

Look Again

The Friends at Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) held an introductory meeting Monday and will meet again tonight to organize on this campus.

In the first meeting it was made plain that the group is concerned with the cause of the southern Negro, rather than specific local problems. This raises a curious question.

If these persons are really concerned about the future of the American Negro and not just joining to have a crusade to blow their horns over, why don't they concentrate on the problems about which they know something — mainly the problems of Nebraska.

True, there is a problem in the South and something desperately needs to be done about it. It makes one ashamed to hear of the things happening to the Negro in that area.

But it also makes one ashamed to hear of some of the things happening to the Negro here in Nebraska. Something needs to be done right here on the home front.

One does not make friends and influence people by forcing them to accept your views. And the purpose of this group is, I hope, to make friends—friends for the Negro—and to influence people. The way to do this is to demonstrate to show your concern, but more to convince these people that there is no reason for the race stigma as it now exists.

Not having a personal acquaintance with the South, the editor cannot predict the effectiveness of this method in that area. But in Nebraska there are people who could be influenced. Persons who do not really have bad feelings toward the Negroes but have just ignored the problems that their black brothers have. Sociologically, these persons are called prejudiced nondiscriminators. They are prejudiced but do nothing about it.

These are the persons that can be worked with.

It seems that the Friends might take another look at their purpose and help out Nebraska and its problem.

Squee's Squabbles

"I can't wait to get to college and learn to dress the proper way," was my thought as I graduated from High School. Hah!

I got here and learned to wear grubby sweatshirts, cut off jeans, tennis shoes with holes in them. "That's the way to dress," I was informed.

I learned that dressing up meant a sweater and skirt with a pair of heels for a girl, black slacks and a sports jacket for boys. Hopefully, with dark socks.

The majority of the time is spent in school clothes. This is very apropos for classes, although in some colleges there is a higher standard of dress even there.

But in the case of something like an exchange dinner, a date dinner, or something similar, why isn't that party dress that is worn only once or that dress suit employed. Why are the traditional clothes a black sheath and a sports jacket.

When formal time comes around the girls search their closet for the most comfortable cocktail dress they can find and leave it at that. If a boy has to don a tuxedo he hardly knows where to begin. He does not know that the ironed creases in the front are to be lifted from their flat position and made to stand out. He does not know how to put on that cummerbund. He does not know whether to wear wing-tops or the continental style.

He hardly knows what a cravat or a pair of spats looks like. Tails on a tux are out of the question and pocket squares are rare.

The girl hardly knows how to walk in a long formal. She cannot manipulate a flight of stairs without tangling the long skirts in her legs.

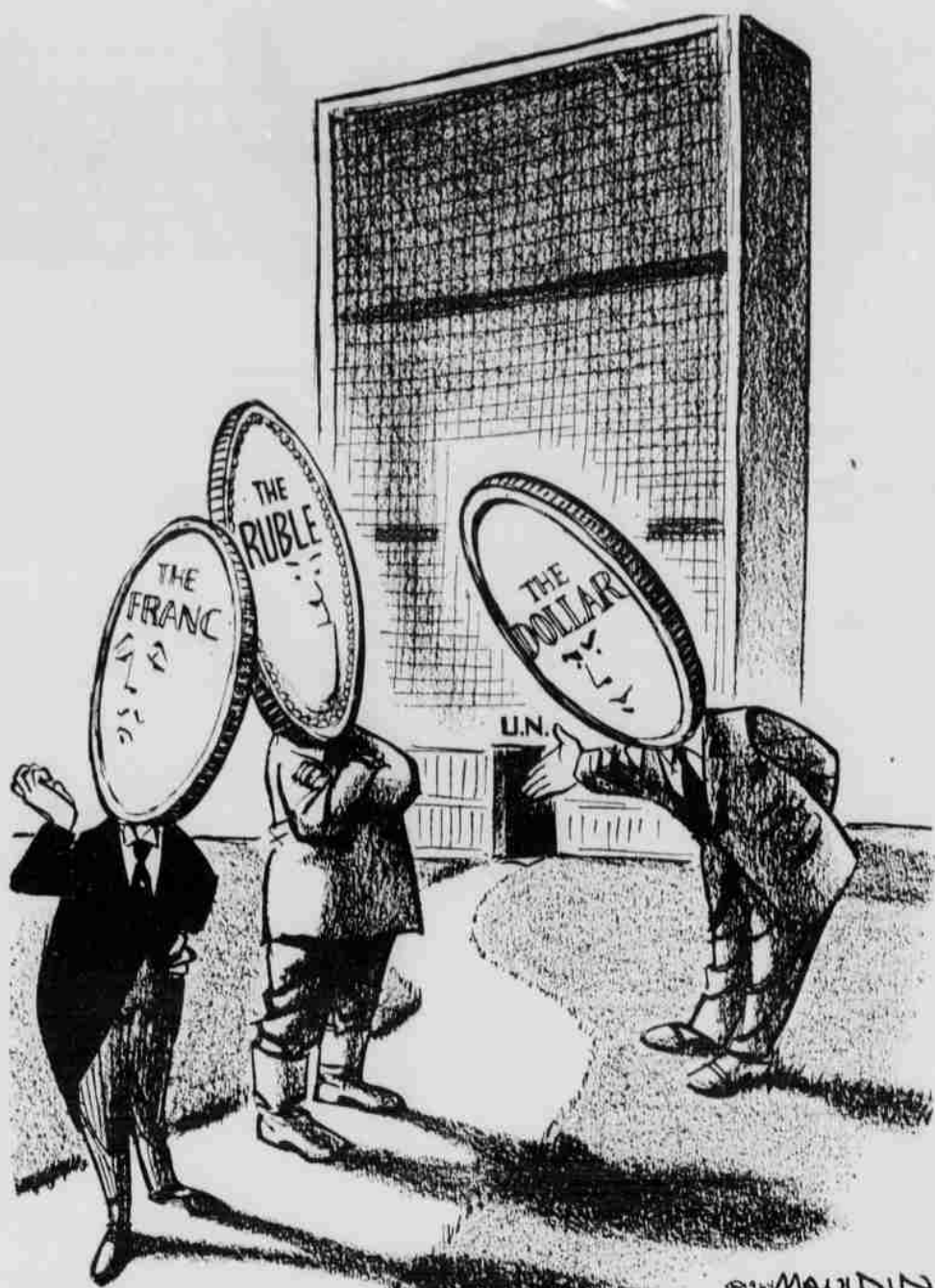
And along comes Sunday morning. Again the sports jacket comes out of the closet. It would be interesting to compare the number of sports coats versus the number of suits in a college male's closet. The maximum number of suits is usually two; the minimum of sports coats three.

