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Vote . . .

Women's elections are being held on the campus today, to be followed in a few weeks by spring elections. Will the tabulated results show active interest on the part of intelligent student voters or a spiritless performance by a few disinterested bystanders?

It seems quite evident that elections offer a chance for members of the various organizations to choose their own leaders. Yet how many of these students go near the polls on election day? The total number votes cast is often less than 50% of the qualified voters. How, then, can students expect co-operation and unity within or among the organizations of which they are a part?

The university affords a constructive opportunity for persons to view politics, both good and bad, with an eye to the future. Such training, altho not as important perhaps as actual classwork, is a vital part of each individual's education. The political aspect of life is with us always, and our duty is to be informed. And having viewed the evils of politics as found in a university or college, educated citizens have gone one step forward in fighting those evils that seem to repeat themselves in governmental affairs of the state and nation.

No wonder that machines are so easily and unobtrusively operated when the majority of voters do not find time to go to the polls and mark their "X" on the ballot.

And along with making the effort to go to the polls comes the added responsibility of being informed as to the merits and qualifications of those whose names appear on the ballot. As soon as students realize the privilege and responsibility of voting, elections will progress one step further in becoming the true expression of a democratic society.

The polls will be open today from 9 until 5 p. m. As university students, striving for education, we should know the meaning of responsibility. Here's our chance to prove it.
 P. L. T.

Dr. Westbrook Attends 21st Music Meet

Arthur E. Westbrook, director of the school of fine arts, represented the university at the 21st annual meeting of the National Association of Schools of Music held recently in Detroit.

Dr. Westbrook is a member of the association's curricula committee. The university school has been a member of NASM since 1928.

Prominent in the meeting's discussions were practical problems confronting the schools in this post-war era, including educational and vocational guidance for the returning veteran, secondary music school curricula, teachers colleges and state certification requirements, teaching loads, graduate study, and the college library.

The association, influential in improving musical standards during the past two decades, is the only national accrediting body for educational institutions in the field of music in the United States. Its membership consists of more than 150 of the foremost colleges, universities, and conservatories of music throughout the nation.

Scientists are experimenting with practical commercial uses of HO₂.

Sinfonia Names Eleven Pledges, New Officers

Sinfonia, men's national music fraternity, announced this week names of 11 new pledges, new officers and the date for their annual spring concert.

Men pledged at the group's last meeting include Robert Ellsworth, Thomas Green, Darrell Hammond, Morris Hayes, Jerome Hoelscher, Howard Jacob, George Kimball, Leslie Marks, Jess Neilson, Dayton Smith, and Jack Snider.

The new pledges plus the returned-veteran members now make the chapter roll total 56. At the beginning of the school year the roster numbered 30. T/5 Cleve Genzlinger, a prominent university soloist until he entered the army nearly four years ago, will be a special guest at the fraternity's regular luncheon tomorrow.

New officers elected to fill out the term are Darwin Frederickson, treasurer; Alfred Blinde, supreme council representative; and Roy Emory Johnson, historian. Officers retaining positions include Lee Kjelson, president; Ray Schaumberg, vice president; and Sam Warren, secretary.

The annual spring concert of Phi Mu Alpha-Sinfonia will be

The Ash Can

by Marthella Holcomb

Just as the permanent depressions on my throat caused by my mother's death-grip insistence upon clean ears and scrubbed teeth were beginning to fade from view, I found a most horrible report from INS in Thursday's paper. Quoth the service, "Half the American people don't even have a toothbrush. Only 185,300,000 brushes were manufactured in 1944, and of this total 43 percent were distributed directly to the armed services." Judging from the jokes they tell, they must need them. Not one to be freakishly individualistic, I immediately proposed throwing my worn out nylon-bristled instrument in the nearest trash barrel. (How do you like the new green additions to each front step?) But if I do, where will I get any exercise?

Grapevine reports the Towne club girls were so vocally elated after winning the cup at Thursday's follies, that they literally raised the roof in their Temple dressing room, and were rewarded with a shower of plaster. To quote Bob Crosby's latest, "Who wants a pocket full of cement? I don't know."

That obscure shoeclerk named Ginsburg must have presided at the conference table in Sweetheart Lodge Thursday night, as every campus politician gets down on his knees, or on the pedestal, to deny any knowledge of the whole affair. Some even dragged out their room-mates, teachers and diaries to reaffirm their innocence. If we even broach the subject they look as injured as though we'd asked if they belong to TNE.

Just when we were feeling the worst effects of ptomaine poisoning last week there followed 50 solid minutes of timely discussion on thallophtic disintegration of foodstuffs. Oh ghastly gastric disturbance.

Then there are those who wouldn't think of missing English class, so many unusual things happen there. Monday, while paying ear-service to a discussion of the history of literature, 78 pair of eyes strayed to the window, where could be seen dozens and dozens of men from the engineering college, out to survey the situation. Dr. Frantz turned from the board, calmly announced, "Oh, I thought the Indians were coming," and resumed the discussion. Miracle, the class with with him again.

The man who should know, Martin Pesek, has informed us that the inter-frat queen election will "honest to goodness, be fair and square." Yes, sir, the inter-fraternity council, no less, will count the ballots. Since votes will be cast on the reverse of tickets, Ginsburg says it'll be okay, cause every man will have to vote the way his date tells him. Or suffer the consequences, and a cold shoulder in an evening dress can be very cold indeed.

presented April 14th at the Temple and will feature the Sinfonia glee club, and soloists, according to the president.

Contrary to public opinion, Cleopatra was not loved by Anthony, but by an obscure shoe clerk named Ginsberg.

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News in a Nutshell

BY BOB BEASON

LONDON—Under arrangements now being made Great Britain will soon be able to trade with Japan. Sir Stafford Cripps, president of the board of trade, is working out a method by which Britain can pay Japan for imports.

OTTAWA—Prime Minister MacKenzie King has announced that Canada's espionage inquiry has revealed evidence of a "network" to obtain information on American troop movements and scientific data on the atomic bomb. According to the Associated Press, the network consisted of Soviet and Canadian agents, "operating under direct instructions from Moscow."

In London, Dr. A. Nunn May, who was at one time attached to the staff of King's College, London, has been arrested on charges of violating the Official Secrets Act. However, government spokesmen refused to confirm or deny reports that his seizure was linked with the Canadian spy hunt. Dr. May, an expert on atomic energy, was a member of a team of British scientists which went to Canada to work on the atomic bomb.

WASHINGTON—The United States, Britain, and France have asked the Spanish people to oust Generalissimo Franco by peaceful means and set up a "caretaker" government pledged to hold free elections. The declaration did not make an immediate diplomatic break with the Spanish regime, but said the nation faces an international cold shoulder until it gets rid of the dictator.

In the Senate, a labor committee has agreed to revise the Case Labor Disputes Bill. The bill, as it is described at the present time, contains "drastic legislation that would penalize or straitjacket labor." The labor committee is expected to shape the bill into a milder form.

A subsidy proposal which President Truman called "the heart" of his housing program has been defeated. The plan would have authorized 600 million dollars of subsidy payment to encourage greater production of building materials.

The United States has asked both Russia and China for information on reported removals of industrial equipment from Manchuria by Red Army forces.

NEW YORK—In an effort to head off a nation-wide telephone tie-up, a member of the United States Conciliation Service has summoned leaders of the telephone workers' unions to a conference in Washington.

The C.I.O. United Auto Workers' union has qualifiedly accepted General Motors' proposal of a secret ballot on the question of ending the 105-day-old strike at the G. M. plants.

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