

Sue Eastergard Crowned Queen of the Mardi Gras



MARDI GRAS QUEEN—Lovely Sue Eastergard was crowned queen of the Mardi Gras at the Union Friday night. Miss Eastergard, a sophomore in Teachers college, received a crown of red roses—plus a huge bouquet—from By Hooper, right, member of the Student Union Board. At the left of Miss Eastergard is her escort Stan Portsche, representing Delta Tau Delta.

Pomp Marks Coronation

Introduced with all the pomp and ceremony of a medieval French coronation, Miss Sue Eastergard was named Mardi Gras Queen at the Union open house Friday night.

In keeping with the French court tradition, University tumbler presented a queen's program such as "court jesters" would have presented during the early Mardi Gras period in France and New Orleans.

Student Vote
Miss Eastergard, elected by student vote at the Mardi Gras open house, was sponsored by Delta Tau Delta fraternity. She was one of five coeds selected as finalists from a group of sixteen candidates sponsored by various men's organizations on campus.

The Queen will represent Nebraska at the annual University of Kansas Sweet heart ball early this spring. One of the candidates representing surrounding states will reign over that celebration.

Miss Daily Nebraskan
Also holding the title of Miss Daily Nebraskan of 1948-49, Miss Eastergard is a sophomore in Teacher's college. She is a semifinalist for 1950 Cornhusker beauty queen and a member of Delta Gamma sorority.

Opening its doors at 8:30 p.m. Friday night, the Union was well on its way to giving the atmosphere of an authentic Mardi Gras which is held in New Orleans each year. Confetti and streamers, festive decorations and a list of entertainment greeted Mardi Gras goers as they entered the building.

Free punch and cookies were served in the first floor lounge of the Union, with a Basin Street Cashah, New Orleans theatre, music room, dancing and card room awaiting party-goers in the rest of the building.

The coronation took place at intermission in the ballroom, with Bob Russell, Prime Minister to the Queen, presenting the winning candidate, and By Hooper, placing a crown of red roses on the honored queen.

Stan Portsche, Delta Tau Delta representative, was the queen's escort.

Other Candidates
Other candidates for the queen title were: Pat Berge, sponsored by Sigma Nu; Jan Champagne, sponsored by Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Nancy Dixon, sponsored by Acacia and Margaret Thomson, sponsored by Alpha Tau Omega.

The Mardi Gras open house was sponsored by the Union special activities committee with Herb Reese, board sponsor and Bob Russell, chairman, in charge. Other members of the committee are Anne Berger, Tom Podhaisky, Bill Michelson, Jerry Jouvantjan, Jan Nordgren, Carol Cherny, Bob Smaha and Virginia Meehan.

Dairy Club Opens Member Drive
The Varsity Dairy Club opened a drive for new members at a meeting on Feb. 9. Named to a membership committee were Hans Little, Doyle Beavers, and Donald Beck. The trio will circulate petitions for new members. The club also discussed its part in the coming spring judging contests.

In his speech before the delegates, Dean Borgman stated that Unions were founded principally to provide a place where students might loaf and seek recreation. The Unions have provided such a place, he said.
"However," he said, "there has been a general transition. The Union has become more than that. It has become a real part of the student's education with student workers fulfilling important duties in the operation of the Union."

Delegates Exchange Ideas At Union Regional Here

Delegates representing eleven Student Unions from three states, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, were guests of the University of Nebraska Union Friday and Saturday at a regional conference.

Both students and directors were present at the Conference first annual meeting of the Unions constituting Region 15.

Informal discussions, stimulating comments and suggestions were held beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday. Later at a luncheon, Dean Borgman spoke briefly on "Why the Union."

At an opening session, Mrs. Genevieve Grimm, activities director of the Nebraska Union, spoke on "The Individual—His Place in the Committee System."

A discussion then followed during which delegates described present status of their respective Unions.

Don Ford, Union staff member, Kansas State, said that a converted recreation building is now serving as the temporary Union building at Manhattan.

A student fee, he said, helps to pay for expenses. Anticipated for nearly ten years, the erection of the new Union is now being planned with certainty. Construction was planned some years ago, but when federal funds didn't come through, construction was postponed.

