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# News Print

By Lee A. Harris.

## LEWIS, UMW FINED

Judge T. Alan Goldsborough assessed John L. Lewis \$20,000 and the United Mine Workers \$1,400,000 after their conviction on contempt of court charges.

Upon hearing of the fines an additional 100,000 miners walked out bringing the total of strikers to 200,000, half the total employed in the bituminous industry.

Lewis sat quietly as his sentence was passed while his attorney Welly K. Hopkins lashed out accusing the court and government of "political" motives. The possibility of a jail sentence for the UMW head was still strong and for that reason it was predicted that the miners would return to work.

Hopkins filed notice of intention to appeal the contempt conviction. Lewis passed his chance to make a statement in court. The court was adjourned until Wednesday morning at which time a hearing is scheduled on the government's petition for a preliminary injunction against a coal strike.

## ITALIAN REDS LOSE

Premier Alcide De Gasperi, jubilant after receiving a better than 2 to 1 vote of confidence for the Christian Democrat party in the first half of the returns over the communists, flatly stated Tuesday that the communists will not be included in the new Italian government to be formed about May 20.

His words were echoed by the huge vote being rolled up by his party with voting nearly half completed. The communists were running a weak second polling short of 30 percent of the votes cast.

The trend in the large cities was anti-communist. Milan's reporting sections gave the Christian Democrats a 3-2 advantage.

The senate vote which is now three-fourths counted shows 68 percent in favor of the anti-communists.

## HOUSING BILL PASSAGE

Senator Taft forecast the passage of the Taft-Ellender-Wagner long range housing bill by early Wednesday. The prediction was made after it was reported that the differences between Taft and Senator McCarthy (r. Wis.) had been settled.

The bill co-sponsored by the Ohio senator provides for the encouragement of the construction of \$15,000,000 new homes by 1958. It would extend through next March government insurance on home loans and it would permit wider coverage by the insurance.

## US TROOPS TO PALESTINE?

The U.S. told the United Nations Tuesday that it would send troops to impose trusteeship government on Palestine provided other selected countries of the U.N. also contribute forces.

It was reported by reliable sources that the American officials plan to exclude Russia from any such arrangement.

The Veter-Anns will have their dinner Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Union.



**OIL HAS ALLEGORICAL BACKGROUND**—"Saint Christopher and the Lost Ones," an oil by illustrator Eugene Berman recently purchased by the F. M. Hall Collection from the Nebraska Art Association's exhibit, has an interesting allegorical background. The statue on the face of the stylized church is that of Saint Christopher, in ancient story a man of exceptional strength who bore people across precipices and rivers. One night he lifted a child to his shoulders who proved strangely to be the heaviest weight he'd ever hoisted. Reaching his destination, he discovered the child to be the Christchild who bore the weight of the world. Thereafter, he called himself Christopher, or Bearer of Christ. In the foreground, is seen the figure of a war-weary woman bearing a child amidst devastation. The picture, painted in San Cristobal, Mexico, where the church represented is located, is on display in Gallery B of Morrill Hall along with the other seven purchases recently approved for the collection by the Board of Regents, and with a grouping of purchases from the last three years.

## The Logical Choice . . .

The evils of the fraternity faction system hang heavily over the efficiency and effectiveness of the university student government today.

Student council members vote today for officers who will direct council activities during the 1948-49 school year. Eight holdover members are eligible for the presidency of the group, but it is a cinch bet that the new leader will be one of the four male holdover members.

Faction men have gotten together and prepared their slate of candidates without regard for capability, earnestness and past performances of the presidential possibilities. Dale Ball, the outstanding candidate on the basis of work on the council during the current year, is slated to be overlooked by student council voters who have their balloting instructions from faction headquarters.

No one who has observed the student council in action during the past year can help but realize that Ball is the logical contender for the president's position. His work in organizing and directing the campus improvements committee, a division of council activity which was his own idea, plus his leadership in preparing and submitting a public opinion poll on campus improvements to the student body stand high on the list of council achievements during the year.

Ball formulated the spring festival report, another innovation on the council agenda. The co-operation he received from the administration in these enterprises indicates that he has the confidence of men high in the university. His energy and ambition put him in the Number One spot as far as merit is concerned.

It will be a sad commentary on the state of campus elections if Ball is sidetracked by faction opposition. Faction council members both old and new will be arrayed in a solid bloc against a man who will not heed the every beck and call of faction leaders.

For new council members the election will be a chance to pay off the first installment on the favor received when they coasted to office in last week's all-university election. There is nothing novel in such action and we would not worry about the procedure except that today's council election promises to be a decided distortion of intelligent voting if Ball is flattened by the faction steamroller.

The faction candidate, Bill Schenck, has been a silent figure in the council chamber. We fail to see that he has contributed anything more than his bit for the faction during his term on the council.

Reports indicate that the Schenck boom is being drummed up by a faction within the faction, that a majority of fraternity men are being led around by a close-knit minority. But whatever the motive, we cannot agree with the object.

Dale Ball is the man for the student council presidency.

The AUF advisory board will meet Thursday at 5 p.m. in the Union.

There will be Scabbard and Blade meeting Thursday, April 22, at 7:15 in the Armory.

## DU Singers In Radio Debut Next Saturday

Thirty singers of Delta Upsilon will make their radio debut over KFOR next Saturday, April 24th, at 1:45 p. m. The choral group, directed by Bob "Squirrel" Adams, will present a varied selection of numbers including fraternity, novelty, and concert songs.

It will be the first time any Greek men's song group from this campus has ever had a complete radio show. "The DU's hope that the program will encourage other organizations to present similar types of broadcasts of their own in the future," Adams stated.

The singing group began last winter when several DU's decided to get together among themselves for regular informal song fests. Their numbers increased as other members of the chapter became interested. Finally, Bob Adams took over as director and will conduct the group on Ivy Day, April 29th.

The numbers to be presented include: Hail, Delta Upsilon,

## Campus News In Brief

All old and new student council members attend the meeting in 316 Union at 5. Committee chairmen be prepared to turn in reports.

The Intersarsity Christian Fellowship will hold their regular meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. in Union 3-4. The Rev. Glen Peterson of the Sheridan Blvd. Baptist Church and a University student, will speak on "How We Got Our English Bible."

Applications for Tassels for coeds not living in organized houses will be open until this Saturday. Any barb at large or Ag coeds with a 5.5 average may apply.

The Cosmopolitan Club will meet on Wednesday, April 21, at 7:00 p.m. in Union parlor X. At this meeting election of officers will be held. All members must attend.

Meadowlands, The Poor Old Slave, Down Among the Dead Men, Come, Raise a Glass.

