

## Platoon Leader Candidates

# Marine ROTC program guarantees commission

"The Marines are the finest outfit in the world, and I want to be part of the finest," Jay Coons, a junior in the Marines ROTC program, said.

Coons is one of nine men chosen to be a member of the Platoon Leader Candidates (PLC) program which guarantees them a commission when they graduate.

The program includes two six-week sessions at boot camp in Quantico, Va., during the summer months. Students are not required to take any military courses during the year.

"It leaves me free during the year" Tim Evensen, a senior in the PLC program said. "No haircuts, no inspections, no physical training."

### Law training

Coons and Evensen both applied for the PLC program because of the law training they would receive through it.

"With the law training I would receive, I could go right out and get a job," Evensen said. "That's more than you can say about a lot of other programs."

Coons has since changed his mind and is going into aviation. The PLC program will enable him to be a Marine flight officer. "You have to really want it," Coons said. "Because otherwise that boot camp can be hellish."

To prepare the men for training, the Marines sometimes hold special runs or training sessions, Coons said. One of these occurred two weeks ago, when 12 men ran a 62-mile relay to Omaha to help publicize the 199th birthday of the Marine Corps.

### Keep in good shape

"One of the main reasons we had that relay is to help prepare these men physically," Capt. David Evans, Marine officer instructor said. "Being in the Marines means you have to be in good shape, and we try to keep the men that way."

Being in top physical shape is a partial requirement for the PLC program. Men must also pass a military intelligence test with a high score.

"You have to be in shape to go through the boot camp" Coons said. "They push you to your limit there."

"A lot of kids that know me can't understand what I'm doing in the Marines," Evensen said. "They have a preconceived idea of what a Marine officer is. But when I see officers that can make quick decisions, are mentally sharp and at 40 are in better physical shape than I am, I can only have great respect for the program."



Jim Bailey, a Marine ROTC student, keeps in condition by running in a 62-mile relay to Omaha.

## UNL Senior Information Day this Saturday

Students from 70 Nebraska high schools will attend UNL's second Senior Information Day Saturday.

A session on Sept. 21 drew students from 168 Nebraska high schools. Students from 23 Lincoln area high schools will attend the third session Nov. 9.

The purpose of the session is to acquaint seniors with academic aspects of university life. The program includes discussions with professors, campus

tours, informal talks with University students and a noon luncheon. The registration fee is \$1, payable on arrival.

The schools invited to the Nov. 2 session include; Adams, Arlington, Ashland-Greenwood, Auburn, Bancroft, Barneston, Beemer, Bellevue, Bennington, Blair, Bloomfield, Cody-Kilgore Unified, David City, David City Aquinas, Dawson, Verdon, Deshler, Diller, Elk Creek, Elkhorn, Emerson-Hubbard, Emer-

son Sacred Heart.

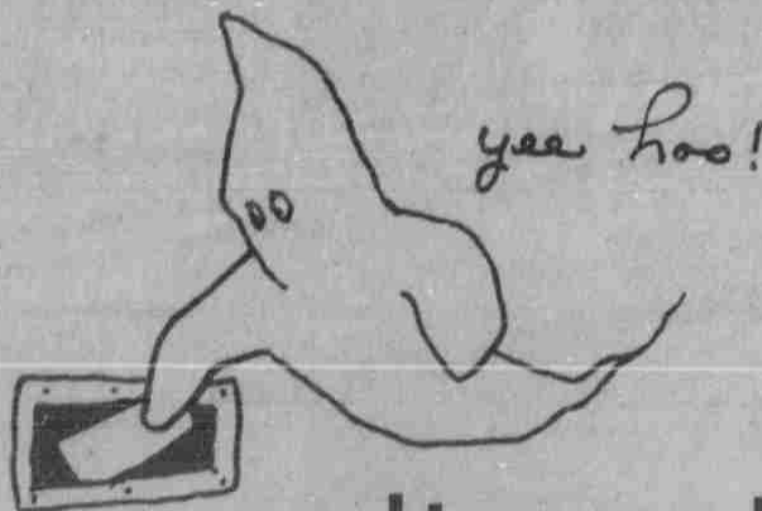
Also Falls City, Falls City Sacred Heart, Fort Calhoun, Gretna, Humbolt, Johnson-Brock, Louisville, Nebraska City, Nebraska City Lourdes, McPherson County, Millard, Nemaha Valley, Papillion, Pawnee City, Plattsmouth, Ralston, Spalding, Springview, Platteview, Stella Southeast Nebraska, Tecumseh, Valley, Waterloo, Wisner-Pilger, Wymore Southern and Yutan.

Omaha high schools invited to the session include: Benson, Burke, Brownell Talbot, Cathedral, Central, Daniel J. Gross, Creighton Preparatory, Dominican, Duchesne Academy, Holy Name, Marian, Mercy, North, Northwest.

Also Notre Dame Academy, Pope Paul VI, Pratt School, South, St. Joseph's Academy, Technical, Westside, Archbishop Rummel and Archbishop Ryan.

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