Tentative plans now provide for a building having two million cubic feet. A conservative estimate of \$1.25 per cubic foot sets the total cost at well over \$2 million.

Dorothy Holcomb, former director at Nebraska, now situated at Kearney State Teachers, stated that only a building existed when she arrived to take over. There was no special program set to follow. The building in use was a former Army barracks building.

Speaking for Peru State Union, David H. Mackey, staff member, said that although no building has yet been erected there, plans are now being made to have one.

The lower floor of the men's dorm serves as the Union site now, he said. There is some restricted recreation and a limited food set-up.

Student Ted Volsky, also of

State Receives Pershing Sword

A scabbard and sword, belonging to the late Gen. John J. Pershing, was presented to the state Friday by his sister, Miss May Pershing. The sword was given to the then Lieut. Pershing by the University cadets in 1892.

Governor Val Peterson accepted the sword for the state in a brief ceremony. Present were James Lawrence, State Historical Society president, Brig. Gen. Guy N. Henninger, Col. and Mrs. Frank Eager, Col. James Clyburn, and Capt. W. L. Miesmer.

The sword has a gold hilt and silver scabbard. It carries the inscription: "The Nebraska university cadets, winners of the Maiden prize national competitive drill, Omaha, June 13 to 20, 1892 to Lt. John J. Pershing, Sixth U. S. Cavalry, commandant of the cadet battalion."

In 1892, General Pershing was professor of military science and commandant of the University ROTC. Col. Eager was a cadet sergeant at the time of the presentation. Pershing later achieved fame as commander of the World War I American expeditionary forces.

The weapon was turned over to James Olson, superintendent of the historical society.

New Mex MB's Offer Sex Talks

A series of lectures on "Preparation for Marriage," and "Marriage for Family Life" are being sponsored by the Mortar Board of the University of New Mexico campus.

Such courses have been conducted in the past and have proved highly successful. The course lasts eight weeks.

Thousand Grades Still Out

One thousand grades have not been turned into the Registrar's office, it was reported Friday, slowing up the IBM process of releasing grades.

Although over two-thirds of the first semester's class reports are now in the office, the outstanding reports have all but halted further work by the computing department.

These late grades, both on Ag and city campus, are not from large courses consisting of a hundred or more students, but from small and even one-student classes, the department said. The large classes, particularly the grades from department tests, have almost all been computed.

"We certainly appreciate the herculean efforts of some of the faculty members, particularly those who have large classes," the Registrar's office said. "Almost all of these courses have been very prompt with their grade reports. However, the 1,000 outstanding grades have slowed up the whole process," the department said.

As the machines are set up, all the grades for each course are calculated separately. Then these are gathered together under the name of the student and placed on the sheet sent to the student. Unless all the grades are in for each particular student, however, final computation is impossible.

Approximately 80 cards a minute can be handled by the IBM machines. If all the grades are in, it takes but five or six days before the grades are sent to the students.

A deadline of ten days after the final examinations has been set by the administration for turning in the reports. This year the deadline fell on Feb. 7. The Registrar reported at that time there were 1,500 grades out. Since that date, the other 500 have come in to the office.

African Agriculture Topic Of Lambert at Convocation

African agriculture and native life were highlighted in the film shown by Dean W. V. Lambert at an all-Ag convocation Thursday evening.

Dean Lambert, who spent three months in Africa last summer through the Economic Cooperative Association, spoke to over 300 students and faculty at the convocation.

Of special side-light interest were the Dean's films on African wild life. He caught close-ups on zebras, giraffes, lions and other wild animals. In a plane trip over Nigeria he filmed thousands of these animals stampeding, frightened by the roar of the plane. The animals locate in the river areas in herds during the dry season on the highlands.

Primitive Farming
Illustrating the primitive agricultural methods used in much

Six Awards Open To Architects

University architecture students can collect six awards totaling \$325 in a nationwide contest sponsored by the Beaux-Arts Institute of Design in New York City and the Tile Council of America.

There will be two competition groups. The first call for a sketch of a side wall for a flower shop. The sketch must be completed in nine consecutive hours between the dates Feb. 13 to April 17.

The second drawing will be a design of a children's tuberculosis sanitarium, to be completed in five consecutive weeks between March 20 and May 29.

