

Senate OK's Elective ROTC

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(See Related Editorial)

The University Senate yesterday afternoon passed by a narrow margin a resolution calling for a Reserve Officer Training Corps program voluntary for all students.

The resolution was in the form of a recommendation to President Eric A. Walker and the Board of Trustees that such a program be adopted with the start of the summer term, 1963.

The motion was approved 104 to 99 by written ballot. The vote came at the conclusion of about an hour of debate on the pros and cons of the resolution.

The difference between the motion adopted by the Senate and the motion which was originally proposed by the faculty of the College of the Liberal Arts—that voluntary ROTC be instituted for liberal arts students—stems from an amendment proposed during the debate.

THE AMENDMENT TO BROADEN the scope of the liberal arts proposal was offered by Leon Gorlow, senator from the College of Education. His amendment, the only one offered during the debate, also had the effect of negating a major objection of the Senate's educational policy committee—that special provisions should not be made for individual units of the University.



VOLUNTARY ROTC BILL ADOPTED: Yesterday's adoption by the Senate of a resolution calling for the end of compulsory ROTC may, if approved by the Board of Trustees, be the starting point for the shortening of columns of students now taking the program.

After the ballot tally was announced, Walker read a prepared statement in which he said the University administration would support the Senate decision.

HE ALSO SAID HE would present the Senate's position to the Board of Trustees with all the vigor he can command.

He said the Trustees would have to review the decision because there are aspects of it which go beyond the powers the Trustees have delegated to the Senate.

These, he said, were legal and moral questions implied or specified in the University's obligation to the state and nation. He predicted, however, that the Trustees would, perhaps by a vote as close as the Senate's, accept the recommendation.

Ben Euwema, dean of the College of the Liberal Arts, opened the discussion by proposing the motion of the college's faculty that ROTC be made voluntary for liberal arts students.

THE FIRST SPEAKER for the proposal was Warren Smith, chairman of the subcommittee of the Liberal Arts Planning Committee which prepared a report showing cause to the Senate why the proposal should be adopted.

Joseph G. Rayback, chairman of the military instruction committee, and J. J. Schanz, (Continued on page five)

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HUB Group to Sponsor Night Club

The Sahara Room, a student-operated night club, will open its doors this Saturday night in the Hetzel Union ballroom.

The club will feature live music for dancing, and entertainment will be provided during intermission. Waiters will serve anything ordered from the Lion's Den.

Tickets for the Sahara Room are now on sale at the Hetzel Union desk or may be purchased at the door for \$1.00 a couple.

THE SAHARA ROOM which is to be held every Saturday night is the first project of the new student HUB committee.

The student HUB committee was proposed and approved by the Hetzel Union Board last spring and held its organizational meeting last night.

As explained by George Henning, student chairman, the purpose of the committee is to coordinate the activities of the HUB and introduce new programs

suited to the interests and tastes of the student body.

THE STUDENT HUB committee has the support of William F. Fuller, HUB manager, and has been promised room on the second floor of the HUB and funds to get on its feet.

After the program has gone into effect the committee expects through various projects to be financially self-sufficient.

Positions are still open for stu-

dents on the committee. Membership applications are available now at the Hetzel Union desk.

THE GOUP will be composed of 10 smaller committees to deal with each of the areas of interest. These committees are social, recreational, art and literature, music, personnel, publicity, house, hostess, special events and films.

Each special committee will choose a chairman who will meet with Henning to coordinate activities.

North Halls Men Fail To Claim USG Petitions

With two seats available on the Undergraduate Student Government Congress for representatives of North Halls men, no one has yet picked up a petition to run for office from that area.

Signed petitions for all USG Congress seats and the freshman and sophomore class presidencies are due at 10 a.m. tomorrow in 202 Hetzel Union building.

ALL AREAS other than North Halls have at least a sufficient number of petitions circulating to insure filling the congressional seats if enough signatures are obtained on the petitions.

