

# Student Officers To Be Elected

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## Will Student Apathy Prevail?

Alan Humble

Last year we heard a lot of students complaining about a lot of things. Some good ideas passed over those coffee cups, some bad ones too, but that isn't the point. Already this year we have heard the same complaints, from Sophomores as well as Freshmen. The reason of course is that the problems still exist. And they will continue to exist until somebody does something more than just talk about them.

This campus is set up as a democracy—The same type of democracy that our nation is founded upon. A Student Government is elected from the Student Body for the purpose of allowing the students to have a voice in their own affairs.

What does this mean to us? It means that right now there exists the exact thing we are all searching for—A method of voicing ourselves. A way to get things changed. A way to become something more than just a name on a list or a number in a column. This method exists today. Why doesn't it work, or why doesn't it seem to work? The answer is plain. How can our Class Officers possibly know what we want from them if we don't voice ourselves during the elections. If we don't become

interested, if we don't become active, we can never have effective Class Officers.

Listen to the complaints you hear on campus, think of your own complaints, then ask yourself, is anything being done? If not, why not? Do your Class Officers represent you? If not, shouldn't you see to it that you elect Class Officers that will.

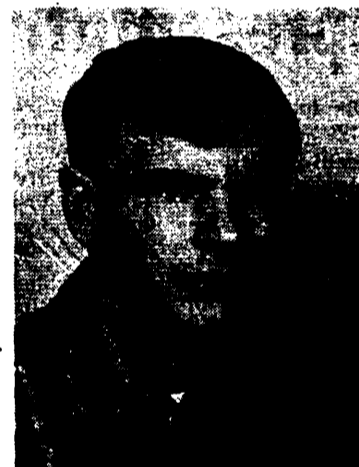
**Apathy!** In the recent election held here in Seattle only 19 percent of the eligible voters turned out. The figures are only slightly better for the state elections held last November. What does it mean when the same holds true for Highline? Less than 20 percent of the eligible voters voted in the elections for ASB Officers held last Spring. It means that an organized minority, not the people, control our State, Towns, and College! Let's not let apathy become the American way. How can our Student Officers possibly represent the whole Student Body if 80 percent of us act as if we are not here? They can't. The only way we can insure a representative and effective Student Government is to see to it at election time.

## New Officers to be Introduced at Dance

The newly elected class officers will be announced and introduced at the TGIF dance to be held tomorrow afternoon beginning at 3:30, according to Dale Ulind, social committee chairman.

Music will be provided by the "Lighter Side." This will be the first TGIF (Thank God Its Friday) dance ever held on campus. Admission for the dance, which will be held in the cafeteria, will be 25 cents per person. Come and meet your new class officers and dance to the music of the "Lighter Side!"

## Sophomore Candidates For President



Bob Merkle 18.

Candidate for Sophomore President is Robert Merkle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan E. Merkle of 4226 S. 138th.

**PLATFORM:**

A college or university has two purposes in the student's lives. The first is academic which is taken care of by professors, teachers, advisers and counselors. The second and equally important is the social aspect of which the responsibility will fall directly upon the president of the sophomore class. As it sits, the sophomores sponsor one event a year—Mad Day. Now is the time for change! The Sophomore Class will become the active, not passive class. I will show no

reservations in supporting functions which show imagination. I will support the individuals who show the initiative to sponsor new activities on campus such as the proposed TGIF dances. Through class meetings and effective class committees the possibilities of new and more activities on this campus are unlimited.

"As sophomore class president my main goal will be to work in conjunction with the ASB officers and freshmen as well as sophomores to stimulate student interest in such worthwhile endeavors as to bring inter-collegiate football to Highline College."



Art Hayward 19.

Candidate for Sophomore class president is Art Hayward. Art is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hayward of 5455 - 46th Ave. SW.

**PLATFORM:**

I was alarmed to hear that so few sophomores were interested in or had the time to run for office this year. There must be a sound reason for this.

As sophomore class president, I would attempt to find out why. In other words, stimulate interest to a point where to be sophomore class president would entail more than just presiding over meetings. The sophomore class is a senior class. Contained in this class are the experienced people who, leading the new students

could make this campus into a REAL college.

I propose, if elected, to establish a program of communication between other college sophomore officers, not just at the J. C. level, but at the University and W.S.U.

I propose that the sophomore class set up a leadership conference here on campus including all interested students.

We will soon have an office where all sophomores can communicate with their officers in the form of questions, suggestions, and just plain gab. The officers cannot run the show alone, they need help, and together you and I could make this a great year.

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