

Interfraternity Council Places New Emphasis On Open Rush System

The Interfraternity Council (IFC) rush committee has placed special emphasis on open rush this year, according to Tom Schwenke, IFC rush chairman.

Forty-five men have registered for open rush in the last three weeks. Of these, about 25 men have pledged fraternities since Oct. 15, the date open rush began.

In conjunction with this emphasis on open rush, the rush committee is sponsoring its first rush smoker November 14 at 7:30 p.m. in 232 Student Union. All men who have signed up for open rush are invited, as well as those who participated in rush week this fall but did not pledge, according to Schwenke. The rush chairman and president from each fraternity will be present at the smoker to talk with the rushees.

There will be subsequent smokers, one of which will be explicitly for men who were not in the upper half of their graduating class, and therefore could not participate in rush week. These men may pledge upon making a 5.0 average for one semester.

Men desiring to participate in open rush should register in the IFC office in the Union. The names of the rushees will be turned over to each house rush chairman and the houses will contact the men individually.

Schwenke pointed out that "the Greek or social fraternity system is one of the most important and influential systems in the college scene today."

"We at Nebraska are fortunate to have an active and progressive fraternity system," said the rush chairman. "Growth is part of the purpose of the Greeks, exemplified by the addition of the twenty-fourth fraternity during the last school year."

Schwenke urged any interested party to sign up for open rush and to enter active participation in fraternity living.

"The rewards derived — friendship, mutual respect of brothers, development of leadership and pursuit of academic excellence — are invaluable and positive characteristics of the Nebraska fraternity system," said Schwenke.

National IFC Rates Grades Of Fraternities

Fraternities on the University campus last year earned grade averages of 5.320 and 5.383 to rank with 58.1 per cent of the colleges participating in National Interfraternity Conference (NIC) report of colleges in which the fraternity average exceeds the all male average.

All male averages at the University for the corresponding two semesters were 5.232 and 5.345.

The NIC reported that scholastic averages of fraternity members throughout the nation have shown a consistent rise during the last ten years until they now exceed the all men's averages in a majority of colleges where fraternities are located.

Only 40.7 per cent of the fraternities were scholastically above the male averages ten years ago, at the end of the 1952-53 year.

The percentages were based on those chapters from whom comparable average data were available, comprising over three-fourth of all fraternity chapters in the United States and Canada. In actual numbers, they were 1469 chapters out of a total of 3008 above the all-men's average in 1961-62, compared with 1134 out of 2707 in 1952-53.

During the same reporting year, 35 institutions qualified for the Summa Cum Laude rating for especially superior fraternity scholarship, sixteen of them for the second straight year.

The ratings were developed from records supplied by the colleges themselves and processed by the scholarship reporting service of the NIC, according to Dr. Z. L. Loflin, chairman of the NIC Scholarship Committee.

Panhellenic To Make Sample Despite Veto Of Rush Book

Panhellenic Monday delayed a decision on a combined sorority rush booklet until a sample book can be formed and presented to the individual houses for a vote.

A straw vote of the houses opposed the combined book, but two houses had not voted and others felt they did not have enough information, according to Susie Walburn, president.

Reports were made on workshops held during Panhellenic week. Mary Morrow reported that the social chairmen felt that students should dress up more for social functions and do less things in "grabbies." They also suggested joint formals, where two sororities could go together and have a better formal.

The possibility of having formals in Omaha was discussed because of the lack of places in Lincoln in which formals can be held. The group felt that more pledge functions ought to be spread out more evenly over the first and second semesters, since most are held in the first semester.

The rush workshop discussed the function of guides at open houses and felt they should be more strict in getting the groups to the houses on time. They suggested that open houses and Sunday afternoon parties be spread out more with more time in between each of them. They also felt that Panhellenic send out letters to all legacies explaining the fact there are more legacies going through rush week each year and that houses cannot be expected to take all of them.

