

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1967

Spring Prompts Daydream



SPRING FEVER . . . Insidious seasonal malady strikes campus. Chuck Penington, Susan McKee and Bruce Franson exhibit many of its symptoms as they while away time in front of Woods Art Building.

Photo by Mike Hayman

Student Senate Voices Protest To Loyalty Oath Requirement

By Chery Triff
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ASUN protested Wednesday the Nation Defense Education Act (NDEA) loyalty oath which requires the signatures of students seeking educational loans.

Introduced by Sen. Liz Aitken, a resolution was passed by the Senate stating that the NDEA "loyalty oath is an inapplicable and inefficient requirement for government loans."

The resolution also stated that some qualified students "find it impossible to sign the oath even while holding the most patriotic sentiments."

Lawyer Requests Passage

A University student, Dan Dickmeyer, and his lawyer, Pat Healy, appeared before the Senate to ask for the passage of the resolution.

Dickmeyer applied for a \$200 NDEA loan last spring, he said, and then discovered this fall he could not receive the loan until he signed the loyalty oath. He refused to sign the oath and was consequently denied the loan.

The oath states that the signer must "bear true faith and allegiance" to the United States and support the U.S. constitution and the country

"against enemies foreign and domestic."

'Loyalty Not Coerced'

His refusal to sign the oath, Dickmeyer said, arose from his "belief that one can not be coerced into loyalty" because he is a student in need of funds.

"Loyalty must arise spontaneously," he added.

This oath has not screened out subversives, he said, which is one of the primary intents of these statements. These oaths usually appear "during times when there is a fear of subversion; such as in the McCarthy era, he explained.

Kennedy Cited

Dickmeyer also presented a statement which appeared in the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) bulletin in 1959 written by the late President John F. Kennedy.

In this statement Kennedy said the NDEA loyalty oath was "distasteful and humiliating" to administrators of the program. "No one will quarrel with the need to be loyal to the country," he said, but individual students can not be singled out who simply want to borrow money.

Arguing against the Aitken resolution, Sen. Gene Hohensee said that "just because the oath hasn't eliminated subversion" does not mean it is not needed.

'No Quails'

The oath does not entail extreme demands, he said, and a person should have "no qualms about signing it."

Sen. Curt Bromm said he "was not sure the oath was wrong," and an ASUN resolution protesting the oath "could reflect upon court decisions" which will set precedents in this area.

Because Dickmeyer maintains the NDEA loyalty oath is unconstitutional and against the principle of education, Bob Samuelson, second vice-president said, the Senate should support the

student's stand and "find out if the oath is illegal."

'Stricken Down'

Healy pointed out that loyalty oaths similar to the NDEA oath have been "stricken down in several courts." As an example he cited an Arizona loyalty oath concerning teachers which was "vague and indefinite and didn't give stipulations as to what was demanded of a person when carrying out the oath."

The NDEA loyalty oath has not yet been tried in the court systems and therefore no court decisions have set precedents for the oath. Dickmeyer said he may take his case to court but has presently taken no such action.

In other Senate business

Samuelson announced that five polling places will be stationed on city and East campuses during the ASUN elections April 12.

Polls, Tents

Polls will be set up in the East Union, the Nebraska Union and in Love Library. Tents will also be placed in the malls behind Sheldon Art Gallery and between Andrews Hall and Burnett Hall.

President Terry Schaaf announced that his proposed Faculty-Student-Administration (FSA) court will be fore-stalled until next year.

He explained that investigations have shown that the University appellate judicial structure "is quite inadequate." He added, however that a revised court system can not "come about in a piecemeal manner" and there are presently "no concrete proposals" for changes of every aspect of the University court system.

Executive Salaries

Senate also voted to refer to the working committee, a bill proposed by Tom Briggs, director of records, concerning ASUN executive salaries.

The bill was referred because a dispute arose over whether an independent auditor would be necessary to administer the executive salaries and the funds in the proposed general expense account system.

ASUN Treasurer Andre A Warren said the auditor's duties could be managed efficiently by the Senate treasurer.

Senate gave provisional approval the Teachers College Advisory Board Constitution and also passed the constitutions of four other student organizations.

These included the Council of Professional Fraternities, Fedde Hall constitution, University Students Broadcasting Foundation constitution and the constitution for the College of Agriculture Advisory Board.

'Show Of The Century' Features Johnny Carson

Nebraska's "Show of the Century" on April 1 will feature Johnny Carson, Julie Wilson, the Manhattan Rockets, the Young Americans and others.

Gov. Norbert Tiemann has named April 1 Johnny Carson Day in Nebraska.

Cleopatra

Carson began his theatrical career by playing Cleopatra in a Kosmet Klub production. He was also the first male to crash Coed Follies.

Tentative plans are being made for Carson to visit his old fraternity, Phi Gamma Delta while he is at Nebraska.

