

'Pledge' Is the Name; This Is Really the Life!

BY ELLIE SWANSON.

Have you ever met a pretty girl, talked to her for a little while, introduced yourself, asked her what her name was and had her tell you "Pledge Jones?" "That's an unusual name," you probably say, noting to yourself that it has a familiar ring to it.

"I had another name once, but I haven't heard it for about five weeks, and it seems to have slipped my mind," she will sigh in a beaten manner.

Suddenly the girl runs off murmuring something about "pledges don't talk to men between 3:34 and 4:17 on Wednesday afternoons, rule 118, clause D."

Stymied.

Stymied, you determine to look further into the matter. Seeing a happy looking little man with a wicked gleam in his eye, carefully folding a black snake whip into a neat looking fountain pen, you stop him and blurt forth, "Could you tell me what a pledge is?" His mouth curls expertly on the right side and he utters three quick growls.

"A pledge is a stupid, miserable, sluggish, oldwomanish, muddle-headed, thick-skulled, bewildered, asinine, gabbling, bird-brained imbecile. He is simple." At this point he began undoing his collapsible pen and I left abruptly, asking myself this question: "Could that lad be bitter about something?"

In your bewilderment you crash

against some apparently immovable object. Looking up, you see a belt, so you stretch your neck to its capacity and note a head rising gently on two vast shoulders. "Superman?" you ask. "No, a pledge, sir," he answers, tipping a few curly strands of hair and bowing three times at the waist.

Stunned.

Recovering from your stunned condition, you stutter, "What's wrong with you, son?" Pulling out a black notebook expertly decorated with a skull and crossbones, he thumbs through the index and arrives at page 69. "I'm a stupid, miserable, sluggish, oldwomanish . . . " "Stop, this is where I came in," you scream.

"What are you doing now?" you ask, for lack of a better question.

"I'm going to the house to carry all the beds from third floor down to second and bring the second floor beds up to third, sir." "Just call me Sylvester," you smile sympathetically, "and why are you doing that, to make up the bed bugs?"

"I'm working off a black mark. I was supposed to get three dates this weekend with Hedy Grable. She's one of the prettiest girls on the campus," you sigh, thinking bitterly of your date for the weekend. "I know, but she's getting married this weekend." "Oh . . ."

And now you know. A pledge is one of those lucky people who went through rush week and was fool enough to believe that after he pledged he could still be human.

Voters Briefed As Thursday's Election Nears

BY GEORGE T. SHESTAK.

Election day at the university is always an exciting event. For weeks and weeks the feeling has been running high—the issue is a pressing one: Who are to be presidents of the junior and senior classes? By Thursday the outcome will be known; the die will be cast; tradition may be blasted; heads may roll. The Board of Regents collectively paces about their chambers while the Chancellor nervously chews his fingernails.

In the ready rooms of the various Greek organizations pledges are being briefed. The president runs through the recognition signal, the distress call, the handshake, leads the salute to the flag, and begins the pep talk:

After All!

"Now, of course, I'd be the last one to try to influence your vote. After all, this is America, the land of the free enterprise and the home of the brave capitalist, and we want all of you to vote as your conscience dictates. Vote for the best man; the man who stands for clean government. You don't have to vote for a Greek, but I hear that if a Barb wins they are going to force us all to join the YMCA."

In the third sub-cellar of the Union, the all inclusive, universal. We Represent Every Barb organization is running through their plans. Comrade Kublicski stands calmly in the cellar, sipping vodka and toying with a bomb, as he speaks to the other four members.

"All we have to lose are our credit books, comrade students. If we don't win, we are finished of course. Those dirty fascist Greeks will kill us like flies. At best we will be exiled to Ag. college. Of course our candidate will get in and I suggest the telephone pole on the corner of 14th and R as the best place to hang Dick Folda and that flat plot of ground behind the pillars would be a good place to machine gun the Pan-Hellenic League."

Voters, Unite!

The sun came up election day and found Dale (Dake) Novotny, Jackie Tobin, Dee Devoc, Peggy Shelley, and Nog Chapin waiting to vote. At 2:30, post meridian, the sororities came in and voted in a block. Eleanor Knoll immediately denied that they existed. Hink Aasen immediately denied that Eleanor Knoll existed.

At 3 p. m. the postman brought in an absentee ballot from Bill Miller and Elmer Sprague came by with a petition to draw and quarter all Innocents.

Tough.

Between 3:30 and 4, ten Barbs were disqualified because they couldn't prove they were born in the United States.

At 4:10, Comrade Kublicski tried to vote, but was intercepted by a member of the Dies committee.

When the clock struck 6, the polls were closed, the votes were counted, and the election was declared invalid.

Carton Boderick, jr., had won by a write-in vote.

