

Panhellenic . . .

The Wake

Panhellenic has been dying for many semesters and, as far as most people are concerned, it is now dead.

Needless to say, the death affects the survivors most greatly—the 18 sororities, in the most direct fashion.

The presidency of Panhellenic has been passed around from sorority to sorority like the proverbial "golden egg."

Thus, the executive ability of the Panhellenic President has been a hit-or-miss (but mostly miss) affair.

The President of Panhellenic should be elected. This has been suggested before, but each sorority has been so tightly bound up in its own interests that it has no time to concern itself with the problems of the system.

Only when the president of Panhellenic is elected will there be any reasonable assurance that the office will be filled by a qualified individual.

But even if the Panhellenic presi-

dent were elected, it is unlikely that Panhellenic could become a viable organization unless the majority of the representatives changed their attitudes toward Panhellenic.

Rivalry between sororities (much of which is imaginary) has been so overplayed that delegate representatives to Panhellenic cannot take a vote on an issue unless they poll the members of their sorority first.

Panhellenic might just as well meet in the ballroom of the Union and invite all sorority members to vote on issues. At least then issues could be resolved in one week and without the week delay now necessary for polling.

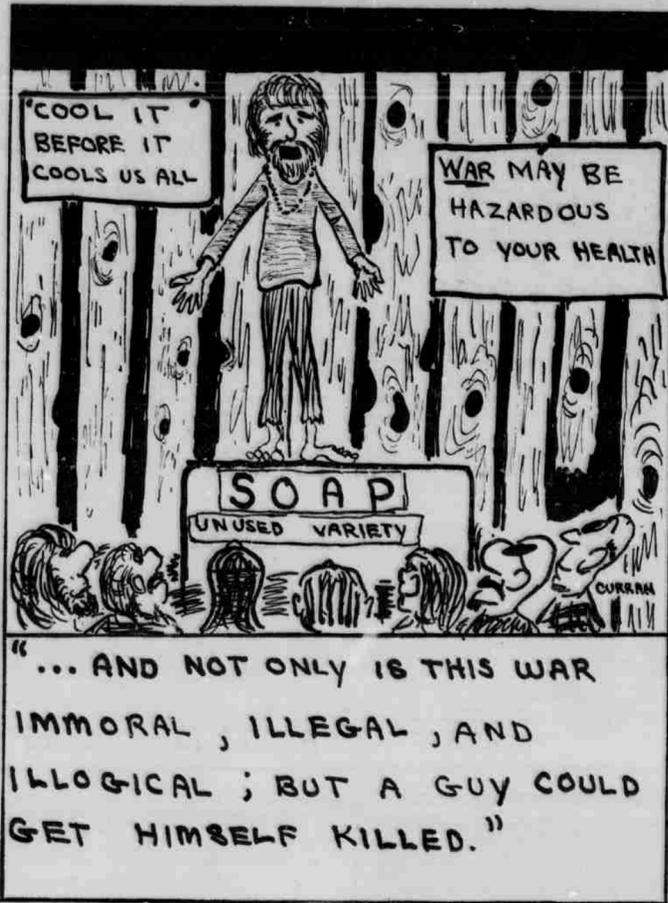
If Panhellenic is ever to become a successful force in the sorority system, representatives must realize that they should vote on issues, not only with regard for the general house opinion, but more with regard for the entire sorority system.

Panhellenic has many problems, which it, too, will admit if it looks at the sorority system realistically. But these problems will never be solved if the present attitude continues and the "golden egg" continues to be passed around.

The Daily Nebraskan urges Panhellenic to change its constitution to make the President an elective office.

We further recommend that representatives to Panhellenic grow up and realize that there is something more important than each single sorority—the entire system in itself.

Unless these changes are made there is little chance for a resurrection of Panhellenic and the sorority system will lie forever in stagnation and decay.



Our Man Hoppe

King Herod, Peace Fighter

By ARTHUR HOPPE The noted archeologist, Dr. Mark Hawking, has discovered still another Lively Lake Scroll in an Essene Cave in his basement.

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod, the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he that is born the Prince of Peace? For we have come to worship him."

And Herod, the king, greeted them, saying, "No man more worships peace than I. But what kind of peace? Peace with honor? Peace with justice? Peace with victory?"

