

PROVISION WRONG:

But There's Hope

The City of Lincoln, rather its City Council, redefined family this week and in doing so made it illegal for more than three students to rent a house. In effect, this made it virtually impossible for three students to rent a house because only in isolated cases can a house be rented economically by only three students.

The Council gave the reason for the revision as the problem of parking created when four or more students rented a house in a residential district. Of course the Council knew that every University student owns a car and drives it to school.

City Attorney Ralph Nelson said that the noise and parties that students have are additional problems.

The topper was this statement of Nelson's, though: "... that the mode of living of these groups was incompatible to the family-type neighborhood.

It is difficult to understand how a group of four students can make more noise and cause more disturbance than a three-radio, TV-set, record-player, five-bawling-kids family of today can. If they are living in a retirement neighborhood, maybe ...

In addition, many, if not most, Lincoln families own two or more automobiles, causing as much of a parking problem as the four students with two or three cars do.

How to interpret—Nelson's backhanded slap at the student mode of living is a good question? It is conceivable, however, that a group of near-adult, nearly-educated students, well-versed in the values of their society, would live as well or better than the average family of today. Frankly, it seems that Nelson does not know what he is talking about.

Mayor Dean Peterson indicated that enforcement was difficult, yet Vice Chancellor G. Robert Ross, dean of Student Affairs, said that only a handful of students would be affected by the provision, which lends but indirect support for the provision.

In addition, Ross, when saying that, indicated that he was more concerned with quantity than with quality—hardship, inconvenience and personal freedom.

Small rulings like this, whether they emanate from Administration or the City, have added up and will add up further restricting the freedom of the student.

There is one hope, even if it is slim. Dizzy Dean would say there are two, "slim and none."

But, Administration remains as the sole strong student representative in this case and the City Council has shown by its record that it is not opposed to reversing a decision.

The University has legal facilities. All it must do is present some evidence and ask the City Council at its next meeting to reverse this decision. Whatever Administration hopes to gain by this new housing provision would be overshadowed by student respect and gratitude should it get the Council to change its mind next week in behalf of the student.

CAMPUS OPINION

'New' Family Costs More

Dear Editor:

Why did the City Council redefine "family"? The family may include two but not more than two persons not related by blood, marriage or adoption. No more than three students can rent a house which is classified as a single family housing unit. Why?

Just where does our freedom end? Why can't Americans live the way we want to live? Must I be told how to spend my money?

I share a home with three other students. This has been the most economical way for me to live as a student. There are many things which can be learned by living in an apartment which dorm-life or fraternities do not teach you. So where do I go from here? To a dorm? Certainly not! Or maybe a rooming house so that I can eat out all the time? Again, a resounding no! I want to cook my own food, tidy my own home, and manage my own household. What better time to learn than now as a student?

And where do the dear old University officials stand? Well, naturally, Vice Chancellor G. Robert Ross, dean of Student Affairs, stands like the wise shepherd who is leading his flock to greener pastures. He says that this provision will only affect a handful of students. I say he is wrong. This University is dealing with people and not with numbers! Even if I am one of those students in that handful, I am still important to this University. And so is every other individual.

To me, Ross is like the strong, muscular farmer of old, who is whipping his

team of mules while he guides the plow. He will reap the harvest, but the reward for the mules is a bucket of oats and a tank full of water.

Why doesn't even one University official defend the students? Is Vice Chancellor Ross our new leader? Is he coming through with the Big Plan?

The main problem seems to be one of noise and parties. Well, then certainly this should be settled by the police as disturbances of the peace. Why did Mayor Dean Peterson indicate that enforcement was difficult? What is the function of a police force?

If the police can't enforce the ordinances of the community, then the police force is either too weak or too lax. It is not weak.

Any general housing problems because of the definition? Yes! I cannot afford to spend more money for my education. But it is going to cost me more if I am to be forced to live with less than three roommates. Mine is not the only case. There are others who are in the same financial situation. What shall we do when we have no more money? Why can't we have the benefits of living off-campus? Why do the University officials just let things ride?

Bert Aerni

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Firetruck: Cigarette Smoking Today's Biggest Single Killer

By Arnie Garson

Legally there is no doubt about it. We are all old enough (18) to buy cigarettes in Lincoln. And at 18 we should also have enough sense to decide for ourselves whether smoking is in our own best interests.

Yet according to one authority, a sign of intelligence is the ability to hold two contradictory ideas in mind at the same time. Thus we can smoke and deplore the habit simultaneously.

But it took advertising 40 years to build the cigarette industry into the giant it is today and it may take twice that long for believers in science and medicine to effectively combat the cigarette tradition.

