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## Student Leaves School, Admits Using Marijuana

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A University student has been forced to withdraw from school because of alleged use and possession of marijuana. A statement by G. Robert Ross, dean of student affairs, said that the resident student admitted this violation of University policy.

"The student withdrew from the University," Ross said Wednesday afternoon. "If he had not, disciplinary action would have been initiated."

Ross said that information on this first case of possession and use of marijuana on campus was to be turned over to Paul Douglas, Lancaster County attorney, Wednesday evening or Thursday.

### STUDENTS PRESENT

The student involved in the case said that several other students and a residence hall student assistant were present at one incident of the use of marijuana.

Ross would not make a statement on the involvement of any other students in this case.

"In connection with this or any other case," he said, however, "an investigation is going on."

The Board of Regents had directed the administration to cooperate with state and federal agencies in prevention of drug misuse.

Ross also indicated in the statement that the Regents recognize "no rationale for even a single instance of drug abuse."

"I don't understand why I was thrown out," said the student who withdrew, "while the others were permitted to remain."

**WANTS REINSTATEMENT**  
He added that he was not interested in disciplining any other cases of marijuana use, but in the reinstatement of himself at the University.

The student also said that after he admitted using marijuana he lost his job and the University forwarded the cases' information to the school he was planning to attend next year.

"I can see no reason for getting fired," he said, "other than this."

"And I was also informed that the University has sent my case to the school I was planning to attend," he said.

**"ASK THE STUDENT"**  
Questioned on both of these points, Ross said, "You'll have to ask the student about that."

Ross did say that treatment

of cases varies with different students.

"Any student who is caught smoking or possessing marijuana will face the possibility of suspension," Ross added.

Ross refused to elaborate on his statement or reveal any evidence or testimony involved in the case.

### UNIVERSITY POLICY

A Regents' statement on University policy concerning drugs appeared Sept. 12, and was referred to by Ross Wednesday.

"Students violating the policy (prohibiting illegal use of drugs) will be subject to suspension from school," the Sept. 12 statement said. "The University recognizes no rationale for even a single instance of drug misuse."

"The Board furthermore directs the appropriate administrative officers of the University to cooperate with state and federal agencies in prevention of drug abuse."

State law prescribes a penalty of not more than a \$3,000 fine and not less than two nor more than five years imprisonment for a first offense.

Whether legal proceedings would be instituted against the student would depend on the decision of the county attorney.



Stumped

Photo By Mike Hayman

## ASUN Proposes Study On Multi-Subject Course

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ASUN voted Wednesday to support the establishment of interdisciplinary courses in the University curriculum.

Student senators approved a resolution urging the University to develop programs

"wherein students from various disciplines would come together to work on and study common or specific problems, projects, or talks facing society today."

In introducing the resolution in behalf of the Education Committee, Sen. Dennis

Schulte cited a similar program at the University of Massachusetts. This course involves students having majors such as architecture, landscaping, economics, agriculture and sociology who discuss problems of regional planning from a team approach.

### FACULTY APPROACH

Sen. Schulte said the Education Committee has talked with a number of faculty members who favor the interdisciplinary approach.

He added that no changes would have to be made in the University's academic structure to implement the program. He said that he hoped an interdisciplinary course could be devised for next semester.

### DRUG SEMINAR

ASUN also voted to back the development of a seminar series for next spring on illegal drugs and drug usage.

In introducing the resolution, Student Welfare chairman Mark Schreiber pointed to the report presented by his committee, which says: "Topics covered in these seminars might include physiological and psychological outlooks on the necessity and effects of drug consumption, the historical background of drugs and their use, the legal aspects of drug abuse, and the moral and philosophical questions involved in the use of drugs."

The resolution calls for the creation of an Ad Hoc Drug Seminar committee composed of representatives from ASUN, IFC, Panhellenic, IDA, AWS, SDS, Rho Chi Pharmaceutical Fraternity, the State Department of Health, the Student Counseling Service and the Student Health Department.

Schreiber said this committee could reach students from many segments of the campus population.

### FOREIGN STUDENTS

As another part of the Student Welfare report, committee member Roger Stark discussed the group's study of the foreign student situation.

Stark said three problems face the foreign student community: inter-student relationships, housing and money.

To overcome the first problem, foreign students are being encouraged to join campus activities and their situation will be better publicized.

### COMPILE FILE

In the area of housing, the committee plans to devise a "working file of Lincoln families who would take foreign students into their homes for a minimal fee."

He said the group also will investigate the possibility of getting more financial aid

and dispensations for the University's foreign students.

