Letters

Slogans contradict acts

Friday, Feb. 12, the office of the Moslem Student Association (Persian Speaking Group) in the Nebraska Union was attacked by a mob, people from among those who demonstrated against the Islamic Revolution that same day.

During the three years of the revolution, it was shown that those who were opposed to the Islamic Revolution were not following the slogans which they proclaimed.

Those whose slogans were "for the people," are now bombing public places, e.g. railroad stations, buses, shopping centers, etc.

Those who are charging the Islamic Republic of torture and execution of political opponents, are kidnapping and torturing to death the supporters of the revolution. A taxi driver, who was the uncle of one of our members, is an example.

The protesting of the "anti-democratic" nature of the Islamic government in Iran is another means for influencing the opinion of the people and also is widely broadcasted by the mass media in the United States. The purpose of this group's actions is to create an atmosphere of hate against Iran's Islamic government and, at the same time, to cover their own terrorist actions. A typical example of this behavior was when on Friday, after the demonstration, against the "anti-democratic" government of Iran, they attacked and caused much damage to the office (library) of the M.S.A. (P.S.G.) and also stole a camera belonging to a member of M.S.A. (P.S.G.).

We expect this type of behavior from such people, because they believe their goals justify their means.

Moslem Student Association (P.S.G.)

'Parking game' hostile

Well, there went another missed Spanish class – no, not because my car wouldn't start this morning, not because I couldn't miss today's episode of *General Hospital*, not because I hadn't studied for the quiz; but because of inconsiderate, selfish people in the metered parking lot across from Selleck Quadrangle. For some unexplained reason, those who are probably polite, kind, understanding people under normal circumstances, become ruthless, hostile, madmen (or madwomen, whichever the case may be.)

Granted, I have no guaranteed right to a parking place, at least no more than anyone else, but it just seems logical to me that the few parking spots that do open up between classes should be allotted on a first-come, first-park basis. For those of you who are fortunate enough to live within walking distance of your classes, let me explain what is known as the "parking game" to us off-campus dwellers.

Starting at about 7:30 a.m., hundreds of cars file their way onto campus, many of them to stay there most of the day. By 8:30 a.m., the lots are jam-packed, and more cars are on the way. For these poor souls that arrive later than 8:30 a.m., the only way to obtain a legal parking space is to wait for someone to leave. This may not sound so difficult, but when there are 10 or 20 cars looking for five or 10 spots, there is bound to be some difficulty. From my experiences, if one arrives at the lot about 20 to 30 minutes before his class starts, and waits in a lane for a spot to vacate, chances are good he will make it to class on time. Chances are good, that is, if the spot he's been waiting for isn't filled by a car that has just pulled into the lot and came around the corner just as the car pulled out of the stall.

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Is it United Nations?

Shortly after the annexation of the Golan Heights by Israel, the Syrian government called for a metting of the United Nations Security Council to discuss the aggressive step taken by Israel. The council was about to agree on a decision condemning Israel but the decision was aborted by the veto of the United States because it wants peace in the Middle East.

Since the resolution was cancelled, the Syrian representatives called for the UN General Assembly meetings for the same purpose. When the United States felt that most of the representatives would vote in favor of a resolution condemning Israel, the United States threatened to cut its financial support for the organization and to reduce its financial aids for those countries approving the resolution. Is it really the United Nations?

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cific programs, to hear ringing socialist rhetoric, to hear new ideas to see if the left had the key to turn on employment and turn off inflation, you would have been sorely disappointed. There is to the Socialist program the same quality of whistling that there is to the Reagan program. Ronald Reagan once said that he believed his economic program would work because he had faith in it. A French Socialist could never be as blunt or as brief.

It just could be that both the right and the left have run out of ideas or that new economic conditions are simply impervious to old solutions. But where the right and the left still differ is how they perceive the role of government. It was refreshing to hear people who spoke for the government saying in no uncertain terms that the government was there to ensure fairness and equity and justice. No one here believes in trickle down theories.

Whether in the long run the Socialists will succeed or the Reaganites will succeed or, more likely, none of them will succeed, it's too early to tell. That's all for the long run. But as someone said, we all eat in the short run.

Minister after minister talked of values of social injustice and equity. The government's role, they said, was to bring this about not merely to provide the conditions, and hope that it happened. Jacques Attalie, special counselor to President Francois Mitterrand, put it this way: "We must make sure that Marx was wrong when he said that history will determine values. Values must determine history."

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