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## Scene Changes .

Changing the political scene (with relief) from the university campus to city and state government, it is both fitting and proper to note that fall election day is not far away. This fact entails the duty and responsibility of every person of voting age to go to the polls that day and select these persons deemed most responsible for respective posi-

Too often we lose sight of our part in the nation as a whole because we limit our realm of activity to the university itself. Naturally it is our main concern, but using our voting privilege is part of that education, and a very important part if we expect to have any voice in our own government.

Turnouts at the polls have been steadily decreasing for the last decade or so, but the ever-present urge of humanity to still put in their two cents worth has not decreased accordingly. Better to have a reason for voicing your opinion, a reason based on the sound fact that you voted for the man, so you expect him to acknowledge your favor and return the compliment.

For those of you who find it necessary to register before voting, City Clerk T. Berg will be glad to take care of you in the City Hall during the day or from 7 to 9 p. m.

Accept your responsibility. It's your privilege.

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### Personally Speaking

One nomination for "woman of the year" could, easily enough, go to Merrell Shutt Grant, the little lady who wears a gold moon and pearl starred Tri Delt

pin, a Mortar Board badge, and, above all, a diamond ring and gold band, third left hand, A past member of Tassels and, likely, 2 to 5 other organizations, Merrell is editor of the

Merrell Shutt. 1947 Cornhusker, and, as a sidelight, should be given an award for staging the neatest trick of the week: was married, completed a honeymoon trip, and returned to school-all in six days. Luckiest of men Don Grant is fast becoming a familiar personage to the Cornhusker-ites, those poor souls who, upon being chased out of the Rag office, ran through the wrong door.

Having our knuckles soundly rapped for that last comment, we flashed our Ipana smile (no eracks, that orthodontist did a good job) to Merrell, and asked her to begin talking so that our column would include something besides our own feeble ram-

"If you'll pardon the prejudice, I hold the conviction as have all past yearbook editors that the annual for THIS year will be the best yet. Our aim is to make it an "all student yearbook," both in content and in production. For the first time since 1943 the book's theme and layout have been completed without professional help. All informal pictures appearing in the book will have been taken by student photographers.

"Dedicated to youth, the 1947 Cornhusker will cover as completely as possible the various phases of a student's life at college. Adding a note of infor-mality to the book, a large number of pictures snapped on campus, around the different houses, and at the social functions of the year will be included for the interest of all students.

"This year's 500-paged book

will be 125 pages larger than last year's, and a colored picture and design will be lamented with plastic on the ivory leather cover. There's an old saw that says "va-riety is the spice of life," and, I might add, "of yearbooks," so it's more or less traditional for each year's staff to put its trademark. so to speak, on the book in the way of innovations and changes in arrangements. This year there will be two new sections; one, devoted to mens' activities, will record the year's events in athletics, R. O. T. C., and the many organizations, such as Corn Cobs, Kosmet Klub, and Interfratrnity Council. The women's section will include write-ups of all womens' groups and, take note, 16 pictures of feminine pulchritude. Eight will be of the yearbook beauty queens, and the rest will be of the campus queens presented at the Homecoming dance, the Military Ball, Interfraternity formal, Ivy Day ceremony, Mortar Board ball, Kosmet Klub review (Nebraska Sweetheart), Junior-Senior prom, and Coed Follies (Typical Nebraska Coed). A preliminary judging of candidates for yearbook beauty queens will be made by professional beauticians from Omaha, and the final eight will be picked by-ah, but that isn't for you to know, not just now, anyway. We're keeping it a secret until an appropriate time for announcement . . .

"That's all right, Merrell," we inserted, "You can be assured of our confidence, no one reads our column, anyway, and . . ." But it did no good-we still don't know.

"There are ten major sections in the book, but first there are two sections which give an overall view of the university and its students. Besides a large number of campus scenes, there will be pictures typifying the different aspects of "college life," as the section is called, under the titles of "we study," "we play," "we dance," "we rest," "we work," 'we eat," we woo."

