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INDEPENDENT

January 14, 1991

Votes counted: No Confidence verdict

By Helen Kallao

After two weeks of deliberations by UNI faculty to decide whether or not President Lamb has proven himself as an effective leader, and has successfully directed Northeastern for the future, the faculty voted no confidence against Lamb.

"The results of the vote indicate that the faculty is very unhappy. They are not being heard, even supporters of the president have expressed unhappiness," said Ron Glick, President of the Faculty Senate.

What is meant by the vote of no confidence that Lamb received is that as stated on the ballot,



The debate as to how the faculty as a whole

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the majority of the faculty voted that they "have serious doubts about most of the directions that President Lamb has chosen for the university and do not have confidence in his ability to lead us."

Out of 273 faculty members, 179 voted against Lamb, 79 voted in favor of him, 14 abstained, and one blank ballot was received.

Gameroom running out of quarters

By Rich Geiger

A plush cubicle, a secretarial pool at the end of the hall, your own phone! For a few of the student clubs on campus, this will soon be a reality.

One of the gravest concerns that Dr. Melvin Terrell had when he arrived at Northeastern was the lack of space for student organizations. This problem is being corrected by a remodeling of the gameroom to create office space for ten student clubs.

The remodeling of the game room will create ten offices, one shared reception area and a conference room for student organizations. The exact design for the layout has not been finalized, as the project is still in the planning stages. Only a portion of the space in the gameroom will be used. There will still be a gameroom! This new office area created will be used entirely by students, as it is being funded out of the student activities reserve fund. This fund is made up of unspent monies from the student activity fee.

A committee awarded the contract to the architecture firm of Ross, Barney and Jenkowski whose bid was approximately \$150,000. That committee consisted of Walter Williams, Director of Student Activities; Mark Kipp, Director of Commuter Center; Gary Bryan and Sharil Yonan, Vice President of Student Senate. In order to spend design and construction fees on non-academic projects, concept approval is needed from the governing bodies of this school. The Board of Governors approved at its Dec. 6th meeting, and the IBHE is expected to give the green light to the project at its January meeting.

Who gets the offices? The allocation of these offices will be done by a student/administration committee which will be formed for that purpose. Walter Williams would like to see these allocations on a yearly basis to the clubs showing the greatest need and productivity, but the final decision on who gets the space will be up to the students on that committee.

"Student organizations need a place to call their own, first and foremost", said Dr. Terrell, Vice President of Student Affairs, explaining why this project was needed. He feels that bringing groups together will "help create an intercultural understanding of each other" and sharing a space will foster co-sponsorship of events, something he has wanted more of from the students.

Civil rights activist Julian Bond to speak here

Julian Bond, noted civil rights activist, will give the keynote address as part of the commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday on Jan. 15. in the auditorium, at 11:15 a.m.

Born in Nashville, Tennessee, Bond is known for being an active participant in the movements for civil rights, economic justice, and peace.

Bond has been politically active since 1965. Since then he has served on the Georgia House of Representatives and on the state senate. During his term in the Georgia General Assembly, Bond was responsible for sponsoring and co-sponsoring more than 60 bills which became laws, including a sickle cell anemia testing program and a state wide program that would provide low interest home loans to low income Georgians.

Bond holds honorary degrees from 14 schools including Wesleyan University and the University of Oregon. He has served on many committees including the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Fund and the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent social Change.

In 1985, he received the Bill of Rights Award from the American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia.



Julian Bond

(Photo courtesy CCAB)

Some of Bond's published works include, A time to Speak, A Time to Act, and Black Candidates- Southern Campaign Experiences.

Athletes become Senate scapegoats

I never thought being a member of two Northeastern varsity athletic teams would become a hindrance/obstacle to me in any way. I was proud to be involved and represent Northeastern in the best way I could. That was also why I became a senator. I've always been interested in the senate and decided to act on my interests before college was behind me. I felt I knew quite a few people and could represent them well. What a horrible idea, huh?

Maybe not, but to people like Senators Rich Geiger and Tom Ligay, it was another story. From their behavior, I get the feeling they think it's impossible for an athlete to be a senator at the same time. This is totally ridiculous and selfish. Missing some senate meetings due to varsity sporting events are excused absences. Whether or not leaving a note on the president's door reminding him of these absences beforehand, as I did, is sufficient should be stated in the constitution. If it is not, it should not be disputed. Yet it was, and controversy ensued. This was mainly by Senators Geiger and Ligay regarding the issue of "excused" absences of an athlete.

Something must be added to the constitution addressing this issue so athletes aren't penalized in the future, prevented from being senators, or harassed by other senators who are looking for some quick publicity and/or a quick outlet for the senate's problems.

In fact, Senators Geiger and Ligay initiated to

have me removed without and facts or due process, but by their gut feelings that day. Of course though, it's nothing personal. And Mr. Geiger is running for president? For some reason, that scares me. He wants to "throw out the constitution and start a whole new system of government?" Gee, I sure hope it's not his system. If so, please don't forget to define the words, facts, and due process in there, you know that little phrase our entire legal system is based upon?

