

New Senate asks grading committee

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The newly-elected Student Senate Wednesday passed its first resolution which requests the Faculty Senate to establish a Faculty-Student committee to "continually re-evaluate the University of Nebraska grading system."

The resolution, in the form of a letter, is to be read at the emergency Faculty Senate meeting tomorrow at 4 p.m. in Love Library Auditorium.

Faculty Senate has approved a shift from the 4.0 system to a 4.5 system with the inclusion of "plus" grades for every letter except F, failing. The change was approved shortly before Spring Vacation.

This resolution made official recent statements by student leaders who spoke on behalf of the student body in objection to the Faculty Senate action. The new senators passed the resolution unanimously with a few ab-

stentions. In presenting the resolution, ASUN President Craig Dreeszen emphasized that the students' objection was "not in the grade change itself, but that students were not consulted in the action."

This does not prevent Faculty Senate members from asking for reconsideration of the emergency motion passed at the last Faculty Senate meeting, Dreeszen emphasized.

Several faculty members have indicated that such a move is being planned, but none would predict the outcome of the motion or the meeting.

One professor noted that the attendance is expected to be so heavy that it would be impossible to predict any senate action.

Political science professor Ivan Volgyes, who plans to speak at the Senate meeting, said Wednesday he was "really bugged" that the student body was concerned

over such little matters. "The student body, including ASUN, bears strict responsibility for not supporting the national boycott of classes Friday in non-support of the Vietnam war," Volgyes said.

"Students are not competent to make judgement on grading systems," he said. "The type of system is only important to indicate whether the student is graduate school material, and to keep him out of the draft."

Volgyes noted that the main purpose of the grading change was to do something about those people flunking out of the University.

"I'd love to see some sort of pass-fail system used, but graduate schools won't accept this type of grading," Volgyes said.

Psychology Professor Frank Dudek noted Wednesday that since the students have taken the initiative to discuss the grading change, it is up to them "to ex-

plain what they are trying to achieve."

Dudek, a member of the ad hoc committee that made the grade change recommendation, criticized the petition that caused the convening of the Faculty Senate meeting.

"The petition puts emphasis on the grading system question, not the procedural problem of student non-involvement," Dudek said.

"You won't find many faculty members who disagree with including student opinion and participation."

"However, there was a certain ambiguity in the wording of the petition which clouds several issues together," he said.

Dudek further stated that students who worry about the change as a detrimental factor do not understand the mechanics of the grade change.

Dreeszen and former ASUN President Dick Schulze were instrumental in petitioning for the

Faculty Senate meeting. Dreeszen feels that students are "legal" in asking for the meeting because previous dialog took place between the Administration, the ASUN Education Committee and the Faculty Senate Liaison committee.

In a letter dated February 22, 1968, Vice-Chancellor G. Robert Ross told the Faculty Senate Liaison Committee that he "intended to pursue with Chancellor Hardin" the establishment of a special committee to evaluate the grading system.

He noted that it would be helpful if this committee "yet to be established" would consider questions regarding the pass-fail system of grading.

In another letter dated February 28, 1968, the Liaison Committee acknowledged then-Education chairman Craig Dreeszen's request that the Faculty Senate

consider further expansion of the pass-fail system.

"Sympathetic" The letter stated that the committee was "sympathetic to many suggestions," and that they felt a special committee to study the problem would be "most suitable."

It is on this basis, among others, that the ASUN will request the formation of the committee, Dreeszen said.

Dick Schulze, in his final speech to Student Senate Wednesday, said that his sharp reaction to the announced grading change was "a mistake."

"I realize now that the motion was certainly justified, and the oversight of not including the students on the committee was unintentional," Schulze said.

"If student involvement in University affairs is to be the goal of the new Student Senate, you must be careful and cautious about the costs of action," he said.



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Stassen proposes draft lottery with college deferment option

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Harold Stassen proposed drastic changes in selective service, agricultural and Vietnam policies during an exclusive interview in Lincoln Tuesday evening.

"I propose a national lottery to determine who will serve in the armed forces," the Republican Presidential candidate said. "We should also give those who serve an option whether they will serve after high school or after college."

Stassen, long time lawyer, politician and statesman, was at his recently opened State Headquarters Tuesday night to meet with several leaders of the Students for Stassen group at the University.

