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"I WONDER WHEN THE CITY IS GONNA FINISH THOSE WRETCHED STREET REPAIRS."

Lava Bed Proves Hard Hoe to Rowe

By ERIC HANSEN

When the Chandler Rows caught the last glimpse of Honolulu's famed Aloha Tower, winging toward their mainland home near the Lawrence Campus, they could remember many similar alohas during their year's stay in the Hawaiian Islands.

TAKING A YEAR'S ABSENCE from his duties as head of the Lawrence Anthropology Department, Dr. Rowe began his year of research on a National Science Foundation Fellowship when he arrived in Honolulu with his family on August 29, 1957. The purpose of the intensive investigation conducted by the Bernice P. Bishop Museum in Honolulu was to discover the merits of several theories on Polynesian migration, especially that of Thor Heyerdahl of "Kon-Tiki" fame. Heyerdahl proposed that the Hawaiians are descended from North American Indians of the North West Coast. He held that the other islanders are descended from Peruvian Indians of South America.

Working between the University of Hawaii, where he was a research associate of Anthropology and the Bishop Museum where he had his offices, Dr. Rowe's special interest in American Indian culture led him to concentrate on linguistic similarities between the Hawaiian and the mainland peoples. His studies indicated no relationship linguistically or culturally between these two groups of peoples.

Linguistic Similarities

Gathering data from all over the islands on field trips in November, February and April, the investigators, using carbon dating and other tests, determined that the oldest specimen (a bone fishing hook) could be dated at about 957 A.D. Linguistic tie-ups and other evidence, have led the Bishop Museum specialists to believe that if the ancestors of the present-day Hawaiians came to the islands about 1000 years ago, that they must have been in Tahiti as early as 500 A.D. and in Tonga and Samoa as early as 400 B.C. The probable origin of the Polynesian people is thus believed to be South East Asia, from whence they migrated to Tahiti and thence to other Pacific islands. There are strong language similarities between S.E. Asiatics and the present Polynesians which lead Anthropologists to believe that further investigations in that area will establish a relationship. The Bishop Museum plans research field trips beginning in 1960.

"It is of course too early to make any plans, but I certainly am very interested in this study and perhaps will be able to participate in it," was the comment of Dr. Rowe as he told of



DR. ROWE

the forthcoming research project.

Commenting on the differences between North American anthropological investigation and that of Polynesia, Dr. Rowe stated that the essential differences in geographical and geological make-up as well as cultural differences, make the usual American methods impossible. Hawaii, being volcanic six inches below ground level, makes normal excavating difficult. The lack of pottery made the substitution of fish hooks as the means of dating necessary. Geographical conditions in the Island territory made the use of boats, and the rationing of

Cameron Pleads Innocent To Anti-Fraternity Charge



Campus Calendar

Saturday, Sept. 27—

All-College dance (SEC-Social Comm.), Union Lounge, 8-12 p.m.

Campus Club Picnic, Telulah Park, 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 28—

Recital: Marguerite Schumann, Soprano—Peabody Hall, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 2—

Religious Convocation, David Maitland—Chapel, 11 a.m.

Free Rides

The dreaded trek to the Alexander Gymnasium in the cold of winter no longer threatens Lawrence students. An inter-campus bus system has been set up between the gym and the campus. The buses leave from the Chapel and stop at Sage enroute to the gym and Peabody on the return trip. The service runs from Monday through Friday, and the schedule, shown below, is tentative, with changes being made as required.

Leave Chapel	Leave Gym
12:45 p.m.	1:00 p.m.
1:15	1:30
2:30	2:45
3:00	3:15
3:30	4:00
4:30	4:45
	6:15

Main Hall will be open for studying in the evenings again this year, from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. It will also be available Sunday afternoons from 2 until 5.

food and fresh water necessary in remote outposts where the weather made supplies impossible to get.

Dr. Rowe considers himself indeed fortunate to have been able to participate in these investigations, which are the first of their kind. Rowe arrived at the Bishop Museum just at the time when tests of data gathered from all parts of the islands were beginning to be run. He was thus able to assist with the dating and cataloging of specimens, which included some 3,000 bone fish-hooks.