### HOUSING STANDARDS

In a third resolution ASUN voiced its approval of the Minimum Housing Standards ordinance to be voted on in Lincoln's November 14 referendum.

The resolution, prepared by the Special Projects committee, points out "there will be no improvement in housing conditions until a minimum housing ordinance is enacted according to the report of the ASUN Special Subcommittee on foreign student housing."

It further indicates, "the City of Lincoln has no general ordinance to prevent deterioration of housing, nor to remedy the problem of substandard conditions now existing because of past uncontrolled deterioration."

### VIETNAM WEEK

The Senate discussed the recently-completed Vietnam Week activities. Sen. Al Spangler, who headed the Ad Hoc Committee on Vietnam, said, "Despite the relatively small turnout, the funds spent on Vietnam Week weren't entirely wasted."

Spangler said the Senate should focus its attention on "what to do about the reasons why Vietnam Week turned out as it did."

Other senators blamed the Vietnam Week results on poor publicity, organizational deficiencies and a general disinterest on the part of the students.

### APPOINTMENTS

In other Senate action the group approved the nomination of Jane Ross, Margo McMaster and Terry Dougherty to the Publications Board but will continue its investigation of Pub Board activities.

Sen. Suzy Phelps said the Ad Hoc Committee on the Publications Board is readying several suggested remedies to problems it sees, but these suggestions do not affect the present nominations.

She said the committee will probably recommend that the number of students on Pub Board be increased to improve the student-faculty ratio. Such action would have to be approved by the Faculty Senate.

Sen. Phelps said the group may also suggest that Pub Board members be chosen through a campus-wide election, rather than through ASUN appointment in future years.

### VACANT SEAT

Vice-President Gene Pokorny announced that Sen. Kris Bitner has resigned and that the vacancy created in Teachers' College will be filled in two weeks.

He urged students interested in applying for the seat to pick up an application in the ASUN office.

## Students Expound . . . On Marijuana--Where, What, Why, How Much

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Pot may be Joe Univer'sit's bag. Then, again it may be all talk.

"Yeah, I wanna try the stuff," a senior English major commented. "In fact, two guys asked me last night if I knew where we could get some."

"I wouldn't mind trying it," cooed the fresh-faced, knee-stockinged sophomore coed. "But, then, I've heard it's worse than cigarettes and I'm not much for cigarettes, so I don't know."

"Could I get some pot if I wanted it?" the sophomore coed laughed. "Heck, yes, I've got a joint in my purse right now."

Marijuana — smoking it and or talking about it — seems to have taken on the proportions of a small fad on the campus this fall, according to students interviewed.

"More people are talking about it," one student said.

### FAD?

"It's sort of like a fad and everyone is talking about it this year when it was more or less undercover last year," a senior said.

Student reactions, attitudes and opinions on marijuana are as wide and varied as the campus population itself.

"Mary who?" one male commented when approached on the subject.

"It's all talk, there's none of it actually here," another boy said.

### PLENTY

"There's plenty of marijuana on this campus, but it's hard to get," another boy said. "It's easier to get out of state or in Omaha. In Michigan it was very easy to get. If your next door neighbor didn't have it then the one next to him did."

One coed told of attending a pot party in a small Western Nebraska town last summer. She said, however, that she does not think there is much available on the campus.

A number of students interviewed said marijuana is definitely easier to get this year on campus than it was last year at any time.

"I shivered when I got to campus this fall, the place is lousy with it," a graduate student commented.

### EASIER

Another student said she feels it is "definitely" easier to get pot this year than it was last year and that use had correspondingly increased.

ed. "It is a matter of being aware of the sources. In addition, you wouldn't be classed as a hippie on this campus today if you smoked it whereas this was the case last year."

"Smoking pot in the dorms this summer was commonplace," another student said. "You could smell it in the halls."

One student claimed he smelled burning marijuana, which gives off a heavy, pungent odor, in the hallways in Burnett Hall.

Marijuana, technically the ground leaves of the hemp weed, grows wild in many states including Nebraska.

### "MARY JANE"

Marijuana's nicknames include Mary Jane, grass, and pot. Users claim smoking the weed gives one a sharpened sense perception and a deeper awareness of what is going on around him. Smokers "high" or "stoned" on marijuana have few outward physical effects the way drunks do, but their mental balance is off kilter in much the same way, according to a Look-magazine writer.

The writer said of drunks and pot users, "A drunk will think he's the greatest driver in the world, but he won't try to prove it. Someone high on pot will think he's the greatest driver in the world, and he'll try to prove it."

