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Faction Win Indicated

Briggs to Address Sigma Tau Convo

Engineering classes will dismiss students to attend the Sigma Tau annual public convocation at 11 a. m. Wednesday at the Stuart theater.

Gerald F. Briggs of St. Paul, Minn., a University civil engineering graduate, will speak on the topic "Science and Mathematics—Plus."

A former engineer with the Nebraska department of roads and irrigation, Briggs has gained prominence in the engineering field first as an expert of stabilized soil base for low-cost highways, and later as a consultant on development of ground water supplies.

Builds Argentina Roads

In 1939 Briggs was granted a leave of absence from the state highway department to aid the governments of Argentina and later, Brazil, with the construction of low-cost highways.

After his return to this country in 1941, the engineer was commissioned as a captain in the Corps of Engineers and served for four years.

The Legion of Merit was awarded him for outstanding work in the reconstruction of bombed-out bridges in France and Belgium. He was relieved from active duty in 1946 with the rank of colonel.

Editor of Blueprint

At present, in his association with Edward E. Johnson, Inc., St. Paul, Briggs is concerned with the development of ground water supplies for both municipal and industrial use.

While in the University, Briggs was editor-in-chief of the Ne-

Laboratory Play Tryouts Begin

Tryouts for "The Boor," laboratory theater production, will be held Thursday and Friday from 3 to 6 p. m. in Room 306 at the Temple building.

The one-act comedy by Chekhov will be directed by student director Mary Lou Thompson and produced sometime in January in the Temple experimental theater.

Included in the cast are two men's roles and one woman's part.

Sorenson to Repeat Role as UN Conference Chairman

Ted Sorenson will repeat in his role as moderator for the model United Nations General Assembly conference on campus in March.

Sue Allen, conference chairman, announced Sorenson's appointment today to the post he held in the model UNESCO meet last year.

Sorenson, a member of Law Review in Law college, recently acted as defense attorney in the Religion in Life Week trial of Roswell Howard, Student Council president. He is a past president of YMCA, formerly a debate squad member, and F.E.P.C. chairman of the Social Action committee of Lincoln. He was a candidate for a Rhodes scholarship.

Duties of Moderator

In his position as moderator, Sorenson will chair the Assembly sessions, and rule on procedure.

Irene Hunter, secretary of NUCWA, sponsor of the conference, revealed today that a number of houses and groups have



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braska Blueprint, engineering magazine; was a member of Sigma Tau; and was selected for the O. J. Fee award. He was graduated with distinction and is a member of Sigma Xi, scientific honorary.

Introducing Briggs Wednesday will be Dean Roy M. Green of the College of Engineering and Architecture.

Junior Cards Available Today

Registration procedure will continue Wednesday, as juniors pick up assignment numbers in Temporary building B.

At the same time, seniors who have not yet picked up their numbers may do so. Sophomores may obtain numbers Dec. 8, and Junior Division students on Dec. 9. To pick up registration numbers as juniors, students must have 53 to 88 hours. Sophomores have from 27 to 53 hours.

This week is also being used for conferences with advisers. Students should make appointments immediately for making out the second semester schedules. Actual registration procedure will begin next Monday, Dec. 12.

Union, MB's To Sponsor Ball Dinner

Something new is being offered this year to students planning to attend the Mortar Board Ball. The Union and Mortar Boards are sponsoring the Mortar Board Ball dinner, to be held in the Campusline, Friday evening, from 7:30 to 8:30 p. m.

A full four-course dinner is being planned. The room will be illuminated by candlelight, and the atmosphere will be heightened by music from the Hammond organ.

As an added attraction to solve the transportation problem, taxi shuttle service from the Union to the Coliseum will be on hand.

"As the situation is at present, the price of the Ball ticket is only a minor part of the evening's expenses. The Union hopes to relieve this strain on student pocketbooks by initiating a worthy substitute for expensive eating out.

"The menu we are offering is as good, if not better, than menus at any popular dine and dance restaurant, only at a much lower price," stated Union Director Duane Lake.

The dinner is being planned as an experiment. If successful, it will be continued for future occasions. At least 50 couples can be accommodated throughout the evening.

Reservations can be made at the main Union office or by phoning Ext. 4222. Price of the tickets has been set at \$1.50 per person or \$3.00 per couple.

BABW Elects New Treasurer

Louise Mues has been elected treasurer of BABW to serve until Spring elections. Miss Mues was chosen at a BABW meeting Monday.

