

Glancing over an envelope sent from China, a NU coed looked at the Chinese postmark with interest. Surprised by her find, she commented, "I thought all postmarks were written in English."



"Fair and warmer" is the good word from the Weather Bureau for Tuesday. High temperature for the day will be 40 degrees.

Concert:

Messiah Set For Sunday

Approximately 600 University students will blend voices in the annual Christmas season presentation of Handel's "Messiah" on Sunday.

The concert, sponsored by the Department of Music, will be at 3 p.m. at the University Coliseum. Soloists will be Barbara Blair, soprano; Carol Asbury, alto; Amer Lincoln, tenor, and John Poutre, baritone.

Miss Blair, a graduate of Texas Wesleyan College, Forth Worth,



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Miss Blair, a graduate of Texas Wesleyan College, Forth Worth, taught for two years in Forsan, Tex., before coming to the University this fall. She was a soloist in presentations of the "Messiah," "Israel in Egypt," the college choir and the orchestra at Texas Wesleyan. She is a member of Sigma Alpha Iota, women's music fraternity.

Miss Asbury is contralto soloist at First Baptist Church in Lincoln. Mother in Menotti's "The Consul" last season and is a member of University Singers, the University Symphony Orchestra and Sigma Alpha Iota.

Lincoln played the part of the Devil in the University opera, "The Devil and Daniel Webster," in the summer of 1954 and was understudy for the Magician in "The Consul." He is a soloist at St. Paul Methodist Church in Lincoln and is a member of the University Madrigal Singers and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, professional music fraternity.

Poutre played the male lead in "The Consul" and will have a leading role in this year's opera, "La Boheme." He also played the part of Jabe Stone in "The Devil and Daniel Webster." He is president of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia and a member of the Madrigal Singers. "The Messiah," presented by the University choral union, will



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be conducted by Dr. Arthur Westbrook.

Groups composing the Union are the Agricultural College Chorus, Altimas Tullis, conductor; University Singers I, Dr. David Foltz, conductor; University Singers II, Dr. Westbrook, conductor; University Chorus I, Earl Jenkins, conductor; University Chorus II, Dr. Foltz, conductor; and the School of Nursing Chorus from Omaha, Richard Duncan, conductor.

Also taking part will be the University orchestra conducted by Emanuel Wishnow. Marilyn Miller will be pianist, and Dr. Myron Roberts, associate professor of organ, organist.

Don Moul will present a program of traditional carols from the Ralph Mueller Carillon before and after the "Messiah" concert.

The Outside World:

AFL-CIO Merge

By BARE SHARP Staff Writer

The newly combined AFL and the CIO have great opportunity to exhibit "democratic processes" to all the world and to help liberate hundreds of millions from slavery abroad, according to President Eisenhower.

The President addressed the initial convention of the new organization—the world's largest—by telephone from his farm at Gettysburg, Pa.

Eisenhower urged the new union organization to protect the political and other rights of minorities within their ranks and to make certain that the views of such groups are "accurately reflected."

The President of the old AFL, George Meany, was elected AFL-CIO president.

Mendes-France Attacks Faure

French Premier Edgar Faure was attacked by former premier Mendes-France of imposing an "unscrupulous censorship" on French radio and television networks to aid his re-election campaign.

Mendes-France combined with other leftist political leaders to attack Faure in the newspaper L'Express.

Eden, Ike To Confer

British Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden will arrive in Washington Jan. 30 for talks with President Eisenhower, the White House announced.

According to diplomatic sources, the talks will deal with Western strategy for coping with the new cold war situation resulting from the failure of the Geneva Big Four foreign ministers conference. These sources believe that the most important reason for the talks is the sharp change that has come over East-West relations since the July summit meeting.



Courtesy Lincoln Journal

Commandant, Chairman Dance

Gail Drahota, newly presented Honorary Commandant, and Cadet Lt. Col. James Hewitt, Military Ball Chairman, are shown dancing the first dance following the presentation of Miss Drahota at the Military Ball. The Honorary

Commandant and the other finalists and their escorts traditionally dance the first dance alone. Finalists were Peggy Baldwin, Miss Army; Jancy Carman, Miss Navy; and Phyl Sherman, Miss Air Force. See story at bottom of page.

Union Party:

AWS Grants Hour Extension

Closing hours for freshman women have been extended to 10:30 p.m. on Wednesday, in order that they might attend the all-University Union Christmas party, AWS president Paula Broady Wells announced Thursday.

The "Christmas Eve on campus" party, the Union's annual gift to the students, will be held from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. in the Union. The theme of this year's party is "Christmas The World Around."

Santa Claus, carols, dancing, refreshments, movies, bingo and decorations will be included at the party, according to Polly Downs, chairman of the Union special activities committee.

