

EDITORIAL PAGE

Primary On The Campus

The atmosphere and appearance of an adult community will invade the campus today at 10 a.m. as polls open at city Union, Ag Union and Ferguson hall for the first mock primary election to be held at the University.

mary elections will begin at 5 p.m. at Love library auditorium.

The Y-sponsored mock primary is a valuable addition to the University campus. It indicates a healthy trend in the minds of college people toward mature concepts of living.

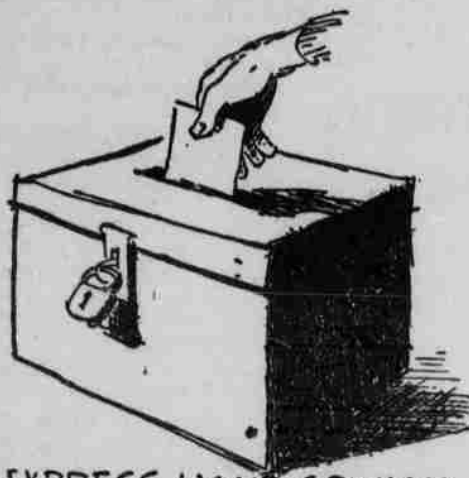
The Daily Nebraskan would like to see the number of University students going to the polls today also reflect an adult, informed point of view. University students have a remarkable tradition of ignoring the polls on most election days.

In the minds of most students, today's mock primary will have less effect on their lives and their laws than an election of general campus interest. However, from the adult point of view that this primary seems to represent, it will be of great significance.

And, more important than this, it appears to the Daily Nebraskan, is the number of students that go to the polls today. Not the voting results, however important, but the percentage of University population that goes to the mock primary polls will show the awareness students have of national and state issues and their interest in the factors that run our country.

The results of the campus primary will be meaningless if only a small percentage of the student body takes the time and effort today to stop at the Ag Union, city Union or Ferguson hall and mark a ballot. The results, to be effective, must be representative of the majority of University students.

The Daily Nebraskan would like to see every University student take a few minutes from class, studying, working, coffeeing—or anyone of Monday's activities—to cast his ballot in the campus primary. R.R.



EXPRESS YOUR OPINION VOTE IN THE MOCK PRIMARY

ing certain candidates to carry on active campaigning. And University students have been reminded, as has the voting public, that no campaigning within 100 yards of the polling places is allowed by law.

Students are being allowed to vote by absentee ballot if they cannot get to the polls during the day. As an added attraction to the University's first primary election, a panel discussion on pri-

Nobody's Pet 'Coon

Sen. Estes Kefauver will take another segment of the latest bear he is chasing—bigger than Boss Crump, more difficult to handle than Frank Costello—the American voter, represented by University students, tonight in the Union ballroom.

Known to millions through his efforts to uncover crime in the United States and his defeat of Boss Crump dictations in his election to the Senate, Senator Kefauver has also specifically enumerated, through campaigning and voting record, his stand on domestic and foreign issues. He favors a closer-working and expanded North Atlantic Treaty Organization and has worked

out plans for reform in the political mechanism of Congress.

The Senator from Tennessee has expressed hope that "Truman decides to run; I'll beat the socks off him. Kefauver's strong, enthusiastic stand on vital issues has made him, to part of the American voting public, a sure bet to beat the forces within his own party that don't care for his tactics.

Crime-busting Kefauver will not be ducking the issues tonight. He never has. He has set his sights on the biggest hunting-season of his vigorous political life. He is an individual within the Democrat party, a refreshing change. He would do well in the White House. R.R.

From Governor To Senator

Completing six years as governor of Nebraska, Val Peterson has set his cap for the United States Senate hatrack.

Governor Peterson can truly stand on his record: Taxes, he proudly reports, took the lowest percentage of the state's income of any state in nation and the lowest percentage in Nebraska's history under his governorship. His crackdown on state gambling and his reorganization of the state liquor commission and the board of welfare is laudable.

The University graduate is opposed to Universal Military Training, and the federal grants-in-aid for education. He has stated that some form of national welfare or social insurance is

inevitable and has recommended that the Republicans work to check an "untrammelled and ever-growing bureaucracy" instead of opposing social reform.

The 48-year-old governor's Republican rival is 62-year-old Senator Butler, a man who should be ready to retire.

Seven hundred University students have signed the Val Peterson for Senator petition. The Daily Nebraskan would like to add its name to those of the liberal candidate's supporters.

