

FRAT FINED FOR WET RUSHING

Phi Delta Theta Fraternity has been fined \$200 by the Inter-Fraternity Council for violating the dry rushing agreement.

The penalty was levied at an emergency meeting of the IFC, Saturday, following a charge against the Phi Deltas by Delta Kappa Epsilon. The Dekes alleged that liquor was served at Phi Delt rushing functions.

The charge and subsequent fine are subject to investigation by a review board composed of three prominent IFC alumni. The board may take whatever action it deems necessary. It may call witnesses. It also may revise the fine.

The Gateway was excluded in the opening minutes of the emergency meeting. Immediately after the meeting was opened a motion to this effect was made and supported.

The dry rushing regulation provides that no alcoholic beverage be served to rushees or at any fraternity rushing function. The regulation is an article of the IFC constitution and came about as a result of an agreement made by the fraternities.

Dry rushing has been in force at the U of A for two years.

ALUMNI REVIEW

Unanimous approval by IFC members was given this year to the policy of submitting any and all valid complaints of breach of the regulation to an alumni review board, composed of three members of the recently established Alumni IFC.

The Alumni IFC is a body made up of Edmonton business and professional men who are university graduates with fraternity affiliations, and acts in an advisory capacity to the undergraduate council. The decisions of the review board are final and binding.

This is not the first time that the IFC has been faced with dealing with rushing infractions, according to Chris Evans, IFC president. In the past, sanctions taken against offenders have been little more than token punishment, he said.

This year a tougher policy has been instituted, receiving the full support of the fraternity executives, the Alumni IFC, and the administration. Stiff fines and possible suspension of the offenders are part of this stringent policy.

It is absolutely essential that the Interfraternity Council take a strong stand in matters of this sort," Evans told The Gateway. "The future of the fraternity system at U of A is in a large measure dependent on the manner in which the IFC recognizes and pursues its responsibilities to the university and to the member chapters."

NO REFERRAL

Commenting further, Evans said, "It is extremely regrettable that we had to deal with the recent charge against Phi Delta Theta without referral to the alumni review board.

"In the interests of fairness to all, and to prevent the spread of false rumors, I had no choice but to act immediately. This decision will of course be referred for probable revision to the alumni review board, as will all further complaints.

"This is most certainly not a case of selecting one fraternity as a scapegoat. I am quite convinced that there is more than one offender to the rushing regulations, and am determined that similar penalties be imposed on proof of a breach. The matter will be thoroughly investigated and dealt with in its entirety," he said.

Censored by the Phi Delta Theta fraternity for "executive instability," Evans asked for and received a vote of confidence

from the members of the IFC before proceeding with investigations.

The IFC president stressed that there is "a world of difference between a blatant breach of the dry rushing spirit on the part of a fraternity as a whole, and a breach by individual members over whom the fraternity exercises limited control.

Frat silent

"No comment; no comment at all."

This is what Sam Murphy, an official of Phi Delta Theta, had to say in reference to a \$200 fine imposed by IFC for wet rushing.

"The co-operation that I have received from the fraternity presidents has been, on the whole, gratifying," remarked Evans. "However," he continued, "we have a long way to go yet. It is difficult to consider a whole system when you are trying to keep your own house in order. This is more than evident in some cases, but only in rising above pettiness can the IFC achieve any stature."



NO COMMENT has been offered by officials of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, which has been fined \$200 for wet rushing by the Inter-Fraternity Council. The charge, made by Delta Kappa Epsilon, is subject to review by a board of IFC alumni.

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Emergency plans to be calculated

A University emergency measures committee headed by Lt.-Col. E. W. Cormack has been established to make plans in the event of a disaster here.

Evacuation of key personnel should an immediate warning occur, and the planning for re-location of the university, are some of the responsibilities of the organization.

