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PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS CLOSE AT HAND

Representatives to be Chosen on Wednesday—Referendum Causes Keen Discussion

On Wednesday the polls will open for an election of representatives to the Parliament of the Undergraduates which promises to eclipse anything of the nature that has occurred in the University for years. The questions confronting the undergraduate body are greater than any which have been set before at least this generation and the candidates who present themselves are of the highest calibre and the greatest weight in the University.

The records in University life of the various candidates, and the influence they have among fellow students will be the patent reasons for the choice of the undergraduate body. With the matter of the referendum, however, it will not be so easy to deal. These are considerations of all magnitudes entering into the question, some of which require almost endless discussion. However, there are a few outstanding questions which every man in the University should put to himself in order to clear his mind and give an intelligent answer on the referendum.

Is it wise to take control of discipline off the hands of a regularly established official body, the Caput, whose duty it is to handle such matters, and put it into the hands of an inexperienced body such as the Parliament must be?

Can the students, by the machinery of Parliament keep the full control of student affairs within their own government?

Is there not a probability that the Caput would have to be called to the assistance of the Parliament?

Would students be willing to give evidence absolutely freely to their own governing body, in order to clear up difficulties?

Would there be a likelihood of students' friendships and class loyalty standing in the way of proper punishment, if such were necessary, of fellow students?

Instead of endeavoring to get evidence and information, would not students tend to shelter their friends and so disrupt the effectiveness of Parliament control?

Would not offences, under student control, be minimized to such a degree as to render the standard of conduct very low?

Can a sufficient amount of student opinion be created to make the decisions of the Parliament lived up to absolutely?

Would not the Parliament have to stand much more adverse criticism than that at present accorded to the Caput, and would not this criticism tend to lower the general regard in which the University would be held?

Without a better financial basis would not the Parliament be liable to fail in its efforts to impose its authority?

These are just a few of the important considerations. Others will suggest themselves to readers, and every side of every question should be thoroughly considered. Whichever way the referendum results, it is absolutely necessary that every man in the University should register his opinion.

The time and place of balloting will be announced later by posters.

An important question has arisen in the vesting of authority to act in case of purely single-faculty troubles. Should the faculty society have control independent of the Parliament, or subject to its ratification; or should Parliament have direct control in any case?

This is a considerable problem, and views are needed to make the main issue thoroughly clear cut. The next issue of The Varsity will deal with the question.

Though motor cars change yearly
In engine or in frame,
The water-wagon model
Remains about the same.

New York Sun.

THE CAPUT'S ATTITUDE

President Falconer Outlines Position of Governing Body

To the Editor of The Varsity:
Dear Mr. Campbell,

Following our conversation of this morning I wish to take this opportunity of putting into more definite form my ideas as to self-government among the students. I feel sure that both the Caput and the Faculties of the University desire to entrust to the students as much self-government as they show themselves willing and capable to administer, because if they seriously undertake such a responsibility, they should be able to exercise a more direct control than a Faculty or the Caput. I am confident, though here I speak without having referred the matter to the Caput, that if the Parliament will undertake to become responsible for the government and discipline of students, they will be given a free hand to make trial of what they can do, and that they will receive every encouragement to do as much as they possibly can without interference.

You will recognize that discipline must be maintained in the University, and should the Parliament be unwilling to assume the responsibility or to make the responsibility effective, it would be necessary for the regularly constituted bodies in the last resort to take action, but I am sure also that there will be no intervention until it has been thoroughly proved that the undertaking on the students' part to govern themselves is ineffective.

Yours sincerely,
ROBT. A. FALCONER,
President.

Dr. W. H. WRAY BOYLE

The sermon has at last come back to Convocation Hall and yesterday, Dr. W. H. Wray Boyle, of Lake Forest, Illinois, preached on the "Lost Arts of Modern Religious Life." Unfortunately the organ was not ready and will not be for some time; but if it sounds as well as it appears its first playing will be something to look forward to. The combined Science and Medical octettes gave a rendering of the Twenty-third Psalm that was appreciated to the full.

The greatest of the "Lost Arts," declared Dr. Boyle, was that of Meditation. Our busy, hurried, active age does not encourage meditative moods and we of this age lose accordingly. "Distracted, not Concentration is now the Law of Life," and this statement applies to religion just as it does to our other and lesser interests. Meditation fulfills four great functions. The first is the perception of life that it gives. Moses spent forty years in meditation preparing for his work of the next forty.

