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M. Edward Bryan, housing director: Foreign students usually live in apartments within walking distance of campus.

Foreign students ... Housing termed substandard

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second in a three-part series on the foreign student at the University. Researched and written by a Daily Nebraskan special assignment reporter, this second installment deals with housing. The final installment will concern social acceptance.

by Keith Williams

Foreign student housing is often criticized as being substandard, but it is difficult to blame anyone for this situation, according to two University administrators.

There are 28 foreign students living in University residence halls—22 men and six women. There are 24 students living in University-owned housing off campus (two apartment buildings at 16th and R streets and one on S Street)—19 men and five women. In other off-campus apartments there are 143 foreign students—121 men and 22 women.

According to Wayne Kuncel, University foreign student adviser, many foreign graduate students don't want a large, dormitory setting because the graduates are much older than the other residents and the foreign students can-

not obtain their native foods from the dorms.

The biggest problem facing foreign students living in dormitories is the \$90 a month rent. Kuncel said most foreign students either do not want to spend that much money for housing, or they cannot afford it even if they want to live there.

This forces the students to live off-campus, he explained.

Most foreign students who live off-campus want apartments within walking distance of their classes. M. Edward Bryan, housing director, said. But there is a shortage of living space around the campus and foreign students often take apartments that few students would live in.

These apartments have been called substandard, Kuncel said. Generally, they probably are, he said, but that is judging from an American viewpoint. They might not be substandard to the foreign student, he added.

Bryan said apartments in the University-owned housing on 16th Street rent from \$55 to \$85 a month. Rooms in the S street building rent for \$70 a month.

This housing is open to all stu-

dents, foreign and American, on a first come, first served basis. Bryan said. He described the apartments as having minimum accommodations.

Bryan said that University off-campus married housing is very limited. However, there is plenty of housing for single and married students in the city, away from the campus, he added.

He said Lincoln offers two-bedroom duplexes at the old Lincoln AFB for \$65 to \$75 a month. Bryan also said the Lincoln Housing Authority has a rent subsistence program for married students with children. This program pays the difference between the rent and what the family can afford.

Poor housing available

Foreign students are at a disadvantage when they come here, Kuncel said, because they arrive just before classes start, and the better housing is already taken.

Bryan explained that when a foreign student arrives on campus, the student is permitted to live in a dormitory while he looks for off-campus housing.

Kuncel said when the foreign stu-

dent decides to look for housing, the Foreign Student Office tries to send an American couple along with the student. One reason for this is to help the student find his way around a strange city.

Less discrimination

But also, Kuncel said, renters are less likely to discriminate against foreign students and refuse to rent apartments to them when they are accompanied by Americans.

Kuncel said the lighter the foreign student's complexion, the easier it is for him to find housing.

Bryan said his office has not received many reports of discrimination from foreign or American students. He explained students are requested to file reports if they think there has been discrimination. Foreign students are more reluctant to file reports than Americans, Bryan said.

If the Housing Office proves that discrimination has occurred, the offending renter has his house taken off the University approved housing list and undergraduates cannot live there.

Bryan said foreign students are sometimes more readily accepted

Undesirable view

In 1966 an ASUN committee studied foreign student housing, and proposed to the Lincoln City Council that it secure a minimum housing standards code for rental housing. The committee found foreign student housing to be often substandard and that foreign students receive a less than desirable view of American life because of poor housing and discrimination.

Last November Lincoln voters defeated the proposed minimum standards housing code by a more than 2-1 margin.

Gene Pokorny, ASUN first vice president, said Student Senate worked for the passage of the code as a follow-up to the 1966 report. He said the code's passage would have aided all off-campus University students, foreign and American students alike.

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NSA affiliation proposal made

Senate suggests liberalized pass/fail grading policies

by Susie Jenkins
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Senate executives presented two bills Wednesday that would propose and endorse the University's affiliation with the National Student Association (NSA).

The bills would place the question of membership before student voters at the spring election.

Bill Fifteen, the propositional bill, states in part:

"Be it enacted: That the ASUN Senate place the following proposal on the spring general election ballot:

"The Association of Students of the University of Nebraska should affiliate with and become a member of the United States National Student Association. Affiliation with the USNSA means that we the student body of the University of Nebraska do the following:

"1. Adopt the USNSA constitution and preamble.

"2. Accept the USNSA by-laws as an implementation of the structure and organization of the NSA.

