EDITORIAL OPINION

Our Holiday Letter To Santa Claus

Since front page editorials are not in keeping with The Daily Nebraskan's policy, we have expressed our wish for the season and the new year in the greeting drawn by staffer Jim Forrest.

The theme, which is depicted by the tree growing out of the globe, is that of one world, embracing the goals of peace, equality, brotherhood, freedom and love decorating the tree. In addition, hope, which must accompany all efforts to achieve the desired goals, is a part of our tree.

This past year, the first of what promises to be a decade of unparalleled impact on the future of the world, has been one both of encouragement of hope and also of futility. At times it seemed that we had moved closer to our goals; there were other periods when the waters were troubled.

As we think back over what transpired during 1960, we find it hard to believe that so much could have happened in so little time. We also find that in lining ourselves up so solidly behind the goal of world peace, we as Americans may have overlooked those black marks which tarnish our reputation as a leader of the cause for freedom.

1960 saw the execution of Caryl Chessman. Americans found it easier to erase their mistakes by total eradication of the effect, still paying little attention to the cause. Rather than rebuild, we destroyed. "An Eye for an Eye and a Tooth for a Tooth," according to the Bible, the same Bible that says "Thou Shalt Not Kill."

Those events which are taking place in New Orleans have found Americans fighting against the very thing which they have so long and vigorously supported, brotherhood and equality for all. They call it white supremacy down South. However, it would be hypocritical for us to ignore the discrimination that is present above the Mason-Dixon Line. It is a case of yelling loud enough about the other fellow's wrongs to protect our own from being discovered.

The letter from a "Japanese CORN HUSK" which appears in the Letterip columns today points up a question which we must all face. What is American Democracy?

However, a New Year is about to begin. We must look ahead, not back. If we have erred, we must be careful not to make the same mistake. We must join with the free peoples of the world in working towards those goals for which we hope: peace, equality, freedom, love and brotherhood. This is our message to Santa Claus, to ourselves, in other words, for we must be our own Santa Clauses, working for one world.

Staff Views

BOVINE VIEWS

by Jerry Lamberson

Preliminary plans drawn up by the Ag planning survey committee call for a considerable change in the present pattern and facilities of the Ag campus.

This committee asked each of the Ag campus departments to estimate their future needs by 1980 so that plans could be laid out as to the pattern that the campus might follow. The estimates were compiled by the committee and a mapping of facilities was begun.

The committee had three major points in mind as to the improvement of the Ag campus. One was to induce some logical pattern of growth so that the campus would be orderly and neat in appearance. The present pattern of the campus has been outgrown due to the construction of some new buildings and the future need for more.

The pattern followed by the committee was one of emphasizing some type of academic environment for the campus. However, it will be hard for any architectural firm to calculate a plan that will show such environment unless some of the present buildings are torn down. Some of them are old and do not illustrate academic achievement of the campus. Others are out of place at the present and stick out like a sore thumb.

The improvement to provide a traffic route through the campus and to aid in pedestrian safety is definitely a must for the Ag campus. Wider streets and better pavement would allow much of the traffic to bypass some of the acadamic areas which would aid in quieter conditions as well as increased safety to the pedestrians. Such streets as the one to the north of the Ag Engineering building are quite dangerous especially to the hot-rod type of drivers. Here the street runs directly up to the building.

Access to the campus is another improvement that is definitely needed. The heavy traffic on Holdrege has caused considerable congestion at the Ag campus entrances on Holdrege Street. However, another entrance on 33rd might aid this cause. The committee proposed an entrance at the northeast corner of the Ag section which is near University Place. This entrance would be close to the radial highway of the Interstate. An entrance here might attract more visitors to the Ag campus.

Also proposed in the building committee survey is the change of the center of the campus to the north and east to accommodate for the new buildings that may be needed by 1980. This would probably cause some construction to the nor and east of Dead Man's Run, a creek that runs through the Ag property. Construction on the north side might present problems in access and construction as bridges would have to be built to cross the creek.

The survey said that the intramural fields for all University instramural sports might be included in the proposal for the 1980 campus. This would allow plenty of room for the intramural sports.

Such proposals with the addition of several new buildings will cost the University plenty of money. This type of campus will not be developed over night and probably many ideas will not become a reality because of lack of funds and because of changes in ideas by various sources.

All of this must look considrably different from the proposd campus in 1980 when the University considered moving the main campus and combining it with the Ag campus. However, the Board of Regents after much discussion decided that the main campus should be left in its present location and so the large area of ground has been left for Ag campus use.

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HOMEWORK

Stevenson Faced With Restarting U.N. Drive

By Eric Sevareid

By his act in asking Adlai Stevenson to speak for America at the United Nations, John Kennedy has done the country, the U.N. and himself a favor, but he has done no favor to Governor Stevenson.