The Governor threw his hat into the ring last fall. The Daily Nebraskan hopes that Nebraska voters will take his hat to the senate chambers. S.G.

Big Time College Athletics

LAWRENCE, Kan.—The victory cheers of Kansas fans are providing quite an appropriate setting for this annual Missouri Valley Debate tournament at the University of Kansas. The Jayhawks are returning late tonight (Thursday) as NCAA champions. Meanwhile, some 40 debaters from 10 schools are at Lawrence arguing whether we should abolish all compensation for participation in college athletics. College editors, college sports writers, college athletes are being quoted far and wide; Bill Glassford, "Potsy" Clark, Chancellor R. G. Gustavson and Bobby Reynolds are no exceptions.

In fact, probably few Cornhuskers know more about the Nebraska athletic department than some of the speakers here.

In upholding athletic scholarships, this editor and her colleague are reminded in each debate of the abuses of college athletics—abuses well worth serious consideration by all of us. The case is pretty strong for making some drastic changes in college sports programs.

How to get college athletics back on strictly an amateur basis is one of the foremost problems. We hear of the extensive recruiting practices and the evils resulting from such recruiting. Blair Cherry, former football coach at the University of Texas, who resigned because of the high pressure of big time athletics, is quoted as saying that he was forced to spend more time recruiting and making field trips than actually coaching.

Alumni practices in the manner of high pressuring coaches for a winning team are constantly brought to our attention. Big time football in Ohio got to the point where the state legislature passed a resolution calling for an investigation of the cause of Ohio State's poor football record. And in Colorado, when one athlete was injured, he was awarded half of his weekly athletic compensation by the state until he recovered.

The big time status—with pressure for good players leading to more compensation—has led many colleges to drop intercollegiate athletics. Georgetown university, St. Mary's, Milliken and other colleges are examples of schools forced to drop programs because of the expense. Georgetown university recorded a deficit over a 10-year period of more than a million dollars, or about \$100,000 a year.

Schools permitting a dual standard—one for athletes and one for regular students—were condemned. Some schools including the University-

of Texas, offer more scholarships to athletes than to other students.

Another unfavorable situation among college sports programs are "jobs" offered by alumni and businessmen which do not require actual work. One businessman in Ohio, reported to be a millionaire, carries athletes on the payrolls of his various estates. Some down-towners give part time or summer jobs—150 of them—paying \$100 a month, for 15 hours of work or less per week.

In one Big Seven school, alumni will contact families of needy athletes and give them the necessary money to send the athlete to college.

College athletics have become a big business. This fact is undeniable. However, one can deny the premises that merely eliminating compensation will solve the problems, and that all athletic problems are created by athletic scholarships.

The solution does not rest in abolishing athletic scholarships (the 104 Cornhusker athletes receiving scholarships can relax). The public is interested in our sport now, and so long as that interest continues, the pressure for winning teams will continue. The problem has become much too big to be eliminated by simply banning athletic scholarships. J.K.

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On The AP Haywire

—Amy Palmer

Everyone stand up and cheer. There are only thirty-one days of school left. Doesn't seem possible, does it? And what seems even more impossible is how you're going to get all those term papers, outlines, outside readings, etc. done and still have time for picnics in the closing days of the semester. One of them must go. Shall we vote first on school work? As Nero put it, thumbs down.

The eminent campus critic, Dick Miller, seems really to have put not one, but two feet in his mouth. After his rundown of the play, "Street Scene," I'll bet author Elmer Rice was really crushed. I just hope the board that gives Pulitzer Prizes away doesn't reconsider and take Elmer's back. It could be, though, that Dick was wrong. To my knowledge there are still a lot of people left in this country who are going to say, "It's sure hot" on the afternoon of August 13th.

This communist is taking a course involving Russia politics this semester. According to all the theories, the Red Star boys have a better form of democracy than the dirty American capitalists ever dreamed of having, but it's sort of like the Emperor's new suit of clothes. A lot of people are fooled by it, but it takes a realist to realize there's nothing there at all.

Measles seem to be getting the upper hand around here. Student Health is packed with them. There's a rumor going around about a gigantic plot to expose all instructors to the little red pimples on the same day. Ten days later they all come down with the measles and a three-day vacation is called. As I say, this is all in the rumor stage, but is there anyone here who would volunteer to breathe on an instructor?

