

Nebraskan Editorials:

... And Back Again

Almost 200 University students will take to the highway this weekend. At the risk of preaching, The Nebraskan would like to remind the University community that at this time last year three University students had lost their lives in automobile accidents.

Before June commencement last year, eight students were dead—the result of carelessness on the highway.

In a community of 8,000—approximately the

population of Columbus—this high fatality rate is almost unheard of and is completely unprecedented. The city of Lincoln reported two traffic deaths last year.

When classes resume Monday let us hope that there will be no seats which mark permanent absences. A fun filled weekend is in store for the many Boulder-bound students, but the reports of good times will give a rather hollow echo if we don't all return.

A Certain Jubilation

Some recent figures on the partisan-ness of the American press may have strong repercussions in anti-American camps throughout the world. The report (listed in Editor and Publisher) said that well over 50 per cent of the American press was for Eisenhower and Nixon in the coming election. True, this indicates that the present "powers what am" are holding their own on the press scene.

However we cannot forget to mention to our Russian foes that there exists that other figure of the American press—those papers which support whom they please (Democrats). This indicates to any one looking at the report (and we can't recall the exact figures) that there still remains that wonderful source of democracy in our nation, the freedom of the press.

No one can tell an American how to run his paper. We might read of a newspaper closing down every now and then because the big advertisers in a community don't like a controversy that a paper presents to the public. . . . Not inherent in our domestic setup.

The Nebraskan—those students who are responsible for the stories and pictures—takes pride in the fact that it can print or reject any item it so desires. Along with the ability to judge news though we are cautioned to be just as democratic in presenting all the news to our readers.

The greatest injustice a newspaper can do to a community is to distort facts. This paper has been accused of distorting news, but we have always given the challenger an opportunity to have his turn through our "Letterip." This system is like the "equal time" popular with political candidates on radio and television (and unpopular with the management of many of the stations.)

During American Newspaper Week we talked about the place of the paper in connection with freedom's forces. That week was dedicated to the press; hopes that the complete freedom of the press would result in a finer nation were raised by the entire Fourth Estate that week. That are continuing hopes.

We of the Nebraskan feel that these ambitions of the press are not just high flung thoughts. They are real; we must maintain the freedom of the press in order to preserve our society. This statement, we hope, will be treated as more than just theory. . . . it must be practice.

Election time will be the test. If we take a stand, that is the business of the management. If we fail to present the issues as they exist, that is the business of every reader of the Ne-

braskan. The support of the students needed in preserving a free press for them is a firm force.

A certain jubilation will exist here if the candidates of the paper are elected. But you can be sure that almost as exuberant (though less noisily expressed) jubilation will exist here if we know that we have helped an American function repeat itself. Platitude: "The freedom of the press!" Attitude: "This means more to me and you than any speech or drawing in the land." It does; Argue with us, it makes the press freer, the news more interesting.

After thoughts

Sorority Gains Support

The Cornell University chapter of Sigma Kappa has gained backing in its fight to learn the reason for its suspension by the national council. The chapter was suspended, but so far neither the members nor Cornell University officials have been able to learn the reason for the action. National officials have told the University that the suspension does not concern Cornell. Last Spring, the Cornell chapter of Sigma Kappa pledged a Negro student.

Support for the Cornell chapter has come from 91 percent of the university's school women. They passed a resolution saying they did not question the right of Sigma Kappa's national council to take such action, but that they felt the local chapter had not received a proper explanation for the suspension.

The Need For Stronger States

The governments of America's individual states must be strengthened in both legislative and executive branches if they are to continue as strong and vital parts of the federal system. That is one of the conclusions drawn in a report on Southern state governments published this week by Tulane University. The report recommends longer gubernatorial terms, reapportionment of legislatures, and removal of what it calls "outmoded constitutional restrictions."

On the touchy problem of state governments and their relationship to race relations, the report had this to say: "Governments in the South have dealt with difficult problems before and undoubtedly have the ability to alleviate the present tensions. The Southern Assembly (which conducted the survey) believes that state governments in the south should undertake, by all means at their disposal, to prevent violence and maintain public order."

The survey of Southern governments was sponsored jointly by Tulane University and the American Assembly of Columbia University.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS by Dick Bibler



"NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT—I'VE HAD VERY POOR ATTENDANCE IN MY CLASSES, TOO!"

Voice of The Turtle



All this has been said before, but informed sources have told me there is to be a migration Saturday to Colorado. Some students have already left, some leave today and some tomorrow. Some students are cutting classes with neither fear nor favor; other students are heartily cursing professors who decided to give

but there is something about playing Colorado that puts a little more spirit into the thing. From here it looks like Nebraska—you can't keep a good man down for long.

Also, there is the matter of the rally to be held at the CU Union 12:30 a.m. before the game. Since the whole purpose of this migration is the football game (I keep telling myself) there is no reason why Nebraska students can't have a real rouser of a rally that will shake the very rock ribs of Boulder, Colo. And then we can go out and watch our boys whip the whey out of their boys, and then we can go down to The Tool and talk about it.