The Democrat twice fated to carry his party's weight in hopeless races against a national hero is now asked to perform another near-miracle, the most immediately critical task any American statesman could face. He is asked to help restart the machinery and drive of the United Nations, now sputtering closer to complete paralysis than at any time in its fifteen years.

Eric Sevareid

In the first year of the Kennedy regime the world will find out with finality if the U.N. really is to be a powerful instrument for world order or if another dream of peaceable men is to fade into the mists like the League of Nations.

Its treasury is virtually bankrupt, largely because of Communist bloc refusals to honor their debts. The Security Council may cease to function for months because of the quarrel over its composition. The Secretariat still labors under the Russian blackmail threat to ruin its effectiveness by boycott. And the whole prestige of the U.N., so recently booming by reason of its bold start in the Congo, is now on the verge of collapse by reason of its inability to finish the Congo operation.

Two powerful forces, one coldly organized, the other passionate and spasmodic, are shipsawing the United Nations with cruel effect. The first is the Communist world movement which seeks, not order, but disorder everywhere beyond its own walls and uses the U.N. with utter cynicism to that end. (In the eighteen thousand dreary, arrogant words of the manifesto for world Communism short of major war, just issued by the Moscow conference, there is not one mention of the United Nations!)

The second force is the jealous drive for national prestige in the small, new countries — as witness the self-centered behavior of Nkrumah and Nasser in the joint Congo operation. A strong United Nations is immensely important to this collection of new sovereignties because it is the only means by which their whole can become greater than the sum of their parts; yet by immaturity they are paralyzing the UN as surely as are the Communists by calculation.

One might add a third, though passing force — the damaging influence of President deGaulle's disbelief in any supra-sovereign institutions of any kind.

Stevenson can help; if he cannot, no American alive can help. He can bespeak the America that thoughtful men everywhere long to hear once more, the American accents not heard at the U.N. since the ambassadorship of Warren Austin — our fundamental peaceableness, our straightforwardness, our creative sympathy for the dispossessed of this world. It should not be the purpose of the American spokesman to score quick debating points against the Zorins and the Gromykos for the afternoon headlines. To do that is to reduce the United States to the propagandistic level of the Communist bloc; it is to tarnish our name.

Stevenson is more than an intellect in operation; he is a kind of presence, on any stage. He will be persona more grata upon this stage than any performer we could send. In the very special setting of the U.N. the personal tone and bearing of the performer is of substantive importance. In this realm, manner often becomes matter. Prime Minister Macmillan demonstrated this, in September.

India's Krishna Menon is speaking didactic nonsense, therefore, in stating that neither Stevenson nor any other American will be any better at the U.N. than the policy instructions from Washington. No more pertinent example, in the reverse sense, exists to disprove Menon's logic than Menon. Incessantly has Nehru's light from New Delhi been refracted, diffused and discolored through the prism of the Menon personality.

There is a culture of the heart as well as that of the head. Stevenson, thank God, is at home and at ease in both.

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Rag Seeks Articles for Magazine

Material for a magazine issue of The Daily Nebraskan, to appear sometime in January, is still being sought, according to Herb Probasco, editor.

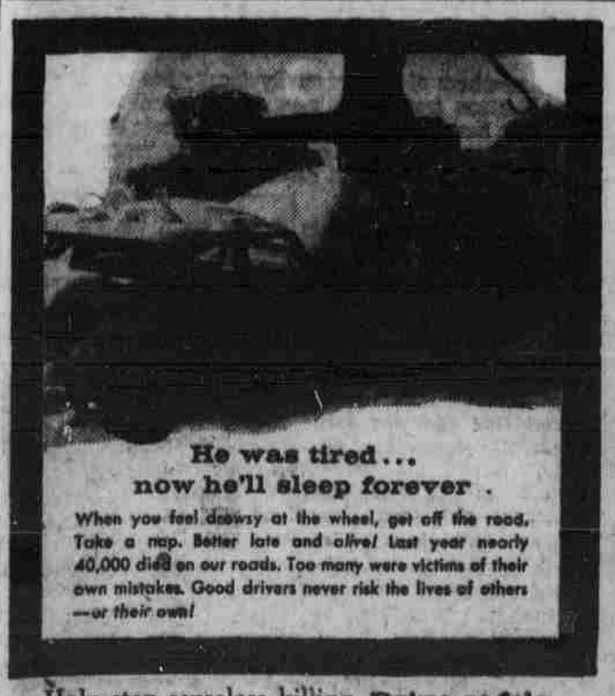
"We have had good cooperation for this experiment," he said. "However, we can still use more material and I hope students will use Christmas vacation as a time to write articles for the magazine."