Perhaps the most interesting experience of Dr. Rowe was his bossing of a crew of prisoners while they assisted in the reconstruction of a ruined temple on the island of Maui, in the Hawaiian group. Reconstructing this halei (literally "house of images"), Rowe and his convicts returned to their original resting places, stones from 5 300 pounds in weight.

This adventure, as well as many others of interest to layman and scholar will be related by Dr. Rowe in a series of lectures which he is preparing for the Episcopal Church Lecture series, the Appleton Association of University Women as well as campus groups throughout the year. Also of interest are a film which Dr. Rowe brought with him from the Bishop Museum. A 50 minute color-sound movie prepared by the Bishop staff, it relates the story of a small group of Polynesian people on an island in Micronesia, far removed from their cultural

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"I am certainly not anti-fraternity; I'm a fraternity man myself. I'm just anti-average fraternity." These were the words of Dean Alexander Cameron in answer to questions on his feelings toward fraternities on the Lawrence College campus. The dean was very emphatic in his denial of rumors which have been circulating to the effect that he was against fraternal organizations here.

Dean Cameron traced the rumors to a Brokaw Hall dinner meeting in which he was asked to give his views on deferred rushing at Lawrence. He suggested that, since his feelings for deferred rushing are quite strong, listeners could have misinterpreted his statements. Mr. Cameron repeatedly stressed his faith in our fraternal system; however, he also feels improvements can be made.

He suggested that "the present rush system tends to place the freshman's first college experience within the realm of social life" rather than with the necessary emphasis on academics. He cited the standard deferred rush arguments of both a fraternity and rushee benefiting by increased knowledge of one another's abilities and accomplishments.

Finally, he pointed to the pressure it would create upon the various Greek groups to keep their academic standards at a point which would encourage freshmen to pledge those groups which showed the proper attitude toward scholastics. This system, he further stated, would do away with the great number of rushing activities as school begins; putting them off until the last three days of our

now ten day Christmas vacation.

Mr. Cameron, citing the low scholarship records of the fraternities as a whole in the past few years, as well as the loss of a large number of male students who showed great potential, put the fault directly upon the frats themselves. He said that they had had an opportunity to "shape up" their errant members, but had been unable to produce results which kept the school from dropping the men.

He suggested a more stringent fraternity discipline upon those men who have strayed off the track of college standards of accomplishment and behavior and become a problem to both the school and the fraternal organization.

Here he reiterated his opposition to the "average" fraternity and added that fraternities here at Lawrence are in a position to do a great deal for men of the College. The dean seemed to sincerely feel that the suggested plan for a deferred rushing period would promote a more disciplined, academically-minded, and closely-knit fraternity system here, which would result in the elimination of the "average-ness" of the fraternal attitude at Lawrence.

Schwie to Open Con Season With Arias and Art Songs

Marguerite Schumann, soprano, will open the fall recital series at the Lawrence Conservatory with a program of arias and art songs at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 28. Mr. Clyde Duncan, head of the piano department, will accompany her on the piano.

Handel Arias

The program will consist of Handel arias, a group of songs from Grieg's "Haugtussa" cycle, another group of Dvorak's Gypsy songs, Italian folk music, and the aria "La Mamma Morta" from Umberto Giordano's "Andrea Chenier."

Miss Schumann, publicity director for the college and editor of the Lawrence *Alumnus*, is an alumna of the conservatory. Creation of a Campus, her account of the growth of the college, appeared in book form last fall.

Oratorio Soloist

"Schwie" has had considerable experience as an oratorio soloist and recitalist. She has been soloist in Handel's "The Messiah" in Green Bay, Watertown, Sturgeon Bay, and three times with the Schola Cantorum of the college; she has sung the soprano roles in Faure's "Requiem" and DuBois' "Seven Last Words" with the Lawrence group; and she has appeared with the choir of the First Presbyterian church in Neenah in Mendelssohn's "St. Paul," and "Elijah," along with Heydn's "The Creation" and Stainer's "Crucifixion."

She was a pupil of Dr. Marshall B. Hulbert, now dean of the college, during her undergraduate days, and more recently has been studying with Dr. Carl J. Waterman, emeritus dean of the Lawrence Conservatory.

Applications for board membership and literary contributions are now being accepted by Judy Hallett, editor-in-chief of the campus literary magazine, "The Contributor."

