

Nebraska's U.S. senators compared to Neanderthals

By Betsie Ammons

The responsibility for fair American Indian treatment lies in the United States government, and the right people aren't being elected to fulfill that responsibility, a native American author and lawyer said Wednesday.

Vine Deloria Jr., author of *Custer Died for Your Sins*, spoke Wednesday night in Nebraska Union Ballroom as part of the *Power and Conspiracy in America* symposium.

Deloria told a group of about 100 persons that "the American system has gone

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to hell, because people are not fulfilling their citizenship requirements."

Each citizen should review political candidates and participate in the electoral process, he said.

"Most American's don't care who governs them," he said, citing the long-terms of Nebraska senators Roman Hruska and Carl Curtis as examples.

"Nebraskan's might as well send Neanderthal men to the U.S. Senate," he said.

Deloria said this public lack of concern

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By The Associated Press

Ford involved?

Washington—Former White House counsel John W. Dean III said Wednesday that President Ford had a role—although probably an unwitting one—in the early stages of the Watergate cover-up. Dean said the incident occurred during the September and October 1972 when the White House was seeking to block a pre-election investigation of Watergate by the late Rep. Wright Patman's House Banking and Currency Committee. Meanwhile, Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., informed reporters he had met with special Watergate prosecutor Charles Ruff over the issue, and that Ruff told him he would decide by the end of the week whether to review the tapes of conversations between Ford and then-President Richard M. Nixon during the period in question.

Pill not factor

Boston—Researchers say taking the pill has no apparent effect on which sex children will turn out to be, even though earlier reports said women who use oral contraceptives are more apt to have girls.

results in the election of a Congress that "totally refuses to deal with American Indian problems."

Those problems include the poor conditions on American Indian reservations, and white American attitudes about American Indians, he said. Those attitudes haven't changed since the 1890's, he added.

Deloria also criticized what he called the "buddy system" in government.

He said he spoke to U.S. senators about legislation to curtail violence in Pine Ridge, but since South Dakota senators were not willing to do anything, the other 98 senators did not introduce legislation so they wouldn't offend their colleagues.

However, he said, it is not just American Indians who are victimized by the current government system. He said the government has an impact in every American fact.

Deloria recommended that there be a substantial turnover in the Senate and House of Representatives every two years, so elected officials will be more responsive to citizens.

He also urged people to vote, telling them that if they aren't in favor of Jimmy Carter or Gerald Ford, to vote for Eugene McCarthy.

"Those votes may scare the hell out of the major parties," he said, "but it's time they had the hell scared out of them."

Harvard researchers say they found that of 6,109 children born to Boston area women who took the pill, the babies were divided almost evenly between boys and girls. Their findings contradict a widely publicized report two years ago by a team of Hungarian doctors. The Hungarians said that of 560 infants born to women who had taken the pill, 46 per cent were male. And of the 170 babies born to women who had been on the pill more than two years, only 34 per cent were boys.

Gambler

Omaha—A hearing will be held in federal court Thursday on the motion by an admitted Omaha gambling conspirator to have his sentence reduced in exchange for talking to the Nebraska State Bar Association about lawyers who may have been involved in gambling matters. Bert Reid Howard, who is serving a one-year prison sentence, said in a motion before Judge Albert Schatz that he would allow the release of his testimony before a grand jury that returned indictments against 18 people last year and give depositions to the bar on his knowledge about the gambling involvements if his sentence is reduced. The bar's disciplinary board, State Sen. Ernest Chambers and local prosecutors have argued for release of the grand jury transcripts but no ruling has been made.

short stuff

Tassels and Corn Cobs, the upperclass spirit organizations, will sponsor the "Yell Like Hell" homecoming pep rally Friday. All organizations interested in participating should write a cheer that they will yell at the rally.

Cheers will be judged on originality, content, and volume of cheer. Judges will be UNL football players and coaches. Prizes will be awarded.

