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Sigma Phi Alpha Alumni OK Merger with AKL

The alumni of Sigma Phi Alpha, the oldest local fraternity at the University, have approved a national merger with Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity.

Although all ballots have not been counted, the vote is already large enough that the merger could not possibly be voted down.

Leslie Hoffman, house president, said that of 230 ballots sent to the active alumni, 136 have been received with a total of 130 affirmative votes.

Even with official approval from the national fraternity, which has not yet been received, the group must petition to the Senate Committee on Student Affairs for a charter.

To Petition Soon

Hoffman said the fraternity will petition the Senate committee "within the next week or so."

When Sigma Phi Alpha obtains national affiliation, it will reduce the number of local fraternities at the University to two. They are Pi Sigma Upsilon and Beaver House.

Sigma Phi Alpha first came to the University in 1919 when it was known as the Friends' (to denote its Quaker background) Student Hostel. The following year it was reorganized under the name of Friends' Union and recognized by the Interfraternity Council. It was in 1930 that the group came to be known by its present name.

Governed by Directors

The present house is located at 134 E. Foster Ave., and has 30 members. The house is governed by the Sigma Phi Alpha Corp., which is located in Philadelphia and is composed of a board of 10 alumni directors.

A local alumni chapter with seven members is in existence in State College.

"One of the reasons we chose to affiliate with Alpha Kappa Lambda," Hoffman said, "is because its framework and ideals are comparable to ours to a great extent."

A tentative date in May has been set for the formal presentation of the national charter and a three-day celebration, Hoffman said.

Founded in 1907

Alpha Kappa Lambda was founded by 11 men in January, 1907, at the University of California in Berkeley, Calif.

The fraternity now has 14 active chapters, the most recent ones established in 1955 at the College of the Pacific in Stockton, Calif., and at Millikin University in Decatur, Ill.

When the local group receives national status it will be the only eastern chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda. Other chapters are at Stanford University, the University of Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Kansas, Purdue University and Ohio State University.

Ike's Mideast Plan Passed by Senate

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—The Senate adopted overwhelming tonight a resolution serving notice on Russia the United States will fight, if necessary, to help halt Communist aggression in the Middle East.

The vote was 72-19. Passage of President Dwight D. Eisenhower's Middle East resolution came at the close of more than two weeks of debate on the proposal which:

- Pledges the United States to use its military forces if the President deems it necessary to help any Middle East nation which asks U.S. help in resisting overt armed aggression by the Reds.

- Gives the President authority to spend up to \$200,000,000, free of most present restrictions, in supplying arms aid and economic assistance to Middle East nations between now and July 1.

Eisenhower asked urgently for the authority in a special mes-

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—Both of Pennsylvania's senators, Republican Edward Martin and Democrat Joseph S. Clark voted with the majority tonight on the Middle East resolution, which passed by a vote of 72-19.

sage two months ago today. The House gave its approval, 355-61, Jan. 30.

The Senate has been debating the subject with deliberation.

Ordinarily, the Senate and House versions would be turned over to a conference committee of both branches for adjusting differences.

However, there were reports that the House may be inclined to accept the Senate language, without going through the conference committee process.

Further Debate Unneeded
The basis for these reports was said to be a feeling that there need not be any further consideration, since the administration has approved the essentials of the Senate version.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles added to the likelihood of early, final action by Congress. In a statement saying "I am delighted" at the Senate's action, Dulles quickly accepted the Senate's version of the resolution.

"While further action will be necessary because of variations between the language of the House resolution and that adopted by the Senate, the substance is the same," he said.

'Nonpartisan' Backing

"It is now clear that the Congress of the United States has, by an impressive, nonpartisan majority joined with the President to assure the peoples of the free nations in the Middle East that the United States stands ready to join with them to build up their strength and, if need be, help them defend their national integrity and independence against Communist armed aggression.

"This is a major step and should contribute greatly to peace and security in the area."

In one change voted today, the Senate approved 48-43 an amendment by Sen. Mike Mansfield (D. Mont.) pledging support of United Nations police forces in the Egypt-Israel area.

Council Tables DST Decision

Borough Council Monday night tabled a motion setting up daylight saving time for the period April 28 to Oct. 27.

The Council members said they wish to confer with the school districts and with other boroughs before making a decision.

The Council also voted to direct the Civil Service Commission to conduct examinations for a list of persons eligible for appointment to the police department.

The Council took this action because of the short-handedness of the force at the present time.

LA Council Presidency Still Open

The candidacy for the office of president of the Liberal Arts Student Council was left open at last night's council meeting as both Robert Nurock, junior from Elkin Park, and Robert Steele, junior from State College, declined nominations.

Steele was named as candidate for All-University president by the Campus Party Monday night.

There were no further nominations for the president after Steele and Nurock declined. Nominations for all offices will still be open at the next council meeting.

Jay Feldstein, sophomore from Elizabeth, was nominated for vice president. Feldstein was the only nominee for the office.

The council nominated three for the office of secretary-treasurer. Sandra Shogren, sophomore from Pittsburgh, Bonnie Keys, sophomore from Mt. Penn, and Lois Henderson, sophomore from Hazleton, were the nominees.

The election for the council offices will be held April 3 and 4.