"We do?" was the only reply we could conjure, so we let it

"The major sections are Administration. Classes, Student Government, Women. Publications, The Arts, Playing, Men. Houses, and Organizations. The advertising section will have several informal stories running throughout it, Well, if we're in the advertising section, I guess that covers the book."

"But, Merrell, you told me that I

## Letterip

To The Student Body As a Whole:

Since clarification through the columns of the Daily Nebraskan seems to approximately the best method of reaching all the students, I am availing myself of the opportunity and presenting what seems to be the negative side of a very negative

At the spring elections of the 1945-46 school year, I was elected as junior representative from the Arts and Science College to the Student Council. At that date I assumed the privileges of my office. Just recently I was called upon to assume the responsibilities of that same office. A constituent of mine wrote me a letter protesting the recent election. His, I believe, is a legitimate protest according to the Student Council By-Laws.

The Judiciary Council evaded the legal issue, and worked on the premise that since the Daily Nebraskan had printed material on both sides of the issue that no wrong had been committed. This may be very true; it may also be true that the law was an abridgement on the Daily's right to freedom of the press; however, the question is not one of publication motive but violation of a law. The job of the Judiciary Council was to decide whether a law had been violated, this then is their failure. My accusation is not that the Judiciary Council acted with bias, but they acted with incompetence and allowed themselves to be swayed from the primary issue into a secondary one, and one that was not and is not in question.

Secondly, the Judiciary Council refused to consider precedent, and in effect over-stepped their authority by repudiating the laws set before them, The question is not the wrongness of the law for even were the law judged unconstitutional it still would apply in this case, since application of a revision would be an infringement upon the rights of everyone who did not believe in ex-post facto rulings and regulations.

For these reasons I am carrying an appeal to the Faculty Senate. Neither personality nor party is in question, only the right of an individual to make legitimate appeal, and the right of a respon-

In Sunday's paper your editorial comment on the appearance of John Dale before the Student Council Judiciary Committee amounted to a hue and cry that the freedom of the press was about to be violated. No such thing was intended, and when the matter comes before the University Senate, the decision will concern whether the publication of the letter was a violation of Article IV of the Student Council Constitution.

Responsibility for publication as such rests with you as the editor but responsibility as far as conforming to the election rules rests with the individual candidate. Thus Mr. Novotny is on trial, no The Daily Nebraskan or its editor. To say that the letter was impartial is just as preposterous as to say that Dale Novotny did not know of its publication. Mr. Novotny's name appears on the masthead of your paper as a News Editor and certainly at HIS request you would have with-held publication. If Mr. Novotny is worthy of the office at all he certaindly knew of the election rules and thus must assume the responsibility for the copy printed whether he be the author or not.

It is, I believe a long standing procedure that any time the judiciary committee hands down a decision a report explaining its action is forthcoming. The information in the Daily Nebraskan certainly does not support the decision. It would seem to me that it is very much in order for the judiciary committee to explain its decision. If either the law or past precedent means anything the Senate will reverse the decision of the judiciary committee, and if the committee is to retain any semblence of dignity and show that it is not subject to the minority interests of a single fraternity its explanation should appear in the very ALBERT M. JOHNSTON near future.

sible branch of student government to refuse to consider that appeal on it's primary premise. JOHN DALE

Arts and Science Junior Representative to the Student Council

Corn Cobs and Tassels.

the Malloya Co. in Chicago was "Doing what?" she asked dis-

gustedly.

"Covering the book," we retorted, and ran for the door, but not quickly enough to escape Merrell's range. After we picked ourself up, we realized we'd been struck in the back of the head capacity crowd at the Coliseum with a book-a 1946 Cornhusker, come Nov. 2, with tickets going

#### Homecoming . . . (Continued from Page 1.)

ing swing compositions, working on Lawrence's theory that the socalled classics have a definite place in the modern dance band.

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