

Fate of Revolution confab hinges on speaker selection

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After a semester of attempts to get a sluggish 1969 World in Revolution conference out of the planning stage, ASUN conference chairman Ron Alexander said chances are fifty-fifty that the conference will take place this year.

Alexander said Sunday that the ultimate fate of the conference will be decided by the middle of this week. After this date it would be too late realistically to continue planning for the projected April 15 and 16 gathering, he said.

"If we can't bring relevant and interesting speakers to the conference, we will save our money for next year," he said.

ALEXANDER ADMITTED that his committee started too late to put together the program he would have wanted.

"We've found that to get big name speakers, you have to start planning a year ahead," he said.

When the group began inquiring last fall about conference speakers, goals were for such men as Sen. J. William Fulbright (D-Ark.), philosopher Herbert Marcuse and Urban League Director Whitney Young.

ALEXANDER FOUND, however, that these types of speakers were booked far in advance. So he is now trying instead for speakers with "less fame, but equally as talented" as the bigger names. He declined to name those the committee has in mind.

"Such a program will require a bit more selling, but we could have a successful conference anyway," Alexander said.

He maintained that if the speakers now invited should accept, the committee has enough commitments for funds to bring all of them.

HE SAID MONEY would come from the ASUN budget, the Nebraska Union Program Council and the Faculty Convocations committee. The convocations committee has pledged a certain amount, he said, "provided that the speaker is already obtained."

Union Program Council President Dave Buntain criticized this method of funding the World in Revolution.

Buntain, who also serves on the Convocations committee, said that one of the main problems of finding money for educational speakers is that there is no central fund for booking such programs.

"THE ONLY WAY the World in

Revolution conference stands a chance of surviving on a more than temporary basis is by setting up a permanent organization to plan and fund it," Buntain said.

He said that the newly organized Union Forums Committee would be the logical vehicle for such planning, but that for success, "the committee will require a sizeable allocation."

The present faculty Convocations Committee submitted recommendations in December for changes in methods for use of student fees by that committee, but Buntain said he was skeptical as to what will happen to the recommendations.

"WE HAVE BEGUN to realize that little of lasting value can happen in one day, where speakers deliver one speech, eat lunch and take their pay," he said.

"This method forces us to bring in the glamorous big names rather than people of real educational value," Buntain said.

He emphasized that he was not dissatisfied with the 1968-69 speaker series sponsored by the Union, but that "we must put more support with programs having more impact on campus."

"The problem with an inadequate budget is obvious," Buntain said.

"The Faculty Convocations Committee is saddled with two dissimilar functions, and therefore neither the departments nor the all-University convocations are sufficiently funded."

Campus Calendar

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3
(All events in the Nebraska Union unless otherwise indicated)

- 12:30 p.m. Placement Luncheon
- 3:30 p.m. Ed. Psych. & Measurements Colloquium
- 4:30 p.m. Tassels
- 6:30 p.m. Towne Club—Fathers to Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. Summer Internship Interviews UNICORNS
- 7:30 p.m. Math Counselors
- 8:00 p.m. Union Hospitality—Hovland Bridal Show
- 9:00 p.m. Afro-American Collegiate Society
- 10:00 p.m. Innocents

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- 7:30 p.m. Student Veterans Organization—Legion Club; G. Robert Ross, speaker

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student's scholastic record, creative ability, financial need, promise of success in his chosen field, personality and character, Hewes has announced. Members of Phi Eta Sigma are eligible for these scholarships. The local deadline for submitting applications is Feb. 21.

Orientation for keys scheduled

AWS key orientations for any woman who intends to participate in the key system any time this semester will be this week, according to Christie Schwartzkopf, key committee chairman.

On Tuesday, Feb. 4, orientations will be at 7 p.m. at Smith; at 7:45 p.m. for Alpha Delta Pi and Phi Mu at Alpha Delta Pi; 8:30 p.m. at Sandoz.

THE ORIENTATION for Zeta Tau Alpha, Delta Gamma, Delta Zeta and Kappa Delta will be at 6:30 p.m. at Zeta Tau Alpha; at 7:15 p.m. for POUND and Women's Residence at POUND; and at 8:30 p.m. for Burr, Fedde and Love Memorial at Burr, on Wednesday, Feb. 5.

On Thursday, Feb. 6, two orientations will be held at 7 p.m., one for Alpha Phi and Alpha Omicron Pi at Alpha Phi and for Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta and Sigma Delta Tau at Gamma Phi Beta; at 7:45 p.m. at Selleck and at 7:45 p.m. for Alpha Chi Omega, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Sigma Kappa at Alpha Chi Omega; at 8:30 p.m. for Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Xi Delta and Delta Delta Delta at Pi Beta Phi.

Any woman who will be unable to attend her own orientation should check with the key chairman in her living unit.

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