

Ag mission faces fund shortage

by Steve Strasser

The corn has grown tall for a long time in America's midlands, and now it should start growing taller in Columbia, South America, if an international agricultural program administered there by UNL is successful.

The Colombian Institute of Agriculture and the National University think the Nebraska Mission in Columbia has been successful, according to Clyde C. Noyes, an acting associate dean at UNL's Agriculture College.

"They're very satisfied with it," said Noyes, who is also director of the ag college's international programs. "Some of them want it to go on and on."

But Noyes said the Nebraska Mission, set up in 1966 to help Colombia improve its government and university agricultural programs, is scheduled to be phased out by July, 1973 because of lack of funds.

He said the Colombian government is looking for ways to keep the program alive through grants from U.S. foundations and foreign aid.

The Colombian government used the same tactics to acquire the program in 1964, when a delegation visited Clifford Hardin, NU chancellor at the time. Hardin pledged NU leadership support in staffing the program, and the Colombians scraped up \$4 million dollars to fund it.

About 75 per cent of the money came from the U.S. Agency for International Development. Most of the rest came from the Ford and Kellogg foundations. The money, along with Colombian funds, was enough to fund the Nebraska Mission for its first three years, as well as to begin building a solid agricultural institution in the

northwestern South American country.

Since 1966 about 50 U.S. professors of agriculture have each spent two years working in Colombia — 12 from NU and the rest from five other Midwestern universities helping Nebraska staff the Mission.

In addition, about 200 Colombian students have come to the U.S. for post-graduate agricultural training. So far 130 have returned to their country to join in the building and modernization job.

Many other Colombian students have come to the U.S. for crash six-week courses in agriculture under the program.

Staff members of the Nebraska Mission help place returning students in the right field — teaching, research or extension work.

The Mission also helps the 400-year-old university improve its agricultural course content and broaden its research activities. The Nebraskans also help the national agricultural institute build up its fledgling extension service.

"The payoff from the program will come gradually," director Noyes cautioned. "You can't count success by the number of graduate degrees produced. The real success comes from what students do in their careers."

Colombia thinks the program is worth the money it spends on it—which amounts to about half the U.S. contribution—but Noyes said funding after 1973, may be difficult not only for Colombia, but also for the U.S., which is cutting back its foreign aid commitments.

NU spends no state tax money on the Mission.

short stuff

Sigma Delta Chi, journalism professional society, will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Nebraska Union. Regents Ed Schartzkopf and Kermit Hansen will speak on the existence, or lack of, a split between the Lincoln and Omaha campuses.

The UNL Table Tennis Club will have a reorganizational meeting at 7:30 Sunday in Henzlik Hall. All table tennis players are invited.

The Nebraska Organization for the Repeal of Abortion Laws (NORAL) will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Women's Resource Center, Nebraska Union.

Members of Lincoln's Poorhouse Coalition will speak in the Nebraska Union Ballroom at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Bea Richmond, Poorhouse Coalition, Lewis Cooper, Human Rights Coordinator Lincoln Action Program, Gary Baker, Tenant Advisory Committee, Lincoln Housing Authority and Marie Payne, Black Concerns will speak on the problems of poor people in Lincoln and UNL's contributing factors.

Mortar Board information sheets for all junior women are available at all campus living units and in the Panhellenic Council office. Completed

questionnaires may be returned to residence directors or to Ron Gierhan, 204 Administration Building, by Tuesday, Feb. 1.

Tutors of Nebraska Indian Children (TONIC) will meet Thursday at 4 p.m. in 113 Andrews. Any interested new persons may come to 113 Andrews Wednesday or Thursday morning for information.

Feb. 1 is the deadline for applying for degrees or certificates to be received at the end of the spring semester. Students can apply at the Registrar's office information window in the Administration Building.

The University Coalition for Peace and Justice will meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Nebraska Union. Plans will be made to demonstrate against the Ronald Reagan-Carl Curtis fund-raising dinner, which will take place Feb. 21 at the UNL Coliseum.

The ASUN Student Services Committee will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Nebraska Union for those interested in student cooperative stores and services.

Names and biographies of potential part-time ombudsmen for this semester must be turned into the UNL ombudsman search committee by Jan. 28, according to the committee's chairwoman.

Denise Gamache said anybody: student, faculty member, administrator or non-university person may apply.

Unit, an art and architecture supply store, opened Jan. 17th at 1031 Q Street. The store, sponsored by the student chapter of the American Institute of Architects (A.I.A.) was financed by a grant from the A.I.A. and set up over the semester break by UNL students Bruce Cavin and Hank Hildebrand. The shops objectives are, according to Cavin "simply to offer savings to students."

The savings, Cavin said are up to 15% less than other campus supply shops. Unit offers these savings through low rentals, volunteer labor, and the non-profit status of the store. Cavin described the business so far as "adequate."

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