



Virginia Trotter

HEW job sounds exciting to Trotter

By Annette Sims

Mixed feelings were expressed by Virginia Trotter, UNL vice chancellor of academic affairs, about her appointment by President Nixon as assistant secretary of education in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Her appointment, which was announced last Friday, is not official until the Senate approves it.

"I have enjoyed the University very much. I really feel like we have a good working relationship here. Once you get such a relationship, you are reluctant to leave," Trotter said.

As vice chancellor of academic affairs, Trotter has worked with college deans and the faculty to "help create a climate that is conducive to their performing at optimum level."

Trotter said she was excited about working in Washington, D.C.

"It will certainly broaden my background as far as education goes," she said.

Trotter said she doesn't think the job as assistant secretary is going to be more demanding than her present position, but that it would be different.

Trotter has a bachelor's and a master's degree in Home Economics from Kansas State University and a Ph.D. also in Home Economics from Ohio State University.

Trotter, 52, has been associated with the University for 16 years. She was an assistant professor of home economics from 1950 to 1955. She left the University in 1955 to become assistant to the dean of agriculture and home economics at the University of Vermont. In 1963 she returned to the University as associate dean of the College of Agriculture and Home Economics.

From 1970 to 1972 she was dean of the College of Home Economics. She has been vice chancellor for academic affairs since then.

She said her experiences in higher education have given her the kind of background she will need in her new position.

Trotter said she had never considered the possibility of being assistant secretary of education.

"I always felt I would stay in the University...I hope to come back."

Trotter, who is a widow, has known since November she was being considered to fill the \$38,500 a year position which was left vacant after the former assistant secretary resigned six months ago.

She is not planning to leave UNL until after graduation in May, but she may work on a consulting basis before that time.

Indian dislikes government meddling

Kahn-Tineta Horn.

A musical instrument? A new jazz group, perhaps?

Hardly. Kahn-Tineta Horn, a Mohawk from the Caughnawaga reservation outside Montreal, Canada, will speak in the Sheldon Art Gallery Auditorium Friday at 12:30 p.m.

Horn is a pre-law student at McGill University. *Time* magazine has called her one of the most active and controversial American Indians in North America, speaking about reforms on behalf of her people.

Her stand is considered somewhat unorthodox, as she advocates Indians being left alone.

Horn has said she regards President Nixon as the best president the United States has ever had, "because he does absolutely nothing for the Indians."

She speaks out not only on governmental meddling, but on activists such as Jane Fonda and Ralph Nader.

"Through their ignorant meddling, they make fools of us," she has said. "Take us out of the reservation and what would you have? A situation like you have in Winnipeg: some 30,000 Indians who are degenerate, drunk, dirty, lazy and despised by the whites."

While Horn insists on less meddling, she does think more should be done to protect the reservations for Indians. She says nothing should stand in the way of justice for the Indian.

Horn's appearance at Sheldon will be part of the "Affirmative Action—Reverse Discrimination?" symposium sponsored by the League of Women Voters, the Nebraska Student Bar Assoc. and the Council of American Indian Students.

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