Cross Campus

By Mary Lou Blumel

A former chicken house has been converted into 12 modern apartments for veteran students and their families on the Iowa State campus by Allen Stoecker, college construction engineer. The building is situated one mile from the central campus. Officials at Iowa State say that they'll "beat the housing shortage yet!"

Professors on the New York City College campus have been praising veteran students to the sky for the averages they have been making. Typical of the remarks by faculty members is the statement made by a member of the Physics department: "Finest group of students I've ever had," and one by a member of the math department; "Better college algebra than I've seen in several years."

The Lobo, University of New Mexico campus publication, printed in its first pre-game issue a map of the stadium showing the seating arrangement. One of the best blocks of seats, incidentally, has been assigned to freshmen women. At New Mexico U, it is

the freshmen women who really rate.

A new staff of men-student waiters began serving tables at the women's residence hall at Drake, and according to last reports they have not completed their basic training, or their perusal of Emily Post as yet, and as a result, women in the hall have taken a new interest in meals. The boys, it seems, have disregarded all hakneyed expressions, such as, "Will you have another cup of coffee?" And are using their own originals, such as, "Have another one, sister?" When one waiter spilled a fruit cocktail on the head resident at dinner one night, he was heard to smooth over the situation with, "That's all right. I'll bring you another one."

To make transportation to classes more convenient for some students, the University of California, Berkley, is sponsoring a car pool for people on the campus. A committee has been appointed to take charge of arrangements, and students who have cars, as well as students who want rides, sign up. When the listings are complete, the committee assigns students to each available car.

Richard Hadyn, who plays Franz Joseph in Paramount's "The Emperor Waltz," requires three hours to do his makeup and describes his characterization as "ten percent Hadyn and 90 percent Wally Westmore."

Betsy Bahensky Wins Appointment To College Board

Betsy Bahensky recently received an appointment as a member of the Mademoiselle College Board, after entering the yearly contest sponsored by Mademoiselle, fashion magazine. The contest, open only to undergraduates attending an accredited college or junior college, is judged by reports submitted on any new phase of campus life.

The acceptance of Miss Bahensky's paper, on Charm School, entitles her to compete for a guest editorship of the August College issue of Mademoiselle. The 20 guest editors, selected by papers submitted during the year from the Board members, will go to New York to help put out the August College issue.

While in New York, the guest editors will also attend Mademoiselle's first career forum sponsored by Mademoiselle's Jobs and Futures department and designed to help college girls clarify their aims and ambitions.

University Alums Hear 2 Speakers In Coming Week

A. A. Dobson, president of the Lincoln chapter of the University Alumni Association, announced that two of the association clubs will hear speakers from the university at meetings next week.

Fritz Daly, national secretary of the association, will speak at the monthly luncheon meeting of the Chicago Club there Monday noon.

Director of athletics at the university A. J. Lewandowski will be chief speaker at a dinner meeting of the Kansas City club on Friday, October 18, the evening preceding the Nebraska-Kansas football game at Lawrence. With him will be Perry Branch, secretary-director of the University Foundation, and Mr. Daly. Football movies will be shown during the program.

Bulletin

A.I.Ch. E. The American Institute of Chemical Engineers will meet in the Union Wednesday evening at 7:15. Refreshments will be served.

INTER VARSITY. Mary Beaton, national Inter-Varsity staff member from Chicago, will lead a discussion on "Is Christianity Practical on the UN Campus?" The discussion will take place at 3 o'clock this afternoon in room 316 of the Union.

ANY MEN SINGERS? Thirty openings for men are available in two sections of University Chorus, Music 91 carrying one hour of credit. Any men interested should see Dr. A. E. Westbrook immediately since the chorus sections have already begun preparation of THE MESSEIAH. There are no openings for women. Section II meets at 11 a. m. Tuesday and Thursday, while section I meets at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday and 5 p. m. Thursday.

Veterans Should Report Address Changes Promptly

Student veterans enrolled in Nebraska colleges can help insure prompt payment of their subsistence checks by promptly notifying the Lincoln Regional Veterans Administration office of changes in address, Ashley Westmoreland, VA Regional manager, said today.

There are now about 12,000 veterans enrolled in Nebraska universities and colleges and Westmoreland said the VA is working overtime to get subsistence checks in the mails as quickly as possible.

VA Headache.

One of the biggest headaches the VA has, he said, is with Nebraska student veterans who move without notifying the VA Regional Office, Sharp Building, Lincoln. Postal regulations forbid the forwarding of checks from one address to another.

"Veterans can be of real help to themselves on this subsistence payment problem if they will be sure to keep the VA informed of their whereabouts," Westmoreland said. "A change of address notice sent by a student veteran to the VA should include his old address, his full name, his new address, his C number, and his signature."

Dance star Johnny Coy is in the market for a new dance partner to co-star with him in Paramount's star-studded musical, "Variety Girl." He married his last partner, Dorothy Babb, and she's retired to have a baby.

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