Just one of the groups in the United States which is waging a war against cigarette smoking is the American Cancer Society. And it doesn't take a college graduate to figure out why that particular group is fighting cigarettes. According to ACS figures, there will be 49,000 new cases of lung cancer in the United States next year. Of this, 43,000 will be fatal. Experts brand lung cancer as the cause of 75-90 per cent of these cases.

Cigarettes then are the biggest single killer in the United States today. Not even traffic accidents kill as many in a year. In fact it has become a socially acceptable, even commendable thing to fight traffic accidents.

But those who argue against cigarette smoking are still believed to belong to the soap box clubs. Yet if those soap boxes are effective enough to even stir a desire to stop smoking, then they are worth while.

Still, the fight against cigarettes is not a new one. Three centuries ago, the Czars of Russia penalized smokers with nose slitting for the first offense and death for subsequent offenses. Today, the penalty for smoking is still death.

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YANKEE IN MEXICO—

American Author, Foreign Press Reveal New Assassination Theory

By Susie Rutter

Over four months have passed since the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The special investigating commission named by Lyndon B. Johnson has confirmed the fact that Lee Harvey Oswald, one time sympathizer and defector to the Soviet Union, fired three shots which mortally wounded President Kennedy.

Jack Ruby, Dallas night club owner, broke through police guard and shot and killed Oswald, supposedly because he was overwrought with sorrow and anger over the death of his beloved and admired President. He has been tried under the American system of justice and sentenced to death.

Case closed. Justice triumphs again.

Yet an interesting aspect of the many investigations made since the assassination is that of Thomas Buchanan, American journalist and author.

Buchanan first attempted to publish his theory in New York but was unable to find an editor that was willing to take the risk and re-open for speculation the Oswald-Ruby case.

His article was first published in the French magazine, L'EXPRESS, and later in Mexican magazines SIEMPRE and POLITICA.

Buchanan's conclusions are:

First: Not one, but two men assassinated the President.

Second: Not three bullets, but four were fired at the President's car.

Third: The shots were fired from two different angles.

Fourth: Oswald was not the assassin of President Kennedy but merely an accomplice in the well planned crime.

Fifth: According to plans the ex-Marine was to have

been killed immediately after the assassination.

Sixth: Ruby was forced to kill Oswald to prevent him from exposing the other members of the group.

The assassination of Kennedy was carefully prepared by a group of people. Two of these, provided with Italian rifles of the same make, killed the President.

One shot was fired from the fourth floor of the Book Depository building and one from the bridge crossing the path of the parade.

The police ran to the bridge only in time to see a man fleeing and carrying an object resembling a rifle.

Evident in photographs taken by onlookers were two men in the window of the fourth floor before the shots were fired.

Police rushed into the building and attempted to reach the fourth floor. Oswald was on the first floor at that time drinking a coke from the machine there.

The police that had climbed the stairs said that it was impossible in the short time period before they entered the building for Oswald to have come downstairs without running headlong into them.

Contradictory statements of doctors performing the autopsy and those attending Kennedy at the time of his death confirm that he received three wounds: two of which entered from behind through the head and shoulder and one which entered at the neck. The fourth bullet wounded Texas Governor Connally.

Buchanan also deduces that the gun powder found on Oswald's hands was from a revolver, further proof that he did not kill Kennedy.

There were then two assassins: one on the bridge and one in the window. Oswald, an employee and thus free from suspicion, brought the rifle into the building. Oswald was on the first floor at the time the shots were fired.

Another point to be considered is the statement vol-

untarily given by Mark Lane, lawyer for Oswald's mother before the investigating commission on March 4.

Lane said that a week before the assassination, a secret meeting was held in Ruby's night club and police agent J. D. Tippit was present. Buchanan concludes that Tippit pursued Oswald to kill him and prevent him from disclosing the plot.

Ruby, who claims to be a passionate admirer of Kennedy, was not standing in the street to see him pass but rather was in the office of the DALLAS MORNING NEWS. Four journalists there have testified that they heard shots from the bridge. Ruby was in an excellent position to observe the entire crime.

In sum Buchanan arrives at these conclusions: the murder of Kennedy was a well organized and premeditated plot involving many people in which Oswald played a secondary part.

There were two guns and two assassins, one in the window of the Book Depository and one on the bridge. Oswald did not kill Kennedy but knew enough of the plot that Tippit wanted to prevent him from "talking."

Ruby enters the picture to finish the work of Tippit and kills Oswald in a moment of temporary insanity.

Why wasn't Thomas Buchanan allowed to publish his account and investigation in the United States?

Granted his account is only the theory of one man and must be considered as such. Yet under our system of government and freedom of the press he had the right to publish his opinion.

The facts that he was denied this right and had to go to a foreign country to publish his discoveries seems to lend some significance to what he says.



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