The present board consists of John Liebenstein, Dave Hansen and Jim Beck, but openings are still available. Applications should consist of the name and residence of the person and a short essay on his ideas on literary criticism. They may be handed in to any member of the staff.

Literary contributions may be in any form such as short story, poetry, essay, sketch or any others. All students are urged to turn in as many pieces as they may desire. There is no established deadline as yet, but it will be announced shortly.

"The Contributor" is a bi-annual publication with a winter and a spring issue.

Seven Girls To Head Sage

Officers were recently elected for Sage Hall. Since the majority of Sage residents are sophomores, it was decided that a sophomore should be president of the dormitory. Nancy Marsh was chosen for this office, and Jan Moats was elected head proctor. The secretary-treasurer is Jane Voss; Homecoming chairmen, Linda Lord and Nancy Wissmiller; and social chairmen, Jill Grande and Helen Edelhofer.

Film Is Finished; Showings Slated

A fifteen minute movie film entitled "A River, A College, A Town," has been completed by the publicity office of Lawrence College for use in the coming year. It is available for showing on campus if sponsored by a particular group. The film was shown at the Parent-Faculty Tea and the Student-Faculty Coffee Hour during New Student Week.

The movie has already been booked on more than 20 television stations, will be shown to alumni clubs, and will be incorporated into a public service

talk about the college which has already been given to more than a hundred service clubs throughout the midwest in the past two seasons. It has been shown in Chippewa Falls and Marquette and is scheduled to be shown in Escanaba, Michigan, Janesville, and several places in and near Milwaukee and Chicago.

Script for the film was written by John Gebert, '51, of Merrill, while the sound track was narrated by Kenneth Anderson, '52, a member of the Neenah high school faculty. Gebert was

a student of creative writing under Professor Warren Beck, while Anderson, who starred with the Lawrence theater, majored under Professor F. Theodore Cloak. Photography was done by Robert Peterson, '53, a member of the Lawrence publicity staff, who also edited the film. Musical background was provided by the Lawrence College choir under the direction of LaVahn Maesch. General coordinator of the enterprise was Marguerite Schumann, publicity director of the college.

The film has been in production since last January, was completed this summer, and

the sound track was added at that time. With another fifteen minute film of the Lawrence Choir singing a short concert done at a Madison television station during their spring tour, the movies make up a half-hour program to be circulated to alumni groups throughout the country. Since Lawrence is a member of the American Association of Admissions Counselors, whose code forbids the use of visual aids during recruiting calls to the high schools, the film cannot be shown to prospective students except at private gatherings of high school seniors.

LAVA BED PROVES HARD HOE TO ROWE

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and geographical area. These people are now the topic of investigators interested in Polynesian emigration. Along with the film, Rowe has brought back a collection of Hawaiian artifacts, which will be on display at the Art Center in October. Made up mostly of crat items for fishing, food preparation and a few weapons, the collection will become a permanent part of the Anthropology Department collections of Lawrence College.



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Greeks Pledge 236 As "Rush" Week Ends

(NOTE: This NOT the "Greek Column" which appeared in the LAWRENTIAN last year.—The Editor.)

Lawrence's Greeks closed what has been termed a "most successful rushing season" last Sunday evening with the traditional open houses around the fraternity quadrangle.

A total of 236 students were pledged, ten more than in 1957. The increase was due entirely to the fraternities, who pledged 14 more than last year, while the sororities took in four less. Due to the greater size of the class of 1962 there were also more students remaining independent — 46 males and 57 females (compared to 36 and 54, respectively, last year).

SIGMA PHI EPSILON pledged 18 men: Thomas Ahl, James Arnold, Norman Baker, Robert Berryman, Robert Buchanan, Robert Doerk, Warren Ellsworth, Mark Gamb, Paul Hartwig, Kenneth Holehouse, John Kearney, Walter Krueger, William Leeson, William Miller, Dustin Smith, William Stryker, Jay Tibbetts, Edward Vraaastad.

The following 22 men pledged PHI KAPPA TAU: Robert Bezucha, William Bond, John Buchholz, Spyro Couloulas, Harry Edel, David Fellman, David Ferguson, Daniel Gilmore, Darrow Glockner, Jay Hanson, Jonathan Hartshorne, John Harvey, Robert Jacobson, Michael Lakin, Donald Lichty, Wayne Mendro, Carl Nebel, Donald Nelson, Jeffrey Smith, William Stedman, Bruce Thoms, and John Van Meter.

