedly feel themselves badly treated. In fact they will probably be "griped," and it would not be at all surprising to hear them

But Friday is the angual All-University Church Night, and on that evening it is customary that gotten man play the part of the social activities be suspended. The evening has been set aside primarily for the purpose of ac- limit to everything. But let us conquainting new students with the activities Lincoln sider the churches have planned for the student population during the year. Such a cause, it is felt, is worthy of being accorded the courtesy of being allowed to function uninterruptedly.

There is, of course, an element among the students which does not agree with these sentiments. In any community with a population as large as fun, Or otherwise. the enrollment in the university there is bound to be a dissenting group to any project, and especially stead of going to the masses for is this true of as controversial a point as religion. It is not at all unreasonable, however, for this group to step aside for a night and allow Lincoln Who." Now one would think that churches full privileges of entertaining student in- anyone able to afford a space in

On only two occasions during the year does the administration request a suspension of social owes an obligation to republican functions on the annual All-University Church presperity, But seriously, if one is Night in the fall and the evening of Good Friday in the spring. It is not asking too much for the Nebraskan to join with the administration in a request for observance of All-University Church Night Friday.

ble in Study of Nebraska berry seeds, Celtis besseyi, which for May Day and the Senior are common in western Nebraskan Prom, and was also a member of from the pliocene upward into the Phi Beta Kappa. pleistocene. Dr. Barbour consid- "While we are

The second problem is that of the possibility that the point may be intrusive to the bone layer. Unfortunately the point was not sufficiently below the surface to-tally to eliminate the possibility of accidental intrusion thru earth cracks or gopher holes. However, the fact that the point lay flat and rather than arrow point. The chipping is moderately good. It lacks the longitudinal groove but in each that the artifact pointed outward eliminates the possibility that it may have been shot into the bank. The fact that the articulated bones rule out the possibility of redeposition also elimin-The fossil bed in which the ates that external factor as a possible explanation of the associa-

Dr. Barbour and I came to the conclusion that although conditions two miles northeast of the site. do not permit us to be absolutely positive that the point found by Schultz was made by a pleistocene American and shot into a now extinct bison, the facts do lead us toward that position. Taken in is in an old river channel conjunction with the other finds, osed of water-worn pebbles the evidence for pleistocene men in the commonly seen in chan-

> 1911 Graduate Visits Campus First Time in Twenty Years; Admires Many Changes and Buildings.

(Continued from Page 1.) school. The houses were quite scattered, too, and not arranged in scrority and fraternity rows as they are now. The very finest and ments. In the first place: Is the in school was the Delta Tau Delta pleistocene? In an un- house, which the Zeta Beta Taus

"While we are all in school, I bebison bones and pointed toward the face of the bank. It rested not more than three inches above the Brule clay.

The presence of many articulated bones bars the possibility of the stratum being redeposited pleistocene. Dr. Barbour is cerwith the wisdom of years, that we pleistocene. Dr. Barbour is cerwith the wisdom of years, that we have the first the deposit is pleistocene. sity. I am glad that I have seen the development of these twenty-one years, but I know that when I am day dreaming I will remember the old buildings, and I will people them with my own classmates."

CAMPAIGN STARTS ON TUESDAY NOON

(Continued from Page 1.) William Devereaux, in charge of Cornhusker contest rallies; and Jack Erickson, in charge of pub-The Innocents committee will be assisted officially by the following women students:

Jane Youngson, in charge of

contacts; Jane Axtell publicity assistant; and Jane Robertson, in charge of luncheons. The complete list of prises for

the Cornhusker all-campus student athletic ticket sales drive is as fol-

ing the highest number of tickets, viding a minimum of 150 are sold by contestant, an all expense trip to Southern Methodist university game at Dallas, Tex., Dec. 3, 1932. Second-To man and woman

selling second highest number of tickets, providing a minimum of 100 are sold by contestant, rail-road fare and football ticket to Minnesota game at Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 15, 1932.