And the wise men sayeth they knoweth not, these things not having been prophesied.

When Herod, the king, had heard these words he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes together, he demanded what he should do.

And Dean, the Scribe of State, stepped forward, prophesying: "As Bethlehem goeth, so goeth Nazareth, Jericho and all of Galilee."

And Mack, the Chief Priest of the Army, stepped forward, abacus in his hand, prophesying: "Ten thousand soldiers. O King, will bring peace to Judea in forty days and forty nights."

And Horatio, the favorite of the king, stepped forward, smiling and saying: "All men loveth and worship thee, O King, and know that thou seeketh only peace. Only peace with honor."

And Herod, the king, well-pleased with such advice, sent ten thousand soldiers to Bethlehem to seek peace with honor. And when forty days had passed, he sent another ten thousand and another and another.

And, lo, voices of dissent were raised in Jerusalem and protest was heard in the land.

"Peace is just around the corner," prophesied Mack.

"We are now fighting to save the whole world," prophesied Dean.

"And, anyway," sayeth Horatio, still smiling, "I yet love and worship thee, O King."

And Herod, the king, scowled, saying, "I will go anywhere to talk about peace, on the land or on the water."

And the people of Bethlehem responded, saying, "Withdraw your soldiers and there will be peace."

"Not that kind of peace!" cried Herod, the king. And waxing exceedingly wroth, he sent forth orders to his soldiers, saying, "Slay all the children that are in Bethlehem and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under!"

When ambassadors from every land protested, Herod, the king, sayeth: "I do this to save thee, and thou mock me?" When his own people lamented, he sayeth: "I do this to protect thee, and thou deery me?"

And, lo, peace came to Bethlehem, but no man would sayeth that it was peace with honor. Not even Horatio.

"I care not what people sayeth," cried Herod, the king, "for I know that history will absolve me."

And verily, it is written: "He goeth to history for judgment who hath nowhere else to go."

CAMPUS OPINION

Dear Editor: I'm sick and tired of everyone objecting to AWS and trying to put it down.

I think it's about time someone spoke up in defense of AWS and Dean Synder. I contend AWS and all that goes with it (women's hours, etc.) is necessary and all women should have to be members.

In support of this I say—have you ever noticed that women are different than men? You bet, men don't need anyone to tell them when to come in at night; they're intelligent enough to know when to.

Besides, if girls try to seduce them, they're strong enough to fight the girls off. Girls don't possess these attributes as everyone knows. They are stupid and need someone to protect their frail bodies.

The fact that there are two males to one female at this University proves men are superior and don't need someone to tell them what to do; i.e. "Might makes right."

However, although I approve of this terrific system, I offer two suggestions: —All women have their genes examined to make sure they qualify as AWS members.

—Girls' parents be required to live in the empty dorms, thus solving the problems of empty rooms and closer supervision.

Long live male supremacy. Marc Lund

Amused Dear Editor: I was somewhat disturbed by an amusing little letter from John Breck-

enridge which appeared in the Wednesday Daily Nebraskan.

There is yet another kind of freedom—the kind of freedom that sets a man free even from the point of time and space which cumburs his body. This is the freedom of truth. It is the type of freedom of conscience, the freedom from disabling fear which allows one to do what he can or feels he must and face the consequences.

Perhaps Marxer is free. "For the reader who cares to explore this concept of freedom more thoroughly, I refer him to God's Bible. Clark D. Spivey, Jr.

The Draft

Dear Editor: This is a short poem I wrote this summer.

Puzzled by the fear of the unknown, Pushed through the line— Strip, specimen, squat, bend cough— The new-cropped heads, fitted for caps

Top virgin bodies unused to harsh khaki. Presently the sergeant, black eyes snapping

Teeth and lips set, gives the order to march. The reluctant boots make no noise But leave oozing depressions in the matted mulch.

The thin column rounds a bend and halts. Before a low hut. Flies buzz in the clammy stillness And the red-flag doesn't even move. Bruce Wollenberg, Vicar University Lutheran Chapel

Right of Left

By A. C. E.

