# Letter

## Initiative 300 proves citizens can't be bullied

Initiative 300 passed overwhelmingly when it was first put on the ballot. When it was put on the ballot as lature and governor to make the nec-Referendum 300, it was soundly de- essary changes without ruining the the feated. They weren't close votes like whole intent of the measure, so the the seatbelt issue - both votes were changes will probably never come. overwhelmingly in favor of having The Imperial Onion Corp. is an ex-and keeping Initiative 300. The ample of a change that might be made, people of Nebraska proved that they allowing people who get their sole can think for themselves and can't be subsistence from the land to pool re-bullied by corporations, the Legisla- sources to get through the farm crisis. ture or anyone else who tries to tell However, the benefits from Initiative them what is and isn't good for them. 300 far outweigh the detrimental ef-We have twice proved that we want to fects. Without this measure, Nebraska keep Initiative 300, so why can't would eventually lose its independpeople just let it rest.

was feared that land prices would fall their own profits while sending the sharply because the corporations that money out of state and leaving Nehad a lot of money would not be able braska in far worse shape than it was to bid on land. They fell, but at the before. I've seen farm corporations at same time, land prices in other states, work in my areas, and that's exactly without such a measure, fell also. Now what happens. I'm glad we have Ini-land prices are rising, not just in tiative 300 so that won't happen to any Nebraska, but all across the Midwest. However in Nebraska, it is family We've already given corporations However, in Nebraska, it is family We've already given corporations farmers that are buying the land, not too many breaks in our state. This was large corporations. This proves that evidenced by Gov. Kay Orr's and the arguing against Initiative 300 on the Legislature's bending over backbasis of land prices is really not a solid wards to give ConAgra tax breaks. argument at all argument at all.

Another point is that a small farmer pay the taxes; they can afford it. So now sitting on barren, desolate va- tax dollars is a ridiculous policy. cated fields in the Sandhills. This is

that someone who must make a living from the profitability of his land will take better care of the land.

Initiative 300 does need some changes, but we can't trust the Legisence and will become a wasted land in

When it was first put into effect, it which corporations rape the land for

is more likely to conserve the land, giving them tax breaks and charging This is evidenced by the many pivots the farmers and working man more in

not to stereotype corporations or Brent Boettcher family farmers. However, it is logical animal science



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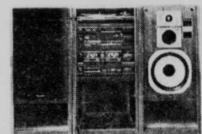


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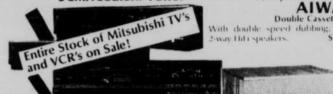
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