Candidate Frost jumps to the rescue

Virginia Smith's recent decision not to run against Sen. J. James Exon has left the Republican Party in something of a dilemma. If they don't find a candidate soon, they will be faced with two horrible options: one, the unprecedented phenomenon of having no Republican senatorial candidate or two, John DeCamp's candidacy.



Mike Frost

This is why I have jumped to the rescue. It is with great honor and sense of duty that I announce my candidacy for the Republican nomination for the United States Senate.

There are a couple of technicalities I must address before I start my formal campaigning. One is the fact that I'm not a Republican. However, I don't consider that a major barrier. Although I'm not a registered Republican, I've always considered the party a haven of virtue, intelligence and political fair-play.

It'd be just like those dirty Republicans to do something like accusing me of being a Democrat, so I have an alternative. If they won't let me run against Exon, I'll run against Edward Zorinsky. In that case, it'd be a Republican running on the Democratic ticket against a Democrat on the Republican ticket. And they say Nebraskans don't understand partisan politics.

The other technicality is that in order to run for the Senate, you're supposed to be 30. I'm only 21. This concerned me for awhile until I figured, what are they going to do, card me?

I'll just carefully sidestep the age issue throughout the campaign. For example, if one of those smart-mouthed reporters says to me, "Hey, you don't look 30," I'll respond, "Really? Why, thank you. Nobody's ever said that before." Once I'm elected, they'll be too embarrassed to bring up the issue again.

Believe me, I hate to start the campaign with this note of deception. Normally, I would never think of usurping the system that our forefathers so carefully devised to ensure a fair election. However, something inside me tells me I'll be the most forthright, honest and principled senator this state has ever had, even if I have to cheat to win. Besides, I need to do something after I graduate.

My campaign will stress issues. This country faces a number of financial difficulties, including skyrocketing deficits, high unemployment and unstable interest rates. Measures need to be enacted to avoid financial collapse. I have a few suggestions.

Postage stamps could be made contraband. This way a 20-cent stamp would have a street value of 350.

The state of Idaho could be made into a theme park. The revenue from "Spudland," as well as the use of Sammy Spud in commercials, could go directly into federal government coffers.

Regulation of industry also eats up an unnecessarily large portion of the national budget. I would introduce legislation that would give incentives to businesses to self-regulate. For example, if they didn't cooperate, they would be forced to read Paul Harvey's column for a week.

Honesty and openness in government is another theme we need to explore. Too often, governmental agencies seem to be pursuing confusing policies. Therefore, if I were elected, I would propose legislation that would re-name it the Exterior Depart-

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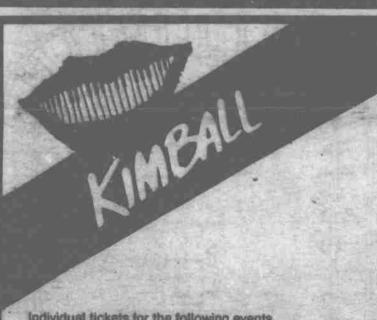
Finally the issue of defense. Stocking America's continually expanding arsenal accounts for a major chunk of the federal budget. Therefore, we need to come up with a cheap alternative to weapons. Some cynics would say peace, but remember, I'm a Repub-

I would propose a new way to fight wars. If, heaven forbid, we are ever drawn into a situation where we are forced to engage in battle to preserve

democracy (or if the commies egg us on), we should have a best-of-seven tournament of some sort. I'd say chess, but the Russians would beat us at that. Maybe something more dignified and cerebral like poison ball.

I look forward to the campaign as a time for an intelligent exchange of ideas, rather than as an opportunity for name-calling. Finally, I'd like to leave you with my own campaign slogan: "Don't vote for Exon; he's a jerk." Thank you.





Individual tickets for the following events on sale only to UNL Students beginning October 17. On sale to others beginning October 24.

London Early Music Group

With the support of the Nebraska Arts Council

Four instrumentalists, a soprano and tenor will give audience members a taste of music from the Italian Renaissance and the Early Baroque with lutes, guitars, flutes, and viols.

Friday, November 4 at 8pm

Ruth K. Seacrest Memorial Concert

Alicia de Larrocha, piano

With the support of the Nebraska Arts Council The queen of pianists, de Larrocha is especially accalimed for her performance of music by Spanish composers. Her program will include the music of Beethoven and Granados, one of Spain's great composers. Sunday, November 6 at 8pm

Ohio Ballet

A Mid-America Arts Alliance Program A cross between the Joffrey and Feld Ballet companies, this company has a uniquely refined style of its own. Led by German choreographer Hainz Poll

Friday, Nov 11 at 8pm Saturday, Nov 12 at 8pm Sunday, Nov 13 at 3pm (Children will be admitted to the Sunday performance as UFIL Student discounted price)



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