Tickets for the performance at Pershing Auditorium are on a reserved seat basis. Prices are \$3, \$6 and a limited number at \$12.50.

Julie Wilson

Included in Carson's supporting cast is Julie Wilson, an Omaha native who starred in Broadway's "Kismet" and the London Company of "Kiss Me Kate."

The 36 Young Americans will also appear. They were founded by Johnny Mathis and have appeared in their own television spectacular. They have recently completed taping TV segments with Andy Williams, Dean Martin and the CBS Show Coliseum.

The Manhattan Rockets, a chorus line of 16 dancing starlets will perform "A Study in Fans."

Trampoline Champion

Flying in with them from New York will be Dick Albers, an Olympic trampoline champion.

Raye and Roman, a musical comedy dance team appearing in Las Vegas will also perform.

Distinguished native Nebraskans who have made out-

standing contributions to their state and nation and who currently live outside the state will be presented with Notable Nebraskans awards.

At 1:30 p.m. the Thunderbirds of the U.S. Air Force will present a display of their flying skill at the Lincoln Air Base.

Brief On Coed-Visiting Hours Is Ready For Regents Meeting

By Mark Gordon
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A brief released Tuesday night by the coed-visiting a summary of the group's contentions as well as several regulations that would accompany the proposed hours.

The brief, a revision of the statement that passed the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs, composed of ASUN representatives, faculty members and administrators, will be presented to the University Board of Regents at their next meet, presumably in early April.

Social Interaction

The brief states that "in the total educational environment of the residence hall, the coed-visiting hours will provide students with an opportunity for the social interaction that is vital to their full development as responsible and mature citizens."

The brief also pointed out that the library, the Nebraska Union and the dormitory main lounges meet certain needs but they fail to provide an opportunity to discuss private matters or entertain guests as they "are in the main flow of traffic."

Reasons For Hours

The statement also said that the hours are sought with several contentions.

"A college student making his own decisions and actively functioning in our society is mature and responsible enough to entertain guests in his own home—and the residence hall is his home for nine months of each year."

Mutual Interests

The private rooms provide enough privacy to allow the discussion of mutual interests and the presence of mixed company will increase personal pride in the resident's home at the University.

"The student's room is both a place of living and learning. The assets of the rooms such as radios, televisions and desks are conducive to the proper entertainment of guests by an individual. The room is a place where couples can study, make popcorn or listen to records."

If the Regents adopt the measure, it will be put on a four week trial to demonstrate "the workability of the concept and provide an opportunity for refinement of the operational procedures."

During the trial, a responsible person, not necessarily

a student assistant, would be required to be on the floor during the times the hours are in effect, serving as an advisor and coordinator.

The doors to individual rooms would remain open during the time a guest is being entertained in the room.

The individual residence hall may have visiting hours

no more than twice a week and each respective hall has the final decision when or if the hours will be in effect.

The committee, consisting of chairman Dave Shonka, Abel residents Norm Mattson, Wayne Morton and Ron Schneider and Sandoz resident Jackie Dudendor, is advised by Abel residence directors Richard Arndt and Bob Muschewski.

Dorm Construction Progressing Rapidly

Construction progress on the new dormitory complex is moving along "real well" towards its scheduled completion date of August 15, Del H. Busacker, University construction engineer, said Wednesday.

July 25 Deadline

He also predicted that if progress continues at its present rate, the four-structure complex will be completed by July 25, the date the contract-complex is finished.

The complex, located between 14th and 15th Sts. at Y St., is composed of two men's dormitories and one women's residence hall, each accommodating 504 residents. Besides the three ten-story residence halls, there is a two-story adjoining food service building, containing a snack bar, cafeteria facilities and recreational facilities for the complex.

Completed Work

Busacker said the construction work is moving towards the north, starting with Hall A. He gave the following summary of the work completed on the individual halls:

Dorm A—the interior painting and the majority of the interior wood work is completed along with the room partition and the plastering. The mechanical and heating the bedroom furniture and the floor tiling still remains to be done.

Dorm B — "Progress on Dorm B is between the progress of A and C," he said, with block work, window and roof installation completed. Mechanical and heating work must be completed.

Dorm C—all the windows are installed and the white precast surrounding the outside of the structure will be

finished this week, he predicted. The installation of the interior room partitions and part of the plastering remains unfinished.

Per Cent's Completed

He estimated that the 250 man construction crew, has completed approximately 60 per cent of both the electrical and mechanical portions of the complex and almost 75 per cent of the general work is done, he said.

He added that the food service building is almost 80 per cent completed with a portion of the wood trimming work, parts of the mechanical equipment room and the installation of the mechanical equipment still remains to be finished.