"3. Adopt the constitution of the USNSA region in which we reside.

"4. Pay our national and regional dues."

Three reasons

ASUN President Dick Schulze spoke in behalf of the bills, and said that the Senate executives thought affiliation was necessary for three reasons:

—Student Governments of universities the size of Nebraska should be oriented toward national and international issues. NSA provides information and services for these purposes.

—NSA provides help to member universities in programming speakers and campus events.

—The organization provides administrative services such as help in organizational research problems and contact with other universities.

NSA and ASG

Schulze said that of the two national organizations the Association of Student Governments and NSA, the latter best fulfills the University of Nebraska's needs.

Hyde Park slated today

A special session of Hyde Park will be held in the Union this afternoon. According to Carol Madson of the Talks and Topics committee, this session will decide the fate of the future of Hyde Park.

"ASG is newer and broke away from the NSA several years ago," Schulze said. "NSA was started twenty years ago, and has been very successful in the education and services to universities

"NSA regularly makes policy statements on national issues, and does not shy away from controversial stands," he said.

The two bills for affiliation will be considered at next week's Senate meeting.

Pass-fail system

In other business, Senate passed a bill that would recommend that the Faculty Senate institute more liberal pass-fail grading policies. The bill passed 25-3.

Presented by Senator Craig Dreeszen, the bill would open more areas of study to pass-fail grading, and make the courses optional to students regardless of class rank.

Amendment proposed

Dreeszen proposed an amendment making all freshman courses pass-fail. Senators voted down the amendment.

Senator Kathy Kuester noted that freshmen need the stimulation of grades, and Senator John Hall said that he "didn't know a freshman who would try to do anything but pass."

In further business, Senators approved Dave Buntain as the new student representative on the Student-Faculty Convocation Committee, and okayed a motion to allow the Students for McCarthy to collect money before the group's constitution is approved.

Senate also approved a bill presented by Senator Cheryl Adams to give the programming and implementation of the Model United Nations to the Nebraska Union. The bill passed unanimously.

Senate also declared the week of February 19 as Peace Corps Week.

Student Senate will accept

applications for interviews for those wishing to represent Graduate College, to replace Al Felber who presented his resignation to the Senate Wednesday.

Hyde Park recently drew attention because of the lack of relevant and interesting issues for discussion. Topics had centered around Vietnam and drugs and only a few speakers had dominated the forum.

On Campus ... Today



A biology symposium will be held Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in the Bessey Hall auditorium. Dr. Bhairab Bhattacharjee from Creighton University Medical School will be the speaker. A coffee and brief social time will be held before the symposium.

Peace Corps Agricultural Representatives will be at the East Campus Union from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday to talk to interested students.

Freshman and upperclass quiz bowl teams will match wits Thursday night in the Union beginning at 7 p.m. Moderators will be Jerry Petr and Jim Hoge.

The University Dames will hold their first meeting of the semester Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Howell theater. The Unimimes will perform and admission is 25 cents.

Thursday is the University of Nebraska Charter Day, starting the 99th year of the University.



Quiz Bowl teams clash Thursday

The following quiz bowl matches will be played Thursday evening: (Isolation time 6:45): Cornhusker Co-op vs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Beta Sigma Psi vs. Sigma Chi; Delta Delta Delta vs. Theta Xi; Acacia vs. Sigma Delta Tau; Abel IV Dupes vs. Phi Psi Runcakes; Beta Theta Pi C vs. Schramm 5; Kappa Sigma vs. Love Hall.

(Isolation time 8:00): ADP Fuddled Foursome vs. Theta Chi II; Phi Delta Theta Goats vs. Ag Men; Beta Theta Pi A vs. Sinn Fein; The Uncalled Four vs. Les Fleurs du Mal; Kappa Alpha Theta II vs. Troopers; Phi Delta Theta A vs. Sigma Chi; Quiz Kids vs. ZBT Men; Kappa Sigma A vs. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

Residents of Schramm reject IDA membership

by Mark Gordon
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Inter-Dormitory Association (IDA) executives and Schramm Hall officials have expressed concern over Schramm's overwhelming rejection of IDA membership in a Tuesday election.

With nearly 50 per cent voting, the men's dormitory struck down IDA membership almost three to one with a 147 to 50 negative response.

IDA President Brain Ridenour said Wednesday that although the IDA would not be harmed internally by the vote, it would harm the group's public image.

