

AAUP will 'closely monitor' Senate

By Joe Hudson

Actions of UNL's Faculty Senate will be monitored closely now that faculty members have rejected the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) as a collective bargaining unit, according to the UNL chapter president of AAUP.

"We know (the representative senate) won't work," Nels Forde said Tuesday. "So when things do begin to fail, we will be able to point it out explicitly."

Forde said an AAUP appeal of the election is unlikely, although he objected to a pair of letters mailed to faculty members by NU President D. B. Varner.

The letters presented an anti-AAUP viewpoint, Forde said. As a representative of management, Varner had no right to "coerce" faculty members, he said.

Bad timing

Forde also objected to the timing of the letters. He said the AAUP had no time to present a rebuttal. One letter was mailed just before absentee ballots were due, Feb. 9, Forde said, and the other was delivered Feb. 11.

"We disagree with Varner's tactics," Forde said, "but we don't think it will gain us anything" to proceed with an appeal.

"This kind of misbehavior... should be reprimanded," he said.

Steven Sample, NU executive vice-president for academic affairs, defended Varner's actions.

"The letter was checked and rechecked by our lawyers," Sample said. "We thought it was a fairly temperate letter and presented the views in a fair, reasonable way."

Forde said Varner argued that university financing would dwindle if the AAUP were accepted.

"That's a very powerful argument in this state," Forde said.

Forde emphasized that his views did not necessarily agree with those of the approximately 200 UNL AAUP members, but said that he thinks most members oppose an appeal.

"Some people want to take the route of discrediting Varner," he said. "I don't know if I would want to do that."

Unidentified person

An unidentified person has brought Varner's letter

to the attention of the Nebraska Court of Industrial Relations, Forde said, and that person may move for appeal.

If there is no appeal, Forde said, he hopes AAUP concentrates its efforts on monitoring the Faculty Senate.

"Now we can do it with more vehemence," he said. "After all, 503 votes (for AAUP) is not an insignificant minority."

James Lake, Law College faculty senator, said the election reaffirmed his beliefs that the Law College is a separate bargaining entity within the university.

The Law College was the only unit to adopt collective

bargaining Monday. It will be represented by the Law College Faculty Association, however, not the AAUP.

Lake said the adoption of collective bargaining will have little effect on his voting rights in the Faculty Senate.

Under an agreement with Law College faculty members, Lake said, he was to abstain from voting on issues in the Faculty Senate concerning wages, hours and conditions of employment. Those three issues, according to state law, may be taken up by public employees collective bargaining units.

Fire safety top construction priority

By Dick Piersol

NU President D.B. Varner presented the NU Board of Regents' capital construction requests for fiscal 1976-77 to the Nebraska Legislature's Appropriations Committee Tuesday, with top priority being \$1.17 million for fire safety renovations on all campuses.

Varner outlined the project priorities and compared the \$12.2 million total request to Gov. J. James Exon's capital construction bill, LB984, which recommends \$4,055,000. The governor has recommended \$460,000, \$260,000 for fire safety and \$200,000 for miscellaneous renovations.

Second priority request is \$2.5 million for the new Health, Physical Education and Recreation (HPER) Bldg. at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO). The total project cost is estimated at \$6.7 million. Exon has made no recommendation for the building, but Omaha Sen. Glenn Goodrich has introduced LB838, which provides \$2 million for 1976-77.

The regents' recommendation of \$3 million for the Plant Science Bldg. at UNL is matched by the governor's bill.

Fifth priority in the regents' request is \$750,000 of a total project cost of \$10 million for the proposed UNO downtown educational center. Exon's bill makes no recommendation for the center but he has endorsed a plan

for an \$8 million combined educational center and state office building in downtown Omaha. Goodrich's bill, LB838, would provide \$750,000 for the downtown center next year, of an eventual total \$5 million in state funds which would be matched by private donations.

The regent's requested \$11.8 million for other renovations including building remodeling and building a new parking lot at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. The governor's bill provides \$195,000 for the parking lot but he has endorsed \$450,000 of a total \$800,000 expense of a radiology scanner at the medical center.

