

## HOMECOMING QUEEN...

### Independents Propose Block Vote

It is hard to believe that the independents on this campus really want to have good relations with the Greeks. Though almost any independent that you talk to is almost bitter about the "domination" of Greeks in all aspects of life here at the University — activities, social, etc., they will say how hard they try to meet the Greeks in cementing a lasting good will between the two groups.

Yet when the University student body goes to the polls to elect a Homecoming Queen to represent the University they (the independents) are the first to withdraw within themselves in petty and selfish actions to get an independent elected — to beat the Greeks!

For years the independents have cried unfair at the Greek practice of block voting. They had a legitimate complaint based on the principle of democratic elections. So the Greeks took it, upon themselves to set up penalties to be invoked against any house or houses practicing block voting in any election. This ruling is very effective because it is a rather simple matter to discover when houses are asking their members to block vote. The Greeks took a long step towards meeting the independents and coming to an understanding.

The independents on the other hand have taken up the practice of block voting which the Greeks have made a thing of sin for themselves. As an example we cite the Oct. 30 issue of the RAM Newsgram (a weekly publication of RAM for the men at the University). We have been reading the contents of this sheet for sometime now and are concerned about the lack of responsibility in which it is printed. It is no wonder that independents are hostile to Greeks because of the aggressive tone of this sheet's editorials and news on

the subject of Greeks and their relationship with independents.

On the subject of the Homecoming election the Newsgram predicts a scheduled "block vote" for Wednesday's election and that fraternities and sororities on campus have banded together to elect the "three T's" — Tina, Tenbulzen and Thorough. It continues to say that since the students must vote for three the Greeks had decided to "crush us (independents) with their big three."

Then the Newsgram proposed the following question and solution:

"Do we want the Greeks to break our two year record of Independent Homecoming Queens? ... suggest that as an alternative to Greek domination we 'fight fire with fire' and vote for three candidates of our own ... referring to the only independent candidate, Kathy Vollmer and two from small sororities Connie Cochrane and Sharon Ross."

Never has such a flagrant contamination of the democratic ballot been proposed — even when Greeks did block vote.

Elsewhere on the editorial page the Newsgram has re-printed a section — out of context — from the Sigma Phi Epsilon pledge manual and states: "It is not our intention to go into any harangue about 'what fellowship hath light with darkness,' but rather to let the Greeks display their own motives and leave the reader to judge."

In our opinion the independents have shown the same irresponsibility that the Greeks had shown, but have realized and have taken steps to correct, by calling upon the independents to participate in narrow minded, petty block voting in order to continue their two-year winning streak.

### Take It Easy... But Take It

by mike maclean

How sweet victory is to the tired Cornhusker hearts who have savored each Scarlet touchdown in the past, treasured each and every of the victories and longed for winning seasons. Well, we have one and the season is barely half over!

Enough of this talk of the quality of the teams that the Huskers have defeated, they have been victorious, and that's all that counts, that is the reason for playing football. I wonder if Bob Devaney, his staff and players will ever know how welcome the victories are? This winning football team seems almost like a panacea on the campus.

In one respect it doesn't matter what the Huskers do in the rest of the games, Nebraska's hats are tipped to Devaney for his winning season.

The team is no doubt preparing for a tough go in the league. They have a lot of work to do. But what about us fans? What about us who speculate all week long about the game, go over to the stadium a half hour early, sit down and enjoy the labors of the team? Maybe we should look at the rest of the season, too.

Every football team needs support,

this team both needs and deserves all the support we can muster. I don't care if they don't go undefeated, we should really get behind them for the tough games to come.

In talking to a newcomer to our campus who is very much impressed with our school and our team, he stated that he had never seen such poor cheerleading or such a lack of enthusiasm in the stands. And this is true with a team that is only the 3rd one since 1940 to have a winning season!

Let's not forget that while the rest of us are parked comfortably in the Crib or at Duffey's every afternoon, the team is out practicing hard toward one goal — winning.

In several other columns I wrote about the team, its weak points, strong points and its chances. Everybody that is interested in the team has their opinions on the outcome of the rest of the season. In football, as in any affair involving people, one can never be sure of the outcome.

One thing for sure, though, is that the Nebraska football team will be giving all it has got in the next four games as it has in the last six. No matter what the outcome is, I think that the least we can do is get behind them — all the way.

Giv'em Hell, Huskers! !



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by dave wohlforth

A lot of students may be wondering what happened in the Bob Nye case. Nye, a 19-year-old University student, was arrested Oct. 13 by the Lincoln Police and was held in jail overnight.

Nye was arrested at the North Carolina State-Nebraska football game for going through the gate without a ticket at half-time, according to the police. Nye had left the game at half-time and returned without a ticket. He walked by a scout and was soon apprehended by city police officers.

A brief scuffle followed when, according to spectator Jim Penny (as quoted in the Oct. 15 Daily Nebraskan), one of the patrolmen forced Nye's hand behind his back and repeatedly jabbed him in the ribs. Nye did resist to a degree and was hauled off to the police station.

He was placed in jail overnight on an "open charge" and was released Sunday morning to see his lawyer. He was scheduled to appear in court Monday (Oct. 15) but there were no charges filed against him.

Three days ago, almost three weeks after the incident, Bill Blue, Lancaster deputy attorney, said that any charge against Nye had been dropped. Blue said that it was dropped because of many reasons, but he refused to give any specifics on the incident.

Lincoln Police Chief Joseph Carroll told this writer that Nye was originally arrested for disturbing the peace and booked on an "open charge." This procedure enables the Lincoln Police to hold a suspect for a "reasonable length of time (which is regarded as till the next session of court)," according to Chief Carroll.

A suspect arrested on this "open charge" is permitted to call his lawyer providing he is not drunk. He is sometimes released to members of the bar association on a "gentleman's agreement" — that is that he will show up at court, according to Carroll.

Nye's comment on the entire mess is interesting.

"The police lieutenant never established the fact that I did or did not have a ticket. All three police reports stated that I was never struck. I don't see how they determined I was disturbing the peace; it was my peace they disturbed."

The whole thing boils down to the fact that the police made an error in judgment — that while they conceivably did have the right to eject Nye from the game the jailing of him was uncalled for.

They've made a mistake and have admitted that they're wrong only by dropping the charge against Nye.

What we would like to see is not only an apology but an assurance that this type of unwarranted action does not again happen to a University student.

Speaking of the police protection at NU games, Chief Carroll said that two shifts of fifty policemen are assigned to help out at the Husker games. Their function is to help with the traffic and keep law and order, he noted.

The police do a good job at the games and this case is just one specified incident in which incorrect judgment was apparently involved.

While the officers themselves are certainly necessary for the protection of the players and spectators, how about the dogs? Is it necessary to have these canines continually

frightening the small children in the bleacher seats?

Also what might happen, if, after Nebraska knocks off Missouri tomorrow, the students decide to take a run on the goal posts, much in the same fashion as was done at Colorado? Pity the poor soul who is the first victim of one of the hounds.

Changing from criti-

cism to the gridiron, this corner will tab the Huskers to whip the Missouri Tigers by one touchdown after a tough fight.

On another matter — friend and foe alike are invited to DB&G for 21st festivities next Tuesday.

Oh yes, seems that this date is also election day so all activities will be postponed till 8 p.m., official starting hour.

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