Graduate coed visitation hours plea defeated in Board of Regents action

by John Dvorak Nebraskan Staff Writer

Selleck graduate students are unl:appy and downcast about the defeat of their coed visitation proposal. The Regents voted unanimously Monday not to permit the visitations that had been previously approved by the NU housing policy comittee.

"We were surprised and not too thrilled of course," said one coed, Elsie R. Shore. Perhaps since there was no personal dialogue between the graduate students and the Regents, the Board was not familiar enough with the situation, she suggested.

THE PROPOSAL, made to the Regents by Dean G. Robert Ross, would have allowed graduate students and foreign students living in Benton and Fairfield Halls to have visitors in dormitory rooms noon-11 p.m. weekdays and noon-1 a.m. on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

"This was not 24 hour-seven days a week visitation," Miss Shore pointed out. "Visitors would have come only on an invitation basis," she said.

The two dormitories are unique, since they house only foreign or graduate students. Nearly every student is over 21.

"Personally, I am offended at the idea that I can't take care of myself," Miss Shore said. "I think you should have the right to bring whoever you want into your own room - within limits of community life of course."

THE STUDENTS themselves would have policed the situation, she said. The graduate students should have this right, she continued. Many are older people, with many responsibilities.

One student is an English instructor. Three nuns live in the complex. One student is in his fifties and studying for his doctorate. Some of the people are teaching assistants and tutors.

"It's silly to treat these people, many of whom are married, in this way," she said.

THE IDEA began last October, according to Rochelle L. Roth, who helped draft the formal proposal. The proposal, sent through proper chan-nels, was approved by the University Housing Committee and administration officials, including Ross, dean of student affairs.

The Board of Regents have studied the proposal since late fall, although it took no action. Without advance warning the Regents then considered and defeated the proposal last Mon-

The president of the Board of Regents, Richard E. Adkins, said that present policy is "no coed visitation in the dormitories." That was the reason for the proposal's defeat, he said Wednesday.

Also, it is not fair to grant one dormitory visitaton privileges, and not offer the same privileges to other dorms, Adkins said.

THE ACTION was unanimous, he pointed out. But if the grad students desire, the Board could consider the proposal again sometime in the

At least some of the graduate students feel the University is behind the times in not granting the privileges. Some western Universities have had some form of visitation since the 1940's

Bill Jacklin, a 28-year-old resident of Benton Hall, was a counseler in an Indiana University residence hall. Open visitation, seven days a week, was the policy, he said.

The demeanor of residents improved after the policy was instigated, Jacklin said. The boys stopped walking around in various stages of undress and bad language noticeably decreased.

NO SERIOUS problems existed, he said, but at NU, the Board of Regents just does not have high respect for young people, especially graduate students. The Regents apparently feel that students can't handle themselves.

Jacklin emphasized that the University was not ready for an extremely liberal policy. "At Michigan State, I think, there are only two rules for dormitory visitation," he said.

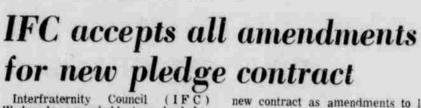
the opposite sex in his or her room for more than 24 hours. (2) No sexual intercourse is allowed in the dorm,'

Jacklin was at a graduate dorm at Indiana University. "That was where it happened, so to speak," he s a i d . "Controversial discussions, speakers; that was where the acton was. Graduate students did not want to isolate themselves in an off-campus

The situation is different at NU, Jacklin said. There seems to be a general fear of instigating more liberal policies.

NO ONE KNOWS what the future holds. The graduate students have not decided on any further action.

"We were counting on this for a long time," Miss Roth said. "We may try to establish more personal contact with the Board of Regents. if this is possible, and find out why it was defeated. We'll just keep working on



Vanocur speaks of

Wednesday amended last year's pledge education contract to include all the alterations and additions suggested by the IFC pledge education com-

In the crucial third clause concerning hazing, the council in a roll call vote of 16-10 agreed to add a sentence prohibiting and defining "line-ups."

