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Charting a course demands accurate calculations, so--

Appearing in this first edition of the 1940-41 DAILY is a fraternity costs survey, compiled by NEBRASKAN reporters and editors. In the form of a horizontal-vertical chart, the survey is much similar to the one published in last year's opening edition.

The DAILY, in publishing this survey, was forced to use figures furnished by officers of fraternity houses; figures on file in the interfraternity council and fraternity management offices were not available for publication, but were available and still are, to any rushee participating in rush week.

Inasmuch as tonight is pledging night on fraternity row, the NEBRASKAN feels it is within its realm of service to provide rushees, especially those whose financial status has much to do with the selection of a fraternity, with figures and facts on all fraternities. The chart showing numbers of innocents the several fraternities have had over a period of years is another service. Rushing is a serious business and the DAILY feels honesty is the best policy to follow. To settle some questions that may arise, these charts have been printed.

Rushees haven't time to investigate everything they should investigate about the fraternities rushing them; nor do many of them know where to find information that is reliable.

The DAILY does not guarantee the accuracy of all figures presented in the survey. Houses that are known to have extra assessments have, in some cases, purposely or unintentionally, neglected to include those assessments in their quotations. All fraternity assessments are supposed to be on file in Dean Harper's office in the Administration Building.

The Interfraternity Council has registered an informal protest, asking the NEBRASKAN to "cooperate" and not publish the figures it has obtained from the very members of the council. Yet, several members of the council, asked individually whether they objected, said they did not.

Again, we do not guarantee these figures; they are as truthful as the fraternity men who quoted them.

Start thinking freshmen!

Before many days have passed, you'll be hitting the books. Some of you

will concentrate and begin a successful career, others of you will take your studies lightly and try to get the most out of your social contacts. The former are to be admired, the latter respected in their positions as individuals who have a right to govern their lives and actions as they please.

Your university education is an investment that will yield rich dividends if you invest wisely.

Administration council acts to safeguard Nebraska students

A new school year starts with the ominous note that events in Europe may affect the very nature of our American educational system. Yet, enrollment figures at this university will probably show that the shadow of conscription has not decreased the university population.

Not many of us will fall under the terms of the Burke-Wadsworth bill, but those of us who do should go ahead with whatever plans we have made for continuing our education. This university assured all students that the call to colors will not result in financial or educational loss to any appreciable extent when its administrative council adopted the following provisions:

"A student of the University of Nebraska, who, after registering and taking up work in residence, may enter any one of the military services of the United States by enlistment, as a member of the National Guard, or as a result of conscription, will receive a refund of the tuition fee he has paid for a course for the current semester, provided he is in good standing and provided his withdrawal is at a time in the semester too early for him to complete the course for credit under any plan approved by the instructor or dean concerned.

"In each course the instructor and dean will endeavor to provide a plan for the later completion of a course for credit that may be interrupted on or after midsemester by entrance into military service. In many courses, partial credit can be given for partial completion of course requirements. In many instances work can be resumed a year hence at the same point where left off due to entrance upon military service."

The ruling is plain. The university administrative council should be commended on its immediate action.

The course ahead this year, in spite of conscription and the threat of war, for college students, is to study and pursue collegiate careers as if the world were peaceful and serene.

Here's what fraternities cost

Fraternities	House Bills		Nat'l. Dues	Initiation		Pledge Fees	Assessments
	H. Men	T. Men		Basic Fee	Pin Extra		
Acacia	\$43.50	\$11.50		\$41.25			
Alpha Gamma Rho	\$28.00	\$ 4.00		\$20.00			
Alpha Sigma Phi	\$42.00	\$ 8.00		\$50.00			
Alpha Tau Omega	\$47.00	\$12.00		\$35.00			
Beta Sigma Psi	\$28.00	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.50	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.50
Beta Theta Pi	\$48.00	\$15.00		\$55.00			
Chi Phi	\$43.00	\$10.00		\$40.00			
Delta Tau Delta	\$39.00	\$10.00		\$50.00			
Delta Upsilon	\$46.50	\$12.30		\$60.00			
Farmhouse	\$29.00	\$ 5.00		\$10.00	\$10.00		
Kappa Sigma	\$46.50	\$11.50		\$45.00			
Phi Delta Theta	\$47.50	\$12.00		\$55.00			
Phi Gamma Delta	\$45.00	\$12.00		\$50.00			
Phi Kappa Psi	\$46.00	\$12.00		\$50.00			
Phi Sigma Kappa	\$37.50	\$ 5.00		\$35.00	\$15.00		\$ 5.00 Party
Pi Kappa Alpha	\$36.00	\$ 6.00 1 Mon. Dinner	\$10.00 Year	\$36.50	\$17.00 average		
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	\$45.00	\$14.00		\$50.00			
Sigma Alpha Mu	\$39.50a \$38.50p	\$ 8.50		\$91.00			\$15.00
Sigma Chi	\$47.75	\$12.00	\$10.00 year for initiated members	\$45.00			
Sigma Nu	\$48.00	\$12.00a \$ 8.00p		\$50.00			
Sigma Phi Epsilon	\$46.50	\$11.00		\$50.00	Extra Extra \$16.50 average		
Theta Xi	\$38.50a \$36.00p	\$ 8.50a \$ 6.00p		\$50.00			
Zeta Beta Tau	\$47.50	\$17.50 inc. lunches	\$11.25	\$75.00			\$25.00

