

Foundation Awards:

Teaching Award Given To Pfeiler, Blackman

Dr. William Pfeiler, professor of Germanic languages, and James Blackman, associate professor of engineering mechanics, were revealed today as 1956 recipients of the University Foundation awards for distinguished teaching.

Each carrying a \$1000 stipend and a medallion, the awards were presented at the 28th annual Honors Convocation by W. W. Putney of Lincoln, Foundation vice president.

Dr. Pfeiler received his award for distinguished teaching in the humanities and social sciences, and Mr. Blackman, for distinguished teaching in the physical and technological sciences.

In recommending Dr. Pfeiler, a faculty member since 1926, his colleagues said: "He has established a reputation in teaching of such high quality that the College of

Arts & Sciences can exhibit him as an example to which the younger staff members can look for their development."

"Among other things, Dr. Pfeiler has now reached the top of the ladder in his field and enjoys a national reputation as a scholar and teacher."

Senior students, particularly honor students in the College of Arts and Sciences assisted in making nominations from the College.

Selection of Dr. Blackman as a representative from the College of Engineering and Architecture was made with the assistance of graduates of the classes of 1949, 1950 and 1951.

Blackman was cited "for his ability to awaken an interest in his students to the fact that the courses were not an end to themselves but merely a step to great-

er and more interesting fields of knowledge."

"He also is able to create a vital interest in his subject, thus encouraging questions and discussions concerning the subject and its relationship to other courses or fields of learning," the recommendation said.

Dr. Pfeiler, also chairman of the department of Germanic languages and literature, is a keen student of history and foreign affairs.

Once a German citizen, he came to the U.S. and to the University in 1926. He received his American citizenship in 1932. One of the University's most popular speakers, Dr. Pfeiler has traveled extensively in Europe and has studied and visited France, England, Spain, German and Balkan countries.

He received his Doctor of Philosophy degree in literary history from the University of Cologne in Germany and has taken graduate work at the University of Michigan. He is the author of many works on languages and history, including the book, "War and the German Mind: The Testimony of Men of Fiction Who Fought at the Front."

An authority on concrete, Blackman joined the University staff as an instructor in 1941. He received his bachelor degree in architectural engineering from the University and his master of science degree from Kansas State College.

Prior to joining the faculty, he was field engineer for the Portland Cement Association and designer for the Platte Valley Public Power and Irrigation District. A native of Beaver City, he is the author of many articles in professional journals.

W. D. Lorensen Named Law Review Head

W. D. Lorensen has been named editor of the Nebraska Law Review, quarterly publication jointly sponsored by the University College of Law and the Nebraska Bar Association.

Domenico Caporale and Deryl Hamman, both sophomores, were appointed associate editors by Lorensen.

A Law College sophomore, Lorensen was chosen by the student Law Review board. He received his B.A. degree from the University in 1952 and returned to college after serving two years in the Army. He succeeds Charles Thompson.

James Lake, associate professor of law, is faculty editor.

Convocation:

E-Week Program Includes Field Day

Open house, a convocation, an afternoon field day and a banquet are the featured events scheduled for Engineers Week, to be held April 26, 27.

Ribbon sales competition will begin Monday. Engineering students will sell E-Week ribbons at 15 cents each.

Engineering students in six societies will compete in the competition which will begin with the unveiling of displays in downtown stores.

Judges for the downtown displays and also for the Open House displays are Ray Dein; professor of accounting; Lloyd Corp, Bankers Life Insurance; John Olsson, Fulton & Cramer; T. C. Schevront, Department of Roads and Irrigation, and John Campbell,

head of Miller & Paine.

The displays will be judged on the following criteria: (1) portrayal of an accurate picture of engineering to high school students and visitors; (2) building of good will for the college among Lincoln and other Nebraska persons, and (3) exhibition of ingenuity and development of new skills on the part of the engineering students who help build the displays.

All engineering classes will be dismissed April 27 at 11 a.m. for the convocation, featuring Arnold Steckling, a University graduate. Steckling will speak on "Industry and the Engineer." He is presently employed at the Chrysler Proving Ground, Engineering Division, Chrysler Corporation, Chelsea, Mich.

Field Day at Pioneer Park will include softball games, odd-ball races and tug-of-wars between the societies.

The Engineers Day Banquet will conclude E-Week and will be held April 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Hotel. Winning societies will receive plaques for participation in the field day and overall E-Week competition.

