

# Is YAF still a laugh?

Those who considered the blue button campaign to be YAF's most dynamic program in some time may soon be confronted by a proposal with far more practical impact. Terry Cannon, president of the organization, has announced that YAF intends to file an injunction to freeze the use of student fees.

Calling the fees "extravagant" and "not used for the best purposes of students," Cannon urged an "end to the abuse of student fees for political purposes by a small minority of radicals." He also claimed that the elimination of fees would soften the impact of the proposed tuition hike. (President Soshnik has already taken steps to alleviate the blow of increased tuition by moving to set aside \$160,000 to aid those students who cannot afford the increase.)

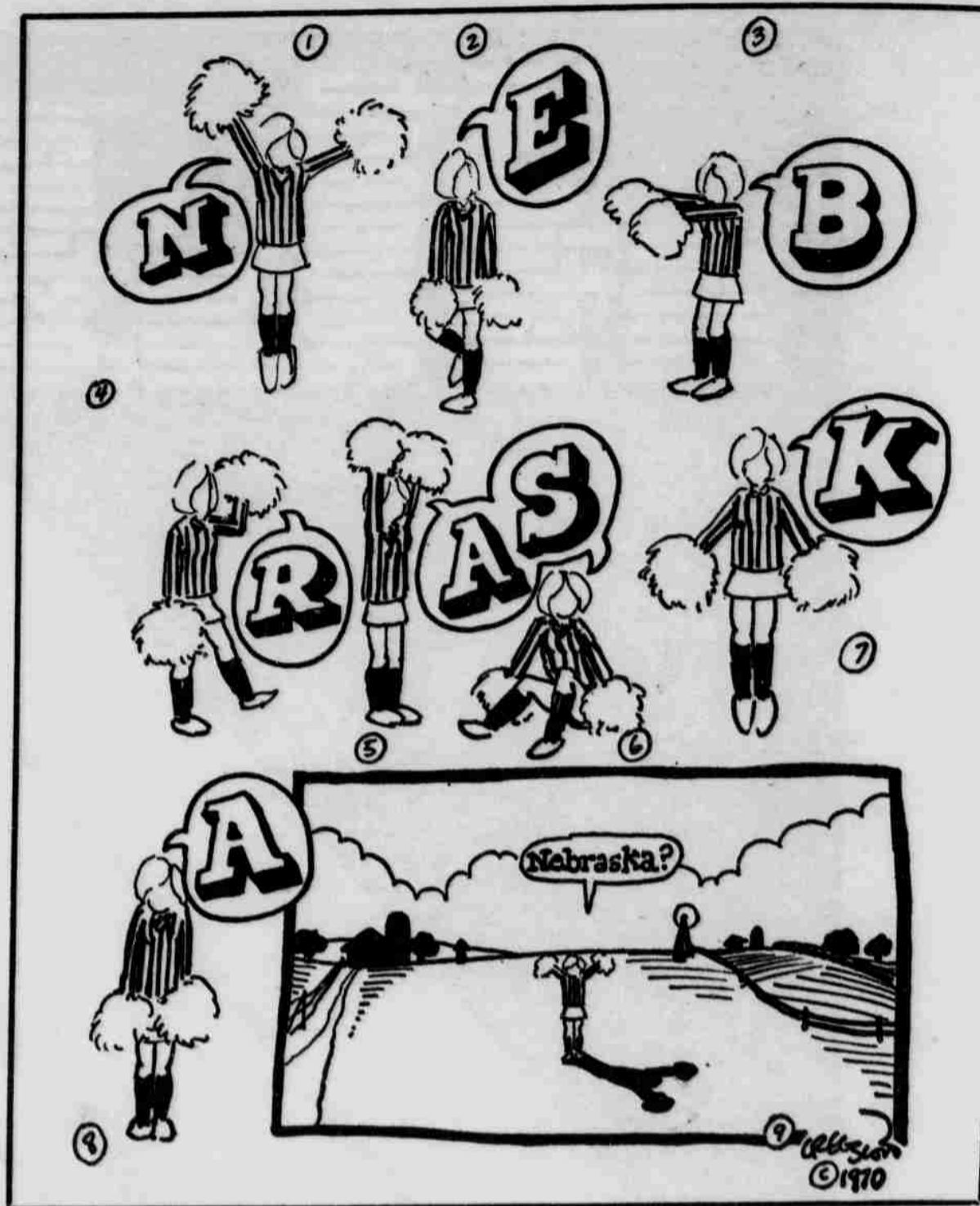
"A small minority of radicals" is fine language for stirring the emotions of the ignorant and uninformed but one wonders just who would compose this far-left clique at NU. The Board of Regents does control the use of student fees, and, admittedly, they are a small minority, but it is doubtful that YAF meant the Regents. So which one of the groups that uses student fees might constitute the radical cabal? Student Health (Sorry son, we have to know your political affiliation before we can give you this inoculation)? Recreational facilities? The debt retirement fund?

