

N. J. Anderson Appointed New Head Of State Tax Department By Crosby

Norris J. Anderson, associate professor of agricultural economics, has been appointed state tax commissioner by Governor-elect Robert Crosby.

Anderson will succeed Philip K. Johnson on Feb. 1. Johnson, commissioner since 1948, resigned to become superintendent of right-of-way, tax and claims department of the Platte Pipe Line Co. of Kansas City, Mo.

Anderson has been with the University since 1949, previously holding similar positions at state colleges in South Dakota and Kansas. He will continue his teaching duties for the present semester.

Max Denney, the governor-elect's administrative assistant, quoted Crosby as saying:

"I am sorry to lose a man with the ability of Philip Johnson, but I wouldn't want to stand in the way of his bettering himself. We are pleased to get a man with the background and experience of Mr. Anderson."

Anderson has published a number of bulletins on taxes and farm economics and has previously

helped the tax commissioner's office on tax matters.

Crosby cited Anderson for helping set up the state assessment schools which Johnson and his staff have been conducting. Anderson has served on the farm lands assessments committee of the National Association of Assessing Officers.

Johnson explained in his resignation that he believes the opportunity to join a young company has a promise of better future than work in government. He emphasized that the change in governors did not influence his decision in any way.



Courtesy Lincoln Journal
TAX HEAD... N. J. Anderson, assistant professor of agricultural economics will be the new Tax Commissioner.

AUF Board Filings Due Thursday P.M.

All filings for the All University Fund board must be in before 5 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, said Rocky Yapp, AUF president.

Application blanks are available in the AUF office, room 305, Union. They must be returned to Yapp in the AUF office, or at the Beta Theta Pi house or to Joan Hanson, Gamma Phi Beta house.

Those filing should sign up for an interview appointment when they pick up their application blanks.

Interviews will be conducted in the AUF office by 1952 and 1953 executive board members. Officers and new board members will be selected by this group.

Forty-Three Quality For Registration

Forty-three students have qualified for registration as professional engineers and architects by the Nebraska State Board of Examiners for Engineers and Architects.

Those qualifying as engineers are:

- John D. Bainbridge, Glen V. Berg, William T. Black, David I. Cook, H. D. Douglas, Stan J. Freeland, John P. Girard, Edward W. Glass, John L. Haff, Dayton D. Hall, Otto L. Haman, Joseph L. Horton, John E. Housiaux, Joseph J. Hromadik.
- Gerald M. Kafer, Dana J. Keller, Howard C. Kellogg, Charles F. Klever, John W. Korte, Richard A. Long, Ralph R. Mariette, W. E. Marx, Harold J. Mateika, A. G. May, Paul H. Moran, Kenneth E. Nelson, Paul E. Nylander, Robert Orpin, E. C. Perrenaud, Robert E. Poteit, Thomas B. Robinson, Edwin N. Seiler, Lloyd C. Shalla, Lloyd R. Sharp, Carl G. Swanson, Gerald R. Swihart, E. C. Webber, Jack L. Wilkins and George R. Williamson.

Architectural students declared eligible are: Roy C. Neumann, Don E. Roman, David O. Wallace, Alex Weinstein.

Ag Movie

The Ag YWCA-YMCA will show the movie "The Quiet One" at their meeting Tuesday, Jan. 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Home Economics Building.

Lincoln Executive Discusses Subject Of Founding NU Chair Of Insurance

John F. Zimmer, Lincoln insurance executive, has broached the subject of founding a chair of insurance at the University.

This would involve endowing the University with a sum of money which has no strings attached except that it shall be used for the improvement of the insurance section at the University, Zimmer wrote in "Capital Fire Comment," the house organ of his company.

The money would be invested and handled by the University Foundation, with the principal remaining intact and only the income used for the purpose of strengthening the insurance section. The purpose for which income is called a chair—in this case insurance.

This would be the first such chair at the University, although chairs—often in the names of individuals who have contributed heavily—are more common in eastern schools.

Zimmer said he is not speaking "either officially or unofficially" for the University, but has discussed the matter with a number of men prominent in the industry. The financial support which would result from the earnings of such a fund would permit the development of the insurance section of the College of Business Administration far beyond what the ordinary tax budget would permit, Zimmer said.

In connection with the proposed chair, \$250,000 could reasonably be expected to earn \$10,000 a year, all of which would be at the disposal of the insurance section, Zimmer stated.

The University "is becoming nationally prominent because of

the work it has done and is doing in the field of insurance," Zimmer declared.

