

J. E. Alexis To Retire

Instructor Serves NU For 42 Years

One of the University's prominent educators, Dr. Joseph E. A. Alexis, is going to retire at the end of this school year.

Dr. Alexis, professor of modern languages, reaches the retirement age of 68 next summer. Under University rules, he retired in 1950 as chairman of that department when he reached 65.

In his 42 years at the school—he came in 1910 when the campus still had a fence around it to keep out the cows—he has won wide recognition as linguist and author in the language field.

"I liked it here when I came and decided it would be a nice place to stay," Dr. Alexis said. "There aren't many faculty members with longer terms of service than his."

As for his plans after retirement, Dr. Alexis says he'll wait and see—right now he's more concerned with the Russian, Swedish and German classes he's teaching this semester.

"There are many things that can be done—revise or write books—and there are a lot of things I haven't seen in the world," he said.

There are, however, a lot of things he has seen. Dr. Alexis has traveled extensively to familiarize himself with the countries whose languages he has taught. He took his first trip abroad a year after starting at the University as a teacher of German and Swedish.

Dr. Alexis became professor of romance languages at Nebraska in 1933 and chairman of the department. In a reorganization in 1940, he became head of the department of modern languages.

"His colleagues have never met anyone with the command of so many languages as Dr. Alexis," a fellow faculty member said Wednesday.

He pointed out the list of languages that Dr. Alexis has not only mastered but taught: English, Swedish, Norwegian, Danish, Icelandic, Hebrew, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, German, Gothic, Old High German, Greek, Latin, Russian.

He has taught them all but the Greek and Latin languages at Nebraska, has published works in several foreign languages, and lectured abroad many times. Dr. Alexis has authored five textbooks in Swedish, four in German, four in Spanish and one in French. He organized the Nebraska Modern Language Association, and is a past president of the group.

He holds degrees from Augustana College at Rock Island, Ill., Michigan University, Chicago University, and the University of Paris. He has also studied at the Universities of Lund in Sweden and Madrid in Spain.

In 1944, the decoration of Knight of the Royal Order of Vasca was conferred on him by King Gustav V of Sweden in recognition of his work as author and educator, particularly for promoting the study of the Swedish language and literature in this country. Dr. Alexis, born near York, Neb., is of Swedish parentage.

His interests have not been confined to scholastic matters. Active in civic affairs, he is current president of Rotary here, organized the Nordic Club for persons interested in Scandinavian affairs and for the last two years has been president of the Farmers Club.

Fine Arts Students Give 9-Piece Recital

Tuba, voice and flute solos were the features of the recital presented Wednesday by the School of Fine Arts.

Robert Chab, tuba soloist, played "Idylle," by Clarisse and "Morceau Symphonique" by Guilmant. "Concerto in C Major" by Le Clair, "Syrinx-Adagio" by Debussy and "Sonatina-Animata" by Saint Saens were played by William Krause, flute soloist.

Contralto Janice Wagner sang "Lascia Ch'io Pianga," by Handel; "Die Forelle" by Schubert; "Hop L, the Rickshaw Man" by Manning and "Gavotte—from Mignon" by Thomas.

Accompanying the soloists were Roma Johnson, Glydys Novotny and Milford Myhre.

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RETIREES Dr. J. E. Alexis serves his last year as romance language instructor at NU before leaving next summer.

NU Theatre To Present 'Inspector'

Tryouts For Cast Of Seven Oct. 23, 24

The three-act psychological thriller, "An Inspector Calls," is the first play on the University Laboratory Theatre's agenda this year.

Tryouts will be held Oct. 23 and 24 to determine the seven-member cast.

The play, containing elements of suspense, mystery and the supernatural, centers around a very self-satisfied, upper-middle class family. The inspector makes a business call on the family and during his investigation strips the members of their superficial personalities. The play's action takes place in 1912.

Written by J. B. Priestly, "An Inspector Calls" played on Broadway in 1947 with Thomas Mitchell as the main character.

