Friday, January 17, 1964

COLUMNIST:

Suspended

Because of his statements at Wednesday's Student Council meeting, Jim Moore, who writes "Our Sacred Cows" in the Daily Nebraskan, has been suspended.

The Nebraskan editorially never did, nor will it ever question Mr. Moore's right to speak for himself as a columnist on any subject including a lowering of the drinking age in Nebraska. This was his right. He was a protagonist, true, but often times protagonists are the catalysts who get things done.

But, neither can the Nebraskan tolerate a person who would deliberately distort the truth to attain goals. GARY LACEY

A QUESTION:

Of Integrity

Yes there is a question of integrity when a campus figure attempts to influence opinion through newspaper columns an public comment. Campus leaders, it is true, have discussed this for long periods of time in the past. behind closed doors, as usual

Now that Jim Moore's Cow has been eliminated, our second semester campus leaders can thankfully sit back and, following precedent, do nothing as they give praise to our first semester leaders for unethically ousting him.

Yes, yearlings, it is true, one of your few troublemakers has been wiped out, for a while at least. You may now sit back, put in your time and have no fear that what you do will not be criticized.

Yesterday, Dick Weill loomed from out of the past, Gary Pokorny loomed for the first time, and Arnie Garson loomed from wherever he always looms from, to practice effectively just what they criticized Moore for. The Daily Nebraskan eliminated Moore from its list of column-

Weill, the one who said that as a Student Council member he had no overwhelming duty to reflect student opinion, implying that more weight should be given Administration's desires, is most clear in his intentions. It is no wonder that one with his attitude toward the student body should criticize Moore, because Moore was representing a greater portion of this student body than any campus leader has all year.

I will take the liberty of saying the following because of the unethical comments the three made toward Moore yesterday: Pokorny probably put his name on the article because of a personal dislike for Moore or because he just wanted to go along for the ride. Garson, I know, does not respect Moore as a person in addition to questioning his ability and intentions.

It should be made clear that it is the right of these three to question Moore's actions because he is in the spotlight. It is not their right, though, to unethically attack him in a newspaper column. It is not their right to delve ino his past and open to public display unfortunate happenings that concern him and it is not their right to be jealous of him for being the first to publicly back the student body where it, like it or not, wanted to be backed. Some of things Moore talked about this year were especially valuable to the end of eliminating hypocrisy on this campus on both sides of the great divide-campus leaders vs. those the campus leaders are supposed to rep-

If Moore made mistakes or indiscretions on occasion suffice it to say that they were no more nor worse than those Our Campus Leaders make, but conceal. At least he did not make any mistake they make. He did say some-

The last paragraph of yesterday's guest editorial was a gem: "Furthermore, we do not feel that Moore has an ethical right to exert influence, either as a columnist or spokesman, on the students of the University."

Isn't it ironical that they err in their very last para-graph, the one with the emotional and explosive punch that should condemn Moore forever, and it is dramatic. Moore no more exerted influence on the students of this school than the student who lives in an apartment and never says a thing. He was merely saying for those students what they say to each other but do not have the will or the opportunity to say to the University. For that, because I did not correspond to what Our Campus Leaders think should be said for the Student Body, he was criticized. What would it be like if a campus leader actually did that. What would it be like to have a campus leader who knew what the issues were, was not afraid to speak out on them and was not afraid of Jim Moore or others for the criticism they might make or for the trouble they might cause? What would it be like to have a campus leader with just that fortitude, one who rests on what he does rather than one who thinks he is secure because he

This can be said for Moore: he was original; he was courageous to say what he did; he had a good following in the Student Body; his Cow had more readership than anything in the Daily Nebraskan, aside from the comics, this year; and a lot of people certainly got a kick out of being heard through him.

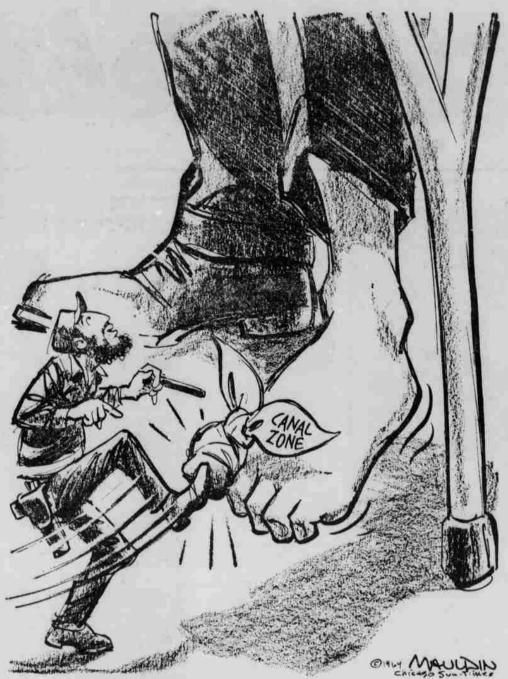
Let's see now what leaders can we say and think the same things about . . .

JOHN MORRIS

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"IS THIS WHERE IT HURTS?"

Is Oblivion . . . For Able People

By Arnie Garson

Could they have made a bad choice? I don't really think so. Tom Brewster, John Lonnquist and Bob Weaver were all three exceptionally qualified to lead the Interfraternity Council as president.

