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Peace Settlement

Campus Reacts

Peace—That long-awaited goal for Vietnam has finally come.

After four long years of negotiations, President Nixon is "withdrawing with honor" from the war he promised to end at the start of his first term. "The important thing was not to talk about peace but to get it. This we have done," stated the President as he announced the settlement Tuesday night on national television.

The peace agreement will be formally signed Saturday, January 27 and within 60 days of the signing, all American prisoners of war will be released and all American troops will be withdrawn. Specific terms of the agreement were released yesterday.

In his message, the President spoke directly to people involved with the war. To the South Vietnamese he said, "By your courage and sacrifice you have won the right to determine your own future. We must now be friends in peace just as we were allies in war." To the North Vietnamese, "Let us now build a peace of reconciliation." And to the American people, "Your steadfastness in supporting peace with honor has made a peace with honor possible."

Nixon also stated, "We must remember that ending the war is only the first step in building peace. This will be a peace that lasts and a peace that heals."

The question now surrounding the agreement is, will it last? Dr. David Morrison, Chairman of Eastern's Political Science Department says: "There's no peace settlement. What we have is a ceasefire which doesn't necessarily mean peace. It can be compared to the armistice signed in Korea. I don't think it will last. We will probably see a renewal of hostilities. It is inconceivable that the National Liberation Front will let go of what they have won. Of course the ceasefire agreement is a positive step but it's not the end of the conflict."

Eric Sevareid, political correspondent for CBS news, commenting on the war had this to say, "The war was not winable because we were not fighting an armed force; we were fighting a society." It was also stated on CBS news that the theory is that Vietnam will not go back to fighting because they must work to rebuild their country.

What is one supposed to feel at the end of a war—joy? sorrow? relief? skepticism? Eastern students, faculty and administration expressed a variety of emotion as evidenced in the following comments:

Chandra Anderson, Student—"It's a good thing to hear...peace."

Alex Bishop, Student—"I don't believe it. It won't happen."

Dr. Raymond Schults, History—"I think peace is about twenty years late in coming. I would continue page 3

BOT Vote Kills 'Savage' Mascot

by Leilani Williams

News Editor

Eastern is now faced with the problem of naming a new school mascot by summer quarter since the board of Trustees ended a 50-year tradition by voting out the name "Savages."

In a decision reached last Friday, BOT members felt that the derogatory connotations of the term "Savage" were sufficient to warrant a change in the mascot name. Board member Jerome Page stated, "The name carries a very negative connotation. There is nothing in it that suggests something positive."

Beginning summer quarter, Eastern will drop the use of the "Savage" name and all symbols connected with it, such as the Indian "skookum" found on letterheads and bumper stickers.

The decision of the BOT does not correlate with the results of a student and alumni poll which showed 95% opposed to the name "Savage" and only 52 for the closest alternative. Speaking of the vote Page said, "I don't think whites on this campus really took into consideration the other side, and this is one of the big problems of racism today. Just because the majority votes a certain way does not mean we can overlook the dignity and rights of a minority."

Eric Sevareid also remarked that if the BOT connected George Washington with the name "Savage," they would all probably be impeached.

An Indian member of the audience said that the word among the Indian tribes is to support the name change. Several tribes have been contacted and have indicated opposition to the present name.

Eastern's President Emerson Shuck felt that if the name was offensive to those involved and, he said, "I believe there is sufficient evidence to indicate that it is," then it should be dropped. But he felt that the change would take the responsibility of educating students in matters such as this.

Major John Sims, ROTC—"I am sorry to see it go but I think we can come up with another mascot that means as much to the school as the 'Savage' does."

Dr. Ralph Connor, Sociology—"To sum it all up briefly, if anyone objects to the name, don't use it."

And from the students:

Jane Christen—"I think it should be the student body's decision and we had already decided not to change it. I don't think anything is wrong with the name "Savage," the only thing that could be discriminatory would be the caricature."

Connie Wiens—"It's going to cost the students more money because they'll have to do things like the PE complex, the paper materials and the uniforms."
Vietnam Discussed Again

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remain skeptical because of the frequent disappointments until it's here.

Dr. Robert Gariepy, Humanities - "I'm sure that it's going to come
together because the Vietnamese don't have anything special to gain by not ending it."

Dr. Robert Webster, Geography - "I would very much like to see
it achieved. I'm sure it will be, although Nixon has pulled
the wool over our eyes in the latest two months. I would like to see
defense money spent on peaceful
defense and the psychological
projects in this country.

There are ideas that money is
going to be poured into Vietnam
to repair the damage, but money
can't repair the natural environ-
ment and the psychological
damage done to the Vietnamese
people.