In keeping with the true Christmas spirit I have decided to publish a list of Christmas gifts which I have compiled for all of you who are still unsure of what to give to your favorite campus personalities and organizations.

In an effort to help the Regents maintain their current image an appropriate gift would be a copy of de Tocqueville's Democracy in America.

Chancellor Hardin has been hinting that he would like a detailed map of Lincoln with the route between his home and the University clearly delineated. For all of you who wish to be a tad more generous let me also suggest a detailed map of the campus which can be obtained at no cost at any of the university bookstores.

G. Robert Ross: the presidency of ASUN, that way it would all be legal.

As you know Dean Snyder enjoys open houses in the dormitories so as an extra special holiday lift I feel that a rash of open houses would be appropriate. The girls' living units are also advised to have their AWS reps conduct the Dean on a tour of their dorm in the interest of a continual flow of traffic during your special event.

To show our thanks to those grand promoters of academic freedom, Terry Carpenter and Norbert Tremann, I feel that an extra student fee should be assessed to provide funds for a monument constructed in their image. The statues could then be placed in the mall, a welcome addition to the University's campus.

Others: Union: a new Hospitality Committee or Charles Schulze.

Ad Hoc Committees: a fact to work on, with, or by.

Due to the fact that AWS Board is holding their annual Christmas party next Tuesday evening I believe that all potential gift-givers should consider the possibility of providing entertainment for the group. Old Mousekateer television flicks can be obtained quite easily.

Legal Attack On Hershey Planned

Collegiate Press Service

Four national student organizations and 15 student body presidents have filed a suit against Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey.

The suit asks for a court injunction stopping enforcement of Hershey's recent letter to local draft boards telling them to reclassify and draft as soon as possible anyone who destroys or turns in his draft card or who participated in demonstrations aimed at blocking induction centers or military recruiters.

The suit followed a group of four others filed by the American Civil Liberties Union in behalf of individuals who have been reclassified under Hershey's order.

Ed Schwartz, president of the National Student Association (NSA) the main plaintiff in the student case, says he had been told by the ACLU that NSA's case is more significant because it "is a wholesale attack at the source of the unconstitutional order."

In addition to NSA, the organizations filing the suit are Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), Campus Americans for Democratic Action (CADA), and the University Christian Movement (UCM).

Hershey said Monday he does not consider it punishment to have a deferment removed to be drafted. "It is a privilege to be called to serve your country," he said.

Hershey's letter to draft boards, sent Oct. 18, however, referred to reclassification and drafting as punishment for "misguided registrants."

His letter gave two instructions to local boards: —They could reclassify as eligible for service and draft as soon as possible anyone who has destroyed or turned in his draft card.

—They should consider reclassifying and drafting as soon as possible any person who attempts to block induction centers or military recruiters.

The student suit alleges that these orders are unconstitutional and violate due process, because they do not allow for a trial before a jury, defense counsel, etc.

The suit also says that the second of Hershey's orders violated the very law which he is supposed to be enforcing. It notes that the act passed by Congress in June gives certain deferments, including those for students, "as a matter of statutory right." Thus, when Hershey tells draft boards to take away student deferments because of protest activities, he is violating "the express will of Congress."

Schwartz also questions, as does the suit, Hershey's right to use the Selective Service System to punish dissenters. The suit says such punishment should be left to the courts and Schwartz added that the Selective Service "has no more right to punish people than a public library does."

Local draft boards have already begun to enforce Hershey's order, Schwartz says he believes at least 100 students have been reclassified under the order already.

The ACLU is filing suits in behalf of several of those who have and will continue to do so as they arise. The ACLU has already announced four suits filed in New York; Camden, N.J.; Salt Lake City and Seattle and says it is about to file one more.

Several of these involve clergymen who have been reclassified after participation in anti-draft activity. The National Council of Churches has joined as co-plaintiff with the ACLU in those cases.

UNUSUAL The groups who filed the student suit form an unusual coalition. SDS is much more radical than the others and has been the leading organizer of campus protests against military recruiters. Both NSA and CADA have opposed "coercive tactics such as interfering with students who want to see recruiters," though they have both opposed the use of campus police. The University Christian Movement is a student organization affiliated with the National Council of Churches.

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Right Intent . . .

