

A Loss to NU

University benefactor Ralph S. Mueller left a memorable legacy. A University Foundation spokesman said that Mueller donated a total of \$158,000 recently to the University. His other gifts include, the carillon tower, the planetarium, and a number of museum exhibits.

We are saddened by his death.

But we feel that the University will remember Mr. Mueller, and men like him, who support the University. We will remember Mr. Mueller, not only because of the visible evidence of his support, but because of the spirit of his concern for the University that promoted his gifts.

Mr. Mueller is one of many University of Nebraska graduates who have remembered their alma mater after graduation, and even after leaving the state.

The support which these men give the

University speaks well not only for the institution which educated them, but also for the men themselves.

They receive praise for their interest too infrequently. Often, no one knows of the support given by men like Mr. Mueller, except those handling the donations.

We would like to thank University alumni, who, like Mr. Mueller, remember the University after they have left it. We appreciate their interest and support.

There are 15,000 students on this campus. We hope among them is another Mr. Mueller.

Across the quiet campus float the twilight notes of an evening song, a carillon song. An elegy, we feel, for a man who remembered well the roots of his dreams.

Constitution Approval

Student Senate yesterday increased its power governing campus organizations by altering the procedure of approving constitutions of new organizations.

Now, organizations whose constitutions have been returned will have up to 60 days to rewrite them or must cease to function as an organization for one year.

The purpose behind the restriction is to "encourage them (organizations) to revise and return their constitutions," according to Karen Westberg, who introduced the motion.

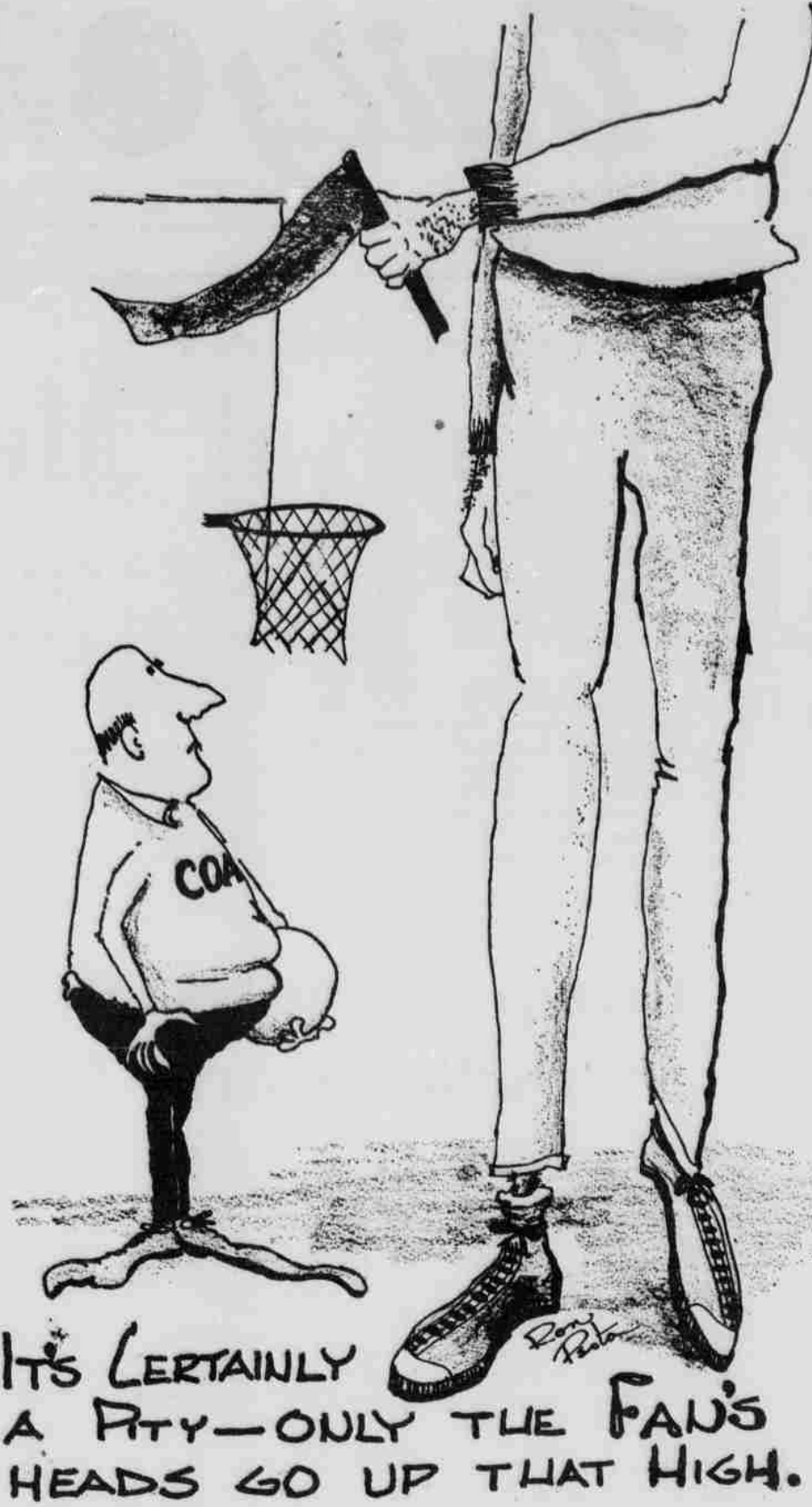
We feel that what the Senate is hoping to accomplish, that is, revision and return of constitutions, is necessary. However, we find the year restriction unnecessarily harsh.

