editorial opinion



to the editor

Sorrow shared

Dear editor:

If any group in American society should possess social consciousness, one would hope it to be its universities. I must conclude that the University of Nebraska is a remarkable exception from this philosophy.

Standing on the steps of our state capitol last Friday, I shared the sore and mourning hearts of Indian families gathered with their children huddled to the walls of our fine and glorious monument to Nebraska history; from the center of our state government had fled the governor to avoid his moral responsibility to these chastised peoples.

As much as the Indian peoples demonstrating last Friday wished to see more of their own, so I wished to see more of my people, too. Mostly there were just photographers, eager for a bit of news to help digest the evening's dinner, a few well-dressed policemen and a general aura of simple curiosity about the whole affair, courtesy of some "innocent bystanders."

Even the state-employed janitors came out upon the steps and shared our thoughts; where was everyone else that they couldn't have done likewise as these valiant warrior people are struggling alone to carry the crushing burden of our freedom?

Just recounting this to my daughter, she laughed and said, "...looking for someone to come was the funny part." And I thought, "how cruel" and then. . . "how true."

De Lana Cromer

John who?

Dear editor.

In response to the article on McCollister and the possibility of his running for the Senate only "if Hruska steps down," I ask a simple question: Is he serious?

Running only if Hruska steps down implies that he agrees with the type of voting record and dated views that Hruska possesses. Do we really need another Roman Hruska to embarrass us further?

As for McCollister himself, during the recent campaign his TV spots showed him saying, "All right McCollister, what have you done?" That wasn't quite my response. It was, rather, "All right McCollister, who are you?"

He talked about the lack of strong leadership in Congress. Surely he doesn't think that we will believe he can provide that leadership? If he could, he should have done so in the House of Representatives rather than waiting for a Senate seat to display his abilities.

Let's elect an agriculturist, someone who will represent that large portion of Nebraskans who have been practically ignored by our present representatives. Such a representative would never be so dense as to refer to Butz as "an articulate spokesman for

Finally, just for a change, let's elect someone who focks the boat, who is not afraid of making enemies by introducing controversial bills. Someone who will function more as a senator than a seat-warmer. Such a person is not John Y. McCollister.

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Every Thursday 7 pm - 1 am

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