The governor's bill does not include planning and design requests of \$391,000 for Bessey Hall, Love Library, the Coliseum and the Agricultural Engineering building at UNL, parking structure and structural conversion of Eppley Library at UNO and parking structures at the medical center. However, his bill does provide \$15,000 for remodeling UNL's Coliseum.

The governor's bill provides for \$75,000 of a \$145,000 request for a new swine and beef operation at the Curtis School of Technical Agriculture.

It provides no money for a \$505,000 land acquisition request nor a \$475,000 request for a Life Science lecture hall at UNL.

Model United Nations' best delegations chosen

By Sandy Mohr

Outstanding delegations and outstanding delegates were among the awards given Saturday on the last day of the Nebraska Model United Nations (MUN).

Eight outstanding delegations, selected by MUN staff, were Canada, Ecuador, Japan, Mongolia, China, Spain, United Republic of Tanzania and United Republic of Cameroon.

The outstanding first-year delegate was Monica Mills, a sophomore music major from Omaha, who was a Bulgarian delegate. Lincoln East senior Jim Vitek won \$50 toward UNL tuition for being the outstanding high school delegate.

Alan Thorson, a UNL pre-med senior from Mead and an Ecuadorian delegate was named outstanding delegate. He received a \$100 scholarship from the Lincoln chapter of the United Nations Association. This was Thorson's third year in MUN.

MUN adjourned Saturday after passing three resolutions dealing with the Panama Canal Zone, multinational corporations (MNCs) and the African nation of Namibia.

About 80 countries were represented in MUN by mid-western high schools and colleges. National mottos announced during votes or roll call ranged from "Saudi Arabia, who'd walk a mile for a camel" to "Ecuador, who'd walk a mile for a Saudi Arabian" to "United States, home of golden arches."

The first resolution passed Friday afternoon by the Assembly set up a system to transfer authority of the South African-controlled country of Namibia to the Namibian people.

The resolution, submitted by the delegation from the United Republic of Tanzania, further urged United Nations members to sever diplomatic relations with South Africa.

The second resolution, passed Friday night, recognized that MNCs do not promote the "optimum development" of the host countries and have "managed prices and profits" for the benefit of the MNC. The stripping of MNCs in underdeveloped countries was urged.

The final resolution that passed, was introduced by the Ecuador delegation, and called for a new United States-Panama treaty allowing Panama "complete jurisdiction over the Canal Zone lands and waters."

At 1 p.m. Saturday, delegates were forced to drop consideration of a resolution dealing with territorial rights in the seas to deal with the United Nations charter review.

However, the assembly made no charger revision after four hours of debate on a resolution submitted by the Columbian delegation. The resolution abolished the Trusteeship Council and eliminated the required unanimous approval of new United Nations' members from permanent Security Council members.

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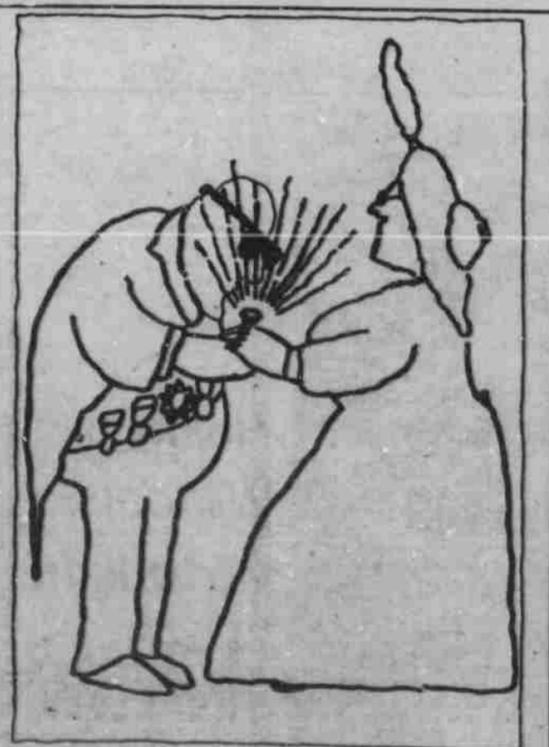
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