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He came in thru the bathroom window:

Agnew eludes protesters

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Feeling ranged from the humorous singing of Alice's Restaurant to the angry chant, "Feed the Poor, End the War" as anti-war, anti-Agnew demonstrators stood outside Pershing Auditorium Monday night.

The 500 protesters, waited for two hours in 30 degree weather for Vice President Spiro Agnew's arrival at the \$50-a-plate GOP dinner held to increase Gov. Norbert Tiemann's campaign kitty. But the guest of honor entered through the back door.

The demonstration was peaceful throughout. One 20-year-old protester burned his induction notice while police watched. One well-dressed dinner guest grabbed a pile of leaflets from a demonstrator's hand and threw them on the ground. But the 25 student marshals kept control of the crowd which at one time numbered near 700 until frost bite set in.

Lincoln resident John Janecek said he burned his induction papers to "show contempt for involuntary servitude." Police Officer Wallace Gant who watched the incident said his only instructions were to prevent harassment of arriving guests. Gant termed the demonstration "very well organized."

Two-thirds of the 160-member Lincoln police force were assigned to the demonstration, the officer said.

Protesters carried signs like "Every Hitler Needs a Silent Majority, Thou Shalt Not Kill, Except . . ., Isn't America Listening Anymore, and How Many Vietnamese Fought in Our Civil War?"

The chants didn't spare Spiro either. They shouted sometimes gleefully, sometimes with outrage, "No Agnews is good Agnews; Work for peace, send Spiro

back to Greece; 1-2-3-4 Tricky Dicky stop the war; All we are saying is give peace a chance."

The crowd got slightly out of hand upon hearing that Agnew was already inside having been driven down a ramp into the basement of Pershing. "Screw you, Agnew" was their reaction and some crowded the front entrance rattling the locked doors. Moratorium committee workers who sponsored and policed the protest turned them away asking everyone to leave after picking up any litter.

Police, who were only sparsely visible although evidence of their presence was just around the corner, said they had thought Agnew would enter through the front door.

"If he can't face the people, then who can he face?" commented James Healey, English instructor at NU. Another NU English teacher, David Hibler attended the demonstration with his Great Dane, Juno, to show that some over 22-year-olds and some middle class Americans also oppose the Vietnam war and the administration's policies, he said.

Ivan Volgyes, professor of political science at NU, said he was protesting because "I have always believed in getting out of Vietnam now." Agnew stands for "the worst in America" according to Volgyes who said that the vice-president's campaign comments of "fat Jap" labels him a bigot.

Alan Ball, a 19-year-old Wesleyan student, said he attended the demonstration because, "I don't think \$50-a-plate is for a good cause."

Moratorium committee chairman Mike Shonsey said the demonstration "came off real well," but stressed that "there is a heck of a lot more to do. It's going to be a long time before the war is over. The things we're doing now are just the first steps in Nebraska."



Spiro speaks while about 700 protesters chant outside.

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