

Petitions Support, Condemn Regent's Book Store

By TOM WOODWARD Staff Writer

Two petitions concerning the question of the sale of supplies by the Regent's Book Store are being circulated among University students.

One petition was accompanied by a letter signed by three attorneys, H. G. Greenamyre, John J. Wilson, and Lloyd D. Marti. The petition was also accompanied by statements from three University students, Kenneth Meisner, president of Alpha Kappa Psi; Professional Fraternity in the College of Business Administration; John Boomer, professional chairman for Delta Sigma Pi; Professional Business Administration and Jackie Ulstrom, treasurer of Phi Chi Theta; Professional sorority in the College of Business Administration.

The letter explained that the petition had been signed by a representative group of business men and taxpayers throughout the state.

The petition, addressed to the Board of Regents and the Chancellor, stated, "This letter is directed to you for the purpose of requesting that the University

discontinue the sale of supplies in the Regent's Book Store operated by the University." The letter went on to explain the reasons for making such a petition and closed by stating that the sale of supplies by the Regent's Book Store be "discontinued by affirmative action."

A second letter and petition to University students was circulated by a Student Council Committee composed of Connie Gordon, Janet Steffen, and Bob Peterson. This letter was sent to presidents of organizations on the University campus, and has appointed the undersigned committee to circulate petitions to students asking that the sale of supplies (at the Regent's Book Store) be continued.

The letter went on to explain that if sufficient student interest was shown by the number of students signing the petition, the Student Council will, "accept this as a mandate of the student body to oppose the request to discontinue the sale of supplies."

Robert A. Stewart, Regent's Book Store manager, stated, "I think the whole thing is being blown up way beyond its own significance." He added that,

"the whole thing revolves around basic questions, mainly, has a University the power to do things for the convenience of its students?"

Stewart said that the only reason that supplies had been included in the list of things sold at the Regent's was because of popular demand by the students who use the store.

He also pointed out that the

Regent's Book Store was completely self-sufficient, and that tax money was not used in its operation. Stewart noted the store's service of keeping the office of text book information in operation.

The office keeps an accurate file of the books that students will need for certain courses, and distributes this information to the other book stores around

campus, Stewart said.

Stewart also stated that supplies sold by the Regent's Store were of the nature used in the class room or lab. He noted that this restriction had not been specifically stated, but the store had imposed these limitations on their stock goods.

J. Johnson, of the Nebraska Book Store, stated that the problem of Regent's Book Store

competition with private business in selling of supplies was one of great interest not only to book stores, but to all business organizations in the state.

Johnson also noted, "I know over a dozen places selling supplies within three blocks of the University. The question is whether or not private enterprise can build a business and be free from government inter-

vention. We save students upwards of \$30,000 per year because we are in the jobbing business. We are the largest text book jobber in the United States, west of Chicago.

"In the final analysis, the whole question is whether or not you are in sympathy with private business or whether you are in favor of the government being business."



LEE RANKIN . . . One of the list of University graduates appointed to posts in the forthcoming Republican Administration is Lee Rankin who will be Assistant Attorney General. He is the second University graduate appointed to the legal department.

Alumni Rankin To Aid NU Graduate Brownell Nebraska To Head Legal Advisory Staff For Eisenhower

Lee Rankin, Lincoln attorney and junior partner in a Lincoln law firm, is the second Nebraskan and University graduate to be appointed to high office in the administration of President - Elect Eisenhower. The first one was Herbert Brownell.

Rankin's official title will be Assistant Attorney General in charge of executive adjudications. In the announcement of his appointment from the New York office of James Haggerty, Eisenhower's press secretary, it was said, "Mr. Rankin will be the principal side of Attorney General Herbert Brownell in advising the President and the Cabinet in legal affairs." The assignment includes preparation of all presidential orders and proclamations as well as supervising all United States legal relations with the United Nations.

Rankin received his bachelor of arts degree from the University in 1927, and he received his law degree from the College of Law three years later. Immediately he began practice, starting to work for Max V. Beghtol in 1931. Now he is a partner in the firm.

Beghtol said that Rankin is well-qualified for the job he is taking on.