In the past, consideration has been given at the University to the establishment of a chair in the field of banking. No chairs exist at the University at present.

Graduate Chemistry Students Offered Teaching Fellowships

A new post graduate teaching fellowship will be offered to graduate chemistry students for the 1953-54 school year.

E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Co. will offer the fellowship to an

outstanding graduate student having two years' experience as a part time teaching assistant in the chemistry department. The recipient will be required to teach on a part time basis during his appointment, and will be nominated by the chemistry department.

Included in the fellowship is \$2,400 for the recipient (\$3,000 if married) and \$500 to the University for support of his work. Tuition and fees will also be paid for the recipient.

Du Pont has awarded similar fellowships to 12 other institutions. The grant is part of a new aid-to-education program of the company.

Du Pont also renewed its post graduate fellowship in chemistry for the 1953-54 school year. The post graduate fellowship was begun in 1918.

Rankin . . .

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for Attorney General Brownell and the country. I'm happy for the Eisenhower administration and Mr. Rankin, and furthermore, it is an honor for Nebraska."

Rankin has run for only one public office and was elected to that. In 1949 he was elected to the Lincoln school board, being named president of that body in 1952.

The attorney has been active in Republican affairs, particularly presidential campaigns.

In 1940, Brownell appointed him to be chairman of the Nebraska Dewey for President Committee.

During the last campaign, he was the leader of the Nebraska forces for Eisenhower. His duties were to organize politicians and citizens to back the President-Elect and split the state delegation to the Republican National Convention.

When Lincoln was put onto the list of stops of Eisenhower's train on the way to Chicago before the convention and again on the campaign trip, Rankin handled the arrangements.

A friend explained that "Lee doesn't get cluttered up with frills." Another said that he inspires confidence and is at his best working with others despite his quiet mannerism. Still another said while a "lot of us are golfing or loafing, Lee is busy with his reading and study. He keeps up on an amazing range of subjects—even technical matters."

Rankin married Gertrude Carpenter in 1931. They have two sons, James and Roger, and a daughter, Sarah. They are members of the First Plymouth Congregational Church.

By way of explanation of his rise in the world, one friend simply said, "Lee just gets things done."

'U.S. Choked By Red Tape'

The Internal Security and McCarran-Walter Immigration Acts are choking the United States with a "red-tape curtain," Kirtly F. Mather told the 119th meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Mather, retiring president, said, "Intellectual freedom involves the free interchange of information and ideas among scientists 'not only within our country, but also between those of all nationalities.'"

The meeting, held in St. Louis, was attended by 11 University faculty members.

The AAAS, organized in sections covering all principal fields of science, claims a four-fold aim: To further the work of scientists, to bring about greater co-operation among scientists, to make science more effective in promoting human welfare and to increase public understanding of science.

It is the largest group of related scientific organizations in the world.

IN UNION

Governor's Ball Ticket Sales Begin

The Governor's Inaugural Ball will be held Thursday at 9 p.m. in the Coliseum.

University students are invited to attend.

Tickets will be available in the Union from Tuesday until Thursday. Special student price is \$1 a person.

University women wishing to attend the Ball may obtain special permission for a 12:30 a.m. night. They must have a permission slip signed by their housemother.

The University Band will give a concert from 8:30 to 9 p.m. Following the concert, the Pershing Rifle Crack Squad will drill. At 9:15 Governor Robert Crosby will be presented and will lead the Grand March.

A reception for the new governor will be held after his presentation.

Johnny Cox and his orchestra will provide dance music from 10:30 until 12 p.m.

NUBB

Tuesday

YW Community Tours Committee meeting at 3 p.m., Ellen Smith Dining Room.

YW Battle for Ballots Committee meeting at 4 p.m., Ellen Smith Dining Room.

YW Goals and Values on Campus committee meeting at 5 p.m., Ellen Smith Dining Room.

Corn Cob officers and activities meeting at 5 p.m., 317 Union.

Prof. Meredith, Dr. Pound Join Name Society

Dr. Louise Pound, professor emerita of the University, and Mamie Meredith, professor of English, were elected to advisory boards by the newly-organized American Name Society at its first annual meeting in Boston Saturday night.

Dr. Pound will serve with five of managers of the society, which was organized to foster and promote an interest in the origin and meaning of American place names, Christian names, surnames, and brand names of business importance.

Professor Meredith, as a member of an editorial board, will assist in the publication of a quarterly magazine to be known as "Names." Its first appearance is scheduled for April.

Professor Meredith attended the meeting in Boston.

