

EDITORIAL OPINION

A Challenge To Freshmen

The big jump is almost complete. Only the last minute details remain for one of the largest freshman classes before all the yearlings meet their first honest-to-goodness "prof" Monday and settle down to adjust to the transition that is so great between high school and college.

We who have made the University our home for at least a year or more want the class of 1964 to become part of the Cornhusker community. Most of you are here because you are Nebraskans and are interested in continuing your education in your native state. For those of you who have come from other states and even other lands, you have made a choice which we hope you will not regret. You also will become an important link on the campus.

After rush week indoctrination and New Student Week orientation sessions, your may find most of your questions answered and your reservations may be disappearing. It is important that all of you have an equal chance at the education which you are here to obtain.

A major part of the learning experience is sharing your learning with your fellow students. This is one of the greatest responsibilities you as freshmen are faced with. Being a state institution, the University receives only a small fraction of its financial support from the tuition fees. The small investment which you are making in your education will bring you a far greater return.

All of you, we hope, will be true Cornhuskers. This means supporting the tradition of the University, not only its athletics, but its reputation. No friend of the University will run it into the ground. You are expected to criticize when you deem it your responsibility. This is part of the sharing process.

This is the challenge with which you are faced as a new student at Nebraska. Some of you will never meet this challenge. Many of you will. You are the citizens of the college community today and the adult community of tomorrow. Apathy holds no place with the leader. Progress and learning do. Monday the gates open. The eagerness with which you meet your challenge and seek your goals will be your key.

Johnson Comes To Nebraska

Politics are in the air. The announcement by Young Democrats that Senator Lyndon Johnson will appear on campus Thursday shows that no time is being wasted in informing students of the issues which will be prominent in the 1960 campaign.

By choosing to come to a campus during his midwestern tour, Johnson and the Democrats have demonstrated that they consider the student an important part of the opinion climate. This year more than ever, the student is playing a greater role in politics than ever before.

The 1960's will definitely show a student movement as has been demonstrated by the student's participation in the sit-ins and the demonstrations against the House Un-American Activities Committee hearings in California.

At Nebraska, the students have generally been apart from any active movement. Such a situation is no longer healthy. If we as future leaders are to bear the burden that will soon be placed on our shoulders, we must become active in matters pertinent to the world situation today.

At Nebraska, we are fortunate to have two active political organizations in the Young Republicans and Democrats. It is their job to provide an incentive to the campus through such programs as that which Senator Johnston is heading.

The student must respond to these efforts through attendance and discussion. So wear your buttons, wave your signs and don't be afraid to fight.

Major Improvement Noted in Rushing

Seven-hundred and fifty-seven pledges found their way into a Greek organization early this week, one of the largest totals in the history of the University. This out of a total of more than 950 rushees.

From all indications the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils were well satisfied with these figures, especially in view of much unfavorable publicity directed toward the Greek system.

Much of the credit goes to the two councils for the revisions which they made in the rush week programs. The increase of some 150 men going through rush would seem to indicate that rushees were pleased with the financial assistance which living in Selleck Quadrangle provided. Expenses in many cases were more than cut in half by this plan.

A few bugs appeared which naturally are a part of any innovation. Both the sororities and fraternities realized this and will be working to iron out faults before next year.

The long first day of open houses for fraternities when each rushee visits all houses proved to be somewhat of a grind and will be more so next year when three more houses will be rushing. Dividing these open houses over two days would relieve this situation. If rush week began in the afternoon with pledging moved up accordingly, both rushee and rushee would be agreeable to such a plan.

Most frequently heard from sorority rushees was the complaint that they were not oriented enough to the plan under which houses did not invite girls to further parties. The confusion resulted in many girls quitting rush week in the middle due to disappointments.

These and other problems will be ironed out in time. On the whole, major improvements were made on both sides.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

In The Mind of Moscow The Game Has Just Begun

By Eric Sevareid

As this is written, Nikita Khrushchev, by dispatching troop transport planes to Lumumba, has thrown another burning brand over the heads of the weary international firemen. He prepares to storm into the United Nations in New York as champion of the fifteen segments of Africa's ancient, soiled acreage now known as "new nations." And he may detour into Cuba where the prospects for political arson are by no means exhausted.



Sevareid

A conversation of this summer comes rudely to mind. A Soviet diplomat in a European capital listened to a puzzled Westerner protest that Russia's official behavior and speech this summer has been totally inconsistent with her peaceful protestations, almost unprecedented between great nations far from the brink of war.

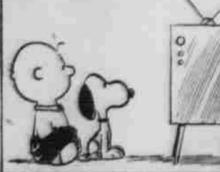
The Russian broke in impatiently. "Listen," he said, "there won't be war. But let me tell you something as plainly as I can. We tried the nice, polite way. It got us nowhere, on Berlin or anything else. All right—now we're trying the nasty way. Maybe this will wake you up. And I'll tell you something else — you will find that from now on you are not going to be able to settle anything, anywhere in the world, without us."

It is as simple as that; but the consequences of this immense physical and propaganda strength, powered by a deep-seated inferiority complex are bound to be bafflingly complicated and dangerous, an endless drain upon our energies and resources, and repeatedly disruptive to normal assumptions. The Soviet Union, already rooted in Central Europe, is penetrating the Arab lands, Latin America and Central Africa, not to speak of outer space, and in the mind of Moscow the game has just begun.

