

Times are changing

# Creighton students flood dorms

"Creighton University has a problem with its public image. Twenty-five years ago this was a place where students were mollified and instilled by the Jesuit fathers and prepared for a lifetime of service to the Catholic faith. That image does not reflect the present situation."

As Bob Hobbins, president of the Student Board of Governors spoke, students were outside preparing for a protest demonstration which extended well into early Saturday morning.

And, students were still cleaning up one dormitory that had been accidentally flooded during demonstrations that Friday afternoon.

Dismayed over the CU's refusal to continue coed visitation in the school's dormitories, the students first

marched around campus carrying signs and chanting. Then they turned on all water faucets, lights and appliances in the dormitories.

"Our policy is active non-cooperation," Hobbins said. "We wanted to run up large electricity and water bills. In addition, we tried to isolate the president's office by keeping the telephone lines tied up."

One portion of the student's protest backfired, however. The sewer system couldn't handle all the running water, and drains backed up. The first three floors of one dormitory were flooded and water drained into an adjacent ground level bookstore and game room.

"We planned no malicious destruction," Hobbins emphasized. "The flooding was an accident. But we do plan to escalate our protest efforts."

The immediate issue is coed visitation. Dormitories were open during evening hours and on weekend afternoons for the last several weeks. Without warning, however, the Dean of Students suspending all visitation.

"What people don't understand," Hobbins said, "is that coed visitation is only the immediate issue at hand. The overall issue is the voice



Fred Gates



Bob Hobbins

students have in making decisions which affect their non-academic lives."

Creighton dormitory students were accorded coed visitation in the last several weeks only because of a liberal interpretation of an old rule which allowed "open houses"

during specific weekend hours. A formal proposal for coed visitation had been approved by all necessary dormitory and student groups. In addition, the proposal was passed by the All-University Committee on Student Life and Policy, the supreme faculty-administration-student committee on campus. But acting-President Father Clement J. Schneider turned it down.

"The physical and mental environment of the University is not suited at this time to permit visitation as a rule," said Dean of Students Thomas Burke.

Schneider concurred, saying that a number of factors were responsible for turning down the request. There was no overriding reason, he added.

"To me, the whole issue is

student voice in decision making," said Fred L. Gates, residence director of the flooded men's dormitory. "Every committee approved this coed visitation proposal, yet the president turned it down. This throws one hell of a wrench into university government at this institution."

Gates said coed visitation "went along well" in the past few weeks. "I'm particularly upset with this decision," he said. "I just didn't think the President would turn down the proposal."

## Acacia elects

### Venerable Dean

Acacia fraternity has elected Raymond Jacobs as Venerable Dean for the 1970 year.

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# CALENDAR

Monday, March 16, 1970  
Nebraska Union

11:30 a.m.  
Press Conference — Senator Ribicoff

Noon  
Community Arts Council  
IFC Luncheon

12:30 p.m.  
Placement Luncheon for Senator Ribicoff

1:30 p.m.  
World in Revolution

2:30 p.m.  
Girl Scouts — Campus Gold  
World in Revolution "Herbert Hill"

3:30 p.m.  
Pahellenic  
Campus Crusade for Christ  
Builders—Calendar & Directory

4:30 p.m.  
Tassels

5:45 p.m.  
Unicorns

6 p.m.  
Towne Club

7 p.m.  
Towne Club Mothers

7:30 p.m.  
Math Counselors  
Zoology Wives Club  
World in Revolution "Robert Theobald"

8 p.m.  
Afro American Collegiate Society

9:30 p.m.  
Mortar Board