

Praises Due

The Summer Nebraskan congratulates the Nebraskan for its part in the successful completion of the Mitchell case.

In the spring semester of 1956 the Nebraskan, under the editorship of Bruce Brugmann, waged a controversial campaign on behalf of Dr. C. Clyde Mitchell, maintaining that his removal as chairman of the department of agricultural economics was an abridgment of academic freedom.

Dr. Mitchell's economic views had not been popular with Nebraskans for some time. The Nebraskan claimed, and former University professors supported its claim, that "outside interests" due to disagreements with Mitchell views were responsible for the removal.

Later in the semester Dr. Mitchell sent to the Nebraskan a list of six charges, not necessarily involving his removal as department head, citing examples of curtailment of academic freedom.

Later he sent to the Faculty Senate Committee on Academic Privilege and Tenure a list of seven charges.

Last week, as the whole state knows by now, the Faculty Senate found that on three of these charges, the academic freedom of Dr. Mitchell had been violated.

The Chancellor, the Regents and the Dean of the College of Agriculture, against whom the charges were made, refused comment.

The Mitchell case is history now. The danger to academic freedom remains, no less important to a summer sessions student than to any other. And praise is in order for a student newspaper, which, in the face of pressure from the administration, objections from the state and indifference from the student body, fought for the retention of those institutions of freedom preached in classrooms and sometimes ignored in practice.

Summer Nebraskan

Summer Nebraskan readers used to the winter counterpart will find some changes between the two publications.

The Daily Nebraskan is paid for in part by the students themselves and is intended to be a voice of student opinion.

The Summer Nebraskan, on the other hand, is the publication of Summer Sessions and is more or less the information outlet of the sessions. It is operated under the jurisdiction of Summer Sessions, with the Department of Journalism its official publisher.

The news pages of the Summer Nebraskan, then, should be aimed at letting the students know just what is going on around campus and what facilities are available to them.

But the Summer Nebraskan is still a newspaper and carries with that title all the responsibilities that any paper carries.

By the same token, summer session students are still students and issues that apply to students during the winter do not become unimportant with the changing season.

The Summer Nebraskan does not intend to have its editorial page become the battleground for students against the world. Nor does it intend to have it be the extra sheet where the excess ads are placed. National, international and campus issues will be taken up as they occur, both in the editorials and in the columns.

The Letterip column is open to any student who wishes to take advantage of it.

Foreign Aid

A new solution to the controversial question of the foreign aid bill is being kicked around in Washington.

This is that more of the United States aid funds be channeled through the United Nations. The U.S. would continue to reserve the right to give some aid where she pleases, but the majority of aid would be handled by the Economic and Social Council of the U.N.

Such a plan would have obvious advantages. Henry Cabot Lodge, U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations pointed out that this system would "prevent the so-called auction that some are trying to promote between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R."

Lodge explained that at the present time the United States and Russia are engaged in a competition which neither can win and which acts to the advantage of neither. Instead of trying to objectively determine the best possible time and place to send her aid, the U.S. must always consider when and where and what Russia is doing. If Russia offers to build a dam, the U.S. must step in and try to underbid her. If she aids India, Uncle Sam must aid India more.

This senseless competition could stop, Lodge says, if the U.S. utilized the United Nations and by doing so proclaimed that her aid was neutral and did not carry the political taint absorbed by the neutral nations. Russia would then be forced to do the same or by implication, admit her political motives.

Other advantages would be present also. The United Nations, being a multi-lateral organization, would not be open to the charges of imperialism to which we as a nation are so susceptible.

Drawing as the U.N. does on the resources, capital and technical know-how of fifty-two nations instead of one, the attack against poverty, low living standards and ignorance could be made into the organized cooperative efforts of all nations, instead of the present duplication of activity.

The United States, under such a program, could continue to give directly that portion of aid which she feels cannot be adequately handled by the United Nations. But it might be wise for the solons in Washington to look into the possibility of utilizing for foreign aid that organization which President Eisenhower has designated as "our best hope for peace."

a stranger's sojourn

—sara jones

From time to time columnists will appear in the Summer Nebraskan to delight your fancy, tickle your humor and challenge your intellect.

Dick Shugrue, well known to returning students, will write each week under the title "Gally Slave". Dick is some where around a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences. If his columns run true to form he will sing of the joys of being a student, the advantages of being cultured and the rewards of being a "night person."

This column is written by the editor and its title was chosen only after long hours of contemplation and complaining. It will be a place to throw left-over editorial ideas, gripes at bookstores that don't carry copies of Edna St. Vincent Milay, philosophical mutterings and anything else that comes to mind after a frenzied week of putting out the paper.

Steve Shultz, associate editor of the Summer Nebraskan and poet of renown, will from time to time contribute his mutterings. He won't say much, but it will keep him out of mischief and perhaps bribe him into doing some work down here.

By next week we hope to have uncovered a columnist to represent the teachers, who comprise some forty per cent of summer sessions enrollment.

Various members of the faculty will occasionally be asked to contribute their views on pressing problems of interest to all.

So there is the staff of the Summer Nebraskan — really a nice bunch of people as you ever will hope to meet.

We're rather addicted to sitting around in the office talking when we should be working. In fact, we're all really very lazy people who much prefer to talk about things than work at them, and gripe about things then do something about them. We're pretty much convinced that the world needs reshaping and we're open to any ideas about the shape. We all have our own ideas of course, and bat them about at the drop of a hat.

Probably the one idea we have

in common is that the world is full of a number of things and there's plenty of time to find them. Half idealists and half cynics, we can be the disciples of Sartre or of St. Augustine at a moment's notice.

If you have a moment to spare and some ideas to peddle, you're welcome to come down. The offices are underneath the Crib and someone is here every afternoon.

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