There are only three organizations receiving student fees which could conceivably use them for "political purposes." The programming section of the Union receives \$6 each semester; The Nebraskan receives \$1.25 and ASUN, this semester, will be given 80c for each full time student.

None of these organizations is controlled by "a small minority of radicals" nor is there any indication that one of them has spent fee money "extravagantly." At this point, YAF has offered no evidence to support its allegations and it seems doubtful that they will be able to produce anything convincing.

It would be a poor trade, and one that The Nebraskan doubts many students would support, to exchange Student Health services, all student government services, the record store, affiliation with the National Student Organization and the discounts for speakers and programs they make available to members, all free concerts, all subsidized concerts, all backing for concerts that cost money, all speakers except the two provided by the Convocations Committee, food and game services in the Union, the record and art lending services, Model UN, the foreign film series, weekend films and the special films at Sheldon, Hyde Park, The World in Revolution, resource personnel for all organizations, the availability of equipment in the Union, the services of the Student Activities Office, The Nebraskan and the Cornhusker and other excellent services for the "volunteer fee" system. (no free concerts or entertainment, no subsidization of programs, pay a fee to hear a speaker, etc.). The volunteer fee system would mean the death of a great deal of the entertainment and cultural opportunity on campus.

Cannon's proposed attempt to freeze and eliminate student fees appears to be more of an egotistic effort to exert power than an attempt to institute constructive change. What YAF terms an "offensive movement" is truly the most offensive movement on campus and potentially the most destructive one.



# Democrats struggle bravely despite Spiro's mighty smites

by Arthur Hoppe

Scene: The beleaguered headquarters of the Democratic Party's high command. A faded and tattered N.R.A. banner flies forlornly over the ruins.

"Keep rebuilding, men," cries General Lawrence (Blood 'n Guts) O'Brien. "Only nine million more dollars and we'll be out of the hole!"

A RISING WHINE pierces the air. "Incoming!" shouts a young Lieutenant, hitting the dirt. An ear-splitting explosion showers the troops with mud.

"Good FDR, it was a Troglodyte!" says the Lieutenant. "That's one of his heaviest metaphors."

Rat-a-rat-rat-rat! "Keep your heads down, men!" yells General O'Brien. "Now he's spraying us with rapid-fire alliterations. And have your gas masks handy. I just caught a whiff of contumely in the air."

SUDDENLY, a skinny, dark-haired old trooper leaps to his feet. "I can't take it any more," he screams. "I'm going over to the Ronnie Reagan Brigade and sing my heart out." His handsome, baggy-eyed buddy weaves after him, waving a hip flask.

"The Rat Pack's deserting the ship sir!" says the young lieutenant. "Is it an omen?"

"JUST BATTLE FATIGUE, son," says the General. "Take cover! Here comes a barrage of sinister smiles!"

"How long can we sit here under heavy bombardment, just taking it, sir?" asks the Lieutenant, trembling. "Why can't we strike back?"

"With what, son?" asks the General with a brave little smile.

"Unleash the Kennedy Juggernaut, sir," begs the Lieutenant. "It's always proved invincible."

"NO GOOD, SON. It's been out of action since it went off that bridge. Our Husky-Muskie Rocket isn't ready. And our McGovern Missile, so far, hasn't got off the ground. Face it, lad: our coalitions are crumbling, our unity's breached, our forces are under constant fire day and night, and we're out of ammunition."

"Great JFK, sir!" says the Lieutenant, paling. "What about last remaining outposts across the countryside?"

"I fear they'll be overrun in the enemy's all-out November 3 offensive, son. It looks like a bloodbath. But I've got a desperate plan that'll save us yet. Seeing we're out of weapons, we're going to steal a powerful one from the enemy's own arsenal. I've sent a wire

to Mayor Lindsay."

"A REPUBLICAN? To lead us?" gasps the Lieutenant. "What would HST or LBJ say?"

"Desperate times require desperate measures. I offered Mayor Lindsay an opportunity for fame and glory by leading our poverty-stricken, disunited, defenseless forces through a deadly barrage of vituperation and innuendo to victory in '72 and..."

"An urgent telegram from New York City, sir," says an orderly dashing up and saluting.

"At last, help is in sight" cries the General. "What's it say, orderly?"

"It says, sir, 'Are you out of your cotton-picking mind?'"

"THERE'S ONE LAST HOPE, sir," says the Lieutenant, grimly. "I'll go over the top, crawl through the barbed remarks to the enemy GHQ and blow up his dictionary."

