

# - Vote 'Yes' Today For Good Government -

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## CAMPUS OPINION

By Mike Barton

Dare we criticize the sacrosanct Civil Rights Movement?

The following excerpt is from an article by Robert A. Haber, entitled, "From Protest to Radicalism."

"It operates first on the assumption that whether we are heard or not, the issues demand that we speak, and second, that if we speak loud enough and in sufficient numbers, something will happen."

"We call for disarmament, but we say nothing of what to do with the manpower, resources, industrial plant and capital equipment that are tied up in the military machine."

"Problems of poverty, health care, wasted agricultural and natural resources, meaningless work—these issues arouse students neither to demonstrate nor discussion."

"This failure to look beyond our own moral position is symptomatic of a protest, in contrast to a radical movement. It may also indicate a certain shallowness of conviction when we are forced to seek an operative alternative to immorality."

"In the sympathy movement for the sit-ins, a similar narrowness operates. The movement only rarely goes beyond the store front. Attention to community relations—to say nothing of student relations—is minimal."

And now for the grabber: "It is a movement lacking in perspective, and little oriented to successful social change."

As the old harlot said to the PTA, "If ya haven't tried it, don't knock it!" With this in mind, I will neither condemn nor condone the sinner-inners.

But back to Mr. Haber. Demonstrators of the world: If the shoe fits . . . wear it.

## Aun Calling

"Why, no, you ruinous butt!" (the American Cancer Society.)

"The King's not here!" (Selma jailor)

"Ay me, how weak a thing the heart of woman is!" (AWS)

## - Fox's Facts -

The Nebraska University student has it made as far as manual labor is concerned. There is no need to resort to doing 40 push-ups every morning to keep in shape. Everything is done for us from shoveling the snow off the walks in the winter to cutting the grass in the spring and fall. The University is blessed with an ample supply of dedicated men just for such tasks.

On top of the heap are those people who must rank as the elite of the nobility because they need not lift a finger, the dormie dwellers. From morning to night they get waited on hand and foot

by a unique group of individuals.

Hand-picked janitors and carefully trained maids are at your service to fulfill your slightest whim when you are a dormitory resident. Experience is the key and only those who made this their life career are even considered.

When a Cather Hall maid mops the floor of your room, you know it's mopped right. When a Selieck janitor replaces a light bulb in the bathroom above the third basin, you can sleep peacefully knowing that the bulb is burning because it has been installed with an expert's touch.

An unforgivable error on behalf of the recipients of these services is the way in which the efficiency of these immortal men and women is taken for granted. The maid assigned to my building is supposed to mop the

By Bob Bosking  
Some clown called me a crusader, in reference to my previous attempts at columns.

Who am I to argue with him, or worse, make him a liar? Here I come a-crusading . . .

Vote for the new student government constitution today. Why? Surely not because the convention worked so long on it and are tired and would like to be appreciated. And surely not because the constitution would benefit your particular organization.

The main point of this long, explicit document is to clarify the powers of the students' governing body at the University. Note the plural possessive form of the word "student." This means that the constitution is for the benefit of all students, regardless of affiliation, so long as that affiliation does not infringe upon the rights of other students. What's wrong with that?

The new constitution is patterned in many respects after the United States Constitution. An elaborate system of checks and balances is incorporated, eliminating much of the politicking inherent in the present system. The three branch structure, (executive, legislative, and judicial) eliminates overlapping powers, duties and responsibilities and defines areas of power.

The problem of "too much power" is floating around on students' tongues, and is

mostly unbased rumor. The entire Senate, and the president and vice president are elected by the student body. They represent the colleges in which they are enrolled, not their living units or activities.

Most appointive offices must be approved by the Senate in one form or another; the few that are strictly appointive have no direct irreversible power, and cannot become tyrants.

Then there are nastier rumors. "It's anti-Greek," to which I reply . . . and so did IFC and PanHellenic. The opposite charge, "It's anti-independent," is amply refuted in RAM's vote of confidence. The only charge left is that it's pro-student body. I can think of one person who would not like this charge, but he's at the Funny Farm and can't vote.

The constitution, with its checks and balances, three-branch structure, college representation, etc., is the best thing that could happen to student government at this stage. As to the charge that it has ungodly powers, it was not written by a herd of goofs; they were chosen by college deans; it was not passed by the convention and merely stuffed off on us; it was sent according to regulation to the committee on Student Affairs, sent back for revision, and then passed.

Read it, college students, and vote FOR the new constitution TODAY.

### Remember This

Dear editor,

The events of the past few days may prompt all, no matter how liberal politically, to reconsider their votes given to LBJ last November.

Suddenly the man who promised so much for a Great Society is ignoring a vital civil rights problem—making of himself a hypocrite. And to what purpose?

To promote a piece of legislation that will heavily tax one segment of the population to support another, that ought, by all rights, to have attempted to save to provide for itself.

And our President is spending the remainder of his time waging an unpopular war in an unbecoming manner . . . while even white men are being beaten nearly to death in the South.

Remember this, future voters.

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Barnett  
Omaha

### Selma Leave?

Dear editor,

I noticed an article in the Daily Nebraskan of March 17 about the Lincolinites who have gone to Selma, Ala.

I also noticed that two of the people are faculty members of this University. I'm wondering if these two people, David Trask and Matthew Toby, have been given an official leave of absence, or if they are still receiving their University salaries?

### Interested

Editor's note: Vice Chancellor Adam Breckenridge, dean of faculties, said faculty members are usually granted permission to reason requests for absence from their duties if they make sufficient arrangements through their departments to have their work taken care of while they are gone. We understand that both Trask and Toby made these arrangements.

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### Are You Kidding?

Dear editor,

I am what would be termed an inactive integrationist; I do not belong to FSNCC, and I do not demonstrate, but I do think that there are none but individual differences in members of any race or society, and that I should be able to choose people of any race or belief as my friends and fraternity brothers with censure from none.

I do not understand the problems which Selma represents; if I went there, it would be to try to find the truth, if it is there. I read about SNCC, and what the purpose is, and wonder if I should join.

Well, I have as my answer the article printed in Wednesday's Daily Nebraskan.

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