

One hell of a kick

Two important decisions will have to be made next week by many freshmen. Should I join a fraternity, and if so, which one?

Fraternities at this university are generally regarded as an asset to the campus. At this time of year they are at their best. The used car salesman polishes his jalopies before showing them and similarly fraternity members put their best "hi guy" forward during rushing. However, the polish wears off somewhat after the new members are pledged.

The discriminating rushee should take the sales talk with a grain of salt. Joining a fraternity does not automatically make a boy a big man on campus, a delusion under which many fraternity members labor. Similarly, there are times when the feelings of brotherhood are strained, and after each party there comes a clean-up time. Basically, fraternity members

are not very different from any group of persons with common social interests.

The kind of person who enjoys the varied functions participated in during rushing, and who does not expect more from a fraternity than he would from an honest used car salesman, should not hesitate to join.

The choice of fraternity is a much more personal matter. One of the most important factors to be considered is the type of person that the particular fraternity attracts. If the rushee fits in well with the junior members of the fraternity and its rushees—the people with whom he will be associating during his stay at university—membership in that fraternity will probably be a rewarding experience.

Accept the "hi guys," the warm friendship, the free meals, the hearty shoulder thumps. But give the tires one hell of a kick.

Law's teen hop

One of Edmonton's foremost rock and roll bands is providing "music" for Saturday night's Homecoming Dance.

The Law Club, sponsor of the dance, is pursuing a profit motive. It is certain the swinging cats of the class of '36 will appreciate a chance to get out there and rock. No doubt they'll also enjoy mixing with a melee of

Edmonton teenagers who can't find a teen hop elsewhere.

Never let it be said that this is not good music! After all, the dance is sponsored by one of U of A's senior faculty clubs, upon whose mature judgment and taste in music the freshmen rely. Yes, kiddies, university is different from high school—but not much.

The bachelor's guide

It was a tear-sloshed weekend for many juicy young damsels in that bastion of virginity, Pembina Hall. For the fourth consecutive year, the telephone directory was not out in time for the Wauneita Formal.

In the past, the directory has usually been available for Wauneita. This year the magic little book won't appear until the end of October at the earliest—well over a month since the Sept. 17-24 registration week.

True, the university's enrolment has increased. But the directory committee should have expanded at the same time.

If illegible and improperly-filled out cards are a major hold-up, why bother with them?

Dullards who can't print their own names will be homeward bound by Christmas anyway.

If late numbers are straggling in and holding up production, such numbers should be ignored. A rigid deadline of, for example, Sept. 30, should be set and enforced.

A student committee that cannot fulfil its appointed task within a reasonable period is teetering on the verge of being gobbled up by the administration. Such was the case with the badly bungled student handbook.

Of what use is a bachelor's guide, if a man can't take advantage of quivering little co-eds in the first part of the term—before the girls learn the wicked wiles of college men?

Braves a-braving

There stands above the fireplace in the Wauneita Lounge in the Students' Union Building a painting showing a comely Indian lass dressed in mooseskin decorated with vivid Freudian symbols, clutched tenderly in the arms of a stalwart young buck, seen staring sombrely offstage. The Gateway is ever conscious of its role as protective voice of the people, even (in spite of its large female circulation) of protecting the rights of males.

Never has so blatant a statement of the female student's raison d'etre gone so ignored by so many. Men, take heed. There may be domestic peace reflected in the idylls portrayed in yon tender scene, with dogs a-playing and braves a-braving. There is blissful, hearthside peace in yon soft closed lids of yon comely young lass. But remember the brave's offstage staring, and consider THOSE implications. Maybe he just wants out.

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"I just can't go out tonight, I'm looking like a witch...."

FORUM

"As long as capitalism and socialism exist, we cannot live in peace: in the end, one or the other will triumph—a funeral dirge will be sung either over the Soviet Republic or over capitalism,"—Lenin 1919.

"There is not doubt that in a number of capitalist countries the violent overthrow of the dictatorship of the bourgeoisie and the sharp aggravation of class struggle connected with this are inevitable,"—Kruschev 1956.

If we are to accept the premise that the university student of today is the leader of tomorrow, we are faced with the question of whether we as students are intelligent enough to grasp the true significance of Soviet intentions and proud enough for our freedom to wage an active campaign to preserve it. In the Communist we are faced with a deadly, dedicated enemy who is convinced that by undermining democracy, he is playing his part in a great historical purpose.

"That of bringing the western world under Communist control."

At the university level we must be on guard against communist permeation of our faculties, into campus organizations and the general student body. A study of such writings as "Master of Deceit" by J. Edgar Hoover, "Witness" by Whittaker Chambers and "The Naked Communist" by Cleon Skousen will provide the student with an awareness

of the seriousness of the Communist threat.

At the national level, it is time for our government to seriously consider implementation of the recent United States Supreme Court ruling that:

1. The Communist party must register its officers and members with the Justice Department.
2. Active Communist party membership is a federal crime if the individual is aware of the party's subversive goals.

These rulings initiated by Attorney General Robert Kennedy will undoubtedly bring the United States one step closer to outlawing the Communist party. Canada would be wise to follow suit.

The question is of course a difficult one. Theoretically such action may appear as a drastic infringement on what are regarded as basic tenets of democracy. Practically, there can be no other choice for surely it would be an ironic anomaly to continue to afford the privileges of a democracy to a party whose avowed goal is the violent overthrow of this same democracy. —Sycamore.



DEAREST DAVE

Dear Dave:
Congratulations are due you and your staff for the content of the Friday, Oct. 13, 1961 edition of The Gateway.
This copy covered the various

areas so that your readers had campus news, but had challenge for thinking in many wider areas. This latter, I believe, is essential for a university which is distant from other such institutions.

Also, the vast majority of our
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