

'Take Ten' Tralala

Spring Brings First Blush Of Fraternity Hell Week

By FRED DALY Copy Editor

Ah, spring, with its fresh blush of tiny flowers, its rain-washed blue skies, its pale green cast of budding trees and its cheerful chirping of freshly-migrated birds

who are too chicken to stick out the winter. Spring, with the laughter of little children throwing mudballs at passing cars, the sash of ROTC students cutting across the mall to class, the whirring of a hundred hydraulic top-lowering mechan-

isms in a hundred convertibles and the soulful sigh of a student with a three-o'clock class on Friday afternoon. Ah, Spring, with its Hell Week. Hell Week? Good Grief!

Day of Great Ax

The scourge of a thousand pledges, that is Hell Week. The River Styx is nothing compared to that doleful day when the great ax descends on scores of cringing necks, and another batch of apple-cheeked pledges is whirled into deep, black void, smelling a little of Dante's Inferno and a damp day at the skunk works.

Hell Week is the end, the finish, the grave.

"Report at noon tomorrow in work clothes," given in a slightly harsh tone is the first sign of Hell Week for most pledges, starting off on what they expect to be a cross between Devil's Island, an Alabama chain gang and a good month at Quantico.

First, there are a few things to do, like painting every flat surface in sight, refinishing floors, repairing woodwork, fixing electrical wiring and messing around with the plumbing. Sometimes this might last well into the wee small hours of the mysterious night.

Work For 'Underprivileged' There are also projects outside the walls of the house, where pledges are put to work doing things of

general benefit to the community like repairing residences of the underprivileged or doing vast amounts of yard work for those who can't do their own.

There are also games designed to develop physical prowess and muscular coordination. These are greeted with shrieks of gaiety by participants and spectators, alike.

Sometimes the pledges are given a friend, usually of the animal gender, to keep them company and share their quarters during their hours of stress.

In going to classes, pledges are encouraged to dress their best and to keep a lively pace when going from building to building, giving the campus a holiday atmosphere as staunch young men are seen trotting briskly along, ties flapping.

Actually, Hell Week is harder on fraternity actives than on pledges. Things are often turned upside down for a good while, and who can sleep when boisterous and slightly punchy singing is heard from a group of hardy workers ripping old boards out of the wall next to your room.

Things don't smell too nice either.

And the best part of the whole thing is when you go to bed, fully expecting to sleep until Ivy Day Eve.

Yes, sir, Hell Week certainly is. Ask any pledge.

Former Communist Prisoner Expresses 'No Sympathy' For Confessed Soldiers

Frank Austin Tells Of Experiences Under Germans

"I have no sympathy" for prisoners who confess everything to Communist interrogators in an effort to get better conditions for themselves, a former prisoner of war said Monday.

M. Sgt. Frank Austin, now an instructor in military science at the University, added that prisoners who refused to say anything "certainly were men."

Germany and the United States had signed the Geneva Convention prohibiting physical torture of prisoners, Austin explained. Russia had not signed it, however.

Food rations were slim the first six months, Austin said. But then they improved, he added, after U.S. government food parcels began to arrive.

"Unless you've been hungry, Austin pointed out, 'you can't understand' what it is like to eat practically nothing for four or five months in succession.

Because of Russian advances on the eastern front, Austin said, he and his fellow prisoners were marched in February, 1945, to a camp southwest of Berlin.

They were liberated on April 22, 1945, by the Russians, who intended to repatriate them through a port on the Black Sea. But after about three days, Austin said, several hundred prisoners drifted through the fence and away we went."

Commenting on "We Can Baffle the Brainwashers" an article in the Saturday Evening Post by Rear Admiral D. V. Gallery, Austin disagreed with Gallery's opinion that "those lads accomplished nothing by their heroism."

But Austin agreed with Gallery's estimate of what Communists want from prisoners: propaganda, primarily, not military information.

Austin, who was imprisoned by the Germans for more than two years, declined comment, however, on Adm. Gallery's proposal to "give the Reds anything they want for propaganda purposes and defy the to use it."

Austin was captured by the Germans in North Africa on Feb. 22, 1943. From there, he was transported to a prison camp near Fuerstenberg-an-der-Oder, approximately 80 miles east of Berlin.

Americans in the camp were not maltreated, Austin said. "I never saw any" physical violence done to American prisoners, he added.

"Russian prisoners," he said, "they treated them like hell."

Athletic Program

WAA Officers Announce 12 Council Appointments

Positions on the WAA Council were appointed by the WAA officers Friday.

