



UNIVERSITY BUDGET PROPOSALS . . . were presented to ASUN Wednesday by Chancellor Hardin and Vice Chancellor Soshnik. At left is ASUN vice president Roger Doerr and at right is president Terry Schaaf.

Hardin Says . . . Competition Is Major Factor

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As a result of an increase in the University enrollment and in the competition for faculty members, the proposed budget of the University shows an increase of \$37.4 million dollars, according to Chancellor Clifford M. Hardin.

Hardin, speaking before the Student Senate meeting Wednesday afternoon, said that a combination of circumstances within the University has led to the development of emergency conditions.

"The single largest force in the creation of these conditions is the increase in the number of students attending the University. The second factor is the competition which has developed on a nationwide level for faculty members," explained Hardin. In the latter area, Hardin stated that about one new university or college is created every week. The salary

aspect of the recruitment and retention of faculty members, he felt, is only part of the problem.

"Working conditions, especially the opportunity to perform creative research and publish it, are decisive factors in obtaining faculty members," Hardin declared. "These two factors, enrollment and faculty, must be allotted for within the budget if the University is expected to increase the store of knowledge necessary for society's improvement," he stressed.

Increase Of 2,000
In explaining the enrollment situation, Hardin stated that if one considers the combined campuses of Nebraska Wesleyan University and Hastings College, with a total enrollment of 2,000, "then you realize what we are expected to add this year as to physical plant and faculty to meet an increase of 2,000 students."
Some of the main points of

the budget as outlined by Hardin, are a \$6.9 million dollar increase in salary adjustments, \$6.3 million dollar increase in the College of Medicine's budget, and a \$1.3 million dollar budget increase for the libraries.

Concerning the increase in salary adjustments, Hardin stated that it would affect not only the faculty, but all other employees of the University.

"This could be termed a catch-up and keep-up program. In other words, this increase would provide for the establishment of a faculty salary scale comparable to other universities of our size and type," Hardin continued.

The increase would also allow the scale to "keep-up" with any increases in the average scale, he said.

"Salaries across the nation for faculty members increase, on the average, 7 percent a year. We fell behind two years ago when the leg-

islature provided for an increase per year of only 5 percent."

Late Improvement
The budget increase covering the Medical College will be used "to put, at this late date, the college within the mainstream of modern medicine," according to Hardin.

"This would allow the college to obtain top people, specialists in their field, who would work with the students, so that the students could gain additional knowledge, especially in areas where the college is presently deficient."

The increase called for in the library's budget would be used to obtain periodicals and books which are lacking. Hardin especially emphasized the need for periodicals, "for if we don't obtain them when they are published, they are forever lost to the University."

The Chancellor opened the floor to questions from the Student Senate.

Senator Mimi Rose asked that if the enrollment continues to increase at its present rate, will steps be taken by the administration to limit enrollment?

Hardin answered that as of the present time he could not answer the question. He did state, however, that those states which have had to limit drastically their admissions by using test scores and class rank, have provided other forms of education for students desiring it.

"Before limiting the enrollment to these state universities, as was done in Pennsylvania and California, it was determined that the students who were turned down, would not be excluded from obtaining an education."

"There would be a place for them, for at least two years, in higher education. If at the end of this period, they wanted to continue and showed the ability, they could transfer to other institutions," Hardin said.

"But as yet, no such system of junior colleges or other institutions has been developed. Besides, we are not getting many students who will not make the grade," he continued.

Must Provide
"The Regents think that as long as most students can make their grades or have a chance to, then they have no choice but to provide them facilities on this campus."

In conclusion, the Chancellor stated that he hopes that the students sense, as the administration does, an "air of excitement accompanying the rapid growth and development of the University."

"For the University is not an end in itself; rather, it is created by the citizens of the state to provide students with an education that they wouldn't obtain otherwise. The University's other duty is to make Nebraska a more desirable place to live in."

Second Fire In 3 Days; 'Little Damage' At Abel

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The second fire alarm at Abel Hall in three days brought six fire engines racing to the dorm late Tuesday night.

The fire, which caused little damage, was confined to the lower part of a huge trash chute that runs the entire height of the thirteen story dorm and to the trash room in the basement.

Smoke was confined primarily to the basement area and there was little water damage from the firemen's hoses since the trash room has a drain, according to Bob Muschewski, resident director of Abel north.