Other awards to be presented include the O. J. Ferguson Award to the outstanding senior, the Sigma Tau Medal to an outstanding freshman and Blue Print Keys for outstanding staff members.

Glaciers:

Goldthwait To Give Talk At Meeting

An address by Dr. Richard Goldthwait, specialist in the field of glacial geology, will highlight the 66th annual meeting of the Nebraska Academy of Sciences to be held at the University Friday and Saturday.

A professor of geology at Ohio State University, Dr. Goldthwait will discuss "Glaciers in Your Back Yard" at a general meeting to be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the Union Ballroom.

Dr. Goldthwait has served as a geologist with several expeditions to the coldest parts of the world including Tibet, Alaska and Greenland. His present work includes study of the problems of the Ice Age in Ohio for the Ohio Division of Water.

Sectional meetings of the Senior Academy will be held all day Friday and Saturday morning. The collegiate section will hold its meetings Saturday morning as will the eastern section of the Junior Academy. The central section of the Junior Academy met in Hastings in March.

The academy's annual banquet will be at 6 p.m. Friday in Parlors ABC of the Union. Professor Henry Cox, director of the University Bureau of Instructional Research, will deliver his past presidential address.

Three state organizations will meet Saturday in conjunction with the academy meetings. These are the Nebraska Section of the Mathematical Association of America, the Nebraska Section of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics and the Nebraska Chapter of the National Council of Geography Teachers.

Services Held For University Ed Instructor

Funeral services were held Monday for Hazel Davis, assistant instructor of elementary education.

Miss Davis, who died Saturday, joined the University faculty in 1926. She received a diploma from Iowa State Teachers College in 1921, B.S. from the University in 1923, M.A. from the University in 1930, and attended summer sessions at Columbia University Teachers College.

She taught school for eight years before joining the University faculty.

Spring Day: Eighteen Not Listed In Events

All but 18 of the organized houses on campus eligible for participation in the Spring Event May 4 have submitted entries, according to Nels Jensen, chairman for the Spring Day competitive events.

The following houses have not entered the competition in the various contests: Acacia, Alpha Gamma Sigma, Delta Sigma Phi, Delta Upsilon, Pi Kappa Phi, Sigma Alpha Mu, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Tau Kappa Epsilon.

Zeta Beta Tau, Brown Palace, Cornhusker Co-op, Pioneer House, Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Phi, Sigma Delta Tau, Sigma Kappa, International House and Terrace Hall.

The individual events include greased pig catch, football throw, egg catch, tandem bike race, tug-of-war, costume relay, sack relay, softball throw and peanut pushing contest.

Jensen said that houses may still be entered in the events if they contact him by the end of the week. Schedules for the competition are being set up at the present time, he added.

Chairman of the competitive events for the faculty and administration officials is Sandy Kadlacek.

Included among the faculty members who have tentatively agreed to participate in the events are Associate Dean for Women Marjorie Johnston and Associate Dean for Women Helen Snyder, Miss Kadlacek said.

During the afternoon of the Spring Day a bowling alley and a golf course will be reserved for the use of the faculty, she added.

Other events scheduled for members of the faculty are three-legged race, peanut pushing contest, egg catching contest and softball throw. "We are also having a pie-eating contest for the deans of the various colleges," she said.

"A baby bottle contest will be held for the administration officials Miss Kadlacek said.

Other highlights of Spring Day include the barbecue, the street dance and the Union carnival.

Ticket Sales

A few good seats are left for the Friday and Saturday performances of "Kiss Me Kate," according to Von Innes, president.

There are still a lot of good seats left for the Thursday show, however, he said. Tickets can be purchased in the Union or at the Nebraska Theater box office.

Starring in "Kiss Me Kate" are Cecelia TeSelle and Mel Davidson. The show will run Thursday through Saturday.

KK Show: Musical Gets Last Polishing

Full dress rehearsals are now underway for the Kosmet Klub's performance of the musical "Kiss Me Kate." The show is to be presented the 19, 20 and 21 at the Nebraska Theater.

Featured in the cast are Cecelia TeSelle, Mel Davidson, Lou Sanchez, Morgan Holmes, William Duffey and Jim Thom.

