

are being done these last few days. I think there is a heady feeling among some of the senators because they have been able to do these types of things. But they will rue it in days to come. They will say they didn't understand the seriousness of the problem. With an attitude such as that expressed by Senator Haberman, who that is concerned about this problem would contact him? They'd come to Senator Haberman and he's say get out of my face, I'm not interested in that. The Regents feel there should be discrimination, let there be discrimination. Senator Hefner says if the athletic director thinks there should be discrimination let there be discrimination. The University of Nebraska is a state university. The state is to serve all of its citizens. University money went into the construction of that facility and it is a part of a recognized intercollegiate athletic program. As such it is totally wrong and immoral to allow this blatant discrimination to go on. The Legislature is saying, if it rejects this resolution for the purposes expressed, the reasons expressed by Senators Hefner and Haberman, that discrimination is all right. Yesterday the mask was taken off. Today there will be implementation of this negative attitude. In one sense what the Legislature is doing may be good because it is showing people and other groups, specific groups that is, the kind of problems that we have to contend with. There is no need in coming to this Legislature and thinking that all you have to do is point out the existence of an injustice, point out that the injustice violates the practices and policies espoused by the state and the University, and think that by giving those kind of arguments you can persuade the Legislature to do that which is right. I had always thought, and I've heard people on this floor argue that the purpose of education is to ennoble the spirit and enlighten the mind. If at the fountainhead of this ennobling and this enlightenment there is blatant discrimination and nothing is to be done about it, what kind of preparation can we say the University is giving to the young people who pass through those classrooms? You teach one thing in the classroom. They look at how the campus itself is operated and see a violation and a contradiction of those very principles. Even if the Legislature is shot through, because it is a political body, with hypocrisy, double-dealing, sellouts, and things that the newspapers are writing about this morning, the University should be a haven and a refuge from those types of things. The University is where we try to inculcate our young people with idealism and principles that