



Letters

Abel not pleasant

Jim Mueksch's letter (Daily Nebraskan, Jan. 24) concerning the statement of Abel Hall being "a pleasant and enjoyable place to live" is almost as funny as some of Bill Allen's columns. (By the way Bill, keep up the good work).

Sorry, Bill, but we also disagree with you calling Abel a zoo. You should have called it Mary Moppet's 24-Hour Care Center. As former residents of Abel, we know first hand of the futility of attempting to sleep and study without being disturbed in any complex containing 1100 lunatics who are controlled by spineless student assistants, drunkenly staggering home in the middle of the night.

During our residence in Abel, we found ourselves trying to sleep and study through the pleasant and enjoyable sounds of explosions in the stairways and halls, chairs crashing down elevator shafts, light bulbs shattering against our doors and walls, beer bottles flying through windows and down upon students' bikes and heads, stereos blaring during all hours of the night and the distant screams of girls being attacked in elevators.

Jim, if that is improvement, then it must have been pretty scary living there in the '70s.

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Vigilantes in 1984?

The letter from Sheri Packwood (Daily Nebraskan, Jan. 24) left me with no "mixed feelings" whatsoever. Rather it left me feeling extremely disturbed.

While paying lip service to the ideal of innocent until proven guilty, the tone of the letter made it painfully obvious that Ms. Packwood has already decided for herself that Mr. Joubert is guilty.

This is exactly the attitude which was warned against in the editorial in question. Were this sort of thinking to become prevalent, this country would no longer be a fit place to live. Would you that we should return to the vigilante and lynch mob justice of the early history of this country, when the fate of the accused was decided by the instantaneous mass opinion, without regard to the evidence? How many times was justice misserved by this system?

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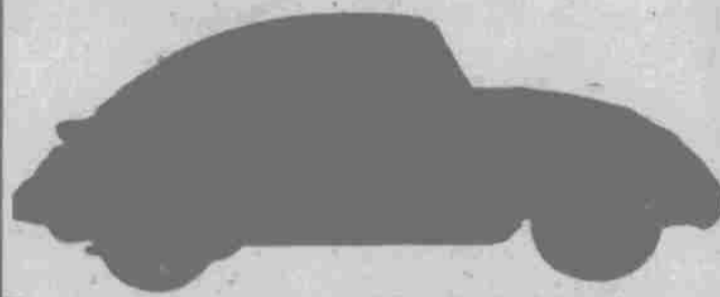
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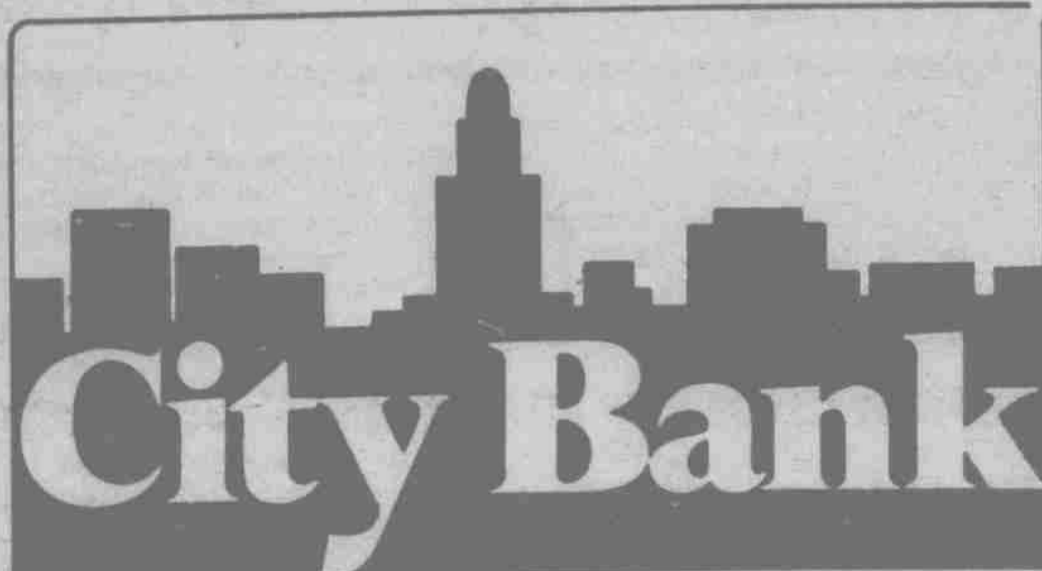
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