A NEW CONTRACT was presented to the IFC last week for approval by Steve Sumnick, pledge education committee chairman, but the contract was tabled. At the opening of old business. Sumnick withdrew his motion for approval, and proceeded to propose the individual sections of the

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Student protesters are generally "smug and fat-cat," Sander Vanocur

day. But they are probably not more

so than the people they are dealing with, he added.

Vanocur, Washington correspondent for NBC News, spoke at the East Campus Union about what he called

"a decade of hope and a decade of

A GENERATION ago, he said.

parents complained that their children

were apolitical and too interested in

University audience Wednes-

new contract as amendments to last year's contract.

The largest amount of discussion and controversy arose over the sentence defining line-ups as "pledges standing at attention or being verbally or physically assaulted.

"Line-ups are only one way of getting a pledge class together to tell them something, and they can be constructive," according to Dick Holman of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. This sentence is an attempt to prevent degrading of pledges.

JOHN JARCHOW, representing Delta Upsilon, said that "fraternities Continued on page 4



Constructon is underway on the new undergraduate library to be located on the first floor of Nebraska Hall. Completion date is set for September, 1969.

Nebraska Hall addition to house undergrad library

by Bachittar Singh Nebraskan Staff Writer

As a result of the University survey conducted by Taylor, Lieberfeld and Heldman architects in the mid 1960's. the University's Central Planning Committee has made recommendations for the expansion of library

Approximately 60,000 square feet of undeveloped space in Nebraska Hall have been assigned for an Un-dergraduate Library. It should be ready for use in the 1969-70 school year, according to Frank Lundy.

library director. The Undergraduate Library Nebraska Hall will seat 1,000 stdents. The College Library, to be housed in the terrace level of a proposed central library expansion will seat another 750 students. Emphasis is being placed initially on providing a complete library service especially for freshmen and sophomores.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR level students will also find these facilities convenient for many of their reading and study hall needs. Lundy said.

All of the west half of the building (slightly more than half) is now under development for the Undergraduate Library on the second and third floors

he said The Undergraduate Library will serve student residents in dormitories and commuter students at times most convenient for these groups; that is, late in afternoons, late into evenings and all weekend. Lundy explained.

In the central area of each of the two floors — the second and third floors of the building — there is to be a bookstack, separated from and surrounded by an extensive and continuous reader area.

ON THE SECOND floor this bookstack will contain a courserelated and general collection of 50,000 volumes. It will also have a reserve book collection up to 15,000 volumes.

The central book stack on the third floor will house up to 100,000 volumes from other parts of the library system which are already undersized.

The entire project will be welllighted with flouorescent lamps. There Continued on page 3

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"A decade of hope; a decade of doubt" - Sander Vanocur tells his audience.

things, he said.

material things. Today they complain because students are "to political" and not interested enough in material These students have done on weekends what fulltime com-

mentators, politicians and pundits failed to do: drive Lyndon Baines Johnson out of office. They out did the Tet offensive in forcing Vietnam policy change, he said.

"I feel change in the air," Vanocur enthused, "and I feel that change is what will save this nation." He said that change will not come without

violence, but counselled those seeking violent change to count the cost.

"CHANGE IS going to come," he make no mistake. We can't resist it. But if we do, we'll be overwhelmed by it."

There are "winds of change" growing in Congress, he said, adding that there are usually "other winds" coming from that body. However, Congress is moving toward a "politics of quality rather than the old politics of quantity," where progress is measured by the pound of legislation.

But real change will not come from the federal government, the commentator added. Students are forcing change, he explained. Politicians are finding that it's not only a moral good but a political good to work for tax reform and against the welfare scandal and pollution, he said.

VANOCUR REFERRED to the passing decade as the decade of doubt. It was characterized by a foreign policy predicated on the assumption that the United States has unlimited strength. But the Vietnam war has taught the U.S. it is not omnipotent, the former Army officer told the applauding audience.

change

The 1970's, he said, will be the decade of hope. The electronic media are affecting attitudes toward world events, he explained. Referring to Marshall McLuhan's theories about the electronic revolution, Vancouver quipped, "I don't understand him but I think he's on to something.

Broadcast news, he said, has caused history to become looped. He explained that a video tape may be formed into a loop and made to replay continuously. He challenged the audience to try and distinguish between a report on the Vietnam war made two years ago and one made just recently.