The scholarship workshop chairman reported that they discussed the programs used in each of the houses so that individual houses could get ideas of what else is being done on campus and maybe utilize them in their programs. They discussed various awards given within houses to encourage good scholarship.

In other business, Panhellenic set up plans for a booth in the Student Union on Parents Day to explain the purposes of Panhellenic to the parents.

House health chairmen are asked to attend the next Panhellenic meeting as representatives from Student Health will be there to talk with them.

Junior Panhellenic delegates and pledge presidents will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Union Pawnee room.

Powers To Speak Tomorrow

Lt. Col. John A. "Shorty" Powers of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) will speak on "Frontiers in Space" Thursday in the Student Union.

Col. Powers will address 300 Air Force ROTC students at 2, 3, 4 and 5 p.m. in the Union ballroom. Seating is available for an additional 900 at each of these times, in addition to the 300 seats reserved for the cadets.

Powers is now assigned to the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center at Houston, Texas, the management element responsible for Projects Mercury, Gemini and Apollo. He is the center's public affairs officer.

A veteran of WW II and the Korean conflict where he won a Bronze Star Medal, Powers organized the Air Force Ballistic Missile Information program.

In 1958, Powers directed the Air Force Lunar Probe Information Center. He was detailed to NASA in 1959 when the civilian space agency selected seven military engineer test pilots as trainees as space pilots for Project Mercury.

His visit, sponsored by the Aero-Space Education Division of Teachers College, is in connection with Aero-Space Science Week, November 3-9.

AWS Debates Hour Extension Pros, Cons

The Associated Women Students (AWS) is considering extending hours for all freshmen, sophomore, junior, and senior women.

The most extreme proposal suggested is that freshmen hours would be extended to 10 p.m. on week days, sophomore and juniors would have 11 p.m. week day hours and that seniors would have a 12 p.m. extension on nights during the week. Other time changes are also being considered.

Final action on this motion is not expected in the near future, but for the past week

an informal poll has been taken among women students by AWS members.

Comments from the students range from favorable to highly unfavorable.

Four freshmen living in the dorms were quizzed by an AWS member and they reported that they liked the 9 p.m. hours and could see no reason for another hour.

Other freshmen said that the 10 p.m. hours would be better for studying in the library.

The sophomores and juniors polled were reported to be generally in favor of the 11 p.m. extension, but some said that the extra half-hour would not really be that different.

A word was spoken in behalf of the housemothers when some one said that the 12 p.m. hours for seniors would make another late night for the house mothers.

In other actions the AWS approved the Mortar Board proposal that the Kosmet Klub Show on Nov. 23 should be a late date night. Hours for women students will be 2 a.m.

AWS also choose "Life, Liberty and Leap Year" as the title for the Feb. 27 Coed Follies.

KK Skit Tryouts Scheduled Today

Kosmet Klub has announced the date and times for the Fall Revue skit tryouts, to be held in the Student Union Ballroom.

Tryouts are today from 7:30-11 p.m. Individual times are: Alpha Tau Omega, 7:30-8; Delta Upsilon, 8-8:30; Kappa Sigma, 8:30-9; Sigma Alpha Mu, 9-9:30; Phi Kappa Psi, 9:30-10; Beta Theta Pi, 10:00-10:30; Phi Delta Theta, 10:30-11.

Sakai: Anti-Buddhism Spurs Coup But—

Press Pushes Religion In Viet Nam Coverage

By FRANK PARTSCH
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The unpopularity of the Diem regime in South Viet Nam, which resulted in last Friday's overthrow of Diem was brought about as a result of the administration's policies toward Buddhism, according to Dr. Robert K. Sakai, professor of history.

"I think, however, that the religious situation has been

overplayed in the press," he added, indicating that the dislike for Diem is not held for Catholicism in general and that the institution of a predominantly Buddhist cabinet would not result in repercussions against Catholics on the basis of religion.

"South Viet Nam has many religions," he commented, "and they have shown in the past that they are capable of living together without religious strife."

