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MILLENIUM?

Due, perhaps, to the lack of candidates for positions on the Student Council, there was little excitement manifested over the outcome of the election. And nowhere was there any evidence of electioneering which even the small number of candidates need not have eliminated. The men and the women who sought berths on the newly formed council, ran on their own merits.

Electioneering is good up to a certain point in giving the desired publicity to those who eventually must serve the Student-Body, and certainly a little more pip in the matter of willingness to serve, and in the interest displayed in the outcome of the election, would have been commendable, but even with these drawbacks, the members of the Oregon Student-Body has taken a good, long step toward doing away with the friction too often inseparably connected with politics.

When all is said and done, it hardly seems as if there were any need for electioneering for any candidate. In a school of the size of Oregon, the members of the student organization should know each other rather well enough to make this unnecessary. Especially should this be true of men or women who have attained to Junior standing in the University, and are hence eligible, according to college custom, to run for office.

With such an understanding of the real qualities which the office-seeker possesses, but little good is accomplished by a pre-election canvass. What is done is to add to the tenseness of the contest, and make an open break all the easier.

The behavior at yesterday's election was exemplary and it is safe to say that there is no feeling of rancor left behind following the decision of the judges. Perhaps it is looking forward to Utopia to anticipate a general college Student-Body election, without its petty squabbles and imitation ring politics, but the example just set leads to the hope that this may be brought to pass.

STAYING TO COMMENCEMENT.

Less than three months now remain before the present Senior class will sever active connections with the University. Commencement week looms ahead as the ending of the undergraduate life for the fourth year men and women of the University. Practically all those now having full senior standing will figure in the graduation exercises, but apart from

the seniors, their near friends and relatives, and a few upperclassmen, who will stay over for summer school, past experience has taught that the number of those remaining for Commencement week will be small.

There is, of course, much to be said on the side of the student who packs his suitcase as soon as the last examination is finished and leaves Eugene until college takes up again in the fall. A large percentage of those attending the University of Oregon, as has been shown by statistics, earn their way through college either wholly or in part, and the importance of entering early in the race for the elusive summer job, is not to be ignored. But there is also a large number to whom the summer months offer an opportunity for relaxation and recuperation after the work of the college year. These students do an injustice not only to themselves but also to their University, in leaving the college town just at that time in the college year when college life should mean the most.

Frequent complaints are heard concerning the decadence of Oregon spirit. Just how much of this is fact and how much fiction, is hard to determine, but one thing is certain, and that is that all any student, who is lacking in this traditional attribute of Oregon University life, needs to repair this deficiency, is to stay over for one Commencement. The meaning of Oregon, its purposes, and ideals, are more clearly brought forth than at any other time, and when the last day is gone the student, be he graduate or undergraduate, realizes as he has never realized before, the debt he owes to the University, and determines to repay that debt in every way possible, whether in or out of college.

Every inducement should be offered to cause the men and women of the University to stay over for this final week until they themselves can see the importance of this. It might even be advisable to close school one week earlier than is now the custom in order to allow those who otherwise would not be able to afford this time taken from their summer work to do so without pecuniary loss.

SOCIETY

By Beatrice Lilly.

The annual dance, given by To-ko-lo, will be at the Folly Hall tonight. Decorations of college cushions, blankets and fraternity skins are to be used. The active members of To-ko-lo are: Claud Hampton, Leslie Tooze, Lamar Tooze, Dean Crowell, Chester Fee, Henry Trowbridge, Hermes Wrightson, Merwin Batley, Frank Lewis, Sam Cook, Bob Bean, Fred Dunbar and Glen Wheeler. The guests will be Julia Crowell of Albany, Erna Petzold, Lois Ladd, Ethel Tooze, Mildred Gerig, Frances Heath, Irene Sullivan, Clare Raley, Kate Stanfield, Helen Werlein, Sybil Brown, Bernice Lucas, Grace Lilly, Kate Shafer, Mae Neal, Hazel Rader, Flora Dunham, Beatrice Lilly, Grace Bean and Ethelyn Risley. The patrons and patronesses will be Mr. and Mrs. Bezdek and Prof. and Mrs. Bovard.

Miss Elizabeth Kidder, class '08, of the University, who is now teaching in the Roseburg high school, has announced her engagement to Everett McDaniels. Miss Kidder was one of the prominent students in the University. Mr. McDaniels is a graduate of Oberlin College and of Yale Forestry School. The wedding will take place at the home of the parents of the bride-elect, Roseburg, on March 18.

Mrs. P. L. Campbell and Mrs. Eric W. Allen entertained some of the junior girls at Mrs. Campbell's home for an hour on Thursday evening. Mrs. Allen gave a short reading by Phillip Stevens.

The freshmen of Chi Omega entertained on Saturday evening with an informal dance. The decorations were greens and daffodils and St. Patrick's Day favors and programs were used.

The wedding of Frances Nelson, a former University student, and Phillip Carrol of Hood River, took place on Tuesday evening, March 10, at

the First Christian Church of Albany.

The bride was attended by Mrs. Robin H. Nelson of Vader, Ore., as matron of honor, and by Miss Jessie Bibee and Miss Nancy Zan of Portland.

A reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer A. Nelson, parents of the bride, followed the ceremony, and late Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Carroll left for California. After a month's trip they will be at home at Hood River.

Gamma Phi Beta entertained informally with a matinee dance on Saturday afternoon. St. Patrick's Day decorations were used.

Ruth Beach is going to Corvallis to attend the Kappa Sigma Nu dance on Saturday night. While there she will be the guest of Alice Cornwall.

Edith Meriman and Dorothy Book of Portland and Erma Clements of Medford are visiting at the Delta Gamma House.

Helen Cohan of Medford is spending the week-end at the Chi Omega House.