Tryouts will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Oct. 23 to 24 in the Laboratory Theatre, Room 201, Temple. Rehearsals will begin Nov. 10 and continue for about three and a half weeks. Directed by Jack Babcock, the show will be produced Dec. 4 and 5 on the Temple's regular stage.

The cast of four men and three women includes the inspector, a typical police examiner; Mr. Birling, a self-satisfied manufacturer; Mrs. Birling, a very proud, haughty woman; Sheila, an average young daughter; Eric, 21-year-old son, a heavy drinker and a playboy; Gerald Croft, Sheila's fiancé, wealthy and in his late 20's; and Edna, the maid.

Ticket Sales Reach \$400 For Jazz Trio

Ticket sales for the Biggest Show of 52 totaled over \$400 Wednesday. The sales will continue Thursday and Friday in the Ag Union and city campus Union. Price of the tickets are \$1 to \$3.

The Big Show will feature Nat "King" Cole, Stan Kenton and Sarah Vaughan. Other acts on the program are: George Kirby, mimic and humorist; Stump and Stumpy, comedians; the Congarros, dance team; and Teddy Hale, dancer.

Cole and Vaughan were featured in the original road show which was started in 1950 under the title of the "Biggest Show of 1950."

The "Biggest Show" will make a tour of all the major cities throughout the nation.

Stan Sipple is in charge of the Coliseum for the show.

Pi Lambda Theta Give \$400 Gifts

Two \$400 awards are to be granted by Pi Lambda Theta, National Honor and Professional Association for Women in Education, for significant research studies in education. The awards will be made on or before June 1, 1953.

Any man or woman, whether in the educational field or not, is eligible. The bases of selection will be usefulness, contribution to the field, soundness of research and scholarship.

The study, which must be previously unpublished, may concern any aspect of the professional problems and contributions of women. The study need not be restricted to the field of education. Other acceptable subjects include: women's status, professional training, responsibilities and contributions to education and society.

Civil Service Applications Due For Ag

Hixson Announces Monday Deadline

Deadline for civil service application is next Monday according to Ephriam Hixson, dean of resident instruction at Ag College.

Hixson said that anyone receiving his B. S. degree before June of 1953 may apply for the jobs.

Most of the jobs are with the Department of Agriculture in Washington, D. C. Field options open are agricultural economist, agricultural writer-editor, agronomist, animal husbandman, botanist, entomologist, fishery biologist, forester, geneticist, home economist, horticulturist, home economist, horticulturist, home economist, horticulturist, quarantine inspector, poultry husbandman, soil scientist, statistician, wildlife biologist, and zoologist.

Qualifications for the positions are passing a written test, have completed or are completing a four year course leading to a bachelor's degree or have pertinent college courses and appropriate experience totaling four years of education. Some jobs, such as the writer-editor option do not require the above but experience must offset the lack of college hours, he said.

Other requirements for the jobs are a US citizen — or allegiance to the United States — and be physical ability to perform the duties.

If you are appointed you will receive a probational appointment and will receive the permanent civil service status upon satisfactory completion of a probationary period of one year.

Starting salary for the jobs is \$3,410 per year with the same benefits as other civil service employees enjoy. Salary advancements will be received every year until the maximum wage is received for the job, Hixson said.

Applications may be obtained from the Post Office or at Dean Hixson's office. The completed applications should be mailed to the executive secretary, board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, Washington, D. C.

Faculty Recital Set Sunday At Union

The first faculty recital of the season, sponsored by the Union Music Committee, will be held at 4 p.m. this Sunday afternoon in the Union Ballroom.

The program will range from pop to semi-classical music. Dale B. Ganz, Lincoln baritone, will be featured.

Participants besides Ganz are: Mary James Waggoner, pianist; Jack Snider, French horn, and Marilyn Schultz, accompanist.

The program will include "At the Foot of Yonder Mountain" by Powell; "Von Ewigar Liebe" by Brahms; "Infidelite" by Hahn; songs from Tennyson's "Princess" by Whelpley, featuring Ganz; "Pictures at an Exhibition" by Moussorgsky, Miss Waggoner; "First Horn Concerto" by Haydn and "Vocalise" by Rachmaninoff, Snider and Miss Schultz.