I wonder if all this has anything to do with election time coming up in which Senator Geiger is running for president. I just know it's not a publicity stunt to gain some recognition, is it Mr. Geiger?

If I recall correctly, the entire student senate does not have a shining record of outstanding accomplishments. Now suddenly certain people are going to spring up to life, point the finger at someone other than themselves, and try to make it seem that just certain people, or a certain someone, is responsible for this. I think the finger needs to do a 180 degree turn, take some of the blame with the rest of the senate and learn to be involved all the time, not just when votes are needed from the students. I think it's more like a "seasonal" charade, typical of a politician around election time.

Adria Mheenbeek

Independent efforts applauded

The independent has become nearly a pleasure to read. The articles are more topical and expertly written and the paper, it seems, is finally taking itself seriously. I read the Dec. 17 issue with pleasure and surprise. It was well planned and the layout was good- more serious articles interspersed with a few photos and ads.

The independent had some exciting young journalists on staff last year, not the least of whom was Mike Solarte. I also wish to mention Don Price, Helen Kallao, and Steve Ratz. All these young writers seemed to have realized what a powerful means of communication our school newspaper can be and they provided us with their journalistic point of view on a number of important issues facing the student body, the school, the city, and the nation.

I for one did not mind that it was their point of view and not mine because their thinking and writing was clearer and more potent than any I've seen in the independent in the last few years. This made the reading much easier and even fun. Keep up the good work and thanks.

Michele LaRocco
Senior



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University theatre production of Pvt Wars slated for Jan. 23-26

By Caryn Banaszynski

The Northeastern Theatre is gearing up its 1991 season and is opening with a rather timely production Pvt. Wars. The play, a one-act written by John McLure, is a telling comedy about three Vietnam veterans who are surviving in a veteran's hospital.

The characters of the play display three different aspects of American life. Woodruff Gately is a soldier from Georgia. Natwick is a spoiled rich kid from Long Island who should never have been in the armed forces. Finally, Silvio is a streetwise Italian-American who is tough, but not cruel.

"I had no idea when I chose [to direct and produce] this show that the United States would be in such a precarious situation," said Durward Redd. "Perhaps this play will open some peoples

eyes as to what the life of wounded men can be like."

The show was cast with two separate casts. In the first cast, Jimmy Sheehan portrays Gately, Brian Minarcik portrays Natwick and Mike Solarte plays Silvio. In the second cast, Allen Davis portrays Gately, Jimmy Borto portrays Natwick and Solarte again plays Silvio. There is another character in the play and that is the non-speaking Nurse. She is played by Jacalyn Seaton. When asked about the dual role for both casts, Solarte replied, "I think this will be a real challenge for me. At least it's a challenge of my concentration."

The play begins its run at the StageCenter on Jan. 23-26 with nine performances in the four days scheduled. Admission for all UNI students, faculty, and staff is free. For more information about Pvt. Wars, dial ext. 3750.

No-Confidence

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viewed Lamb's leadership has been going on for quite some time. It was only towards the end of last year that the decision to vote for or against Lamb took place.

During the month before the secret ballot vote, some faculty members sent out memos as to why the faculty should vote for or against Lamb. A variety of reasons were stated including some that accused Lamb of not understanding the character of UNI.

Over the next several weeks faculty senate plans to meet to discuss what action must be taken as a result of the vote of no confidence against Lamb.

Lamb was unable to be reached for comment at this time.

The Northeastern *independent* presents

Meet The Candidates

of the 1991 Student Senate elections.

PRESIDENT

Incumbent

*Julius
Jackson*

VS.

Challenger

*Rich
Geiger*

My campaign for re-election as president of the student government strongly endorses the ideals as specified below:

1. The creation and funding of sports clubs, and expanded intramural and inter-collegiate activities.
2. The creation of offices for student organizations.
3. The expansion of library hours during mid-semester and end of term exam times.
4. The expansion of hours for university offices in efforts to accommodate evening students.
5. The creation of a book exchange.
6. The installation of more lights in the various parking lots for greater security for evening students.
7. An increase in the number of course offerings per semester, in order to prevent overcrowded classes.
9. An increase in the number of rooms available for private and group study.
10. The establishment of December graduation ceremonies.

The most important challenge facing the student senate now is its reputation on campus. The first action that must be taken is to restore the credibility of the senate. Nothing we do as a senate now is taken seriously, and this must change. I have a good working relationship with many administrators on campus, and I will use this to effectively present student issues and concerns to the administration. There is no reason that we cannot be respected as the body that represents the students, and we as students need to work together to achieve that.

The senate also must ask itself who it really represents, the individuals who run for office or the students who elected them. I have already laid out a proposal for redesigning the senate to be more responsive to the students and I will work together with student clubs to achieve that greater representation.

VICE PRESIDENT

Incumbent

*Sharil
Yonan*

VS.

Challenger

*Edna
Hunt*

The reason I am running for re-election for the position of Vice-President of Student Senate is I believe Student Senate can be run effectively and efficiently if the organization is headed by credible and respectful individuals.

