Voters Approve Entertainment Head Fee; Proposed A.S. Budget Goes to President

The Associated Students will present its revised budget proposal to President Kelly Thompson this afternoon, and included in the list of financial requests is a statement asking the President to consider the institution of a head-fee program.

Under this program Western students would be taxed at registration for their big-name entertainment for the 1968-69 school year.

On May 2 Western students expressed their support of such a program by voting in favor of a survey-type referendum stating the specific assessment of $1.50 per semester.

This proposal won overwhelming approval of the voters by a 2543 to 286 margin.

If President Thompson approves the program he will then take the issue to the University Board of Regents for recommended passage, and a final decision on the program.

This meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 31.

If the proposal passes the Board of Regents it will mean that the student will, upon presentation of his I.D. card, be admitted to two free concerts per semester. In short, it will work along the same lines as the activity fee which the students now pay for benefits regarding recreational facilities and other services.

Adams, Moore Hold Region Posts

Two Western students hold executive positions in regional student government associations as the result of recent elections.

John Adams was elected Southern Universities' Student Government Association's Kentucky Chairman at the recent convention held in Biloxi, Miss.

Sunny Moore was chosen Vice-President of the Kentucky Student Association during the April convention at the University of Kentucky.

Adams succeeds Bill Mc Connel from Eastern Kentucky University. The Louisville sophomore served on the Associated Student Rules and Elections Committee, the Collegiate Issues Committee, and as President of his freshman class.

As Chairman, Adams will plan the annual state workshop, recruit new schools from the state, and keep member schools informed of current activities.

SUSGA was formed 15 years ago to provide for a free exchange of ideas between colleges and universities in the southeastern United States. More than 125 colleges and universities from a ten state area now belong.

Moore is also a past member of the Associated Student Rules and Elections Committee. The junior from Louisville will work with Steve Wilborn from Eastern Kentucky University who is the new KSA President.

Randi Jensen Receives Honor

Randi Jensen, a junior French major from Louisville, has received the second annual award as Associated Students Outstanding Member.

She was presented with the award at the honors day program held at freshman assembly this morning.

While with the A.S., Miss Jensen served in Congress as the girls dorm representative. She was also the chairman of the publicity committee which handled all necessary public relations concerning entertainment provided by student government this year.

Last year's recipient of the award was Leonard Heydt, who was chairman of the rules and elections committee.
A Successful Year Will Be the Product
Of Individual Student Involvement

As your newly elected President it becomes my immediate task to represent you, the student body, in all administrative matters. I see this as no easy task, but one which can only be achieved through hard work and the complete support of the student body. I will provide you with the hard work involved, but you must provide me with the support that is so essential in the governing of an effective Associated Students. It now becomes the duty of each Westerner to become involved with your student government.

Many of you possibly want to become a part of our student government, but don't quite know how to go about becoming an active participating member. It is not necessary to be a member of Congress to become involved with the Associated Students. There are no set qualifications you must meet before you can help student government. There are no restrictions at all preventing your becoming a part of our student government. All an individual has to do in order to become an active member of the Associated Students is to present himself to me or any member of Congress.

Bill Straeffer
A.S. President

Book Exchange Program Set

A book exchange program sponsored by the Veterans' Club and the Associated Students will begin next fall for the benefit of students buying and selling textbooks.

Each book will be evaluated "excellent", "good" or "fair" according to its condition. On the basis of this evaluation, the student will receive between 40% and 60% of the original price when the book is sold.

Books will be sold in the order in which they were received. The student may present his receipt in exchange for the money. Twenty cents will be charged for each book sold to cover the expense of the exchange program. If a book is not sold it will be returned without the service charge.

Eliminating the "middle-man's" profit will allow students to sell books at a higher price and buy them at a lower price than is possible. Under the existing conditions, books may be bought from the student for 50% of the original cost and resold for 65% to 75% of the original cost.

The books exchange program meets the approval of President Kelly Thompson and the College Heights Foundation which includes the College Heights Bookstore. The exchange is not in competition with other facilities, it is a service to the student.

The exchange will be held in the Student Center, Room 208. It will be in operation from September 15 through October 2. All books not sold by October 2 will be returned to the student upon presentation of his receipt. Those not picked up will become property of the book exchange program.

Vets and A.S. Sponsored

One must make the initial step of informing a member of the present A.S. administration of their interest. Student government will in turn show its appreciation to them. Our doors are always open to any student, however we can not make use of a person's capabilities if the person does not make his capabilities known to us.

In essence, what I am saying is that more manpower is needed in Associated Students. Student government needs the student body's full support in order to function to its capacity. And it is your duty as a student of Western to become involved with student government. Student government is exactly what it says—a government made up for students by the students.

I am asking that you take a good hard look at our organization. If you are displeased by what you see, then it is your duty to do something about it—to better it to the best of your knowledge. It is your duty to become an active member in our student government.

Bill Straeffer
A.S. President

Group Outlines Added Lectures

Anticipating a rise in present student interest, the newly formed Collegiate Issues Committee is in the process of preparing next year's lecture agenda. Plans include the offering of dialogues between various instructors on topics of local and national concern.

Dialogues already scheduled deal with "Drugs"; "Abortion"; "Academics vs. Athletics"; and the ever present question of "Student Power vs. the Power of the Administration."

