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## Counsel for The Council.

LAST week a new student council took office to begin the work of carrying on the projects started and developed by last year's group. Tuesday the organization will meet by itself for the first time to outline plans, to appoint committees, and to set the necessary machinery in order, so that it may begin to function competently when the new semester starts.

Like all large and unwieldy bodies, the council carries on the major portion of its work thru committees which number about 10. During the past year many of these groups have functioned to a great advantage, putting new projects on their feet and rousing students in some measure from their apathy. The student union committee, used book, publicity, big six conference, and constitution are among the host which have been working, but it is interesting to note that the same few names appear on the roster of each committee, that a very few members do all of the work.

The old student council need not be ashamed of its record during the past year; it deserves a great deal of praise for the numerous plans which it has instituted and carried out. However, it has been hampered, as have all past councils, by a membership consisting of two-thirds "head-heads," who were elected to the organization on a party ticket and who appeared only at voting days to cast their ballots as they had been instructed.

Out of a membership of thirty-five the past council did its work through the efforts of about ten members. Committees had to be rearranged continually as members dropped out, failed to appear, or

protested that they were too busy to accomplish the tasks assigned them.

Only one time last year did a quorum fail to appear to do business when a meeting was called, but every meeting showed many absent; and the regular work of the organization suffered greatly because the burden of a tremendous program was thrown on the shoulders of too few people, who could not conceivably accomplish all the goals which the organization sets itself.

One of the chief difficulties, of course, is that the council is regarded by many as merely a stepping stone to senior honoraries or as a method by which members can put their cohorts on the prom committee. The other problem is the method of election and total absence of any system of recall.

As long as senior honoraries and political systems exist upon the campus, the first problem cannot be solved. But the second shows greater possibilities for change, if the council itself would take as much interest in this as it does in other projects. The committee on reorganization should take definite steps to remedy the situation.

Democracy is a great thing and should and does have its place in all true American institutions. However, it can go so far as to hinder its own purpose, and such has it done in the student council. It has resulted in a situation where a great many students who have neither knowledge of or interest in the affairs of student government are yearly elected to frame and carry out the work, so that every college may be represented. This means that men and women who could and would work are not permitted to even place their names on the ballot.

Why not some sort of merit system to at least limit the selection of candidates, with an election held at large? The student council should be considered a major activity, and as such, only those who have the time and interest to devote to it should make up its membership. Why not give the council the authority to expel members for inactivity and neglect of their duties? No organization can exist efficiently if there are no provisions for replacement of inefficient officers and members.

Student government is still a "noble experiment" which cannot and will not prove itself successful unless each student takes upon himself the responsibility of accomplishing a part of the work. Much undue as well as much merited criticism has fallen upon the organization during past years. A great part of this is and was due to no other fact than that membership of the organization failed to measure up to any standards.

If the new council has hopes of successfully carrying thru any sort of program, let them first look to some work in the reorganization committee. Half-measures have dogged the footsteps of every council; let the new one take advantage of past experiences and see that the council membership gains in responsibility, activity, and consequently, in merit!

## VALORITA LARIMER'S VIOLIN STUDENTS TO GIVE SPRING RECITAL

Helen Jean Thompson, Zetta Brown, Doris Ripley On Program.

Students with Valorita Callen Larimer will present their annual violin recital Tuesday evening, June 4, at 8 o'clock, in the Temple theater.

"Coronation March" by Meyerbeer will be presented as the first selection on the program by the entire group participating in the recital. It will be followed by "Playtime Waltz" by Vogt, played by Zetta Brown, and "Barcarolle" from "Tales of Hoffman" by Offenbach, played by Helen Jean Thompson.

Melba Phoenix will present "Song Without Words" by Mendelssohn, and Richard Michel will play "Simple Adieu" by Thome, "D Major Concerto Andante" by Sietz will be presented by Matilda Amacher, and will be followed by "Berceuse" from "Jocelyn" by Godard, rendered by Doris Ripley.