Sunday morning comes for girls, too. Out comes skirt and the most comfortable pair of heels — probably low ones. The one hat she may own sits neglected on the closet shelf and the gloves are left untouched. That's the way they remain for most of the year—untouched. They are taken out once a year for a good dusting.

The Dean's Tea for women is treated in the same manner, only this time the battered heels are given a rest and a pair of flats complements the outfit.

And then along comes the job interview. Just what do you wear there? The interviewer often looks at the applicant's dress habits as a criteria. One cannot expect to receive the top job dressed in a sports coat.

The first day on the job may be a killer for the girl who has never worn heels for any length of time. She is going to be forced to wear them constantly from that time on and does not make a very good impression when she comes in teetering, unaccustomed to the new height.



"AFTER YOU, GENTLEMEN."

CAMPUS OPINION

Ag Cavity

Dear Madam Editor:

After considering for several weeks the possible reasons for changing the name of the "Ag Campus" from "The College of Agriculture and Home Economics" to "East Campus", it occurred to us that since the real reason for changing the name is because the College of Dentistry is to be moved out there, it might be better and more appropriate to call it "Ag Cavity."

This name should be adopted because it would retain the name "Ag", which is not only an appropriate onomatopoeia, but also reflects the Nebraska Industry which has made this state what it is today. The "Cavity" part of this new name reflects the traditional "Great American Desert" known as Nebraska. It also gives the newest addition to that campus equal time.

We would also appreciate your aid in helping us to determine if the rumor that "East Campus" will be put into the soil bank next semester is true or not.

Your friend and mine,
W. Gary Barnes, Sr.
KNUS Radio

Question Mark

Dear Editor:

Africa is always referred to as a big question mark. Considering its political background and the circumstances of its economy, one would be tempted to say

that democracy is an anomaly in emergent African States.

Modern democracy is a political institution which depends to a very large extent on advanced economy and high technology. Hence modern democracy cannot fit in a state where a wide gap between the Haves and Have-nots exists.

Tyranny in ancient Greece, has the enduring credit of establishing social equality, because under tyranny everyone is placed under the same footing of equality. In modern times, we associate all forms of political institutions which do not tolerate opposition — whether organized or unorganized — as a negation of democracy.

National economic planning in an emergent nation requires unity, or otherwise constructive opposition. Having been clearly established in democratic constitutions that the opposition party can provide an alternative government, an upstart, to whom the art of opposition is so outlandish, should fumble.

Africa has long-standing political institutions that suit the purpose of the emergent nations best. Assimilations of Western democracy thus implies an abandonment of African customs and traditions.

Democracy has a permanent element: the consent of a majority. If emergent African States have with the popular support of the citizens to recast the political institutions handed over

to them by their colonial masters, into a political institution with an African bias, they are doing so because they wish to remove the elements which make it anomalous.

Yours faithfully,
S.O. Ayah

Too Much Spirit

Fraternity Men of Section II, Rows 25-30:

I was really impressed! Where was your Husker spirit? Why couldn't you stand up and yell? Or did you have too much "Ballantine" Spirit?

Red Raincoat

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By Mike Barton

Let me tell you what our University is NOT:

1. We are not rich.
Therefore: Do not expect the best instructors.
2. We are not large.
Therefore: Do not expect national recognition.
3. We are not beautiful.
Therefore: Do not expect magazine coverage.
4. We are not political.
Therefore: Do not expect violent campus elections.
5. We are not debauched.
Therefore: Do not expect scandal.
6. We are not saintly.
Therefore: Do not expect vast humanitarian programs.
7. We are not located in a village.
Therefore: Do not expect a college town atmosphere.

These are the realities of campus life. Freshmen expect too much; they expect Harvard-on-the-plains. It amazes me that we accomplish as much as we do, given our handicaps. You don't like it? Tear up your worksheet and go west, young man. You can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear. Besides, a sow's ear is entirely appropriate for a barn yard.

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