The council also formed a committee to investigate the prospect of holding a series of speeches designed to aid liberal arts students in choosing a career. This was suggested because of the feeling on the part of the council that many students in liberal arts are not decided on what they will do after graduation.

The proposed lecture series would feature speakers representing various careers.

Snow to Ruin Lion's Party

The Lion kept popping up out of his den this morning looking for signs of the coming snow.

"The weatherman just can't be right today," he was muttering to himself. "It just can't snow after I've planned this big party."

He was busy planning a very intellectual and stimulating party for tonight to redeem himself. He has been accused lately of the most questionable conduct.

But he is to be sadly disappointed since snows are to begin late in the afternoon and continue through the night, accompanied by daytime temperatures of 30 to 35 degrees.

University Represented At Ed TV Convention

Joseph A. Murnin, research assistant in the instructional research program, is representing the University this week at a Washington, D.C. convention on educational television.

The conclave is sponsored by the Department of Audio-Visual Instruction.

Panhel Officer Slates

Barbara Nicholls, Panhellenic Council president, has asked sororities to turn in their slates for Panhellenic officers by 5:30 p.m. today in 38 Simmons.

Survey Exposes Habit of Cheating

A survey of American college students indicated today that "systematic cheating on examinations is the custom rather than the exception" at many large colleges.

The survey, conducted by Philip E. Jacob, social science professor at the University of Pennsylvania, was prepared

for delivery to the 12th National Conference on Higher Education in Chicago, according to the Associated Press.

In contrast to what the report called "generally low standards in regard to academic honesty" were findings about college students' standards of sexual morality.

"Despite the boldness of college talk, dress and outward social conduct," it said, "... in personal practice and fundamental belief students generally hold to standards which are thoroughly conventional."

Students' Values

Jacob's study inquired into what influence colleges and universities have on students' social, moral and religious values.

The answer, he said, is that "for the most part" they seem to have no influence at all.

Although the "intellectual, cultural or moral climate of some institutions stands out," Jacob said, most colleges "will have to learn how to... salvage the most essential product of a liberal education—students who know what they value and why."

Cheating Obvious Fault

Although students generally seemed to profess reasonably high values, Jacob said, "it is with regard to cheating that the chinks in the moral armor of American students are most obvious."

"The situation varies greatly among institutions," he added, "but the practice is so widespread as to challenge the well-nigh universal claim of students that they value honesty as a moral virtue."

"Frequent cheating is admitted by 40 per cent or more at a large number of colleges, often with no apology or sense of wrong-doing."

Misdirected Male Visits Thompson, Surprises Coeds

"Don't ever take directions from strangers," said a male student as he dashed out of Thompson Hall Friday night.

He had gone into Thompson thinking it to be Hamilton, as he had been told by an unidentified direction-giver.

He knocked on the door of what was supposed to be his friend's room. When he got no answer, he poked his head into an open door adjacent and—much to his surprise—stood staring at 10 coeds.

"This must be the girls' dorm," he gulped.

"Yes, I guess it must," said the startled coeds.

Whereupon, he streaked from the spot to less incriminating grounds outside.

WSGA Senate to Hear Honor System Report

The Women's Student Government Association Senate will meet at 6:30 tonight in 213 Hetzel Union.

The implementation committee will give a report on the progress of the proposed honor system in connection with the drinking problem. The committee has notified members of the Psychology Department to obtain further information for its report.

Collegian Editorial Candidates

Candidates for The Daily Collegian editorial staff will meet at 7 tonight in Carnegie.

Action on IFCPA Constitution Delayed

Definite action on the proposed constitution for the Interfraternity Council Purchasing Association (IFCPA) has been delayed until Monday to give house presidents a chance to take the plan back to their members.

Daniel Land, IFC president, presented the constitution of the IFCPA to the presidents Monday night.

To Replace FMA

The association was designed to replace the Fraternity Marketing Association which will discontinue operations by the end of the semester.

If the association's constitution is approved at the next meeting, it will be sent to the Senate Committee on Student Affairs for chartering.

O. Edward Pollock, assistant to

the dean of men in charge of fraternity affairs, presented fraternity house plans to the representatives and asked for corrections. The plans were drawn up by the armed forces during World War II and have not been corrected since then.

Survey to Start

The correction of house plans is the first step in a survey that will be undertaken in the next few weeks by department of civil engineers of Physical Plant as part of a safety inspection program.

The Board of Trustees has authorized the University to institute a safety inspection program. After the engineers inspect the fraternity houses, they will report any safety hazards to the dean of men's office and the fraternity will be asked to make necessary improvements.

Pollock asked fraternities to return corrected house plans to his

office by Friday.

In other business, Land announced the IFC elections schedule. Officers to be elected include president, vice president and secretary-treasurer. Self-nominations for these positions opened Monday night. The deadline for filing nominations will be midnight March 17. Election speeches will be given on March 18 and elections will be held on March 25.

Howard F. Thompson, IFC vice president, announced that Sammy Kaye will play for the IFC-Panhel Ball to be held April 5. Advanced ticket sales will begin on March 18. The council voted to omit corsages from the ball.

Evaluation Sheets Due

David Tressler of the Outstanding Fraternity Award committee, requested fraternities to hand in evaluation sheets by 7 p.m. March 24 at the Hetzel Union desk. Last year, 34 out of a possible 54 frat-

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