Wrong Action

The Senate should be commended for the intent of its resolution on military recruiting at the University. But perhaps the Senate should re-examine at least one of the methods it proposes to change Selective Service director Lewis B. Hershey's directives regarding student demonstrations.

When Hershey first made the statement recommending that the deferments of men who engage in illegal activity which causes refusal of duty in the military service and of those who interfere with military recruitment including on-campus military recruitment be revoked, the Daily Nebraskan criticized this action editorially:

"It certainly seems highly questionable whether the draft should be used as a punishment for those students who have blocked military recruiters from coming onto campus . . .

"But we feel that the draft is not, and should not be, punishment for disobeying the laws. We feel the punishment provided under the laws—and it is nearly certain there were laws broken—should be the penalty for this conduct."

The Daily Nebraskan feels the same about the directive as it did at that time.

Thus we would agree with the resolution that states that "the ASUN Senate pledges its resources to the active support of any person drafted for this reason and seeking to test the legality of his being drafted and strongly supports the efforts of the National Student Association (NSA) litigation in the federal courts opposing the policy ex-

pressed in the Hershey directive."

But the Daily Nebraskan does disagree with Senate in urging that military recruitment on campus be suspended until Hershey revokes his directive.

It seems unlikely that this action, even if all colleges and universities adopted it, would have any effect on rescinding Hershey's directive.

The draft and recruitment, though they both provide manpower for the military services, are two separate organizations. It is highly unlikely that stopping one would greatly affect the other.

Moreover, the Daily Nebraskan feels that this action is contrary to the Student Bill of Rights passed last spring by the student body. All students, including those who might wish to interview with military recruiters, should be allowed that opportunity. When that opportunity is denied, the Bill of Rights is being contradicted.

Perhaps it is true, as Sen. Spangler contends, that eliminating the presence of military recruiters will remove the possibility of students being involved in demonstrations against the recruiters.

But if certain students are very adamant in their objection to military recruiters, there are offices of recruiters only a few blocks away from campus which could just as easily be the object of student demonstrations.

The Daily Nebraskan fully agrees with the intent of the resolution and two of the proposed actions; but we also feel that the weight of evidence is in favor of student rights in the action urging that military recruiters be banned.

R.I.P. Hyde Park

Hyde Park is floundering and it probably should be allowed to quietly drown.

The weekly Nebraska Union lounge forum began three years ago amid much fanfare and coverage from the state's press. It continued to be an attention-getter and a crowd-drawer for most of the first year-and-a-half, helped along by the novelty of it all and the personality of Carl Davidson.

Hyde Park wasn't always enlightening, highly meaningful or intellectually stimulating, but it was generally entertaining. A student or faculty member could spend a pleasant hour listening to the debates and the monologues over women's hours, political candidates, national politics and the stop lights on 14th St. The old Hyde Park sessions drew crowds of 200-250 who created such traffic problems the Union officials stood by to keep order.

This year, however, the forum has lacked all appeal. It started out weakly and continued that way until it fell into a pattern that each Thursday the 120-150 drafters would gravitate from the "rib to the lounge, plop themselves on the furniture and elect one of them to take the microphone while the others played word games with him.

The rest of the "audience" consisted of the high school-style boys who regularly inhabit the lounge television chairs and Union drifters, characteristic of this

group was one student who said he was at Thursday's session "only because I'm waiting for a bus."

The Hyde Park idea was good three years ago and it still is, but the forum has fallen into such ill times that it is best it be dropped.

The open student forum idea can be effectively put into operation in some other way.

A possible alternative to Hyde Park might be a monthly student panel featuring administration or student government representatives or campus personalities who currently figure in a campus issue. Students would have the opportunity to question the main figures in the issue and to give them their own views of the situation.

The forum could be held, in the Union lounge with basically the same setup as Hyde Park. The monthly meeting date would hopefully insure against staleness.

A good way to start the series off would be to get the ASUN executives to appear for a question-and-answer session. Now that they are halfway through their term, students must have many questions about what has been going on in the Senate and with the Bill of Rights.

The Union Talks and Topics Committee has always been one of the most original and versatile groups on the campus. The committee should be—if they are not not—seriously considering an alternative to Hyde Park.