He continued, "When drafted, students should be utilized in keeping with their education."

The United States could depend on a volunteer professional army to an extent, Stassen said, but the whole defense program should not be based on such an army.

"If the Vietnam war would end, there wouldn't be much drafting," he said. "The draft should only be used to meet emergencies."

Switching to the plight of the farmer, Stassen said that a new

agricultural program based on the successful programs of the Scandinavian countries should be adopted in the United States.

"The income of the American farmer must be raised up to its fair share of the national economy, which would be 23 per cent higher than it is now," he declared.

Farmers in Norway, Sweden and Finland have a method for collective bargaining, an excellent system, Stassen explained.

The former Minnesota governor spoke sympathetically about the recent mass hog killing near Lincoln, sponsored by the National Farmers Organization.

"We must realize that such actions are an outburst of frustration with an inadequate farm program," he said. He termed such tactics as unfortunate and said they should not be necessary.

Holding actions by farmers' organizations have a place, he continued, as long as nothing is destroyed. Stassen reiterated the need for a formal program of action.

In general, the farmers have been responding well to Stassen's

ideas on agricultural, the candidate remarked. "Farmers are in agreement that we need a new program," he said.

Stassen then spoke about the Southeast Asian situation, the major plank in his platform.

He has emphasized three points concerning Vietnam.

"The war drive should be stopped and American forces should be relocated in positions near the sea coast around major cities."

"Both North and South Vietnam should be invited to join the United Nations. All countries should then work through the UN to halt the war, rebuild the damage and police the border between the two Vietnams."

"A Communist coalition in South Vietnam should not be permitted as the government there could be sabotaged from inside."

"I'm hopeful that since President Johnson has made the decision to de-escalate, that he will carry on through," Stassen said.

So far, peace talks have gotten nowhere, he observed. But he expressed the hope that negotiations can begin soon.

Stassen also dispelled the popu-

lar theory that more American soldiers died in the Korean War after negotiations began than before.

Citing Defense Department statistics he recently obtained, Stassen said that 20,929 lives were lost before talks started and 12,700 died after that.

Stassen sized up the race for President as he sees it now.

New York Senator Robert Kennedy is "pretty likely to get the Democratic nomination," he said. Stassen predicted, "If Senator McCarthy loses Indiana and Nebraska, he will fade to a less strong position." Also he said that Vice President Hubert Humphrey would probably announce his candidacy within a week.

On the Republican ticket, Stassen said, "Nixon's leading position is beginning to fade because of the widespread belief that his Vietnam policy is a mistake." Stassen said that Nixon is out of step with world affairs and problems in the cities.

Stassen predicted a wide open Republican race, featuring New York Mayor John Lindsay, Illinois Senator Charles Percy and Oregon Senator Mark Hatfield.



Harold Stassen, veteran Republican Presidential candidate, outlines his platform.

Students display working models during annual Engineer's Week

Undulating sidewalks, hi-fi music from a flame, a white tornado and surveying with electronic devices, will be on display as the 56th annual Engineer's Week commences Thursday with an open house.

The open house, consisting of student planned and constructed

displays, will be held from 2-10 p.m. Thursday. It is expected to attract almost 20,000 persons, according to an estimate made by John R. Davis, dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture.

"The displays are not like industrial models," Davis explained, "they are working models designed by students."

Six departments participate

Six engineering departments will provide displays which will be entirely different from those in past years, Davis added.

Civil engineers, in dedicating their open house exhibit to Prof. Adrian Legault at Stout Hall, will demonstrate an electronic sounding device capable of piloting the cross-section of a river channel.

The Computer Science Department will enter E-Week for the first time with a computer-controlled plotter, remote display units and an example of the capabilities of the IBM-360 computer on the second floor of Nebraska Hall.

Agricultural engineers, in an M and N Building display will demonstrate a scale model to simulate air flow characteristics and air flow patterns in an actual building and a cutaway model of a hydrostatic transmission.

Electrical muscle potential driving artificial limbs will be shown by medical electronic engineers along with demonstrations of computers in programmed learning and voice simulators.

