ELECTIONS AGAIN

The elections that will be held next Wednesday are perhaps more important than any that have been held in the history of the college. They are being held during a time when many students have been poll税ed with the uncertainty of a constantly changing student body, which may account for the regrettable lack of interest in so many of them. Due to the vagaries of the draft boards, re-elections had to be held before, and students no longer saw it as their duty to have to go all the trouble and waste all the energy that it takes to mark a second ballot.

This time, however, you are electing your leaders for two terms and you are electing men who will by their actions reflect on their class—who are your official representatives to the Institute and student body as a whole. We have long hearted cries of reproach to the general lackadaisical, I-don't-give-a- damn attitude of genius Technan, and we are sure that you are as sick of them as we are. You can all do away with the necessity of this constant pounding at school spirit, or the lack of it, if you prove to yourself, to your class, and to the student body, that you, as a registered Institute student, are concerned with the welfare of your class, by taking a few seconds off between classes or during your lunch hour to check a ballot and drop it in the box next Wednesday.

Just as important as the actual process of voting is your choice of candidate to elect. It shows both lack of character and stupidity to vote as your friends tell you to vote. Realize that these elections are not a matter of choice and see what the nominees have to say for themselves. It is wise to remember, furthermore, past accomplishments of the candidates as well as future promises. As a word of caution to the candidates: the First and Last Jeannie that their Presidents have served as Chairman of the Junior Prom Committee, and the Seniors that their party guides the Institute Committee during their year of office. Both these jobs are of great significance in school affairs, so put a little thought into it before you mark your ballots.

One of the worst offenders at election day is the man who is too bored to vote but who complains bitterly over the men who were elected to office. If you couldn't fit to vote for your candidate then don't burden others with your woes. If you neglected to vote for your franchise, then you have been used to 21 per cent or 30 per cent of a class voting, that only 73 per cent would attend it. While we're on the subject perhaps a little instruction would help considerably. Elec tions have been won and lost because of improperly marked ballots, so remember to read the printed instructions at the top of the ballot very carefully. And don't forget to use your pencils or pens, so don't place a cross or check beside the name of the candidate of your choice. It is a slow and laborious process of placing one beside your first choice, 2 beside your second and so forth.

To tell the truth we tires of writing editorials berating the inactivity of the student body, and we are quite sure that you are tired of reading them. Next week we don't want to have to fill this column with angry exhortations over the low ballots. You can vote for your own good by writing it by promising yourself right now that you will not fail to make use of the privilege granted you.

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MUCH the most important in the running of Beaver Key func-

tions is due to the efforts of the outgoing president of the society. Allen R. Halberstad. Al was born in 1919, one year after the Armistice was signed, and in 1933 he graduated from his alma mater, the Georgia Institute of Technology. At the age of 19 he moved with his family to Chicago, Ill., where he was employed by the Armour Meat improved school where he played basketball, football, and was president of the student body. Upon graduation he took the fair step by coming to Tech, where he immediately pledged Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Al will gradu-

ate in June, having risen to his summer. His extra-curricular career has been sur, but the main love has been the Beaver Key function. Before that he was an alumnus. The in\n
box next Wednesday.

Al Halberstad,

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University of Chicago

has a keen and genuine interest in student affairs. His fraternity, Phi Gamma Delta, received the trophy last June. Although this amount is small and R.A.D. has already clinched the award.

In "obviously too common," Al told us in closing, "that one of the greatest things in life is to do the right thing with a h". In a few years, when Techmen are served to have the office only as a first term senior, but in order to continue Beaver Key's fight for the right road, he has been moved from his fourth to his third year and will, after the next meeting of the So-

fraternity. Conference, and later his innuendos with even more than an L.E.G. chairman, previous to last summer.

Beaver Key, as customary, elected him during the final round of the third year. During the fall he was in his Freshman year. Finally, before he should have held the office only as a first term senior, but in order to continue Beaver Key's fight for the right road, he has been moved from his fourth to his third year and will, after the next meeting of the So-

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