

EDITORIAL PAGE

Politicking Days

Every four years our democracy submits to a period of political bedlam. Present office holders want newspapers filled with stories of government saving, of sound national and foreign policies and of pictures showing them as "just one of the boys."

a national election year will keep Nebraskans politically busy for several months. The national politicking probably will not be able to overshadow the state scene, at least until primaries are over.

The political embers in Nebraska brightened this week with the democratic and republican pre-primary in Omaha. Pre-primary endorsements and party platforms were the chief business at the party wheels' meeting.

Interest in the conventions and primaries is high, sparked by the many political posts which are seemingly wide open. Several University students and faculty members attended the sessions. Nebraskans must choose two senators—one for a long term and one to fill the term now held by Fred Seaton of Hastings who was appointed upon death of the Sen. Kenneth Wherry.

We are witnessing an exciting year. Exciting because of both state elections and national elections. Important because we will decide what men are to lead us through the crucial months and years which are undoubtedly ahead of us.

In Nebraska there isn't much room for a candidate to make a political blunder this year. Republicans especially will be careful because of the importance of the primary results.

Even on the state level, we can expect daily GOP digs at Fair Deal and Trumanism foreign policy blunders and government spending. We'll hear republicans cry for government cuts in expenditures, but we'll probably not hear many suggestions as to just where cuts can be made. The democrats will point to all successful parts of the past 20 years of national ruling and try to dig out any state corruption. The battle is just beginning. Nebraska voters are the target.

Meetings: Once A Month

To the University's Interfraternity council our attention is directed; directed because of their fine and noble purpose and the activities which they claim to carry on. But our attention is directed to this body of University men for another reason also; namely, the little or nothing they accomplish.

The Interfraternity council is composed of elected representatives from each University fraternity, required to meet at least once a month to "discuss and regulate any and all matters pertaining to all fraternities eligible to Council membership . . ."; this shall include relations between fraternities, between fraternities and students and between fraternities and the University as a whole.

The 1951-52 IFC finds, under its realm of command, the job of sponsoring the annual Interfraternity ball, choosing the year's Interfraternity sweetheart, registering all men going through rush week, enforcing rushing rules for fraternities, sending delegates to the National Interfraternity council conference, enforcing University rules for the initiation of pledges, which includes both averages and the hazing problem, along with keeping Nebraska fraternities in the good favor of the administration, anti-Creeks, pro-Greeks and taking cognizance of and action on progressive movements within the Greek structure.

The University's IFC has fulfilled one duty for which they exist. They have met once a month during this school term. Whether they had the required two-thirds membership present for a quorum to conduct business is unknown.

The University's IFC, in addition to meeting once a month, chose an Interfraternity sweetheart, Patsy Peters, with whom we do not quarrel. However, as The Daily Nebraskan pointed out in previous editions, the method of selecting finalists was extremely questionable.

As for the Interfraternity ball itself, the IFC put on a financial flop and what came close to a social flop. Publicity for the ball, announcing the date, time, price of tickets and orchestra for the evening, appeared on the campus one week prior to the ball.

The social committee in charge of the ball had 300 tickets printed. Exactly 69 of these were sold. This made a total of \$172.50 proceeds on ticket-sales. The hotel ballroom, used for the dance, cost the IFC \$75 and the orchestra cost \$300. Usual incidentals are not included in these figures. This leaves a total of \$202.50 deficit in IFC funds for their annual ball, attended by, according to ticket sales, 69 couples. To cover this deficit, the IFC treasurer reports that an approximate \$1800 was in the treasury after fraternity rush week this fall.

Margin Notes

When parking lots were distributed, the students were left with a muddy lot next to the Union. Now there is a fence between that muddy lot and the back door to the Union.

Administrators have problems, but couldn't they do something to make student parking less gooey so the Union will take the fence down?

The Daily Nebraskan could use some reporters. Anyone (male, female, activity student, brain, senior, transfer student, journalist, engineer or Cornhusker worker) is welcome.

Princess Elizabeth has become Queen Elizabeth, youngest queen of England since Victoria. The worry and tension of Britain's many colonial problems have fallen on the shoulders of the little girl who used to romp on the Palace lawns with her younger sister. The blonde princess who used to love to eat pickles with her ice cream, is now monarch of a country that is fighting to regain a leading place among nations. God save the Queen.