Overtime

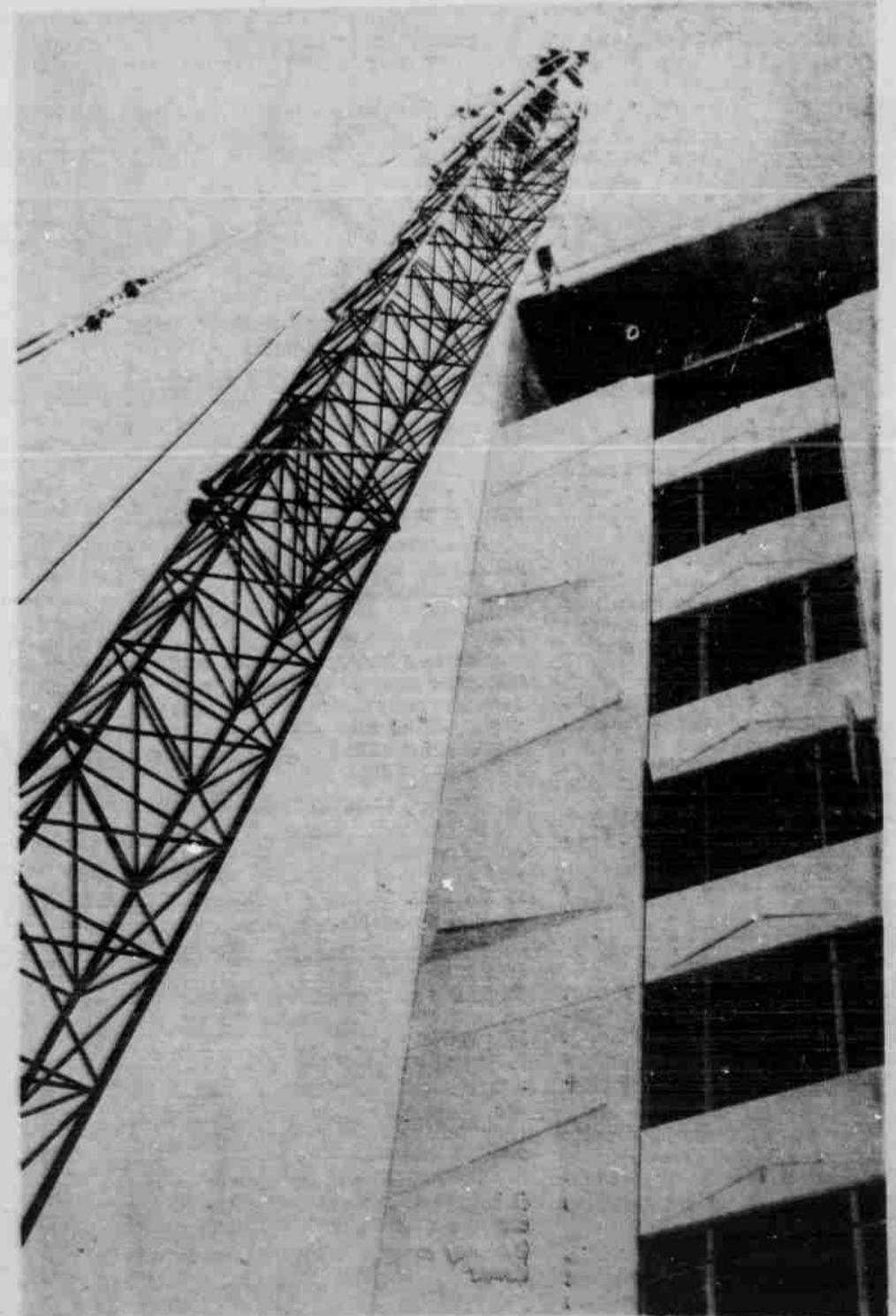
He said that the construction on the 1,500 capacity structures is going on schedule since the contractors have employed workers overtime to aid construction and the weather has been "good so the work has been able to tion."

Elevator Construction Halt

The only minor problem the builders have encountered thus far is strike of elevator construction workers in Lincoln which may delay the installation of the elevators in the residence halls, although it will not delay the construction of the complex, Busacker added.

He said the strike has continued for about a month, although he was unable to give any estimate as to the date the strike will be settled.

"We really haven't had any difficulties at all," he said, "and the most important thing is that we haven't had any serious injuries on the project."



TOWERING CRANE . . . put on final touches as dormitory nears finish.

Costume Contest Planned

ASUN Centennial Chairman Elaine Kallos urged University students to start preparing for Centennial Dress-Up Day on May 3.

She said that there will be 10 categories of dress for which certificates will be awarded. Two categories Miss Kallos named were Sexiest Saloon Girl and Hardest Pioneer Couple.

"We might choose the winners by crowd applause at a special Hyde Park that is being planned," she explained. "Or else they'll be chosen at a square dance that will be sponsored by dormitories."

Also at this time beard contest winners will be announced. Miss Kallos urged students to start planning their costumes over Easter vacation.