

Butz to address newsmen

Agriculture Secretary Earl Butz will head the list of speakers at the 102nd annual convention of the Nebraska Press Association. The convention will be held April 11 to 12 at the Hilton Hotel.

Other speakers include Nebraska Senators Carl Curtis and Roman Hruska; Jenkin Lloyd Jones, Tulsa newspaper publisher; and Walter Grunfeld, National Newspaper Association President.

Butz will speak at the Ak-Sar-Ben banquet at 6:30 p.m. Saturday. Tickets to the dinner, available the night of the speech, are \$9.50.

Health survey shows

Students satisfied with care

A survey conducted by the Student Council on Health showed that 77 per cent of those students who use their services were satisfied with the health care.

The council, an 11-member group which serves as a liaison between students and the UHC staff, conducted a study of the University Health Center to identify questions about their medical care.

The council wanted to gain insight into students' views on the positive and negative sides of UHC, cochairman Steve Williams said. Compliments and complaints were heard from 137 students in a telephone interview survey—71 who had used the center and 66 who had not, he said. Almost 90 per cent of the students who had not used the center said they wouldn't hesitate to use the services, Williams said.

More compliments

Compliments outnumbered complaints, Williams said. He said positive feedback included praise of physicians, low costs and the new appointment system.

From the more critical responses, the council identified specific problem areas which needed studying. Follow-up reports were written after council members researched the area, Williams explained.

Three members of the council—Mary Duryea, Sue Lockwood and Williams, studied the UHC staff. They questioned Dr. Kenneth Hubble, UHC director, about the competence and attitudes of UNL physicians.

The council reported that the UHC staff was fully qualified, and met normal expectations in the community. Because of their experience and education, Hubble told the council, they practice a comparable quality of health service to health care in the community.

The UHC staff has 62 physicians, including the 32 back-up specialists. These back-up physicians work in the community at private practices. They serve as consultants to UNL students, who are entitled to one free visit (up to \$10).

Williams reported that the size of the existing faculty is only a problem compared to the size of the building. When the center was constructed in 1956, it was expected that the student population wouldn't exceed 10,000 students, Williams said. Today UNL enrollment is over 20,000, resulting in cramped quarters for the physicians.

The present staff sees an average of 200-300 persons a day.

The UHC staff includes specialists in adolescent health problems, internal medicine and dermatology. In addition to the regular staff, a surgeon, urologist, dermatologist and gynecologist come in weekly.

Why UNL?

Duryea and Lockwood, two other students who helped study the UHC staff, also questioned the reasons doctors decided to work at UNL. Preference for the college age group was the main consideration.

The council also reported doctors at UHC have few administrative tasks, regular working hours, and a work situation where they can interact with their peers.

Finally, in response to complaints about the negative attitude of some doctors, the council reported that students could select and request a particular physician, as long as an appointment is made.

Doctors must be chosen with personalities corresponding to the patients' needs, the report noted, just as they would for a family physician.

FAB cuts \$21,000 for final budgets

By John Kalkowski

The Fees Allocation Board (FAB), after several months of hearings on allocations for student organizations, made its final recommendations Thursday.

According to Gary Martin, acting chairman, the recommendations are final, pending appeals by the organizations and approval through university channels. The groups will be notified of their allocations by mail, he said.

Forty-eight student organizations asked for \$333,350.20 in funds for next year but the FAB has only \$199,110 to allocate. The money comes from student fees.

Each organization filed a budget with the FAB and had a hearing on the budget. The subcommittees heard the arguments and made recommendations to the full board. Tentative recommendations were then voted on by the FAB.

Cut required

Tentative recommendations totaled \$214,215, requiring a cut of \$21,105 for the FAB to meet its budget.

The FAB, which originally had an April 1 deadline for making its recommendations, has been meeting twice a week for the past month.

At the meeting, the FAB made tentative recommendations of \$6,500 to the Mexican-American Student Association and \$6,000 to the Council of American Indian Students. Both tentative approvals were then made final.

Of the 48 organizations applying, 15 received final recommendations below the tentative recommendations of the FAB.

Before beginning budget cuts, the FAB decided to hold \$6,000 in reserve as a contingency fund. Last year, the board reserved \$15,000 for contingency funds, which, according to FAB member Chris Zenk, proved too large.

Hal Smith, associate dean of student development, told the FAB that the budgets will be conditional, depending on incoming funds. UNL is anticipating a drop in enrollment next year, he said.

Carry over funds

The Nebraska Union budget was cut to \$59,000, which is \$5,248 below tentative recommendations. ASUN's budget was dropped to \$35,000 with a stipulation that up to \$1,400 in this year's funds could be carried over to next year.