PHI GAMMA DELTA pledged 9 freshmen and 2 upperclassmen: Scott Adam, Gerald Bloch, Eric Hansen, Jack Kaplan, John Keithley, Ronald Kuhr, John Landon, Stanley Metcalf, Terry Ragus, Tom Temple, and Frank Whiting.

The 22 freshmen wearing the PHI DELTA THETA pledge-pin are: Charles Barr, Hayward Biggers, David Bray, Fred Byergo, Marshall Colburn, James Eastman, Steven Gilboy, Douglas Grim, Glenn Hansen, Jon Hendrich, Joseph Janutka, James Jordan, Frank Klingelhofer, John Landeck, Steve Lindblad, Donald Manson, William Meyer, Richard Price, Eric Ruth, Thomas Strachan, Richard Thompson, and Thomas Walker.

Pledged by DELTA TAU DELTA were the following 19 men: Tomas Baer, Donald Bergman, Daniel Brink, Kennedy Crane, Charles Engberg, Ronald Frank, Walter Glascoff, David Jordan, Richard Kauffman, Jeffrey Knox, Peter Mermin, Richard Piza, Alan Saltzman, Thomas Steitz, William Stout, Scott Vaughn, Meredith Watts, Alexander Wilde, and Richard Young.

The 24 pledges of BETA THETA PI are: Melvin Bayer, Gordon Becker, Allan Blackburn, Alan Bond, Champ Brahe, Jon Challoner, William Colby, David Dickson, John Dixon, George Friend, Martin Gradman, Robert Landis, Edgar Larsen, Richard Laumann, Donald McAlister, David Miller, Roger Morris, Ronald Pellegrino, James Reeve, Charles Sadler, Peter Thomas, David Thomsen, Wilson Troup, and Robert Waterman.

ALPHA CHI OMEGA pledged the following 16 women: Carolyn Baker, Cynthia Barton, Harriet Bartlett, Judith Dotz,

Margaret Fulton, Marjorie Kiefer, Sandra Kraft, Elizabeth Martin, Miriam Meyer, Catheline Petruschke, Mary Prince, Judith Simon, Barbara Stroud, Grace Wiley, Judith Williams, and Mary Ann Zack.

Nine freshmen and one upperclassman took the pledge-vows of ALPHA DELTA PI: Caryl Bogen, Anneke Dicus, Francine Fort, Sue Manion, Vicki Mannel, Susan Meier, Carol Sue Miller, Elizabeth Morgan, Nancy Ochsenschlager and Katherine Pagel.

DELTA GAMMA's 25 pledges, among them two upperclassmen, are as follows: Lynn Booster, Karen Borchardt, Judy Bruce, Bronte Carpenter, Susan Daniels, Judith Defferding, Zoe De Lorme, Bonnie Glidden, Cynthia Hutchinson, Judith Koch, Linda Mayhew, Sheila Meier, Mary Mendius, Sarah Meyer, Ann Nordeen, Marcia Rivenburg, Margaret Ruf, Mary Schindel, Enid Skripka, Phyllis Spinner, Ruth Staab, Emily Stong, Alice Taussig, Wendy Walter, and Susan Zastrow.

Twenty-two women were pledged by KAPPA ALPHA THETA: Janet Ansonge, Mary Bartels, Judith Clark, Sarah Daubert, Diane Duvall, Gail Glienke, Mary Hamilton, Becky Howell, Millicent Irminger, Judith Kauffman, Ann Markus, Susan McConnell, Anne Pelizzoni, Andrea Peters, Johanna Petersen, Sally Rosebush, Judith Semmer, Susan Severson, Cindy Seidmore, Mary Strange, Patti Utschig, and Nancy Watkins.