The pep rally will start at 6 p.m. by the east side of Memorial Stadium. It will proceed to the south side of the Nebraska Union where the competition will begin.

Balloon day will be held in conjunction with homecoming, Saturday. The Tassels, will sell Big Red balloons on campus and near the stadium prior to the game. Proceeds from selling Big Red balloons goes toward paying for Tassel's migration to the UNL-Iowa State University football game Nov. 13.

The Second Annual Reksuhn-roc homecoming celebration will be Friday evening in the Union. It is sponsored by the Corn Cobs and Tassels.

The UNL Actuarial Club will meet at 7 p.m. tonight in Burnett 319.

The UNL Student Alumni Board is taking applications for new members through Oct. 15. Anyone interested in joining the board should fill out an application at the Alumni House, 1520 R St.

A workshop in intrapersonal communications will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday. The philosophies of Eastern Yoga and Western psychology will be explored through mind, movement and music at the UMHE Commonplace, 333 N. 14th St., sponsored by the Human Potentials Committee.

Balthazar and Gordon Becker will conduct the workshop, which is limited to 30 participants. Regis-

tration is \$15 for UNL students, \$30 for others.

A workshop series in creative vegetarian and natural foods cookery sponsored by the Human Potentials Committee and the Lincoln Yoga-Meditation Society will be 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, in the UMHE Commonplace basement kitchen.

John Brumbaugh, UNL zoology professor, will speak about the *Genetic Engineering of Chick Embryo Pigment Cells in Culture* at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in Bessey Hall Auditorium. An informal coffee hour will begin at 3 p.m.

The UNL Center for Co-Equal Education, a project to assist educators in the implementation of Title IX, is sponsoring an open house from 2 to 7 p.m. today at Henzlik Hall 214.

All students interested in volunteering for the McCollister for U.S. Senate campaign should call Roger Fleury at 464-3073 or 432-8855.

The UNL Agronomy Club will hold an initiation at 7 p.m. tonight in Keim Hall 244.

The Undergraduate Psychology Organization will meet at 7 p.m. tonight in

the Union to hear a speaker from the Lincoln Alcohol and Drug Intake and Referral Service.

A Folk Dance will be held every Friday night from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Womens Physical Bldg.

Alpha Chi Omega and Delta Tau Delta are sponsoring an ice cream social from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the Alpha Chi Omega parking lot, 16th and Vine streets.

The UNL Rugby Club is sponsoring the Third Annual Rugger Ball at 8 p.m. Saturday at the National Guard Armory, 1776 N. 10th St.

The Campus Red Cross will meet at 6:15 tonight in the Union. Room number will be posted.

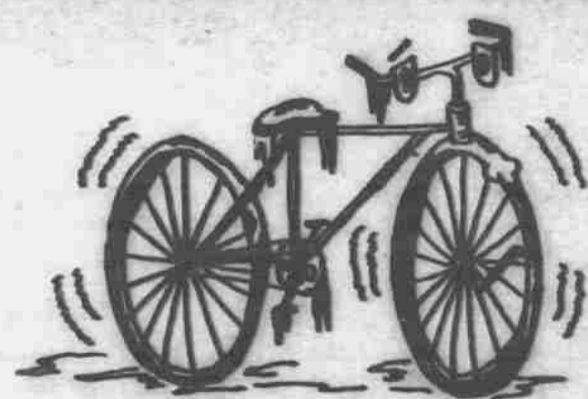
Stephen Hilliard, associate professor of English, will conduct a seminar for teaching assistants in Arts and Sciences on *Discussion as a Teaching Technique* at 3 p.m. today, Lyman Hall 108.

The Physics and Astronomy Dept. will open the Behlen Observatory to the public from 7 to 10 p.m., October 15 and 29.

Professor Norman Allinger of the University of Georgia will speak about *Recent Application of Molecular Mechanics to Structural Problems in Organic Chemistry* at 3:30 p.m., Friday in Hamilton Hall 110.

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