The threat of suspension of a group's

activities might encourage it to meet Senate requirements for constitutional approval. But we feel the time provision passed by the senators would have been fairer on a semester basis.

Admittedly, most groups could conceivably revise and return their constitutions within 60 days. A situation could arise, however, where more time might be needed due to the complexity of revision needed.

We hope that because the senators have seen fit to impose a 60 day deadline, with a one year restriction of activity if the deadline is not met, that they will be lenient to groups who do, in fact, require some additional time in making their constitution meet Senate approval.



CAMPUS OPINION

Lincoln Police

Dear Editor,

Today while downtown I received a parking ticket from the super efficient Lincoln Police Department. Thirty minutes prior I had carefully plunked 5c into the parking meter and then went to Bishops for lunch. I rushed through my lunch, at all times keeping my eyes on my watch.

Exactly 25 minutes after putting the money in the meter I started back to my car. Just as I arrived at the corner two things happened: 1) I noticed a police officer pull up to my car and 2) the light changed to red thus preventing my crossing the street (who wants a walking ticket?).

As soon as the light changed I ran across the street just in time to see the policeman place the ticket under my wipers. When I explained the situation to him he shrugged his shoulders and said there was nothing he could do.

Down at the police station when I explained my story an officer told me "you had better start back to your car at an earlier time and allow for red lights."

Have you ever noticed the literally hundreds of Lincoln police strolling the streets looking for an illegally parked car? When he or she sees one their eyes positively light up — yet I'm sure that they're only doing their jobs.

Never in my life, and I've been to all the major cities in the U.S. have I seen so many traffic officers with so much equipment doing so little.

My personal observation is that if the Lincoln Police Department spent only half as much on crime prevention as they do on giving a car a parking ticket they would be the best law enforcers in the entire state; indeed in the entire country.

H.I.A.

It would be nice to think that the University would automatically correct this idea which it has neglected for so long. However, if this is not the case it seems the only other alternative would be to get a little extra publicity through TV, etc.

I for one would like to know who the owners of these "living units" are, at the risk of being held for libel of course.

The filing away of Terry's fine report in that "Confidential" waste basket would be a monumental error.

Jim DeMars

AWS Elections

Dear Editor,

Women on campus this past semester have been voicing their opinions about the liberalization of AWS regulations. However, a great majority of these women are ignorant of the structure of AWS and have not indicated a desire to participate actively as members of this legislative board. Now is the time to do more than complain.

On Friday, February 18th and Saturday, February 19th the AWS Board will be interviewing women students who are interested in running in the AWS elections.

This year the AWS Board has revised its election system in order to have a more equal representation of the women students. The only requirement is that a woman must have a 2.3 cumulative average. The application deadline has been extended to 12 noon on Friday, February 18.

On behalf of the AWS Board, I urge women students to accept their responsibility in the tradition of democracy by taking the time and effort to go through AWS interviews.

Lynne Irish
AWS Elections Chairman

Housing Problem

Dear Editor,

Last week at the ASUN meeting I was happy to see Terry Schaff bring home a long-standing University problem to light.

My family was an AFS American family back in my high school days. In this way I was able to get a needs, problems, and responses of the foreign student.

It is beyond belief that such deplorable housing conditions were at first allowed and then continued without University intervention.

There must be some great stories going around the world about the "housing problem" in Lincoln. These students were given a real education and initiation into Nebraska hospitality.

Paper Applauded

Dear Editor,

As a NU graduate and former Daily Nebraskan staff worker I wish to congratulate you on the Daily Nebraskan that I have seen so far this semester.

It looks to me like you are really doing a professional journalism job.

As I am sure you realize, your circulation and responsibility as an editor exceeds that of many local newspapers in towns throughout the state, considering you have about 16,000 students to speak for and keep informed.

These first few issues show me that you recognize this responsibility.

John Hoerner

Sorry About That!

Being a compendium of farce, absurdity and comment, selected arbitrarily by the Editor...

Shades of Yesteryear—

No doubt all of us are thrilled with the idea of Batman on TV. However, one must not forget some of our old-time favorites like Bull-winkle, My Friend Flicka, Leave It to Beaver, Sky King, Lassie and Bugs Bunny that are still on TV.

I'm sure we can all remember getting up at 7 on Saturday morning and watching the test pattern for half an hour while we had breakfast.

(Rit Reporter)

to readers might make you wonder. Consider this one:

"Confidentially, Fred, I'd say you wasted a pack of cigarettes and a perfectly good bottle of wine."

From the Don't It Beat All Department: Got up this morning at 9:05 to get ready for my 9:30 class. (It takes me six hours to get ready for class, but this class normally necessitates seven.)