Judge Harry A. Spencer of Lincoln was a classmate of Rankin

although he did not know him until they were in the College of Law. The judge said, Lee was a diligent average student, working hard for all he got. Since then he has continued to work hard for everything he has, continued Spencer.

Rankin is honest, sincere, morally clean in every way, the judge said, and has the right spiritual outlook.

As to the appointment, Judge Spencer emphasized that it was a very good appointment and that Lee will do a very creditable job.

In commenting on the appointment and the new job, Rankin said: "The appointment was unsolicited on my part and I never expected to go back to Washington.

"It is interesting to me the number of people who have given up homes and established relationships to go to Washington to help General Eisenhower with his crusade.

"Certainly we will miss our friends here a great deal and it will mean a great adjustment for the entire family. But we hope it will be an experience which will be instructive and of service to the country. And we hope to return one day and renew our acquaintanceships here in Lincoln.

"Mr. Brownell was insistent that I be on hand Jan. 21." Eisenhower will be inaugurated on Jan. 20.

From New York, Gov. Val Peterson praised Rankin's appointment as "a splendid one." He said, "I think he will do a grand job"

Left Overs

By LILA WANKE Staff Writer

A man was a ventriloquist without any money. He and his buddy were wondering how they were going to get a drink.

The pal said, "I'll have a scotch and soda."

The ventriloquist said, "I'll have a root beer."

Finally, the dog said, "Are you going to leave me out of this?"

The bartender was startled. "The dog can talk?"

"Certainly he can talk. Give him a beer." So they had drinks and some more drinks.

After a while, the bartender said, "Wouldn't that dog be wonderful company for me? I'd love to have a dog that could talk."

So the ventriloquist said, "Well, for all we've had to drink and five dollars to boot, you can have him." And the bartender jumped at the opportunity.

As the two men started to leave, the dog spoke again. "You're a bum for scolding me for ten dollars. Just for that I'll never say another word for the rest of my life."

Looks like Winter's back again. In some places there's still snow left from Thanksgiving vacation too. Give me the summer any old time!

Snow

Prof: Name two pronouns. Student: Who? Me?

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Three Coed Groups To Vote

Two YWCA Lists Ready For Jan. 8

Barbara Raun and Neala O'Dell, city campus; and Barbara Crowe and Mary Ellen Maronde, Ag campus will vie for presidential honors in the forthcoming YWCA elections Thursday from 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. in Ellen Smith Hall and Ag Union.

Candidates for secretary are Betty Brinkman and Elaine Smithberger, city; and Mary Jean Niehaus and Rose Ann Stiffler, Ag. Nancy Hegstrom and Joyce Laase, city; and Chloey Ode and Marilyn Musgrave, Ag are candidates for treasurer.

District Representative candidates are Pat Lindgren and Janet Quinn, city; and Helen Weatherup and Geneva Burns, Ag.

YW members who have attended four meetings are eligible to vote. Those who did not join the YW before Christmas vacation will be charged an extra 10 cents. Members must present their membership cards at the polls.

Miss Raun is a junior in the College of Agriculture. Her YW activities include: Cabinet member, past leader of the Jobs and Futures Commission, second semester of leading the Community Service Commission, Personnel Committee, chairman of Rendezvous and YW participation in Freshman Week. Her other activities are: Builder's Board member, Home Ec Club, Phi Upsilon Omicron, and treasurer of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Miss O'Dell is a junior in Teachers College. Her YW activities include: Cabinet member, leader of the Noon Discussion Group, leader of Battle for Ballots Committee, Co-Chairman of the M o c k Election, chairman of Pencil and Stationery Sales Committee and rummage sales drive, and delegate to the YW-YM United Nations seminar in New York. Her other activities include: Tassels, NUCWA board member, and Activity Chairman of Kappa Delta.

Miss Crowe is President of Ag Interdenominational Youth Fellowship and past Treasurer of the Ag YWCA. She is a member of Student Council, Phi Upsilon Omicron, and Alpha Chi Omega.

Registration Cards

According to Dr. Floyd Hoover, director of registration and records, all students who have less than 27 hours on record should pick up their registration tickets on either Thursday or Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Ag students with less than 27 hours on record should get theirs in Dr. Hixson's office in 206 Agricultural Hall.