EVEN HALTING the bombing on the North has not changed the situation significantly, he claimed. The U.S. is now delivering more bombs on the South than it did on the North and South combined previously, he

Vanocur related American policy makers to "the dress manufacturer who was losing a dollar on every dress but hoped to make up his profit in

University student battling draft board with support of journalism school professor

by Jim Pedersen Nebraskan Staff Writer

A University student with the backing of a professor in the school of journalism is batling his local draft board which reclassified him I-A and referred his appeal to the State Selective Service office — all within a week

Tom Anderson, a senior journalism major from Fairbury, said Wednesday he will take his appeal to the national level if necessary.

"I am being railroaded into induction by a draft board consisting of sen'le senior citizens and a vindictive secretary of the board." he said Wednesday. "I think I can appeal my case for two years just on what the bord has done to me so far."

Anderson is now registered with the University as a part-time student carrying 11 hours. The law regarding II-S deferments states that to be considered a full-time student it is necessary to carry 12 hours credit.

"ALTHOUGH I AM technically a part-time student, I am doing more work now by taking "Journalism 171" than I have in any previous semester,"
Anderson added. "I was taking 14
hours but I found that the load was too much so I dropped a courso."

According to Jim Davis, assistant professor of journalism, students taking "Journalism 171" are advised not to take repre than 12 hours.

'Some students do take more than 12 hours during the same semester and they take 171, but we don't recommend it," he said Wednesday. "The majority of students don't carry more than 12 hours."

According to Anderson, the Jef-ferson County draft board did not know that he was not a full-time student until he notified the board.

"I WROTE THEM a letter explaining everything, and Davis called the secretary to explain my situation in the journalism school," he continued. "Within five days I was I-A."

Anderson then sent his card back, and in two days he received word that his entire file had been forwarded to the State Selective Service headquarters to handle his appeal.

"By law I have the right to appeal my classification in person within 30 days," Anderson said. 'The secretary of the board is bypassing my said. 'The right to a personal appearance hear-ing by sending the file to Lincoln and the State board."

"I have a feeling that my draft board never saw my file or letter," he added. "I think that the secretary is handling the whole thing."

The Jefferson County board secretary, Mrs. Lola Veitsch, claimed Wednesday that Anderson had been told he would have a personal hearing in Fairbury and would be notified as to the date. 'Anderson was not a full-time stu-

dent so he was reclassified," she con-tinued. "We don't have to give a reason for reclassifying anyone. Anderson could graduate in August

by attending summer school.

However, his situation is complicated by a desire to take part in the journalism school internship program for which he would work during the summer months at the Scottsbluff Star-Herald.

"By participating in the internship program I wouldn't graduate until January, 1970," according to An-derson. "But I would get valuable experience which would be important to me in my career."

DAVIS, IN INTERCEDING for Anderson, said he emphasized the importance of the internship program.

"I told the secretary that we consider the inernship program essential to our journalism sequence," he said. "We think it is as much a part of the sequence as any classroom

Davis added that he emphasized in telephone conversation that although Anderson dropped three hours, he was not dodging the draft since those three hours would not affect his graduation date.

"I OFFERED TO GET letters from faculty members testifying that Anderson was not trying to evade the draft." Davis continued." The secretary was uninterested and said such information was irrelevant.

Anderson, who spent his freshman year of college at the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., said he turned down an offer by the Navy to join the Naval Reserves because he wanted to finish his college educa-

According to Davis, Mrs. Veitsch indicated that since Anderson had not taken the opportunity to join the Naval Reserves, the board would not be sympathetic to his case.

"It is a perfect example of the selective service bureaucracy," Davis added. "They aren't interested in the end result which is that Anderson is perfectly willing to go into the service in January when he gradutes."

Anderson is not confident that his

appeal will be granted.

"I have been told that the state board will give my case careful consideration." he said, "but I am not optimistic."



Selective Service Board . . . "beauracracy" . . . is the adjective attached to his draft board by Tom Anderson, senior in journalism, who was recently reclassified 1-A. The department is aiding Anderson in his fight for a rehearing.