The democrats want him to but Walter Raecke says that he won't try to get the democratic nomination for Governor.

Raecke has a good record and possibly is the only democrat with a good chance to beat whoever gets the republican nomination. Bob Crosby and Vis Anderson were given pre-primary nods by the republicans. Both men are popular. The democrats could well try hard to persuade Mr. Raecke to wave their banner.

At least one cheering thought, if any, can be derived from the University enrollment decrease. It may be greatly disheartening to University instructors and from a financial point of view, but it might lead to more and more individual attention given to students with each semester. We aren't in favor of lower enrollment at our University, but since it can't be helped, it might tend to favor those 6,100 students still at the Cornhusker institution.

Dr. Floyd Hoover, acting director of registration, expressed his wonderment in The Daily Ne-

Approximately \$750 was added to the IFC funds following rush week. Each man going through rush week pays a \$1 registration fee and an additional \$1 when he pledges a fraternity. According to the IFC treasurer, the council depends on these funds when they lose money on the ball which seems to be expected. It is reported, however, that "we lost less money on the ball this year than the IFC did last year."

Again, pointing to IFC finances, the Council voted to spend \$400 to send several delegates to the national convention. We have yet to see any indications, public or otherwise, of progressive Greek ideas and programs brought back to the University campus by the official delegates.

Another big job of the IFC is to enforce rushing rules during fraternity rush week. Hod Mayers, IFC president, has reported that a system of enforcing the existent rules is being worked on by the IFC and will be put into effect. What this plan is, how it will be enforced is unknown.

Flagrant violations of the rushing rules have been noticed by The Daily Nebraskan, particularly during the fraternity rush week of this past fall semester. Complaints were turned in to The Nebraskan concerning these violations. However, fraternity members have admitted they would not file a complaint about another misbehaving fraternity because they also violate rules.

According to various IFC members, the problem of fraternity "Hell-Week," which, incidentally, is ruled out by the IFC constitution, has come up in several discussions this year. Although not all campus fraternities have initiated their pledge classes there has been no great trend toward the now nationally-advocated "Help-Week." As usual, the IFC has talked much and done next to nothing.

The Interfraternity council exists and exists under an approved constitution. Members meet, elect officers and appear to carry out duties. They lose money, they bring back nothing constructive from an expensive trip to a national convention, they allow rushing violations to exist under their very noses, and they must still favor the outlawed "Hell-Week."

The Daily Nebraskan feels that a body such as the Interfraternity council could do a great deal toward promoting the good points of a Greek system, in which the council is primarily concerned. It is our hope that the apathy and neglect this organization has shown in the past can be replaced by an active, admirable attitude which could advance favorably the Greek system.—R.R.

braskan columns this week-at the lack of students going through the add and drop process this semester. To Dr. Hoover, we offer our answer to this puzzling question. Perhaps students, this semester, taking one look at the add and drop process, decided to carry a minimum of hours, stay in the wrong course or remain in a course they dislike. Any person who graduates from the University, having gone through and mastered the art of adding and dropping, is truly educated.

Two hundred University women entered the doors of Ellen Smith hall Friday afternoon and selected YWCA commission groups and projects in which to work. General purpose of the University Y organization is to instill religious leadership and principles into the lives of college women. The Y's second semester enrollment does not speak well either for the organization or the religious leanings of University women.

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Why Am I Here?

Bob Reichenbach

The King is dead. King George VI, in frail health all his life, who took over the throne of England when it was at its lowest ebb as far as popular esteem was concerned, died in his sleep Tuesday night. When King Edward VIII renounced the throne to marry American-born Wally Simpson, the English faith in their rulers was shaken to the roots. In this time of crisis it fell upon the shoulders of Edward's shy, quiet younger brother, George, to strengthen the position of the monarchy. At the time King George VI was coronated the population of the British empire was approximately 500,000,000 or about one-fourth of the world population. During his reign the King has seen his country's holdings dwindle in area and, particularly, in numbers. When India gained her freedom King George lost some 300,000,000 subjects. He has seen his country struggle through the worst war in the history of the world, a war in which he lost his younger brother, the Duke of Kent. Perhaps even more disastrous than the war, is the position of his country following that war, what with the split in politics and the increased socialization of Great Britain.

