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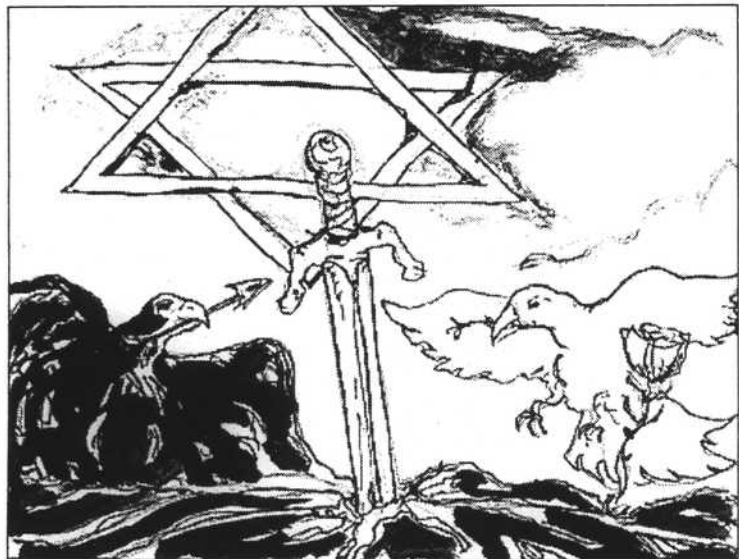
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Time to heal

Crisis in Israel an aftermath of murder

Yitzhak Rabin lies dead today, and the country he tried to lead through fire is torn and bleeding.

We in America know what it is to lose a leader — the loss of one Kennedy can mark a generation.

And we know this one act will reverberate for a long time to come — nothing comes from such violence but devastation and destruction:

A gunman who would plunge his country into such turmoil does not love Israel.

Its 50 years have shaped that country, made it stronger and taught it a ruthlessness in dealing with its enemies.

That absolutism served it well, gave it a fighting chance in a part of the world where it was definitely not welcome.

But there is a time for everything; there is a time to kill and a time to heal.

Israel has a chance to heal — to put down the sword, exchange it for a plow.

But it won't be easy.

In the wake of this cowardly crime the burden of continuing the peace process will lie heavily on the shoulders of Shimon Peres, and whoever succeeds him in next year's elections.

The future lies like an unseen, but broken and difficult terrain.

But the road for Israel lies toward peace.

The process must continue.

Perhaps many who have stood against conciliation with the PLO will be repulsed by this act and turn toward peace.

Maybe there are some who have remained ambivalent — grateful for the end of the intifada but wary of conceding to the "terrorists."

Some of them will take this as an omen of the future of the Right in Israel — and turn to peace.

Not peace at any price — and that's never what Rabin offered.

But an honorable peace.

A moral peace.

A peace Israel can live with.

Literally.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

100% self-sufficient

Your editorial on the UNAD (Nov. 2) has drawn quite the reaction from us in the athletic department, and I wish to share with you some of my thoughts.

As a student athlete, I disagree with your statement that the UNAD is a campus to be counted with the University.

To the contrary, we are a separate entity, that only uses the name of the school, and a few of its students. The athletic department is 100% self-sufficient, and donates annually to the university.

I also disagree with your statements of needing committees to overview the UNAD. I wish for those who agree with the DN, to consider the following.

First, don't bite the hand that feeds you, and talk dirty about a department which supplies you with fine facilities.

Secondly, we as athletes do more for this university, than a student who just comes here and goes to class, and should be respected for it. We are also under watchful eyes of many ridiculous NCAA rules, and do not need more microscopes to examine us.

I refuse to listen to you single us out as troublesome, and let you keep a watchful eye on us. We feel that we should be judged just as normal students are.

Lastly, your use of the phrase "our teams" is totally out of line. I compete for this school only to better and enrich my life, and not for anyone else. Any choices I make in my life, I will deal with and accept, and the same for you.

If every athlete in the athletic department wants to be the next Dennis Rodman, then that is their choice, and you have no say in it.

It is my hope that you will support their decisions, but if you feel you can't, I offer these three

words,
GO TO HELL!

Jim Vance
Sophomore
Math Ed

Phillips

Didn't you guys report on the student review that Phillips undertook? You want the athletes to be under more university judicial structure than regular students? This made no sense.

Greg Mays
Hastings
via e-mail

Thing that make you go...

I would like to say something in response to not only Aaron McKain's last column, but to all of them. It is simply, "Huh?"

Jared Solomon
Freshman
Undeclared
via e-mail

Toon

In the Nov. 3 edition of the DN there is an editorial cartoon that has as its subject the FBI proposal to be able to tap fiber optic phone lines by having phone companies build in the ability to tap into the phone system.

I have no problem with the editorial cartoon. What I do have a problem with is that there was no story in the DN explaining what the whole thing was about.

The only reason I know about this issue is that I listen to Public Radio and they had a detailed story about the subject.

Please do a story on this news item because it is an important issue.

Troy C. Johnson
UNL College of Law
via e-mail

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Critique

Re: Cliff A. Hicks' review (Nov. 3) of Medicine's new CD "Her Highness".

Medicine fans realize what a joke your review is.

Brad Laner and Kevin Shields do not sound the same. Listen to the music and you'll see. That's your job, right?

If you think Medicine is short on melody, you don't know what "melody" means.

Anyone, I think, who would appreciate Medicine is open-minded enough to ignore your review.

I would give reasons for these claims but Mr. Baldrige would edit them for length.

Rodney W. Cupp
Graduate
Philosophy



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