Another function of meditation, emphasized with much force by the speaker, is

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GYMNASIUM NOTES

As Doctor Barton is to be absent a month on a lecture tour for the government, the arrangements made for medical examinations for athletics, etc., will have to be changed. Those who were to be examined in March will please arrange to see the Doctor before March 13th; and those who were booked for April will have to wait until the middle of that month.

Mr. A. E. Chapman, the boxing and wrestling master, is to be with us another month yet. All those men interested in the sport are urged to take advantage of Mr. Chapman's presence here; and see him on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons or Saturday mornings.

BIG NIGHT TO-NIGHT

All arrangements have been completed for the Medical Daffydil Night which is to be held in Convocation Hall to-night. This entertainment has aroused the greatest enthusiasm among the Medical Students, owing to the mystery which has surrounded its nature. There will be no charge for admission and the Meds extend a hearty invitation to the students of all the other faculties and their friends to be present and promise them a "live" night.

THE FINAL LIST OF NOMINEES

The Men From Whom The New Parliament Will Be Chosen

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

Fourth Year:

C. A. MCKAY,
J. H. PEDLEY.

Third Year:

C. S. MCKEE,
W. B. SPAULDING.

Second Year:

A. E. BRYAN,
D. P. MCDUGALL,
G. W. ORR,
G. G. GALLOWAY.

SCIENCE.

Fourth Year:

A. H. MCQUARRIE,
C. S. ROBERTSON.

Third Year:

A. S. MILLER,
F. PARRINSON,
G. B. TAYLOR.

Second Year:

J. E. BREITHAUP,
J. W. HERMAN,
R. G. SCOTT,
J. D. STONE,
D. B. WEBSTER.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE.

Fourth and Fifth Years:

H. L. BRYCE,
C. S. MORGAN.

Third Year:

W. T. KENNEDY,
H. B. VAN WYCK.

Second Year:

H. C. CRUICKSHANK,
C. P. FENWICK,
A. C. GREENAWAY.

VICTORIA.

Third and Fourth Years:

J. W. F. KERR,
W. J. LITTLE.

First and Second Years:

N. V. BUCHANAN,
A. E. ROSBOROUGH.

DENTALS.

Third and Fourth Years:

W. T. HAYNES,
D. R. MCLEAN.

Second and First Years:

J. I. KELLY,
LAVERNE PATTISON.
WYCLIFFE COLLEGE.

KNOX COLLEGE.

G. W. HICKS,
W. M. LEE,
C. R. MCGILLIVRAY.

TRINITY COLLEGE.

H. S. HAYES,
R. H. MANZER.

FORESTRY.

R. L. CAMPBELL.

THE ASSAULT AT ARMS

Was Enjoyed by All Present— Good Work by Gym. Team

The eighteenth annual Assault-at-arms came off very successfully at the Gym., last Friday night. The attendance was excellent and all present seemed delighted with the programme. The Gymnasium Class was in excellent form, and presented its various feats of skill and strength with ease and precision. Among these exercises were the vaulting-horse class, led by Scott; the parallel bars, led by Elliot; the horizontal bars, led by Davison; mat work, led by Andrews; and lofty trapeze, by Andrews and Elliott alone. The work of the class was besprinkled with laughs at the two athletic clowns.

The final fencing contest of the Intercollegiate series took place, the contestants being Messrs. Alley and Montgomery. This was a very brilliant and interesting contest. Alley made the first point, and then they scored alternately. Alley proved victor of a very even match, with a score of 5-4.

There was a boxing and a wrestling contest put on with alternate rounds. The wrestlers were the Ross brothers, of School, two game men somewhere near the hundred and twenty-five class, who put up a fine fight, each getting a fall. J. Ross was partly disabled by an old shoulder-break that went bad on him. The boxing was between Rankin and Montague, both of S.P.S. No decision after two rounds.

E. Archibald did some sensational pole-vaulting. He cleared eleven feet six.

An original contest was put up between Mr. T. Burnside with a sabre and Mr. G. Stewart, old champion, with the bayonet. The sabre got in a couple of pretty cuts, but was defeated in the end by a few heavy lunges of the bayonet.

The tug-of-war, with Way anchor for Vets., and Jeff Taylor anchoring School, extended over two pulls, both of which went in the Vets.' direction. Mr. Cockburn presented medals to the winners in the recent tournament.

The evening ended in a dance on the Gym. floor, for which about a hundred and thirty couples remained. It passed off very pleasantly.

