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University students, Larry Eckholt, Dan Dickmeier and Diane Hicks participate in the demonstration against Dow Chemical Company and the war in Vietnam.

Anti-Dow demonstration . . .

Inside the picket lines: comments on dress—rise of the anti-anti

by Susie Jenkins
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A disdain for baths is a prime mark of a demonstrator, if one judges by the belligerent remarks thrown at anti-war demonstrators Friday.

The greatest number of comments spat at the pickets in the Student Union concerned the bodily cleanliness of the picketers, even of people like me, dressed in clean clothes and with newly-washed hair.

The demonstrators specifically aimed at Dow Chemical Company, but generally protested the Vietnam war. In order to view the protest from the "inside" for a Daily Nebraskan assignment, I held a sign and alienated friends and acquaintances, as did the other demonstrators.

Two reactions

Mick Lowe, one of the organizers, noted that outside reaction was of two kinds: people either looked guiltily away from the demonstrators or tried to offend the protesters by heckling.

"Demonstrations are such an oddity on this campus that people don't know how to react," Lowe said. "We demonstrated for about five hours, and there were

very few people who tried to speak to us with logical arguments. The remarks were just personal affronts."

Lowe said that such reaction ranged from "Get a bath" to "... you, you damned hippie."

"People won't heckle when they are by themselves; it seems it takes two or three of them to give each other support, so they have an audience to appreciate the 'patriotic' action said Lee Kinney, another organizer.

Better in California

"We would have better reaction, or at least reaction on a higher level of mentality, if we were in New York or California," Kinney said.

Pickets stationed at "anti-war" posts carried signs that read: "Napalm makes millionaires," "Would Napalm convert YOU to democracy?" and "Old soldiers never die—young ones do."

On the opposite side of the walkway where the demonstration was held, several men held pro-war signs.

The other side

One crew-cut participant who had already fulfilled his military obligation held a sign which read:

"Continue the War—End Communist Colonialism."

"We had planned to demonstrate against (Eugene) McCarthy when he came here to speak, but when we heard about this demonstration, we decided to show up here," he said.

The man viewed napalm as a weapon, like other weapons of war, just a little more useful. We think we should use the means at our disposal to win," he said.

"They (the other demonstrators) are just using napalm as a vehicle to demonstrate against war."

'Ho Chi is a warmonger'

Other pro-war signs included: "Ho Chi Minh is a Communist Warmonger," and "If Hanoi don't come around, we gonna burn Hanoi down."

Relations between the two factors were cordial, and there was even some talk of having the whole group go to coffee together.

"At least those guys (the pro-war demonstrators) don't make remarks about our personal habits," said one protester with long hair.

The demonstrators against the war did make some converts, notably a sorority girl who chal-

lenged the group to "do something useful," and who ended up holding a sign.

What rules?

An old lady also asked the group what "the rules" were, thinking that the demonstration was a game.

Television reporters and cameramen were present taking pictures for broadcast, but they carefully avoided shots of anyone but the "hippie" elements present.

High school students on campus for the state basketball tournament didn't react much, as if this were to be expected on a college campus. The real words came from university students.

Logic not expected

Lowe said that he was not too upset by the harshness of the passers-by.

"Vietnam is an emotional issue. People react from their 'patriotic' feelings, so their words won't always be logical," he said.

This may be so, but I was knocked speechless when a graduate-age student approached me, a clean and hopefully sweet-smelling coed. He calmly asked, "Does Dow Chemical make soap, too?"



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Tiemann asks YR's to help campaign

Urges support for Youth Suffrage

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Gov. Norbert Tiemann has urged the University's Young Republicans to seek a voice in government, especially through supporting the recently inaugurated campaign to lower the voting age to 19.

Tiemann told the group at a Thursday meeting that young Nebraskans should have a say in the government and said that he hoped all of them would join the Nebraskans for Young Adult Suffrage movement.

The group is out to gather talent and resources to help put across the campaign, he said, and if those involved can persuade the people in Nebraska to accept it, then the voting age in the state will be lowered in November.

'Responsible, sophisticated'

"The young people in this state have demonstrated that they are responsible, sophisticated and well educated. You should have a voice in government," Tiemann added.

In other matters, both Young Republicans and Young Democrats approved motions at weekly meetings to sponsor Choice '68, the mock presidential primary for colleges and universities.

The action at both meetings late last week came after ASUN Senate voted Wednesday against sponsoring the primary.

One dissenter

The favorable vote cast at the YD meeting was unanimous and the count at the YR meeting showed only one dissenter, who said earlier that college students were generally liberal in their political ideas, and the results of such a primary could influence the third party campaign of former Gov. George Wallace.

These organizations now join the Nebraskans for Young Adult Suffrage and the Daily Nebraskan who have already agreed to volunteer support.

When the Time national primary commission approves any or all of the sponsors, the University will join 2,600 colleges and universities across the nation who have already agreed to participate.

YR President Phil Bowen, who introduced the motion to sponsor Choice '68 at the meeting, said that about 30 people signed up after the meeting to help work on election preparations which include dissemination of information

about the 14 candidates who will appear on the ballot.

