

Emotion Threatens

Unfounded emotion threatens to cloud the minds of voters in the special election on the minimum standards housing ordinance Tuesday.

Many home owners who rent out property fear, and rightfully so, that they will have to expend a large amount of money for repairs to buildings which they have allowed to deteriorate into little more than shacks.

Home owners who live in their own property also fear that they may have to spend a great amount of money to make repairs on their homes.

Other people say that the ordinance would give the government the right to enter their homes, look into every nook and cranny and then report them for one small violation.

Yet most of the fears regarding the minimum housing ordinance are based on ignorance. Granted home owners and renters may be required to make extensive repairs; but there are outright grants available from the federal government for hardship cases and also low-interest loans for extensive renovation.

But these repairs would not be neces-

sary had the owners kept the property from deteriorating to such a state. Thus, after the initial repair, this measure would be primarily a preventative measure.

It is also unrealistic to believe that the inspectors would take advantage of this ordinance because of the obvious constitutional guarantees involved in such an ordinance. If we cannot trust the advisory board set up under this ordinance to give citizens a square deal, it seems unlikely that we can trust our mayor, governor or president to make fair decisions.

The ordinance contains numerous safeguards to guarantee the constitutional rights of the citizen. And the ordinance will protect older sections of Lincoln from growing into slums which blight many larger cities of the United States.

The importance of this issue to University students should be apparent: improved off-campus housing for the increasing number of University students who live off-campus.

The Daily Nebraskan urges all eligible voters in the University community to vote for the minimum standards housing ordinance.

Place To Stay

The Business Executives Seminar on Latin America has the potential of making Nebraska not only a place to come from, but also a place to stay.

The seminar, which is self-supporting through registration fees, will train American business executives who will serve their firms in Latin America.

Study will be centered on Latin America, but it is not altogether inconceivable that the executives will become better acquainted with Nebraska resources

— which include University of Nebraska students.

Knowledge that Nebraska has both the natural and human resources necessary for business could help to promote the state's slowly-growing industrial status.

The Institute of Latin American and International Studies, headed by Dr. Roberto Esquenazi-Mayo, should be congratulated for instituting what could become a plug to Nebraska's "brain drain."



By DAN DICKMEYER

Him: Well, I suppose you're wondering why I have called you up here to see me, other than the fact that your time had come. Mr. Dow: Quite frankly, Sir, you took me at one of my busiest times of the year—recruiting season. I was booked up solid through Nov. 20 when I was to be at the University of Nebraska. My company's reputation is at stake and...

unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. Mr. Dow: Well, getting back to napalm, Sir, what must I do to be Eternally Profited. Him: Tell me, how big a container can I get the stuff in should I want to order some? Mr. Dow: Order, Sir? I'm afraid I don't understand. Him: I was hoping I wouldn't have to spell it out. But say I wanted to annihilate about three billion people.

CAMPUS OPINION

Dear Editor:

No we're not kidding! The ASUN Special Project Committee did put up the sign urging people to vote FOR the Minimum Housing Proposal. The main aim of this sign is faculty, administration and other employees of the University who are registered voters in the city of Lincoln. However, we hope that students eligible to vote will also be reached by this sign.

the city's homes do not provide safe and adequate shelter; they are dilapidated beyond the point of repair. Another 18 per cent are in various stages of deterioration, broadly defined as conditions which need more repair than would be provided in the course of regular maintenance.

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Self-defense

Dear Editor: Since I am one of the more than 15,000 students who have been labeled "apathetic," I would like to say what apathy is and isn't. I am apathetic about ASUN. It is a deliberative body, not an acting one; I can't recall right now any thing that they have ever done. (Although if I concentrate on it I might recall some statements of theirs.)

of the South Vietnamese" —so how can this be subject to question. What is truly subject to scrutiny is whether the obligations entailed in accepting the request were fulfilled as they should have been, i.e. with a minimum wastage of human lives and in a minimum period of time.

feel only disgust; for they are not even worthy of good clean hate. The human organism has stepped to a new record low. I am sorry, but it is true. Claudia Jones (Editor's Note: The University will not make any money on dormitory fees for some years. The dorm charges go toward operation and paying off loans on the construction of them.)

Vietnam

Dear Editor: While Mr. David P. Demarest's letter (Nov. 2) on the recent Vietnam referendum contained much that is logical and noteworthy, it seems that certain statements of his are based on fallacious thinking. For instance, he has asserted that "for the South Vietnamese to achieve lasting freedom they must have the capacity and the will to repel aggression and establish capitalism for themselves."

Diatribes

Dear Editor: I denounce the following: —Administration for its hysterical inquisition of supposed marijuana users, among other things. —ASUN for not even trying to get what the students want.

Yet nearly all the professions have codes of ethics which emphatically deny this right. The claim the student owes his ability to the incompetents of this country or the rest of the world; that it is his moral duty to enter into some unprofitable transactions.

Grand Sprix

by George Kaufman

I was highly intrigued last week by the case of the young man who was flying the Russian flag in his dorm window and the incensed patriot who took it as an affront to his (our) country.

As it turned out, there is a Nebraska law which prohibits the flying of a flag of an "unfriendly" foreign nation.

Now this is nothing more than the kind of thing which one has come to expect from Nebraska (Them dirty University kids messing up the veterans' day parade for all the patriot soldiers last Saturday). But the part of it which intrigued me was the part about how to go about finding the list of "friendly" countries to the United States.

All right, let's start with the obvious nasties. Communist China, right? Everyone agreed? And Russia? And of course Cuba and North Vietnam.

Now for the good guys. Britain, right? And Canada, of course. We haven't had a war with Canada for a long time. Oh, yes. And Germany and Japan, I almost forgot.

Some of the veterans who wanted their parade Saturday haven't forgotten Germany and Japan's friendliness, however.

And Russia was our ally against Japan and Russia, wasn't she? Oh, darn it, now I'm getting all mixed up.

Is Egypt our friend? We haven't had a war with Egypt for a while. Oh, and those damn Spaniards pose a real problem. We love their bullfights, but after all, Franco is a dictator, isn't he?

We like South Vietnam because they have elections, even though the opposition parties couldn't run.

We don't like Russia because she has elections in which the opposition parties can't run. I guess the difference is that South Vietnam let us come and watch the people vote and be democratic and all that, and Russia won't let us come watch.

We didn't like Japan while we still had troops stationed there to keep an eye on her. But we have troops stationed in Alabama, New Jersey and Washington to keep an eye on them. Are they friendly?

The two most passionate wars we have fought were against Britain and the Southern United States.

Is it against the law to fly a Confederate flag? Would you complain about it to an Alabama sheriff?

Let's face it, patriots. You can't tell the teams without a scorecard, and the scorecard changes every ten minutes. It's like keeping tabs on which party Terry Carpenter belongs to at any given moment.

Does the United States really have any "friends" when it comes right down to it? The patriots may soon find that Russia is one of the more friendly.

Our Man Hoppe

Scene: The Pearly Gates. St. Peter, nervously swinging his keys, is surrounded by a host of heavenly cherubs.

St. Peter: Ahem. You're probably wondering why I called you all here this morning. Well, as you know, babies come from Heaven. But it seems we're having a population explosion on the planet Earth — that's the tiny one out there on the fringes of Galaxy MCXXII. Demand has tripled and, frankly, we can't keep up. So it's my duty to inform you cherubs...

And, lo, the chorus of eyes shook the very stars and reverberated even through the farthest vaults of Heaven. Daily Nebraskan Nov. 13, 1967