Jimmy Phillip's orchestra will play for dancing in the Ballroom, which will be decorated using Christmas customs of different countries, she said. Intermission entertainment will be given by acrobatic dancers and a singer, Jack Lindsay.

John Parmelee as Santa Claus will greet the guests at the entrance and hand out favors, Miss Downs announced.

Free refreshments will be served in the Roundup Room, where the Trend Four combo will be having a jam session. The room will be decorated like a night club.

Two movies, "The Littlest Angel" and "Christmas Through the Ages" will be shown during the evening in the Faculty Lounge. Bingo will be played for prizes in Parlors ABC.

Roger Wischmeier will play the organ for group singing in the main lounge. Christmas songs will also be played over the loudspeakers.

Miller To Review Willa Cather Book

Dr. James Miller will review "My Antonia" by Willa Cather Wednesday at 4 p.m. at the Book Nook, Kay Williams, chairman of the Union Forum committee, announced.

Orwig Names Elliott For Coaching Job No Formal Acceptance Made Yet

As reported exclusively in Friday's Nebraskan, Pete Elliott, 29-year-old backfield coach at the University of Oklahoma, will be the new Cornhusker football coach.

However, no formal announcement will be made until after the Orange Bowl Game, January 2, in Miami.

A press conference called Monday morning by Athletic Director Bill Orwig and attended by Elliott confirmed this.

Orwig told the press: "Pete Elliott is my Number one choice for the job. I have encouraged him to come to Nebraska. I am fully aware of the circumstances and I respect them."

The circumstances were simply that Elliott wished to complete his coaching obligations for Oklahoma, which, of course, is the Orange Bowl Game.

"I hope you can understand my position. I don't want to do anything that might hurt Oklahoma's chances in the bowl," the blond-haired coach explained.

Orwig said, "I have every good reason to believe that he will give me the answer I am seeking on the date we have mentioned."

Orwig will be in Miami at the time as the Big Seven representative on the Orange Bowl committee.

Thus, until the second of January, the situation remains: Elliott is Orwig's choice; Elliott has

shown himself definitely interested in the University of Nebraska's head coaching job.

The trim young assistant mentioned he had been first officially contacted by Orwig Tuesday.

The Athletic Director added later that he had contacted Bud Wilkinson, Oklahoma head football coach and athletic director, during the Sooner stay in Lincoln before the Nov. 21 game and asked him for permission to talk to his assistant.

"This is the standard protocol in collegiate circles," he explained. Elliott was the only candidate for the job that he had contacted. "When I approach a man," he said, "I want him to know that he is my No. 1 candidate."

Elliott and his wife flew into Lincoln for a huddle with Orwig and Chancellor Hardin. Also present at a meeting in the Chancellor's home Sunday evening were John Bentley, Athletic Publicity Director, and Adam C. Breckenridge, Administrative Assistant to the Chancellor.

Orwig and Elliott said they had discussed salary, working conditions, assistants and terms of contract.

It looks, from all appearances, that Nebraska has found a new football coach.



Courtesy Lincoln Star

Legal Holiday:

Faculty Senate To Vote On Extra Vacation Day

The Faculty Senate will vote Dec. 13 on resuming classes after Christmas on Jan. 3, 1956, instead of Jan. 2, a legal holiday.

The voting will be on a request of the Calendar Committee to resume classes on Jan. 3, a Tuesday, instead of Monday, Jan. 2 is a legal holiday because Jan. 1 falls on a Sunday.

H. E. Wise, Assistant Dean of the Graduate College and chairman of the Calendar Committee, said the vote will be taken as a remedy, since the Calendar Committee overlooked the legal holiday when they made up this year's calendar.

One of the main objections to having school reconvene on Monday, the legal holiday, came from the clerical and library staff of the University, Wise said.

The only reason the matter was not taken up at the last meeting of the Senate was that the agenda

was too crowded with other business, he said.

Other business to be taken up in the Dec. 13 meeting will be the report and recommendation of the Committee on Committees on student representation on certain Senate Committees.

The Calendar Committee will also give a recommendation regarding the dates for the 1956 Post Summer Session.

Fair Board Voting Set For Tuesday

Six senior Farmers Fair Board members will be elected Tuesday in an all Ag College election to be held in the Ag Union from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Any student enrolled in the Ag College is eligible to vote. I.D. cards must be presented by all voters.

Mortar Board: Coeds To Elect Six Eligible Bachelors At Polls Tuesday

The all-women's Election of the Most Eligible Bachelors will take place Tuesday. Only those women who present their identification cards will be able to vote.

The polls will be open in the Ag Union from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and in the City Union from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Carole Unterseher, Mortar Board publicity chairman announced.

