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Cameron said he also would support the president on defense issues, including the controversial MX missile system.

He said he favors the installation of the missiles in Wyoming and Western Nebraska because they are necessary for the security of the nation.

"We've got to defend our county someplace and if this is one of the points, then this is one of the points," he said.

Cameron, who announced his candidacy in early February, said he has been criss-crossing the state seeking support. While his campaign budget is low, enthusiasm in his camp is very high.

"If hard work is going to win this, my associates and I have won the election," he said "If money is going to win this election, I've lost."

An April campaign disclosure report showed that Cameron has spent about \$13,000 on his campaign. This will be Cameron's second try for the Repub-

lican nomination for a Senate seat. He was defeated in the 1982 primary by James Keck.

Cameron and his wife, Dorothy, have lived in Blair for 15 years. They have two children: a son, Jay is a student at UNL, and a daughter, Catherine, is a student at Wayne State College.

Cameron is part owner of Ken Cameron and Associates. The company serves as a manufacturer's representative for air conditioning, heating and plumbing equipment.

UNL dean of libraries resigns

By John Meissner

Because he was "not as effective as I could be or have been," Gerald Rudolph decided to close the book on 10 years of "one meeting after another."

Rudolph, who handed in his resignation as UNL dean of libraries April 18, said he was "burned out," rather than "burned up" over library funding.

"My resignation is not related to the problems of the university," he said. "It has to do with my psychological and physical make-up."

Rudolph acknowledged the university's increased support for library material during his tenure, but said the economy wiped out those gains.

"The rate of inflation accelerated much faster than the increase in funds," he said. Figures from 1982-83 underlined his point — during the last 10 years the budget expenditure for books increased 27.9 percent, for periodicals 197.9 percent. However, the cost of books during the same period rose 135.5 percent, with periodical prices climbing 238.6 percent.

Acting Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs John Yost said he was "very pleased" with the results of this year's Legislative budget.

"There was a 7.6 percent increase in acquisition funds for next year, and the library staff will benefit from salary allocations," Yost said.

Yost said one concern was Nebraska's ranking in the Association of Research Libraries. Rudolph's latest figures show Nebraska in the bottom third of most categories ranked by the association, which includes major university holdings in the United States and Canada.

Rudolph called the latest legislature-approved budget a "good budget, but almost everything went for salary increases." There was no increase in

operating funds, Rudolph said, an omission which leaves his department with a \$60,000 shortfall.

"The budgets are going to get worse. That's a pessimistic, but fair, assessment," Rudolph said. Declining enrollments spell smaller budgets, and the decreasing number of high school graduates will not be compensated by the drive to enroll adult students, he said.

"It's a nationwide problem," Rudolph said, "but Nebraska will be hit harder because the population base is small."

Rudolph said he thinks this will lead to some polite and some not-so-polite department battles as each tries to get a decent portion of what is available.

"It sounds like I'm a rat deserting a ship," Rudolph said. "Maybe I've failed in making things sufficiently known next door," (the administration building). We're not running an inefficient department."

Yost said he thinks the new dean will inherit a challenging, but not impossible job.

"Every deanship provides a challenge to someone who has the energy and desire to accept that responsibility," Yost said. "It's a normal thing for deans to step down after a period of years, especially now, with increasing technology."

Yost said an interim dean will be appointed shortly. He said he does not know if the dean will come from inside the department.

An advisory committee appointed by UNL Chancellor Martin Massengale will then conduct a nationwide search for a permanent dean, Yost said.

Rudolph said he plans to start a new chapter at the library, first in the archives and then "filling whatever role my permanent successor sees proper."

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Boucher said the other five candidates in the Republican race for the Senate nomination should have spent less time checking up on each other and more on discussing Exon's ineffectiveness and "what the liberal Democratic party has done to this state."

"I think we should be digging up

Exon's shortcomings in the Senate," Boucher said.

The only other issue Boucher agreed to talk about was the American economy. He said the jury still is out on whether the economy is as good as the Reagan administration claims.

"Though it may seem to be a crack at the Republicans, I feel sure the lift in economy is brought on by the oncoming election," Boucher said.



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