

Appropriation shows weight students carry

One small voice obviously has more weight than was thought possible. Three weeks ago UNL student Bill Jackson testified in front of the Nebraska Legislature's Appropriations Committee about the need for a small business management class at UNL. Jackson requested \$24,500 to establish the course in the College of Business Administration. Saturday the Appropriations Committee approved a \$30,000 allocation in the NU budget for such a course.

This seems to be quite a turnaround from the Legislature's usual reaction to NU budget needs. Usually the NU budget is pared down by the committee, as well as the governor. In fact, the NU budget request as a whole was reduced by the committee Saturday.

It would be nice if all the university's requests were answered as quickly as Jackson's.

However, this shows that when one student takes the time to go before the Legislature to give it a student's point of view, senators will listen. Perhaps too often students let the administration speak for them.

We cannot sit back and read in the newspaper about what NU Interim President Ronald Roskens says the students' needs are at the university.

Perhaps students are waiting for their student government leaders to testify before the Legislature. However, it seems that those persons have not taken this initiative.

We cannot sit back and complain about the Legislature ignoring student needs if the Legislature never hears about those needs from the primary source—the students.

Perhaps some physical education and recreation majors from the University of Nebraska at Omaha should go to the Legislature or to Gov. J.

James Exon. If they went and told them about attending classes in quonset huts and taking swimming lessons at Westside High School, they would get the needed funds for the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Bldg. they say they want so badly.

Jackson should be pleased with the committee's response to his request. CBA students should be pleased that Jackson took the

time to tell the Legislature about it. Unfortunately, this action may have some unpleasant side effects. Such an appropriation makes specific allocations for programs to a university that has been striving to have less strings placed on its budget. While the university for years has been trying to get its budget dollars appropriated in lump sums, now the Legislature is setting aside money for specific courses.

Student Court balance not achieved

The way ASUN President Bill Mueller is handling Student Court nominees seems to be rubbing some people the wrong way. Although Mueller says he is trying to get some balance on the court, he nominated students who were all members of Greek houses.

Although Mueller's nominations must be approved by the Senate, his nominations were met with little opposition by the senators. No senator asked who the other applicants were. No senator questioned Mueller's selection of all Greek house members.

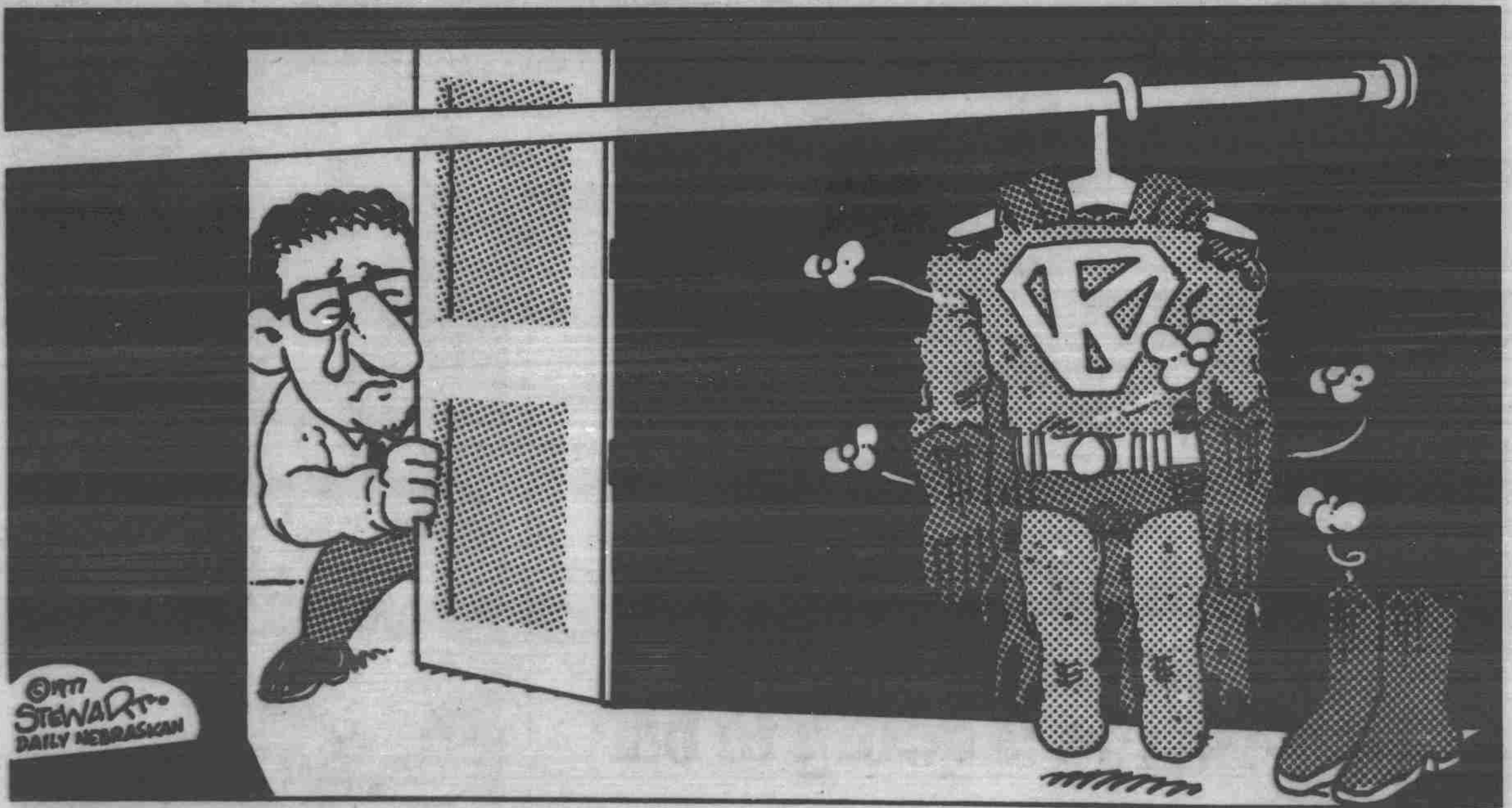
In fact, the Senate was rather passive about interviewing Mueller's nominees. When one senator asked a nominee if he was

