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# Peterson, Evans may run for Senate

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Two University teachers, both economists and veterans of unsuccessful campaigns for Congress, may seek the Democratic nomination for United States Senate in the 1972 primary election.

A lack of leadership by Nebraska's Republican senators, has prompted the two to consider running for office again, according to Bert M. Evans, assistant professor of agricultural economics, and Wallace C. Peterson, chairman of the Economics Department.

"NEBRASKA HAS TWO of the most undistinguished members in the Senate," Peterson said. Sens. Roman L. Hruska and Carl T. Curtis "have not initiated any significant legislation, their attitude is negative, and their approach to problem solving is simply to say no," he said.

Evans, who placed second in the primary for a House of Representatives seat in 1958, said Nebraska needs better representation in Washington, "someone more in tune with the kind of world we have now."

Rural citizens have been getting the short end of much of the legislation in housing, health, education, farming and pollution control, he said, because most of it is written by urban senators "far removed from agricultural problems."

AMERICAN SOCIETY has become more complex in the past 20 years, he said, but the Senate structure has not been updated to meet the change.

Peterson, author of several books, made an unsuccessful bid for the Democratic nomination to the Senate in 1970 running against former Nebraska governor Frank B. Morrison, who was defeated in turn by Hruska in the general election.

Peterson said the main domestic issue prompting him to "seriously consider" running is that "some people are being left out of society," by being deprived of decent jobs, housing, medical care and educational opportunities. More than 30 per cent of American families with an average of four members have a yearly income of less than

\$6,000, while the Bureau of Labor Statistics has set guidelines of \$10,000 a year for "modest" living, he said.

"MONEY IS BEING put into the wrong places," he said, "with domestic needs being sacrificed for the role of a world policeman."

President Richard M. Nixon's Vietnamization plan, Peterson said, "is, in a sense, a fraud... a guise to win a military victory." He said he favors ending American involvement in Indochina as soon as possible, and setting a date for withdrawal of troops.

Peterson said if he decides to run he will also stress economic policy, especially toward inflation. The Nixon economic policy has "thrust the cost of inflation onto the people least able to bear the cost—this is

poor economic policy and poor social policy," said Peterson, the past president of the Midwest Economics Association.

THE POTENTIAL candidates have similar backgrounds: both are native Nebraskans, veterans of World War II, and graduates of NU—Evans in 1953, with a Ph.D. from Harvard in 1966, and Peterson in 1948, with a Ph.D. from NU in 1953.

Evans said students, faculty members and several state groups have been urging him to run for office since his 1958 campaign.

Both potential candidates stressed they still have not decided whether to run, but said they prefer to wait until the availability of campaign funds is more definite and the competition can be examined.

## Library funds may go on books

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Several Lincoln senators may soon attempt to provide full funding this fiscal year for the long-awaited addition to Love Memorial Library.

"There is great interest with the Lincoln senators to get the library built," Sen. Harold Simpson of Lincoln said late Monday. "The plans have already been drawn so all that needs to be done is to start construction."

Although Simpson was not sure if he would make the motion to completely fund the library addition, he remarked, "I'm sure there will be a motion by someone."

The Lincoln senator said that he has talked with University officials who have informed him that "an acceptable building" could be constructed for \$5 million.

The Legislature's Appropriations Committee has approved Gov. J. J. Exon's recommendations that the University receive only \$180,000 in planning funds for the library in fiscal 1971-72.

The committee Monday sent to the floor LB 1027, the bill incorporating all

recommended capital construction appropriations for the state including the library appropriation. Debate on the bill is expected to take place in the next few days.

The Legislature two years ago appropriated \$6.5 million for the library. However, the Nebraska Supreme Court during the summer of 1970 invalidated a legislative bill that would have provided 4 of the \$6.5 million.

The Appropriations Committee has agreed with Exon's recommendation that the remaining \$2.5 million not invalidated by the court last summer be allowed to lapse. The University has spent about \$200,000 of those 1969 funds for planning.

For the 1971-73 biennium, the University requested \$375 million for the library addition and asked that the remainder of the \$2.5 million be reappropriated. However, Exon cut the University's request of more than \$7 million down to \$3.5 million.

Frank A. Lundy, director of University Libraries, has long maintained that the NU library is at the bottom of the Big Eight. In addition, the library ranks 46 out of 47 in the Association of American Libraries, according to a survey.

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## Lozada: education lacks objectivity

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"American universities are brothels where people sell minds rather than bodies," according to Mexican-American week speaker Froben Lozada. Describing himself as man always on the offensive, Lozada added that often the best education possible is found outside these brothels.

The chairman of the Chicano Studies Department at Merritt College, Lozada struck out at supporters of our educational and economic systems, Monday afternoon in

the Nebraska Union.

"The educational system is a failure because of a lack of objectiveness in teaching programs and an inability of most poor people to pay the costs of higher education," he continued.

Lozada said this lack of objectivity is the result of a small group whose aim is to keep ethnic groups from unifying.

Using American history as an example, he asked why there was so little mention of Chicano contributions, and why, when there was, they were so distorted.

"Chicanos built the Southwest and you never hear about it... never hear the history of the working class in the U.S.... never the contributions of women," he said.

History lost its objectivity because "teachers are hired for their distortion value. The meaning of 'publish or perish' is write more lies, so that we can snow the people," he added.

Lozada said that teachers who choose to fight on the side of the oppressed are victimized by university administrations and local communities.

"Education should be a right for the poor, and a privilege for the rich who don't pay taxes, like California Gov. Ronald Reagan," the Oakland native added.

The American economic system is the cause of oppressed people and racism today, Lozada believes. "Blacks weren't enslaved because of their color, but because they were cheap labor."

Lozada claims that native Americans and Mexicans couldn't be enslaved because

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