Hirsch Gets Publicity Directorship

Former Newsmen Joins NU Staff

Edward J. Hirsch, former State Editor of the Lincoln Journal, joined the University Administrative staff as Assistant Director of Public Relations Jan. 1.

Hirsch, a native of Lincoln, entered the newspaper field following his return from World War II. He was stationed with the artillery in Germany for four years.

Hirsch was a staff member of the Lincoln Journal from 1945 until 1949. He received his A. B. degree with a certificate from the University School of Journalism in 1947.

In 1949, he joined the editorial staff of the Providence (R. I.) Journal. He returned to the Lincoln Journal as State Editor in 1951.

As Assistant Director of Public Relations, Hirsch will be concerned with publishing news releases and getting University news material to different papers throughout the state.

"The purpose of publishing reports of University activities is to show the taxpayer where his money is going and to show what the University is doing for the state," Hirsch said.

Hirsch's appointment to the staff fills a vacancy left when Bruce H. Nicol, was named administrative assistant to Chancellor R. G. Gustavson.

Hirsch is married and has one son, Roger, 8.

Home Ec Club Presents Slate

The Home Economics Club slate for officer and council elections were announced by Jeanne Vierk, president. Elections will be Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Ag Union. All members of the club are urged to vote, Vierk said.

Candidates for president: Connie Clark, whose activities are Home Ec Club Council, Tassel Notification chairman, Phi Upsilon Omicron, Alpha Lambda Delta, YWCA, and Vice-President of Alpha Chi Omega.

Lura Ann Harden, whose activities are Home Ec Club Council, Tassel member, Student Council, Ag Executive Board, Phi Upsilon Omicron, Alpha Lambda Delta, and Chi Omega.

Barbara Spilker, whose activities are Home Ec Club Treasurer, AWS Board, Farmers Fair Board, Phi Upsilon Omicron, and Alpha Lambda Delta.

'Nebraskan' Interviews Set Jan. 15

Seven Positions Get Salary Cuts

Applicants for Daily Nebraskan business and editorial positions will be interviewed at 4 p.m. Jan. 15.

Application forms will be available at the Office of Public Relations, 1125 R Street after 3 p.m. Tuesday.

At the Committee on Student Publications meeting Monday noon, organizational changes in the Daily Nebraskan, were recommended by a sub-committee headed by Dr. Nathan B. Blumberg, assistant professor of journalism.

In an effort to save money, four paid staff positions: one news editor, society editor, one assistant business manager and the secretary; will be eliminated.

Seven positions were given salary cuts from \$2.50 to \$10 monthly. In accordance with these changes to reduce expenses, the Nebraskan will be reduced to four issues weekly, Monday editions will be stopped.

All recommendations will be effective Feb. 1, the beginning of second semester. Salaries, as cut, are: editor, \$85; editorial page editor, \$55; managing editor, \$35; news editor, \$55; four copy editors, each \$40; sports editor, \$55; assistant sports editor, \$20; feature editor, \$35; agricultural editor, \$35; business manager, \$90; assistant business manager, \$45 and circulation manager, \$70.

Miriam Willey To Represent YW In India

Miriam S. Willey, University graduate, is one of four young women representing the American YWCA at the third World Conference on Christian Youth in Travancore, India.

Miss Willey is meeting with 300 delegates from 50 nations at the conference. The group is studying ways of strengthening the work of Christian organizations for young people in various parts of the world.

The conference location in southwestern Asia is the home of the Syrian Christian Church, perhaps the oldest Christian church of Asia. To study the problems of Asia and Christianity's responsibility toward them is the main purpose of the conference.

Miss Willey, who graduated from the University last spring, plans to remain in India as a teacher for several months following the conference ends.

Miss Willey's father, Gilbert S. Willey, is former superintendent of Lincoln schools. He and Mrs. Willey now reside in Northfield, Ill.

YW Cabinet Filings Open Tuesday

YWCA cabinet filings for the second semester will open Tuesday and continue until Jan. 14.

Applicants may pick up blanks in Ellen Smith Hall, and must list all their YWCA activities on them. Applicants should include a picture of themselves with their blanks to aid in selections after interviews by the YW officers.

