

Lottery fades . . . Nixon Might Demand Conveyor Draft Plan

Washington — (CPS) — As prospects diminish that both legislative branches will pass the administration's lottery draft proposal by the end of this year, chances increase that President Nixon will enact by executive order a "conveyor belt" system of induction in early 1970.

Under this form of conscription, 19-year-olds would be made the "prime age group" for draft calls with their liability to the draft limited to one year. Age would determine the order of induction. A person whose 19th birthday fell during January would be called up before a person with a February birthday.

Since it discriminates against those with birthdays early in the year (persons born in October, November or December might never be subject to the draft), the conveyor belt would be less equitable than a lottery, under which one of the year's 365 days would be picked at random and all 19-year-olds born on that date made draftable.

Both approaches to procuring military manpower would reduce a person's draft vulnerability from seven years to one, making him draft-free at age 20, both would defer college students, placing them in the pool of draftables for one year after graduation, and both would defer graduate students until they have completed the full academic year.

But the lottery, unlike the conveyor belt, can't be established without congressional approval. Both the Senate and House have to vote to change a provision in the 1967 Selective Service Act prohibiting random selection of draftees. And everyone, from Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.), a leading proponent of draft reform, to Sen. John Stennis (D-Miss.), chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, is predicting this won't occur until Congress reconvenes next year.

The reason is that many legislators, desiring more sweeping Selective Service reforms, are unwilling to go along with the administration and its congressional leadership in speedily passing the lottery without considering amendments.

In a press conference sponsored by the National Council to Repeal the Draft, Reps. Shirley Chisholm, Edward Koch and Leonard Farbstein, all New York Democrats, criticized the lottery proposal as too minor a reform. They called for total abolition of military conscription.

Rep. Chisholm had three objections:

1) By continuing the practice of granting student deferments, the lottery would sanction further class and race discrimination in that white middle and upper class students could avoid military service by going to college whereas poorer non-white youth unable to afford college, would be inducted.

2) It would be more difficult for non-college youth to acquire jobs while in the age bracket between 17, the average age of high school graduation, and 19, the year of the lottery. Career plans would thus have to be delayed.

3) Any form of conscription is unfair since it involves involuntary servitude, and passage of the lottery would constitute affirmation of an injustice.

Koch and Farbstein had amendments. Koch's would permit what he termed "selective conscientious objection" — a category of persons objecting to a particular war on moral or religious grounds. They would be given alternate civilian service. Those currently in jail or Canada as a result of their pacifist beliefs would be able to resume their lives as U.S. citizens, providing they qualified for alternative service.

Farbstein's would abolish the draft except when Congress declared war. In peacetime there would be a volunteer army. One other congressman, William Ryan, also a Democrat from New York, has proposed an amendment which would

forbid the assignment of a draftee to duty in Vietnam, unless he volunteered or Congress declared war.

Several student leaders, including Charles Palmer, president of the National Student Association (NSA), David Hawk, co-chairman of the Vietnam Moratorium Committee, and Dan Siegel, student body president of the University of California at Berkeley, joined the representatives at the press conference.

Palmer said the lottery proposal did little but "plant hasty patches on an already patchwork system." Any system of forced service to the government "seriously endangers human freedom," he said.

Hawk said sincerely motivated reform of the draft would "abolish the student deferments that compel the sons of the poor, the black, the working class to fight the war that the sons of the middle class so loudly protest while remaining safely behind academic and occupational deferments."

Drafting the 19-year-olds first, he said, "will no more diffuse college antiwar protest than removing General (Lewis) Hershey (as Selective Service Director) affected student participation in the Oct. 15 moratorium." Disenchantment in the high schools would increase, he said.

Siegel, who led Berkeley students into a confrontation with police over the People's Park issue last school year, said the administration's legislation is insufficient because it contains no provisions for federal regulation of local draft boards, which he said have acted in an "arbitrary" manner, often times denying registrants their rights.

While many are optimistic about the lottery's chances for approval by the House, it is almost certain the Senate will postpone action.



Combo Clash

The Nebraska Union's answer to Peter, Paul and Mary will be Brent and Gail Skinner and Jack Adkins who stage their show in the South Crib at 9 p.m. Friday.

Centennial College May Build Experimental Ocean Habitat

A complex "Micro Ocean" — an experimental ocean tank designed to simulate natural tides, marine life and light factors — is in the planning stage at the centennial college.

Bill Mobley, the project's founder, describes the micro-ocean in scientific terms as a "Tidal Zone Micro Habitat." He adds that at the present time, the project needs "money, materials, and most of all interested people from all over the University."

The purpose of building the Micro Ocean is to "find out if nature can be simulated by controlling the variables of tides, marine life, and light."

