

UNL poll shows Reagan favored, Anderson next

By Mary Kempkes

Of 75 UNL students polled, 39.6 percent favor Republican Presidential Candidate Ronald Reagan over Independent John Anderson and President Jimmy Carter.

Anderson finished second with 17.5 percent and Carter placed third, taking only 9.5 percent of the vote.

A large percentage—33.3 percent—of the students questioned were undecided or had selected less popular candidates. Other selections included Libertarian Candidate Ed Clark and former President Gerald Ford as a write-in.

Indecision or not, a high percentage of those questioned said they would vote. About 80 percent said they were registered and planned to vote Nov. 4, despite the dismay voiced by some that there was little choice in presidential candidates this year.

The reasons for selecting a presidential candidate over another varied from abortion to economic stands to age.

"I don't feel Carter has done a good job," said Verda Houghlan, a 29-year-old masters of business administration student. "I like John Anderson's stands on women's issues and abortion issues."

But most of the students selected their

candidate by random and not because they like a candidate's views but because, "I don't like the other two," as one student said.

Eric Theisen, an 18-year-old political science major, said he selected Reagan because, "Well, he's the lesser of two evils."

John Utecht, a 22-year-old biology major, said, "I'm not too pleased about Carter and I haven't heard too much about Reagan, but what I've read I don't like. I figure Anderson can screw up just about as good as anybody."

"I don't like Reagan," said Joan Franklin. "He's made so many mistakes on TV. I'm just afraid that if he becomes president he'll just stick his foot in his mouth again," the 20-year-old pre-med student said.

Anthony Pasquale, said he would vote for Reagan because he couldn't trust the others, "not that he (Reagan) is perfect by any means."

Some of those questioned have aligned Reagan with what they consider conservative views.

Keith Briggs said he would vote for Reagan "first of all because I'm a Christian and fairly conservative. Also because Reagan has a lot of good men under him which Carter lacks."

Another student voter, 26-year-old Jeff Wooland, said, "I like his (Reagan's economic policies and his stands on national defense and the ERA."

Reagan has been identified with a strong and increased national defense policy and despite the lack of a Republican pro-ERA plank, has personally supported equal rights.

Support varied a little by sex. Women showed stronger support for Carter (10.7 percent compared with men's 8.6 percent) while the males put their money on Reagan (45.7 percent compared with the women's 32 percent). Both tied on support for Anderson at 14.3 percent.

Women showed higher indecision with

42.9 percent of them saying they would put off the decision until the final week. Only 25.7 percent of the males were undecided.

Age made a difference in the indecision among voters. Of those polled, 55.5 percent were 21 years old or younger, 23.8 percent were from 22 to 25 and 21 percent were over 25. The 22- to 25-year-olds had the highest indecision—46 percent—and those over 25 had the least—28.5 percent.

The 22- to 25-year-olds also showed the least support for President Carter—no one in this age group selected him. The strongest support for Carter came from the oldest group, where 14 percent of the people said they would vote for him.

Business club organized

By Ward W. Triplett III

Business and financial majors don't have to be the only participants in the latest organization sponsored by the College of Business Administration.

The Administrative Management Society is, according to Publicity Chairman Kevin Kean, a potential benefit to any student in any field who will be involved in personnel or group management, sometime in his career.

"We have people who plan to be doctors, editors, as well as managers," Kean said.

"I've been part of other clubs, and I cannot believe the growth of this one. The response for this is just amazing."

Six months ago, the university had no AMS. However, through the efforts of President Teresa Thomssen and other business students in the AMS in Lincoln, talk about the new group began last spring, Kean said. Now the club has 70 members.

"We just had the right people at the right time," Kean said of the club's early days.

"Plus, the senior AMS chapter here was growing so big, they wanted to expand into where younger kids could take part," he said.

What AMS does is prepare the student for his or her entrance into the business world, Kean said. By being an international organization, its nationwide contacts can ensure a student a better interaction with future employers, Kean said. Kean, a senior from Dawson, said AMS is, in effect, a fraternal organization.

"I could call in for the average salary in Dayton, Ohio for a job with E. F. Hutton. I could ask for the AMS representative with that company and find out that information. Through this, you wouldn't go into a company totally new. You would already have people you know who would be willing to help out. By being so big, membership in AMS can give you a tie all across the country," Kean said.

The main appeal of AMS lies in the fact that it is the only business group that deals directly with people who are professionals, he said.

"You get that one-on-one effect that's important," Kean said. "This provides a chance to meet the people you may someday be managing with, or working under."

"The senior chapter has been really receptive to us. We've worked out a program called student-executive protegee where the kids can go out and spend a day working with the people in business. It's all in making friends, meeting people and learning to interact," he said.

The AMS meetings are the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Nebraska Union. The meetings include speakers, personnel management testing, regular group interaction on management problems and the upcoming debate between representatives of labor and management.

Membership for the year is \$20. Trips are planned for New York or Chicago, and the AMS National meeting is in Vancouver, Canada.

"AMS was the deciding factor in my decision to stay in Lincoln rather than transfer to UNO," Kean said. "It made the city a little more personable for me."



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