

# Board of Regents trade suggested

Gallaudet College is a private institution aided by the Federal government. It was founded in 1864 in the District of Columbia. Its enrollment is over 1,000 students. It is the only institution of higher learning exclusively for the deaf. The following is a letter to Gallaudet:

To Whom It May Concern:

As a concerned student at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, I feel it is necessary to break some bad news to you.

**tom prentiss**

At issue was the addition of 8,000 seats on to Memorial Stadium, where the Nebraska football team plays. The stadium capacity is 76,000 seats, but the athletic department wanted more. The Regents wanted more. The students did not want more.

I would appreciate a speedy solution to the problem. Please send our Regents back and we will send you yours. I'm sure you will get along better than we did.

You have the expertise to work with them and make them functional in society. We have tried and tried but too many student government leaders are getting flat heads from banging their heads against the wall at Regents Hall.

Please help us.

Signed,  
Concerned Student

You have the wrong people governing your university. I can say this with authority because we have the wrong people governing our university.

A mistake has been made. Gallaudet, a school for deaf students, has the Board of Regents for the University of Nebraska system. Likewise we have your Regents—for they are surely deaf.

The thought occurred to me last week in the midst of another Campus Controversy here at UNL. It's so evident I'm surprised someone didn't think of it sooner.

The regents were deciding on a 10 percent tuition increase for the 1980-1981 school year. Students didn't want a tuition increase. Guess who won? If you said the Regents, you're right.

Why didn't the Regents heed the vocal disapproval of the leaders of the student senate? Simple. It's because they are deaf to anything that comes out of the mouths of the Associated Students of the University of Nebraska. They just don't listen.

They also ignored a petition with more than 5,000 signatures of students who didn't want any increase next year. Maybe their eyesight is going too.

Since arriving at UNL in 1977, I have noticed a major controversy arises annually to point out the regents handi-cap.

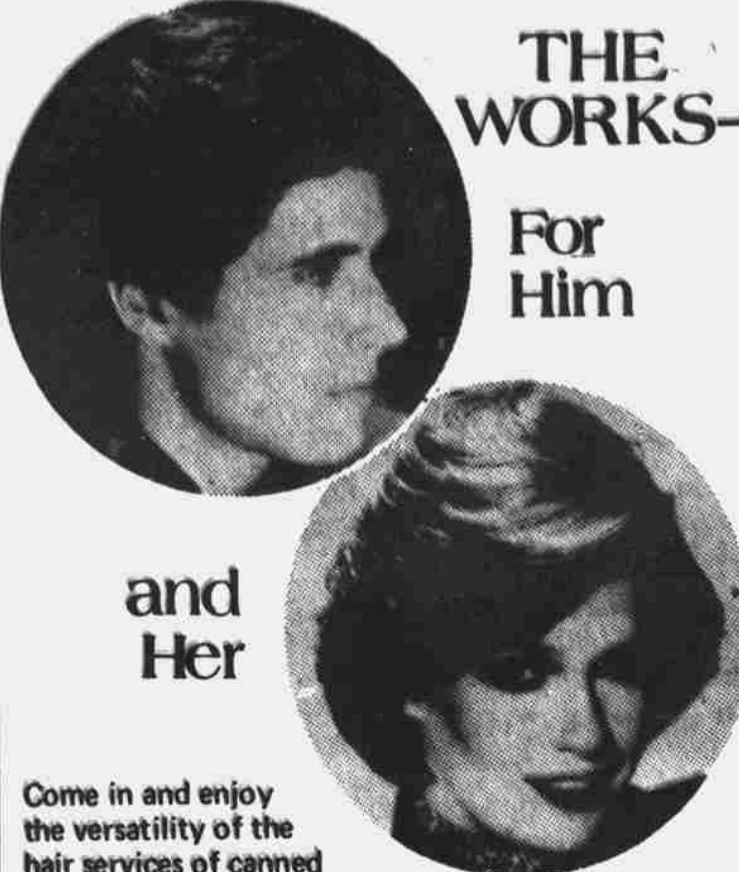
Two years ago they stopped using funds from student fees for speakers. Some conservative students were mad that their money was going to represent people they didn't agree with politically.

Big deal. This has been happening since the beginning of time. We spent millions of dollars in Vietnam and a heckuva lot of people were against that escapade.

We still have speakers on campus, but they are harder to come by and funded from other department budgets the campus programs that used to spend that money on something else.

Last year we had the Great Stadium Expansion Question.

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