

Amid knife switches and wires, sparks fly in an E-Week demonstration.

Mechanical heart included in NU's E-Week

No speculation on the California apocalypse will be offered and nobody is planning a heart transplant at the University. But engineering students will demonstrate a simulated earthquake and a mechanical heart during E-Week open house.

Tours will begin at Ferguson Hall and proceed through Stout, Richards, Avery and Bancroft halls. Demonstrations will be given from 7 to 10 p.m. Wednesday and 2 to 10 p.m. Thursday.

Electrical engineering students will demonstrate an artificial heart similar in principle to one recently implanted in a man's chest. Another of several demonstrations in the department will be a computer which can draw and a heart beat check which utilizes light passing through a finger.

Students in mechanical engineering will explode a wire by suddenly applying 3,500 volts; 100,000 watts for two thousandths of a second. They will also show how a flame in a gas air conditioner can cool a house. Another display will show steel changing its molecular structure.

Civil engineering students will show why buildings sank after an earth-

quake in Anchorage, Alaska. They will also show how lasers are now used in surveying.

Chemical engineering department will show how coffee or foods can be freeze dried at -40 degrees F. The fermentation process of beer making, liquid crystals, electroplating of plastics and paper-making will also be demonstrated.

Any student may apply for a staff position on next fall's Daily Nebraskan. Applications, available in the Nebraskan office, room 51, Nebraska Union, are due Tuesday, April 29, at 6 p.m.

Positions open include editor, business manager, managing editor, staff writers, news assistant, sports writer, copy editors, business staff, photographers, circulation managers, subscription manager, editorial assistant, night news editor and production liaison.

Fedra announces candidates for ASUN executive spots

by John Dvorak
Nebraskan Staff Writer

A new political association, the Fedra Party, is forming on campus and intends to run a slate of candidates for ASUN executive positions at the spring election. The letters of the new organization stand for Friends of the Eternal Darkness Residence Association.

Robert E. Wilson, a graduate student, is the new party's leader. He estimated the new organization's strength as being "a prime number greater than one and less than 20."

The Fedra Party has not yet announced its three candidates. However the Daily Nebraskan has learned that the party plans to run a goat for ASUN president, a pig for first vice president and an onion for second vice president.

THERE HAS to be a political force on campus and the present candidates are not offering constructive platforms, said Wilson, who would rather be called Fred EDRA, Chief Deviate.

Wilson estimated that the party's strength is growing hour by hour. There is no charge for entering the

organization.

The idea for a party occurred last Monday night, Wilson said. "We (six students) were suffering from a severe case of Freudian frustration while dialing LOVE from the telephone booth in a parking lot of a local drive-in. So we formed a new political front. We were dissatisfied with the way the Student Council sold the Beansies this year."

The Fedra Party platform will be officially announced at a rally Friday on the south steps of the Nebraska Union, Wilson said.

THE GROUP INTENDS, he remarked, to promote the selling of stale popcorn. The group also predicts that California will fall into the ocean on Flag Day and that Lincoln will soon fall into Salt Creek.

"Of course," Wilson said, "the election of the Fedra candidates would slow down these events."

Fedra Party members have secret eating habits, Wilson said, and the group takes an "extreme middle" position on most other campaign issues.

Another plank in the new party's platform involves the distribution of ASUN funds. According to Wilson, the

new party would allocate only funds which are needed by the candidates (presumably food and water). The rest of the ASUN funds would go for scholarships for needy students.

IN REALITY, the Fedra Party is only a local chapter of a national organization, Wilson explained. The national organization has its annual meeting on the first Tuesday after the second Monday after the new moon after the Vernal Equinox. Last year's meeting was in Clyde, Colo.

"Our organization is international in scope," Wilson said. "We come from a long line of subversives."

At this point, only one candidate is actually in the possession of the Fedra Party, Wilson said. A second candidate is jetting in from the west from California. Both are expected to arrive by Friday.

THE FEDRA PARTY intends, after Friday's political rally, to take the candidates around to different houses and dormitories. Wilson also offered to bring the candidates to the Daily Nebraskan office in order to facilitate press coverage.

"We intend to elect our slate of candidates," Wilson said. "After all, our ticket is balanced. One candidate is from East Campus. Another candidate is a female."

On campus today

Dean Lester G. Crocker, dean of humanities at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, will deliver a lecture on "Rousseau, the Authoritarian Mind" at 2:30 p.m. in Sheldon Art Gallery, according to Roberto Esquenazi-Mayo, department of romance languages.

The public is invited. Crocker will also keep office hours from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Burnett Hall, Room 318, on April 25. All interested faculty and students are invited to visit with him.

★ ★ ★
Omicron Delta Epsilon will sponsor a lecture by Professor Paul Heyne of Southern Methodist University at 7:30 p.m. in the Nebraska Union. The topic of the lecture will be "Marx and Markets." The public is invited.

