

Editorial Comment

Fortress America? . . .

Americans, who make much of advertising in everyday life, are among the poorest salesmen when it comes to selling their way of life and their principles to the world at large.

Americans believe in their way of life, or at least most Americans do. They think, therefore, that all other peoples of the world should see the advantages of the American system.

For instance, the hungry people of India are not going to believe in the glories of democracy while they are hungry. Somehow, they are going to think the system most glorious which can aid them materially.

Opponents have charged that the United States is becoming a world-wide Santa Claus. Certainly, when the need for this aid decreased, we should not continue to waste our money.

It is reported that one member of the congressional fraternity went home to campaign for reelection and talked with an old farmer-constituent.

"Are you going to vote for me?" he asked. "Nope," said the farmer.

"But didn't I get the irrigation project for you?" the congressman asked. "And didn't I help you when you were down and out during the depression?"

"Yep," said the farmer. "Then why won't you vote for me?" the congressman asked.

"You ain't done nothing for me lately," replied the farmer.

We should be careful that our advertising campaign does not cease. A bill to provide surplus U.S. grain for the people of India remains buried in a congressional committee.

An old, hackneyed expression says, "actions speak louder than words." The people of the world need something besides words to assure them.

This is not, however, to suggest that the United States should silence its "Voice of America" broadcasts.

In these broadcasts, the American government attempts to tell the truth. Sometimes, these broadcasts have a boomerang effect. People who are ragged and hungry sometimes resent being told about the sirloin steaks and Cadillacs in America.

The Russian government is limited by no such compulsion to tell the truth in its propaganda broadcasts. There is no doubt that many of the Iron Curtain residents and some beyond its metal hem actually believe the United States is an imperialistic war-mongering country.

Democratic processes are slower, but can be equally effective, if once brought into play. We are not using them as we could be.

The Friendship Train sent to France was one of the finest things which has been done. The French showed their gratitude by sending a return train.

We are inclined to think of the rest of the world as a bunch of stupid foreigners who are too dumb to see that our way is the best way.

We have been wrong in the past and probably will be again. We should co-operate with them and compromise if need be. However, we should never sacrifice our principles in so doing.

At the same time that the United States is trying to build up the confidence of the other nations of the world in the fight against communism, the Senate passes a resolution which would limit the power of the president to send troops overseas.

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Gamma Delta To Hold Alum, Student Dinner

Gamma Delta, Lutheran young people's organization on the University campus, will hold a student and alumni banquet Sunday, April 22 at 6 p.m. in the Union parlors, A, B and C.

All Lutheran students, alumni, parents and friends are invited. The tickets are \$1.75 and may be obtained from any member of the organization. Persons interested may call Sid Kath, 2-2267 or Fred Chael, 2-3293.

Prof. Walbrecht of Concordia Teachers College at Seward, Nebraska will be the banquet speaker. The student choir will present a concert under the direction of Harry Giesselman. The concert will be in room 815 of the Union at 3 p.m., April 22.

Fred Chael is the general chairman of the banquet. Sid Kath is in charge of tickets. Barbara Bredthauer is publicity chairman. Marilyn Barnesberger will handle decorations.

Officers of Gamma Delta are: Dick Dunklau, president; Joyce Foth, vice-president; Ruth Lenke, secretary; and Delmer Toebein, treasurer.

Table Tennis Contest to Open

The district tournament for the All-American Table Tennis championships will be held April 16, 17 and 18 at the Municipal game center, 22nd and M streets.

Registration and practice night will be held Monday, April 16 at 7 p.m.

The tournament, which will accommodate all age groups, includes a group for men and women 18 years of age and over.

Winners in all classes will be eligible to participate in the All-American Table Tennis championship meet in Chicago on May 5.

Rules for the district tournament are: A player must consider his age as of May 5, 1951; all matches are best three out of five; district includes Lincoln and vicinity.

Players must be of amateur standing; any player who has won a first place in a state or national meet or held a state or national ranking must move up one division; only one division may be entered; send entries to Al Hawthorne, Recreation office, City hall; winners do not have to go to Chicago.

University students and faculty members who wish to enter the meet should contact Mrs. Genevieve Grimm, Union activities office.

All students who want to vote in the Lincoln city elections May 1, must register before that date. Registration is being held in the Election Commissioner's office, 102 Trust building.

Requirements for voting are that one must be 21 years of age, have lived six months in the state, three months in the county and 10 days in the district.

Kiddies' Party . . .



HAVING FUN?—The children pictured are orphans at the St. Thomas children's home. They are being entertained by a group of University girls who go to the orphanage monthly under the sponsorship of the Red Cross College Unit. University girls pictured are Barbara Tooley, Mary Ellen Gernart, Tina Woster, Kay Sommers and Marcia Stransky. The whole Red Cross program for the children's homes is under the chairmanship of Jane McCormick, Red Cross College Unit board member.

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Red Cross College Unit Expands Projects; Serving Lincoln Children's Orphanages

One of the expanding projects of the Red Cross College Unit is their service given to the children's homes and orphanages. Last semester the unit sponsored entertainment and project work for one home but under the direction of Jane McCormick, board member in charge of the work, the program has expanded to serve three homes, St. Thomas, Cedars, and Tabatha.