The whole evening was well directed and proceeded without a hitch; and as Prof. Williams has been laid up, the labour devolved upon Mr. L. R. Andrews and his committee, to whom the credit goes.

The patronesses of the dance were Mrs. Dr. Barton, Mrs. C. H. C. Wright, and The Misses J. R. Cockburn.

SOCCER MEETING

The annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Association Football League was held at Montreal, representatives from the various Universities being present.

It was decided to run the schedule concurrent with the Rugby schedule the games being played on the morning of the day of the Rugby games.

The following officers were elected for the coming season: Hon. President, Prof. Johnson (Toronto); President, J. A. McVittie (McGill); Vice-President, P. T. Pilkey (Queen's); Secretary-treasurer, V. F. Stock (Toronto).

R. C. KNOWLES WILL SPEAK

The University College "Ys" have been singularly successful in securing strong speakers for their open meetings. Four weeks ago Dr. J. A. Macdonald addressed a crowded meeting in West Hall; on Tuesday of this week R. E. Knowles is to speak in the same place. Mr. Knowles is well known as the author of "The Undertow," "St. Cuthberts" and other books. He is also a brilliant speaker. His subject on this occasion "The Standard of Success" is one to which he is peculiarly adapted. Special music will be provided. West Hall, Tuesday, March 5th at 5 o'clock.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An Executive meeting of the Boxing Club will be held in Prof. Williams room at 5.30 p.m., Wednesday, March 6, 1912.

Mr. G. L. Smith will lecture next Tuesday at 4 p.m. in Room 11, University College. The subject will be Roman Britain.

The Parliament Executive meets this afternoon at 4.30 in the Union. It is essential that every member should attend.

The Annual meeting of the U. of T. Chess Club will be held in the Undergraduates' Union on Tuesday, March 5th, at ten minutes past five p.m. This ten minutes' grace should bring every member in on time, as there are several important matters to be settled within the hour.

The open meeting of the Mathematical and Physical Society will be held in Room 8 of the Main Building, Tuesday, March 5, at 8 p.m. The committee has made no small sacrifice in endeavouring to make this a very enjoyable evening. A hearty invitation is extended not only to those who are members of the society but to any who wish to attend. Admission free.

U. C. LIT.

Holds Nominations—Last Meeting of The Year

Acrimonious retort relieved here and there by lapses into fraternal sentimentality across the house was the feature of the U.C. Lit Friday night. The former was caused by the proximity of elections, the latter by the fact that this was the last meeting of the Lit. The chief stagings for the night were the nominations of the two parties for the offices of next term and an address from Mr. Newcombe of McGill on "The Model Parliament" of that University. During the reading of the minutes and Mr. Wood's motion to "revert to order of business" all the members (except Mr. Fraser) regaled themselves on the somewhat copious supply of Old Lit literature floating promiscuously about the neighborhood.

However, a few words, dexterously juggled by both parties, concerning an equitable division of the bulletin board roused the proceedings and all were ready for nominations when Mr. Wood nominated Mr. J. J. Gibson as President again with many flattering laudits. Mr. Gibson with equal graces for Mr. Wood withdrew. With many eloquent panegyrics the following nominations were then made:

President—Mr. H. C. Hindmark, B.A., by R. Fraser. Vice-President—J. J. Beaton, by J. M. Wood; H. McLaughlin, by H. Nicholson. Secretary—H. McCorkindale, by Tom Gordon; R. B. Johnston, by H. Selterington. Curator—M. W. Wilson, by F. C. Teskey; W. F. Wallace, by J. M. Mitchell. Treasurer—D. H. Stewart, by N. W. Wilson; R. G. McClelland, by C. McKee. Assistant Secretary—J. C. Maunder, by W. C. Kester; C. B. Hamil, by J. E. Hahn. Second Year Councillors—Mr. Kemp, by Mr. Frauley; J. A. McMahon, by Mr. Grant; H. B. Kennedy, by C. T. Sharpe; C. A. Procnier, by Mr. Leonard.

After the nominations, Mr. Newcombe gave a most interesting outline of the Model Parliament of McGill showing how it was organized two years ago in order to keep up the attendance at the literary society. They found that political questions drew the large crowds

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COMING EVENTS

- Mar. 4—Medical Daffydil Night.
- 4—Arts Athletic Nominations, West Hall, 3 p.m.
- 5—Robert Knowles, West Hall
- 8—Women's Dramatic Club, "Much Ado About Nothing."
- 8—U.C.A.A. Elections, Gym. 8 p.m.
- 11—Modern Language Club—German Comedies.