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The University of Nebraska Rodeo Association's queen will be crowned April 25 following the Grand Entry at 7:30 p.m. at the State Fairgrounds Coliseum.

ASUN candidates present party platforms and views

by Connie Winkler
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ASUN presidential candidates Ray Vavak, Bob Zucker and other members of their parties presented party platforms and fielded questions Tuesday night at Schramm Hall.

Bob Zucker, Electorate '69 presidential candidate, feels students should be included on residence hall planning committees. Students should help determine when and what kind of residence halls will be built and work to improve the existing structures.

"THE UNIVERSITY right now isn't offering a good education," Zucker said. Electorate '69 favors curriculum development and elimination of irrelevant courses. These changes can be made through the newly-established teaching council, Zucker said.

He also calls for a pass-fail system with honors system that, again, could be implemented through the teaching council and by seeking out sympathetic faculty.

Answering his failure to put out a faculty evaluation book, Zucker said that the evaluation must be an effective and powerful force within the community. It is not enough to print a book for the sake of printing a book or just including a few faculty members for the sake of having a book, he said.

THE EVALUATION must include all the faculty members, there must be massive distribution free of charge and when students register they must know who the instructor is, Zucker said. At this time there is not the money or co-operation to do this, he added. He hopes that the teaching council will be able to work with American Association of University Professors to make a faculty evaluation possible.

Electorate '69 will be issuing a detailed platform soon, the presidential candidate said. Being on the Electorate '69 ticket does not bind candidates to the platform, but it does mean that the other candidates have the endorsement of the executive candidates, Zucker added.

Vavak, heading the Student Independent Party for Educational Reform (SIP), said that the University should take on a new philosophy

of education. The University now reflects middle class values and prepares cogs for the great American wheel, Vavak said. He wants to put education in some perspective so that it is more relevant and would focus on the individual student.

"MOST OF the things at this University are an insult to us as human beings — such as large courses and bookstore practices," Vavak charged.

To make education relevant and interesting, Vavak proposes a new department of contemporary problems. "We must focus on contemporary problems to solve today's problems," he said.

The presidential candidate also calls for formation of a religion department. Religion is the number one phenomenon in the history of the world and other Big Eight schools have effective religion departments, Vavak said. If students would take the initiative and work with the Nebraska Council of Churches, the University could have a religion department within a year, he said.

VAVAK ALSO proposes a sociologically-orientated course for policemen to teach them to communicate with people. He feels that this kind of course would help offset white police racism.

A student should be able to receive

Orchesis to feature lecture, exhibition

Orchesis, modern dance organization, will feature a lecture-demonstration and several creative and interpretive works during its spring concert at 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday.

The performances will be held in the dance studio of the new Women's Physical Education Building, 14th and Vine. The Orchesis Club is sponsored by the Women's Athletic Association and the department of physical education for women.

The first section of the program will be informative, with the dancers giving a lecture-demonstration entitled "Language of the Dance" explaining the meanings and movements of modern dance.

a degree on the pass-fail system, Vavak said. "We should have knowledge for the sake of knowledge." He also feels that a student or students should be on the Board of Regents. This, too, would help the University focus on the liberal education directed toward the individual, he continued.

To deal with the question of what is being taught in the University, SIP proposes that a faculty-student committee be formed. To brighten the campus architecture and landscaping SIP proposes that architecture and art students be included in future planning. "People do respond to their environment and alumni would probably be anxious to buy more trees," Vavak explained.

SIP FAVORS deferred rush, initiatives to lessen racial discrimination in the Greek system and liberal pledge training. "Our institutions must be consistent with the aims of education," the SIP candidate said.

As in the original Bill of Rights of two years ago, Vavak said students should be responsible for their behavior outside the classroom. He feels students should only be under civil jurisdiction.

