

Campi in Review

New privileges have been extended to all Oklahoma State women living in University residence halls, according to the student newspaper, the O'Collegian.

The privileges include student regulation of her own hours, sign outs without parental approval, the use of dormitory lounges later than the usual residence hall visiting hours, and out-of-town guests who may observe the same rules as her hostess.

The Board of Regents at the University of Colorado hiked tuition \$44 a year for Colorado residents and \$150 a year for non-residents.

The hike will make out-of-state tuition \$1,284 a year and resident tuition \$330.

The meager appropriation of the state legislature was blamed for the tuition raise, according to the Daily Coloradoan.

Students at the University of Minnesota this week picketed the University Bookstore in an effort to give students a greater voice in the allocation of bookstore profits.

According to the student newspaper, a lead of the picketing group said that he hopes the picketing, "will help show the administration that we are not happy with the way the bookstore profits are now allocated."

Another main goal of the picketers is to establish a joint student-faculty-administration committee which would have the decision making power to decide how bookstore profits are used.

The Young Democrats at the University of Colorado have prepared a resolution to "strongly support the nomination of an alternative candidate to Lyndon Johnson at the National Democratic Convention."

The YD's have also formed two ad hoc committees to work for Senators Eugene McCarthy and Robert Kennedy.

Colorado students are also planning a trip to Nebraska April 1-6 to campaign for McCarthy. Students will canvass door-to-door and make telephone calls as they did for McCarthy in the New Hampshire primary.

University of Iowa president Howard Bowen met this week with students to discuss a plan for April 18 and 19 to protest the administration's refusal to include those days as part of Easter vacation.

During the meeting, however, Bowen again refused to lengthen the vacation. He said that absences on the two days will not be held against a student any more than a regular cut.

The Faculty Senate at Wichita State University has adopted a resolution on student rights and responsibilities.

The resolution includes such statements as "Wichita State University reaffirms the principle of intellectual freedom in scholarly activity for students, and it recognizes the full citizenship rights of students in inquiry, discussion, and such actions as they may choose to take on public is-

State youth chairman says Nixon support mushrooms

Membership in the Richard Nixon for President group on campus is mushrooming, according to Dan Wherry, state chairman of the Youth for Nixon campaign.

"We are laying the foundation," Wherry said. "Although we have had tremendous support so far, we haven't even formally begun to solicit membership yet," he continued.

Youth for Nixon is a national organization of students and young people who are supporting the former vice president in his bid for the Presidency. The organization has chapters on many college campuses.

The University's group will distribute bumper stickers,

yard signs, lapel pins and other printed advertising, Wherry said. Films prepared by the national Nixon for President headquarters will be shown and a political rally is planned.

Group to solicit

In the future, Youth for Nixon must select committees chairman, solicit donations and generally develop a time schedule, Wherry said.

The group's plans also include campaigning for Nixon in Choice '68 and establishing fraternity, sorority and dormitory representatives, he said.

Although no one knows the exact date, Richard Nixon will probably come to Nebraska in late April or early May, Wherry reported. "Even George Cook, a prominent Nixon supporter in Nebraska, has no idea when Nixon will come," Wherry said. "But we are fairly certain that Nixon will come before the Nebraska primary," he continued.

"I'm 99 per cent certain, however, that when Nixon does come, he will speak at the Coliseum," Wherry said. "Students at the University are going to accept Richard Nixon very well," Wherry predicted. "Nixon's active support is slowly going to come out," he reported.

Wherry compared Youth

for Nixon with the students for McCarthy and students for Kennedy campaigns. "They're working for their lives," he said. "If they don't get results in the next several weeks, they are dead."

"I'm very confident that Richard Nixon is going to win the nomination," Wherry said. "I think he is the most qualified candidate."

Youth for Nixon groups are forming at many of the college campuses throughout Nebraska. There are chapters at John F. Kennedy college, Creighton, Wayne State and Omaha Universities, Wherry reported.

The group plans additional organization meetings in the next two weeks, he said.

World in Review

The Christian Science Monitor said this week that if former vice-president Richard Nixon is elected president, he will seek immediately to arrange a summit meeting with the Russians on the Vietnam war.