Mimi Hamer, chairman of the Union Music Committee.

AND TO YOU THIS MEANS

Picture Proves Puzzling

By PAT PECK Feature Editor

It's a mystery. The picture above was found in The Daily Nebraskan files. There was no note attached to indicate what it might have represented or who might have taken it. On the back of the metal cut are scratched three letters—RAG. They offer no clue other than that it belongs here.

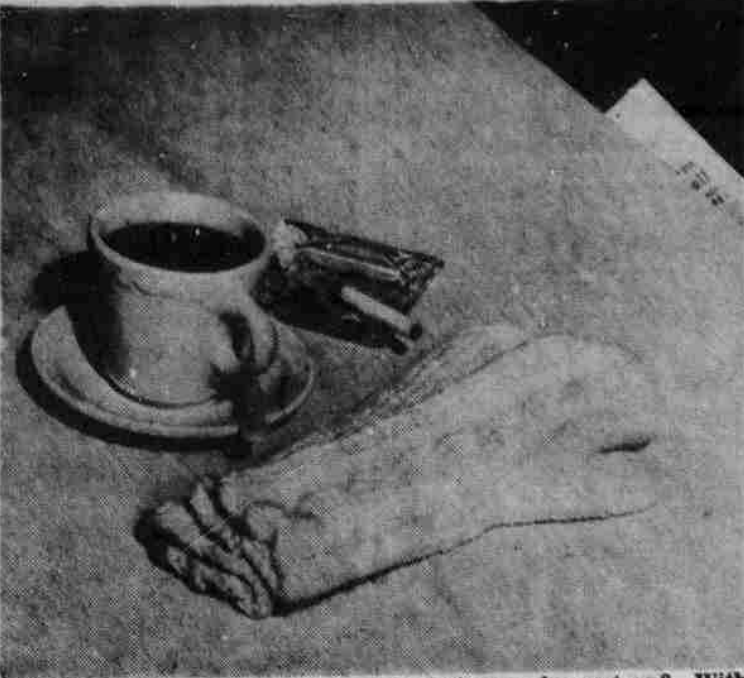
The cut roamed from hand to hand around the office. Busy reporters and harassed editors took a minute to tip its zinc-blue surface to the light and speculate on its origin. The ultimate deduction was that this picture means "all things to all people." Once upon a brainstorm someone must have sensed its universal appeal and placed it in the file to be preserved for the freshmen of 1959.

What does it mean? One can only begin to explain.

To the student who missed breakfast and was forced to digest the last half of the fourteenth century on an empty stomach it represents the first deep breath since his alarm went off at three minutes of eight and the warm contented feeling that puts his growling stomach back to sleep.

The Tuesday morning girl after a Monday night pining will see in the glistening surface of the coffee the image of her pinmate's loving face as he bends low over the booth where she is waiting for him and whispers, "Why in the devil didn't you order me one?"

The unattached female sees in the set-up portrayed in the picture a trap. She will sit in the coffee haven between classes in a booth facing the door and wait. When he comes in the door she will be in a position to wave him



WHAT IS IT? ... Could it be your between-class set up? With winter on the way and knitted-mitten weather here again the above scene will be blossoming on tables in the coffee havens like crocuses in April—or pumpkins in October.

to a halt beside her. The above picture may well be one of just such a trap—there is only one cigarette.

To the Tassels and Corn Cobs the above set-up represents a Saturday morning moment looking back on a forty-below card section and ahead to a fifty-below session of selling. The mittens beside the coffee cup were the ones not worn at the card section—they're too clumsy. The cigarette is unsmoked because fingers are too cold to hold it and coffee is untouched because it's too hot to drink.

To waiters in the Crib the pic-

Henninger States, 'No Changes In Deferments'

By ED DEMAR Staff Writer

State Selective Service Director, Brig. Gen. Guy N. Henninger said Tuesday that he "does not see anything in the offering that will change the status of college students now deferred in good standing."