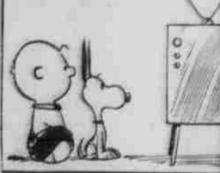
In Europe the risks are too great for any sudden advance of Soviet influence; in the Mid-East conditions for further Russian steps ripen only slowly; in Latin America cultural and religious bulwarks oblige the Russians to pick their spots with extreme caution. But Central Africa is now a broken field, devoid, save in the Moslem sectors, of religious, cultural or political defenses of any consequence. It had no history with which to oppose the white settler, missionary or soldier; it is an easy mark now for any stranger professing friendship, because, while it now possesses modern aspirations, it has no clear idea how to achieve them. And what makes the new African an easier target is his almost total spiritual disorientation.

The new class in Black Africa is a lost generation. The bulk of its members went to mission or public schools, acquired a smattering of modern knowledge, drifted in into the shantytown life surrounding the big cities. They became clerks, working with in sight but not reach of the bright, full life. They learned to despise their own tribal culture and to envy and resent the white man's culture. They now belong to neither the one nor the other. It is heart-breaking to hear their oratory—passionate, bitter, idealistic. Because, as it pours out in unquenchable torrents, the listener slowly understands that the talk is wind to fill an aching spiritual vacuum, concealing the awful fact that, except as separate individuals, they have no meaning; for they cannot relate their own lives to a greater, a general collective meaning, as all men must if they are to know who they are in the world. They do not know where they are going because they do not know where they have been. They have repudiated the tribe; yet there is nothing else. So, in that "pan-African preparatory conference" in Leopoldville they have

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From the Editor:

A Liberal View

By Herb Probasco

A new editor always has new ideas and I am no exception. The ideas which will be taking shape in the paper, I hope will provide more appeal to the Nebraska student.

Today, an editorial cartoon by Scott Long and Roy Justus of the Minneapolis Star-Tribune staff begins on the editorial page. Eric Sevareid's weekly column from Europe strikes me as one of the most thorough commentaries on our times of any columnist. This takes care of the off campus features.

To take full advantage of the election year, columns written by student Democrats and student Republicans will become a weekly feature on the page.

I have become increasingly concerned with the lack of interest in important issues among the students on the University campus. This is commonly referred to as "middle west apathy." There is no reason for the continuance of this disease. We are part of an expanding and growing institution which has an

intellectual climate for strong student opinion.

More important than what you believe and what you stand for is that you do believe and do take a stand. No time could be more opportune than an election year, especially one where neither candidate has managed to gather a noticeable majority of public support.

Where the world is five years from now and whether it is can very well depend on the student, and we apathetic middle westerners had better crawl out of our cocoons pronto.

Letterip

Under this heading, we hope, will appear daily letters from our readers expressing their gripes, compliments and general criticism of the Daily Nebraskan.

They need not be lengthy and it is better if they are not. As indicated above the story, a maximum of 200 words is preferred.

Most important is that each letter be signed by the author. Letters not bearing a signature cannot be printed. Pen names will be used if the letter does not attack an individual or individuals.

Wanted: Many Columnists

The Daily Nebraskan is looking for students and faculty members who are interested in expressing their views through the columns of the paper.

Interested persons should submit a column similar to the type they would like to write. Wanted are columns in the serious vein geared to both campus and non-campus situations. Good humor and satire also are wanted, as is a good foreign student column.

Sample work should be turned in to the editor early next week. There will not be a limit on the number of columnists run in the paper as long as the quality is acceptable.

Cornhusker Has Positions Open

Two section editor positions on the 1960 Cornhusker are open to upperclassmen, according to Mary Lu Keill, editor.

The sections, medicine, dentistry and nursing and student government, will be filled at interviews at the Cornhusker office Monday at 1 p.m.

Interested students may apply today and Saturday at the Cornhusker office in the basement of the Student Union.

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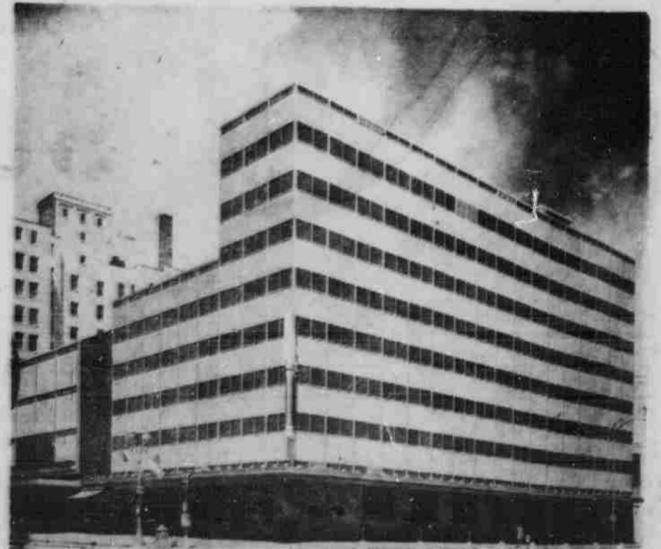
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