

EDITORIAL PAGE

The Delegates Battled

Those were four busy days last week during the model United Nations charter amendment conference.

The active participation by several delegations and the true-to-life policies made the conference colorful.

On the whole, the conference was enlightening and progressive. Charles Gomon, chairman, who served as secretary-general, can be proud of his project.

There were several highlights which were not anticipated. While one USSR delegate was speaking once, an intruder rose, and "shot" him.

Even the error by one delegate who attempted

to amend a resolution in one committee meeting which was being considered next door did not phase delegates.

Delegates seemed to be better versed in parliamentary procedure this year and to know well the attitudes of the nations they represented.

When the Czechoslovakian delegate spoke in his native tongue, a cry arose from Russian delegates who insisted that the "earphones" must not be working and would the president please interpret the remarks.

One bottleneck of the conference was overlapping of proposed amendments. This might be avoided in the future by a committee on examining and coordinating resolutions.

Those planning the event and those participating are to be congratulated. Naturally, the delegates weren't professional and mistakes were made.

The Daily Nebraskan was proud to print news concerning this activity. We believe it shows that college students sometimes really think about serious things.

—J. K.

The Arguing Continues

When you get right down to basic facts, this editor wonders just what is all this fuss about our foreign policy or especially around the question: Do we have a foreign policy?

When the two got on the topic of whether we have a foreign policy, it was rather interesting to note their definitions. Rogge, while maintaining we do not have a policy, concluded that we do have a series of diplomatic events definitely amounting to a program of action.

This editor is of the opinion that it is rather useless to spend time debating whether we have a foreign policy or not; the important element is rather what effect our policy (or call it series of actions) do to the rest of the world.

The unusual part of Rogge's observations was the suggestion that Yugoslavia be given aid to help build an aluminum factory. The stockpile from that would then go to the UN.

FBI And McGranery

Quite a few people in Washington, D. C., will be somewhat upset at the latest "faith in the people" announcement by recently-appointed attorney general James P. McGranery.

In addition to these reports flying around Washington, McGranery has announced three specific methods by which he will clean up government, if, according to the new attorney general, "it is necessary."

All finding out and prosecuting of governmental wrong-doers, according to McGranery, will be under the jurisdiction of the FBI.

Winding up his new program for cleaning up the government, McGranery says, and we hope with emphasis, "We will use due process and not conduct any witchhunts."

Many reputed splashes on McGranery's record are being brought to light by members of both Democrat and Republican parties who oppose his appointment.

McGranery might not succeed; McGranery undoubtedly will be smeared and blasted; and our

Margin Notes

President Truman will be going home to Independence, Mo., come January, to "continue his fight for world peace and for the welfare of the people of the States."

Daily Thought

Better be merry with the fruitful Grape Than sadden after None, or bitter, Fruit.—Omar Khayyam.

responsible for two world wars and had condemned aid to Franco Spain because we would be helping a fascist nation.

Rogge's positive program for foreign policy was also interesting. He suggested the following three point program: first, world inspection; second, disarmament; and third, using the money from disarmament for aid to underdeveloped areas.

As Rogge admitted, it is easier to criticize than to create policy. And he had some excellent points. As for whether we have a foreign policy, the uncertainty in the world and the unpredictable nature of the USSR makes it almost impossible to establish set rules.

Truly, some points are hazy, but to deny we have a foreign policy appears to be a hypocritical play on words.

Rogge believed that our present policy actually helped Russia. However, the debater did not present, to this editor's satisfaction, enough evidence or causal reasoning to support this stand.

—J. K.

Witchhunts Decease

new attorney general might find hunting wrong-doers mighty rough. But he's scored already. He's answered the witchhunters through an attempt to retain the three divisions of our government—executive, judicial and legislative—in their proper perspective.—R. R.

Students In Politics

Students at the University who feel an inclination to participate in politics and would like to have their young voices heard in the nation's government, should turn their interests to Egyptian politics.

There seems to be a national feeling in that country that many of the recent riots and disturbances have been instigated by student groups. There also seems to be a national tradition that students take part, extremely actively, in national affairs.

Some sort of a movement is underfoot to curb the student activities in order that the British-Egypt controversy over nationalism of the Suez Canal rights may be cleared up.

Not only do students take part in politics and get blamed for extremely serious national trends but also find themselves a major factor in the government of their country.

Nationalism doesn't have much grounds for activity in our western world. But students with a yen for real political power either might find a burning issue, or join the headline-making students of Egypt.—R. R.

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Assassination Report

To the Editor: (Editor's note: This is a copy of the committee report which was rejected at the mock United Nations charter amendment conference.)

Model UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT

Report of the Committee to investigate the outbreak of violence at the 4 April session of the Committee on the Veto.

Committee: Secretary-General, Chief Delegate from India, Delegate from Sweden.

The following account of the outbreak of violence in the committee chamber has been obtained from eye-witnesses.