However, Henninger did say that students who "sit on the ragged edge might be in danger."

General Henninger has been unofficially advised that draft calls will be large for the next nine months. This is due in part, he states, to the large number of men being separated from service. Both inductees and volunteers who are discharged must be replaced and the net result will be greater calls, he said.

The state draft call is based on the number of Nebraska men in service. "Therefore," said Henninger, "if more Nebraska men are released, we must supply more." Since the men who have taken the College Qualification Test have a numerical standing determined by their scores, Henninger says that if it becomes necessary to reduce the number of men who are deferred, the lower portions will be taken first.

General Henninger pointed out that it is not mandatory for local boards to follow this criteria. "College students in general, he continued, create a difficult problem in that local boards are inclined to be more sympathetic toward farmers who need their young men to help on the farms."

The Selective Service System, according to Henninger, does definitely encourage the deferment of men who are developing themselves into the specialists of the scientific world. General Henninger feels that many people forget that students receiving draft deferment now will eventually be in service, and the education they receive will not only benefit the student, but the nation as a whole. Although the quota for Nebraska during the next three

months is decreasing, Henninger explains this is due to restricting induction to men of 20 years old or more. In other words, the number of available men in this category are decreasing.

General Henninger said any student who has a serious problem concerning the draft should confer with Dean J. P. Colbert. Henninger described Dean Colbert as having an exceptionally fine understanding of the philosophy and detailed administration of selective service.

According to Henninger, the Selective Service System is designed to provide an orderly, uniform supply of men to the armed services. For this reason he says, "young men should stay in school until Selective Service calls them." He said students would be helping themselves and the country by preparing for positions of higher responsibility.

'Hello Girl' Voting Booth Opens Today

Voting for the 1952 BABW "Hello Girl" starts Thursday in the Union.

Voting will continue until Friday at 5:30 p.m. The voting booth will be open from noon until 5:30 each day. Students must present their ID cards to be eligible to vote for the "Hello Girl."

The "Hello Girl" will be revealed at the dance in the Union Ballroom Friday night. Dancing will be from 8 p.m. until midnight. The Jimmie Phillips Combo will furnish music for the dancing.

Crowning the 1952 "Hello Girl" will be last year's "Hello Girl," Darlene Gooding. Candidates for the title are Winnie Stolz, Towne Club; Janice Emry, Ross Bouton Hall; Marjorie Erickson, Resident Hall for Women; Alice Hall, Wilson Hall; Joan Blatchford, Terrace Hall; Marilyn Erwin, International House; Norma Westcott, Love Memorial Hall and Chlorvye Ode, Loomis Hall. The sponsor of the 1952 BABW is Miss Annie Louise Smith.

Reception Date Set For Friday

The Chancellor's reception, given annually for members of the University staff, will be held Friday, from 8 to 10 p.m. in Carrie Belle Raymond Hall.

In the receiving line along with Dr. and Mrs. Gustavson will be: Dean and Mrs. Walter E. Millitzer, Dean and Mrs. J. P. Colbert, Dean and Mrs. J. Perry Tollman, Miss Dudley Ashton, Mr. and Mrs. David Foltz, and Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Frolik.

Assisting will be: Dean and Mrs. Roy Green, Dean and Mrs. W. V. Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Gooding, Mr. and Mrs. William K. Pfeiler, Col. and Mrs. James H. Workman, Mr. and Mrs. Knute Broadway, Mr. and Mrs. Duard Laging, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Otto G. Heoberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Galen Saylor, Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Janke, Mr. and Mrs. David Dow, Mrs. Earl Fullbrook, Mrs. Arthur Hitchcock, Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Meierhenry, Miss Ruth Meierhenry, Miss Katharine Parks, Miss Lucile Backemeyer, Mrs. R. H. Hastian, Mrs. Vern Huff, Mrs. Adele Hurley, Mrs. Robert Andersen.

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