

EDITORIAL PAGE

For Democratic Action

Since 1940 an organization has existed within the political framework of the United States that has been called everything from a Communist front organization to liberal democracy and American radicalism.

Americans for Democratic Action had its beginnings, as far as can be told, in the New Deal policies of Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Out of this "non-Communist" birth, ADA has blossomed into a strong, progressive, strictly left-wing, under-fire political group.

In its first political test, ADA, under the speakership of F.D.R. junior, campaigned for civil rights, public housing, North Atlantic Pact, Marshall Plan, repeal of the Taft-Hartley law, liberalized DP legislation and repudiation of Franco Spain.

Since then Americans for Democratic Action have stood for: recognition of Red China in the UN if they did not participate in the Korean war and did not attack Formosa; no United States intervention in Indochina since the UN was not actively participating there; aid to the "withering away of colonialism"; economic aid on a large-scale to Asiatic countries; abolition of "unjust systems of land tenure" in Asia; and free elections in Korea plus economic rehabilitation of that country.

In line with these platform planks, ADA champions fair-employment legislation, extension of the TVA principle in river valley development, safeguarding rights of labor, federal aid to equalize educational opportunity, continuation of rent controls, extension of social security coverage, admission of more Displaced Persons to the country, and opposition to increased military influence in the atomic energy program.

In regard to U. S. foreign policy, this left-wing organization has urged the "support of non-Communists abroad as the keystone of effective foreign policy." The five cardinal wrongs of present U. S. foreign policy, as attacked by the ADAs, are: military containment policy is enough; solicitation of any and all Allies in an unlimited crusade against Communism; emphasis on imposing capitalism on the rest of the world; the assumption that fascism is dead; and the "fallacy of a catch-as-catch-can program."

In regard to Russia, for whom the ADAs have been accused of being a mouthpiece, it advocates meeting the "moral challenge of the USSR with unfailing support of human values and individual

rights." It also advocates that the U. S. and Russia "can exist peacefully" together with a "firm, clear affirmative American policy."

This policy, according to the ADAs, can be done morally, economically, politically and militarily through: support of human and individual rights, economic stabilization, rising living standards and improved distribution, unwavering support of democratic forces and effective guarantees and assistance for democratic nations.

As a specific answer to Communist aggression, these Americans, standing for Democratic Action, say: "Events have fortified our conviction that Soviet expansion raises issues basic to the survival of democracy and freedom. Communism professes to mean peace and economic security; but in practice it means the extinction of political and intellectual freedom, and the imposition of police terror."

On the University campus, 43 students and faculty members are active participants in the Americans for Democratic Action. Their policies and purposes seem clear; their motives and methods, as with many political groups, are not as easy to distinguish.

Perhaps the ADAs have been justly criticized; perhaps the attacks on them have been unfair and unfounded. Here are the facts. Take them for what they are worth. Our country is founded, in part, on the assimilation and amalgamation of political minorities.

A Tradition Perhaps

The junior and senior class councils, plus the officers of the respective classes, have produced extremely commendable results from their recent Thursday night meetings.

These 18 people have come up with a plan for selection of the 1952 Junior-Senior prom king and queen that shows possibilities of becoming a campus tradition.

Candidates will be judged on a 100-point rating scale by competent and qualified judges. From the six women and six men finalists chosen by the judges, the Prom king and queen will be elected on the basis of applause, electrically-tabulated, the night of the Prom.

Through their nomination proceedings, Junior-Senior leaders have introduced the element of inter-house competition which undoubtedly will add to the success of the program. Through the services of qualified and reputable judges, the class leaders may have averted much criticism of unfair and partial judging.

This year's class leaders have done a great deal of work toward strengthening their prestige. Perhaps their work will be sufficient to warrant the class officers and councils becoming an integral part of campus activity.

So Much Good

President Truman and Secretary of State Dean Acheson, who make and carry out decisions of the U. S. and UN in Korea, are aware that the support of their set course is neither whole-hearted nor unanimous.

Critics of the U. S. Korean policy say that the Korean war was part of the price paid for the education of President Truman and Secretary Acheson. They argue that the war can be made worth while if our leaders fulfill their obligations.

But to those who have actually fought for our leaders' "compromise without victory," the U. S. policy appears unduly complacent. American men should not have to fight and die to provide such an education for Truman and Acheson.

The price paid for blood is too high. As the missing in action, wounded and dead list continues to grow, Americans have no assurance that their leaders fully understand the nature and purposes of the Communists, that they are determined to defeat them and are mobilizing the nation sufficiently and effectively.

If the war has shown Communists that Americans have the ability to fight them, it has also shown them that we lack the determination to win, that we are willing to compromise and appease. American soldiers did not die to show they were capable of fighting the Chinese Communists to a stalemate.