Dr. Pat Coonts, English - "I will be
relieved if the killing has stopped,
even temporarily. But I feel no
more gratitude to President Nixon than I do to the
previous administrations who
got us into this mess in the first place.

Despite Nixon's mons-
trode, 'Christmas message to
Hanoi, he, like any other
American, was forced to recog-
nise that it had cost us so heavily,
including thousands of GIs, who
recognized the tragedy of 45,933
of their comrades dead."

Tony Kjeldson, AS Treasurer - "After 18 years it's about time.
I still have reservations but I hope
it will last."

Dr. Henry Steiner, Dean of
Undergraduate Studies - "I'm glad it's here and I hope it lasts."

Col. Darrell Irvin, Military
Science - "We're very very
happy. The guys that were
getting shot over there were
wearing green and blue uni-
forms. That thing had run its
course a long time ago. It was
time it ended."

Butch Brown, Student - "This
time to be Nixon's greatest propo-
grand move of his political career.
Once again he has
deceived the American public
into believing the war is over.
I call bullshit. The South Viet-
namese cannot afford to lose the
American troops currently sta-
tioned there. Eighty percent of
their economy is based on
ridiculous American expendi-
tures. The so-called cease-fire is
temporary. The North Viet-
namese will utilize this oppor-
tunity to resupply and the war
will continue shortly."

Vicki Kutler, Student - "What
peace can there be in a war that
ends in a stalemate? How much
peace to we really have in
Korea?"

Dr. Daryl Hagie, Vice President
of Student Services - "I don't feel
we should have been there in the
first place. We should have been
four years ago. I feel it's late in
coming but I'm very happy that it
seems about to arrive. It's a very
unpopular war with me and it
should have been over long ago."
When the result of the student vote was mentioned, Robinson said, "You people think that just because you vote a certain way we should automatically accommodate you. But you must realize that there are other things to consider." One BOT member, Merle Halfner, said he would rather see the decision of the whole college rather than it being one the board has forced on them. But Halfner voted in favor of the change.

TRADITION LOSS? The president of the Intercollegiate Knights, a national service organization, argued that the group would lose "a hell of a lot of tradition" if the name was changed. Some of the other 25 students at the meeting felt there was nothing derogatory in the term "Savage." They felt the BOT should consider seriously the results of the student vote because the fact that students are "listened to" is one of Eastern's more favorable aspects.

Faculty member Dr. Paul Helsing said all the faculty he has discussed the issue with, 100 percent feel there is nothing negative in the name "Savage." But, he said, "Of those, 100 percent felt that if the Indians are offended by it, then it should definitely be changed."

BEER Q.U.D. In another major decision of the meeting, the BOT took the first step toward the concept of selling beer on campus. By a vote of 4 to 1 the board decided to permit "selling alcoholic beverages on campus, providing it is economically feasible to provide such a facility."

Before the concept becomes a reality, the State Liquor Control Board must hold an open hearing to hear arguments for and against issuance of another beer license in Cheney. The issue also faces action by the state legislature because of a current law that prohibits the sale of alcoholic beverages on college campuses.

Dissension on the beer decision was raised when tavern owners objected to the idea of the college campus competing with private enterprise. Francis Lee, owner of Bill's Tavern, stated, "Those things that contribute to the purpose of college living, such as dorms are all right, but those that do not, I believe, are infringing on private enterprise."

BUSINESS PROP Lee mentioned the fact that when consumption of beer was legalized in dorms, his business dropped more than 50 percent. Most Board members felt that a beer facility on campus would not seriously hinder downtown business. "There's probably more drinkers on college campuses than in a city, I fail to see how one more facility would really hurt business," Robinson stated.

The cost of converting the PUB's Den into a drinking facility would be approximately $15,000 which, Jeff Riddle said, as easily could afford.

Tavern owners also brought up the idea that intoxicated students could do serious damage to the PUB. But Riddle said, "One argument used against beer in dorms was that students would tear them apart and that just has not happened. We have responsible students here."
Lyndon Johnson: A Man History
Will Vividnacle

I will do my best, that is all I can do. I ask your help, and God.

Lyndon Baines Johnson said that after President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Nov. 22, 1963. It is a statement many will remember for the day, the year, the day.

But Lyndon Johnson, life was at times wonderful, and at other times, maddeningly cruel.

LBJ breathed deeply of life, living more in 64 years than millions do in longer lifetimes. He lacked the charisma of both John Kennedy and Robert Kennedy, the eloquence of Adlai Stevenson, and the personal charm of Franklin Roosevelt.