Miss TeSelle, a sophomore majoring in music, is appearing in her second major role in a Kosmet Klub production. She had the lead in "Bloomer Girl" and she played the part of Musetta in the University opera "La Boheme."

The male lead is Mel Davidson, a graduate student in English at the University. He has studied at Willamette, Great Falls and Hamline and will sing, "I've Come to Wive it Well in Padua," "Were That Thine Special Face," "Where is the Life of Late I Led?" and "So In Love."

Miss TeSelle's solos are "So in Love," "I Hate Men" and "Women Are so Simple." She and Davidson will join to sing "Wunderbar" and the title song "Kiss Me Kate." A veteran Kosmet Klub performer, Lou Sanchez, a senior in speech therapy, sings the solo "Always True to You in My Fashion."

Morgan Holmes, a sophomore in the college of business administration, joins with Jim Thom to sing "Brush Up Your Shakespeare." Thom who is a member of the varsity basketball squad, is also a sophomore. He is majoring in physical education.

Bill Duffey combines with Miss Sanchez to sing "I Sing of Love." Bill is a freshman in Arts and Sciences.

Directors for the performance are Bill Walton, Mary Sigler, and Bob Harrison. Walton, a graduate of the University and at present a teacher at Schuyler, has previously directed such productions as "Charley's Aunt" and "Glass Menagerie."

Miss Sigler, who is technical director, has served in the same capacity for the Hayloft Summer Theater. Harrison is a student at the university and will receive his B.M.E. this spring. He is the musical director.

The members of the chorus are; Mary Lou Pittack, Myrna Grunwald, Gretchen Titman, Ann Hermes, Carolyn Orr, Paula Roehrkasse, Louise Stalder, Jane Anderson, Louise Meldrum, Mary Deere, Ann Pickett, Cynthia Barber, Julie Oradousky, Fritz Steeling, and Dick Waldo.

Girls dancing are Mazie Cox, Joan Riba, Karen Parsons, Sharon Brown, Sharon Huntington, Cynthia Zechau and Jacy Mathieson. Boys dancing are Jack Talsma, Tom Olsen, Fred Allen, John Madden and Jim Kiely.

Night Club Locale Set For Party

Decorations in a night club style will be carried out at the annual Pink Elephant Party to be held in the Union Ballroom on April 20 from 9 p.m. to midnight.

A tap dance group and a skit from the Women's Dormitory will provide the entertainment. Bud Holloway's band will supply the music.

Admission and refreshments are free. Only couples will be admitted.

Outside World: Dulles Welcomes Support

By WALT SWITZER, Nebraskan Staff Writer

Following Russia's move Tuesday to settle the Mid-East conflict, Secretary of State Dulles said the United States would welcome Soviet support in efforts to prevent war in that area.

Russia had called on both Israel and the other Arab states to refrain from incidents along the U.N. approved frontier.

In their statement the Soviet Union considers that it is necessary in the interest of strengthening international peace and security to work out a settlement of the Palestine question on an acceptable basis taking into consideration the just interests of the interested sides.

Drawing Proposed

Harold MacMillan, Chancellor of the Exchequer, proposed a start-up drawing to help Britain fight inflation. The drawing would be run on one pound (\$2.80) savings bonds with drawings every three months. A top prize of 1000 pounds would be awarded along with several smaller prizes.

The Chancellor pointed out that the idea was to encourage saving and that no one could lose on the proposition.

Lee Awaits Decision

J. Bracken Lee, Governor of Utah, who has failed to pay his income tax is waiting for a court to decide whether he has to pay them or not. Lee holds that the government cannot use tax revenue to aid foreign countries.

He said "There is no provision in the constitution granting the government the right to appropriate taxpayers' money for support of foreign nations."

Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey wrote Lee the government would: "Proceed in the usual manner to collect the taxes" if he didn't pay before the deadline.

Lee said "the usual manner might take some time—probably till after November elections."

Cole Cancels Show

Nat King Cole, noted Negro singer, called off a scheduled performance in Atlanta saying he was "afraid to go to Atlanta," and he would "not go on for a million dollars."

Ag Ec Club Petitions In Behalf Of Mitchell ... Asks 'Vote Of Confidence'

Signatures on the petition giving Dr. C. Clyde Mitchell a "vote of confidence" are being solicited on the ag campus according to Mel Bellinger, president of the Ag Ec Club.

