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This is not a ticket, but if it were within my power, you would receive two. Because of your Bull-headed, inconsiderate, feeble attempt at parking, you are parked where you shouldn't, you inconsiderate nin-compoop and have taken enough room for a 20 mule team, 2 elephants, 1 goat, and a safari of pygmies from the African Interior. The reason for giving you this, is so that in the future you may think of someone else, other than yourself. Besides I don't like domineering, egotistical or simple minded drivers and you probably fit into one of these categories.

I sign off wishing you an early transmission failure, (on the expressway at about 4:30 p.m.). Also may the Fleas of a thousand camels infest your armpits.

WITH MY COMPLIMENTS

An anonymous traffic "officer" made the rounds during the football game Saturday and distributed complimentary parking tickets to illegally parked cars. The cars, parked mainly in student parking areas, received a verbal slap on the wrist instead of the usual bill.

Impeachment rally Saturday

A meeting will be at 4 p.m. Thursday at Commonsplace, 333 N. 14th, to finalize a planned rally for the impeachment of President Nixon.

In a meeting Tuesday afternoon, the group decided to meet for the rally at 11 a.m. Saturday at the north steps of the Capitol. The rally then will proceed to Rep. Charles Thone's office. Speakers are planned for the rally.

UNL security reports 55 coed visitation violations

By Vince Boucher

Dormitory visitation violations numbered 55 at UNL in September, according to Bob Ken Nelson, coordinator of residence hall security.

"We know that we only catch about one percent of the violations," he said. Nelson said that this is the first semester in which violations of Residence Hall Association (RHA) rules have been recorded.

"This is really a routine action," he said. All the activities of the student security officers are now recorded, so their performance can be assessed by University Housing, he said.

Names of the students violating visitation hours are not recorded in the monthly report which goes to Campus Security Officer Gale Gade and to the housing office, he said.

Nelson directs the housing patrol squad and acts as a liaison between the Housing Officer and Campus Security. There are 100 commissioned officers and 200 uncommissioned officers are employed through UNL office funding, he said.

Student officers accompany the commissioned officer on duty, patrol a residential complex patrol dormitory buildings nightly, each night "after 1 a.m.," he said.

Officers patrolling the halls are primarily there to apprehend "undesirables" from the floors, Nelson said. He added that officers

realize most of the violators are invited guests and are not disturbing the floor.

"We're caught in the middle," he said. Campus Security employees may disagree with the current visitation policy and realize that the number of students caught is slim, but the rule still exists, he said.

He said patrolling also serves helping those who become ill, students locked out of their rooms, maintenance and prevention of thefts of both students and university property.

"The lounges are keeping their furniture now," he said. "Until a couple of years ago when the program started, the word was if you needed furniture for your apartment, just hit the dormitories," he said.

Nelson said that the model for the current structure of professional and student officers evolved after visiting several universities. None of the programs used students as officers in the dormitories, so the UNL program is a pilot project, he said.

"I'm really proud of the student officers and the general student reaction has been very favorable," he said. The "hassle factor" is cut down because student security officers recognize the students who live in each dormitory and can more easily identify people who do not belong in the buildings, he said.

Student veterans aim for financial aid benefits

By Tam Mehuron

"Most students think students veterans are in Fat City. If we were dumb enough to go to Vietnam, we deserve what we get..."

True?

False.

Just paying for an education is a continuous frustration for the majority of 1,800 UNL student vets, according to Hank Medlock, Student Veterans Organization (SVO) president.

The frustration comes from the vets' experiences with UNL and Veterans Administration (VA) red tape to get paychecks and also the vets' unawareness of all the benefits open to them, he said.

This is where the SVO steps in. "We were formerly set up as a place for vets to get together, but now we're also working to get benefits for the vets," Rich Henderson, SVO vice president, said.

However, SVO has been severely hampered in its effectiveness because of inability to contact all UNL student vets, Medlock said. For protective measures, federal law states that no lists of student veterans can be distributed. The Board of Benefits enforces this law with a policy of withholding student veterans' names.

UNL Director of Registration and Records Ted Pfeifer said "the regents' policy is clear on what they consider to be public information on students. Identification of members in special interest groups is not considered acceptable information to be released."

As a result, SVO is in a "catch them when we can" situation in contacting other student veterans, Medlock said. About 500 vets know of the club, he added.

Another problem is SVO's campus image, Medlock said when most persons get out of service, they don't want to do anything associated with the military. Consequently, they avoid groups like the SVO.

However, the organization is not affiliated with any branch of the military, Henderson said.

SVO also serves as a contact between the VA and student vets concerning paychecks. The VA adopted a new advance paycheck system last spring which didn't allow enough time for the VA and UNL administrations to work out problems in the system,

Pfeifer said. As a result, many vets received late checks or no checks at all.

Medlock said one vet asked SVO for help in trying for two months to get his \$600 paycheck from the VA. The vet told Medlock that if he didn't get the check within the week, he'd have to quit school.

Medlock said he called Les Taylor, regional director for the VA and explained the situation. Medlock said he and Taylor solved the problem and guaranteed the vet that he'd get the check within ten days.

Group work is thus more effective than one man battling his head against a wall of VA red tape, getting needed results, Medlock said.

The club's ability to cut through VA bureaucracy is the result of improved relations with the VA, Medlock said. With the help of Taylor, the relationship between SVO and the VA has been "a needed boost," he added.

Concerning financial aids for veterans, Medlock said a vet has to know the name of a program and program before any action is taken.

Some of the programs available to UNL student veterans are Help American Vets through Education (HAVE) program, the Nebraska Veterans Emergency Aid Fund and tutorial assistance allowance, as well as the GI Bill. Under the bill, vets are eligible for \$50 a month up to \$950 total for academic awards.

The HAVE program is available to all student veterans, providing loans at three percent interest for a maximum of one year with no cosigner, Medlock said. The aid fund offers grants to vets for needed money.

Despite these programs, Medlock said much more money could be channeled to UNL vets if the necessary manpower and resources were available.

Henderson added a student veteran need not be a member of SVO to qualify for the benefits available to him.

Problems concerning a list of veterans' late paychecks the lack of a list of benefits officials at UNL have made SVO-administration relations difficult, Medlock said.

However, combined with VA SVO improved relations, effective communication and active support of SVO by UNL administrators may be able to

according to Medlock.

If so, it could be because of the recent meeting of Medlock and Henderson with Pfeifer and Gerald Bowker, director of Academic Services.

Bowker proposed that in order to get the desired results in the UNL-SVO relationship, the group needed to present their problems with credibility, by using experiences, facts and figures. Solutions and alternatives should be offered next, he said.

SVO now is involved in constructing a letter to present Bowker's suggestion, Medlock said it would be sent to Ken Bader, vice chancellor for Student Affairs.

Medlock defined SVO's basic problem as a lack of knowledge concerning the person to contact in the administration who would actively support and work with the group.

"No one was willing before to sit down, discover what work out hassles. Now we are doing that," Henderson said.