"I think it (the vote) indicated an inherent weakness in communication within IDA or in their actual actions and it's something the new executives will strive to correct," he said.

The new IDA executive officers will be selected Friday and they will assume office one week later.

The IDA executive said the vote indicated Schramm's unwillingness to work constructively with the other dormitory representatives to build a stronger residence hall system.

Ridenour said the recent boycott of the open door regulation of the new open house policy by Harper Hall could have alienated Schramm residents who rejected the membership bid Tuesday.

He pointed out that Schramm can hold another membership vote by acquiring the IDA Council's consent.

Although an undercurrent of feeling against IDA had been prevalent the majority of the year, it did not appear strong enough to override the IDA supporters, Jim Humlicek, Schramm president said.

McCarthy to speak on campus

U.S. Senator Eugene McCarthy, seeking the Democratic Presidential nomination against President Johnson, will speak on campus Thursday, Feb. 22.

The Minnesota senator, an outspoken critic of U.S. policy in the Vietnamese conflict, will speak in the Nebraska Union ballroom at 3:30 p.m., according to Carol Madson, Union Talks and Topics Committee chairman.

Miss Madson said McCarthy's appearances before college audiences this year indicate he is an articulate, well-prepared speaker. Considered an intellectual, he has a quick and sharp wit in formal situations, she said.

"In a sense, by being the only dorm not in the IDA, we're going to weaken it," he added.

"IDA didn't appear to produce to the average resident," he said in explaining that slow concrete progress in the open house issue was the largest factor in the Tuesday vote.

Although disappointed by the Schramm vote, Dave Shonka, IDA vice president, said he hoped Schramm would reconsider the matter and hold another election during the current academic year.

Shonka discounted rumors that the approximate \$40 yearly dues Schramm would have been assessed could have caused the negative vote.

"All it would have taken was a simple act of the Council to change the \$40 yearly dues to an amount proportional to a semester's membership," he explained.

He said many residents have felt the IDA should have taken a

stronger position in various issues, but "the IDA has been misunderstood and misrepresented this year."

When Smith and Harper Halls approved IDA membership, many Schramm residents desired independence from IDA to determine what benefits would be lost by rejecting IDA membership. Ron Alexander, Schramm vice president said.

"Many residents felt the IDA hasn't accomplished that much in its two years of existence to make membership worthwhile," he said. Alexander rejected the idea that recent defiance of the open door policy by Harper Hall influenced Tuesday's results since the IDA generally backed Harper in a resolution passed last week.

"I think most residents are happy we didn't join," he said in explaining many Schramm residents had been discussing IDA negatively for some time.

Hardin will decide fate of SAF report Document on student rights to be submitted

by John Dvorak
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Chancellor Clifford Hardin will decide the eventual fate of the Student Academic Freedom (SAF) Committee's document on student rights, ASUN Vice President Gene Pokorny said this week.

The report will be submitted to Hardin within three weeks, he said.

The SAF document will expound on the 17 amendments to the ASUN constitution, also known as the bill of rights, approved by student referendum last spring, continued Pokorny.

Longer committee report

"Obviously," Pokorny said, "The committee report will be much longer and will deal with the amendments in much greater depth."

The committee report will deal with a number of issues not specifically mentioned in the bill of rights, he continued. Pokorny, however, would not say whether all 17 amendments approved by the students would be dealt with in the SAF committee report.

The last constitutional amendment, which was placed on the ballot by petition, guarantees students the right to choose their own living environments. If this guarantee is included in the SAF report, it would be in opposition to current university policy.

The committee was appointed

by Hardin last September and, according to Pokorny, will make its report directly to Hardin. Pokorny would not disclose any of the actual contents of the SAF report, the ASUN amendments are that students have the right to:

—determine who shall have access to their academic or non-academic records;

—participate freely in off-campus activities when not claiming to be officially representing the university;

—discuss and freely express themselves within the classroom; —participate in university policy —making decisions;

—form labor unions composed of students employed by the university; and

—receive due process in all academic and disciplinary proceedings.

No speculation

Pokorny would not speculate on whether the SAF report would be approved by Hardin or the Regents.

Members of the SAF committee are ASUN President Richard Schulze and Pokorny, representing the students; Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs G. Robert Ross and Vice Chancellor, Dean of Faculties Merck Hobson, from administration; Dr. Campbell McConnell, professor of economics, and Dr. Kenneth Orton, associate professor of psychology, representing the faculty.