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Constitution Ratification; Choice '68 Voting Wed.

The constitution ratification election will take place Wednesday, April 24, 1968, along with the Choice '68 Election. Voting will take place from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the following three locations:

1. Administration building (north)
2. Bannister-Owen Sidewalk
3. Pacific Student Association Office (outside)

Voting will also take place from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. within the living groups.

Those students living in the Raymond Quadrangle (Price, Wemyss, Ritter, and Farley) will

vote at lunch in the Great Hall. For those in the north quadrangle (John Ballentyne, Carter, and Eiselen) the hours will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Callison Lodge by the mail box.

For those students living in the Covell College Quadrangle (Jackson, Jessie Ballentyne, and Werner) the voting will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at El Centro (the student center) by the mail box.

P.S.A. Cards will be necessary and all on-campus students may vote at any location, but may only vote once.

PSA Election Sign-Ups Begin Thursday

Sign-ups for the election for offices for the school term 1968-1969 will begin on Thursday, April 25, and will continue until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1.

Constitution tests may be taken upon return of the petition. All tests must be completed as of 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 2. All campaigning may begin on Wednesday or as soon as the constitution test has been taken on Thursday.

Campaigning will go from

Wednesday, May 1, through Wednesday, May 8, at 10 a.m.

The election will be held on that Wednesday and if a run-off is necessary it will be held on Thursday, May 9.

The positions that will be open under the new constitution, if it passes will be:

President, Governors from the respective living areas: men's interdorm, women's interdorm, Pan Hellenic, IFC, off-campus, Raymond, Callison, Covell, a

Views Expressed On Constitution PRO CON

Those few individuals who have voiced their disapproval of the proposed PSA Constitution have registered two major complaints. The first is the lack of an elected Vice President, and the second is the question of the number of representatives to the Council of Governors. Let us take a look at each of these issues.

The Vice President was left out of the picture for a very simple reason; he will not be needed. The whole idea of the new Constitution is to move the responsibility of policy formulation out of the hands of one or two people and into the hands of the elected representative body (Council of Gov.) The Council then directs the President to carry out its programs, and the President has a staff of area coordinators to help him.

Letter of Apology

To the students:

As elections commissioner, I feel it necessary to apologize for the apparent bad feelings resulting from the ratification election. Unfortunately, the new procedure which was instituted failed in such a manner as to not only cause the new constitution not to pass, but also to arouse bad feelings within the government and the student body.

It is my contention, however, that one learns by mistakes and that the only way we can progress is to try new approaches to old problems. Again, on my part perhaps, I was very naive in assuming that such a procedure could be carried out on this

Thus, the policy making body and therefore the PSA becomes a more democratic association while at the same time becoming more efficient.

As to the question of the number of representatives on the Council of Governors, the students who hold these offices cannot meet every day for eight hours. In order to get anything done the number of members must be kept to a minimum without sacrificing the idea of representation. Thus, in the proposed Constitution we have tried to establish the point at which both representation and efficiency can be maintained.

We are only human. This proposed Constitution will not be perfect, but it is a new change for you to get something more out of your association.

campus. Had the procedure been followed precisely, the Australian ballot would have been adhered to and ballots would have been handled in such a manner as to insure only one vote per person.

In conclusion, I would like to say to those who were strongly against this procedure that it would be appreciated if you could help strengthen the process of the old voting system so that we have more than the 300 or so voters we had last fall. Elections take time and people and without either the elections fail.

In hopes of a better election,
Shirley Middleton
Elections Commissioner

A time comes when one must speak in terms of the reality of a situation. The new constitution was defeated, but a re-vote has been called. The proponents for the constitution have proved that the reason for this re-vote is to pass the new constitution. We protest, saying that the re-vote is being held because of irregularities, not so the proponents of the constitution can work again for its passage. The group favoring the constitution states that only they understand the subtleties of the constitution and how the government should be run. We say that a constitution should exist for years to come and thus be workable for any group.

There is no logic for trading a bad constitution for another bad one. A vote against the new constitution is a vote for a new "good" one. A new constitution is not necessarily a good one though the proponents for the new constitution imply this to be so. In fact, it is those subtleties of which they are so fond that invalidate the constitution. The individual who is to succeed is appointed under the new constitution. Appointed officials may aid in efficiency but the loss in student involvement is too great.

We have faith in the ability of the students to elect good officers. We trust the decision of the student body more than one individual who makes the appointments. One indication of a strong, healthy government is constructive opposition. A strong president is one who works with a diverse group of

officers (also elected by the students) and gets things done. An appointive government is one where the clique has every opportunity to run things as they desire, for they are responsible only to the person who appointed them. The person who succeeds the president should also be elected and not appointed. This practice removes the students even further from involvement with the P.S.A.

The very basis for representation needs to be completely revamped. Twenty-six off-campus students voted on the constitution and yet they are allowed three representatives in the council of governors. The senators for non-fraternity C.O.P. men represent the men in South Hall, West Hall, Men's Annex, Carter, McConchie, Cassa Jackson, and Casa Warner, yet they all live in West Hall.

