Maddox confident of win if coverage improves

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Former Georgia Gov. Lester Maddox, American Indeendent party presidential candidate, Wednesday said he as only a "small chance" of winning the presidency beause he isn't getting enough coverage from the media.

"If we were given equal time, I feel confident we could eat them (Ford and Carter) in a number of states," laddox said while campaigning at Gateway Shopping center.

"The political establishment has decided who can and an't be heard," he said. "We've been blacked out of the o-called debates."

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Maddox said he blames both the Republicans and
Democrats for the country's problems.

"Carter blames the Republicans and Ford blames the Democrats—I agree with both of them," he said.

Y'all vote for me
Maddox walked up and down the mall, stopping at
stores, shaking hands and handing out pamphlets. He
greeted shoppers with a "Hey, good lady, vote for me and
I'll work for you" and "Y'all don't let nobody else get
that vote."

At one store a necklace with a gold peanut was advertised as "The Jimmy Carter Peanut."

Maddox saw it and said, "Well, it's good to grow 'em and I lo. ... eat 'em, but some people think like 'em and he's (Carter) one of 'em."

Maddox said Carter should have withdrawn from the race after the Playboy interview in which Carter made some remarks about committing adultery in his mind.

"I don't think private personal things should be a part of a campaign," he said. "Somebody should tie Jimmy Carter's tongue and amputate Rockefeller's finger," referring to Vice President Nelson Rockefeller making an obscene gester at a rally.

Maddox said the Ford administration and Henry Kissinger have placed America in a secondary position in the world.

He said he disapproves of what he called Ford's relinquishing of rights in the Panama Canal and said he would fire Henry Kissinger the minute after he was inaugurated. Maddox also said he opposes busing and amnesty. "If we decided to give amnesty to all those who turned their backs on their country, we wouldn't have a free U.S. now," Maddox said.

He said he would support freedom of choice by re-

storing neighborhood schools. This campaign has ignored the needs of the average person, he said.

In addition, Maddox told a clerk at a health food store that "our government needs a prescription. . .a good dose of integrity and honesty."



American Independent party presidential candidate Lester Maddox speaks with Lincoln East High School students during his Lincoln visit Wednesday.

Life Planning Workshop helps students find goals

"You won't get anything earth-shattering out of this,"
Don Wesley, facilitator of the Life Planning Workshops,
said at the first workshop Sept. 18. "But you will get a
sense of the present, and take a look at the future and
make some plans for it," he added.

The second session of the workshops, sponsored by the UNL Counseling Center, is this Saturday.

Composing a personal coat of arms was the first exercise in the first workshop after the four participants introduced themselves. Because the workshops are discussion-oriented, the groups is limited to five persons, including Wesley

The carpeted room on third floor Seaton Hall is filled with a gambling hall atmosphere during the identification and stripping of roles exercise. Participants wrote the five most significant roles they played in life on five separate cards. They then discarded each role one at a time, trying to imagine what their life would be like without that role

These exercises emphasized the importance of roles, and helped participants form a clearer picture of themselves and the goals they are striving for, Wesley said.. "If you don't know what you'll be doing in 30 years, this is

good stuff," Wesley said.

The final stages of the workshop consisted of reassuming the discarded roles. Participants then defined some personal goals and made a group effort to outline concrete steps to achieve them.

"Maybe you thought that you'd come in here and we'd give you a goal," Wesley said. "We'll show you how on your own you can put a goal into realistic terms and make it possible."

The Life Planning Workshop doesn't end when the fivehour session is over. Four to six weeks after the first meeting, the four participants will meet again to discuss their progress. "If you came because you wanted to get something done, you can do it," Wesley said.

Reactions to the workshop vary with each participant. "Sometimes people change directions, it depends on how they are when they come in," Wesley said. The workshop generally results in a change of attitudes, he said.

"This has helped," one of the participants said of the value of the workshop. "I can't expect this to set up my life for me. I come to things like this to get me thinking."

Effectiveness of the workshop is also gauged by evaluations completed by group members. Questionnaires are distributed to participants several days before the workshop, immediately before and after the session, and at the follow-up meeting several weeks later.

Results of the questionnaires has been "pretty favorable," according to Sue Bukacek, workshops coordinator.

"The Counseling Center has broadened the Life Planning Workshop in scope," she said. The workshop futfills one of the center's five goal areas—that of career planning.

Life Planning Workshops have been conducted at UNL for five years, according to Bukacek. Participants mainly have been students, but Bukacek added that some sessions have been for faculty members to "make them aware of what their students are going through." A faculty workshop is scheduled for sometime this month.

Facilitators for the sessions are drawn mainly from a leadership training course offered through the Educational Psychology Dept., Bukacek said. The students must lead two workshops to meet course requirements.

"We want people to come to grips with themselves and where they'd like to go," Bukacek said. "We want them to realize they can control their future, and show them how to take specific steps to realize their goals."

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