

Center proposal to be considered

A proposal establishing a Center for Great Plains Studies under the College of Arts and Sciences at UNL will be considered by the NU Board of Regents Saturday.

Max Larsen, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said the center will encourage studies on all aspects of the Great Plains, including the past, present and future.

The biological and physical environment, people, economy, government institutions and cultures unique to the Great Plains will be examined in activities, he said.

Some of these studies include Midwestern urbanism, the Plains Indians, art, music and literature of the plains. The Unicameral also will be considered, he said.

Larsen, acting director of the project, said if the proposal is approved the center will expand potentials for research, teaching and scholarly activity through the use of symposiums and seminars.

The center also is supposed to evaluate courses offered at UNL concerning the Great Plains and initiate new courses where additional study is needed, Larsen said.

Marking the expected approval of the center, Plains Week will be held April 11 to 16, 1977 at UNL. The first symposium, "Cultural Heritage of the Plains," will be held then. Well-known scholars are to participate, he said.

Other activities will include a series of public lectures about *Plains History and Settlement*, a display of Great Plains art at Sheldon Art Gallery, and a musical presentation in Kimball Hall.

By The Associated Press

Assassinations

Washington—The House Committee on Assassinations Thursday voted to spend \$6.5 million in the first full year of its investigation into the slayings of President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King. "Any cut in that figure in my opinion will make the task impossible," said Richard A. Sprague, chief counsel and director of the panel. Sprague said it was his "best estimate" that the investigations into the two murders could be completed within two years and that the second year might cost less since the areas to be probed would be narrowed by then. Members of the committee seemed to be taken aback by Sprague's budget proposal, and at least two members briefly assumed that the \$6.5 million budget was for two years instead of one.

Free Gilmore?

Salt Lake City—Convicted killer Gary Gilmore says the state of Utah blew its chances by not heeding his demands for a speedy execution and now must set him free. Attorney Ronald B. Stanger petitioned the 4th District Court in Provo on Wednesday for Gilmore's release on grounds that state law required that the firing-squad execution be carried out within 60 days after his Oct. 7 sentencing for killing a motel clerk. Stanger said a series of delays ordered by the courts and the governor constituted "cruel

and unusual punishment." "If given the alternative between life in prison or execution, he wants execution," Stanger said in a telephone interview. "But given the alternative between execution and walking out a free man, my impression is that he would want to walk out a free man." But it appeared unlikely that Gilmore would go free, even if the court accepted Stanger's argument.

Investigation

Washington—The Securities and Exchange Commission is investigating whether commission money paid to two South Korean business agents by an American electronics firm was later used to finance the bribery of U.S. congressmen. An SEC spokesman said Wednesday the agency is investigating E-Systems Inc. of Dallas to determine whether that company, which manufactures military surveillance equipment, had been linked with any wrongdoing. The business fees were allegedly paid by E-Systems to Jong Ho Yoo, a registered alien, and Howard P. Lee, a naturalized U.S. citizen. Both men live in Los Angeles and work for the Korean Research Institute, a consulting firm which has advised E-Systems about selling equipment to South Korea.

Demonstration

Mexico City—A hunger strike by American inmates seeking parole from Mexican jails will be supported Saturday by a demonstration at the border near Tijuana, organizers said Wednesday. "We're demanding (parole) home for Christmas," said Mrs. Mary Coulter in a telephone interview from Mexico City to her home at Torrance, Calif. Mrs. Coulter is president of 1732, an organization of parents and sympathizers for Americans jailed in Mexico, mostly on narcotics charges.

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- 12:30 p.m. — Muslim Student Association, Union 337.
- 1:30 p.m.—Fees Allocation Board, subcommittee 3, Union 232.
- 3:30 p.m.—Union Program Council interviews, Union 203.
- 3:30 p.m. — Political Science Dept. lecture, Union Auditorium.
- 4:30 p.m.—Pi Tau Sigma, Union 243.
- 7:30 p.m.—Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, Union North Conference Room.

Sandy Mohr is new editor



Daily Nebraskan photo
Sandy Mohr

Sandy Mohr, senior journalism major from Omaha, was chosen Thursday night as the 200th editor-in-chief of the *Daily Nebraskan* by the UNL Publications Committee, the governing body of the paper. Mohr, presently news editor of the *Daily Nebraskan*, has also been a reporter for the paper, as well as rewrite person for the *Lincoln Star*.

Mohr said she would use her experience and training to "keep the *Daily Nebraskan* one of the most respected papers in the state."

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