

# Vietnam Referendum

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Senior Staff Writer

It's no secret that popular discontent with the war in Vietnam is growing. Time magazine got the message last week when they wrote a cover story about a U.S. marine crawling through six inches of mud at Con Thieu to avoid certain, and sudden death from Viet Cong mortar rounds.

The Omaha World Herald got the message, too, when they reported that two more U.S. senators, (Case and Morton) have become critics of the U.S. war policy.

In reporting instances of growing discontent with the war, Time and the World Herald are publishing what students have known for a long time; that there are valid political and moral questions about Vietnam that must be answered.

What these questions are, and what should be done about them by the Johnson Administration may be discussed in a few weeks by the ASUN referendum on the war.

The referendum is presently being written by a special committee headed by Senator Al Spangler. The referendum will be finished by mid-week and presented to the Senate on Wednesday, according to Spangler.

It will include five alternatives, ranging from "immediate withdrawal" to an "increase in the bombing," Spangler predicted.

The war in Vietnam has been a major topic of campus speculation for some time. It has been talked to death at Hyde Park and informal bull sessions. It has been the topic of teach-ins at most campuses in the country including the University.

But the talk is merely symptomatic of the underlying problem—people feel that the war in Vietnam is somehow "different." A quick look at a Cornhusker

contacted to profer the counter-point, Spangler reports.

Attempts to secure James Ridgeway, an editor of the New Republic, General James Gavin, a former military leader who opposes the war, Andrew Kopkin, an associate editor of Ramparts, or former presidential adviser Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr., are presently being made, according to Spangler.

Results of the balloting will be sent to the Nebraska congressional delegation and to the President.

Vietnam referendums are popular at present, Spangler pointed out, and similar votes will be taken soon in Boston and San Francisco.

The results of the referendum and the information spread preceding the balloting will be valuable to students as Spangler points out.

But another, and equally important result of the election will be the "idea of giving potential candidates for office in 1968 an indication as to how students at Nebraska feel about the war," Spangler said.

"I just hope that people in the University community, faculty and students alike, do everything possible to make the outcome of the referendum serious and accurate," Spangler concluded.

At the very least the referendum will give students a chance to hear first hand what all the shouting is about.

At the very most it will not be instrumental in changing United States policy—one way or another.

It might be hoped that a year from now Time's marine will be back home, or marching through North Vietnam. But at least he will no longer be stuck in Vietnamese mud trying half-heartedly to win a war that he didn't start and didn't want. A war that neither he nor the American public knows what all the shooting is about.

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Speakers are also being

## Temple Sets Tryouts For Three Plays

Tryouts for three one-act plays to be presented by the University Theater will be held Monday and Tuesday at Temple Theater in room 312 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Parts for 18 men are available for the play, "The Brig," a story that covers one day in the life of Marine Corps prisoners. "The Deathwatch" by Genet, offers roles for four men.

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## Campus Calendar

- MONDAY**  
(All activities are in the Nebraska Union unless otherwise indicated.)
- INTER VARSITY—12.
  - PLACEMENT LUNCHEON—12:30 p.m.
  - SOCIOLOGY 53—1:30 p.m.
  - BUILDERS — Calendar & Directory—3:30 p.m.
  - PEOPLE TO PEOPLE — Publicity—3:30 p.m.
  - PANHELLENIC—3:30 p.m.
  - TASSELS—4:30 p.m.
  - UNION FILM COMMITTEE—4:30 p.m.
  - A.U.F.—Publicity—4:30
  - UNICORNS—7 p.m.
  - MATH COUNSELORS—7:30 p.m.
  - QUIZ BOWL—8 p.m.

## Thomson To Speak In Union

The problems involved in working with people will be the subject of a speech Tuesday by Andrew H. Thomson, vice president of the New York Life Insurance Company.

The speech is sponsored by the Nebraska Research Foundation and will be given in the small auditorium of the Union at 4:30 p.m.

Thomson is in charge of administrative services for the United States and Canada for the insurance company.

He received his B.A. degree in 1930 from the University of Idaho, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Thomson joined the New York Life Insurance Company in 1931 as a college trainee in the Butte, Mont. office, entering the field as an agent in Billings, Mont.

in 1933, where he was a member of the company's field production clubs.

# New Coffee Houses Offer Cerebral Entertainment

By DAN LOOKER  
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The college night spot circuit ranges from the sensual to the intellectual. At one extreme is the noise and motion of the go-go girl establishments and at the other, the intimate smoke-filled atmosphere of the coffee houses.

Coffee houses offer more varied and intellectual entertainment than night clubs. Also, their refreshments are non-alcoholic, which makes them accessible to college students under 21.

There are two coffee houses currently open in Lincoln. One of them, the Hungry Id, is located on campus in the basement of the Wesley Foundation.

**HUNGRY ID**  
The Hungry Id, which opened last December, was started by Jim Reed, a Wesley Foundation seminar intern, and a group of University students, according to Dwight Thomas, director of the Coffee House Commission.

The coffee house is run by students belonging to

the Wesley Foundation and John Breckenridge, Lay Associate for the Wesley Foundation, Reed said.

Every Saturday night, from 8:30 p.m. to midnight, the Hungry Id features impromptu entertainment. On a small stage at the front of the dimly lit room members of the audience will sing folk songs, read poetry, or tell jokes.

**PLAYS**  
The speech department also provides plays for the Hungry Id, according to another Wesley Foundation member, Mary Taylor.

"Drama students get experience while we are provided with entertainment," she explained. In addition to impromptu entertainment and plays, the Hungry Id shows movies, Miss Taylor added.

Lincoln's other coffee house is the Crosswinds at 1233 F St. It was opened in September of 1966 as a non-profit organization by a group of Lincoln residents.

**SERIOUS EFFORT**  
"It is a serious effort on the part of some people to

offer a place of self-expression," he said.

The Crosswinds is frequented by a fairly young crowd, Carlson said, "although we prefer that they be over eighteen." The entertainment is impromptu and the refreshments include a variety of coffees and teas, he explained.

The Crosswinds is open from 8 to 11 p.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and from 8 to midnight on Fridays. It also sponsors "Faculty and Coffee" every Friday at 3:50 p.m. when students can talk with professors.

**THIRD**  
A third coffee house is in the planning stage, according to Jack Hagerman, the owner and manager of the Pemberly Inn. The Pemberly Inn is a soft-drink night club for high

school and University students.

Located on P Street next to the Nebraska Theater, the club has a large dance floor and a remodeled refreshment area. Hagerman is considering opening the club as a coffee house when the Pemberly Inn isn't having dances or fraternity parties.

## Y-Teen Advisors To Be Selected

Interviews will be held for Y-teen advisors Oct. 9, 10, 12 from 2-5 p.m. in the Y. M. C. A. office, room 335 B of the Union.

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