Rose Bazler is visiting Nellie Hemenway in Cottage Grove during the week-end.

Wilma Young is visiting in Portland.

Catharine Carson is spending a few days at her home in Salem.

Mu Phi held a musical meeting at the home of Mrs. A. C. Dickson on Wednesday evening. The lives and works of noted musicians, who have been members of the society, were studied.

Grace MacKenzie is spending the week-end in Portland.

Fred Gilman of Seattle was a dinner guest Thursday evening at the Delta Tau Delta House. Mr. Gilman is a "Delt."

Allie Grout is spending the week-end in Portland.

William Burgard took luncheon at the Kappa Sigma house on Friday.

Jesup Strang is spending the week-end in Salem.

Lucinda Cochran was a guest at the Kappa Alpha Theta House for lunch on Friday.

Cornelia Stanley and Laura Blossom of Portland are week-end guests at the Kappa Alpha Theta House.

Harold Broughton, '13, is spending the week-end at the Beta Theta Pi House.

Dr. Conklin and Mr. Moore were dinner guests Friday at the Kappa Alpha Theta House.

Mr. Meacham was a dinner guest at the Sigma Chi House Thursday.

Stanley Lyon is spending the week-end in Monmouth.

Dal King is in Seattle for over the week-end.

Kappa Alpha Theta entertained Saturday evening with a formal dancing party. The house was artistically decorated with greens and St. Patrick's Day decorations. The guests present were Harold Young, Harold Fitzgibbons, Carl Fenton, Bill Holden, Dick Onthank, Bob Langley, Larry Mann, Norton Cowden, Ben Dorris, Dean Walker, Clarence Ash, Willard Shaver, Raeman Fleming, Emmet Rathborn, Joe Gilpin, Bryant DeBar, Howard Hall, Ernie Vosper, Frank Skeath, Chet Wolcott, Lyle Brown, Ralph Rasmussen, Laura Blossom, Cornelia Stanley, Cleone Carrol and Melba Williams. Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. M. E. Watson and Mrs. C. Steffa were patronesses.

President Judson of the University of Chicago, has been granted six months' leave of absence for the purpose of studying medicine, surgery and public health in China.

The compulsory athletic fee at Ames has been declared illegal by the attorney general of Iowa, who claims that such fees are contrary to the educational laws of the state.

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EXCHANGES.

University of Washington, March 13.—Based upon the total cost of maintenance of the University of Washington for a two-year period, it costs the state of Washington \$170 per capita to educate the regular students of this University, or \$156 per capita based upon the total number of students.

These figures show the maintenance cost to below the average cost based upon statistics of 27 of the leading State Universities in the west. The average upkeep cost in these schools is \$202 per capita estimated on total students and for college students is \$244.

In State Universities without agricultural departments, the figures as compared with those of the University of Washington are, for total students, \$174, and for regular college students \$206.

Other Schools Higher. The per capita cost in western universities, including Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Oklahoma, Utah, Oregon, California, Texas, South Dakota, New Mexico, North Dakota and Montana, is \$196 for college students and for regular college students \$219.

For the education of students in Northwest State Universities for total Student-Body is \$296 and for regular registration \$377.

From the colleges and universities along the Pacific coast reports are received of the athletic work of the women. The University of California will hold a track and field meet for women students on March 14. Representatives of each of the four classes will participate. The events scheduled are: 100, 220 and 50-yard dashes; one-yard hurdle race; eight-pound shotput; broad, standing and running jumps; hop, step and jump; high jump; three-legged race, and relay race. Inter-collegiate tennis matches are also scheduled for the women of the western universities. The University of Oregon expects to meet the University of California early in the season. Bess Cowden, captain of this year's team of Oregon University, is optimistic about the chances of winning the girls' inter-collegiate championship. With the large number of girls attending the colleges and universities in the Middle West, the interest in this branch of work seems to be almost entirely neglected.—Illinois Daily Illini.

SOPHOMORES PLAN PARTY

Will Give Basket Social and Dance on April 24.

A dance will be given before the auction of the baskets at the Sophomore basket social, to be given at the Kappa Alpha Theta House on the evening of April 24. The affair is intended as a get-together-party, and a committee will be appointed to see that every girl brings a basket and that every man brings a girl. The social is being given for the purpose of raising money to pay off old class debts. The baskets will be auctioned to the highest bidder, \$1 being the limit.

private pledges of various people throughout the state interested in this work.—Illinois Daily Illini.

Colorado College has again been favored and honored by a magnificent gift. A certain friend of the College, who desires his name to be withheld, has very generously donated the income from \$100,000 for the establishment of a Department of Business Administration and Banking.

It has been charged that the fraternities are existing "sub rosa" at Oberlin College, and men are still being initiated contrary to the faculty ruling. The faculty is preparing to take drastic action in the matter, if need be.

New spelling under the reformed rules, comprising in all 176 words, has been adopted by the faculty of the Ohio State University. Other universities who have changed their spelling are Reed College, Northwestern and the University of Illinois.

Women at the University of Michigan have been refused the privilege of being awarded the "M" in any form, according to a recent decision of the Board of Directors of the Athletic Association. Lack of outside competition was given as the main reason for the action.

An interesting boost for college education may be gathered from the statistics given by the World's Almanac for this year. Out of 435 representatives in the Sixty-third Congress, 303 are college men; out of 96 senators, 72 are college men. Michigan University leads in the number of sons in Congress and Harvard is second.

Thirteen sororities were entered in the inter-sorority relay race, which was the feature of the annual relay meet held at the University of Wisconsin last week. The race was won by Delta Gamma, with Alpha Xi Delta second.

Harold Broughton, '13, will spend the week-end at the Beta Theta Pi house.

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