Drive Safely — the life you save may vote Republican. And, if you would believe the pollsters and the registration figures, they are getting scarcer.

This Military Ball is shaping up to be quite an affair, what with a good band and this economical package deal on tickets, meal, orchid and transportation. Maybe it is on its way back as the big social horn-blower in Lincoln.

Large Bob Cook, the Nebraskan's editorial page editor, has been assigned the task of taking the traditional NU-CU Buffalo Head out on Migration. Cool drives a Thunderbird, and is 6 feet and almost one-half. Suggestions could be mailed to "Perplexed, Box 1, Nebraskan."

The Missouri-Nebraska Victory Bell, according to legend, once hung in the steeple of a Negro church, from which it was liberated by members of Phi Delta Theta and Delta Tau Delta fraternities. The two groups were living in the same house then back in the 1890's. (Obviously, things have changed.)

Fred Daly

tests Friday; others are duty-bound or broke, and are staying home.

It should be a fine migration, although it couldn't be any finer than the one two years ago, when they had to close down The Sink early Saturday. Nebraska won that year, upsetting the Buffaloes, who didn't feel too kindly about the matter.

The Cornhuskers will probably be the underdog again this year,

vice and versa



Promo Invades 'Down Under' In Campaign

CANBERRA, Australia —(Special)—Reports that Pogo Possum, American Candidate for President, will stump the country for the Australian vote brought about an angry exchange on the upper floor of the lower house today when a delegate from the rich Marsupial Belt flatly declared that Pogo is not a marsupial but is in fact a Monotreme. This has been denied by both political groups, the Marsupials going so far as to challenge their maverick member to produce evidence that Pogo has ever laid an egg.

"It would only put the distinguished visitor in an awkward position," said the Marsupial delegate, "and I do not intend to press him into any sort of demonstration either public or private for the mere sake of political argument."

"Without anything more than hearsay evidence," claimed a Pogo adherent, "this delegate has already made a wanton attack upon Pogo's qualifications for the Presidency. The people of the United States may take offense. After all, such an allegation, if true, would stamp Pogo as a member of the sex normally opposite to the President. We feel it is a blow calculated to embarrass both the candidate and his constituency."

The Monotremes point out that they are not, to a man at least, of a sex normally opposite to the President. "We are not opposite to anything, especially the President. We are as much on his side as anybody. We take umbrage at such surmise and will not suffer ourselves to participate further in the discussion."

Three members hawking partisan pennants were ejected from the state house.

BOULDER, Colorado (Special) Today's bit comes to you through the makers of fine booze, the servers of 3.2 beer and more specifically from the mecca of the midwest college students. . . . Tulagi's.

The strangest thing keeps happening here. Time after time the door opens and in stumbles a new crop of Cornhusker followers. Bill and Ruth will be glad to know that things are well in hand here, and that they should not be worried about the slack-off business this weekend, for the Grill shall rise again. Through some quirk of fate the loyal lusher are being accommodated this weekend by Tulagi's and the Sink.

This is a day for relaxation, and for an extremely cunning business venture. My relaxation being an attempt to identify all the hearty young members of Rho Delta who sent out clever brochures on the migration before leaving the Cornhusker campus. If only they had a page in the Cornhusker!

And then there's my current business venture. Being a man of tainted morals and shady ethics (as my philosophy instructors have pointed out) it is not beneath me to use unscrupulous methods to earn a few brews. Namely, the

Bob Cook

ancient art of repasting high point beer labels on local bottles of 3.2. This is a crafty little trick I picked up while spending several days in the ROTC stockade for falling asleep in drill one Thursday.

But I digress. We must not overlook the outside world.

Word has just come in from our missionary on academic freedom at Harvard, none other than Rathbone Road's own Black Henkle. Says Henkle about the current political campaign (as reported by the Nebraskan):

"What is this Pogo bilge? Who is Pogo anyway? A darn Socialist that's who. Will Rogers once said 'I never saw a possum I liked'. I have been ruthlessly attacked and mercilessly mutilated by more than one possum in my life including one tunnel to the death on a raccoon hunt one time, and I assure you that I am disinclined to swing my large block of votes to some furry animal. An obvious sign of mental deterioration and an inborn and unconscious unwillingness to part with bed-animals and teddy bears."

And enough of this. In closing I would like to state that I don't think Yell King Donnie Beck will have much trouble with the Big

The Campus Green

The following poem is based upon the Classical Anthology as translated by E. Pound; Book 1: Chou and the South).

Ohe, Kylin  
Innocence is the illusion  
Of the egg, Kylin,  
As the peach scents  
Twirl in the fruitful May  
Around the bamboo bed.

Where was Wan when  
Cider sung her song?  
Kylin, Kylin, the sin  
In life's cord  
Is stored in gords;  
Purple peach  
Crimson Han  
Browned Wan

A beast, a god, or ghost:  
A mind bent thing  
Rising in a sinking cloud  
But hiding from a bearing tail  
That signals crimson sail—  
Below and slow to drift,  
The nexus bleeds aloud.