A resident of Howard hall, Miss Mues is a junior in pharmacy college. She represents Howard hall on the Barb Activities Board for Women.



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not yet chosen the countries they wish to represent. Though some

nations have been assigned, the following are not taken:

Afghanistan, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Burma, Byelorussian Soviet, Chile, Columbia, Costa Rico, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, France, Haiti, Honduras, Iran, Lebanon, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Siam, Sweden, Syria, Ukrainian Soviet, Union of South Africa, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen and Palestine.

Selection of Countries.

To select a country, the house or group should contact Irene Hunter, Kappa Delta house, or put a note in the NUCWA box, Union basement, before 5 p. m. Friday.

Groups are also reminded to name their delegates for the conference, to be held March 15-17 on campus.

Foreign students from the nations at the conference will assist house representatives in an advisory capacity. They are now being contacted by members of NUCWA.

The Student Council refused Tuesday night to reveal the results of the senior-junior class president election to The Daily Nebraskan.

The Councils' refusal lent credence to the report that faction write-in votes swept party candidates into both class posts.

Senior Bill Mueller and Junior Herb Reese were backed by the faction.

Outcome of the balloting will be officially announced sometime today after a meeting of the Council judiciary committee. Sources close to the elections committee of the student governing body intimate that election results are being held up until the validity of a write-in winner is assured.

Council President Roz Howard and Vice President McDill told members of The Daily Nebraskan staff Tuesday afternoon that they could not promise to release the results to the paper if a write-in candidate should win.

At about 6:30 p. m., Fred Chael, judiciary chairman, told the Nebraskan that "the results of the election will be announced tomorrow."

Council members counting ballots refused to reveal the number of voters, the reason for withholding the results—or the winners.

"No Comment"—Faculty

Miss Mary Mielenz, faculty adviser of the Council, said, "No comment," but added "Ask the students. It's their affair. The issue will go to the judiciary committee which is the supreme court of the Council. That committee, has the final word, unless a student takes an appeal to the Faculty Senate."

An expected block of Engineer college votes apparently did not materialize in sufficient strength to offset the heavy faction vote.

Four engineering students filed for the senior posts. Three entered the junior class race. Engineering College sources disclosed that the college vote was split.

Poll observers commented that Greek women were definitely in the minority at the polling places on both city and Ag campuses. Two coeds filed for the senior class president and three for junior chief executive.

Neither Mueller or Reese filed for the class presidencies by the deadline last Friday at 4 p. m. in the Student Activities office. Instead, their supporters instructed faction members to "write in" the names of two men.

Both men are reported to satisfy both the 5.5 average requirement and the hour requirements of their class.

The faction reportedly first planned a "boycott" of the election, planning neither to back a candidate nor vote. When fifteen persons filed for the posts, faction members reversed their stand and decided to take advantage of the write-in portion of the Student Council ballots.

Faculty pressure is suspected to be behind the Council's decision to withhold results of the election.

If, as indicated, the write-in ballots decided the winners, it will mark the first time in campus election history that write-in candidates ever swept a University election.

Incumbent Returns.

Mueller was president of the junior class last year, taking 370 votes of 501 cast for the office. Fritz Hegwood won the senior post by amassing 322 of the 412 votes cast for that office.

The class presidents election was held from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. on both city and Ag campuses. Three Student Council members, a faculty adviser and a graduate student supervised the polls.

Council President Howard and Assistant Dean of Student Affairs Frank Hallgren were present during most of the day's voting on city campus. Ag Exec Board members assisted the Council in the Ag portion of the voting.

Upperclassmen voting in the election had to present their ID cards, which were punched. They also had to sign a registration list, which asked for name, class and college, with the question "Are you affiliated?"

The election was the first held on the campus since the junior-senior class election Nov. 16, 1948. Other elections were suspended until Tuesday's voting.

Duties of the posts are traditionally to plant the ivy at the annual Ivy Day festivities. The Student Council Constitution offers the president rights and power to undertake other responsibilities.

Longer Vacation Still Not Definite

Final word has not yet been received as to the extension of Christmas vacation.

The faculty-senate committee will meet Tuesday, Dec. 13, to make the final decision concern-

ing the extension of vacation.

The early announcement of Christmas vacation dates was to dismiss school Friday, Dec. 16, and return to classes Monday, Jan. 2. The senate will meet to decide if vacation will be extended one day with classes being resumed Tuesday morning, Jan. 3.