

Kennedy Scores a Point

Political affiliations notwithstanding, the impact of seeing and hearing a person of the calibre of Sen. John Kennedy has a tremendously revitalizing force upon those of us who are not yet old enough to be thoroughly cynical about politics.

The young senator from Massachusetts breezed into Lincoln early Tuesday, and from the group waiting in the early hours at the airport, to the audience at Nebraska Wesleyan, to the persons attending the labor banquet that night, Kennedy scored a personal triumph. Speaking to a college audience at Methodist Wesleyan, Catholic Kennedy brought standing cheers after a talk and a question session.

Speaking to an overflow crowd at the Wesleyan gym, Sen. Kennedy hit and hit hard at the American and British tradition of separating the intellectual from the politician. All too frequently, the intellectual element in our country prefers the shelter of the ivy halls to the arena of active governmental life, the Senator said.

This is a point which cannot be over-emphasized to the college population, be it Republican, Democrat or whatever. That the intelligensia shows an overwhelming penchant for retreat into the relatively unbuffeted areas of scholasticism is perhaps one of the great tragedies of our time.

Again and again we have been told that "we are the leaders of tomorrow . . ." etc.

But the thing which often fails to come through, is that we are to be the leaders not only in industry, but in government and diplomacy as well. The Senator scored a solid point when he mentioned the small percentage of the brightest portion of our college population who train in political science and other fields relating to governmental work.

Again the spectre of USSR competition raises its head. As Sen. Kennedy commented, in Russia, the top students, those with the most potential for leadership and real accomplishments, are not allowed to meander through any aspect of the curriculum they would choose. They are carefully screened and then funneled into those fields which tests seem to point them toward. This authoritarian system is repugnant to our entire philosophy—but the fact that it repulses us does not mean that we can ignore its effects safely.

It is a question of emphasis and values.

Whether the almighty dollar will rule or whether enough of the "bright young men" and women will be willing to dedicate themselves to the job of entering the field of government service and foreign relations.

The audience at Wesleyan left the gym praising not only the senator, but commenting upon this point.

M. E. Speaking

By Carroll Kraus

Today's the day freshmen coeds cast their lots in the activity world and sign up for organizations during the AWS-sponsored mart.

Some 17 organizations are open for the newcomers, all of which are quite worthy in their own manner.

The appeal for joining a group will be formed on your interests, background and field of study—and perhaps on future aspirations.



Kraus

But looking over the offerings, a student can choose wisely to enter the organization in which she can do the most for the organization and in which it can do the most for her.

There is no use in being martyr-like in choice. You will have to work to gain a prominent spot in the group. While this work may be helpful to a segment of the University, don't forget yourself.

If you can't develop your leadership qualities in the club, get out. And if you feel the organization has no worth to you or to the student body in general, resign.

Values are misplaced in feeling you owe it to your sorority, for example, to stay in an organization in which meetings are a pain.

And the greatest disservice you can do to yourself or to your living group is to enter only for the hopes of entering the mystic seniors' society.

It'll come naturally if you have the

ability and conduct yourself elsewhere with tact and decorum.

So if you have a background in Red Cross, join up today. If you feel you've done a service through high school publications, try the Daily Nebraskan or Cornhusker.

And if you feel that almost all the offerings would be too specialized, AUF, Builders and Union have a place for a diversification of talents—and this is said with a constructive rather than destructive emphasis.

But don't overburden yourself; AWS advises not to enter more than three activities. The reason is obvious. A freshman generally isn't yet accustomed to a college tempo or doesn't have the time to serve well in that many groups and still do service to the books.

And if you jump into four or five organizations immediately, you may be cast as a "gunner" from the start, with only one obvious intent.

So take a look and ask the representatives in the booth more than surface questions about what it does and can offer. It could be that you'll be spending hundreds of hours a year in one of the activities. It's a good idea to like what you're doing.

And now, an impassioned plea for the Daily Nebraskan. Yes, we do need reporters (girl and boy type) and if you're gung-ho journalism, here's your chance.

Just enter our room in the basement of the Union and you'll be welcome. Who knows, someday you may get to sit in that little office and talk to BMOC's like the little Texan in there.

—OSMOSIS—

By George Haecker

To the esteemed delight of my astute critic, Mr. Gustafson, I will continue to dwell in equivocations. For after years of prodigious labor (not according to our scale of time) I find this to be not only the most convenient method of slander but also the most diversified in its content.



Haecker

For if you happen to find one aspect of my dissertations displeasing you can confidently retreat to its second or third meaning which is apt to be less austere.

Give Or Take

During the fall of this week (give or take awhile, for it is all hearsay to me) the young girls on our productive campus will be en-

lightened to the many benefits of our prolific activities.

The word "activities" has nearly become synonymous with trivia. And rightly so, for as the innocent young freshman march on their way to a name, they become sadly misapprehended and their course is polluted with the social climbing values, which all too frequently seem worthwhile.

As Christian had to keep his goals in mind least he be sucked from his true way so I caution the status-seekers to beware of where they go.

Question Force

I question the inner security of those sororities that "force" their cares to join a certain number of activities. I'm sure we are all aware of the phoniness of this type of thing. For behind the usual pleas that activities develop your social experiences, give you a diversified college career, etc., there dwells the stench of the group ego searching for fulfillment. And the group feels that the better representation it has, the more power it will have, the more popular it will be, etc.

Behind all these misled concerns I wonder where the individual girl fits in. For it seems as if there is little thought as to whether or not she would care to join an activity at all. Her own beliefs see no light under the darkness of the group's rules.

I think this is probably one of the biggest factors in the worthlessness of many activities. For when a girl is forced to join, say three or four, chances are that her interest would only be for one or two, and thus the activities are filled for show purposes and there is really little interest in half of its members.

Anti-Committee

Of course the only thing that could save this grave situation is to form a committee to investigate these deplorable circumstances. But who's to form this committee? Perhaps some devoted individual will form an anti-activity activity.

This activity could then work for the down-fall of all other activities and I'm sure an investigation committee could find work here.



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He was unable to get to the third floor to be sworn in.

But I digress. We were discussing mnemonics, which are nothing more than aids to memory—catchwords or jingles that help you remember names, dates and places. For example:

Columbus sailed the ocean blue
In fourteen hundred ninety-two.

See how simple? Make up your own jingles. What, for instance, is the important event immediately following Columbus's discovery of America? The Boston Tea Party, of course. Try this:

Samuel Adams flung the tea
Into the briny Zuyder Zee.

(NOTE: The Zuyder Zee was located in Boston Harbor until 1904 when Salmon P. Chase traded it to Holland for Louisiana and two outfielders.)

But I digress. To get back to mnemonics, you can see how simple and useful they are—not only for history but also for everyday living; for instance:

In nineteen hundred fifty-nine
The smoke to look for is Alpine.

"Why Alpine?" you ask. Taste that fine, fresh flavor. Enjoy that subtle coolness. Until Alpine you needed two cigarettes to reap the benefits of Alpine—one for flavor, one for high filtration—and smoking two cigarettes is never graceful; in fact, with mittens it is nigh impossible. Now you need only one cigarette—Alpine. Get some. You'll see.

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