

By Way of Comment . . .

NSA has been decided. Rightly or wrongly, the issue is closed for now. But we hope not forever. We repeat our position stated yesterday and hope that affiliation will be in the near future.

Vacation starts tomorrow. There will be no Nebraskan on Friday, so we want to urge all of you to drive carefully on your way home. The readership you save will be ours. Before you go home, look at your closest friend, think of how much you might miss him should there be an accident. We think you might be encouraged to slow down a bit.

SPEAKEASY is out. It is a very fine effort and we wish the magazine the best of success. Our campus has had a place for

a humor-literary magazine for several years—now we have it.

The Residence Association for Men (RAM), has pulled the most worthless stunt of the semester. They have withdrawn funds from support of the SCBC much as the angry young men who feel they were slighted. Had there been more active support of the program before it was started and during its development possibly there would have been more happiness in RAM and more peace in the independent camps.

We congratulate the SCBC for its stand—in full interest of the University and a strong Council.

Dean Eldon Park has been on campus now for

three days. His impact on the IFC will not be known possibly for a few weeks, but the immediate reaction was very favorable. He is here to evaluate the pledge training program on the University and to promote changes that all of us agree are so necessary.

Dean Park has pointed out a need in our administration—for a Dean of Fraternities. Dean Park accomplished more for the fraternity system in four days than administration has over the past ten years in-so far as direct aid for a building program. Think, then, what the benefits would be if there was a full time staff member in this area? As MAW would say, Why not?

"FAMILY SECURITY THROUGH SOCIAL SECURITY"

by Dr. Benjamin Spock

Professor of Child Development, Western Reserve University School of Medicine, author of "Baby and Child Care."

As a pediatrician, it is my job to help parents give their children a healthy start in life. This is one of the reasons why I strongly support President Kennedy's health insurance plan for the aged through Social Security.

You may wonder what the connection is between health care for the aged and the children of this country. Actually there is a very close one.

As a doctor, I have gone into the homes of young parents and seen what the tremendous hospital costs of a grandparent can do to the entire family. These bills are a financial strain on the family budget. They also result in emotional stress for the parents who are raising their own families and paying for their children's education.

The burden most often falls on parents in their thirties or forties, when their children are growing up but are not yet self-supporting. The bills for food, clothing, housing are at their maximum and cannot be easily reduced. Fortunately a majority of children are healthy at this age. But some of them need expensive long-term treatment for orthopedic, ocular, dental, or other conditions. Many families have teenagers getting ready for college or already there. At this stage in a family's development a whopping hospital bill for an aged grandparent suffering from a stroke or a fracture or one of the chronic illnesses affecting about 70 percent of our older population, can be shattering.

To see the problem in its acute form, take the case of a family where there is a child who deserves braces on his teeth or an eye operation or, because he shows such promise, music lessons. Suddenly, his aged grandmother breaks her hip and requires weeks of hospitalization and subsequent nursing home care. Since pri-

vate health insurance premiums are so costly and the benefits are so limited for those over 65, most of the elderly don't have this protection. What do you do—as the breadwinner of the family—to meet this crisis?

Do you allow your retired parents to go on public relief, which will subject them to a humiliating "means test"? Or do you exhaust your own savings, mortgage your home, dip into the fund for your children's education, or even use some of the money intended to pay for the special medical needs of a handicapped child?

Neither you nor anyone else would choose to do any of these things. And yet you might have



Dr. Benjamin Spock to face such facts. A situation like this often arises when people are least prepared for it, and many have to sacrifice the interests of either their children or their parents to make both ends meet.

Fortunately, there now is a sound and sensible answer to some of these problems. President Kennedy's health insurance plan for the aged through Social Security will help the entire family. Actually, it is a plan for "family security." It will enable you as a young parent to more easily carry out your responsibilities to your own parents, to your children and to yourself and, at the same time, lessen the drain on the family budget.

It is needed because hospital costs have more than tripled in the past 15 years—jumping from \$9 a day to \$32 a day—and because the vast majority of this country's 17 million elderly cannot afford to pay these bills. Half of them have less than \$1,200 a year, which is scarcely enough to cover their food and housing.

It is needed almost as much for the benefit of children and parents as it is for the grandparents for whom it is directly intended. Today there are some 75 million children in this country who are under 21. By 1970, this figure will rise to 95 million. None of these children's opportunities should be sacrificed because of crises which can easily be insured against.

Under the President's plan, health care for the aged would be self-financed, with free choice of doctor and hospital guaranteed by law. For only \$1 a month added to his Social Security deduction, the average wage earner could insure his own hospital or nursing home care after he reaches the age of 65. He, in turn, would not have to be dependent on his children for this care.

What's wrong with this plan? As a doctor and a private citizen, I see nothing wrong with it. It does not affect the patient's doctor or the treatment he will receive. It is not "socialized medicine." It is simply old-age hospitalization insurance paid for gradually during the working years. It can be thought of as family security through Social Security.