With so many politicians running loose lately, you can't help but pick up a few biased opinions from your instructors. Heard a new twist though the other day in Roman history. The professor was talking of Cicero and mentioned the fact that the man was quite vain and tried to cover a bald spot by combing the long hair on the back of his head forward. He then went on to praise Cicero for some of his great acts of statesmanship. During this talk of commendation he stopped and said, "You know, Douglas McArthur has one of the same traits as the great Cicero did; he also covers his bald spot with long hair from the back."

Letterip

PE's Work Too Dear Editor:

(To S. A. and others concerned.) Having read your editorial of Thursday, March 27, 1952, entitled "Many Hours For One," I wish to contradict your statement.

Before I start my contradictions, I will agree with you that "it is unfortunate that some university instructors have the attitude that THEIR CLASS is the only class requiring outside work." I feel that other instructors have this attitude as well as the physical education people.

Last year the extra reports were given as make-up assignments for cutting classes. The students enjoying the reports on dance personalities so much that they surrendered to the instructor that they be given as regular assignments.

No University coed has any gripe about her physical education classes and the work they involve unless they are the majors and minors of the department.

As a major in physical education I would like to tell the coeds not majoring or minoring in the department what we go through that they will have no gripes and be satisfied with what they have.

First: We are required to take a stiff course of academic hours, including 30 hours science, plus more scientific hours registered under P. E. credit.

Second: We are required to take approximately 15 hours of theory in physical education. With these courses there are many assignments given which include notebooks, card files, and a large quantity of outside readings to be reported on.

Third: We are required to take 10 hours a week of activity work, 5 of them with credit. With these 10 hours with or without credit, major or minor, we are assigned book and oral reports from outside reading, numerous card files, quantity of notebooks and bibliographies, and the study of rules, techniques and skills; all to be done outside of class.

Fourth: Just as extra work beside the regular assignments, we are asked to observe and secure more instruction and experience by going into the schools and recreational departments in the city. Here some of us referee basketball, volleyball, teach rhythms, and help adults with youth groups.

In conclusion, a statement as to why I chose physical education as my profession. Opportunities in the field are unlimited. I gripe just as much as any other person in the department; just like students in any other department in the University. But, I wouldn't be in this field of endeavor if down deep inside I really didn't enjoy it.

Therefore, having expounded with my own discontents which are really superficial, be silent my friends; make the most of what is offered to you. You will no doubt find some use for the physical education activities you experience here in the University as you do for your other 121 hours required for graduation! Sincerely, DONNA PRESCOTT Major in physical education

—POLITICAL GUIDE— The Circus Of Politics

By KEN RYSTROM News Editor

Isn't it strange? By late tomorrow night the candidates in Nebraska's primary election will have made a complete about-face (with the possible exception of the presidential candidates). Instead of criticizing the policies of their opponents and boosting their own platforms, the politicians will have forgotten their differences and again will have submerged their own ideas to the welfare of the party.

Not for some time (probably two years) will the politicians again criticize their friends, their colleagues and their party as they have during the last six months or so.

Isn't it strange how politicians can change face on a moment's notice? Isn't it strange the things they do to win public support and votes?

In fact, the baby-kissing, hand-shaking, and flag-waving they indulge in clouds the matter of selection of political candidates. If the results of elections were not so important to the future of the entire nation, the months preceding them would be one grand, glorious circus.

Hope For New Light

Hoping to impress University students with the seriousness of primary election politics, The Daily Nebraskan has published this series of Political Guides. While the effect on voters—and future voters—cannot be measured, if any new light has been shed on the candidates, the series has been worth the space it has taken.

That, itself, brings up a point which bothers voters—and certainly has bothered this writer. The difficulty lies in determining the basis upon which citizens might vote for candidates.

At first thought these are several of the possibilities:

- 1. The candidate's record. 2. His campaign promises and platform. 3. His platform appearance and personality. 4. His interest in the individual voter. 5. His allegiance to other political (and military) personalities and general policies. 6. His personal integrity and sincerity.

While these six points are hardly of equal significance or even mutually exclusive, they probably present a representative number of factors—conscious or unconscious—which influence the voter.

What Facts To Include?

In writing this series of guides, this writer has found it exceptionally difficult to know what facts to mention in regard to a candidate—or even what general characteristics should have any rightful bearing on selection.