The fine work of the committee went almost unrecognized this semester as only a meager handful of students came to listen to their offering on the draft. The Committee's second lecture was a two part program on racial unrest featuring two guest speakers—Mr. Dennis Askey and Mrs. Beatrice Holland. Again attendance was scarce.

With plans for next year already in the working, the Committee promises to develop into a great success. But, as in most campus activities, the full participation of the student body is needed to glean all the potential worth from the program.

The Committee is composed of members Lyn Davis, Pat Garrison, John Adams and Chairman Mike Calderaro, who work with the assistance of their advisors, Dr. Lerond Curry and Dr. Hugh Thomason.
Dean Keown—Associated Student Advisor

Dean Charles Keown, advisor for the Associated Students and an individual largely responsible for its existence, has proven a tremendous friend to the students.

Being the first major appointment to the administration in 1955 by Western's newly appointed president, Dr. Kelly Thompson, Dean Keown stepped from seven years of classroom teaching into the position of Dean of Student Affairs. In addition to acting as both Dean of Men and Dean of Women, he was Director of Traffic Affairs and Director of Alumni and Placement.

He has been a strong believer in the individuality of students and has fought behind the scenes for their rights.

Past A. S. president Winky Menser stated, "He possesses the rare quality of being able to work, plan, and organize and then, at just the right moment, to step back and let the credit fall to others. It appears that as long as A. S. endeavors are going well, A. S. receives the praise; when failure appears on the scene, so does the Dean, absorbing the criticism. He plays the role of the 'man in the middle' with no complaints."

To those who have the opportunity to observe him, his sincere concern for others, whether they be the vice president of the university or a freshman from New York whom he does not know, is admirable. On the campus a "hello" follows his appearance, and in his office fair treatment precedes his decisions. So far as I know, Dean of Men, proclaimed, "Dean Keown is the most sensible person I know to fit students needs."

Another administrator stated, "Sometimes students approach me with their problems. I listen, direct them to Char-..."

Judicial Committee Requires Change To Become Effective

"If the A. S. Judicial Committee is to fulfill its purpose as outlined in the constitution, some changes need to be seriously considered."

These were the words of former A. S. President, Winky Menser, hinting at the fact that the action taken by this committee in the past year is virtually nil. At present there have been only two cases tried by the student jury.

What is the reason for this lack of self-interest on the part of the average Western student? According to Menser, the possibility exists "that the average student is not ready to accept a judgement by a peer group."

Presently the committee hears those cases referred to it by the Dean of Students, however, the student may request that his case, regardless of the degree, be brought before the council. As Menser states, "The committee has been relatively inactive this past year due, not to a lack of desire or dedication, but to a lack of cases."

Repeated publicity has failed to increase student use of this service. Most new A. S. officers agree that the answer lies in a basic revision of the constitution.

Under present consideration is a plan which automatically refers all cases involving a particular type of offense, such as traffic violations, to the committee.

Recently elected President Bill Strasser has stated, "This would perhaps help the committee to better fulfill its purposes. I plan to appoint a special constitutional revision committee to investigate a feasible plan of improvement in this as well as other areas which need reconsideration."

Students Loans May Be Okayed

Do you need a quick loan for a special weekend date or for a spring break trip? Next year it may be possible to walk into the Associated Students office and ask for a loan up to $15 for a specified period of time. You would be asked no questions as to the intended use of the money.

A.S. President Bill Strasser is presently inquiring and studying the feasibility and practical aspects of such a program.

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These free concerts will be limited to big-name entertainment as prescribed by the Associated Students and the head fee will not exceed $1.50 per student each semester, but if the final draft is not more than a dollar, it would be almost impossible to hold more than a single free concert.
Beck–A Different Veep

Ron Beck, former Vice President of A.S., performed in a manner that laid to the wayside the old adage of the vice president being a throw-away job.

Beck, senior from Fern Creek, headed the Student Activities Committee that supervised and coordinated all phases of this year's student activity. His performance in this position set new precedents in organizational methods and established a solid foundation for this year's A.S. body to work from.

Under Ron's storage $30,000.00 worth of big name entertainment have presented concerts on campus to compliment a highly excellented activities program.

A member of Lambda Chi Alpha, Ron finds time in his busy day to spend with his pretty wife, Bonnie, a senior from Owensboro.

On Ron's contributions, former A.S. president Winky Menser had this to say: "...doing the work then slipping into the shadows; capable and eager to accept responsibility, Ron has carried the load of the Presidency as much as I have."

Treasurer Issue Passes Test

A referendum to amend the constitution concerning the requirements for treasurer of Associated Students passed in the general election two weeks ago by a vote of 2,212 to 543.

The amendments reads as follows:

"To qualify for the office of treasurer of A.S., the candidate must be a business major or minor or an accounting major or minor and must have completed a minimum of six hours of accounting courses including the current semester's work."

The amendment will become effective next election.

Tony Rizzo, a junior business administration major from Chicago, heads the post of A.S. treasurer this year.

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of the pre-conceived service to Western students might include:

--A contract signed by the borrower agreeing to pay the loan with a 50¢ service fee by a specified date.

--If the loan was not paid the borrower's grades would be withheld.

--Any full-time student in good standing with the University would be eligible for such a loan.

Spotlight on Revere and His Raiders

Paul Revere and The Raiders were in the spotlight May 9 in Diddle Arena. 5500 students attended the concert which included Tommy Roe, Keith Allison, George McCannon III, The Exiles and The Napoleonic Wars.