Previous to the outbreak of bloody violence, several of the delegations present at the session noted the presence of swarthy and suspicious-looking characters seated strategically throughout the assembly.

During a speech by a delegate from the USSR, one of the above mentioned characters jumped up and screamed, "Down with red Russia!"

Upon further investigation, the committee finds that the blood was Heinz 57. Detailed analysis of the situation discloses that said blood can be successfully removed by the application of carbon tetrachloride.

This committee finds that the secretary was negligent in its provision for the protection of those persons present at the session.

This committee recommends the fringing of each individual now present at the third plenary session in order to detect the presence of dangerous weapons.

Finally, the committee recommends that credentials be provided for all delegations to future conferences and that visitors must obtain proper means of admission, such means to be determined by the Secretary-General.

Signed: CHARLES GOMON Secretary-General MARGERY VAN PELT Chief Delegate from India BERNIE WISHNOW Delegate from Sweden

Something Concrete

Dear Editor: It is very gratifying for a student who looks out at the world and sees nothing but corruption to look on his own campus and see something concrete being done about it.

Search Week is a student movement which is also gratifying and a source of great pride to the rest of us University students.

I wish to give my wholehearted congratulations to everyone connected with the project and pray to God that it will turn out as well as it very surely should.

Faithfully yours, ALFRED BANGLETON

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This Student Deferment

... New Proposals

(Following is based on the recently released report of the National Manpower Council, operating under a Ford Foundation grant at Columbia University.)

That dependency should be removed as an automatic ground for deferment from military service is the recommendation of the National Manpower Council in a report released today.

Problems considered by the council include: Just what is the state of military manpower pool? How are students selected for deferment? What is the supply of skilled and specialized personnel? How do these deferments apply to a democratic society's values?

Essential Deferment Facts

This six months study presents a concise, interesting and valuable report on the essential facts of student deferment, the issues which deferment policy raises and the key points of view from which a judgment on the present system may be made.

Recognizing that the United States must develop to the fullest degree its manpower in view since we have only 6 per cent of the world's population, the council asks several changes in present policy to meet this goal.

Considering the military manpower policies, the council recommended seven changes: providing for maximum of effective utilization of highly trained and specialized men in military service; modification of present selection and assignment methods of highly trained personnel to give full weight to civilian skill and experience of a man in determining military assignments; reviewing the present officer procurement to see whether it results in utilizing a disproportionate number of graduates of scientific and engineering schools as line officers; more realistic standards for inductions and enlistments; pay scales and housing to encourage re-enlistments aiming toward career in armed services; a personnel ceiling by Congress to encourage armed forces to substitute civilian for military personnel wherever possible, and reducing requirements for military personnel by increasing functions performed for armed forces through contract with civilian organizations.

Not Individual Interest

Some of the facts revealed in the study preceding the recommendations are highly interesting.

Under the present Universal Military and Service act, deferment, that is postponement of service, always rests on considerations of national interest and not of individual interest.

At present, deferment which must be requested by the student, is mainly on a two-fold basis. A student may be deferred by a grade of

70 of the College Qualification test or by class standing. Other methods are participation in the Reserve Officers Training corps, deferment until the end of the academic year or students in medicine or allied subjects. All college freshmen are deferable.

It could become a problem, the council reports, because there is growing concern that continuing withdrawal of men will seriously deplete the reserve of manpower available to the military.

Alternate Methods

Alternative ways of dealing with the depleted pool include: making efforts to increase the number of career men; inducing or recruiting men from outside the pool; making certain veteran classes liable; providing for induction of fathers; utilizing women more effectively; reducing the mental and physical standards, and insuring that the so called less desirable personnel are distributed equitably among branches.

Mid-1954 is the date the council believes the serious overall manpower shortage will occur.

The report examines also the present selection of student deferment. Under the present program, about two thirds of freshmen who take the test will be deferred until they graduate or drop out of college.

The report shows there is a decided advantage in having a field of study in engineering, physical sciences or mathematics in regard to scores. Sectionally, the most deferred are from middle Atlantic and west north central states.

The most fundamental criticism, is that the present program applies only to those who go to college. Many capable persons do not enter college because of disincination, financial disability or another handicap. The army general class test shows that only 45 per cent of those with a score of 120 or above on the test actually enter college.

New Advantages

A program would be unequitable, the council realized, if it permitted substantial number of men who have been allowed to postpone military service to escape it permanently. To the extent that a deferment policy creates new advantages for those able to attend college, it may be criticized as running counter to considerations of equity.

These are some of the recommendations the council has advanced as a result of its study and research. They are worth serious consideration in view of the static manpower pool.—J. K.

Margin Notes

Federal District Judge James P. McGranery, more recently attorney general of the U.S. has indicated his job will consist of restoring "the faith of the American people in the government of the U. S. . . ."

Could it be that telegraph service has become expendable in our fast-life consisting of picking up a telephone for any reason to chat or carry on business with one another hundreds of miles away? The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company has reported that long distance calls did not noticeably increase when Western Union employees complied with a national strike order.

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