During the past year there has been great controversy over the credibility of the present president Julius Jackson. I believe this controversy once and for all must come to an end so Student Senate can start serving students as we are meant to do.

If re-elected to the position of Vice-President of Student Senate, I promise that I will respectfully work hard along side with the new president and other officers to make the Student Senate all that it was meant to be "Students Serving Students."

My name is Edna Hunt. I am trying to be elected for the position of vice-president of student government. My goals are the following:

1. Reshape/restructure student government.
2. Create a new charter renewal committee which reviews all student clubs constitutions.
3. Help create a survey to evaluate professors teaching abilities, etc.
4. Assist the president of the student government as needed.

I have the insight as to what I view are the problems facing student government. I have leadership experience, I was president for CCAB for two years and representative to the Board of Governors. I hope that you will elect me, Edna Hunt, as your next student government vice-president to help student government and the university move forward.

TREASURER

Roman Emano is running unopposed

I am running for the office of Treasurer because I see it as a challenge and a way for me to get more involved in the university, especially with issues affecting the student body. This position will also give me a chance to learn more about how government and politics work.

Presently as a member of the student senate, I have gained experience in working with people from the administration and representing fellow students. As Chairman of the Fees and Allocation Committee, I have also gained experience in working with budgets from different university organizations and other

topics related to the allocation of money.

I realize that certain problems have plagued the student government, but I feel optimistic and I plan to be a contributor and an active participant in bringing about change. I have shown my dedication as a student senator and I do not plan to be less dedicated as Treasurer.

I served four years of active duty in the marines and have experience with leadership. With all this taken into consideration, I feel confident and qualified in taking on the responsibility of Treasurer. So vote for me.

SECRETARY

Challenger

*Tara
Minor*

VS.

Challenger

*Juhana
Steen*

I am running for secretary of the Student Senate at Northeastern Illinois University. I am dedicated to the students and their rights. As secretary, I will be in a position to see that students rights are protected. I am a dependable and conscientious person, and I will do whatever it takes to help the senate prosper and run as smooth as possible.

I am a member of the Northeastern woman's basketball and softball squads as well as being a senator for the past year.

I believe my experience in athletics and as a senator have helped my leadership skills. I feel I can bring the necessary leadership the senate is in dire need of.

Juhana Steen was unavailable for comment and her platform was unavailable at press time.

The *independent* wishes to remind readers that the elections will be held Jan. 22-23 in the Commuter Center at Village Square. All registered students with a valid UNI I.D., or drivers license are allowed to vote. Remember, it is up to you to get out and vote. Every vote is an important one!

Sports

Homecoming plans set by Intramural Dept.

By Mike Solarte

The new year is upon us and as students return to classes this week, the university's department of Intramural and Recreation is throwing students headlong into Homecoming Week.

All this week, students, faculty and staff will be participating in intramural activities as part of the Homecoming Week special events calendar.

Homecoming activities range from men's racquetball to co-rec "snowball" softball.

An event that was started last year and has remained in the Homecoming Week activity line-up is the "All Nighter." This event will be held on Friday Jan. 18 in the P.E. Complex from 6:00 p.m. until midnight. There will be games and activities such as badminton, basketball, racquetball and swimming (if the new pool is operational).

The week will end with both the men's and women's basketball teams playing in a Division I doubleheader when they take on Youngstown State on Saturday Jan. 19. The men will play at 2:30 p.m. while the women will follow at 5:30.

Homecoming Activities

Friday Jan. 18

12:30-5:30 p.m.

Blues Blowout. Koko Taylor, Junior Wells, Sue Foley and Son Seals in the University auditorium.

5:30

Pep Rally - P.E. Complex

6 - 12 a.m.

All-Nighter - P.E. Complex

Saturday Jan. 19

Exciting Division I

Basketball

2:30 p.m. Men vs.

Youngstown State.

5:30 p.m. Women vs.

Youngstown State

8:00 p.m. - 2 a.m.

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Knickerbocker Hotel.

For more info about

Homecoming activities, dial

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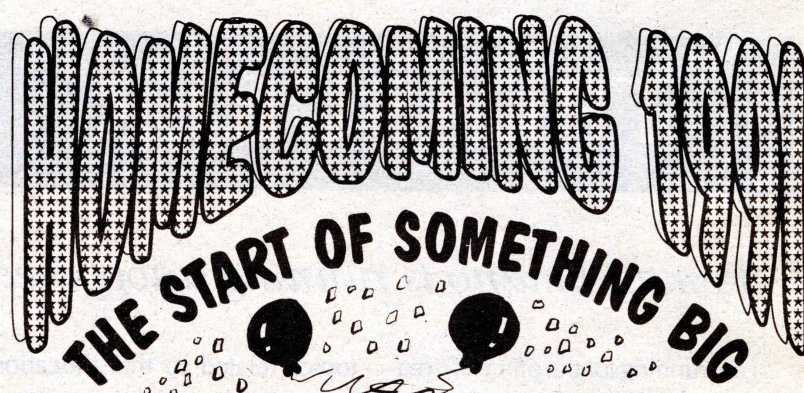
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