On the brighter side of the picture, the King saw, before he died, his older daughter, Elizabeth, marry Prince Phillip of Greece climaxing a romance that captured the heart of the world. He saw a grandson, the new heir apparent, born to this marriage as well as a granddaughter, "Bonnie Prince Charlie" is now next in line for the throne.

There is no doubt that King George VI and Queen Elizabeth reigned during a period of almost constant crisis. Nor is there any doubt that the Royal couple was beloved by their subjects to a degree seldom attained by monarchs. The future presents various intricacies which will be revealed primarily by tradition. For one, there are, in a sense, three queens in England today . . . Elizabeth, the reigning Queen, and her mother and grandmother. Probably the 84-year-old Queen Mother Mary will become the Dowager Queen and Elizabeth, the widow of George VI, will hold the title of Queen Mother.

The line of ascension to the throne looks something like this. Prince Charles, the three-year-old son of the new Queen is next in line, followed by his baby sister Anne and Princess Margaret Rose, the Queen's sister, in that order.

The Crown of England that Queen Elizabeth assumes is all glory and no power. The sole function of the Queen today is to be a public figure. While her illustrious predecessor "Good Queen Bess" bore among her titles that of Empress of India, the modern Elizabeth is just a Queen again. Her late father dispensed with the title Emperor of India for fairly obvious reasons, in 1948.

Among her many duties, the new Queen will find that it will be up to her to proclaim her own son as Prince of Wales in a grand pageant at Carnarvon Castle in Wales. Elizabeth will find that the training she received from her father from earliest childhood will stand her in good stead now. In a thousand years, the English kings have developed a technique of brazening it out. The position of nominal ruler is possibly more difficult than that of an actual ruler. Princes and Princesses are trained in a hard discipline from the very beginning. They learn that it is all right to laugh at the clowns at the circus, but not to wipe your nose on your sleeve.

Elizabeth is probably quite thankful for all the tiny things she learned which will help her in new life which will be about as quiet and peaceful as the average newspaper office. For Elizabeth, at 25, is the second youngest Queen to take over the throne of England.

As the Herald will shout from the famous balcony of St. James' Palace in London . . . "Long live the Queen."

After sorting, adding, dividing, multiplying and all the other things math majors do, my average is still just as far underground as I thought it would be. You see, my last postcard came winging its way through the mails this a.m. and I am feeling rather like the fellow I know who just got his draft notice. I just don't understand.

Collegiate Survey Before this trite message gets triter (you understand that the English grade now), best I tell you the results of another survey. I love these surveys. This one was taken by the Associated Collegiate Press to see why students come to college. According to the highly tabulated poll the results were:

- 1. For a good job afterwards
- 2. Desire for more knowledge
- 3. To find a mate
- 4. It was "the thing to do"
- 5. The parents wished it
- 6. None of these.

Letterip

'Art' Controversy

Dear editor: Like many others we are not authorities on abstract or modern art. According to Webster, "All arts, we must remember, are phases of the social mind. We are so much in the habit of thinking of them in terms of art products that we forget that the arts themselves are groups of ideas and acquisitions of skill that exist only in the minds, muscles, and nerves of living men." The living mind is perhaps the key to this definition for living implies an incessant change.

Consider music in the light of the foregoing definition, because music, as a universal art, is constantly permeating our everyday life. Often the obvious discord or breach of harmony—the result of a change in "old school" rules by the living mind—conveys the exact mood and feeling desired. It is not this recreation of mood and feeling "the important thing? Is this not true art—whether by note, brush, or written word? Can not this art be understood and appreciated by all?"

Sincerely yours, RUSSELL JORGENSEN BILL SCHLEGEL JACK KEENE (Editor's note.—The Daily Nebraskan welcomes any statements which disagree with Riche's views on modern art. We will give the same amount of space and play to anyone disagreeing with Riche's contentions).

Discrimination

To the Editor: Yes, our memories are short when we can not remember the drastic march upon the state capitol. This march was a march by students who had or were going to be discriminated against. With rising tempers of the students, the campus and the city of Lincoln were in a state of chaos.

The terrible parking and traffic situation is again confronting the driving population of the University. "Fraternity Row" is about to become the scene of bedlam, traffic tickets and congested areas. One way streets through the University will cause as much misunderstanding between this institution and the city police as has been caused between the students and faculty in their parking problem. Now is the time to act on this approaching problem and not after the ordinance has been put into effect.