The qualifications for cabinet membership are: a 5.0 weighted average and sophomore standing.

All applicants will be interviewed by the new officers sometime during final weeks.

Miss Quinn's activities are: YW-YM regional conference Freshman Commission, Builders, Coed Counselors, and a member of Chi Omega.

Miss Weatherup's activities include the Home Economics Club and Square Dance Club.

Miss Burns is a past Ag YW district representative and a member of the University 4-H Club and Home Economics Club.

Marilyn Cook, president of the Ag YWCA, announced that any YW member may file for cabinet positions by leaving her name with Miss Cook before Friday.

Tri-K Schedules Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Tri-K club Thursday, Jan. 8 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 244 of the Agronomy Building will feature as guest speaker Bruce Russell, president of the Farmers National Company of Omaha.

Russell, whose business is farm management, will discuss job opportunities in farm management for agriculture graduates.

Tri-K, the Agronomy department club, finances the University crop judging team and sponsors a judging contest each spring.

Math Instructors Hold 'Bus-Man's Holiday' In Lincoln

Students associating the term mathematics with endless columns of numbers and the intricacies of long division that began delighting or plaguing them in grade school would have received a pleasant surprise at the meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics held in Lincoln during the Christmas holidays.

The Christmas tree which decorated the lobby of the hotel where the convention was held was trimmed with the productions of a mathematics class in a South Dakota high school. These decorations were a far cry from proper fractions.

Members of Josephine Wagner's math class at Washington High School in Sioux Falls created the original ornaments from mechanical drawing paper painted with aluminum paint and sprinkled with tinsel.

The class has been making these ornaments for 10 years. They are used to trim a tree in the assembly at Washington High School. The tree has become such a tradition that Miss Wagner received letters from former students now in Korea asking if the tree had been put up this year.

Miss Wagner saved the ornaments to trim the tree in the assembly.

The ornaments range from geometric figures with names like icosahedron (a 20-sided figure), to the conventional church and a figure of Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. The students used their own ideas to create the figures.

The theme of the meeting was "Mathematics Appropriate for Students Today." Displays illustrating the practical uses and teaching methods of mathematics appeared at the convention. Among them were descriptions of safety campaigns—taught the mathematical way, Christmas cards and decorations, graphs, charts and work trays.

John R. Mayor of the University of Wisconsin, president of the Council, expressed the belief that mathematics can contribute to the interests of every student. Mayor noted three divisions in the field of mathematics: mathematics for the vocations which demand a skill in arithmetic such as those dealing with consumer products; mathematics for general education—for example, learning mathematical reasons for safety measures, and technical mathematics for students intending to pursue engineering or insurance careers.

Dean Roy M. Green of the College of Engineering and Architecture delivered a banquet address to the Council during the three-day meeting.

Extension Agents Take Ag Courses

Twenty-five county extension agents started courses for advanced training at the University College of Agriculture Monday.

The agents are taking three-week courses in human nutrition, animal nutrition, communications and home and farmstead improvement. Each agent was awarded a \$100 scholarship for the training. Eighteen of the scholarships were furnished by the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben, five by the Cooper Foundation, and two by the Nebraska Bankers' Association.

Senators To Air Statehood Bill

NEW YORK—Sen. William Knowland (R-Calif) said he believes that Hawaii will get statehood "at a very early date." Knowland, new chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, made his statement following a conference with President-elect Eisenhower but did not discuss Eisenhower's views on Hawaii. He said legislation to give the territory statehood will be introduced in Congress in a few days.

Knowland was accompanied by Sen. Hugh Butler who will be chairman of the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee which handles statehood legislation. Butler previously has been opposed to Hawaiian statehood but recently came out in favor of it. He said he believed there was sufficient support to pass the bill in the senate. The Republican platform called for granting statehood to Hawaii immediately.

Rosenbergs Get Execution Stay

NEW YORK—A federal judge has offered a conditional stay of execution to atom spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg if they apply to President Truman for clemency. Judge Irving R. Kaufman who presided at their trial said he would grant the stay if they filed with the Federal Court by Saturday an order stating that they will make the application for clemency. The man-and-wife spy team are scheduled to be executed Jan. 14.