The 23 pledges of KAPPA DELTA are as follows: Beverly Ansink, Mary Aderhold, Joan Clayton, Alice De Swarte, Sandra Laue, Joan Lubitz, Jean Madden, Sarah Moyer, Judith Nelson, Carol Page, Mary Plischounig, Julie Ramsey, Priscilla Rydberg, Mary Schroeder, Susan Smith, Nancy Stade, Nancy Thalhofer, Julie Verette, Lynn Voss, Margit Winstrom,

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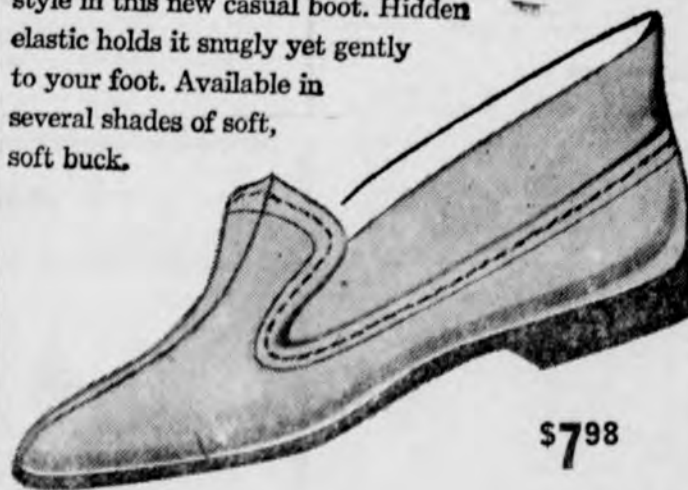


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Lawrence Puts Up Hard Fought Fight

In the initial game of the year Lawrence lost a hard fought game to the Coe Kohawks 14-6. 1800 gatherers at Whiting Field last Saturday were treated to one of the best games here in several years.

The lightly regarded Vike crew fought the heavier Kohawks to a standstill for the first half and most of the third session. But with 6:18 minutes gone in the third quarter, Jerry Stonebarger rammed over from the one yard stripe, climaxing a 59 yard drive. The Coe drive was sparked by the 34 yard jaunt of Stan Miller. The PAT was no good. In the fourth stanza, Coe scored again when Justin Watson scored from the six. Coe stayed on the ground on this latter drive.

The Vikes came right back, however, and went 76 yards in 5 plays to score. The big play being Schultze's 42 yard heave to Gellendin for the score. Seconds before, Smoky Joe Lamers made a great catch of a 22 yard flip by Gilboy.

MIDWEST CONFERENCE STANDINGS

	W	L	TP	OP
Carleton	1	0	27	6
Coe	1	0	14	6
Cornell	1	0	27	0
Ripon	1	0	40	7
Grinnell	0	0	0	0
Lawrence	0	1	6	14
Monmouth	0	1	6	27
St. Olaf	0	1	7	40
Knox	0	1	0	27

The first half of the heated contest was strictly a defensive battle played between the 40-yard stripes. Each team punted six times in the first half. One of Coe's punts was blocked by onrushing Vike linesmen, but the offensive couldn't capitalize on it. The offensive units couldn't seem to click for either eleven; Coe gained 69 yards rushing and the Vikes 59 in the first half.

The Vikes showed a surprisingly good passing attack although completing only two of eight for 64 yards. On several occasions Lawrence receivers came very close to catching the "strikes" of Schultze.

Another bright spot was Jim Leatham's 47 yard return of the opening kick-off in the second half. Later in the game Leatham hurt his left shoulder.

Gary Scovel was the leading ground gainer for either team as he had 88 of the 110 yards gained by the Vikes on the ground. The Coe defense seemed to be looking for the slants of Milford and Leatham because neither of these had much running room from scrimmage.

SUMMARY

COE 14
 Ends—Knudson, T. Stonebarger, Welch, Curnan, Clanton
 Tackles—Pater, Brecht, Reeve, Houdek
 Guards—Johnson, Jermier, Bostock, Stephenson
 Centers—Jones, Wessel
 Backs—J. Stonebarger, Armstrong, Watson, Topping, Miller, Pyle, York, Leeper, Driscoll, Rusher, Gries