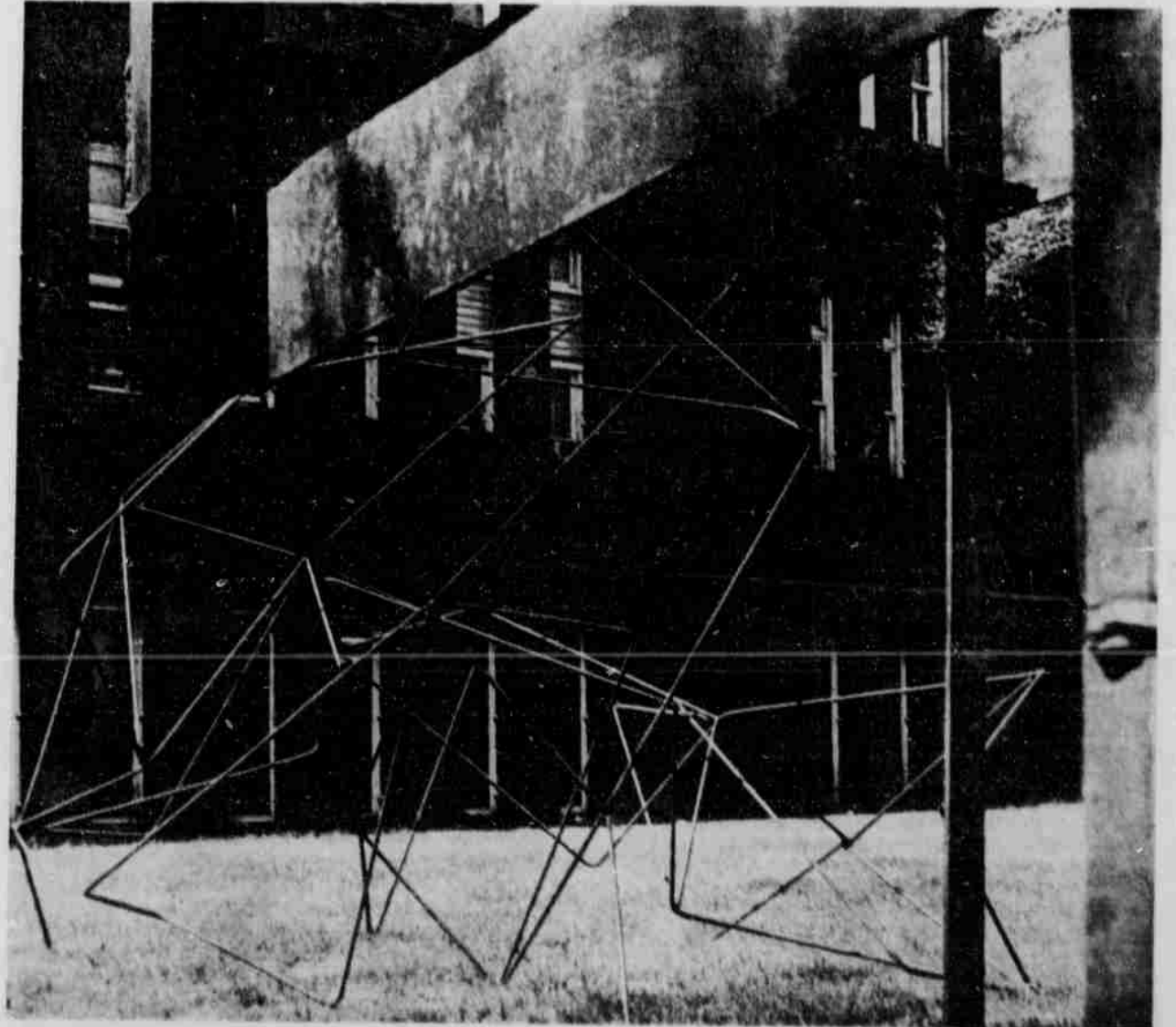
SIP also calls for more student participation in the dissemination of student fees and policies of the Daily Nebraskan. SIP hopes to accomplish their aims by applying pressure to faculty, advisory boards and legislators.

DURING A question and answer period Zucker referred to student power as students applying pressure. Applying pressure includes preparing a logical proposal and if necessary having students sitting outside the door, he said.

Vavak sees student power as "mere rhetoric." Real student power is an awareness of self and relationships with other people, he said. "We need to provide more areas in education where one can view relationships with others," Vavak added.

Vavak feels the money for SIP proposals will come from the taxpayers with ASUN acting as a cohesive lobby in the legislature. Taxpayers readily spend money on defense, he said, and some of this money can be channeled to education.

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Rejected ASUN constitutional changes to reappear on Spring Election ballot

A variety of amendments to the ASUN Constitution concerning the power of ASUN, reapportionment and relations with NSA will be presented to the student body on the Spring Election ballot.

The proposed amendments, which are chiefly sponsored by Sen. Bruce Cochrane, include much of the wording and intent of this spring's ASUN Constitutional Convention proposals.

There are sufficient changes,

however, to "eliminate the wording which generated the negative and non-votes of the constitutional referendum," according to Cochrane.

THE AMENDMENT to the powers clause of ASUN is considerably toned down from constitutional convention suggestions, but still represents at least some of the intent of Government Bill No. 24.

The amendment would give ASUN power in dealing with student life including the following areas.

—An equitable voice in establishing policies and regulations governing student and social and group life.

—An equitable voice in the allocation and distribution of student fees.

—The power to participate equitably with the University administration and faculty in the exercise of power and responsibilities over University housing policy and nonsocial disciplinary matters.

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"Having been a political observer around here for many years, I can say that this Fedra thing really has my goat. Until those dirty dogs stop hounding me I'll keep barking up their tree."