

Blessed is the leader...

This is, primarily, an issue devoted to Student Council elections. We feel that the issue itself has made the point we wanted — that you owe it to yourself and have a moral responsibility to the campus to vote and be informed.

The topic we shall be considering here for a short while is one of general interest. It concerns every organization on this campus — fraternity, sorority, dorms, special interest groups. It concerns the "M" of manpower in these groups. It refers to what the Westminster Chimes at Oregon State College called: The Beatitudes of a Leader.

"BLESSED is the leader who has not sought the high places, but who has been drafted into service because of ability and willingness to serve.

"BLESSED is the leader who knows where he is going and how to get there.

"BLESSED is the leader who knows no discouragement, who presents no alibi.

"BLESSED is the leader who knows how to lead without being dictatorial, true leaders are humble.

"BLESSED is the leader who leads for the good of the most concerned and not for the personal gratification of his own ideas.

"BLESSED is the leader who marches with the group and interprets correctly the signs on the pathway that leads to success.

"BLESSED is the leader who has his head in the clouds but his feet on the ground.

"BLESSED is the leader who considers leadership an opportunity for service."

It would be wasted space and effort if we bothered to expound on these virtues.

They are quite self explanatory and complete in themselves — and offer all of us something to think about. We only would urge you to read them and adopt them into your attitude toward the campus spirit and activities that you are in.

Yes, we can look around and see all of the "leaders" that we have. They are espoused all over the place — many in name only. They do not really know who, what, where or when they stand. Often the only positive statement they make is one calling for adjournment of the meeting.

As Steve Gage pointed out in his article in this issue, the value of student activities has not been stressed. We can lay part of the blame on the State of Nebraska and its eleven-inch foot conservatism and its tight purse. The "apathy" is born into us and pounded there by various sources until we too leave the state.

What is the solution? How can the organizations be worth anything? How can we have good leadership? Think positive. Be interested. And all "leaders and aspirants" — think over the Chimes list of Beatitudes. You might even add to them another such list.

Student Council elections are Monday. We have tried to present a fair and accurate picture of the candidates and the programs that they propose. The final test is up to you. The IFC and SCBC have put forth good, solid slates with some good planning and thought. There are other unbacked candidates that also deserve your attention.

As we have stated before, the Council does and can fulfil a vital function on this campus — IF, if it has good leaders in every sense of the word.



Student Government's 3-A's

This Monday, May 7, we the students of the University of Nebraska will go to the polls to elect the people who will help mold the destiny of the Student Council in the year to come. In considering this issue, we ask ourselves these questions. How should I vote? How can I know the most qualified candidates? What makes an adept student leader? The only way to answer these questions is to know the three "A's" of student government: aims, activities, and areas of influence.

Perhaps in our democratic society the greatest aim of student government should be to present public opinion whether it be in the majority or the minority. The council must concern itself with activities that count. Ones that command re-

spect; ones that will make the students aware that the Council is alive, alert, and active. At present the Council's area of influence has covered primarily the local college community, but now it is on the verge of expanding into state, national, and international areas never before explored.

What type of leadership is demanded by these three "A's" of student government? Shouldn't we elect a mature individual with experience in leadership? One who is efficient, creative, and energetic. We must choose these people with the utmost consideration for as they think and do, we will follow.

Inform yourself on the issues, choose the most able candidates, and vote May 7.

Dennis Christie

Why SCBC

By Bruce Hoiberg and Byron Almquist

Speeches, dynamic promises of reform, campaign posters prominently plastered all over campus, the sudden appearance of backslapping, "baby kissing" politicians can mean only one thing —



Almquist it's election time! For those many persons interested in campus affairs, the Student Council Elections this Monday will come as no great surprise; for the SCBC and the candidates, it will reveal the effectiveness of their many weeks of intense planning and campaigning for an improved student government.

The little known Student Council Betterment Committee, has this year, as in the past, been formed with the sole aim of promoting intelligent voting in the Student Council elections. Consisting of a number of concerned student leaders, the SCBC has subjected all interested candidates to interviews in an effort to determine those persons most qualified to represent the various colleges. Those individuals whose past experience and present leadership potential were outstanding, have been fully endorsed by the committee. Their platforms have been examined and coordinated,

and SCBC has aided in the various aspects of their campaign.

It would be a grave mistake to consider the SCBC's efforts as an attempt to restrict or regulate the voters in the forthcoming elections. A much more accurate, realistic appraisal would be to realize that its recommendations are presented merely as an aid to the informed voter. Its ultimate aim has been to make available an unbiased evaluation of candidates in the interests of securing better Student Council representation than would otherwise be possible.

Of this there can be little doubt — a great many students on this campus are satisfied with



Hoiberg the present state of affairs in Student Council. This dissatisfaction is a worthwhile sign regardless of its validity; it indicates an awareness and concern on the part of the student body. Let us remember, however, that verbal utterances in themselves rarely result in substantial reform — they must be accompanied by action.

On Monday we all have the opportunity and responsibility to voice our opinions and ideas in an effective, constructive manner.

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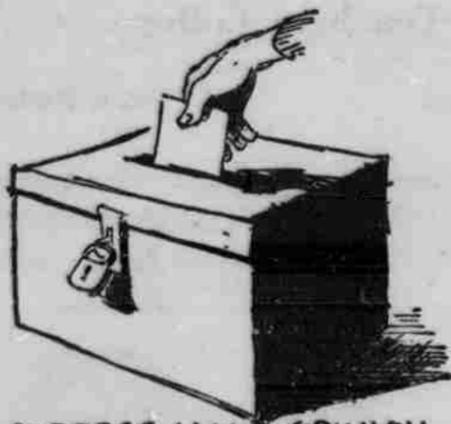
The spooking's begun in the gloaming
And quickly over the night
Has covered the jittery juniors
With a wave of hysterical fright.

As the masked marvels snicker
And look with baleful glance,
The 13 hooded thoroughbreds
Strike a "know-it-all" stance.

Meanwhile—back at the ranch,
6.4 and less juniors blanch.

Hidden away at their houses
The racing form they peruse,
Checking the odds and the nicknames,
While quaking in their shoes.

Epitaph:
Mystic marvels must you muster
All this needless worry and flutter?
Why all this needless exhibition
—or is it part of NU tradition?



EXPRESS YOUR OPINION

Student Council Betterment Committee

endorses these qualified candidates for

STUDENT COUNCIL

ARTS and SCIENCES

- Denny Christie
- Tom Kotouc
- Jerri Olson
- Ann Wahl

ENGINEERING

- Jim Hansen
- Dale Redman
- Rod Marshall

BUS. ADMIN.

- Bill Gunlicks

TEACHERS

- Mike Barton
- Judy Pearce
- Ciny Timan

AGRICULTURAL

- Sandy Brown
- Frank Morrison

ELECT SCBC

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