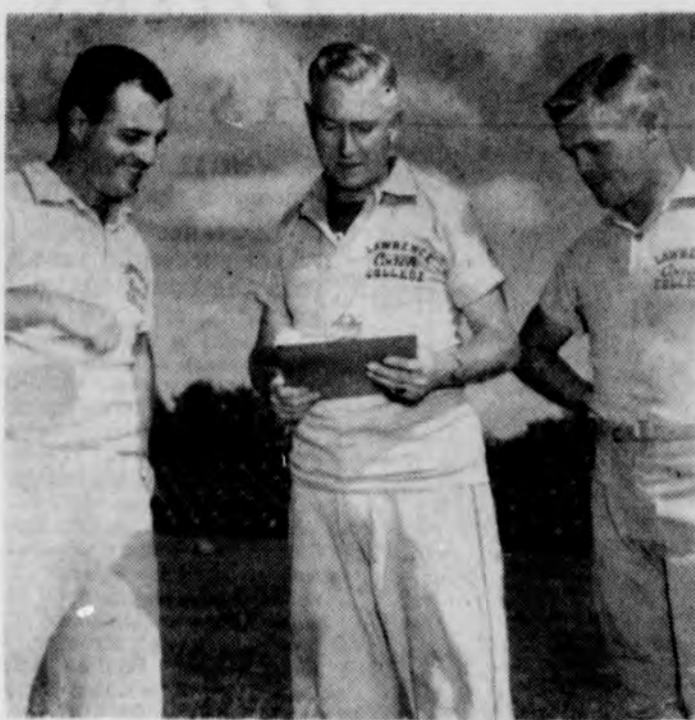
LAWRENCE 6
 Ends—Logan, Lamers, Dunning
 Tackles—Smith, Weber, Kearns, Whitmore
 Guards—Schwendler, Sutherland, Reiskyti, Millard, Pihl
 Center—Hackworthy
 Backs—Schultze, Milford, Leatham, Scovel, Ramsey, Staff, Gilboy, Ullwell, Scruggs, Haase, Gellendin

Scoring:				
COE	0	0	6	8-14
LAWRENCE	0	0	0	6-6
Statistics				
First Downs	13	6		
Rushing	12	5		
Passing	1	1		
Total Yardage	277	174		
Yards Rushing	237	110		
Yards Passing	40	64		
Passes Attempted	14	8		
Passes Completed	2	2		
Had Intercepted	1	1		
Fumbles	1	1		
Penalties	6-50	4-30		

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—Post-Crescent Photo

Coaches Don Boya, Bernie Heselton, and Gene Davis (above) will direct the Lawrence eleven in a bid for victory against the Grinnell Pioneers tomorrow. Two mainstays in the line are Dave Hackworthy (left) and Carl Schwendler (upper left). Both Hackworthy and Schwendler played big roles in Lawrence's defense against Coe last week.



VIKING SAGA

There were many raised eye-brows among followers of the Midwest Conference football last week as an underdog Lawrence eleven played nearly even ball against Coe. The question that comes to mind is, are the Kohawks as strong as the pre-season predictors estimated or are the Vikings stronger than had been anticipated. From this writer's point of view the answer is that probably both are true.

Coe's highly vaunted wing-T offensive attack was contained quite well by such defensive stalwarts as Schwendler, Sutherland, Reiskyti, Ramsey, and Stark. It was this sterling defense that made many observers think that the Vikes will be winning some football this fall.

Lawrence's offensive, on the other hand, just couldn't seem to click. The few single wing plays attempted met with little success.

The Lawrence-Coe series, which dates back to 1923, now stands at 8 wins—8 losses—1 tie. Only one team, St. Olaf, boasts of an over 500 percentage with Lawrence. In a series that started in 1952, the Oles hold a 4 victory—1 loss record over Coach Heselton's warriors.

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By JOHN ROSS

All the time-honored summer jobs for putting football players "in shape" were by-passed by Lawrence football captain Dave Mulford, Rockford, Ill., and defensive back Charles Scruggs, of Chicago, in the vacation just past.

Instead of toughening themselves in a steel mill, lumber camp or construction crew, these Vikings toured the continent from which the Lawrence team name originated. Right after final examinations in June the pair enplaned for Glasgow, Scotland, and from there on saw the roads of Western Europe by bicycle and its cities by foot. Occasionally they found themselves still on the road at nightfall; then they picked a likely ditch, haystack of a church cloister.

Running and wind sprints were practiced throughout the journey. In Paris they used the Eiffel Tower's first two landings as a running track, and astounded the tourists by running up 20 flights of stairs without pause. The street-stairways of Nice in the south of France made a splendid steeplechase course.