Many of the students are not aware of the predicament that is now facing the faculty and student bodies. The students are parking in the faculty areas; the faculty are parking in the student areas. Both the faculty and students have been receiving suspensions or better known as "rustications." To my knowledge, one instructor has been permanently dismissed and innumerable assistants rusticated. There is no object in this trivial scrutiny. Oh yes, regulations should be enforced; but when regulations exist to the detriment of the majority then they should be repealed.

Last year, when there was not any discrimination, everyone was perfectly happy with first come, first served. No one got fired or suspended, and no one received detrimental records, fit only for a common criminal. Why was this change brought about? It was brought about because of the human inclination to want favoritism, and the persons with the facilities to advance their wants have maneuvered into an advantageous position.

This segregated parking system has not worked, and there should be considerable thought upon a new or a more effective system. If there were enough parking spaces—and no segregation—the money that is spent upon maintaining an additional temporary area such as the mall or the corner of 14th and Vine streets, east of the Military Science building. Something should be done about this parking problem.

Or it should be known to anyone, who is considering attending the University, that they will not be able to drive their car to the campus; therefore, they must live in the sub-standard housing accommodations that are adjacent to the school. Regardless of what is done, there is no object in excluding progressive students from classes because of undemocratic discrimination.

R. D. Juno, wife of Jupiter, king of the gods, gave her name to June.

Stolen Goods

Survey 'Tabulizes' Reasons Why Students Attend College

Marilyn Mangold

Just give me a man With a million or two. Or one that is handsome Would happily do; A dashing young fellow Is swell any day. Or one that is famous Would suit me okay. But if the man shortage Should get any worse, Go back to the very First line of this verse. Ah, well, comes the revolution and all poets and columnists alike will head for the salt mines.

Buffalo University

The University of Buffalo Spectrum recently printed six reasons "Why I Never Joined A Sorority."

- 1. I wanted to do as I wished and think for myself instead of being led around by a bunch of sorority sisters. (Ed. note.—That's intellectual, but some people are born with rings in their noses.)
- 2. I had never gone into women's clubs and organizations before I came to college and I didn't want to start. (Ed. note.—Just how is the Hob Nob?)
- 3. I had never danced with a man in my life and I didn't want to. (Ed. note.—You haven't lived.
- 4. I didn't like the idea of having to room with the same girl all semester. (Ed. note.—That's all right, honey.)
- 5. I didn't fill out a sweater and I didn't look very attractive in a sleeveless low-cut gown. (Ed. note.—Some people do and some don't.)
- 6. I am a male. (Ed. note.—Oh!

Sioux Falls

A contemporary of ours has just written a poem in Sioux Falls, S. D. She wrote it of course after she had found it written in another paper. It's for leap year.

Book Notes

'Wait For The Wagon' Is Conversational Gem

Mary Worrall

"Wait For The Wagon," (Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, 1951) is Mary Lasswell's latest contribution to the belly-laugh circle. The celebrated author of "Suds In Your Eyes" and "Mr. Rasmussen's Book of One-Arm Cookery" has written another bouncer.

A trip from Newark, N.J., across country to San Diego is the scene of the confusion. It appears harmless, but when three elderly ladies (the renowned Mrs. Feeley, Mrs. Rasmusen, and Miss Tinkham), and an abasement floor-lamp affectionately named Aphrodite, pile into their 1926 "Poison Blue" Cadillac loaded with buckets of iced beer, anything can, and does happen.

The journey begins quietly, but the beer-loving trio and their driver run into trouble soon when they add two passengers, Dr. Crudehorn Freeman, a crackpot psychoanalyst, and his strip-teaser girlfriend, Uremia. Hectic days are ahead for the travelers and their truck-driver buddies. One ridiculous situation leads to another, making the book a conversational gem.

The language in "Wait For The Wagon" is uninhibited and necessarily so, for the characters are also uninhibited. What eventually occurs upon their arrival in San Diego, leaves the reader laughing and crying with, at, and for the characters in the same sentence.

The story is especially worth reading because of the familiar sketches of cartoonist George Price. The dowagers with the tremendous capacity for beer come to life before the reader's eyes, and become legendary and unforgettable.

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