Jean Camahan will play "Cavatina" by Roff, and a quartet composed of Edith Burket, Alice Blackstone, Wilma Stutt and Ardeeth Hackman, will present "Minuet in G" by Beethoven. "Souvenir" by Drlia will be played by Malcolm Hays. "Salut d'Amour" by E. Elgar will be presented by Nina Edgar and "Spring Song" by Mendelssohn will be interpreted by Marcella Lyon.

Lorraine Grant will play "Serenade" by Schubert; Ardeeth Hackman "Perpetual Motion" by Bohm; Wilma Stutt, "Meditation" from

"Thais" by Massenet; Hope Baker, "La Zingara" by Bohm; Alice Blackstone, "D Major Concerto Allegro" by Mozart; and Edith Burket, "G Major Concerto" with "Allegro" by Debussy and "Walnut Tree" by Schumann-Aeur. Jane Hopkins will be at the piano.

## W. A. A. INITIATES NEW CABIN WITH PICNIC SATURDAY

(Continued from Page 1.)  
Cabin committee, headed by Beth Taylor. The committee has been in charge of the arrangements for the construction and has been assisted by Elizabeth Bushee, president, Jean Brownlee, outgoing president, Miss Matilda Shelby, W. A. A. sponsor, and Miss Mabel Lee, director of the physical education department. The cabin was built with money earned by the council thru the management of the football concessions.

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## Copy Briefs

by FRED NICKLAS.

THEY stand with the president. United States senators Thursday sustained Roosevelt's veto of the Patman bonus bill. Their action had been forecast, even before the overwhelming overriding vote was taken in the house of representatives.

Barely had President Roosevelt concluded his veto message when representatives began answering the roll call for the record vote. Their verdict: 322 against the president, and only 98 favoring sustaining the veto.

The nation's executive gave five pointed reasons for his veto. Chief among them were fears of inflation, and uncontrollable prices, resulting from printing press money to be used in payment. First, however, he reminded congress that the payment was not due for ten years.

Last Tuesday mighty little Adolph Hitler delivered a message the world had long awaited. Germany, he said, would be willing to do her share, and then some, in securing Europe's peace security. He promised not to abridge the Versailles treaty any more. If there is anything left to abridge he has a swell chance to prove his sincerity.

Since the Nazis began their rearmament program, the rest of the world has lost faith in Hitler's willingness to take much part in any sort of a peace movement. Now the fiery dictator announces he is ready to discourage competitive arming.

Potential Hitler foes brand his message a disguised threat of a rearmament race. Germany's present army program will not be changed. She will be satisfied with a navy 35 percent as large as Great Britain's, which is 15 percent smaller than France has afforded. Ban on submarines, says Mr. Hitler, will be O. K.

Furthermore, he would be willing to sign peace pacts with other leading European powers. Arms limitations, agreements not to use certain types of weapons, and non-aggression were among the things mentioned. Thirteen points he made, when he addressed the reichstag last Tuesday.

Thirty men have died on the famous brick racetrack at Indianapolis since 1906. The speed classic got its start then. Accidents Tuesday took the last three, and another may die of injuries.

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You can fool some of the people part of the time. . . . A St. Louis man got into trouble when he tried it once too often. Because he could dislocate his neck at will he was able to collect damages on several fake accident charges. Now a court has caught up with him, and it's the court's turn to do a little dislocating.

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Sigma Delta Chi.  
This year's last meeting of Sigma Delta Chi will be held Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Topics of importance in next year's program for the organization will be taken up. Place of meeting is University hall, room 106.

Perishing Rifles.  
Members of Perishing Rifles may have their "Perishing Rifleman," national publication of the organization, by calling any time at the military department office, it has been announced.

DEAN SPEAKS AT GARLAND.  
Dr. J. E. LeRossignol of the college of business administration at the university, was the commencement speaker at Garland Wednesday evening, May 22. His subject was "Time and Opportunity."

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