The petition, reprinted in today's Nebraskan, was greeted with a great deal of enthusiasm, Bellinger said.

"We are optimistic that a great number of ag students will sign the petition supporting Mitchell," he said.

Members of Ag Ec Club will circulate the petition among ag students, he said. At the present time there are no plans to circulate a petition among city students backing Mitchell in principle, he added.

"We felt that the students best qualified to judge Mitchell's ability were those who had studied under him," Bellinger said.

There are no immediate plans for the submission of the petition to any administrative official, he said.

"We expect to finish gathering signatures in several days, he said.

The Ag Ec Club decided to initiate the petition at a special meeting Monday. There are approximately 30 members of the Ag Ec Club.

Neither A. C. Breckenridge, Dean of Faculties, nor W. V. Lambert, Dean of the College of Agriculture, could be reached for comment.

Lambert, officially announced Monday that a successor to Mitchell was being sought, confirming reports in Friday's Nebraskan that Mitchell would not be retained in his present post as chairman

of the department. Mitchell, now on a leave of absence for a Fulbright Fellowship in Rome, was notified of Lambert's intention in the spring and fall of 1955, Lambert said.

According to Lambert's statement issued Monday, two candidates for the job have been interviewed and the "search for the right man continues."

Ag Ec Petition

In view of the controversies that have arisen with regard to the future tenure status of Professor C. Clyde Mitchell, we students of the Agricultural Economics Club, being closely associated with the Department of Agricultural Economics through our academic pursuits, and therefore most vitally concerned in this matter, respectfully submit the following comments for thoughtful consideration.

We are unhappily disturbed about the announcement that Professor Mitchell is being replaced as Chairman of the Department of Agricultural Economics. We feel that the consequences that will ensue from such a decision will seriously impair our academic pursuits within the Department of Agricultural Economics and within the University.

It is our purpose here to make known our thoughts with respect to this decision.

To begin with, it is our firm conviction that the people of Nebraska, and especially we students laboring in the field of Agricultural Economics are indeed fortunate to have Professor Mitchell as our Department chairman. We feel certain that he has done much to advance the standards of his department during his seven years of tenure. Most of us have had at least one course under Professor Mitchell and have found him to be a most interesting, inspiring, thought-provoking and stimulating lecturer. We admire and cherish him for his self-less fortitude in seeking truth, for his thoroughly humanitarian and realistic approach to the socio-economic problems relating to agriculture and for his remarkable mental stability in the face of pernicious attacks by his critics.

While there is much more that can be said in Professor Mitchell's behalf, this should suffice to indicate that we, and most other students on the agricultural campus, regard him with great esteem.

We appreciate the opportunity to examine objectively our socio-economic concepts from the various prevailing viewpoints that exist. We feel that in so doing we enhance our ability to form correct judgments concerning the various factors that have an influence upon our lives.

Professor Mitchell has been instrumental in providing an atmosphere of free discussion within his department and we believe this is a healthy condition that is essential to progress in the field.

We believe that Professor Mitchell, through his exercise of academic freedom, provides us with valuable food for thought in his analysis of economic concepts; and while we may not agree whole-heartedly with his viewpoint in all respects, (as would be the case with anyone lecturing in the field) we most assuredly agree with his right to express his honest convictions regardless of how these convictions may differ from the immediate consensus of opinion.

Respectfully submitted by: Special Committee of Agricultural Economics Club

Physics: Dr. Moore Announces Resignation

Dr. Don Moore, former chairman in the physics department and at present associate professor, has announced his resignation effective Sept. 1, 1956.



Courtesy Lincoln Star Dr. Moore

In a March 20 letter to department chairman Robert Chasson, Moore announced his intentions. Dr. Moore said that research and salary opportunities were the reasons for his leaving the department. He said he is leaving to do industrial research with an eastern firm.

Dr. Moore expressed "some regret" in leaving the University, and said the "co-operation of the staff and their friendship have been beyond comparison." He said he wished the new department head, Chasson, "every success as you work to build a department of physics."

A graduate of the University with an A.B. degree in 1948, Dr. Moore is a native of Nebraska and received his Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley.

Ag Ec Chairman: Ag College Students, Faculty Express Opinions On Mitchell

By SARA JONES, Staff Writer

General opinion on the College of Agriculture is favorable to Dr. Clyde Mitchell in the controversy over his demotion as chairman of the Department of Agricultural Economics.