According to a dispatch from the Monitor's staff correspondent in Washington, Nixon does not intend to escalate the U.S. military commitment in Vietnam, but instead will find a way to the negotiating table where he intends to impose a tough-bargaining climate.

—Lincoln Journal

Early this week, more than 1,000 North Vietnamese troops attacked a U.S. artillery base in the Central Highlands. This was the heaviest fighting in the highlands since

last November's 21 day battle at Dak To.

The North Vietnamese were driven back, however, by 5,000 U.S. defenders after four hours of battle. Reports said that 135 North Vietnamese and 19 Americans were killed.

—Lincoln Journal

Czechoslovakia's Communist Leadership announced this week that it will push ahead with reforms, including a new "democratic elections law. The reforms will be instigated regardless of how they upset the rest of the Soviet bloc.

The party presidium called for postponement until June of local elections so that voting procedures could be changed to "reflect the current widespread process of democratization."

—Lincoln Journal

In Panama, National Guardsmen loyal to impeached President Marco A. Robles Wednesday patrolled the streets and blocked a rival government from taking power.

The troops also barred newly-chosen President Max Del Valle from entering government buildings.

The troops were acting on orders from Gen. Bolivar Villarino, the National Guard commander, who refused Sunday to enforce an assembly vote to oust Robles. Villarino said he would await a supreme court decision on the issue.

—Lincoln Journal

College role as parent crumbling

IN LOCO PARENTIS AND THE CASE FOR LIBERALIZED RULES (ACP)—The role of the college or university as a substitute parent for its students is slowly crumbling.

The doctrine of "in loco parentis," based on a long-held notion that the educational institution can and should act "in place of a parent," is being modified slightly in some schools, rejected completely in others.

Changes are being seen in every area encompassed by the doctrine: Curfews for women. Visitation in dormitories and apartments. Consumption of alcoholic beverages on and off campus.

Place of residence (i.e., allowing students to live off-campus apartments versus requiring them to live in college-supervised dormitories).

Many students regard in loco parentis as archaic, and student newspapers have led the crusade to tear it from its entrenched position as the foundation of the system of social regulations and replace it with an updated, more realistic view of the student's nonacademic life.

On the day when social regulations and counseling services were to be scrutinized by the deans of Valparaiso (Ind.) University at an All-Student Congress, the school newspaper, the Torch, editorialized:

"People who accepted the in loco parentis function of the college formulated a system to shelter naive students from the evil influences of the real world and to inculcate in them a moral code for eventual contact with adult society."

While granting that the "paternalistic" system "sprang from a genuine concern for the welfare and maturation of students," the Torch called it "unworkable at VU today."

"It is unrealistic to believe that three social deans and a handful of dormitory directors can act as father and mother to four thousand students, even when aided by big brother and big sister counselors. It would be almost physically impossible to enforce every regulation in the current Handbook for Students, a model of over-protective thinking."

At the Valparaiso Congress, during which the students were surprised by the announcement that curfews for senior women would soon be abolished, Dean of Students Luther Koepke explained the philosophy underlying rules at Valparaiso.

Three kinds of rules are enforced, Koepke said: "moral rules from the Bible or from God (teaching students Christian ethics is a VU objective), civil rules which must be obeyed as the edicts of authority, and social rules enforced to insure orderly living conditions."

Students are not allowed to make all their own rules, the Torch quoted Koepke as saying, because they have not yet been "tempered by history and experience."

Social regulations (and the philosophy behind them) are one target of the student power movement, and some changes can be attributed in part to the activists, but others have come solely by administrative decree in recognition of the temper of the times.

Grinnell (Ia.) College abolished all women's hours this fall in the belief, President Glenn Leggett said, that "any regulation of college women's hours... is a matter of security rather than morality

and that reasonable security can be secured... without the necessity of the college's maintaining arbitrary hours system."

Dean of Women Alice O. Low said justification of women's curfews was increasingly difficult since neither contemporary parental practices nor educational philosophy supports such regulation.

Michigan State University and the University of Minnesota recently eliminated curfews for all dormitory women except freshmen, who are generally thought by administrators to require a period of adjustment between the assumed regulations of home to the complete freedom of a no-hours policy.

Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, extended dorm closings to 2 a.m. for juniors and seniors and began a senior women's hall with no hour restrictions. But despite the improvement over the old system, the Western Herald wasn't satisfied. The newspaper urged the university to follow Michigan State's example.