Ten mechanical engineering displays ranging from the reproduction of hi-fi music with a flame to a fire bar using oxygen and magnesium to cut metal will be in Richards Hall. Other exhibits include a steam engine using friction rather than conventional blades, a pulse jet engine and a

white tornado demonstrating the air pressure differences in a tornado.

Freeze-drying featured

Chemical engineering exhibits, in the chemical engineering wing of Avery Lab will feature freeze-drying, desalination of water and liquid crystals as sensing devices.

E-Week co-chairmen Larry Eldridge and Jack Mozdzen said the displays are designed to give viewers an opportunity to see how engineers apply their knowledge in business, industry, agriculture and the community.

Davis said invitations have been sent to several high schools outside Lincoln inviting high school students to attend the open house and a luncheon immediately preceding the open house where they will be informed about engineering field.

He added that one year ago more than 300 high school students from outstate Nebraska attended the ceremonies.

Window displays of the exhibits have been placed in retail stores in downtown Lincoln on O St. to give downtown shoppers a preview of E-week, Davis said.

Although the open house highlights the event, other activities ranging from the annual engineering convocation to an awards banquet will be held Friday.

Louis Lundstrom, head of the automotive safety engineering division of General Motors will address a student sponsored convocation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nebraska Union Ballroom.

Lundstrom, a University graduate, has received an honorary degree from the University, Davis said.

Davis added that all engineering classes will be dismissed Tues-

day and after 10:30 a.m. Friday to enable students to participate in the E-Week programs.

Field games held between students in engineering departments Friday afternoon will be followed by the annual engineering awards banquet at the East Hills Supper Club Friday night.

The O. J. Ferguson award will be presented to the outstanding senior engineering student and an award presented by the Hamilton Watch Company will be given to the engineering student who has developed the strongest program in humanities and social sciences.

An award will also be given to the department selling the most tickets and constructing the leading displays, Davis said.

Davis added that tickets for the banquet can be purchased from engineering students for \$3.50.

Although architecture has declined to enter exhibits in the formal E-Week competition, Davis said a limited number of architecture exhibits will be shown in the Architectural Hall Gallery.

Music art and melodrama will be presented to all University students Saturday and Sunday at the 1968 Spring Weekend sponsored by Abel, Sandoz, Schramm, Harper and Smith dormitories.

Melodrama—"Pure as the Driven Snow," Commons building of Schramm, Harper, Smith complex, Saturday 6 p.m. and Sunday 2:30 p.m.

Carnival—Nebraska Hall parking lot, Saturday 8-12 p.m.

Street dance—Carnival area, Saturday 9-12 p.m., "The Rising Suns" will play.

Art work—Sandoz Hall.

Folk-jazz concert—Sandoz lawn, sponsored by Abel-Sandoz, Sunday night, featuring "The Three Day Ryders", "Candi Wise Quartet", and various individuals and groups.

Outstanding Nebraskan nominations now taken

Nominations for this semester's two outstanding Nebraskans are now being accepted in the Daily Nebraskan office in room 51 Nebraska Union.

The Outstanding Nebraskan awards, presented each semester to an outstanding University faculty member and an outstanding University student will be announced in this semester's final Daily Nebraskan, May 8.

Letters of nomination should contain the nominee's qualifications and reasons why he should be

named an Outstanding Nebraskan by the Nebraskan staff.

Selection of the two Outstanding Nebraskans will be based on the nominee's contributions to the University and the qualifications stated in the letter of nomination.

Last semester's Outstanding Nebraskans were Al Spangler and Dr. Campbell R. McConnell. Spangler was an ASUN Senator; and McConnell, a professor of economics, has written a textbook widely used in economics and teaching.



E-WEEK FLUID FEEDBACK AND MAN AMPLIFIER SYSTEM . . . John Bell demonstrates system he and Terry Whitesel made which will be on display at the E-Week open house 2-10 p.m. Thursday. The system makes it possible to amplify force exerted by man more than four times.

Greek Week activities commence Friday:
Pat Paulsen—Sandpipers performance—Friday, 8 p.m., Pershing Auditorium.
Greek Week games—Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m., practice field near Coliseum.
Pledge Training Conference—Sunday, Union Ballroom.
Housemother's Bridge party—Monday, at Delta Upsilon.
Exchange dinners—Monday.