And if the fact that our forces won the battle has any meaning, then why can we not regain the territory in North Korea that was ours until the Chinese captured it and pushed us back and held our forces? Why can we not at least liberate all Korea? The successful battles and war training experience to which the living are subjected do not justify the casualties.

American men did not die for the purpose of giving notice to the Chinese Communists that further aggression would mean war. Such no-

Milly Thought

A man may usually be known by the books he reads as well as by the company he keeps.

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Barbed Wire



Barb Wylie

With Ivy Day just around the corner, thoughts of Mortar Board, Innocent and other royal honors are most prevalent in student minds. One of the less publicized events of the great day's happenings is the "Junior Jitters" party. This gathering of expectant juniors before the mighty day is for the purpose of them all shaking together—one and all. Is there going to be a "Jitters" party this year? Certainly one of the University's smaller traditions should not be forgotten.

The date for the publications picnic has been set by those all powerful and already great fervor has been created for the annual baseball game between the Cer husker and Daily Nebraskan staffs. It should be a battle-royal on the picnic grounds when the two teams throw over their typewriters for baseball bats. Ah, the power of the press.

Question: Have you ever known a rabbit that was superstitious enough to carry the left hind foot of a man?

Famine in Tibet, followed by an outbreak of robberies and murders, has come in the wake of the Chinese Communist occupation. Of course, this is just the first year of the five year plan.

News from Washington state tells us that a robber told police he was glad they caught him because he wanted to get back to the penitentiary in time for spring football practice. Sporting him to take it that way, don't you think.

The assassination report that was rejected at the mock United Nations charter amendment conference seems pretty inclusive of the goings-on in that committee meeting. My only comment is to wonder what effect it would have on delegates if read before the general assembly in Paris. Perhaps the Reds have missed a few, just a few, tricks in their dealings there.

Anatomy is something everyone has, but some how looks better on girls. Au revoir.

Letterip

Let's File To the Editor: Few people have signed up for the class officers to be filled soon. I think that these positions are very important to the administration of a good university. More people should be interested in serving in these very worthwhile positions. Not only Innocent and Mortar Board aspirants should be in the driver's seats of this university. Sometimes I think they don't even intend to do a good job. They just want the activity points. Sincerely, CONCERNED ONLOOKER

NU BULLETIN BOARD

Wednesday YWCA Commission Group, Fine Arts, Ellen Smith southeast room, 4 p.m., leader, Elaine Smithberger.

YWCA Commission Group, Goals and Values, Ellen Smith southeast room, 5 p.m. leader Norma Lothrop.

Filing for NUCWA offices close at noon at Union lobby booth.

Interviews for AUF position of faculty solicitations chairman begin at noon.

Thursday Applications due for Ag Union committee chairmen and sponsors.

Filings close at 4 p.m. for Student Council college representatives. Obtain applications in Administration Building, Room 209.

Filings for Class Officers positions close at 4 p.m. in the Administration building, Room 209. NUCWA applicants may file at a Union lobby booth.

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Wednesday 3:00 Music from Everywhere 3:15 Memorable Music 3:30 Your Student Union 3:45 Readings for All 4:00 Musical Grab Bag 4:15 Moose Calls 4:30 UNESCO Show 4:45 Pretty Girl Is Like A Melody 5:00 Sign Off

Mechanical Engineers To Read Two Papers

Two University mechanical engineering students will present papers at the American Society of Mechanical Engineers conference in Fayetteville, Ark., May 5 and 6. Cletus Lorenzen, senior, will present a paper on small boilers and James Griffin, junior, will read his paper on gas meters.

The China Question

... A Mistake

(Editor's Note: The following is a guest editorial written by Dr. J. M. Reinhardt, chairman of the department of sociology and anthropology.) History has a way of handing its blunders to the right men, but the timing is often bad. We know now why the League of Nations was killed and what killed Woodrow Wilson. But the world has had a second great war and everywhere men go unasily to bed. Statesmanship is as dangerous as ever and "politics" as safe. We don't learn. That is the difference between modern man and a cat.

Someday history will expose the evils of our policy in China. That may be too late. I think history will show that the American policy of hanging on to Chiang Kai-shek after his repudiation by the people of China was a monumental mistake. This position, of course, does not imply any sympathy with Communist regimes in China or anywhere else. States do not maintain diplomatic relations because they love each other's governments. It is the only way to carry on diplomatic negotiations. It is necessary for the essential business of international commerce.

We have no love for Russian Communism, but we recognize it. I do not like the Tito regime, but it has seemed to serve our interests to recognize Tito and to lend him money. Many people who bitterly oppose the recognition of the Communist government in China are strong for normal diplomatic relations with Franco Spain. Now I am not in love with Franco Spain or with Peron, but it is not inconsistent with our national history to give these countries diplomatic recognition. From my point of view, it is a matter of survival at the lowest honorable cost, and national honor has never been defined in terms of the kind of government a nation recognizes. Is it a government that presides over the affairs of the country? Would recognition serve our interests? These are the issue questions.

