

EDITORIAL OPINION

Sincere Students Needed For Publications Board

One of the most important and useful organizations on campus is going through an unusual experience this week which should cause students to rise up and take notice of a situation which affects us all.

We are speaking of the Publications Board, for years, a group dedicated to overseeing the financial and editorial conduct of student publications. Today there is a lack of applications from students desiring to serve on the board. Membership on this supervising board is made up of both faculty and students thereby giving everyone a voice in the management of publications on campus including the Daily Nebraskan.

The applications are to be sent to the Student Council who will select the students (one sophomore, one junior and one senior) to sit on the policy-making board. So far there have been no applications filed with the Council.

It is the concentrated efforts of this body that accounts for the official campus newspaper and the University yearbook. They take charge of student fees included in the tuition monies to finance these publications. If for no other reason, students should be interested in where their money is going and welcome an opportunity to help decide policy—as a representative of the student body.

In the case of the Daily Nebraskan, editor after editor has been allowed reasonable editorial freedom as the Board of Regents pointed out in 1918, which remains true today. "The editorial policies of the Student Publications shall be entirely in the hands of the student editors, and no faculty member or University officer shall interfere in such policies," the Rules Governing Student Publications points out in part.

Whenever the freedom of expression or the freedom of the press is confined and suffocated, it affects us all. The Daily Nebraskan today operates under no strict or written censorship and it is our duty as citizens to see it remains so.

"As long as the press remains free, this nation will remain free," Thomas Jefferson once said. His views are applicable today just as they were when he spoke them 200 years ago.

We encourage any serious minded student who can measure up to the requirements needed to become a member of the Publications Board to apply for an interview now. The experience gained as a member of this board is insightful and educational. However, it takes more than an acceptable grade average and desire to add another activity to your busy schedule. It takes an open mind, a desire to do your job in preserving the freedom of expression as an important factor in our lives and an effort for self-enlightenment.

Staff Views

Over the Top

By Norm Beatty

Welcome back to OTT and another push for the top. I hope my efforts last week were not too much. Assuming this column was bearable and you are reading this (you must be!), stick around there are only 50 more issues and around 12 columns left.

OTT

Remember the song "Old Soldiers Never Die, They Just Fade Away?" The same is true of certain old editors. I must say however, some fade faster than others.

Within the last week I have spoken to three of the former "chiefs" of the good old days when "the Daily Nebraskan was really a good paper."

The eldest of the group, George "give 'em hell" Moyer dropped in for coffee two days after signing a letter criticizing an editorial. George's visit was as welcome as his sensible opinion. Regardless of what people think, we do not pretend to be perfect; we merely smash our heads against the wall in futile attempt as do most newspapers. His views and refreshing wit is most welcome in this office.

Later in the day Dave "crusader" Calhoun of recent vintage stopped in for a chat and answered a few questions in those

many areas I am not informed in which I call the "twilight zone." As in the case of Moyer, Calhoun's advice (given only when asked for) is a boon to this paper.

The next day Herb "I want an issue, any issue" Probasco dropped in for a nice little two hour chat and did not do as his predecessors did and faded not so quietly and hardly so quickly. Same old Herb.

True to my earlier prediction, I still see Orange Blossoms on tap for New Year's eve. However, I must admit I am as dumbfounded by last Saturday's game as anyone else. It seems like I'll never stop seeing stories of how one Arizona player gained more yardage last weekend than our entire team.

It is sad to see so much talent and money run around in circles all afternoon for a tie. Conservative playing sometimes leads to conservative results. It's not all the fault of those with the talent either. I guess our latest sports spectacular reproves an old adage—"As the twig is bent, so is the tree inclined." Or something along that line. Don't let it push you over though Bill. I'm just a dumb Nebraskan who likes to win.