We have asked students living in dorms if they knew who their senator was this year or if they had ever been approached concerning U.O.P. problems. Overwhelmingly the answer was no. This indication illustrates the need for greater student involvement which can be attained only through extended representation. A efficient clique will not respond to the electorate but only to those who elected them. This trend must be arrested and reversed. We need a more representative government at this time, not an authoritarian one. A vote for the new constitution is a vote for less student involvement and greater apathy. The choice is yours.

found the election invalid due to procedural errors. No one person, group of people, house or dorm was to be at fault. Only procedure. I would hope that the students understand that we were acting upon information given to us by the proper officials and founded our decision on that basis."

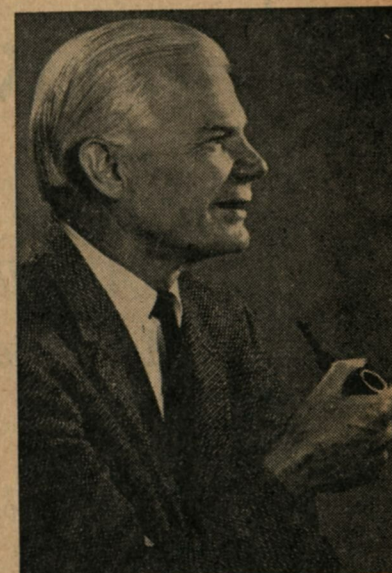
Following its decision on the
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Nevitt Sanford To Speak Here

The 13th Annual Tippet Lectures at Pacific will be held this Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, April 21, 22 and 23, with Dr. Nevitt Sanford as the guest lecturer.

Dr. Sanford, professor of psychology and education and director of the Institute for the Study of Human Problems at Stanford University will speak on the general theme "Higher Education: Inquiry Into Community." His lectures, which are open to the public without charge, will be held at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday and Monday in the Raymond College Great Hall, and at 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday in Morris Chapel.

Dr. Sanford has been a prison psychologist, a practicing psy-



R. Nevitt Sanford

choanalyst, and a director of major studies in child development, personality assessment, political and social attitudes, the social psychology of higher education, alcoholism and other alcohol related problems.

In his book "Self and Society," Sanford elaborates a theory for the guidance of industrial development as diverse as the family, the school, and the mental hospital. In his latest book, "Where Colleges Fail," he argues that colleges fail wherever they treat the student as less than a person.

The Tippet Lecturers were inaugurated in 1956, with the support of Methodist Bishop Donald H. Tippet, as a permanent forum for the consideration of religion in higher education.



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Constitution Election Found Invalid

The PSA Supreme Court found the constitutional election held on Tuesday, April 2 to be invalid due to gross procedural errors. On the court there was one abstaining vote.

In its decision on the validity of the election, the Supreme Court issued a statement as well as making recommendations for the election next Wednesday.

The following is a statement by Chief Justice Lee West regarding the courts decision:

"A lot of rumors and untruths have been circulating which are unfounded and must be stopped

head yell leader, a head song girl.

If the constitution is not passed, the above positions will be available with the inclusion of:

Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, NSA Coordinator, Rally Commissioner.

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Invalid Election

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election, the Supreme Court made several recommendations for the next Constitutional election. The recommendations follow:

"1. Elections are to be held in the living groups. One week prior to the election a representative from the Elections Committee is to go to the head resident and secure a residents list to be used at the time of voting. An independent group e.g., Blue Key, Suprs, is to be used at the polls. There is to be one representative in each living group with a list of the residents and the ballot box. The person is not to be a member of the living group. The voting is to take place between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 and 10:00 p.m. The person voting will have his name crossed off the list, his student body card punched, and his ballot stamped with the proper stamp. In the case of Raymond College and Covell College, voting will take place in a central area and not in the living groups. Off-campus voters will vote in booths set up with a list of names and the specified stamp. The booths will be set up at the north end of the Administration building, between Owen and Bannister halls, and in front of the PSA office. The above voting procedure will be carried out.

2. There will be adequate publication one week prior to the election — articles in the Pacifican, numerous posters and the use of KUOP-AM and FM. These will notify people of the election that is going to be held. This will be done by the election chairman and those chosen to assist.

3. One week prior to the election, a pro and con statement concerning the controversial issues is to be drawn up by the elections committee.

4. Counting of the ballots is to be done by the person in charge of the particular voting area. They are to bring the boxes to PSA for counting.

6. There is to be no writing on the ballots other than the specified stamp. If other writing appears, the ballot will be counted as invalid.

7. No one is to handle the ballots other than the person in charge of the voting area."

Retreat To Study Student Unions

The Anderson "Y" is holding a retreat to study student unions on April 26 and 27. The campuses to be visited are Stanford, Davis, Santa Clara, and Cal Med Center. The retreat committee hopes that the retreat will help in the planning for a future student union at Pacific.

Friday night, April 26, orientation will be held at 7:30 in the Top of the Y. There will be a panel discussion on the feasibility and need of a union.

All students interested in the retreat should sign up at the Anderson Y as soon as possible.

On Saturday morning, April 27, students will leave at 9:00 a.m. to visit the four campuses.