affiliated with any fraternity, the nominee replied that such a consideration was irrelevant. It seems that it should be the Senate that decides what is relevant about a Court nominee's qualifications.

If students are looking for a court that is representative of the persons it is serving, next year's Student Court will be a disappointment to them.

Although Mueller will be relieved of his office soon, one of his legacies to the students will be Student Court. We hope that halfway through the year it does not start operating invalidly like this year's Senate did.

opinion



Arthur Hoppe

Kissinger waits in shadows to give foreign policy tips

"Hello, Cyrus? This is Henry. How are things going there in my old office?"
 "Fine, Henry, fine. I hope you're enjoying your retirement. After all those years you slaved for peace, you

skilled, incredibly experienced, certifiably successful. . ."
 "Who's that, Henry?"
 "Me."

Party change

"You? But, Henry, I wouldn't dream of dragging you out of your well-earned retirement. Besides, you're a Republican, aren't you?"

"I think so. But how long does it take to change your registration? Two minutes. And don't forget, I gave the best years of my life to Paris peace talks. And I have the Nobel Peace Prize to prove it."

"I know, Henry, I know. And I'm sure we can count on your seasoned advice. . ."

"I'm glad you asked. Have you started secretly bombing Cambodia yet?"

"Why would we secretly bomb Cambodia?"

"To soften them up for our invasion, of course. I know you've had no experience at Paris peace talks, Cyrus, but you have to proceed in the proper order. It wouldn't make sense to invade Cambodia and then secretly bomb it, would it? In the meantime, don't bomb Hanoi."

"We have no intention of. . ."

"You want to wait until you're actually sitting around the Paris peace table. Then you bomb Hanoi. And don't forget to mine Haiphong harbor while you're at it. This gives both sides even more to talk about."

Success

"Look, Henry. . ."
 "You can't argue with success, Cyrus. Do you realize the Paris peace talks started in 1968? But it wasn't until we bombed Hanoi and mined Haiphong that I was able to sign a peace treaty in 1973 and win the Nobel Peace prize. And, sure enough, two years later the war was finally over."

"Maybe so, Henry, but the public doesn't want to start the war up again. After all, you've already won the Nobel Peace Prize."

"I'm shooting for an Oak Leaf Cluster, Cyrus. Besides, what are Paris peace talks without invasions, bombings and minings? What are Paris peace talks without me?"

"I'm sorry, Henry. . ."
 "Hah! Just as I thought. You Democrats are trying to discredit my reputation as a peacemaker."

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innocent bystander

certainly deserve a rest. Now if you'll excuse me, I have some people in here and the other phone's. . ."

"Wait a minute! Wait a minute! I was just wondering if you'd picked anyone yet to represent us in these upcoming peace talks in Paris with the North Vietnamese."

"The Vietnamese, Henry. It's all one country now. But, no, I haven't. Did you have someone in mind?"

"Well, frankly, Cyrus, there is one person I could recommend highly as an amazingly intelligent, superbly