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This letter is written in response to the article dealing with triple-room occupancy of residence halls which appeared in the Daily Nebraskan. An alternative to living in an overcrowded dorm room does exist. The alternative is that of living in one of the three cooperative houses near campus.

These co-ops involve working with and living among other students with prime emphasis on saving money. Co-ops provide a half-way point between living in a residence hall and living in an apartment. The responsibility of cooking and cleaning is shared among house members, and social life at a co-op is what one makes of it.

I am satisfied with co-op living and invite anyone interested to look into co-ops as an alternative.

Phil Cook
Senior, Mechanical Engineering.

Alcohol policy adequate

I would like to express a view on the UNL alcohol policy which I know quite a number of students share with me. This policy against alcohol on campus is simply a part of Nebraska law, which prohibits the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages on any state property. A repeal of this policy could probably lead to a repeal of the entire law, which would have dire consequences.

Anyone who used state parks and recreation areas knows that they are kept generally litter free. Many people ignore the no alcohol law, and go on and drink

anyhow. The difference though, is that since they are breaking the law, they are forced to be reasonably discreet about it: generally not becoming too unruly or tossing empties where they please. Having lived in a UNL dormitory for three years, I know that the same applies there. The drinking will go on, rules or no rules, but this way the noise and mess usually don't get out of hand.

Although I feel that keeping the UNL no alcohol policy which I know quite a number of students share with law against alcohol on state property, it is easy to find many reasons to keep it for the sake of the university and its students.

Mark T. Vejrosta
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Creationsim supported

There are several books of very scientific nature that support and explain creationism. One would be *The Genesis Flood* by Whitcomb and Morris. This book uses geological evidence to support the origin accounts of the Bible at the expense of the evolutionary framework.

The attorney general's views regarding the constitutionality of the bill were expressed at the bill's original presentation. Subsequent changes along the guidelines were made to meet the objections.

Regarding the expenses, the admittedly exorbitant costs could be avoided if teachers were even familiar with scientific creationism. One does not need a text to explain an idea or theory. Also, more balanced texts could be purchased at those times when new texts would normally be bought.

Many objections to the bill can be dealt with requiring only scholarly (as opposed to close-minded) examinations

by those who are to present the two frameworks. This bias towards the bill and scientific creationism heavily colors the "faults" as a facade for expressing mere opinion. Unfortunately, too many teachers share this bias, preventing any voluntary mention of evidence that supports creationism. Further education, not legislation, would be a more agreeable answer to the problem.

It is true irony that in the past it was the "fighting fundamentalist" who mindlessly ridiculed and rejected the evolutionists' interpretations and now 100 years later, the tables have turned.

Mark Ellis
Graduate Student

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