Miss McCormick has organized a group of University students to help her in the work. They carry out project work and give seasonal and holiday parties for the children.

Some of the projects given to the children are scrap books, puzzles, and so on. The girls have provided handicraft work also. This includes weaving, let-

card board, hammered jewelry, stuffed animals, and twist and knot tying. This work is done by the girls and as of now they have spent a month on them. This next week they will be completed.

The boys projects include, book holders, door steps, letter holders, pictures plaques, and kites. Some of the older boys are interested in leathercraft. They are making braided bracelets and belts.

The University students who participate in the programs under Miss McCormick and where they work are: St. Thomas Orphanage: Mary Witmore, Kay Sommers, Marcia Stransky, Harriet Cook, Tina Woster, and Mary Hancock.

Cedars Orphanage: Donna Pilcher, Betty Maddison, Patty Polnick, Bobbe Holm, Muriel Way and Bonnie Eilers.

Tabatha Children's Home: Phyllis Loudon, Jo Strobel, Rita Schmitt, Nancy Beal and Nancy Remington.

Ag Builders Begin Campaign Today for New Memberships

Ag Builders were up at 8 a.m. Wednesday morning to shake out the welcome mat for new Builders.

Phyllis Lyons and her membership committeemen will be in the Ag Union from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday and Friday to sign up new workers.

Ag Builders offers the opportunity for you to help yourself as you help your University, says Frank Siebert, Ag Builders head.

Choose your favorite field of endeavor, the parties and conventions committee under Barb Raun, sales and distribution under Roger Sandy or the membership committee headed by Phyllis Lyons.

If you want to reveal the merits of Ag campus to the uninitiated contact Jeanne Vierk, chairman of the Tours committee. High school organizations have booked tours at the rate of sev-

MAIN FEATURES START

State: "Bowery Battalion," 2:20, 4:57, 7:34, 10:11. "Sierra Passage," 1:00, 3:37, 6:14, 8:51. Husker: "Arson, Inc.," 2:14, 4:32, 6:50, 9:08. "The Arizonian," 1:00, 3:18, 5:36, 7:54, 10:12. Varsity: "Born Yesterday," 1:16, 3:16, 5:16, 7:16, 9:16.

'Countryman' to Feature Ag College Rodeo Queen

"Ag Union Week" starts next Monday. Designed to acquaint the student body with the workings of the Ag Union, this series of discussion groups will be held in the Ag Union lounge Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week starting at 4:30 p.m.

Those who attended the meeting a week ago Sunday thought that more people should be "clued in" about the various phases of Ag Union activities. It is the general opinion of the activities committee that more students who use their Union should be more active in the planning of its activities.

So, all you people who might be interested in what your six dollars a semester is used for should show up for these discussions and maybe "see the light."

Last Wednesday the Ag Builders revealed their new tours bulletin to quite a crowd of people over in the Ag Union. Seems to me this is something that Ag College has been needing for some time and it looks very adequate.

Congratulations are due Dick Walsh for writing the copy and Frank Lothrop for taking the fine pictures that went into this guide. I imagine it was rather cold for Frank to lean out of an airplane window at 2000 feet and take the panoramic view of the college.

Frank Sibert and Jim Williams have contributed plenty of time and effort toward this too.

so now when those high school students come onto campus they'll have something to take back and show their buddies.

Farmer's Fair plans are shaping up right along and with the events scheduled now, this should be the biggest Fair in many a year. Fitting in with College Days the Ag College schedule will add its bit to the week-end festivities with an open house, a barbecue, a square dance, the rodeo and the cotton and denim dance theme.

Don't forget the comprehensive exam this Saturday morning all you scholars who have applied for scholarships. From all reports, there will be enough applicants for all the awards this year which is different from past records.

Judging contests, judging contests, this week is just filled with judging contests. The Block and Bridle club is sponsoring the Junior division of this contest this Saturday and the Senior division started last night and will be completed tonight. The dairy judging contest will also be held Saturday but the two will not conflict because one is in the morning and the other is in the afternoon.

After the FFA boys had left the Ag campus last week-end they really left their marks. The paths across Ag Campus had again been used and the Ag Union was fresh out of cigarettes! But, they sure boomed the business in the Union, because Friday morning the Dell was so busy that Jean Vierk (TNC) and Marlene Anderson were drafted onto the work staff without warning to relieve the rush.

Editor Proves Cheating Is Easy; Uses Crib With Seven Proctors

Can students cheat in final exams and get away with it? Some say yes; some say "no"; and some just don't say. The dean of students at Springfield college said that students can cheat in final exams and get away with it royally.

To prove his point conclusively, once and for all, the editor of the Springfield's student newspaper, under the dean's authorization took a final exam in a course in which he wasn't enrolled, using crib notes, and he passed with flying colors, even though there were seven proctors in the

room.

At Michigan State College, an English professor at that college was having quite a little bit of trouble keeping his class's attention. To add to his difficulties, he kept confusing the illustrious Thomas Jefferson with the illustrious Benjamin Franklin. After confusing the names for the umpteenth time, he announced to his class, "I think I need some blood in my head." So, he proceeded to lay his glasses on his desk, and he then executed a perfect handstand.

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