Recognition of the "People's Government" of China at the right time would have made possible a continuity of negotiations between this country and China during a most critical period in world affairs. Such negotiation could, I believe, have been employed to keep China out of the Russian orbit. We would have been able to say to General Mao, "We do not want Manchuria; we do not want any part of Outer Mongolia; we desire control over no northern provinces. We want the confidence and support of the Chinese people. We have to offer you tools, skills, sanitary engineers, medical facilities, agricultural experts and capital for the development of your country."

What did Russia have to offer? What did we get as a result of the policy we followed? We got the China lobby, which as Drew Pearson has pointed out and as will be fully documented in forthcoming issues of "The Reporter," an "unbelievable propaganda network designed to influence our foreign policy." One senator alone listed a \$2,000 campaign contribution from one of the front men of the China lobby.

We could have placed ourselves in position to remove the suspicions of the Chinese people as to our aims in the Orient. As it stands now, we have put ourselves under the necessity of having to spend our military resources defending a position which points toward war, a war which history may well have to explain on the grounds that China had a government that the most powerful nation on earth didn't like.

The consequences of such a war are horrible to contemplate. Whatever else the results might mean, they would not destroy Communism or make the world safe only for the kinds of governments that we like.

Continued support of Chiang Kai-shek, moreover, puts us under the necessity of protecting him with our fleet from an invasion by the government and the people that drove him off of the continent. What does Chiang Kai-shek have to offer for the peace and commerce of the world? For one thing, he offers an insistence that Japan acknowledge him as the head of the "sovereign state of China." On the face of it, nothing could be more unrealistic, and in my judgment, more detrimental to the best interests of the United States and Japan. Japan, by its very existence, must do business with the mainland of China. It must do business with China or remain a satellite of United States, in which case we shall find ourselves with two satellites in the Orient—Japan and Chiang Kai-shek on Formosa.

There are differences of opinion as to the effective strength of Chiang's military force. The best information gives him about 500 thousand to 600 thousand troops. The majority of these are not combat ground forces and, according to some authorities, at least one third of his troops would be hospitalized or retired before the battle started. How many would desert him, assuming they could be landed on the China coast, no one knows. All we know is that, for some reason or another, what he holds now in the way of an army represents what was left after everything else deserted him, bag and baggage, before he came under the protective arm of the American seventh fleet. It is argued by some that Chiang Kai-shek could count upon the support of guerilla "actives" on the continent. There is no evidence to support this theory. It is certainly known that few guerillas showed any interest in taking a chance on Chiang Kai-shek when he was at home.

In 1945, General Wedemeyer, commanding general at that time of the China theater, sent the following cable to the Defense Department:

"If the unification of China and Manchuria under Chinese National forces is to be a United States policy, involvement in fratricidal warfare and possibly in war with the Soviet Union must be accepted and would definitely require additional United States forces far beyond those presently available in the theater to implement the policy."

Chiang Kai-shek was then in China. He isn't in China now.

Korn Kernels

Dell To Open Sundays Following Free Movie

Dale Reynolds

Now that the "Pot Luck With the Prof's" dinners are over for this semester, the Ag Union's Dell is again open on Sunday nights.

After spring vacation, the Ag Union will open at five p.m. to show a free movie for all Ag students. The Dell will open immediately following the movie, and will remain open until 10 p.m. They will serve hot and cold sandwiches. The fountain also will be open.

The television set will be on following the movie. The Ag Union has been operating very smoothly this past year, thanks to the tremendous job done by its director, Sally Nelson. With a little support and cooperation from Ag students, it should stay this way.

Applications are due this week for five committee chairmen and four sponsors of Ag Union activities. Applications may be picked up in the Ag Union office.

Applicants must have a 5.5 average and be carrying 12 University hours. Any freshman, sophomore or junior is eligible to apply.

The committees are publicity, hospitality, arts and handicraft, dance, and general entertainment. Each committee will have a committee chairman and a sponsor, with the exception of publicity and hospitality, which will have one for both.

The sponsors serve on the Ag Union board. Entries for the 1952 Farmers Fair Rodeo are due this week, so any Aggies wishing to participate in any of the events should act now. Anyone interested in participating in rodeo events, which include saddle bronc riding, bare back riding, roping, bull riding, wild cow milking and a flag race, is to contact any member of the University Rodeo club before spring vacation.

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rodeo—85 cents for adults and students. Bleachers are now being set up for the rodeo, and its going to take a lot of work, so Ag students should take it upon themselves to support the Farmers Fair Rodeo by helping put up these bleachers. Tickets are also on sale now for the Farmers Fair barbecue.

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