Probasco explained that nonfiction material is being sought on problems and ideas of a contemporary nature. Articles should be 1,000 to 2,500 words in length, double spaced, typewritten and on plain paper. Manuscripts cannot be returned.

The magazine will be patterned after similar publications at the Universities of Michigan and Minnesota. Topics in these magazines ranged from "A Liberal Education: Whys and Wherefores!" to "A Modern Analysis of Religion."

Deadline for submitting articles to the proposed magazine, which would appear in place of a regular issue, is Jan. 6.

"If this first issue is successful," Probasco said, "we hope to make it a part of the paper, perhaps appearing twice a semester."



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Nebraskan Letterip

The Daily Nebraskan will publish only those letters which are signed. They may be submitted with a pen name or initials. However, letters will be printed under a pen name or initials only at the editor's discretion. Letters should not exceed 300 words. When letters exceed this limit the Nebraskan reserves the right to condense them, retaining the writers views.

'CORN HUSK' Asks About Democracy

I am a man of graduate of University of Nebraska and a Japanese, but there is no difference in my heart to love my Alma Mater compared with American graduates. The campus of Lincoln, where I have been many years ago, stays still now in my memory and once and while it comes to me in a vision to make me please.

When the war ended, many American service men and civilians came to Japan. Whenever I had a chance to meet with them, I used to ask them if there was a graduate of U.N., i.e. CORN HUSK. When I found a alumnus, I felt just like I met my real brother and I used to repeat same questions; "Is there any change in the campus?" or "How are professors getting along?"

Last month the Japanese news papers reported all together that Mr. Kenedy won the honor of the new President of the United States and his new brain trust. It gives me a great pleasure to know that Mr. Solensen who graduated from the University of Nebraska is appointed top advicer of the new President. We expect greatly showing of Mr. Kenedy's ability for the progress of America and for world peace during next four years of his presidential term.

Beside my professional study there were too many things to learn during my stay in U.S.A. One of them most valuable, I believe, is that the American are never proud, for example anybody even in high position say "halloo" cheerfully each other. This is the fact to show beautiful human friendship of Americans without distinction. I myself have observed in Lincoln the mayor said to a shoemaker, "Halloo, John!". Such a frank and warm scene has never seen in Japan.

However I am very sad to confess that the day has come when my beautiful dream for America was broken. It happened several years before, and it is the impression I received from one who was an ambassador to Japan (not make clear his name).

He was a graduate of University of Nebraska. It is quite natural that one who is the same alumnus, very few in Japan, must express his respect. So I visited the ambassador for salutation. But I was refused to see him by the reason of his inconvenience. As I thought that it was formal to send a letter ahead to get his appointment to see him, I wrote a letter in the highest form in Japan and sent it to him. However I could not receive any reply from him at all.

I was disappointed very much and have begun to suspect a little for the American Democracy; why he could not reply the reason he could not to see me, or why he did not spare a minute to receive the respect of the same alumnus, a Japanese. Also I know clerks are working in the American Embassy to assist him.

I used to speak to students abroad including myself when I was a student in U.S.A. that we were unofficial ambassadors so we should behave courteously, associate with the people of America, and not give bad impression and many Americans agreed to my word.

I can not yet understand his attitude and not clear my doubt for the American Democracy of Americans staying in Japan.

By a Japanese of
CORN HUSK

Editor's Note: The above letter was received at The Daily Nebraskan office. The author is Shiroku Tao of Kawasaki, Japan. The ambassador he is apparently referring to is John Allison, a graduate of the University who represented the United States in Japan in the early 1950's. The views of Mr. Tao are not necessarily those of The Daily Nebraskan. However, we find them interesting in the light of recent hostility in Japan towards the United States.

Suggests Masters Wasting His Time

To the Editor:

As a part time student at the University, I attempt to keep up with, and follow student news and campus opinion to as great an extent as my time permits. The main source of information to which I am exposed is The Daily Nebraskan.

During the past two semesters of which I have been a student I have attempted to follow the articles written by the different members of the newspaper's staff. In reading these various columns and (?) columns I have come up with the question, "Is the name Dick Masters a pen name, or does it actually belong to an individual?"

I have read most of (Dick Masters' ?) articles and am truly amazed at the attitude of this student. If he is a student, I do not understand how it is possible for him to "waste" away so much of his time with apparent worry about the activities of the Sub Rosa organizations.

My suggestions to Mr. Masters: (1) Buy youur way into one of these organizations, (2) Form your own "hand" picked group, (3) Reread "Alice in Wonderland", (4) Sleep more, write less, (5) Edit comic books.

MELVIN FOSTER

Editor's Note: Dick Masters is real. He is not a staff member, only a columnist.

The Captain suggests that now is the time. New sweaters and gift items arrived late this week to give you a larger selection.

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