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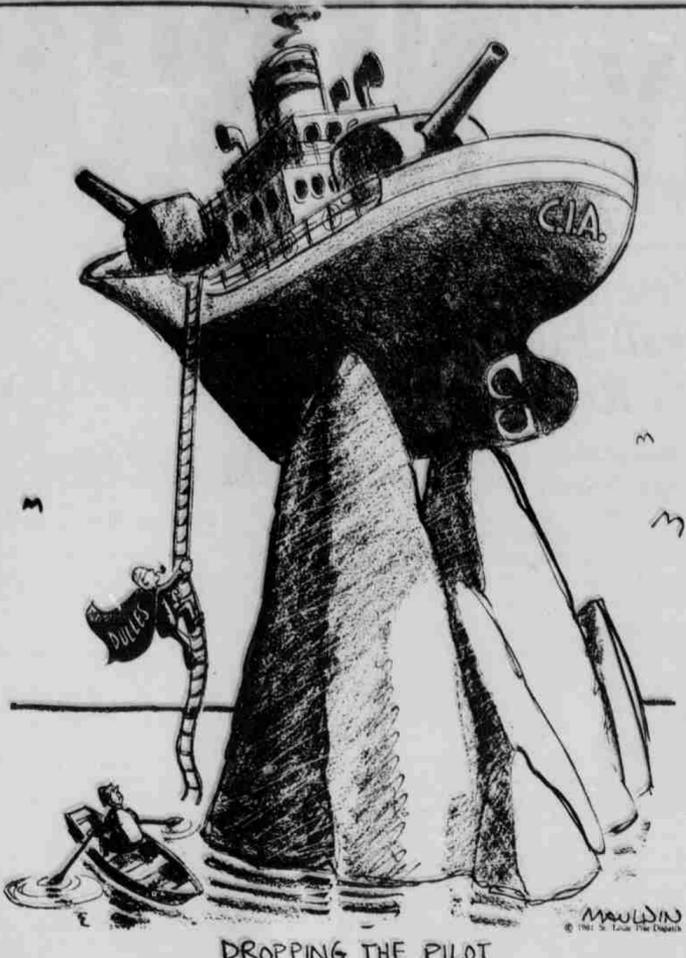
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DROPPING THE PILOT

SATYR

I am not an advocate of lip service. And that is what we as students have been paying to the Peace Corps. Certainly the idea of a Peace Corps is meritorious and bears looking into. It we decide that it is a worthy project and at least a partial answer to our lag in successful foreign policy, then we should support it actively and any way that we can.

Now I would point out to you that there is a way to support the ideals of such a venture in our own country, in our own state, at our university. One of the most important principles of the Corps is the advancement and development of educational standards in underdeveloped countries. But is it necessary to point out that these rising, struggling new nations, whose friendship we need desperately in the race for men's minds, have neither the facilities for higher education nor the promulgation of technical skills. As a result, they are sending their students to outside universities for this education.

We have students of this nature at our university. And what are we doing about the Peace Corps idealism now that we've got a shot at it in our own back yard. Well one of the things we are doing is charging out-of-state tuition which comes to about 252 American dollars per semester. What the hell has happened to equity laws in this white spot of the nation? Why does Nebraska insist upon remaining twenty years behind the forces that are moving our society today? Why must foreign students

who are so pressed financially be treated like Misourians or Kansans? Now I am not going to try to tell you that all foreign students are poverty stricken. It is quite easy to see that some of these people are the products of their country's aristocracy. But let's not forget that some of them are here in this land of plenty trying to live on a shoestring. These people may someday be the leaders of the new African nations. As a matter of fact, it might be tomorrow. Nigeria recalled some of their undergraduates studying in this country for service in cabinet posts of the newly formed government.

Just as these countries don't want handouts from the U.S. in exchange for alliance, the foreign students don't want charity from O Street. Give that to the football team and give these people an equitable shake. We don't want bought-and-paid-for friends—we want friends who live their lives, raise their children, and administer their governments as they see fit. Ours is the duty not of White Man's Burden but of extending an opportunity.

Great idea you may say. You like the Peace Corps thing too but you are just a struggling student and don't feel financially able to start a scholarship fund of your own. Is it not conceivable that your fraternity might? What's a few bucks for something like this? So maybe we spend a dry Saturday at East Hills. This is one way. How about pressure to alleviate high tuition costs levied upon foreign students?

I get kind of tired, as you

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The University Representation Change Due

BY TOM EASON



The Student Council has perhaps the best personnel and most promise of any Council this writer has seen since 1957. However, President Gage and company will find quickly that their ability to represent University students is extremely limited.

This limitation is not the fault of heavy handed regulation nor of an apathetic student body. It is the fault of an obsolete system of college representation. The Representation Committee of the 1960-61 Council recognized this, and proposed that a representative system based on place of residence be set up. The Council failed to approve the change.

POLITICS AND LOGIC

Student affairs records show that half of all undergraduates live off campus. The breakdown: University Residences, 28%; Greek Houses, 21%; with parents and relatives, 19%; with spouse, 17%; renters and commuters, 13%; coopera-

tives, 2%. If the college system is not abandoned, a deepening of the power struggle between organized Independent houses and affiliated houses will continue to shut out the off-campus students.

Politics aside, place of residence is the logical basis for representation. A student's life outside of the class room is most affected by his place of residence. When differences on campus issues exist, the split is almost never along college lines.

STUDENT SUPPORT

As a salve for its Committee, the Council conducted an opinion poll at the regular Council elections last spring. The results, as yet unpublished, will indicate substantial support of the Committee's proposal.

The Council would do well to consider these facts and initiate action for the necessary Constitutional change.

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