The complexion of the organization will most likely not be greatly different under Brewster's leadership than it would have been under Lonquist's or Weav-

But Brewster was elected and Weaver and Lonnquist now become hasbeens to the IFC, little more than half way through their college

Brewster now faces the stimulating and awesome challenge of directing what has been called by many, one of the most dynamic, positive and constructive organizations on campus.

But Lonnquist and Weaver, by custom and precedent, no longer have a place in this organization. Weaver, in his speech to the IFC. demonstrated an unquestionably perceptive knowledge regarding the aims. ideals and goals of the IFC; past, present and future. Lonnquist, with one of the most enviable scholastic and activity records of the junior men at NU. consistently conveys an image of dynamism and forcefulness.

True, the Interfraternity Council has gained an experienced, popular leader in Brewster. Further, the IFC as one of the best organized, most active groups on campus, deserves to have Brewster's capable hands weilding the gavel.

But an almost inherent weakness in the IFC or any campus organization for that matter, is its relega-tion of the losers to the hasbeen's category.

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Now, with a year and a half remaining at NU, Lonnquist and Weaver have been cutoff from the organization they were most qualified to serve.

I don't know what these two outstanding men have in mind, activity-wise, for the remainder of their days at Nebraska, but for the sake of IFC, other organizations and the student body as a whole, I sincerely hope it is not the quiet inactive world of the also-

The University cannot afford, nor should these two students conscientiously accept oblivion.

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CAMPUS OPINION

Need For Bucket they do not think anyone

in the middle of the road.

The Student Council may Why then, did Student soon find need for bailing bucket, if it already hasn't. The vote to study the drink problem set the charge, and the activities which fol-lowed blew a hole in S.C.'s already waivering "Ship of State". Pseudo "Statesmanship" brought on a so-called Dear Editor: "strong" action, but what followed showed that S.C.

There are several reasons why S.C. is not interested in conducting a good study of drinking. 1. Lack of time, interest, and ability. 2. Desire not to stir the issue up because of unfavorable publicity and the realization that things could be worse, some S.C. members do drink and are not 21 and by the law, could be arrested. 3. The junior gunners don't want to take a stand that would not be

really wasn't interested in

a serious study of the drink-

ing problem.

Help!

Council take the project on? Some of the reasons are as follows: 1) Student Council is so strong headed that Another Poll, Maybe?

AWS Board dropping consideration for a change in women's hours? Are they claiming that such supposedly good universities as Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan are all wrong? Or that there is no place in Nebraska for improvement or change? Or are they admitting that they are too lazy to do the work and planning necessary to set up a new pro-

Although I'm sure the arguments for "21 priviliges" have been thoroughly

examined, I also feel I must What is this I hear about offer my thoughts to the heap. As a graduating senior I would not have been affected if a new program were to have been initiated. However, I cannot ignore a cause which I feel is right and for which I still feel sympathy.

else is able to conduct such

a study, 2) Some members

are selfish - Let's do this

project so we can get credit

for it, 3) Group preserva-

tion - by allowing action

During my four years at this school, I understand the purposes of women's hours to be: to encourage an academic atmosphere by giving girls an opportunity to study, and to protect the morals of college womenuh, girls.

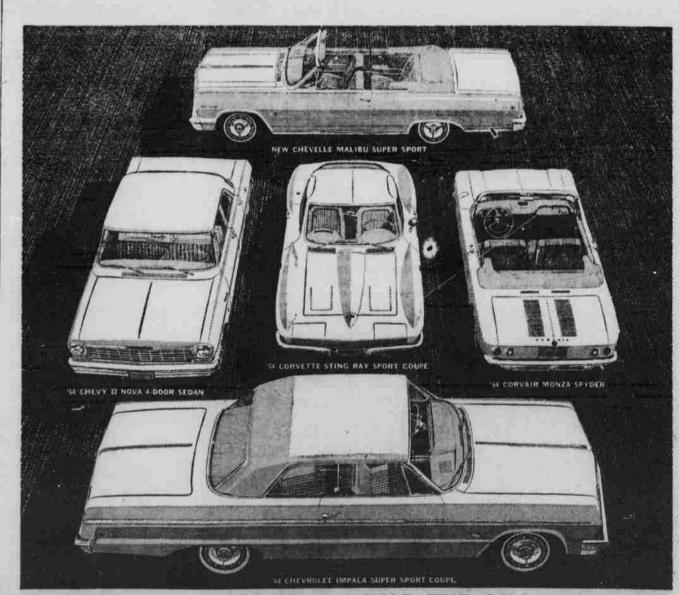
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by another group or no action at all, S.C. might weaken its position or place on campus, 4) fear that a student committee would run wild and irrational (actually) personal resentment toward Jim Moore because he publicly whip-lashed them), 5) S.C. had the machinery already set up to conduct the study, 6) Such a study might logically be within their jurisdiction.

The last two reasons were those given for undertaking the study. The first five are actually why the particular action was taken.

Once having taken the initial action (agreeing to study the problem), S.C. has little to gain and much to lose. Respect for S.C. on campus is in jeopardy. It may take several years for S.C. to regain the popularity and respect it held a year ago.

William Ahlschwede



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