The Cultural Affairs Committee was allocated \$10,000 for next year and \$15,000 for the following year, a total cut of \$10,000. It is the only organization funded for two years.

The Daily Nebraskan budget was dropped from \$35,000 to \$32,000.

Other organizations receiving budget cuts below tentative FAB approval were: Geology Club, Pi Tau Sigma, Phi Beta Lambda, University Child Care Project, NUPIRG, Culture Center, International Club, International House, Chinese Student Association, India Association and Alumni Association.

After making final cuts, the FAB found that it had cut \$1,500 more than necessary. It voted that \$100 be added to the India Assoc. budget and \$700 apiece to the Daily Nebraskan and Cultural Affairs Committee budgets.

Lincoln draft evader plans return to Canada

By Susie Reitz and Jim Zalewski

Only four of 45 eligible Nebraskans took advantage of President Gerald Ford's amnesty program for Vietnam-era draft evaders, which ended April 7. Steve Thiellen, Lincoln, a UNL employe, discussed the program in an interview Wednesday.

After five years of living in Canada, Thiellen returned in October to fulfill an alternative service agreement with the government for draft evasion.

Thiellen said in his job as a grounds crew custodian at UNL he doesn't feel he is serving his country and sees the program as a "compromise" by the government.

Thiellen returned to the United States "to get visitation rights to the country so he could visit his parents and relatives living in the states," he said.

Going back

"As soon as my alternative service term of 20 months is finished I am definitely going to return to Canada," he said.

He also needed a job, he said, because he lost his job in the lumber industry in August because of the failing economy and declining demand for lumber exports to the United States.

The first four years in Canada he worked in a Mennonite hospital as an orderly. Last May he and his wife moved to British Columbia where Thiellen worked as a lumberman.

"The first day in British Columbia I found work, the business was booming. But things fell off in August and I lost the job," he said. "My wife had a good job at the time and it was a hard decision to come back."

"Some of the people still in Canada are waiting for unconditional amnesty. They think the government will see it was wrong and decide to forgive them. But I don't think it will happen," he said.

If Lincoln were in

"Unconditional amnesty would be the right thing

to do, but there are too many people who want evaders to pay some kind of debt, so it probably won't ever happen. Maybe if Abraham Lincoln were present, but not with Ford," Thiellen said.

Others in Canada did not return because they had secure jobs and had made new lives for themselves, he said.

"I think everyone knew the ramifications of the program and what it would involve, but they were secure enough there, so they didn't come back," Thiellen said.

He said one friend who served in Vietnam says now he believes the war was wrong.

"He even serves in the National Guard now, but he says the war was a waste," Thiellen said.

Another friend is a conscientious objector who went to Toronto, "not because he had to but because he was just sick of the country."

Would do it again

Thiellen said that under the same conditions he would go to Canada again. He said before the Cambodian incursion he was not active in protest or politics "but Cambodia and then Kent State really turned me around."

Thiellen said he had given up his student deferment because his lottery number was 165 "and Nixon said the call-ups wouldn't go past 122."

"Everyone got called because there were so many student deferments in Lincoln," he said. Thiellen quit his job in Lincoln June 6, 1970 and left for Canada.

"My girlfriend and I were married and went to Niagara Falls and Canada for our honeymoon—we just never came back," Thiellen said, smiling.

Canadians accepted all draft evaders, according to Thiellen.

"They had learned from their experience in Korea that a country doesn't get involved in an Asian civil

war and leave with anything," he said. "They knew the United States was wrong in the war and even passed resolutions in 1972 protesting U.S. bombing."

Canadians sympathetic

Thiellen said sentiments of the Canadian people were best expressed in an incident which occurred at the border when he was returning for amnesty last fall. A Canadian customs official, "a law enforcement officer and probably conservative, as border guards usually are," Thiellen said, told him that "you guys are the only ones who knew what you were doing."

"Canadians were very open and welcoming to strangers," he said.

Thiellen, who is serving under a \$5,000 bond, said he doesn't plan to return to Canada before his service is finished.

"It's hard to come back to a place after five years. It means a complete re-adjustment. Most of my friends now are living in Canada and few are still in Lincoln," he said.

"I like it in Canada better, but just wanted to be able to visit the United States," he said, "and I think I can find a better job in Canada because there isn't much difference to employers and other people in 'power' if you were a draft evader."

Three others

James Welch, Omaha, a draft evader working as a technician at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, said he did not care to discuss the amnesty program.

"I have had a position of 'no comment' in the past and I prefer to keep it that way," Welch said.

Paul P. Pemberton, Lincoln, and Michael J. Zink, McCook, are the other two Nebraskans that took advantage of the program. U.S. Attorney Thomas Thalken said at last report Zink was seeking work at a Denver hospital and Pemberton was working at a Seattle hospital.