Students contacted by The Nebraskan almost unanimously agreed that Dr. Mitchell's removal was due to reasons other than the one given by Dean W. V. Lambert of the College of Agriculture and that his removal will harm the quality of instruction on the campus.

Words like "outstanding," "interesting" and "tremendous" were used to describe his instruction and every student contacted described him as "the best professor I ever had."

One student in the agricultural economics department, who asked that he remain unidentified, said that he was certain "that more students had been enrolling in the ag ec department than ever before" and that "more graduate students from the department were being accepted in other schools than ever before."

He added that without "Mitchell's administrative abilities and stimulating influence" the department would be "severely crippled."

Another student, who has taken several courses under Dr. Mitchell, said that he "was the most conscientious instructor I have ever had."

Members of Mitchell's own department described him as "dynamic, imaginative, honest and forthright" in his administration of departmental affairs.

"It can be reasonably inferred from Professor Mitchell's demotion that this action will have the effect of warning other faculty members of the dire consequences of discussing freely their convictions on issues that are controversial," Dean Bucy, vice-president of the Ag Ec Club, said in a prepared statement for the Nebraskan.

This would be particularly noticeable if the professors' convictions in any way deviate from the

"accepted" consensus of opinion within the state, Bucy said.

Dick Johnson, senior in Agriculture and congressional candidate from the second district, said in a prepared statement to The Nebraskan that if Dr. Mitchell is being replaced by a new chairman who is afraid to speak his own opinion, the demotion of Mitchell is not desirable.

"If, however, the reason for the demotion as stated by Dean Lambert is true, I am frankly for it (the demotion)," he continued.

If Dr. Mitchell and the new chairman of the department will continue their stimulation of the students' minds in the socio-economic fields, the demotion is not a case of academic freedom but a case of betterment of the University, Johnson said.

Lowell Humbel, Farm House senior who has had a class under Dr. Mitchell, thinks that the removal might have been justified. He said, "I'm inclined to believe that Dr. Mitchell was removed because of his administrative duties, not because of his personal opinions."

Naturally when a man as high in the department as Mitchell does not have the backing of certain groups within the state, he continued, there will be a certain amount of antagonism between Mitchell and the people who allocate the money for the department.

Marx Rounne, Alpha Gamma Sigma, contended that the removal was a great mistake. He said that the Nebraska College of Agriculture was well thought of throughout the nation because of Mitchell and that his removal as head of the department will hurt prestige of the department greatly.

"Unless they can find an equally good man to replace him," he added, "and I doubt if they can, the department is going to suffer."

Ray Volke, Alpha Gamma Sigma, has had Dr. Mitchell as an instructor and has worked in the Agricultural Economics Department. He stated that "from my work in the department I feel that if Dr. Mitchell's wishes had been fol-

lowed there would have been more work in the research and extension programs."

For this reason, he said, I do not feel that the reasons given for his dismissal were satisfactory. "It will take a great man to replace him," Volke said. "I doubt if one can be found."

"There is a general feeling among Ag Campus students that the reason given for the dismissal is not the whole reason," Howard Atkins, Alpha Gamma Rho, stated. "The fact that Dr. Mitchell held certain opinions with which the higher-ups in the Ag College did not agree probably had more to do with the case than did the reason Dean Lambert gave."

A member of another department, in the College of Agriculture, who prefers to remain unknown stated, "If they were seeking to strengthen the research and extension programs in agricultural economics as Dean Lambert stated, then our department is completely defunct. They must feel that our research doesn't even exist."

Don Beck, vice-president of Alpha Gamma Rho, said that every comment he has heard about Mitchell has been good. "Mitchell is an outstanding figure on the Ag Campus and I hope that the removal was not done without just cause," he said.

Roger Moline, Alpha Gamma Rho, said he thought Mitchell's release was not justified. "There is a general feeling on Ag campus that Dean Lambert has put too much stress upon the research and extension phase and paid too little attention to the instruction of the students," he said. "In this respect I think Dr. Mitchell definitely should be retained as chairman."

Duane Newman, Alpha Gamma Sigma, said that "actually I think the major reason for Mitchell's dismissal was the fact that he preferred to run his department the way he saw it. Some of the higher-ups disagreed with his policies and I think that was the major reason for his dismissal."

"His dismissal will hurt the department more than it will help it," Newman added.