

ROTC Program Parades in Review

(continued from page 1) Board of Regents at the University at the suggestion of the defense department that the "basic-advanced combination meets a national need." Actually, Chancellor Hardin said, we are required by the Morrill Act of 1862 only to provide an ROTC program on campus.

When the Defense Department no longer established the basic-advanced program as a "national need," the Regents will be in a position to reevaluate their present rulings, the Chancellor added.

For the past two years on campuses around the nation compulsory ROTC has been under fire. At Michigan State University (enrollment: 19,000) the faculty voted 400 to 248 to abolish compulsory ROTC.

At Arizona State University with 10,000 students enrolled, individuals collected 750 signatures on an anti-ROTC petition and got another 1500 signatures at Tucson's University of Arizona.

Univ. Of California Five thousand students at the University of California at Berkeley (20,000 students) have signed petitions against it. Wisconsin, Rutgers and Bucknell have abandoned the compulsory ROTC program and Ohio State and Cornell are considering the same action, according to the Sept. 5, 1960 issue of U.S. News and World Report.

At the University of Wis-

consin the "Student Peace Center" staged an Anti-Military Ball the night following the Military Ball. Some 200 students attended with the theme "The Street Where You Lived, or Dig You Later, Atom Crater."

Seventy per cent of 1189 UCLA students polled opposed compulsory ROTC and agitation for its removal exists at Northwestern, Chicago State College and Northern California.

The faculty at Wisconsin, failing in their effort to have the University introduce a course in non-violent approaches to international problems, plans to offer their own course at the student religious centers.

Petitions? Asked about the effect of petitions or demonstrations against compulsory ROTC at the University, Chancellor Hardin said that they would have little impact. The Defense Department would simply regard the efforts to mark another campus where compulsory ROTC is unpopular without taking any action to change the University or national program.

One of the greatest recognized weaknesses of today's ROTC program is the loss of commissioned ROTC officers who have completed their required term of duty. The Lyons-Masland ROTC study has this to say: The ROTC programs are not contributing adequately to the strong professional officer base required for the forces in being . . . The services are not securing their share of talent for long-term and career duty, particularly in certain specialized categories with the stiff competition with other career opportunities.

The study cites a Congressional Subcommittee hearing report: In the case of pilots who had obtained their training with the AFROTC only 12% intend to remain in the Air Force, 28% are undecided, and 60% plan to leave the Air Force. On the other hand, with pilots obtained through the aviation cadet program, 34% intend to stay in the Air Force, 31% are undecided, and 35% intend to separate.

Midshipmen Capt. Weber, professor of Naval science, reported that 30% of the regular ROTC midshipmen commissioned remained with the Navy. The additional need of 5% is filled through the application of contract ROTC ensigns for extension of service or commission in the regular Navy.

However, of the 5-6% of the Air Force and Army ROTC cadets who are commissioned directly into the regular service, 85-95% remain with the armed forces for life. This was approximately 550 Army 2nd Lieutenants and 200 Air

Force 2nd Lieutenants in 1957. The Navy, said Capt. Weber, recognizing the turnover of enlisted men, has initiated the Star program which provides additional education and officer training for men who volunteer to remain with the Navy for a minimum of six years. The other services have similar programs which endeavor to supplement the broadly educated personnel turned out by the ROTC programs.

However, this opinion was voiced by Col. Powell, professor of military science: "As we consider the establishment of a strictly professional military force, we must keep in mind that no nation has ever survived or succeeded to win its battles that has reverted to this professional force. The Roman Empire fell, and the American Revolution, where British and foreign professionals faced the American people, fell to the non-professional."

Failure The failure of the services to sell their ROTC programs has also been cited as one of the basic weaknesses.

The Navy has acted to check this trend, said Capt. Weber, by sending an officer on tour of 35 high schools with 100 mile radius of Lincoln to interest seniors in the NROTC regular program.

A description of the NROTC program is also sent to incoming freshman and midshipman volunteer during New Student Week to man a booth in the Union to explain the NROTC program to interested freshmen.

But the greatest selling point for the NROTC program, said Midshipman Battalion Commander Capt. Harvey Hartman, is the enthusiasm of the Naval midshipmen for their program and their willingness to speak to high school classes and fellow students on it.