Special attention should be given to clay tile in both contests.

Further information on the contest can be obtained from the University department of architecture.

Research Group To Meet At Ag

Chancellor R. G. Gustavson will address the annual conference of research workers at outside agricultural substations Wednesday. The opening session will be led by Dean W. V. Lambert.

Substation personnel from North Platte, Mitchell, Alliance and Valentine will be at Ag college this week for the conference. It opens with an informal dinner Tuesday evening at the Union and closes Thursday.

A committee composed of Dr. H. O. Warner, Thomas Dowe, John Lonnquist, H. W. Chapman and R. E. Ramig is in charge of the conference program.
Jan Lindquist is in charge of costumes for the Calendar Girls.

Two Fraternity Houses Lose Money to Burglars

AWS Opens Board Filings

Plans for the Associated Women Students election have been announced by President Janet Elyth.

Filings will be open till 5 p.m., Feb. 24 in Ellen Smith hall. Filings are open to all freshman, sophomore and junior women interested in the work of the AWS.

To be eligible for membership on the executive board, a candidate must meet the following requirements:

1. Must be a bona fide member of the class she is representing.
2. Each candidate shall have a weighted scholastic average of at least 5.7.
3. The candidate must have no scholastic delinquencies at the time of nomination.

The nomination committee will hold impartial interviews for each girl filing. Final decision will be based upon the leadership qualities and knowledge of AWS.

AWS is the organization governing the activities of women students. It sets up rules for houses and dormitories and takes action against offenders. AWS also sponsors the annual Coed Follies, female counterpart of the Kosmet Klub shows, and presents a University girl with the title, Typical Nebraska Coed.

'Fleas' to Skate If I-S Ice Melts

"There'll be skating events for the Winter Sports Carnival if we have to feature trained fleas skating on an ice cube," vowed the chairman of the skating events at Iowa State College this week as he sadly surveyed the scene of frozen water reverting to its natural state.

The Winter Sports Skating Races has slated three main events—the men's single, the women's single and the men's relay.

Course distances in each event are: Men's singles, 400 yards; women's singles, 200 yards; and men's relay, 300 yards.

Trophies were to be awarded to the winner in each final event with engraved medals going to second and third-place contestants in the men's and women's singles, the relay winners and the chairman of the skating events trophies.

Early Morning Raids Take \$225 from K Sig, AGR

The University campus suffered its second and third big robberies of the semester early Friday morning when two fraternity houses were raided.

A total of \$150 was taken from the two houses, Kappa Sigma and Alpha Gamma Rho. The robberies were near replicas of thefts last year. On the morning of March 1, 1949, two fraternities were robbed of \$225.

The thief or thieves entered the unlocked Kappa Sigma house between the hours of 3 a.m. and 6 a.m., according to President Gene Berg, and made off with \$65.

The cautious burglars pilfered seven unlocked rooms without arousing "Duke" the Kappa Sig great dane watchdog who was sleeping on the same floor the robberies occurred.

Twice Hit
This was the second robbery in two years at the Kappa Sigma house. Last year \$90 was taken.

According to Bob Sim, vice president of Alpha Gamma Rho, the Ag campus fraternity was broken into at approximately 3:30 a.m. Friday morning. The thieves entered through a rear window on the first floor and took \$125 from second floor rooms.

In both cases the thieves took only bills stolen from billfolds in the desk drawers. All silver was disregarded with one exception, Larry Nordin, Kappa Sig, lost a 50 cent piece along with bills of larger denominations.

Police Investigate
The Lincoln city police are working on the case and have discovered no lead to the burglars' identity.

The case is much the same as last year's robberies when the Phi Kappa Psi and Kappa Sigma houses were robbed. One fact, however, distinguishes the burglaries from those last spring. Both houses robbed Friday morning were off-campus fraternities. The Kappa Sigma house is at 1141 H st. and the Alpha Gamma Rho house is at 3607 Holdrede.

Jackie Jensen 'Miss Amikita'

Jackie Jensen, Ag college senior, reigned as Sweetheart of the Amikitas Saturday night at their annual ball. She was attended by Norma Long and Mona Beavers, also Ag seniors.

