

Panhel adopts quota plan

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Aims to bolster sorority set-up

Numerical future of the sorority system on the Nebraska campus hangs in the balance today as Panhellenic machinery swings into operation to enforce a sorority quota system passed by representatives of the Greek women at the last meeting of the Panhel Council.

Designed to strengthen the system by building up the weaker houses, the quota plan has been rejected several times since its original proposal a year ago. Final passage of the motion was carried by a 9 to 4 majority, two groups not voting.

Under the new regulation sororities may pledge only the number of girls which their respective houses will conveniently accommodate. The regulation is passed as follows:

"A sorority planning system is to go into effect on the University of Nebraska campus as of Jan. 6, 1941. The total membership of house girls must comply with the capacity of the sorority house. House girls are defined as any girl whose home is outside of Lincoln or any girl not living with relatives in Lincoln. The architect's plans of the house, where available, are to be consulted to determine the number each house can accommodate.

Altho the measure has been passed, and mechanics of the plan go into operation today, several questions still remain to be ironed out when details of administration are tested under operating conditions. For example, what will happen to houses deemed to be already overcrowded, how far can the council go in the enforcement of its prodigy, and will houses be able to evade the ruling by moving to larger quarters?

National Panhellenic, governing board of all national sororities, has been urging such a policy for several years. According to their logic the large, strong houses will be prevented from taking a surplus of girls which they do not need and cannot handle; while the weaker houses will be able to interest more of the available girls.

The question of whether the total number of Greek women will be materially reduced depends on two factors. One, the disposition of the impartial committee which in the next few weeks will determine the capacity of each of the houses, and, two, the pledging status of next year's freshmen women, to be decided by a committee now drawing up the new rushing rules for sororities. According to the action taken last year by the

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Council plans Big Six meeting

The Student Council has invited delegates from each of the Big Six conference councils to attend a convention here Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week.

Each school is planning to send at least four delegates, and some advisers may attend. Independent students, coming as delegates will stay at various

barb houses while affiliated delegates will be lodged at their sorority or fraternity house.



Journal. John Mason.

Council, "and since Nebraska is instituting the idea, it's up to us to make it a success."

After the registration at 2 p. m. Thursday, Feb. 13, the convention opens and a general meeting will be held under the direction of Johnny Mason, Student Council president, in the Union.

Discussion groups under the leadership of each of the attending colleges will occupy a great deal of time during the three days of the convention. Nebraska holds the first one Thursday afternoon; then Kansas State at 10 a. m. Friday, Iowa State at 2 p. m. and the University of Kansas at a dinner meeting from 6 until 7 p. m. On

Saturday Missouri U. has theirs at 10 a. m. and Oklahoma at 2 p. m.

Problem discussion.

Various problems will be discussed in the groups, such as "Services That Student Councils Can Perform on the Campus" by Iowa State and "Political Parties and How Student Elections Are Handled" by Kansas State. Smaller discussion groups will probably be formed after the problem is introduced. To facilitate the handling of the

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Mortar Board holds banquet on birthday

Founders Day meeting features Black Masque honorary initiation

Mortar Board will hold its annual Founders Day banquet this Saturday in the Union at 12:15. Plans are being made to accommodate alumni coming from all over the state.

Mrs. F. D. Colman, national Mortar Board president, will be the speaker on the program. Mrs. Colman is a resident of Lincoln.

Feature of the Founders Day banquet will be the initiation of members of the Black Masque. The organization was a local honorary on the campus from 1904 until 1921 when it became national. The local organization of Black Masque became the twelfth national chapter of Mortar Board.

Black Masques reinstated.

Those members of Black Masque automatically became members of Mortar Board, but many of them have never been able to see a Mortar Board initiation service, so they will be initiated after the banquet.

Pat Sternberg, president of the local chapter, will speak and Jean Simmons will play a piano solo. Ruth Clark is in charge of the banquet arrangements and the program.

Stiff shirts, long skirts out at Ball

To provide an escape from the stiff shirts and long skirts of the social season, members of the Interfraternity Ball committee announced last night that students will dance to the music of Joe Sanders, the "Ole' Left Hander," informally. The ball date has been set for Saturday, Feb. 15.

In keeping with a policy established during past balls, any person desiring to sell ten tickets will get a free ticket to the ball. Tickets can be checked out from John K. Selleck's office in the coliseum, next Monday. Tickets will also go on sale that day at points most convenient to students.

Jack Cole, chairman of the committee, announced that plans are being made for additional entertainment for the dancers in the way of a floor show. "We have nothing definite on it yet," he said, "but we are making an attempt to give those students who attend the ball a little something out of the ordinary."

Word from Sanders yesterday said that his band will feature the comedy numbers and singing of "Red" Hodgson, writer of the immortal "Music Goes Round and Round."

Capitol Personalities

Ed.: This is the first of a daily series of personality sketches, introducing the men of the legislature. Short biographies of them, coupled with a review of some of the measures they are introducing, we hope will create a greater interest among our readers in the men and bills at the legislature.

Introducing Senator Jack Price, short, fluent in conversation and well tailored—and representing the district in Lincoln in which two-thirds of those attending the university are dwelling.



Journal and Star.

JACK PRICE

Being interested greatly in his legal profession, his work has

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Yearbook calls beauty queens

Candidates, co-editors meet tomorrow at 4

Instructions concerning the elimination contest to decide candidates for Cornhusker Beauty Queens will be given to entrants by beauty queen co-editors Priscilla Chain and Betty Dodds at a meeting to be held at the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority house tomorrow at 4 p. m. All candidates must be present.

Selection of beauty queens for this year is to be entirely different. Candidates will be presented before a local judging board at a tea in the Union faculty lounge between 4 and 5:30 p. m. Thursday, Feb. 20. The board will then select 12 girls to be entered in the final contest which will be judged by George Petty, famous modern cartoonist and artist.

The 12 selected will have photographs made to be submitted to Petty for final judgment.

Drew speaks on modern literature

Noted critic lectures in Union today at 4; wife of Brian Downs

"The Modern Spirit in Literature" will be the subject of a lecture by Elizabeth Drew, noted English literary critic, in parlors XYZ of the Union today at 4 p. m.

Dr. Louise Pound of the English department will introduce Miss Drew, who is spending the year in the United States to lecture and escape the Nazi bombardment of England. In private life the wife of Brian Downs, a lecturer at Cambridge, Miss Drew is a regular contributor to the Atlantic Monthly and similar publications.

She has written several books, "Discovering Poetry," "The Enjoyment of Literature," "Discovering Drama," and "Directions in Modern Poetry," written in collaboration with J. L. Sweeney. Her latest, "Directions in Modern Poetry," received this comment in the book review section of the New York Times:

"She is an admirable reader with a flair for quotation and a patient analyst. She has a fine literary knowledge and a natural sense of style."

Gov. Griswold suggests UN do research

"If the legislature wants to do something in the way of research a new commission is not needed—just appropriate the money to the university agricultural college," said Governor Dwight Griswold yesterday.

The governor was referring to a bill introduced by Senator Frank Sorrell, Syracuse, which would create an agricultural and industrial development commission. He suggested that by the appropriation of funds to the ag college, the desired research could be carried on.