A number of students said the circle of pot users or those who have tried pot seems to be expanding into the houses and dorms and is not limited to use by only a small group as it seemed at the end of the last school year.

### NO INCREASE?

Other students, however, said there is much more talk about pot this year, but that actual usage has not increased at all.

"I know people who smoked it two years ago and they're the ones who still use it," one student said.

About one-fourth of 50 students interviewed said they would like to try pot while nearly half said they think they know where they can get it.

The great majority of students interviewed said they try it for several reasons including health hazards, the fear that pot leads to more harmful drugs and the legal penalties involved.

### SENTENCES

First time offenders caught possessing or smoking marijuana can receive sentences

of two to five years in a federal prison and a fine of up to \$3,000. Second offenders could get jail terms of five to 10 years and fines of up to \$5,000. In addition, University students caught with marijuana face possible suspension from school, under the new Regents' policy on drugs.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, G. Robert Ross said the University has been cooperating with city police, the county attorney, the state drug control division and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in checking possible drug use by University students.

Ross said he doesn't know if more students are using marijuana this year than last, but added "I've certainly heard more about it."

Ross emphasized that any student caught with marijuana or any other drug will face disciplinary action by the University and possible legal prosecution since the University will turn its information on the situation over to law enforcement officials.

## Quiz Bowl Competition To Begin

The Quiz Bowl season will begin Nov. 2 with the annual Mortar Board-Innocents match at 7 p.m. in the Nebraska Union.

The Mortar Board team will consist of Karen Jones, Nancy Coufal, Kris Bitner and Judy Mahar. Innocents contestants will be Jerry Olson, Gene Hohensee, Les Helbusch and Daryl Gless.

A required team captain's meeting will follow the match. Late team applications will be accepted at this time, according to Leslie Walt, publicity chairman.

She said there has also been a policy change this year which will allow fifth year students to compete if they are classified as undergraduates according to their particular college curriculum.

## AUF Workers Help Collect Pop Bottles

The Delta Gamma and Alpha Tau Omega pledge classes canvassed Lincoln collecting pop bottles Monday night to raise money for the All University Fund (AUF) drive.

Tom Smith, vice-president of the Alpha Tau Omega pledge class, estimated that \$100 worth of pop bottles were collected.

The annual fall drive, which lasts until Nov. 21, collects money from University students through their living units and from residents of Lincoln.

Although rainy weather hampered the AUF Lincoln drive last Sunday, \$800 was collected, according to Nancy Coufal, AUF president. She added this year's goal is \$6,500.

"We will conduct a follow-

up drive sometime before Dec. 1 to contact the rest of the residences," said Miss Coufal.

The individual living units have been using various gimmicks in their phase of the drive. Two of these are thermometers, and individual floor quotas. One sorority's members pay on the basis of a penny per pound of their weight.

Last year's AUF fall drive netted \$5,250. This was distributed as a \$1,050 donation to each of five charities selected by a student vote.

"We do incur some expenses in conducting the drive. Our constitution requires, however, that we limit our expenses to ten per cent of the total amount received in donations," said Miss Coufal.

## Scrip: First Edition Goes On Sale Today

First edition of "Scrip," the University student literary magazine, may be purchased for \$5.00 beginning Thursday in the Union or the three campus bookstores, according to Susan Diffenderfer, "Scrip" editor.

Miss Diffenderfer said that this is an outstanding issue, as several of the contributors have been awarded literary prizes. The award-winning contributions include poems, short stories, and art prints.

Three poems have been submitted by Tom Seymour, who received the Vreeland Award for literature last spring. Carter Chamblee, another Vreeland winner, has added poems in free verse, sonnets and a short story entitled "The Way It Was."

The magazine contains reviews of musical performances by Jerome Kohl and Gene O'Brien, who were awarded the Vreeland prize in music, and prints by Robert Weaver and Val Christensen, 1967 Vreeland art winners.

Four poems have been contributed by Ted Kooser, graduate student and editor of the "Salt Creek Reader," a poetry publication. Kooser was the recipient of the Vreeland Award in 1964.

"Lint Money," short story which won the Mari Sandoz fiction award last spring, has been submitted by Bill Coyle. Miss Diffenderfer, has contributed a poem, which was given an award by the Academy of American poets last spring.

Miss Diffenderfer explained that the magazine was published on campus previously, and then neglected for thirty years. Ten years ago "Scrip" was revitalized to provide a medium for students interested in literature.

"Scrip" is published twice each semester with the second publication date set for a few weeks before Christmas. Contributions for the second issue may be submitted to the English Department office on second floor of Andrews Hall.