

CUE attacks Nebraskan, ASUN

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In an effort to remove non-University partisan politics from the University campus, the NU Committee for Undisrupted Education (CUE) will recommend to the Board of Regents Friday that *The Nebraskan* be stripped of its student fees, student government be removed from the partisan political arena and the use of campus speakers for purely political matters be stopped.

CUE will also recommend the creation of an "administration committee of review" with the power to rule decisively on the use of the name and finances of the University, students, and student organizations.

The recommendations are part of a special 22-page report prepared by CUE for the Board of Regents. CUE was organized

last May as an anti-strike student organization.

The report states that CUE does not favor repressing students in any way.

"Rather, CUE intends to make all elements of the University more responsible and representative," the report states. "CUE asks only that the University be removed from the role of making political decisions in broad categories such as foreign policy, and relate its concerns to the University itself."

Accusing the campus newspaper of being "flagrantly partial" and running editorialized news stories, CUE recommends *The Nebraskan* be placed under the control of the School of Journalism and be stripped of its use of student fees.

The CUE report claims that the campus newspaper should not engage in editorializing "of

any kind" and should be primarily an information sheet since it receives student fees and appears to be a "semi-official" spokesman for the students and the University.

"We are not opposing freedom of the press," stated the report, "we are opposing forcing students to support a press whose freedom from extreme political bias is highly questionable."

Highly critical of ASUN activities during the voluntary boycott of classes last May, CUE recommends that ASUN's constitution should be altered to prevent the student government from entering the political arena.

CUE contends that student government should not take stands on foreign or domestic policy, but may "legitimately comment only on University and academic policies affecting students."

The report further recommends that the Regents detail the powers, duties, and obligations of ASUN and that ASUN's membership in the National Student Association be terminated.

Claiming that student fees at NU have been used to "saturate the campus with a single political line," CUE recommends that the use of student fees to bring in campus speakers for purely political matters be stopped.

"We believe that it is perfectly proper for the University to provide facilities for speakers invited and paid by student organizations," states the report. "But we object to the use of student money collectively for the purpose of bringing to our university

speakers of a thoroughly political nature."

The proposed committee of review should have broad policy making powers in the areas of student government, the use of student fees, and politics on campus according to CUE.

CUE also recommends that the proposed committee should retain an accountant and fiscal analyst to oversee the financial records of the Student Activities Office, the Nebraska Union, student government and student organizations.

The CUE report also examines the activities during and following the student strike last May.

Concerning ASUN strike activity the report concludes:

—Student government leaders acted improperly in initiating the strike. After initiating this action, ASUN often failed to meet the financial obligations they assumed.

—There were financial irregularities of a scope and seriousness that calls into question the judgment and responsibility of ASUN, the NU administration and Student Activities Office. There are also serious questions about the free use of state property, University funds and labor to aid in a clearly partisan political matter as the Peace Rally on May 9.

—The strike itself set a dangerous precedent. It allowed the use of student power structures for political ends in open violation of the status of the University and its sub-organizations in law. It also violated the constitutional rights of students as citizens to commit themselves as individuals on political matters.



Caveat Emptor

Carpus chronometer thrills ticking majority

by BILL GANZEL

Spiro has arrived. At least four stores in the Lincoln area have been selling the original Spiro T. Agnew watches during the past few months. All report that sales have been good.

"It's slowed down some now, but a while ago we were selling eight or nine watches a week," said Stan Linnertz, manager of the Campus Book Store. "For a small store like we are, that's real good."

Brandeis reports it is selling Spiro watches "by the dozens." The watches are the same ones that caused a mild furor several months ago when they hit the market. Manufactured by the Dirty Time Corp. of California, the face shows a caricature of the Vice President holding up a peace symbol with one hand. Part of the profits from the sale of the watches goes to charity.

"We've sold to all sorts of people," said Don Hamann of Sartor-Hamann Jewelers. "We've even sold watches to very prominent Democrats and Republicans."

Virginia Holoubek, manager of P.J.'s Corner, said that one older woman bought two because she thought they would become collector's items in a few years.

Linnertz characterizes the people who buy the watches into three types:

"First there are the ones who think that it's a little chic to wear a Spiro Agnew watch — the ones who want to be in. Then there are those who think it will become a collector's item, like the original Mickey Mouse watch. And then there are the political activists."

But, whatever their reasons, more and more people in this "Land of Nixon" are wearing Nixon's right hand man on their own left hand, watching Spiro's hands move.

Help someone

Student Activities urgently needs volunteers for the following projects:

... Bell ringers for the Salvation Army, Nov. 27-Dec. 24 any time during business hours in downtown area, Gateway and other business areas. Call Capt. Zarfis, 432-5779.

... Officer worker with typing skills for the Association for Retarded Children, one-half day a week, Capitol.

... Officer worker with typing skills at ETV, one-half day a week.

... Probation counselors for Juvenile and Lincoln Municipal Courts.

... Tutors for Lincoln Indian Center, sewing teacher and someone to assist with Arts and Crafts.

Anyone interested can phone Zoya Zeman, Student Activities, 472-2484.

Phi Gams protest . . .

Intramurals provoke conflict

"Intramural Sports Program at the University of Nebraska affords the entire student body an opportunity to enjoy competition in the truly American way." Intramural Sports Handbook.

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It was only meant to be a simple intramural flag football game between the Phi Gamma Delta and Phi Delta Theta teams.

But instead, that Oct. 5 football contest has resulted in a mass of controversy, charges, counter charges, incidents, probation and finally the year-long suspension of the Phi Gamma Delta house from all intramural team sports.

And now, in unprecedented action, the case will be appealed to the Office of Student Affairs and Dean of Student Development Russell H. Brown.

The first incident occurred near the end of the Oct. 5 intramural game at the Vine Street field when the PGD team disputed a call made by referee Rodney Niemann. A pushing and shoving match ensued, Niemann ejected one of the participants from the game, and then the referee was slapped by at least one PGD player.

Whenever such an infraction occurs in intramural sports, the six-student Intramural Advisory Council decides what punishment should be meted out.

In the PGD case, they voted to put one of the campus'

largest fraternities on probation for one year.

At the time Phi Gamma Delta was leading the intramural program in total points accumulated. The fraternity's teams have finished first or second in intramural competition for the last five years.

Then in a Nov. 4 football game with Triangle Fraternity, another series of calls was disputed by PGD, a scuffle resulted and a referee was struck.

The Intramural Advisory Council met again and without granting the Phi Gamma Delta house a hearing, voted unanimously for the suspension.

PGD intramural official Jeff Freed, however, criticized the Council for "sloppy" procedures, poor communication with his fraternity, and viola-

tion of its own constitution.

After Freed's protests, the Intramural group met again and unanimously reaffirmed their suspension decision.

One year's suspension is far too severe a punishment since an organization of over 100 men is being punished for the acts of only a few of its members, Freed said.

"We certainly don't condone striking referees," Freed emphasized. "But I don't think it is necessary to suspend an entire organization for a year just to set an example."

Freed said his fraternity was never notified after the first incident that it was on probation or that disciplinary action of any sort had been taken against his fraternity.

And Freed charged the Council with rules violations by allowing one of its six

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