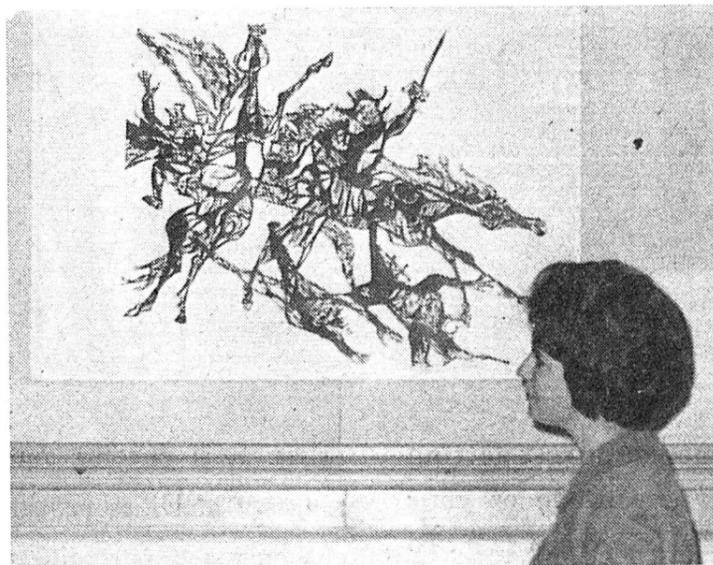
A sub-committee has been set up to assess the degree of fallout protection which now exists in the basements of the large buildings and to investigate what can be done on short notice to increase the degree of protection. These buildings might serve as the only form of protection in the event of an immediate warning.

"With longer warning, possibly 24 hours or more, maximum dispersal of students and personnel is the logical action," said Cormack.

Although Edmonton and consequently the university are potential targets, chairman Cormack suggested "certain things can be done under certain circumstances to reduce casualties."

The organization anticipates discussing the action students will take should a disaster occur.

Committee members are Fire Marshall Walter Talbot; Night Superintendent of Caretakers J. Vougel-sang; Civil Engineering Prof J. W. Porteous; Adviser to Men Students Major R. C. W. Hooper; Dean of Women Mrs. J. G. Sparling; Secretary of Admissions Committee Major W. A. D. Burns and Superintendent of Buildings B. W. Brooker.



RUTHERFORD RESIDENTS and visitors can, no matter what their interests be, find something to look at. Shown are (a) one of a display of prize-winning American prints, currently showing in the art gallery, (b) an admirer admiring the prints, and (c) a fly, upper right, admiring the admirer.

(Photo by Carl Nishimura)

Seek probe of Garneau landowners

The Garneau Property Owners' Association is attempting to bring about investigations of Garneau landlords who house students in "sub-standard" accommodation.

Investigations would be carried out by the city, acting on reports from the GPOA. It is hoped that students will call to the attention of the association any complaints about their accommodation. A "prize" of \$1 will be paid to any student providing photographic evidence of housing conditions in the Garneau area. The photos will be used by the association in their reports to the city.

In noting the complaints listed in a recent feature in The Gateway on student hovels, Ted Arlidge, association president, stated: "We must keep the area up to a standard comparable to that of university life."

Mr. Arlidge suggested the setting up of an "emergency housing committee" to provide accommodation for students who are turned out because of their complaints, a set of accommodation standards to enable students to find decent living quarters, and a development plan that will make Garneau "more a part of the university."

The proposed "standards for student accommodation" would provide dissatisfied students with justifiable grounds for complaint in cases of sub-standard housing. It would also serve as a measure of quality in the "rating" of accommodations. A housing officer could be appointed by the university to act as a liaison between the students, the landlords and the city.

Begin varsity varieties

Rehearsals have begun for Varsity Varieties, the annual campus dramatic production for Varsity Guest Weekend.

This year's play will be "Recapture the Rapture" a situation comedy by Carol Salt, who graduated last year from U of A. An attempt is being made to swing the show back to the original "all campus" production with students replacing previous directors who were not connected with the university.

Bill Somers is musical director this year. The newly organized male chorus, under the direction of A. Kormany from the Department of Extension will also be taking part.

In a recent interview, dramatics director Bob Craig said: "The script was accepted on the basis of an idea that could be developed into a show using the characters and talents

available.

"The Jubilaires Club," he said, "has been instrumental in attracting the cast, and so far the response to auditions has been terrific. I'm over-whelmed at the versatility of the cast and the enthusiasm shown."

The script calls for a "stage on stage" which Craig believes could be very effective. He emphasized that he is not looking for any particular type of talent but would prefer groups who have worked before.

Any interested parties are asked to come as a group or send a representative to the regular 2 p.m. Sunday rehearsals in the West Lounge within the next two weeks.