This writer discovered, however, that little value can be placed upon anything the candidate says during the election period. Always on the lookout for specific promises and headline statements, he further discovered that the candidate is very reticent to commit himself on anything besides economy, clean government and an attempt to stop Communism. Oh, frequently he would say something quotable on tax cuts or highway commissions, but when someone would quiz him about Universal Military Training or a fair employment practices bill, he would quickly state his position on the theory behind the bill—and then spend several minutes qualifying his answer and making exceptions.

Of course, reporters naturally are disgusted for who can write a sensational lead with five or ten if's and but's attached?

Shrewd Politics

But who can blame the fellow for such a stand? Looking at the matter from his point of view, there are at least two reasons favoring his side-stepping. The first is purely shrewd politics. Whenever a candidate commits himself on an issue, he always makes friends and enemies, of course. Even if the number on each side were the same, the poor politician would lose—simply because one disagreement strongly outweighs one agreement for the voters; an opponent is usually more aggressive and more firmly set than a supporter. Undoubtedly no one realizes this better than the man after votes.

Effect On Government

The second reason affects the candidate, sure; but it affects the entire system of government even more. Because of newspaper articles, public records and voters' memories, anything the politician promises immediately becomes a rule to judge his future action in government. In other words, if the man wishes to keep his popularity with the voters, he is bound by his campaign word—even though

circumstances and details may have changed considerably by the time he takes action.

As the candidate steps to the rostrum, these perplexities stare him in the face. No matter which way he turns, he loses. As the safest way out, he takes the path of least resistance—and ends up extolling the virtues of God, home and country.

And what can be done? Probably nothing. Political campaigns have gone on in this manner for time immemorial and are not likely to change in 1952 or 1954. Voters—human as they are—are likewise apt to be influenced by baby-kissing, hand-shaking and flag-waving.

Past Record

The solution seems to lie, not so much in the conscious education of the voter, but in the presentation (by newspapers, political action groups and other citizens organizations) of the politician's past record and performance in public office. While the truth of these rests upon an understanding of the situation at the time, record and performance are certainly superior to vague campaign promises and platform personality.

News articles based on record have little of the glamor of glittering generalities and political charges. It is not easy for a reporter to stick solely to past facts—and even more difficult to interpret the facts.

The contribution to the selection of candidates and officials, however, would aid the conscientious voter and should raise the general level of politicking.

With this objective in mind, the Political Guides were published—not to entertain voters or support candidates—but to shed light on the record and character, if possible, of the candidates in the state primary.

Better Informed

Whether the series succeeded will never be known. We can only hope that Nebraska voters—whether in the mock primary or the downtown primary—will go to the polls better informed than they otherwise would have done.

If Political Guide has increased general knowledge of the candidates—or prompted students to look further into candidates' records—it has been worth the space it has taken in The Daily Nebraskan.

AWS: Inconsistent?

There seems to be an unfair timing of appeals applicable to the Associated Women Students' appeal board. Many coeds, in view of being over-pointed, can take their cases to the appeal board. Appeals are granted, seemingly, on the basis of the coeds' health, weighted average and capacity for carrying a heavy average load.

However, several women received a telephone call before the All-Women Spring Election, asking them to decide on which slate they wanted to run in the election.

The woman running for an office or board position in the spring elections has no opportunity to become overpointed and then to appeal her case to the AWS appeal board. She must make her decision of which activity in which to carry her activity points and then take the chance of winning or losing the election.

The Daily Nebraskan would like to suggest that the AWS board make some provision for this. Perhaps a special appeal board could be set up to hear the cases of those women eligible to run on, for instance, both AWS and Coed Counselor slates. If the appeal was granted the coed could run on more than one slate. If the appeal was denied, she would then have to choose between the two organizations.

The Nebraskan commends the work of the appeal board. However, an inconsistent treatment of activity women needs to be cleared up. R.R.

Margin Notes

The Daily Nebraskan congratulates the new members of the University yell squad and the new Yell King for 1952-53. It is sincerely hoped that Dan Fogel, Don Hodge, Roy Curtis, Don Seibold, Gary Hild, Pat Nellis and Marilyn Easton, plus Dick Claussen, Judy Wiebe, Jo Berry and Don Devries, under the leadership of Ira Epstein can take steps toward injecting Cornhusker spirit into a generally apathetic student body.

Advertisements for KNUS On The Air, Yell Squad meeting, RENT a NEW Smith Corona portable typewriter, and BLUEBIRD CAFE.

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