White Caps

An alternative way which the Navy uses to sell its program is by the organization of the White Caps, a drill team which marches at football or basketball games, and the Navy Chorus, a singing group suggested by a midshipman which can reach and entertain large groups of students.

A program of intramural basketball, interclass sports as football and basketball, the yearbook SALVO, the weekly unit paper Neptune further attempt to provide the Naval midshipman with a broad program of educational experiences.

The Air Force attracts students with the Radio Club, giving a student the chance to earn his FCC license, the Arnold Air Society, which features speakers on topics of Communist infiltration into the American schools as well as on the benefits of an Air Force career, and this year a drum and bugle corps and color guard to work with the University band.

The Army centers its sales for a career around the precision of the Pershing Rifles, a national organization of drill teams.

The esprit de corps, which Russian troops are so noted for from their long terms of enlistment, thus must be cultivated through greater enthusiasm for a broadened ROTC program.

Security

And it was this esprit de corps which Battalion Commander Harvey Hartman was considering when he said:

With so many people today looking for security through a sure job after college, we seem to have lost our spirit for adventure. The travel and broad experiences possible through service in the ROTC and armed forces not only broaden one's way of looking at life but even act to restore this sense of adventure.

And finally, an examination of the curriculum of the various ROTC departments showed a wide variation in content and approach. The Lyons-Masland ROTC study states that the campus ROTC program should have two objectives: motivation for service and pre-professional preparation for a career, similar to the pre-professional courses of study in law, engineering, and medicine which prepare the student for his career.

Other suggestions include stripping the curricula of all instruction that either duplicates instruction available in regular academic departments or is instruction of a military kind which is more effectively carried out in military installations.

Thus there is the implication to provide more and perhaps longer summer camps and cruises, less classroom instruction during the academic year and more informal laboratory-type activities on the campus.

The study emphasizes the benefit derived from contact with service personnel and officers in convincing a student to accept the military as a career.

The study concludes that one of the greatest needs is to alter the public attitude towards the military from the present feeling that a military career falls low in the scale of values not only among students, but among their parents, teachers, and friends, who continue to think in terms of the experiences of WWII or even earlier.

With these remarks, I set aside my pen and picked up a pamphlet on fighting tactics in Burma and the Far East. Yes, war is a strange and awful force. I wonder if we as a nation and a student body are ready to accept the responsibility which war and the threat it poses. I wonder.

Film Ticket Sales Begin Thursday

Tickets for the foreign films go on sale Thursday and will be on sale until Monday.

Tickets will be sold in organized houses and there will also be a booth in the Student Union.

The films will be presented at the Nebraska Center at both 7 and 9 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. Tickets are \$4.00 for students and \$5.00 for faculty, and \$6.00 for patrons.

The films include: Oct. 25—"Would Be Gentlemen," French; Nov. 1—"Bed of Grass," Greek; Nov. 15—"The Roof," Italian; Nov. 29—"Smiles of A Summer Night," Swedish; Dec. 13—"The World of Ape," Indian; Jan. 17—"Hiroshima Mon Amour," French; Feb. 14—"Virgin Spring," Swedish; Feb. 28—"Grand Illusion," French; March 14—"General Della Rovere," Italian; March 28—"Dreams," Swedish; April 4—"Saturday Night and Sunday Morning," English; April 18—"Ballad of a Soldier," Russian.

Candy, Candle Ceremony, Flowers Mean Pins, Rings, Sparkling

Nebraska's campus was buzzing as candles and candy were passed in announcing eight pinnings and five engagements Monday night.

Pinnings Sonja Ericksen, Chi Omega, senior in Home Ec. from Mullen to Loys Mather, Farmhouse senior in Agriculture from Imperial.

Gayle Blank, Fedde Hall junior in Home Ec. from Franklin to Ray Preston, Farmhouse senior in Agriculture from Lyons.

Betty Cowell, Fedde Hall junior in Home Ec. from Platte Center to Milvern Nofke, Alpha Gamma Sigma, senior in Agriculture from Grand Island.

Judy Houk, Chi Omega alum from University of Omaha to Harold Dehart, Delta Upsilon, junior in Architecture from Omaha.