Lawrence's ambassadors at-

VIKE THREAT



BACK FROM HIS EXTENSIVE European tour, Charlie Scruggs resumes his important place in the Vikes' defense.

—Post-Crescent Photo

Greeks Pledge 236 As "Rush" Week Ends

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Mary Lou Witt, and Patricia Webb.

PI BETA PHI pledged 23 women: Sharon Bestrom, Susie Brehm, Bonnie Brown, Carol Chmiel, Tory Estes, Charls Gaskin, Susan Harsha, Susan Herr, Mary McKee, Carmen Niemi, Sheila Moyle, Judy Oetting, Elizabeth Pestrel, Ann Petri, Carolyn Raymakers, Margot Ryan, Sandra Seby, Lorna Schuhr, Joan Speed, Ann Stevenson, Sara Volz, and Marilyn Wormley.

tempted to transplant football to Viareggi, a little town north of Pisa. Dave and Charlie were passing a football around in the square—an activity which attracted a crowd of observers who were intrigued by the spin imparted to the ball by "quegli Americani."

A game was soon organized with some students from the town, and the intricacies of the Lawrence single wing were explained in halting French to the eager Italians. After a high-scoring contest (70-70) which was distinguished by some "nice end-over-end passes" the Lawrentians deflated their football and journeyed on.

The summer was a vast success—from both the conditioning and the cultural standpoints.

We Miss You...



CLARENCE!

ENGLISH: highway for mules



THINKLISH: BURROFARE

ENGLISH: writing instrument for plagiarists



THINKLISH: SWIPEWRITER

ENGLISH: talking dog



THINKLISH: SPEKINGESE

USF Opens Season With 'Broken Mask'

"The Broken Mask," a movie, will be shown and discussed this Sunday evening, at United Student Fellowship's first meeting of the school year.

The meeting will begin with supper at 5:30 and will include singing as well as the movie and the discussion; the meeting ends at 7:15.

Line Keiser will lead the discussion, while Ed Doemland will be the song-leader. The president of Lawrence United Student Fellowship for the current school year is John Beck.

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The MELTING POT . . .

To the Editor:

Within ten days after their introduction to Lawrence College, some of the new students receive the implication through the bid method that as far as the Greek fraternal world is concerned they are social outcasts. It was revealed to me more vividly last year when I served as head Counselor at Brokaw Hall. Freshmen with bruised egos came to me to seek counsel and consolation.

It was difficult to revive in them their former feeling of self-respect and reassurance. I wondered by what right we inflicted so much unnecessary and unintentional grief. I say we have no right, especially if a means for avoiding it can be arrived at.

Fraternities are social organizations, and few seldom claim boundaries which transgress this description. I sympathize with the view that as social organizations they should be free to select and limit their membership to those from the student body whom they think to be acceptable to their organization. This is a right that will probably be upheld with very little difficulty, and at present I am not too concerned with it.

I am more concerned with the rights that EVERY freshman should expect upon entering the campus of the Lawrence family.

To state it perhaps more vividly, I would like to promote a means by which fraternities could continue to select their membership and at the same time eliminate the stigma of broken spirits, of students calling home to their parents gasping in tears that they have been rejected. If this is a family, it will take a long time to convince these people that new arrivals in a family can be treated in this fashion.

Even more so, I wonder who will take it upon himself to remedy this cause.

If I may state my views, I shall be content to listen to those of others. I believe that the responsibility lies firstly upon the administration, secondly upon the fraternities, and thirdly upon the independents of our campus.

1. Due to ideologies, the position of the administration is a difficult one. Because it entrusts self-government upon the student body, it will not interfere noticeably in the altering of the first ten days on campus. It would prefer to have the corrective measures come from the students themselves. We are all aware that many seeds have been sown by various members of the administration and faculty, but no fruit has been reaped.

2. The side of the fraternities is of greater interest to me. A few converts have been won, but they seem to remain influential. The fraternities refuse to alter rushing methods because of their inherent distrust of one another. GENTLEMEN? "Deferred rushing" and "continuous dirty rushing" are

synonymous to many Greeks.

Greater than their distrust for one another can sometimes be felt in their uncertainty of their right to exist. It is often mouthed that deferred rushing would reduce their membership to impotence. I have greater faith in them than that because I believe I am aware of the reason behind joining fraternities.

