

Our Choice:

For President . . .

In writing an editorial endorsing a presidential candidate, one finds it easier to point out the weaknesses of Lyndon Johnson than the good points of Goldwater.

It would be foolish to claim to write an utterly dispassionate editorial on this topic. The editor must confess to emotional prejudice, as would anyone in these shoes. For many persons that moment in the ballot box, or behind a typewriter, is as personal, as emotional, as religion. America has always voted with emotion.

Column after column, editorial after editorial have been written concerning the Presidential candidates. Questions have been posed, questions have been answered, questions have gone unanswered.

This editorial will not, cannot, attempt to duplicate or answer all of the editorials, but there are a few points that must be considered.

There is the charge that Goldwater's radical viewpoints would make him a dangerous man to place in the White House. It is the belief of the Daily Nebraskan that if this danger is present, it will be offset by the weight of the office of President, and by a watchful Congress.

Many persons feel that if Goldwater is president, the Republican party will be taken over by the conservative element. This may very well happen, but it is the editor's contention that a shake up such as this may make for a stronger two party system.

Both parties would undoubtedly undergo a polarization process, where many of the moderate Republicans would swing over to the Democrat party, and many of the conservative Democrats would swing over to the GOP.

This would bring about two parties based on obvious alignment and belief, rather than upon parental influence.

There has been talk in both parties about the possibility of reversing the present trend towards big government and big spending. Barry Goldwater is the man who may be able to bring this about.

Another point is the bad support that Goldwater has attracted, the extreme right wing which he has not disavowed. This is true, but the criticism is based on the fear that the right wing may be able to influence Goldwater's stands. One thing that his past actions have shown is a stubborn refusal to be swayed by anyone, right wing or left wing.

The editor of the Daily Nebraskan objects to the corruption in Johnson's administration, to the trend toward bigger government and more spending, to the appeasement image he has presented to the rest of the world.

As a Republican, the editor also must decry the smoke screen sent up by Goldwater concerning morals in the street, must decry the right wing support he elicits, must decry some of his contradictory statements.

But on a realistic and emotional view of both candidates, the editor of the Daily Nebraskan is compelled to endorse Senator Barry Goldwater for President.

SUSAN SMITHBERGER



Closest Case

By Frank Partsch

At first I laughed and laughed (mostly because I didn't migrate this weekend and I didn't care whether I had an hour exam Friday afternoon or Monday morning) but when I got to thinking about it I really don't find it so funny any more.

It went something like this:

Professor Kosygin: "We will have an hour exam Friday and your eight-page papers will be due Monday morning in my office."

Ninety percent of the class: "Moan."

Class spokesman: "But Sir, really, you can't do this to us. We are all leaving for 3.2—I mean Colorado Thursday night and won't be back until sometime Sunday. Can't you postpone the work until some other time?"

Following Kosygin's negative answer and the ringing of the singing silo, the class filed out muttering threats like hanging the good prof in effigy without the effigy and the such . . . and I laughed and laughed. Something that killed me was last week, when we had

a quiz, we heard the same sad story about Homecoming. We will also hear strong protests preceding Thanksgiving, Christmas and semester break.

Its sad, pathetic, miserable, sobering, hypocritical, sick and a number of other adjectives barred by propriety from this publication.

How many students are doing the minimum instead of the maximum in their classwork?

How many students are sacrificing study and lecture time to go to migrations, to build Homecoming displays (hats off to Acadia), to campaign for politicians they know little about, to play at being politicians themselves, to carouse, to drink, to indulge themselves in sloth and other forms of physical and mental lechery?

How many feel that instructors OWE them time off for the above mentioned regimeted stupidity?

Having recently read selections from Benjamin Franklin's Autobiography and "Sex and the College Girl" and having been appalled at the differences in man's attitude to frugality and an infinite list of further virtues, I am suddenly very discouraged with the "everything first, stu-

dies last" attitude so common today.

Having talked to foreign students—especially Europeans—and having heard their outlandish statements about placing scholastics above school spirit and sports, I am suddenly wishing I could start over again.

Having heard jocks tell other jocks "Sign up for Blah 132, the teacher likes jocks," I fight the compulsion to tear up my season swimming ticket and go on a crusade against athletic scholarships.

Having gone to meetings of campus activities and political groups and tapped some idea of the time consumed therein, I want to put a bomb under the Student Union.

Seriously. Soberly. With all sincerity and from the bottom of my heart YOU CAN HAVE YOUR GAMES BACK. You can have your man hours and your three hundred bucks and you can take back your Wednesday afternoon suits and the rest of this asinine junk and reeking refuse of trying to impress a group of play-cool idiots.

And if you still want it, you can have your idea of a University back.

If you still want it. I want to study.

CAMPUS OPINION

Undenied Integrity

The following statement by the Daily Nebraskan's Republican columnist . . . to judge the merits of Lyndon Johnson against the 'undenied integrity' of Barry Goldwater, is for many un-reconstructed Republicans—those who decline to go along with the Goldwater campaign—at best questionable.

For many, Republicans and Democrats alike, the charges that the Democratic administration may stage a crisis for political gains in November and Goldwater's suggestion that his is what President Kennedy arranged in the 1962 missile crisis, are all quite revolting.

Such conclusions have no basis in fact nor did Goldwater give any evidence to support them.

But it would appear that it is Senator Goldwater who is desperately attempting political gain. Perhaps this

is all what Wendell Wilke once described as "campaign oratory."

If that is the case—and I think it is—how sickening it is to have a nominee who spread his slime on a president who for most of us was, in a very sober sense of the world a hero.

In short if there is "undenied integrity" of Senator Goldwater, then it is not what many regard as undenied integrity.

Sincerely yours,
Thomas Cain

It's Funny

Dear Editor:
It's rather funny that the students want more news and less pages at the same time. You can't have both.

Rich Meier

Where, Oh Where

Dear Editor:
What has happened to the aerial bombs that used to punctuate Nebraska touchdowns so effectively?

Signed,
Curious



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