Anticipated criticism

In speaking to the YR's, Tiemann also commented on the criticism his administration has received. He said this is exactly what he expected and had it been any other way, he would have been greatly concerned.

"Something had to be done for Nebraska to achieve a high place in the hierarchy of states," the governor told a nearly full Nebraska Union auditorium.

"After you have made the changes, you have to sell what you have accomplished. That is the purpose of my town hall meetings. Last night we finished the eleventh of the 19 scheduled," Tiemann said.

No dodging

He added that there has been "no ducking, dodging or avoiding the questions. When people tell him that the spending of this biennium has risen 26 per cent over the last, he points out that spending increased 53 per cent in the last Morrison administration.

Tiemann said the conversation runs like this:

"Why didn't you criticize Morrison?"

"Well, we didn't know about it," they say.

"Well why didn't you know about it?" Tiemann asks.

"Because we didn't have a Republican governor," they answer.

The governor added that once the people understand that what the legislature did was to create an atmosphere to keep the young people in Nebraska, then everything seems to be all right.

Biggest chunk to UN

The biggest single chunk of the state budget goes to the University of Nebraska, Tiemann said, and many people ask why so much money goes to the University.

The governor said that one of his jobs is to defend the budget of the University, which in his words is one of the finest schools in the nation since the merger with Omaha University was scheduled.

He predicted that by 1970, enrollment will reach 30,000.

"The question now is whether Devaney will have a farm team in Omaha," the governor said.



On Campus . . . Today

The Union Talks and Topics Committee will present the film "Are You Running With Me, Jesus?" at 3:30 p.m. in the Union auditorium Monday.

The film is based on a book of prayers by the Rev. Malcom Boyd. Rev. Boyd will be on campus Monday to present the film, and will lecture Tuesday in the Union.

An economics and business roundtable will be held Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Nebraska Union. The topic will be "People and Business Objectives." Arthur C. Bryon, a visiting professor in the College of Business Administration will be the speaker.



The Navy's Officer Information Team will be visiting the campus Wednesday through Friday of this week to assist prospective graduates in planning their future courses of action with regard to military service. Representatives of the team will be available to talk to students from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Union.

An AWS forum of the four presidential candidates drew only five University coeds, one of which was a Nebraskan reporter. For that story, read page three.

Ruling is expected on open door policy

Recommendation, decision will resolve issue

by Mark Gordon
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The University dean of student affairs expects the open door rule controversy to be settled this week.

Although the ruling could be reviewed at any time, G. Robert Ross said Friday the subcommittee on student affairs will make a recommendation on the open door ruling to the Faculty Senate Committee on Student Affairs this week.

Ross, chairman of the committee, said the full committee's decision on the recommendation would hopefully resolve the issue which has been discussed since September.

Ross's statement followed a two hour meeting Friday between the University Board of Regents and the subcommittee on student affairs.

In a prepared statement, the

Board said the meeting was fruitful, but no decision was reached during the discussion of alternative proposals to the open housing issue.

The issue concerns the open door ruling, which the subcommittee passed as one of six stipulations governing dormitory open houses early in December.

The clause states that all doors except those of residents absent from the floor during the open house must remain open and those residents leaving the floor must register their absence with the responsible officer.

Although he refused to release any specific details of the proposals discussed, Dr. B. N. Greenberg, President of the Board, said the discussion centered on when and under what conditions doors could remain open during open houses.

In calling the meeting one of the most fruitful discussions on open housing, IDA President Bruce Bailey, who met with both groups during the talks, said matters besides open doors were discussed.

Topics ranging from student wants and desires to residence hall operations and recreational facilities were discussed.

"The meeting showed the interest of the Board of Regents and administration personnel in helping the students," Bailey said in adding that the talk was a good basis for future work.

Commenting on 15 student demonstrators who sat for one hour on the administration building's steps in conjunction with the meeting, Bailey said "we can get by without demonstrations."

"We are going in the direction we want and it doesn't take marches over to the administration building to do what we are doing," he said.

While commending the student representatives for their cooperation, Greenberg said he was impressed with the awareness of students to their educational, cultural and social views in a totally orientated program in attaining a complete education.

The full text of the Regents prepared statement: . . . expresses thought that the meeting was fruitful and the Board appreciated an opportunity to get information on how faculty and students on subcommittee view the housing situation . . . visited about alternative proposals advanced by the subcommittee but no decisions were reached.

Board understands the subcommittee will report to the full committee on student affairs this week. . . . discussions being carried on in a democratic manner and all parties are vitally interested in the well-being of students and in keeping the maximum learning situation intact.



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Hodegrin (Linda Varvel) and Maura (Ann Van Steenberg) practice a scene from the lab play, "The Aborted Moon" written and directed by William Turek. The play concerns two middle-aged women who have spent the last decade isolated in one room. The performances will be tonight and Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Arena Theater, 303 Temple. "Hell Is Other People" written and directed by Mike Messmer, another lab play will be presented in 201 Temple at 8:50 tonight. Admission to both plays is free.