The project, now still in the planning stages, will consist of building a 10'x5'x5' tank. The tank will be constructed of marine plywood on two or three sides. At least one side will be glass to enable onlookers to see the processes of the ocean. If there is enough money, two sides will be made of glass.

Along with the actual tank there will be a tidal pool located inside the tank. A filtering system and a pump system will flush sea water at regular intervals into the tidal pool.

Water will then diffuse from the tidal pool into the rest of the ocean with the help of gravity. It is this complex system which will simulate oceanic tides.

The tank has a 900 gallon capacity; the tidal pool holds

about thirty gallons, approximately 5 cubic feet of water. The water in the ocean will be tap water with salt and other chemical additives. Marine plants will be of the sort found in the tidal pools of the Gulf of Mexico. Small fish and marine invertebrates have been chosen to represent the animal kingdom.

They were chosen because they are hardy and relatively less expensive than larger animals, according to Mobley. Also necessary is a lighting system. The lighting system will be constructed so that it dispenses light in much the same way as the sun.

The estimated cost of building the tank is \$300. This estimate does not include the purchasing of any marine animals, plant life, or pump and filtering parts. The group is also hoping to recruit interested individuals.

Campus Calendar

Thursday, Nov. 6

Nebraska Union

Noon

College of Arts & Sciences luncheon

12:30 p.m.

Arthur C. Clark luncheon Placement

1:30 p.m.

Discussion Group 6

3 p.m.

Free University — Personal Development lab

3:30 p.m.

YWCA Juvenile Court

Union Talks & Topics, "Arthur C. Clark"

4 p.m.

Builders — Culture

4:30 p.m.

Press conference — Arthur C. Clark

6 p.m.

Union Pacific Scholarship Dinner

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia

AUF Exec. AUF Board

6:30 p.m.

Theta Sigma Phi

Christian Science Org.

7 p.m.

Quiz Bowl

University Flying Club — Red Barons

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Math Counselors

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Campus Group Backs Nixon Plan to End War

The University chapter of the Young Americans for Freedom (YAF) has adopted a resolution backing President Richard M. Nixon's plan to end the war.

The resolution says that the warring forces of international communism are the greatest threat to the freedom and national sovereignty of South Vietnam.

The government of South Vietnam has shown, through its stability, that it is willing

and capable of supplying the trained fighting men with minimal assistance and aid from the United States, it continues.

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Student Appeals ROTC Grade

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According to Katskee, the results of this evaluation were received in early May. The evaluation said that he was restricted from all physical duty for three to six months. At the end of that time he was to be re-evaluated to determine whether he should continue the program or be medically discharged.

After this report Col. Wiens summoned Katskee and stated that he had given him "every benefit of the doubt" on his physical. The Colonel then said that perhaps the solution was to give him an incomplete grade for failure to participate in drill, Katskee added.

He continued that he was finally given a D plus and a D for semester grades in the first year advanced course largely because he could not attend the drill portion of the course.

In a letter dated June 9, 1969, Katskee wrote to Nebraska Senator Roman Hruska and asked his advice on the matter. Hruska inquired into the situation with Fifth Army and sent the Army's reply to Katskee.

In this letter, the Fifth Army command said that information from the Nebraska professor of Military Science indicated that Katskee was not disenrolled from ROTC because of medical reasons or because of his absence from classes.

The letter continued that Katskee was disenrolled because of his failure to maintain a passing grade in leadership laboratory and his lack of officer potential. Katskee was given continuing counseling by the Professor of Military Science but had an apparent lack of motivation, the letter said.

Major Willey told the Daily

Nebraskan that Katskee was invited in a letter dated Oct. 22, 1969, to present his case before the standing committee on academic appeals of the ROTC department.

Major Willey explained that the grade review committee was set up in accordance with the Student in the Academic Community document.

Katskee has not chosen to use this review board, however, Willey said. "He has not attempted to present his case to the department through normal campus procedures, he continued."

He added that ROTC department records show Katskee's grade was not affected by his inability to attend lab. Even if this factor had been considered, it could have affected the final grade no more than fifteen percent, he said.

In answer to another point, Willey said that it is standard procedure to convene a Board of Officers to examine the facts when a cadet is being considered for disenrollment. He explained that these boards are not judicial or punitive in nature. They merely gather the facts in the case.

"We don't take a man out of the program without knowing the full particulars of the case," Willey commented.

Dean of Student Affairs G. Robert Ross said that any student who is unhappy with a grade may appeal it to the grade review committee of the department involved. If the student wishes, the decision of this committee may be appealed to a college appeal committee.

Ross said that in the case of ROTC the decision of a review committee would be reviewed by the committee of the college of the student's major.

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