If we may return to the second paragraph you will notice that I believe that fraternities are social organizations. Students join them to fulfill what might otherwise be an inadequate social life. Whether students join fraternities during the first or last week of their freshman year, the purpose in joining them will basically remain unaltered.

3. The independents are unorganized and quite often this is synonymous with anti-responsibility. They are quick to criticize and very slow to contribute. I would like to remind the latter that those who are injured by the present rushing method are those who join the ranks of the unorganized. Not everyone on this campus is independent for the same reason, but many are not so of their own choice.

I propose deferred rushing as a means of eliminating this immediate cleavage which leaves some students marked as undesirable before they feel established on our campus. I am certain, too, that the fraternities could benefit greatly by this deferment.

I have chosen to divide the responsibility among three groups—the administration, the fraternities, and the independents. The fraternities might do well to hold a fraternity forum on this question. If they choose to turn their heads away from the issue I suggest the independents undertake the responsibility.

The independents might select some representatives who would arrive on the campus during New Student Week. These would speak to the freshmen informally and sincerely as friends and enlighten them on these representatives should be sincere individuals who would certain views which have hitherto remained unexpressed, be an aid to freshmen, and not students who are so prejudiced in the opposite view that they might distort the picture and become more of a hindrance than an aid. It is a move toward fairness and not malice.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind all students that any independent can assert his freedom of speech. This happens to be a constitutional right which quite easily overrides the IFC by-laws. The fraternities may desire to deny their membership of the right to speak, but their authority ends there.

To Mr. Pinkerton I would say, "I disagree with what you say, Tad, but I will defend your right to say it."

In summary, I would encour-



From Your PRESIDENT

"Ahh! they'll never catch me. Besides, I've got a place over in Kaukauna, and it will only set me back five bucks a month."

"Man, I'd still take it home if I were you."

"Yeah, you probably would, but I've got a date for this all-school dance we've been hearing about, and I wouldn't miss it for all the money in the entire world."

No, I did not overhear this conversation, but if it is similar to one you might have heard, this article may be of interest to someone.

Placed on the newly constructed center of our campus is a very small note which appears to be of more significance the closer we step to it. The title of this tiny white memorandum is "OFFICIAL NOTICE," and the opening sentence is "ATTENTION: ALL STUDENTS." Evidently it pertains to us. Upon analyzing the next line, which incidentally is also the final one, we notice it is constructed in the imperative case, for it reads: "ALL CARS MUST BE OFF THE CAMPUS BY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, AT 8:00 A.M." And you would never guess who is the author of that tricky piece of English—Alexander R. Cameron. It says he's the dean of men.

I'm going to miss this dance but not the rest of them.

BILL MAC ARTHUR

age the independents to exercise some responsibility which you have hitherto shunned. To the fraternities I encourage you to modernize your plant lest you be left with no plant at all. To the administration I merely say "PRAY." And to those who have been shocked into reality by the fraternal world, I merely call your attention to the main purpose for attending college—an academic experience.

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from the editor's desk

now is the time!

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OF THE FRATERNITIES' 95 PLEDGES TO DATE, only 65 are slated for activation this week. What of the other 28? Why are they not eligible for initiation?

For most of them, the reason is grades. There are the few on "social" or other disciplinary probation, but most of the 28 are left out in the cold because of poor academic records.

The men in the class of 1961 were all required to take the College Board tests before their admission to Lawrence. They all demonstrated what would seem to be a reasonable degree of intelligence; and yet 28 of those who pledged last fall were unable to attain a satisfactory record.

DID LAWRENCE ADMIT 28 IDIOTS in the class of '61? I don't think so.

Scholarship is a phase of college life which all fraternities stress—on the surface. Yet underneath, how much concern do our fraternities (as well as their individual members) have for the scholastic well-being of their pledges? According to the facts, NOT MUCH.

Considering that each fraternity averages at least five pledges-not-eligible (and this is not far from last year's figure), it would seem that a serious re-evaluation of its scholarship and pledge-training policies is the imperative concern of each fraternity.

from the editor's desk

there've been some changes made . . .

Many of you may be wondering what happened to the Lawrentian's old mast-head. It was beautiful and flowery, to be sure, but it was NOT modern.

The Lawrentian tries to keep abreast of the times in all ways—in make-up, policy, features, and format.

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