—Richard M. Kelly

From the editor's desk: ...with malice towards none

After glancing at the statements made in Wednesday's Nebraskan of Shirley McPeck, Tassels president, and Mick Neff, Student Council vice-president, I have come to the conclusion that the Homecoming Queen will be a Tassel this fall—and probably will be a Tassel next fall.

But, an interesting point in campus politics is also seen. That is, the Tassels have no legal right to a monopoly on the selection of Homecoming Queen candidates. If they would like to have this privilege embodied in law, it would probably have to be written into their Constitution which in turn, would have to be approved by the Student Council.

The Council seems perfectly within their rights in challenging the validity of a Tassel Homecoming Queen each year. This is not to say that a Tassel type queen is altogether undesirable. Tassels have admitted what students have often suspected, that the Homecoming Queen is not a beauty queen, but is, in actuality, a pep queen.

One thing is certain, the situation should give the Council something to do which I

suspect was one of Mr. Neff's motives in bringing up the subject.

William Shakespeare had a few things to say about the current political campaign including a comment that fits in with charges made by Sen. Kefauver that the soil bank and other measures are only election years tactics.

The Bard said: "The people cry you mocked them, and of late When corn was given them, you repin'd."

Shakespeare also stated a prominent Democratic apprehension when he wrote: "But, I fear they'll roar him in again."

And to close the poet's corner, O' Wil' once said: "His speech was like a tangled chain; nothing impaired, but much disordered."

Fred Seaton, Secretary of the Interior, said Wednesday that he would watch the Cornhusker Football team with more interest and favor now that his alma mater, Kansas State, had met the Husker aggression. He commented that the team wasn't much like the old squads which featured the

names of Weir and Howell, etc.

But, then not many people have yet associated the name of Seaton with the team of men that make up the Eisenhower cabinet.

The Hastings publisher is certainly one of better informal orators of the Republican party. His rigorous schedule 'doesn't seem' to phase him in the least and when he talks — looking straight at his audience in a friendly manner—it's hard not to think you're participating in a personal conversation.

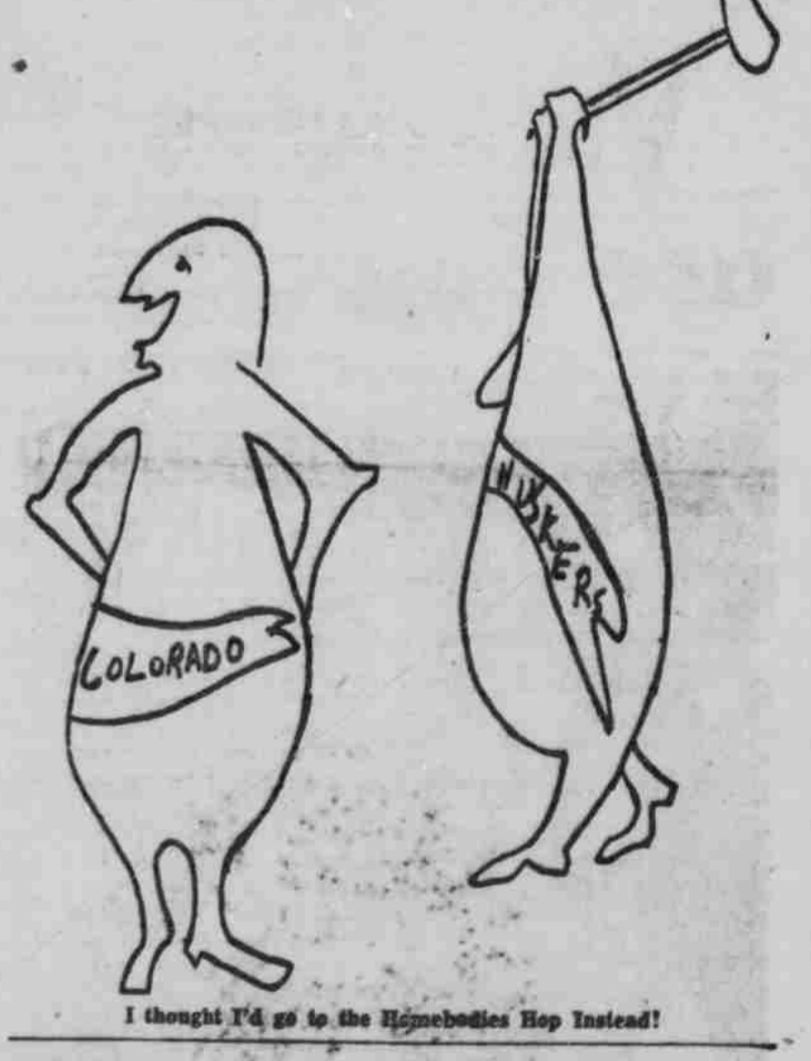
Another thing that makes the cabinet member attractive is his open mindedness concerning the achievement of members of the opposition party. "It's foolishness and illogical to say that a man is a scoundrel just because he is a Democrat," Seaton says, "We often forget that Democratic party members are just as patriotic as Republican party members."

This point of view doesn't keep Seaton from hitting into certain Democrats named Stevenson and Kefauver, however.

Sam Jensen



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