The bitterness against the former government stemmed from the lack of justice displayed in the anti-Buddhist campaigns, said Dr. Sakai. "The people desire justice above all else; the Buddhists were oppressed without justice."

Dr. Sakai thinks that the military coup will bring about an improved situation in the war against the Viet Cong Communist rebel movement.

"A war of this type," he explained, "fought mostly with guerilla tactics, depends upon the popular support of the people. The former government was not able to win their confidence. If the new leaders can set up a system whereby the people feel that the government is behind them and worth fighting for, more support for the war can be won."

Another factor in the unrest of the country, according to Dr. Sakai, was a recent national election, in which many of the candidates were picked by the government, giving the election the character of a mock election. The loss of popularity and support for the government culminated in Friday's coup and the seizing of power by a military junta.

Dr. Sakai said that at the present time the junta is in the process of selecting a premier and a cabinet. The National Assembly, which had also lost some measure of support from the mock elections, has been disbanded.

Similar situations have occurred in several parts of Asia, pointed out Dr. Sakai. "Across Asia many democratic structures have been set up and then replaced by military regimes. These people do not understand the workings of democracy and some means of restoring order must be employed while their problems are ironed out."

The United States has disclaimed responsibility for the unrest leading to the coup. Dr. Sakai said that the selected cuts in foreign aid to Viet Nam in objection to the religious policies of the Diem administration caused increased agitation against Diem.

"As of now," he continued, "the United States still has a great deal of good will with the people of South Viet Nam."

The cuts in aid were a means of U.S. coercion towards an improved relationship between the government of South Viet Nam and the people of the country. The United States bears a large part of the burdensome war against the Viet Cong, and supporting the unpopular Diem regime was creating serious problems in the administrations of this aid.

Ram Honors Quad Frosh

Four year Regents Scholarship winners and other outstanding freshmen of Selleck Quadrangle were honored at a banquet Wednesday night by the Residence Association for Men (RAM) Executive Council.

Those recognized at the banquet were John Abbott,

James Adams, Marvin Almy, Phillip Boardman, Stephen Boyd, Mark Brooks, Steve Carter, Charles Hahn, David Hood, James Johnson, Dick Karre, Thomas Keal, Larry Rohlf, Don Rojeski, Virgil Stetz, Lance Towle, John Van Campen, Robert Vaughn and Gary Watzke.

Karate Demonstration Set Friday Night—

Self Defense For Girls To Be Shown

By Lynn Allen
Staff Reporter

Heng-Ung Yi, a 26 year old Korean who holds a fourth degree black belt in karate, will

demonstrate the sport at 8 p.m. Friday in the Student Union Ballroom.

Aside from fundamental techniques, Yi, with the help

of the Nebraska Karate Association, will also demonstrate self-defense techniques for women. Charles Chai, a University student, will interpret his movements for the audience.

The program will be the first of its kind to be held in

Nebraska and is sponsored by the Nebraska International Association and the Nebraska Korean Students' Association.

All Students are invited to attend. Admission is free.

Yi has more than 600 students, 90 of them Americans who now operate karate institutions throughout the United States. He is touring the nation to help these Americans supervise and improve instruction techniques of the sport.

Yoji Yamakawa, a University student, says a fourth degree black belt is "very rare". A fifth degree black belt is perfect. Yi is only a few months away from the fifth degree belt.

A Karate student must first earn a white belt followed by belts of yellow, green, and brown, among others, before he earns the black belt. There are "no specific qualifications" for these honors. They are earned partly through demonstrations although mostly by competition.

According to Ben Uyesago, Physical Education Director at Lincoln's Central YMCA, no formal instructions are offered in Lincoln. The closest place where instructions are given is South Omaha.

Karate is a Japanese word meaning "open hand". The sport originated in Okinawa, south of Japan. In medieval times the Japanese government took all of the peasants' weapons from them.

Karate was developed by the peasants for self-protection. They not only employ the use of their open hands, but

also the use of their feet, knees, and elbows.