The twelve positions are: intramural co-ordinator, Shirley Bazant, Kappa Delta sophomore; assistant intramural co-ordinator, Jan Lidstrand, freshman in Union, Builders, and Gamma Phi Beta; social and publicity chairman, Carol Wiltse, Chi Omega sophomore and YWCA treasurer, and office manager and co-rec chairman, Margaret Edwards, a sophomore in Coed Counselors, Home Economics Club and Council, YWCA Council, and Chi Omega.

Freshman soccer baseball and table tennis, Barbara Holmes, Kappa Kappa Gamma freshman in Builders, Red Cross, and NUCWA; archery and duckpins, Shirley Swanson, junior in Chi Omega, Coed Counselors, and YWCA; soccer baseball and golf, Janet McClung, sophomore in Red Cross, and Delta Gamma social chairman; tennis singles and doubles and Nebraska ball, Jean Craig, Kappa Kappa Gamma sophomore in Red Cross, Builders, and Aquettes.

Basketball, Delores Wertz, freshman member of Kappa Delta and P. E. Club; bowling and softball, Cathy Hodder, Kappa Alpha Theta sophomore on the Red Cross Board; volleyball and badminton, Pat Mulligan, Alpha Omicron Pi freshman in Red Cross, Union, and P. E. Club, and rifle club, Cis Lonsborough, sophomore in Gamma Phi Beta and Aquettes.

Assistants chosen were Janice Shrader, office manager, and Joan Huesner, co-rec assistant and basketball assistant.

New WAA officers are Dorothy Frank, president; Shirley Jesse, vice-president; Phyllis Cast, secretary, and Jane Jeffrey, treasurer.

Year's Activities Reviewed

Yell Squad Creates Confusion Dressing As Referees, Team

By MARILYN MITCHELL Copy Editor

The past football season saw the University's Yell Squad members as flappers, African hunters, referees and even as the football team itself.

These home game extras were performed by the squad during the two-minute lull between the National Anthem and the entrance of the football team, to create, Yell King Dan Fogel said, additional pre-game spirit and enthusiasm.

General confusion was created at one game by cheerleaders dressed as referees—striped shirts, whistles, and red flags. Members measured everything from goalposts to the field itself.

Scout Takes Part The third game stunt was "our best," said Fogel. The squad caused "utter confusion and bedlam" in the stadium as it ran out from the field house dressed, including the coed members, as the football team's starting lineup. They performed routine exercises, and then ran through two tricky plays.

Fogel said the spectators were fooled until the real team came onto the field.

Fiji "natives," Frank Buck and a Boy Scout were featured in the one game stunt. Dressed as hunters the squad appeared and spotted a Missouri tiger in the middle of the field.

After the squad shot the tiger, the Fijis carried it away.

The tiger was played by a Boy Scout usher. Fogel said that shortly before game time, the squad discovered the tiger costume was too small for any member. The Boy Scout finally consented to participate in the skit.

Team of '29 Dressed as college sheiks and flappers of the Roaring 'Twenties, the Yell Squad saluted the Team of '29 at the fifth home game. The Charleston, Beta Band and old-time truck added to the stunt.

Guest cheerleaders were another innovation of the 1954-55 Yell Squad. Governor Robert Crosby lead several yells and ex-football player Jerry Minnick led a yell at one game.

For the first time, Fogel said, the Athletic Department is setting up a special budget for the squad because of the successful innovations of the past season.

Fogel thought up the Orange Bowl crusade a year ago and asked Coach Bill Glassford his opinion. Glassford agreed the University should set goals high and Miss Miami Beach made her appearance at University rallies.

Each rally presented a different

coed as Miss Miami Beach who, in turn, presented the game captain with a good-luck kiss.

This year two cheerleaders were

Tryouts

Tuesday is the last day freshmen men with a 4.5 average and freshmen women with a 5 average may sign up for Yell Squad tryouts which will be held on the Coliseum stage March 31 at 7 p.m.

Practice sessions will be conducted in the Coliseum from 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday by the present squad members.

flown to each out-of-town game except Hawaii. The entire squad migrated to Colorado.

Four Fly To Miami

Four members were elected by the Squad to attend the Orange Bowl game at Miami: Fogel, Tom Olson, Doris Anderson and Marilyn Eaton.

Fogel said they were expecting a four-hour layover at the Chicago airport, but due to a tie-up, they left Chicago, 15 minutes after arrival there. Only nine were aboard the 88-passenger plane.

When they left Chicago, they left 10 below zero weather. They arrived in Miami, put their coats on and stepped out into 88 degree sunshine.

Police as escorts, the Alumnae Association, the Orange Bowl Committee and even a sightseeing tour leader all honored the Yell Squad with gifts and dinners.