Yet he accomplished deeds past leaders never achieved, and that future leaders will not surpass. President Johnson, perhaps the most eloquent, most articulate, and the highest representatives of the highest office ever has known, had only one major leadership fault—his overwhelming faith in America’s ability to do anything and everything once the country was set on the road.

It was idealism, not evil intent, that guided President Johnson’s path in Vietnam. While the rationale for such a war was simplistic, the President sought an end.

Johnson died in his peace bed, and never saw peace. But he did not drop any enemies, nor did he lack for idealism and did not despair the cause.

His deeds were awesome and frightening, and are sitting legions—passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Vietnam War, and the beginning of the Great Society. But, instead of receiving the happy accolade of the majority of the voters, he left the country at a time of frequent riots, assassinations and constant fear.

UNREACHABLE SCHEDULE

The strain on the President’s constitution had been deadly. Yet Lyndon Johnson did his duty, and he will treat him. He did not even have an eight-hour day, or do he ask what work could be done, how he could serve the country, if he could not be President? He had to be President. He had a war to fight.

It was part of all our lives—a dynamic, sadly maligned figure to be seen constantly in memory. On the ranch, on the telephone, in the Oval Office, in his study, in the Johnson Library, in Maryland, in the Christmas cards, in the weekly address.

How much longer can we avoid the recognition of our own foolishness? It is because the smoke rises beyond our borders, beyond frontiers that we cannot see from the burning that its sacred.

The longer I am in this business, the more I am convinced that leadership and being just is bad business. We will, in the long run, have to face the really long-haired women who do a moral death because she is a woman.

It is a shock to be here in Washington, D.C., thinking of the grim realities the government and the people of the United States have brought upon us. And I am very much aware of the long tradition and national ideals we have built into the nickname for many

A Man History
Lyndon Johnson: Will Vividnacle

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Of course, we will all be kept from...
Cagers Rap OCE, CW

by Butch Brown

Sports Editor

Some clutch free throw convers­
sions and good defensive work prop­
elled Eastern's final up­
capers past two EVC0 opponents

over the weekend.

Friday night the No Names
bombed visiting Oregon College

of Education 91-46 in what Coach

Jerry Krause claimed "our best
defensive effort of the year.

EVC0 front-runner Central Wash­

ington became Eastern's 23rd

straight victim at home as the No

Names canned eight charity

shots in the closing minutes to

hammer on a 56-46 win Saturday

night.

Eastern jumped to a quick

8-2 lead against OCE and nev­
er though Eastern's wide

range for

12 tallies, Don Railsback

and Randy Allen each contri­

buted 16 points. The Wildcats

covered only 32 of 73 floor shots, a cool 30 percent.

Sophomore forwards

Gary Krause praised the defensive

work of his ballclub and cited

EVC0 center Dave Hayden became Eastern's

all-time rebound leader as he

split the twine with

one point in the early going of

the second half. A stingy

defense coupled with a ball

control offense enabled

Folda's forces to take a 16

point advantage and breeze

away.

Rob Watson led the No Names

balanced scoring attack with

15 counters. Don Railsback

and Randy Allen each contri­

buted 14 markers.

Junior Varsity

Skins Wildcats

Eastern's junior varsity bas­
ketball team, seventh place finishers in

the nation last year, opened their 1973 season Saturday with a

71-05-58-10 victory over the U. of

Montana.

The host No Names placed first

in all four events and swept the

first three places in all around

competition. Team captain

Jeanne Wayerski led the way

with top spot finishes in the floor

exercise, vaulting and all around

competition.

Other Eastern first places were

captured by Teri Humphrey on

the balancing beam and Becky

Mustard on the uneven bars.

Next competition will be Sat­

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of Education in the Phase II

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ROTC scholarship at Saturday night's basketball activities.

The award was presented for schol­

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Lowering of Drink Age Gaining Favor

By Dave Harsfall
OLYMPIA CORRESPONDENT

This may be the year when 18-year-olds can get into taverns legally.

Rep. John Rabel, R-Seattle, and Sen. Pete Francis, D-Seattle, recently introduced bills in their respective houses to have the drinking age lowered in Washington.

The measure looks stronger than ever from the list of legislators who are sponsoring the two bills. Sponsors for the House bill include Republican Minority Leader Tom Swyaze and Democrat leaders Bob Perry and Bill Chortos.

In addition, the bill has the support of Gov. Dan Evans. According to Rabel, now the legislators have to ask whether they really see 18-year-olds as adults or not.

The idea behind the bill is that the last two sessions of the legislature have extended the rights and privileges of majority age to those who are at least 18 except for those privileges dealing with alcohol.