In Korea, as in Japan, a knowledge of Karate is considered a deadly weapon. The sport has recently been popularized in the United States and in other countries by movies such as "The Manchurian Candidate".

KK Reveals Show Emcee

Master of Ceremonies for the Kosmet Klub Fall Revue, "Komic Kapers," will be Jerry DeFrance, junior from Omaha.

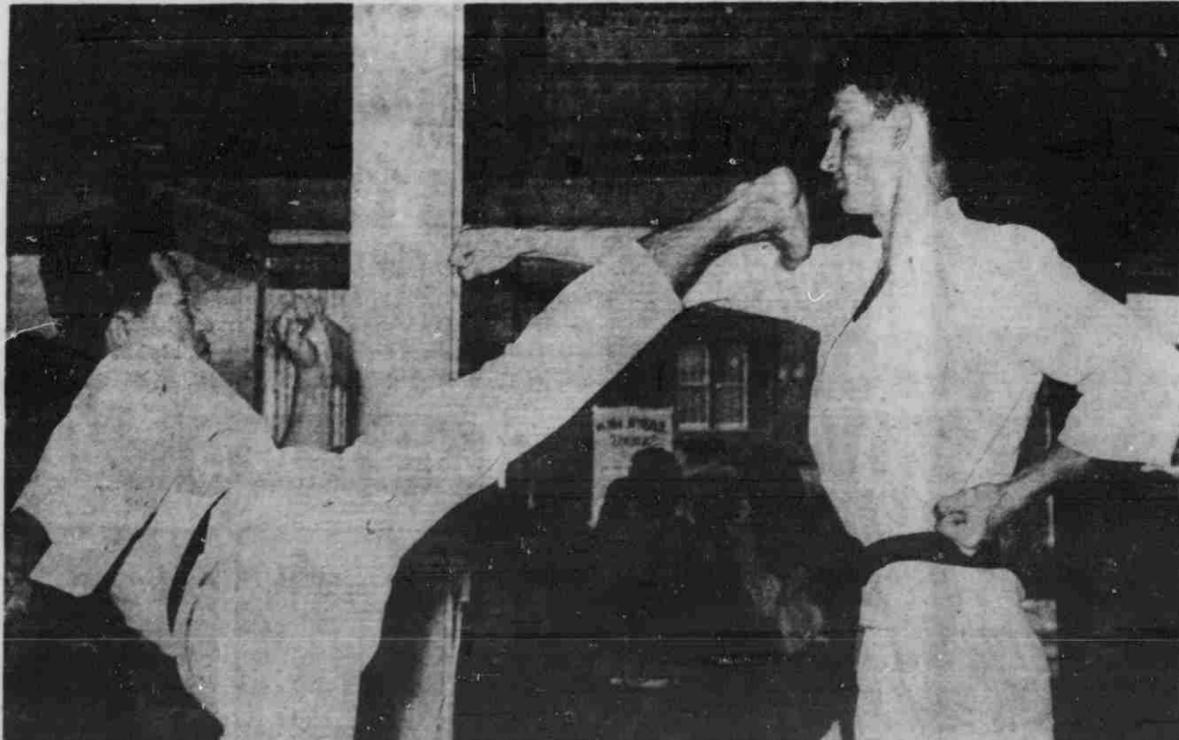
DeFrance is a political science major and a member of Sigma Nu fraternity.

He has had roles in "Guys and Dolls" and "Fiorello," the last two Kosmet Klub Spring Shows, and has entertained various veteran and orphan groups and performed for "Take Five" in the Student Union.

Dent College Alums Choose New Officers

Dr. Larry McKnee of Lincoln was elected president of the University of Nebraska College of Dentistry Alumni Association last week. He succeeds Dr. Donald L. Herzog of Grand Island.

Other officers elected at the Association's homecoming reunion include: Dr. Robert A. Green, Seward, president-elect and Dr. Gregory Kallos, Lincoln, secretary.



Karate Expert Yi Demonstrates Defensive Foot Jab