Well, I hiked down to the social science building . . . charged into the classroom . . . only to be greeted by the blackboard, which read . . . "No class today."

Needless to say, I stayed anyway, and took my best notes of the semester. You see there was this couple in the next room . . .

The Colorado State University Collegian carries an advice to the love-love column named "Down the Path with Aspasia Primrose."

Some of Miss Primrose's Confidentials

QUIBS

AWS Board is giving campus women a chance to put their time and energy where their mouths have been. Strangely enough, few applications have been received . . .

More men may be burning the midnight oil this Spring studying for a very final, final . . . the draft test.

In an editorial in yesterday's Daily Nebraskan, we got our wires crossed. The flag taken from the Union was not a United States flag—it was a Nebraska flag. Sorry About That!

Another Viewpoint—

Poor Bill Moyers

(Editor's Note: The following article was written by Dave Delcour and was printed in the Colorado Daily.)

Bill Moyers has, if anyone does, a claim to the title of most frustrated man in the world. You see, Bill Moyers is a front organization for the President.

Of course, all presidential press secretaries have been more or less, mere lip men to their presidents, although it is true some of the more notable press secretaries have had some say in policy planning.

Nevertheless, Bill Moyers, as spokesman for Lyndon Johnson, has more room to grumble than have had the others. His problem stems from a basic tenet of the administration's policy toward the relationship between the executive branch and the press.

The tenet is simple: The public is entitled to all the news that reflects favorably upon the administration's political expansion, is entitled not to be lied to when the news does not shed light of a possible partisan nature, and is entitled to be kept uninformed when the news is unfavorable.

Thus, when the President decides that once again, he has made a mistake that will cost millions of dollars, or hundreds of lives, it is

Bill Moyers who must go out and face the press.

Typically what he will do is: 1) deny that there was any mistake at all; 2) say the mistake was due to some congressman or other lesser personality crossing the mandate of the President; 3) say the President is aware of the problem and is studying it; 4) say that the new policy (whatever it is) is clear and should need no further explanation; and 5) say that any questioning on the issue is an infringement of the executive prerogative.

Thus, leading questions from the press on the key issues of the day tend to force the President's hand and he consequently loses some of the latitude which he feels he needs.

Syndicated columnist Joseph Alsop, who has obviously forfeited any future White House exclusive story rights, has suggested that the President is not exactly lying to the people. Rather, says Alsop, he is creating a myriad of unfacts, those in turn being compared to the people of the Soviet Union.

If the fact is not mentioned by the President, not found in some other way by the press, and not leaked by spouses of leading diplomats, it simply does not exist and the President cannot be held responsible for it or for its consequences.

Apparently the public can expect there to be many more unfacts in the future, ranging in scope all the way from stereo sets to peace offers. Mr. Moyers might as well have told us this recently when he held one of his hem and haw sessions with the press.

The President, rambles Moyers, feels that the informal conferences in his office serve the purpose of informing the public better. Better for whom? Hardly the votes who are unable to witness the absolute control of news that takes place in the President's office.

Yes, Bill Moyers has good reason to be dejected. It must be very depressing to have the mouth that covers the mistakes of the President and deprives voters of their only meaningful way of evaluating the President.

FOX'S FACTS

By GALE POKORNY

Glancing through the pages of the Rag last week, I saw by the host of pinnings and engagements that the recent spring-like weather and that little character with the red bow and arrow really took their toll.

Rings, pins and whispered words of fatal commitment were flying all over the place. Apparently lots of college men finally decided that they had found THE one who accepted them for what they really were and apparently a lot of girls decided that they had finally found an appropriate hunk of clay to mold into the man of their dreams.

At any rate, a lot of people got together and it does my heart good to see that a modern mid-western American university such as ours is fulfilling one of its main functions. Some people around here contest that this is the university's primary function, but I am still somewhat of a conservative at heart, aren't

we all) and I maintain that, subtle as they may be, there are other duties that the school tries to accomplish.

Yet I am faced with a good argument. The opposition points out that the whole social structure here is geared toward that one objective and admittedly the paper seems to provide plenty of evidence.

Furthermore, I tend to agree with those who say the university directly supports the boy meet girl policy by maintaining two general campus social centers, the student union and the library.

The student union provides an excellent atmosphere for the casual acquaintance or first coke date type but as one gets more serious, one finds it is too public.

That is where the campus library comes in. (they don't call it Love Library for nothing). If Romeo turns out to be too cheap to take Juliet to the local drive-in, he can always take her to the semi-privacy of the library, much to the dis-

may of the unfortunate dull hearts who wander in there and attempt to study or read.

One never realizes just how dull chemistry problems can really be until one tries to work them in a library carrel with Johnny and Suzy making out in the adjoining carrel. The whispering and giggling alone are enough to shatter concentration.

So you abandon the carrel and try the reading rooms instead. Have you ever tried to read Othello while a pair of pigeons sit at the table across from you and coo to each other? Impossible! Even when you walk out into the corridor for a cigarette, you find that it resembles the front walk of Pound Hall minutes before hours.

All this is just making it that much harder for librarians and janitors in the library to keep their jobs. The university is now insisting that these people have degrees in Sociology and several good references as competent chaperones.



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