There will be pictures of the candidates at the polls for the convenience of the voters, she said.

There is to be no publicity the day of the election, and all posters must be taken down, houses are subject to disqualification if this rule is not followed, Miss Unterseher said.

The Eligible Bachelors will be presented Friday at the Mortar Board Student Union Turnabout Dance.

Candidates for the Most Eligible Bachelor are: Hank Baum, Brown Palace senior in Teachers College; Bob Brown, Alpha Tau Omega senior in Business Administration; Don Bucy, Phi Kappa Psi, junior in Engineering; Gary Burchfield, Alpha Gamma Rho junior in Agriculture.

Don Deterding, Delta Upsilon junior in Business Administration; Rex Ekwall, Canfield House-Men's Dormitory, junior in Business Administration; Larry Epstein, Sigma Alpha Mu sophomore in Arts and Sciences; Don Erway, Delta Tau Delta junior in Business Administration.

Wendell Fash, Ag Men's Club sophomore in Agriculture; Rex Fischer, Phi Gamma Delta senior

in Arts and Sciences; Emil Gaden, Beta Sigma Psi sophomore in Engineering; Charlie Garst, Theta Chi sophomore in Engineering; Lee Harris, Sigma Chi senior in Business Administration.

John Heckt, Norris House sophomore in Arts and Sciences; Jack Harris, Sigma Chi senior in Business Administration; Jack Lindsay, Sigma Kappa Phi junior in Business Administration.

John Nelson, Theta Xi junior in Arts and Sciences; Dick Reische, Beta Theta Pi junior in Business Administration; Lin Schropter,

RAM — Men's Dormitory junior in Teachers College; Roger Scow, Sigma Alpha Epsilon senior in Business Administration; Ed Snyder, Acacia sophomore in Teachers College; Jim Souders, Selleck Quadrangle junior in Engineering.

Jack Talsma, Phi Delta Theta junior in Arts and Sciences; Charlie Trumble, Farm House junior in Agriculture; Jim Vanek, Kappa Sigma senior in Business Administration; and Lonnie Wrasse, Alpha Gamma Sigma senior in Agriculture.

Grand Marchers Open 1955 Ball



Courtesy Lincoln Star

Leaders of the Grand March are shown above after they finished their part in officially opening the 1955 Military Ball Friday night. Officers of ROTC and their dates led the traditional opening march. Eddie

Howard and his orchestra played for the dance which was being sponsored this year by the Air Force ROTC. Besides the Grand March, the other main feature of the evening was the introduction of Honorary Commandant, Gail

Drahota. Her escort was Lt. Col. James Hewitt, chairman of the Military Ball committee. Other finalists, representing each of the other services were Phyllis Sherman, Miss Air Force; Janice Carmen, Miss Navy; Peggy

Baldwin, Miss Army. Their escorts were Air Force Cadet Col. Earl Barnett, Army Cadet Col. Charles Goman and Navy Cadet Capt. Richard Hill.

IFC To Hold First Party For Orphans

Interfraternity Council will hold a Christmas Party for the children from three Lincoln orphanages Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. in the Union Ballroom, John Olson, chairman, said.

The orphanages are White Hall, St. Thomas, and Cedars. Mortar Boards will help the 86 children sing.

Last year was the first time the entire Interfraternity Council gave a party. Formerly each individual fraternity planned a party to entertain the orphans. A child feed was given last year.

Carman, Baldwin, Sherman: Gail Drahota Selected Honorary Commandant, Runners-Up Represent Three Service Branches

Gail Drahota, senior in Teachers College, was introduced Friday night as the new Honorary Commandant of the ROTC units at the University.

Presentation of the Honorary Commandant and her three attendants highlighted festivities at the annual Military Ball.

Her attendants, runners-up for the honor, represented each of the

services. They are: Miss Air Force, Phyllis Sherman; Miss Navy, Janice Carman; and Miss Army, Peggy Baldwin.

Miss Drahota is president of Sigma Alpha Iota, women's professional music fraternity, ladies' sponsor of the University Band and a member of University Singers.

She also is a member of Orch-

estis, modern dance group; Pi Lambda Theta, honorary and professional organization for women in education, and Delta Gamma. As a sophomore, she was a Cornhusker Beauty Queen and Sweetheart of Sigma Chi.

The Honorary Commandant was escorted and presented by Air Force Cadet Lt. Col. James Hewitt, chairman of the Military Ball Committee.

Escorting the attendants were Air Force Cadet Col. Earl F. Burnette of Holdrege, Army Cadet Col. Charles Goman of Norfolk and Navy Cadet Capt. Richard T. Hill of Hastings.

Approximately 1700 students attended the 1955 Military Ball, according to the Air Force ROTC Department.