Third-To any sales person (except winners of first or second prize) selling fifty tickets or more, railroad fare and football ticket to Kansas game, at Lawrence, Kas.,

Oct. 22, 1932. Fourth-To any sales person (except winners of 1st, 2nd, or 3rd prize) selling twenty tickets or more, a reserved seat ticket of admission to any out of town game

COMMENTATIONS

BY JACK ERICKSON.

LINCOLN: As seat of the re democratic state headquarters this city will be the scene of much of that curious scene "Politicking." Students who have any interest at all in things outside their own sning little campus social sphere might do well to obfor anyone to keep a close watch on the news dis-No matter what the curb-stone philosophers may say there are few men in this state who can draw symphonic melodies from It is a widely accepted conception that frater- the harp strings of public opinion

MEBRASKA: As concerns varters to consider. Take the case of Griswold has been trying a "Huey Long." He has a sound truck fitted up and is making speeches on tween. The reason I say "Huey "Louisiana Kingfish" inaugurated

truck of his, barging up and down To combat this widely prevalent idea is the the state, amplifiers going full blast, farmers standing awe-struck But if you have talked to persons Dwight Griswold, you will

tional scene which are more absorbing at present. For the mom-

Democratic Situation: As political publicity methods go there are few which are more baffling tion Roosevelt issued a story pre-dicting his own election by an overwhelming majority,

It was only Friday, I believe, tor, Jim Farley, predicted that the democratic candidate would carry all forty-eight states. And yesterday morning Cactus Jack Garner came forward with this: There is justification for pre-

dicting (that) the democratic victory will be measured in a lead of 10 millions at the lowest calculation." What I am wondering and what

you are wondering, regardless of our respective sympathies, is "how long can our champions of the forconceited ass and get away with it?" There certainly must be a Republican Case: The present

white house magi tirely out-hocused-pocused yet, ladies and gentlemen. In truth they have many, many tricks up their sleeves. Somehow or other you just can't beat the republican campaign managers for good clean

Take this case of their poll. In 'straws in the wind' they will take a trial poll of the "country's best trained minds" as listed in "Who's that tone, (I understand the price per insertion is about \$125, altho I may be a little wrong), certainly at all familiar with the whence of the component parts of the republicans, one can easily understand how a "Who's Who" poll is quite likely to show a definite trend toward Hoover.

Nor think you for a minute, populace, that Ted Joslyn, Hoover's press agent secretary, is batting out publicity stories daily to no avail. Nor think you either that Mark Sullivan, who attempts to pose as a half-way impartial politcommentator, is giving his syndicate service any stories which do not contain some subtle "Hooverizing." And have you noticed the manner in which G. O. P. campaign contributions have perked up following that Maine election affair? You will enjoy following this campaign. It is one of the best

BEFORE OUR TIME From The Daily Nebraskan Files, 1802 and 1922.

THIRTY YEARS AGO TODAY. Season tickets for the seven football games were offered at

Headine in the Daily Nebraskan "Students Are Slow." ever, referred to registration, Figures stood at 597.

Quite a fuss resulted in Lincoln. when student waiters volunteered to work for 15c an hour, compared with the 25c an hour, union waiters were charging.

An ad: "Booth (football coach First-To man and woman sellthen) will invite you out on the field if you wear a suit made by I cut them 'chesty' so that "Billiard parlor for enterprising young men . No saloon attached . " Ah . . the good old

> TEN YEARS AGO TODAY. Varsity squad appeared with twenty-five members. Chick Hartley was captain.

> The new sorority rushing system of "preferential bidding" was tried out for the first time.

> A bit of wit and humor from the days when women were pure: 'Helen's cheeks are like roses.' "Aren't you laying it on pretty thick?

> "No, but Helen is." Jack Best, Nebraska's "grand old man" returned to Nebraska.

Contemporary Comment

About Mencken. A Dodge county reader of The about them. "A man by the name attitude of all the east," which, in short, is that "anyone who wears bored and tired, he would waddle overalls ought to be shot just to be put out of his misery.'