Rushing rules to be enforced

Council acts to prevent alleged illegal rushing

Presidents and rush chairmen of all fraternities were called to meet with members of the Interfraternity Council Thursday afternoon for notification of complete enforcement of the rules and regulations governing rush week.

The meeting rose out of Interfraternity Judiciary Board action on Tuesday in which it was pointed out that during the last three years, the Council had not taken severe steps to enforce rush week rules. At that same meeting, regulations were revised to fit this year's needs and provisions were made for enforcement with any infraction by any house bringing a maximum fine of fifty dollars and suspension of social, pledging privileges for at least one semester.

Streamline structure.

The Judiciary Board also streamlined the structure of the Council with the most important change involving the appointment of officers of the Council as the Committee on Committees with full power of appointment. Officers of the Council also serve with three faculty members as the Judiciary Board. Officers of the Council are Tom Horn, Sigma Chi, president; Jack Cole, Sigma Nu, vice-president; Chris Petersen, Kappa Sigma, secretary; Clark Kuppinger, Alpha Tau Omega, treasurer.

The complete list of all fraternity pledges and re-pledges will be published tomorrow.



Scrap Irony
By Chris Peterson

With the publication of this paper, the year more or less officially begins. And when the year begins, we too have begun to begin.

But first, for a worm's eye view of what is to come in this space which the editor feels has been set aside for reflections built upon a foundation of deliriums.

This column has no plan. You never know what you will read here for we never know what we will write here. However, we can promise from time to time bits of tangy tales from our correspondent at large, Sir William Capps, a noted hangover from one of the many boisterous parties held by King Arthur's Knights of the Roundtable. There will often be phlegmatic prose from My Girl Saturday, a mystic miss who flatters a mirror by looking into it and who should be someone's Girl All Week.

Then occasionally, there will be incredible incidents taken from my now half completed book, "Gullible's Travels" which will involve sojourns into the world of Eccentricity, Ridiculousness, and that strange land bordering on what some choose to call Insanity.

Mayhaps, there too will be times when we shall indulge in our own peculiar type of writing which the nation's leading critics choose to call "surrealistic, paralleling the trend in modern art."

We have many worthwhile projects in mind. Man may be wonderful in that he has learned to fly like a bird but we have yet to figure out how to sit on a barbed wire fence. That will take great thought, powerful ponderings. Right now, we're stuck on it. Of course, we too will be quite busy with our own little acreage where we are now busily engaged in

raising all the cucumbers that people are cooler than.

And so we shall sit back on the nearest ash tray, stroke last year's beard, and face the stark realization that our ideas won't work unless we do. So we have begun to begin.

EDITOR'S NOTE.

The chart on this page is printed for the benefit of fraternity rushees because:

1. It is your editor's belief that every fraternity on the campus has been guilty at some time or other of misrepresenting its costs. There are two reasons for this: (a) the over-zeal of fraternity members during the strain and competition of rush week, and (b) lack of knowledge of proper costs by all fraternity members.

2. Fraternity rushees, until last year, generally were oblivious to the fact that they could find all costs for any particular fraternity from the office of the interfraternity council.

3. In an effort to encourage the Interfraternity Council to publish and furnish to rushees before rush week a booklet showing costs of each fraternity. Such a publication would enable rushees to formulate a budget before they leave home. This would aid fraternities by: (a) lowering the amounts lost on bad risks, and (b) by decreasing the number of pledges lost because of financial stress.

This chart is in no way intended to:

1. Indicate the merits of one fraternity over another.

2. Bring any embarrassment to members of the Interfraternity Council, the Interfraternity board of control or associates.

3. Attach more importance to students experiencing rush week in the fraternity houses than to those who seek to remain unaffiliated.

4. Misrepresent the true costs of any particular organization.

All information was obtained through interviews with, in all cases, presidents, house managers, stewards, or treasurers of all houses. In all cases, those who provided the information knew they were providing it for publication. The DAILY does not guarantee their accuracy, but feels positive that all are the correct figures given it. The information was gathered by reliable staff members who have no reason to misquote or change figures given by any fraternity.—Ed.

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