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A worthwhile purpose is not served by Sen Chambers slurring gay people and whites who are not racist. To repeat oppression is not a wholly white phenomenon. There are examples of blacks who as businessmen and women exploit whites and blacks indiscriminately. In Africa there are cases of elite blacks in power who oppress blacks beneath them. (Idi Amin was such an oppressor. All South African whites do not own the gold and diamond mines. A few do.)

Sen. Chambers and many others (including the Daily Nebraskan) should realize that while racism and sexism are very serious problems in this society that basically oppression is a class issue: those with power exploiting those without. (By the way I don't consider paying off a mortgage on one's house and making installment payments on two cars and a recreational vehicle to be utopian.) It's essential to realize that the mass of whites and people of color in this society do not own the means of production. (Black and white custodians are basically in

the same category of powerlessness. Favoritism is not always based on race; it can be political, sexual, or based on other arbitrary considerations. Mr. Chambers is not always anti-racist.)

Progressive political change is much more likely to occur when all oppressed people organize an anti-racist, anti-sexist international class struggle.

> Ron Kurtenbach **Journalist**

Chambers gives comment

The vociferous displeasure expressed by some students at my appearance on the UNL campus is quite interesting, because the students who are making the most noise were not there.

Though my talk was open to everyone, the vast major-

ity of UNL students chose not to attend. So they are stuck with a brief, disjointed, out-of-context article written from "the White perspective" by a young reporter who did the best she could. Because I have my own way of saying things, inaccurate reporting occurs whenever a White reporter attempts to substitute her words for mine. Still, a bit of thinking has been stirred up.

If I didn't have such a keen understanding of the shallowness of many students' approach to complex issues, I might be surprised that they react so vehemently to a talk which they did not hear.

Students will do well to distinguish between what I actually said and the article written by Ms. Anderson. Next time, perhaps some of the vociferous "reactors" will attend my presentation and talk directly to me, rather than to a student newspaper article.

> **Ernie Chambers** State Senator

Football...

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A lady sitting behind us at the game said she was going to send her hair coloring bill to the Nebraska football team.

"I must have gotten 20 new gray hairs," she said. And as she drank the last of my schnapps, she added: "I really think I wet my pants."

After the game, Nebraska hysteria erupted again, and most of the talk was about Powers' decision to go for the win rather than tie with a field goal.

However, one Mizzou cheerleader said Powers was smart in more ways than one to go for the touchdown.

MISSOURI KICKER Ron Verrilli missed four kicks in a row in the Tigers' upset loss to Kansas State the week before.

"The big joke around campus," she said, "was after that. Verrilli tried to shoot himself and commit suicide but he was wide to the right."

I suppose that's life in other Big Eight schools.

Driving home Sunday morning, we listened to the Kansas City-San Diego game, and as we passed Arrowhead Stadium, a bright light appeared over our little red Honda.

Standing in line waiting to buy Chief tickets, we met two unfortunate souls who had only three beers the night before.

Taking pity on them, we managed to stretch our road trip into another day and night.

And that's when I said:

"Maybe that scotch and water doesn't sound too bad after all.

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