Your Congressman wants to know how you stand on the Kennedy Program for Health Insurance through Social Security. Write to him. Also, for further information about President Kennedy's proposal for health care for the aged, write to the National Council of Senior Citizens, 200 "C" St., SE, Washington, D.C.

H from H

Dear People,

Either you or someone else is paying \$132 per semester so that you may attend this institution. What are you getting for your money?

(1) You are attending Nebraska University, a member of the Association of American Universities, an exclusive group of forty-one schools, including Harvard and Yale. Scholastic excellence is one of the prerequisites for membership.

(2) You are attending a school with an exceptionally qualified faculty. According to a study made by the Carnegie Foundation, the average level of professors with Ph.D. is 41%. At Nebraska, the percentage is 61, and an additional 33% have masters degrees.

(3) Love Library has been described in the Library Quarterly as the "opinion-leading element among university libraries."

(4) Outside the classroom, money is purchasing services such as the Daily Nebraskan. You make it possible for the Union to bring Barry Goldwater to this campus. You are partially support-

ing Channel 12, the educational TV station.

The list could be longer, but the point is this: much criticism is leveled against the University, against mid-western attitudes, and against our basically conservative Administration. This criticism should not make people lose sight of the fact that this is one of the finest academic institutions in the country. A student at this University has a better chance to emerge from college a better-informed, a more knowledgeable individual than people in 90% of the other colleges across the country.

The problem of apathy, of narrow-mindedness, of ultra-conservatism to the point of stifling initiative is not a result of an institution. The atmosphere of resistance to change, of general lack of interest in events outside of the campus, and of almost dull suspension from reality is the product of a background, a background of parents still living the depression, of a state newspaper which fills its editorial pages with verbal pictures of the red dragons lurking around every corner,

and of cheap politicians who gain votes by ferreting out "unpatriotic" faculty members.

Someday perhaps these factors will be overcome. Someday, perhaps there will be a campus-wide liberalization of attitude. Someday maybe people will not be afraid to fail if they try something different.

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Questions And Things

Why not have a Phi Delta Day? WHY NOT!

Why not publish the rotation order of the Panhellenic officers?

Why not let 21-year-olds establish their own hours? Why not.

Why not have Panhell committees composed solely of Panhell delegates? Why?

Why not take a look at the SPEAKEASY?

Why not have an Inter-Greek Council to discuss common fraternity and sorority problems? Why not.

Why not buy the SPEAKEASY?

Why not have compulsory voting in Student Council elections (like European and Communist countries)?

Why not keep your ears and eyes open these next weeks? Why not.

Brunhilda-Griselda

About Letters

The Daily Nebraskan invites readers to use it for expressions of opinion on current topics regarding the University. Letters must be signed, contain a verifiable address, and be free of libelous material. For names may be included and will be released upon written request.

Brevity and legibility increase the chance of publication. Lengthy letters may be edited or omitted. Absolutely none will be returned.



As I See It . . .

by joel lundak

The Student Council election campaign this year is seeing a marked change from past years. I believe it is a marked improvement. This year's candidates are not being allowed to depend on gimmicks or a flood of posters to put their name across. They are being made to depend on personal contacts. They are being put on the spot to speak well and have something substantive to say.

