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Quotes OF THE WEEK

"We used to say, when we were up in the air, 'I'm free.'
- Lt. Col. Paul Adams, a black fighter pilot for the Tuskegee airmen during World War II

"Let whites be in slavery for 100 years, then come tell me about reverse discrimination."
- Adams, defending affirmative action

"Sex is overblown. If it was that good you would not have to get drunk to do it."
- Poet Nikki Giovanni, at the 21st annual Big 12 Conference on Black Student Government

"Man, I like to do duck walks and walk on my toes. I wish I could do a flip, because when I get into the music, I get really excited."
- Lil' Ed Williams, frontman for Lil' Ed and the Blues Imperials, about live performances

"This is the most lame-brained, crack-brained piece of nonsense I have ever encountered in my life."
- Omaha Sen. Ernie Chambers, testifying against LB1214, a bill that would create a two-tiered marriage system placing strict requirements for counseling and procedures for couples

"If I ever quit being nervous I'm done fighting bulls. That's when I'll be hurt bad, bad, bad."
- Bullfighter Colby Gines, on what would make him quit his job

"I am confident that when we do go to court, that I will be vindicated."
- English Professor David Hibler, following his suspension amid allegations of sexually harassing a student

"We have a great schedule and the best product in the country. We feel the product is worth the \$107.50 the students are paying."
- NU Ticket Office Manager John Anderson, justifying the increase in student ticket prices

"We just want to keep doing what we do and hopefully not get overtaken by the Puff Daddy and the Family tour."
- Primus guitarist Larry La Londe, about his band's current tour

"If you tried to tell an athlete he could become faster at the mile run by not working hard and exercising and training, they'd laugh at you. But yet many students think those same kinds of dedicated efforts aren't required in pursuing of an academic goal - and they are."
- UNL Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs James Griesen, about raising academic standards

Haney's VIEW



DN LETTERS

Score one for us
I've read some silly letters to the DN complaining about how they report and what they write about, including defending cows against Todd Munson's wrath and John Anderson trying to convince the students that prices hadn't risen in the last three years, but "Other papers do it" (DN letters, Wednesday) took the cake.

Now I realize that the DN doesn't need anyone to defend them, but being the editor of a small paper myself, I feel that being put in the paper, back page or not, does not constitute disrespect or discrimination.

The problem is that some people look too hard for little things to call discrimination. I have no problem with Black History Month, but people need to be grateful for the coverage that they do get. I'll be satisfied if my name is in the DN more than this once.

People need to stop complaining about what is in the paper and start fixing problems themselves. If the problem is that you don't like the DN or what's in it, then don't read it. If you think you know best, write for it.

Do something to solve your concerns; I'm tired of reading about them.

Joe Scharfbillig
freshman
advertising

Score TWO for us
Mark Bauermeister's comments about the Daily Nebraskan and diversity issue coverage by the paper are way off mark ("Other papers do it (why can't we?)" Wednesday). The DN and its staff have done an excellent job recently in recognizing Black History Month as well as the Big XII conference on diversity.

The entire front page of the paper dealt specifically with these issues on several occasions last week. I would challenge Mr. Bauermeister to find any paper willing to devote so many column inches to these issues.

I have been reading this paper for five years and have commonly found music and entertainment articles near the back page. The DN devoted the entire back page to black artists. There is a lot going on in the world around us, and the DN is doing its best to cover many important issues.

Perhaps Mr. Bauermeister should get a subscription to a different publication (that) deals specifically with race relations.

Dan Massara
senior
broadcasting

Remember Reagan?

Next time, before you allow an editorial writer to crack on perhaps the all-around best president of this century ("The great pretender," Thursday), ask him to do a little more homework and not just rip off his information from the liberal guests on the political pundits talk-show circuit.

It must be distressing to liberals, now that war has been avoided in Iraq, that the only way they can distract from their president's pathetic behavior is to try to defame Ronald Reagan, a man of honor and trust whose presidency will always be leagues ahead of Slick Willy's.

Ninety percent or more of everything Colman says is liberal conjecture, which sadly will be taken as gospel by the horde of collegians who witness similar crap in your daily with a greater frequency than even new Clinton scandals.

Colman is out to make a hero look

Jason Fredregill
Lincoln



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