The areas, the allotted seats and the number of petitions circulating are: North Halls women, one seat, two petitions; town area, nine, nine petitions; fraternity area, four, 11 petitions; East Halls men, one, one petition; East Halls women, one, three petitions; West Halls men, two, six petitions.

Also, West Halls women, one, one petition; Pollock-South Halls men, two, four petitions; Pollock women, two, three petitions; South Halls women, two, six pe-

titions; Nittany Halls, one, three petitions; Simmons - McElwain, two, two petitions; and Atherton, one, three petitions.

IN ADDITION, five persons picked up petitions to run for freshman class president and five for sophomore class president.

Schirra to Try 6-Orbit Flight

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)—Astronaut Walter M. Schirra Jr. entered the final phases of preparation for a six-orbit journey around the earth today, and there was a possibility that much of Europe might witness the launching on television.

Improving weather conditions in the Atlantic and Pacific areas where the Mercury capsule might come down increased the chances that the spacecraft might race into orbit any time between 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. Eastern Standard time today.

IF THE LAUNCHING occurs between 7:45 and 8:15 a.m., the Telstar communications satellite will be within range so that live coverage of the liftoff could be sent almost instantaneously to viewers in 17 countries of the Eurovision network in Europe.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) said conferences are also under way in Paris leading to possible hookup with the nine Soviet bloc countries of Europe's network.

The U.S. plan calls for an eight-minute Telstar transmission to Europe. If the launch comes during that period, NASA hopes to be able to show Europe the last two to four minutes of pre-launch activity and the four-minute climb until the launching rocket is out of sight.

THE TRANSMISSION would

go by land line to the sending station at Andover, Maine, and then by Teletar. After eight minutes there would be a like period available for relay to the United States; from a station in France, of the European reactions to the showing.

The space agency said the astronaut and Leroy Gordon Cooper Jr., his backup pilot; his spacecraft and his Atlas rocket appear all to be in good condition for flight and have completed the first part of a split countdown with no trouble.

A 28-ship armada plus 143 aircraft and 22 parachute-medical teams began final deployment yesterday to rescue the astronaut wherever and whenever he returns from space.

TO LAUNCH THE 39-year-old Navy commander into space, track him through six orbits or less and then pluck him from the Atlantic or Pacific oceans requires the cooperation of about 30,000 men, including 17,000 from the armed forces.

Two separate Navy task forces will be deployed, one in the Pacific under Capt. Thomas S. King Jr., and the other in the Atlantic under Rear Adm. Harold G. Bowen.

Since there are nine places where he might come down in the Atlantic, Bowen's fleet is much larger than that in the Pacific.

Registrar Receives Schedule Changes

The Registrar's Office is now accepting schedule changes for the winter term, 1963, from students who have revisions to make in the schedules they filed at registration.

Deadlines for these schedule changes or the filing of a winter term schedule by those students who did not do so at registration, are: seniors and graduate students, Oct. 8; juniors, Oct. 12; sophomores, Oct. 19; and freshmen, Oct. 26.

Students filing revised schedules should see their adviser for proper procedures and forms.

Rain Predicted for Area Today

Solar heating boosted the mercury into the low 70's for the second successive day yesterday afternoon. The high temperature, officially, was 71 degrees.

The high pressure cell that has provided the state with partly cloudy skies and pleasant autumn weather since Sunday is beginning to move eastward.

A widespread area of precipitation that has brought rain to the central and southern states for the past several days is expected

to move into the state behind the high pressure cell.

Rain is forecast to begin sometime today and continue intermittently through tomorrow.

Temperatures should be somewhat cooler than those of recent days because of the cloud cover. A high of 65 degrees is seen for today, and a maximum of 62 is likely tomorrow.

Tonight's low will be about 55 degrees.

Gradual clearing is forecast to begin Friday.



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT: The return of summer-like temperatures and clear skies to the University weather picture yesterday provided intramural football players with an oppor-

tunity to practice their maneuvers. Three members of one of the squads are shown above during a practice session yesterday afternoon on the Hetzel Union Building lawn.