Hours for senior women at Wartburg College, Waverly, Ia., were liberalized by the initiation of a key system for senior women but some vestiges of the old system remained: disciplinary probation (with no appeal) for lending the key to an ineligible coed and a stiff \$25 penalty for losing the key.

Still other schools are pushing for change. At the University of North Carolina, a referendum last spring showed, the Daily Tar Heel said, that "a majority of coeds here favor extension of closing hours, elimination of closing hours for seniors, liberalization of the overnight sign-out system for girls who have blanket parental permission, and the option to live in off-campus housing for

coeds who are either seniors or 21 years old."

The Tar Heel suggested that the dean of women look not to the results of an alumni survey but to other schools for guidelines in building a new system of women's rules.

Women's hours "bug" dorm residents, but they're equally dissatisfied with policies governing visitation.

Debate over open houses and open doors is nothing new; it has been several years now since the well-publicized case of the male residents who, rebelling against a policy requiring doors during visitation to be open the width of a book, substituted matchbooks for textbooks.

Since, the debate has been sporadic but often intense. This fall at the University of California, Berkeley, Dean of Students Areleigh Williams "extended from two to ten the number of residence room visits permitted each month by members of the opposite sex," according to a Daily Californian report.

The extension was not greeted as enthusiastically as might have been expected, however—it was coupled with stipulations "that all guests be escorted upstairs by their hosts, and that doors to rooms of all participating students remain wide open at all times."

Lela Zilla, president of Freeborn Hall, called the requirement of wide open doors a "ridiculous invasion of privacy."

"If we're judged mature enough to be permitted ten open doors a month, then we should be likewise trusted to entertain guests with the doors closed," she said. "With the privacy afforded by an open door we might as well sit in the lobby."

The administrative view on open doors inevitably takes

into account the possibility that the public would view such a policy as encouragement of licentiousness.

The University of Maryland doesn't "look upon dormitories, bedrooms and sitting rooms as a place for closed-door visitation," President Wilson H. Elkins said in the diamond back.

Citing "a responsibility to parents and the public generally," Elkins put his foot down on the closed-door recommendation in a student proposal concerning regulations, saying the recommendation "put sex overtones" on the proposal.

A target at still other schools, among them South Dakota State University and North Texas State University, is a policy prohibiting students from having visitors of the opposite sex.

And then there's the question of whether students should be allowed to live in apartments at all. Until recently, coeds at the University of North Carolina were not permitted to live in apartments. Now, senior women have that privilege.

And there's the case of the freshman coed at a Minnesota college who was required to move into a dormitory even though her home was a block from the campus.

At Texas Technological University, 34 male students took to the courts to fight a rule requiring them to live on campus.

The students were denied permission to register this fall because they were not residents in campus housing, the University Daily report-

ed. They filed an injunction against the university, claiming financial inability to live in dormitories.

"Much more is involved," the Daily commented, "than the right of 34 students to live off campus this fall, as both sides of the suit realize. The case is one of nationwide precedence and importance, affecting apartment owners, school administrators and bond holders in every city in the nation with a college or university campus."

"School administrations are involved not only for financial reasons, but because the entire in loco parentis philosophy underlies the case. The decision may well overlap into other areas involving university regulation of the private life of a student."

Changes in rules regarding alcoholic beverages are perhaps less frequent than in other social regulations. Carleton College, Northfield, Minn., recently added its name to the list of schools with liberal liquor rules — it now permits students who are of age to drink in the dormitories.

"Many Eastern schools have allowed this freedom. Emory University, a church-supported Southern institution, has permitted open houses in its residence halls and thrown out an unenforceable liquor ban. So far, no campuses have been pelted with fire and brimstone, and few students have been turned into pillars of salt.

Student government thing of the past?

ACP — Are student governments at universities around the country failures as they are now constituted? Are they due to be radically changed—or even abolished?

All evidence points to the affirmative, says the South End of Wayne State University, Detroit.

A growing number of students is expressing dissatisfaction with their "representative" governments and their overall lack of power. Many are disappointed with their inability to effect changes in the areas of academic reform and basic university restructuring.