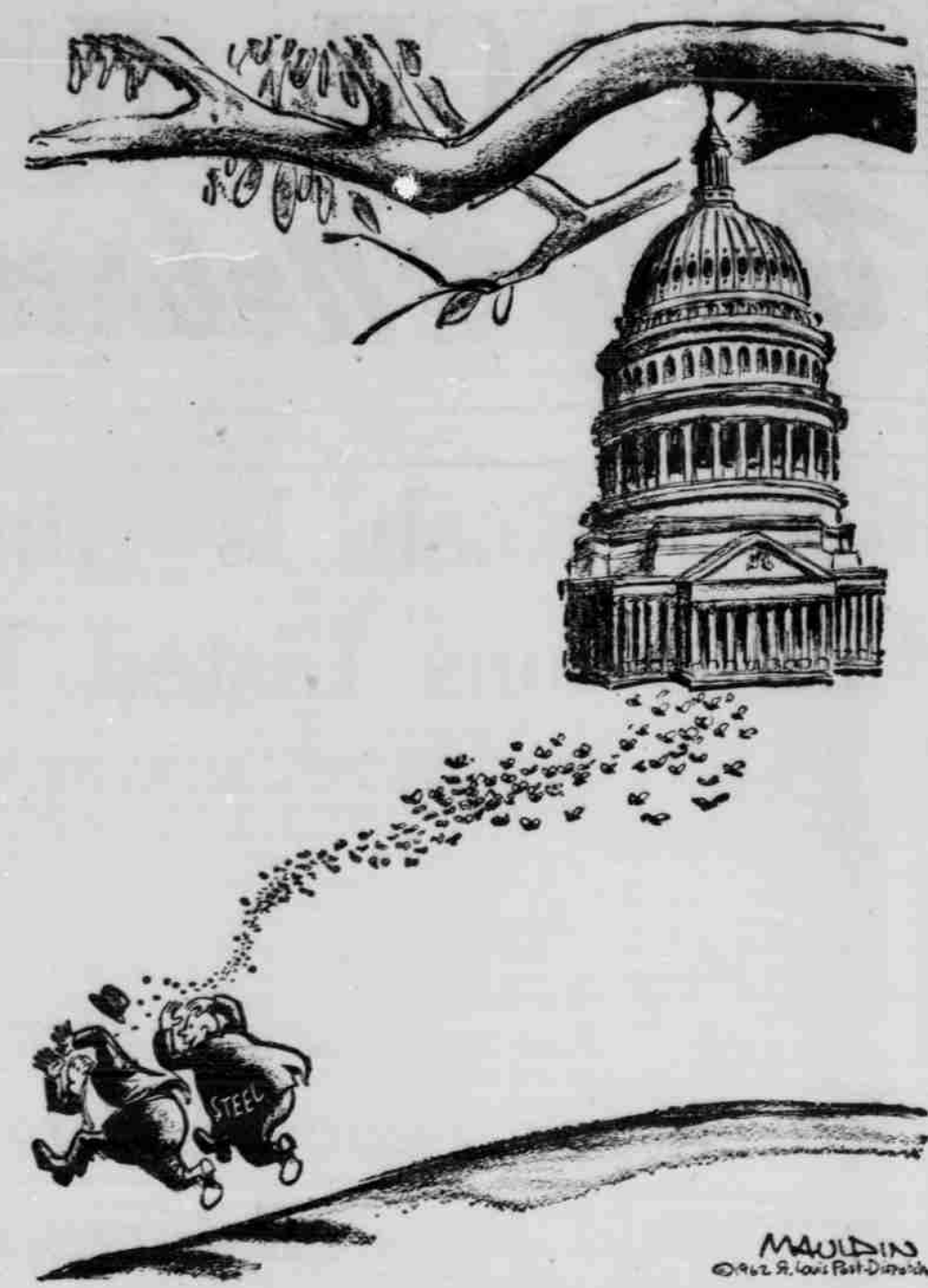
A campaign of this nature is harder on the candidates than another might be because more is demanded of them. Experience with the Council becomes almost a prerequisite. It will not be enough this year to acquire a shallow familiarity with the outstanding issues the Council has created or experienced.

Candidates will be open continuously for direct questions, and will have to give specific, detailed answers. They will have to show a knowledge of the mechanics of student government, and be willing to commit themselves with reference to scope of action. Because the Student Council Associates Program needs organizational revision to become effective, they should be able to offer suggestion in this line.

Because the Council's finances limit its activities, they should demonstrate that they know why this Council's budget is so low, and suggest a point from which they could work to increase funds. With a change in the office of Dean of Student Affairs, one would think that next year would offer reasonable chances for needed improvements.

This year's campaign is over last year's in that the issues are objective, and are genuinely related to the Student Council, not the social system of the campus. As one directly involved in last year's campaign, I would, naturally, defend the action taken to offer to the voters an alternative which had not existed before. I would also defend action taken to publicize what many felt were political abuses. On the other hand, I will be the first to acknowledge the correction of the things we fought against, and to state that there is no longer a need for the type of campaign we fought.

In respect to this, we should recognize that nearly all of the work done in the Council Associates program was done by Greeks. It is also worth noting that this



"WE SURE STIRRED 'EM UP."

YWCA Will Start Babysitting Service

A babysitting service for foreign students is being sponsored by the YWCA community service committee.

Any foreign family wishing a babysitter may call Penny Purcell at HE2-5693. The only charge will be for transportation.

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from their college. If this takes place, everyone concerned will benefit. The Student Council will perhaps get the staff it needs to continue and improve its attempts to offer constructive leadership to the campus.



Which diamond is a girl's best friend?

Every girl knows "a rose is a rose is a rose." But is a diamond a diamond a diamond?

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Campus Calendar

YOUNG REPUBLICANS will meet tonight at 8 p.m. in room 232 Student Union. The speaker will be Robert Harrison, ex-congressman from Norfolk.

DANA K. BAILEY, central radio propagation laboratory, bureau of standards will discuss arradation hazards in outer space at 211 Bruce at 4:15 p.m. today.

PRESIDENTIAL PRAYER BREAKFAST FILM, sponsored by international Christian Leadership, will be shown at 6:30 p.m. today in the T.V. lounge of Sellsack. Open to all.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CLUB will hold its first meeting Tuesday, May 1, at 7:30 p.m. in room 345, Student Union. Ralph Beerman will speak on the admission of Red China to the United Nations and the problems concerned.

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