Nobody should be disturbed by Mencken. He is the nation's champion Later and its foremost intellectual snob. He loathes mankind and shakes his pudgy fist in the face of Omnipotence. He

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

The Daily Nebraskan maintains a daily column under this head containing all official notices of organization meeting, or announcements of general interest to students. Anyone may have such notices inserted by calling the Daily Nebraskan office before 7 p. m. the day before the notice is to appear.

Vesper Choir.

Tryouts for Vesper choir will be held in Ellen Smith hall on Friday, Sept. 23 from 4 to 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and on Saturday accompanists may try out. Commercial Club.

meeting of the Men's Commercial club will be held Wednesday evening in the Commercial club room at 7:30 p. m. All active members are urged to be present by Norman Prucka, president. Awgwan.

All members of the Awgwan business staff will meet in the Awgwan office at 3 p. m., on Wednesday, Sept. 21. Republican Club. All students interested in the

Republican club are requested to meet in room 108 in Social Science building on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 3 p. m. Sigma Delta Chi.

Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 21, at that. 3 o'clock in the Awgwan office.

save in beer, wine, bawdy books, indolence, rich foods-and himself. None but college sophomores World-Herald says that "the farm-ers are all up in arms" because of what Henry Mencken is saying viling in the "Bible belt" and the "cow states" for years, and if he of Parmenter," he reports, is try-ing to make them think that of all their inhabitants he would Mencken's utterances reflect "the go to it with gusto—for the first five minutes of slaughter. Then,

of gloom. There is no need to worry about Mencken. God made him, for some inscrutable purpose. Just as well let him live and yammer and gobble and guzzle to the end of his sneers at what others revere, spits appointed days, a megalomanic on the commonplace virtues, and stewing in the ecstacy of his own finds little excellence anywhere misery.—Omaha World-Herald.

back to his beer mug and his cave

Ellen Smith hall at 7 p. m. Tuesday evening.

Pershing Rifles. There will be a meeting of all members of the Pershing Rifles in the basement of the Nebraska hall, Tuesday evening at 5 o'clock. All old members are urged to attend.

Men's Glee Club, Tryouts for the men's glee club will be held Thursday evening at 7 o'clock in room 219, Morrill hall.

THE STUDENT PULSE

Second-Hand Books. TO THE EDITOR:

On the level, I dislike gripers and griping, but I feel I must tell the campus at large my reaction to the low trade-in return we receive for textbooks traded or sold to the book stores as compared to the relatively high price for which other students later buy back the identical books.

I haven't talked to the bookstore proprietors, but the prices I was quoted on eight books I took to one store were so out of proportion to their true values that I am of the opinion the students are being Sigma Delta Chi will meet imposed upon, and extremely at I took a rather large text to this

Tassels. store. The book's original price to Tassels will hold a meeting at me, new, was a little over \$8.51.

Kosmet Klub to Pick New Rooms for Year Kosmet Klub members will hold an important meeting of

Tuesday afternoon at 5 p. m. in Prof. Schramm's office in Morrill hall. Arrangements are t be made to secure permanent This store offered me \$1.40 tradein value, If I had sold it to them,

the store in turn would ask at least \$2.50 for it as a used book from the next student who bought it, making the margin of profit too large, I think. I prefer to keep the and try to sell it for about \$2.50 to some other student, thereby not losing as much as by selling to the bookstore. Nevertheless, my margin of loss is too great.

At another time I took seven small French readers which cost me an average of seventy cents to the same store. It offered me twenty-five cents for all aven. We're not millionaires.
EDEEB.

RUTH BERRY ELECTED SORORITY PRESIDENT

Sigma Alpha Iota, national professional musical sorority, an-nounces the recent election of Mrs. Ruth Berry as president of Nebraska chapter. The newly elected officer succeeds Miss Lucile Harris, Kansas City.

Mrs. Berry, is a senior in the arts and science college and is studying violin under Prof. Carl, Frederic Steckleberg.

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