Fogel related a before-game incident of a humble Miami news-

paper photographer who asked to take a picture of the squad. He had Fogel to perform a flip in back of the other three.

In Sunday's paper the picture appeared with the headline, "Nebraska Cheerleaders Topsy-Turvy Even Before Game Starts."

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Fogel, who is a three-year member of the squad, labeled this year's the "finest-working squad" he has known. Marilyn Eaton was also a three-year member.

Other squad members were Joan Pollard, Doris Anderson, Carolyn Elliott, Tom Olson, Gene Christensen, Don Beck and Ron Green. Alternates were Norm Vietzer and Charlie Trumble.

Fogel expressed the gratitude of the Yell Squad to Bill Orwig, athletic director, and Jake Geier, gymnastics coach and squad sponsor, for their loyalty and cooperation during the past year.

Fogel said a constitutional amendment has been made to allow only nine cheerleaders, two of which will be alternates. Four men and three women will be chosen.

Two of the men will be from the retiring squad, one to be Yell King and the other, assistant. Two women will be retained from this year's squad.

Last year's squad numbered 12, two of which were alternates.

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Plaster

Sculpture Exhibited In Union

The Union showcase in the lounge is exhibiting several sculpture pieces made by the beginning sculpture students.

Students begin sculpture pieces by first making a form of the subject from clay. When the clay is shaped like they want it, a cast is made from plaster. The plaster cast is taken from the clay mould in several pieces and the clay that comes off with the cast is scraped off. The pieces are assembled and are held together with plaster and pieces of paper put over the cracks.

The plaster cast is well soaped on the inside to prevent the plaster from sticking to the cast when it is poured inside the cast. After the plaster is poured and allowed to dry, the cast is chipped off, as the plaster cannot be used again. It takes about a semester to complete one piece.

Love Hall Wins 'Pixie Pranks'

Love Hall won first place with their booth "Pixie Playground" at the annual Estes Carnival last Friday evening in the Ag College Activities Building.

Farmhouse won second place and Loomis Hall third in the event. It was sponsored by the Ag YMCA and YWCA to raise money to send delegates to an annual conference in Estes Park, Colorado, next June.

The booths were judged on originality, audience appeal, attractiveness and organization. Judges were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Allred, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Gooding and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Read.

A waffle dinner and dancing were other features of this year's carnival which included 13 booths from organized houses, departmental clubs and the city YWCA. Co-chairman of the carnival which featured as its theme "Pixie Pranks" were Twila Riley and Charlie Trumble.

Alpha Epsilon Rho

NU Radio-TV Honorary Pledges Nine Students

Alpha Epsilon Rho, national professional radio and television honorary, pledged nine new members Monday.

Joyce Knerl, Marlene Morrison, Mary Lou Pittack, Hazel Redfield, LeRoy Rockwell, Howard Vann and Morris Weizgart were pledged.

Officers of the Nebraska chapter are Dave Chapman, president; Ingrid Swerre, vice president; Joan Knutson, secretary.

Requirements for pledging are three hours credit in radio and TV with a grade of not less than C. Initiation requirements are six hours of radio and TV with a minimum grade of A.

Chapman stated that the local chapter is planning on sending

delegates to the national convention of Alpha Epsilon Rho in Columbus, Ohio, April 13, 14 and 15.

APRIL FOOL Send a friend a Funny April Fool Card. On display at the GOLDENROD 215 North 14th St.

Meetings

Committee Jobs Open For Ag Y's

Students may still sign with committees of Ag YWCA and YMCA.

Individuals interested may sign up by contacting Marlene Hutchinson at 6-2243, Marv Coffey at 6-2436 or in Ag Union, Room 10.

Committees and their chairmen are: Worship, Gladys Evans and Ed Stoller, Ag Student Center, 4 p.m., Thursday; Live Y'er, Nancy Wilson and Jim Dunn, Home Economics parlors, 4 p.m. Monday; publicity, Ruth Fisher, and Stan Margieroad, Ag Union, 1 p.m. Saturday; Bible Study, Beverly Bunch, Ag Student Center, 4 p.m. Tuesday, and Centennial, Ruth Ernst, the time yet to be set.

Provost Corps Meeting

Meeting of the Provost Corps will be held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Military and Naval Science Building.

L. Henneger, of the Lincoln Police Department, will demonstrate a lie detector and other crime detection equipment.

Nu Med Meeting

A Nu Med meeting will be held Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Bessey Hall Auditorium.

Dr. Frederick Webster will speak on "Orthopedics" and show slides. The meeting is open to the public.

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