He leaps to the parapet and is immediately hit by a fiery fulmination.

"Young fool kid," says the General, wiping away a tear. Then he shrugs. "But after all, if this keeps up, sooner or later every one of us survivors is going to be tagged by one with his name on it."

# 500 students: a drop in the ocean

(Editor's Note: This is the second in a two-part series concerning foreign students on the University campus.)

by Bachitar Singh

Thousands of foreign students come to the United States for a higher education, which, for one reason or another, is not available in their home countries. Students representing 172 countries and territories attended 1,827 American institutions in 1969.

A survey showed that 22% were in engineering, 20% in the humanities, 17% in the physical and life sciences, 15% in social sciences, 10% in business administration, 5% in education.

According to the Foreign Student Office, there are 500 foreign students enrolled at the University of Nebraska. Though this is a mere drop in the ocean compared with the total number of foreign students in the United States, these 500 represent about 60 countries and territories.

This flow of students into the U.S. creates an opportunity for the students, as well as the American people, to develop international good will and mutual understanding. Because the United States seems to have taken the "white man's

burden" on its shoulders, and because it has become the world's leading power, both in economic and military strength, it is important that the future leaders of America become aware of what the rest of the world is doing.

Everyday on television, in the newspapers, and in the magazines we see and read that in some place or other the world over, people are fighting. Whatever the reasons, death and destruction continue. The Vietnam war, the Middle East crisis, and the over-running of Czechoslovakia by the Russians are good examples of such phenomena.

The hope for survival today rests on reason and understanding. For peace and the well being of man there must arise new leadership that will bring love and understanding instead of threats and fear. It is only through love and understanding that we can achieve a harmonious and cohesive universal society.

"Discussion makes the matter clear" we usually say and modern government stands on the view that mutual understanding develops through discussion. If every person had the chance to talk to enough people of other nationalities and if they were able to recognize each other as human beings, there would be far fewer difficulties in the world

and perhaps there would be no wars.

Usually one has neither the time nor the opportunity to meet people of other nationalities and few have the chance to travel and meet others. Students at the University of Nebraska, however, have both these opportunities — time and nationals from 60 countries and territories.

Students enrolled here will play important roles once they get into their professions. This is particularly true with regard to the policies of their countries. Their word will be the gospel truth to their fellow countrymen and whatever they say will affect the thinking of those with less education. Many of the present leaders of countries in Asia and Africa were once students in universities of America and Europe.

Any false concepts, bias or hostility developed by foreign students will have disastrous repercussions when they return home because many others will be led to the same false conclusions. Therefore it is imperative that one leave no stone unturned to explain things as they really are.

American students have an extremely important role to play by helping foreign students in this venture.

(Editor's note: The following letter is in reply to a story concerning the University's recent participants in the Stillman College exchange program.)

Dear Editor:

On Wednesday, Oct. 14, The Nebraskan printed an article entitled "White student at black college criticizes exchange program." It was conceived from the article that this newspaper went to the trouble to interview two white students who participated in an exchange program with Stillman College. The purpose of the interview was to destroy the concepts of a Black institution.

THE TWO WHITE boys (Ron Whitten and Roger Rinne) criticized the Black institution for not giving them the "red carpet" treatment, upon their arrival. If you white boys were expecting that type of welcome, then you should have brought your own rugs.

# Letters

TWO BLACK sisters of soul (Emily Williams and Ernestine Watson) came here as a result of the exchange program, and had to find their own way to the university. The two Black students had to find the administration building, and register, without the concern of many white individuals. Also remember, this is a much bigger institution than Stillman College.

THE TWO white boys who went to Stillman College forgot the purpose of the exchange program. The purpose was to relate and live with Black students in their own environment. You got down there and couldn't find any means to relate, so you tried to play "super liberal" but you were shot down from the sky.

You couldn't, white boy. You couldn't stand that Black professor telling you what to do. You couldn't stand it when the Black students laughed at the way you danced. You couldn't get a date from one of those beautiful Black

sisters. You couldn't stand living in a Black environment for a full semester.

The two Black sisters (Emily and Ernestine) who came here, related to your way of life, white boy. They related to your racist norms. They related to your white racist instructors. They related to the lily white University of Nebraska. But more important they still can relate to themselves and their people. They left this university feeling proud of their blackness. You invented the game, white boy, and you lost at it.

Black schools are different from white schools, just as night is different from day. White boy, you have finally found out what it means to be an outcast, and it has blown your simple white mind.

Now white boy, you are talking about going to Tuskegee Institute, another all Black school in Alabama. White boy — stay home and pretend you're liberal.

Darryl C. Eure

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