The Sweetheart and her attendants were revealed during



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intermission by Elaine Lauer, Amikita president. The dance following the presentation was for Amikita members and their dates.

Gay Flestner and his orchestra played for the ball which was held in the Ag Union.

The Sweetheart was chosen by members of Amikita from six finalists. Choice was based on service to the organization and active membership the previous semester.

Amikita, Ag barb organization, sponsors the ball annually.

Parking Fines Pyramid at I-S

An Iowa State student has been fined \$35 for eight parking violations incurred on the college campus.

The large amount of the fine was due to Iowa State's pyramid parking system, with the fine doubled after each offense up to four. For instance, the first offense is fined one dollar, the second two dollars and the third offense costs four dollars.

The fourth offense and all thereafter costs the student eight dollars. The Traffic Appeals Board of the college refused to lighten the student's fine because he pleaded lack of knowledge of the traffic regulations.

After ten parking offenses, a student at Iowa State is expelled. Nebraska students are fined only after their fourth parking violation. The first ticket given is a warning. On the second the matter is discussed with the campus police, and on the third with Dean T. J. Thompson. On the fourth offense students are to court on a state complaint. A few students have been dismissed because of traffic violation.

U.S.-Russ Relations Discussed

Suggestions for easing the tension between Russia and the United States were offered by two speakers at Love Memorial library Friday night.

Chancellor R. G. Gustavson and Elmore Jackson, liaison representative for the Friends committee at the United Nations, gave reassurance to 2000 on problems confronting the U. S. and Russia today.

This was the first in a series of sessions to be presented during the Lincoln Conference on World Affairs. The sessions were co-sponsored by numerous individuals and educational groups. Jackson said that "moral and spiritual forces are far more enduring than power. The problem of both sides is to find means to release these forces."

Remove Distrust
He suggested that the U. S. should remove the distrust and doubt that the Russians have had since this country's atom bomb monopoly.

He said that this country could help save peace if "we would be cautious in making proposals definitely inimical to the Soviet interest." Jackson also suggested third party settlement of Russo-U. S. disputes and personnel changes when personality clashes developed.

Jackson believe that both sides could move toward peace more rapidly if they would eliminate some of their own wishful thinking.

To the credit of America, Jackson said, "We are betting that in time, Russia leaders will see that international collaboration with us will be to its own best interest."

Science and Humanity
Chancellor Gustavson said in his discussion on whether science could save humanity that the answer is in the drive behind scientific investigation.

"If I were to put the simple question, 'Can truth save us?' said Gustavson, "my answer would be an unqualified 'Yes'."

He stated that during the 19th century Germany began a huge dye making industry. Studies in organic chemistry of which carbon was the main element produced this process.

"However in the first world war, the same discoveries that led to aniline dyes were used in producing poisonous gases. And that was bad," he said. "Thus science both destroys and saves."

"It was unfortunate that we in the United States got the notion that since we were the first to make an atomic bomb, we were the only ones who could make it," he said.

No Monopoly on H-Bomb
Even if we were the first to develop the hydrogen bomb, no thinking scientist will believe for a moment that we have a monopoly on it he said.

"We must develop a moral boldness to work for peace," he declared.

Gen. Carlos Romulos of the Philippines has proposed that the production of atomic weapons be stopped temporarily while avenues of peace are sought.

"This is a positive approach and the only approach," Gustavson said.

Jackson was asked how the United States and Russia could ever come to terms since their ideas differed so. He stated that while theories may differ, that practices need not.

Builders Choose 'Calendar Girls'

Calendar Girl candidates appeared before a faculty judging committee Saturday, Feb. 11, room 13, Union at 1 p.m.

Judging was made on the basis of appearance and personality. Identity of the winners will be revealed at a Builders review Saturday, Feb. 18. Each winner will be presented in a costume appropriate to the month they will represent.

An audience vote at the revue will determine the "Girl of the Year" from the Calendar Girls. In addition, she will receive a full-page spread in Corn Shucks, campus magazine.
Enceasing the show will be Bill Dugan, George Wilcox, and Harris Carnaby. Music will be provided by the Bob Russell combo, which will also play for an after-the-basketball-gamedance, held previous to the revue.