Frustration evident

At Wayne, frustration is becoming increasingly evident. Two Student-Faculty Council members have resigned from the Executive Board and others are contemplating resigning. Many others do not intend to run for re-election.

S-FC Chairman Chuck Larsen shares the disenchantment. "Student government can never be relevant to students at Wayne as long as they allow the administration to develop the guideline for its operation," he said.

"The S-FC is constituted by means of a charter granted by the president of the University. He has the power to change it at his discretion and has done so in the past."

Reorganization of S-FC

Larsen said he recommends reorganizing the S-FC "by giving students the opportunity to decide what mechanism they want to represent them. This mechanism would be established and would not negotiate with the administration for the right to exist."

"It destroys the student's self-respect and is degrading," Larsen said, "to have to go to the administration and ask them for the right to have a voice. It is an unalien-

able right of all people, including students, to control their own destinies."

Mark Shapiro, S-FC representative at the Convention of the Michigan Association of Student Governments, said he found "that the majority of student governments around the state were even in a worse plight than we are. It is apparent that student governments are undemocratically formed — not on the basis of one man—one vote."

Control over activities

The University of Michigan's Student Government Council, in an attempt to control over the activities it undertakes and allow for greater financial freedom, is incorporating under university regulations.

Its chairman, Bruce Kahn, expressed dissatisfaction with student government in general, suggesting student unions instead or possibly no organization at all.

"Apathy is tooed into the nature of education at American universities," Kahn said. "There will be no change in universities until the American student becomes radicalized."

Student leaders

Often student leaders themselves are at fault. Many are interested in personal power rather than student power."

Ed Schwartz, president of the National Student Assn., expressed the sentiments of a growing number of students at a national conference on student power:

"The lesson is clear — you cannot keep any group in subservience in a society which purports to be free without that group applying the standards and hopes of democracy to its own condition. The labor movement said that in the 30's; the black people have said it so in the 60's; the students will say it in the late 60's and beyond."

SOCIAL CALENDAR

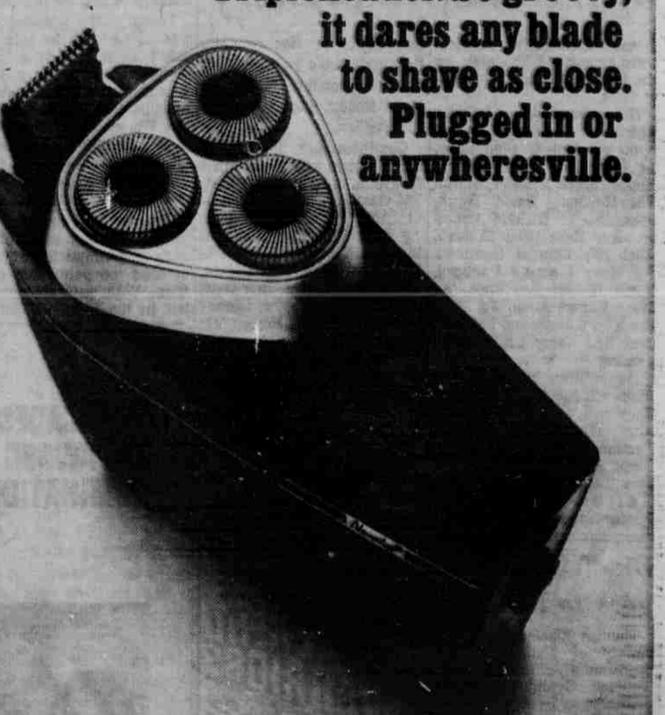
Friday, March 29
KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA FORMAL—7:30-12 Cornhusker Hotel
SIGMA CHI FORMAL — 7:30-12 Lincoln Hotel
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CORNHUSKER CO-OP-FEDDE HALL HOUR DANCE—6:30-7:30
Saturday, March 30
HOME ECONOMICS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION BRUNCH—9:30-11 a.m. Villager Cafeteria
DELTA SIGMA PI HOUSE PARTY—9-12 p.m.

DELTA ZETA VICTORIAN ROSE BALL—6:30-12 Lincoln Hotel
Sunday, March 31
RAM SELLECK HOUR DANCE—4-5 p.m.
CATHER 3 PICNIC — 2-6 p.m.
SMITH 8 IDA HOURS — 2-5 p.m.
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