Bettie Applebee, Alpha Xi Delta junior in Teachers College to Nile Johnson, Delta Sigma Pi senior in Business Administration from Fremont. Karen Costin, Delta Gam-

ma senior in Arts & Sciences and Teachers from Lincoln to Joe McWilliams Delta Tau Delta senior in Business Administration from Lincoln.

Sue Hardin, Delta Gamma sophomore in Arts & Sciences from Lincoln to Larry Wood, Phi Delta Theta, junior in pre-med from Lincoln.

Engagements Ann Walker, Alpha Xi Delta senior in Teachers from Lincoln to Bob Barry, Kappa Sigma senior in Engineering from Lincoln.

Carol Kucera, Alpha Xi Delta alum from Denver, Colorado to Dave Cowell, Beta Theta Pi, senior in Business Administration from Lincoln. Phyllis Moser, junior in Home Ec. from Dorchester to Bill Brass, alum in Agriculture from Sargent.

Doris Smith, Love Memorial Hall senior in Home Economics from Atkinson to Daryl Starr, Ag. Mens senior in Agriculture from Stapleton.

Maribeth Larson, Alpha Chi Omega senior in Teachers

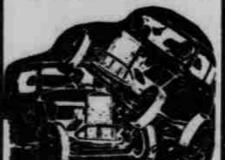
from Des Moines, Iowa, to Tom Davies, Sigma Alpha Epsilon senior in Arts and Sciences from Lincoln.

Sally Siewersden, Kappa Kappa Gamma junior in Teachers from Ralston, to Greg Millett, Phi Kappa Psi graduate from Dartmouth University in Administration from Omaha

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Continued from p. 1 must, listening to do-gooders talking about cultural exchange, extending warm hands of friendship, and having coffee with foreign students every Mon., Wed., Fri. I heartily endorse this kind of deal but let's be a little more concrete. Let's make sure that you don't have to buy the coffee. Let's take a positive stand on Peace Corpsism and do something right here: right now.

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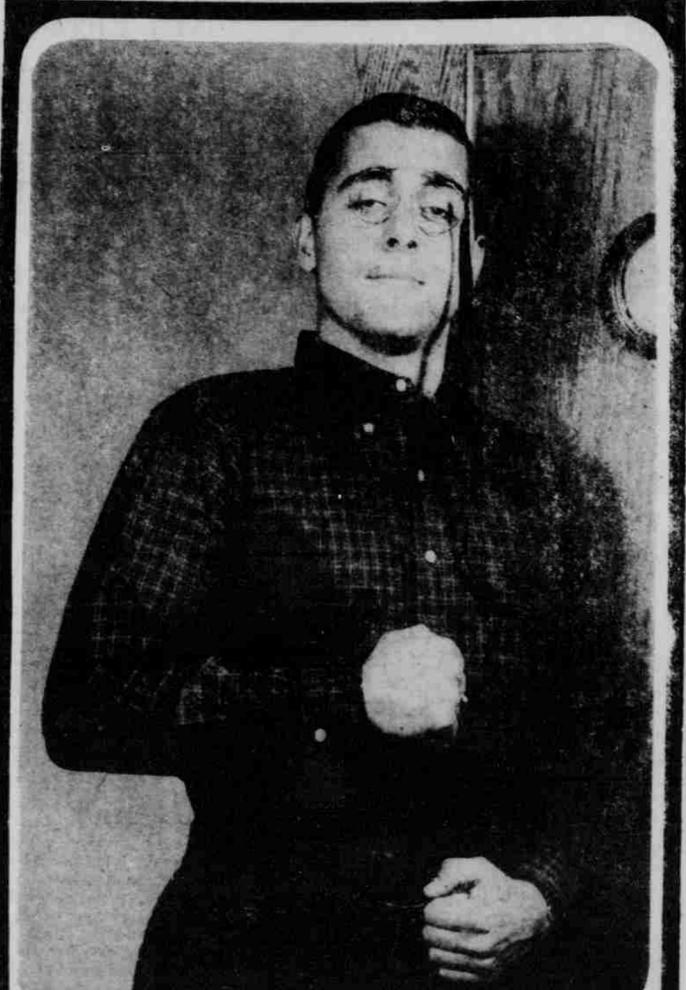
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