1952 Boasts More Than Share Of Scientific Oddities

By PAT PECK
Feature Editor

Sunday, automobiles, buses, trains and planes began to pour University students back on the campus to begin a new year at an old routine.

If science can promise anything to the student, this may be quite a year. During the old year just past, two individuals have managed to change sex, a Scottish doctor from a woman to a man and an American movie photographer from a man to a woman. Although doctors admit that the change is long and difficult to achieve, they have proved that it can be done. Continued advancement in this field may mean that such changes will become commonplace.

Students who become bored during vacations throughout the new year may take to raiding the neighbors chicken houses for conversation rather than for fowls. At a recent meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in St. Louis, a Cornell University professor interspeech of hens when the cluck, chirp and twitter.

When mother hens emit two clucks per second it means that the chick should follow her. A rapid sequence of "kuk, kuk, kuk" means soup's on—provided the notes have an excited and emphatic quality. When the hen is settled down for the night and several members of her family are still out she calls them with long, low, purring sounds. Some of these sounds can be accomplished by tapping on a cardboard

box with a lead pencil the professor said.

If a human being should actually become this desperate for someone to talk to, perhaps he should warn his neighbors that his only object in entering a chicken coop with a cardboard box and a lead pencil is a friendly chat with the inmates.

Perhaps on the grounds that the hens may have borrowed expressions from the human race, the professor did not translate the comments of hens when they are rudely awakened in the middle of the night.

Dr. Loh Tsai, Chinese professor at Aulane University startled scientific circles two years ago by teaching kittens to live peacefully with rats.

He has now made a new advance in the study. The psychologist has taken a hardened criminal of a rat-killing alley-cat and educated it to co-operate with a rat. The co-operation was achieved by a series of experiments that made it necessary for the cat and the rat to press a button with their feet simultaneously in order to obtain food. Dr. Tsai believes that people also can work out a system to survive through co-operation.

In a new book titled "Automation: the Advent of the Automatic Factory," John Diebold has presented a series of challenges to education. If the advent of automation makes it necessary to redesign accounting and office procedures in general business, as Diebold says it will, it may be tough to be a secretary. Instead of keeping company with a typewriter and a shorthand book, the

secretarial student will spend a college career making friends with a slide rule.

Under a system where machines take over most of the work, personnel would need training in engineering as well states. And it is the job of education, he contends, to fit youth for the rapidly changing conditions in industry. In many fields the emphasis will be on the management of machines instead of on the specialized skills the machines have taken over.

And then there is the professor at Illinois University who issued a verbal spanking to educators for "anti-intellectualism" because they are training students in "unrelated skills and isolated facts" and in "fields that belong to other social agencies."

Between chatting with chickens instead of chicks and living in a world populated by secretaries who chew slide rules instead of gum, watched over by professors who can't decide what students should study—it could be a great year.

C. L. Wear Will Open Series On Physical Fitness At YMCA

Dr. Carlos L. Wear, assistant professor of physical education for men, will speak at the YMCA Wednesday on "How to Keep Physically Fit."

Dr. Wear's speech, first of a YMCA-sponsored series on physical fitness, will be given at 6:30 p.m. A discussion period will follow the speech.

Other programs scheduled in the series are:

Dr. Frederick H. Hathaway, "How to Care for the Adult Heart," Jan. 21.

Dr. Ruth M. Leverton, "How to be Mentally Healthy," Feb. 4.

Dr. Frank L. Spradling, "How to be Mentally Healthy," Feb. 18.

The programs are designed for both men and women and there will be no admission charged.

Leadership Training Begins Jan. 13-Feb. 17

Six evening sessions in leadership training will begin Tuesday, Jan. 13. This course is being sponsored by the Lincoln Junior Chamber of Commerce in co-operation with the University Extension Division.

This course, which will be offered through Feb. 17, includes training in lecturing and speaking in reports and letters, human relations and executive development.

The classes, which will be limited to 20 persons, will be held at the Chamber of Commerce.

The instructors are: Donald O. Olson, assistant professor of speech; Dean G. Kratz, assistant state attorney general; John W. Cramer, consulting engineer; Dr. Richard M. Bourne, professor of economics; and John E. Tate, Omaha, business consultant.

Four To Attend Missouri Meeting

Tom Graham, Anda Dimze, Richard Gary and Orvis Wall will represent the University at the quadrennial conference of the United Student Christian Council at Park College, Parkville, Mo.

"The University, the World Struggles, and the Church" is the title of the conference which is expected to draw 300 college students.

Two other USCC regional conferences are being held at the same time, one in Baltimore and the other in Palo Alto, Calif.

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