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Schwartzkopf, Hansen will retain seats as NU regents

Incumbents Edward Schwartzkopf and Kermit Hansen seem to have retained their seats on the NU Board of Regents.

At 12:00 a.m., Schwartzkopf led the race for the district 1 seat by 3,816 over Leo Hill, chairman of the board of Northwestern Metal, with 54 percent of the precinct reporting.

Hansen was leading in district 2 over Harland Nelson, an associate of Sapp Leasing by 17,844 votes with 54 percent of the votes in.

Acknowledging the victory which entitles him to a third six-year term, Schwartzkopf said he felt "just great."

"I pledge to continue to strive for this university's excellence, efficiency and productivity.

"Our (Nebraska's) future will be no better and no worse than our youth."

Schwartzkopf said that education of the state's youth is its "best investment."

He also said that academic excellence should be achieved without costly duplication of services among institutions. Hill, who at midnight said he neither

conceded or claimed the race said "It's been a very close race and I've run against an incumbent.

"Maybe the closeness will make him (Schwartzkopf) a better regent."

Hill, who has never before run for public office, said "It's been a great experience. I'm not unhappy."

Hansen, who will now serve his second term said "I am very happy and very pleased."

Hansen said the vote showed "the voters have a high regard for the university.

"Fortunately I'm going to interpret that for the university and the taxpayer."

Conceding his loss, Nelson said "I think that's the will of the people...I wish the incumbent well."

Nelson said he was not bothered by the loss and has no future plans to run for public office.

"I'm sure the university will be alright whether or not I'm on the board."

Although Nelson did not say whether he predicted winning, he said, "one always goes into a race hoping to win."



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Concerning early election results, Kermit Hansen said his win showed that people have high regard for NU.

Broman defeats Meyer; Lahners, Adams also winners

By Val Swinton

A UNL administrative assistant has successfully defeated a 12-year veteran to become the new Lancaster County Assessor.

Carol Broman, an administrative assistant in the Department of Life Sciences at UNL, trounced Fritz Meyer by a nine thousand vote margin, 30,316 to 21,318.

"I think the people felt the job was not being handled to the public's benefit," Broman said, in analyzing her victory. "They responded to that fact, the evidence was there that it was time for a change."

Broman also credited the press with

aiding in her victory. Both the *Lincoln Journal* and *Star* endorsed her. Broman added that in order for a challenger to defeat an incumbent, a lot of information had to be dispensed concerning the campaign.

The new county assessor said one of her primary goals to finish the reappraisal that Meyer had started, by April 1st. She conceded that to make the deadline would be an "awesome task," but promised to "work like anything," to make the deadline.

Meyer was seeking his fourth term in office.

In other county races, Republican W. Richard Baker defeated Kenneth Sherwood

by 4,000 votes for county clerk.

Incumbent County Attorney Ron Lahners successfully held off a challenge by Democrat Stan Wilson and gained reelection. Lahners rarely led by more than 10 percentage points, until the last votes were counted, when he pulled ahead to win with a six and a half thousand vote margin.

Lancaster County's new sheriff is Republican Dale Adams, who defeated Democrat Vern O'Neal by a resounding 31,635 to 19,850.

Kenneth Ferguson defeated Deon Wunderlich, with 60 percent of the vote, for Register of Deeds.

Kandra Hahn, a Democrat, beat Republican Jack Willhoft, 32,465 to 14,115 for Clerk of District Court, and Dennis Keefe, a Democrat, was elected Public Defender over David John Thomas.

Lincoln voters left little doubt as to their preference when they voted 27,231 to 14,773 to change the system of electing city councilmen from the current at-large method to district selection. Lincoln will be divided into four districts next year, forcing many of the present councilmen to

run against each other. Currently, four of the seven councilmen live east of 70th street. The new method of selection approved by Lincoln voters will allow three of the seven councilmen to still be chosen at-large. Five of the seven present councilmen opposed the measure.

Voters in Lincoln also approved the other five amendments to the city's charter, by wide margins. They include giving the city council power to repave streets without approval of 51 percent of the property owners; increase from \$5,000 to \$15,000 the minimum required for letting bids for goods and services. Another allows property owners to be assessed for costs of snow removal after legal notice has been published. The last two would remove outdated language concerning horses, mules and cattle and bring the charter into conformance with state law concerning publication of claims against the city.

County voters did not feel the need to increase the number of county commissioners. County residents voted 27,276 to 20,743 to leave the number of commissioners at three.

Six of seven amendments meet with voters' approval

Six of the seven proposed amendment changes in the state constitution met with voter approval in last night's elections.

An amendment allowing cities and villages to issue bonds in order to buy and develop blighted land was approved 129,541 to 99,062.

The voters approved 109,792 to 108,841 a similar amendment allowing cities and villages to finance with bonds to develop personal property and lease it to private industry.

An amendment to allow tax exemptions to industries and home using alternative energy systems such as solar heating, was approved 108,298 to 108,295.

They also approved by 116,894 to 104,427 an amendment to allow surviving

spouses of retired public employees to receive retrospective retirement benefits.

By an overwhelming 80 percent the voters passed an amendment by 189,099 to 44,247 to make sexual assault crimes non bailable at the judge's discrimination. Previously murder and treason were the only nonbailable crimes.

An amendment calling for the reappraisal of land that lies in two or more political sub-divisions within two years was also approved 113,894 to 86,608.

The only proposed amendment that was not approved was one allowing state senators a per diem expense allowance, 120,091 to 105,895. Senators will still receive a \$400 per month salary.

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