The Lincoln fire department and the University Police are still investigating this fire and another one that brought firemen to the dorm at 9:30 p.m. Sunday night.

The possibility that the fires were set has not been ruled out.

"If the fires were set, it was the prank of one individual, and the rest of the students are not too happy about

it," Richard Arndt, resident director of Abel south said.

All of the 1,000 residents of the two-year-old dorm were safely evacuated. Muschewski said.

Norm Smustad, a graduate student who assisted in the evacuation, said "cooperation was good, all of the North Abel residents were out in 10 minutes."

The residents stood along the west side of 17th street and in the Nebraska Hall parking lot while firemen worked in the building. They were kept under control by student assistants armed with bullhorns. The men cheered firemen and sang songs during the 45 minute wait before most re-entered the building, about 11:15 p.m.

Abel Hall experienced a rash of trash chute fires and false fire alarms last semester that brought firemen to the campus several times and aroused the ire of city officials, including Mayor Dean Petersen. Speculation at that time was that the fires were being set, but no actual evi-

dence to this effect was uncovered.

Sandoz Hall, a women's residence, was not evacuated during last night's alarm. Muschewski explained that "the fire department has informed us that the buildings (Abel and Sandoz) can be considered as two separate buildings" and that evacuation of Sandoz was unnecessary.

Abel residents "do not see this as a lark," Muschewski said. Most, he added, are concerned as to the cause of the fires and with finding the arsonist, if there is one.

While firemen were answering the Abel call, a false alarm went off in Nebraska Hall. Firemen were investigating a possible connection between the two alarms.

During a fire drill earlier Tuesday night at Pound Hall, residents were safely evacuated from the building, but an elevator loaded with women stuck between floors as residents were coming back in the building, according to Pound resident director Mary Francis Holman.

Investigation Of Abel Fires Continues; If Set, Arson Charges Could Be Filed

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University and Abel Hall officials are discussing methods to prevent recurring fires and investigating Tuesday's trash chute fire.

Russ Brown, administrative official to Dean Robert Ross, vice chancellor for student affairs, said "when something occurs with this rapidity and coincidence, it is hard to term it accidental."

Abel South Residence Director Richard Arndt said that the evacuation of nearly 1,000 students had been orderly and swift. He said that the attitude showed a marked improvement over last year. Arndt said that the students themselves were concerned with the problem.

Ross said Abel students had told him they find it hard to believe that a resident of the hall would deliberately start a blaze because an alarm causes evacuation of the hall.

Students Cheered

Last year recurring Abel fires were coupled with reports of students cheering and making fun of the firemen as they carried out their jobs.

Brown and Abel president Wayne Morton said that there was no jarring or clashes with police Tuesday night.

Last week a false alarm was turned in at Abel, but the

fire department was not called. Sunday another trash chute fire started in the dormitory.

University officials and Abel students met Wednesday to discuss the fire and are currently seeking preventative measures.

Measure Proposed

Arndt said that an immediate measure would be to lock the trash chutes from 4:30 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. on weekdays. Brown said that student assistants will possibly be called upon to "keep an eye on" the chutes during he times they are open.

Brown said that other measures are being discussed, but declined to reveal any at this time.

Concerning false alarms, Morton said that the alarm switches are located immediately near the doors to the stairways, and that it is possible to pull one and run away without detection.

No Evidence

Brown and Arndt said that there was no evidence that any Abel residents were involved in Tuesday's fire, or even that the incident was deliberate.

Currently the division of student affairs are working with the campus police and fire department to investigate the blaze, Brown said. He added that local police are

not aiding in the investigation.

According to Ross, if evidence reveals that students are involved in the malicious setting of fires, the students would be subject to University discipline and University authorities will make their full information available to civil authorities.

Arson Charges

Captain R. F. Butler of the Lincoln police said that the Lancaster County Attorney could file charges on any one of four degrees of arson if someone set the fire and was found. He said that the degree would depend on the circumstances.

Lincoln Fire Inspector De Wayne McIntyre said that his office has been investigating the fire, but declined to explain the manner of their investigation.

McIntyre said that his office would normally reveal all the facts concerning such an incident, but that in this case the University "has been concerned about possible bad publicity" of the type that last year's fires produced.

Both Arndt and Brown accused the newspapers of sensationalizing these incidents, and reaffirmed their observations of the responsibility shown by Abel residents this year.

Brown said that the public

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In Pop Songs . . . 'Let's Take A Mind Excursion'

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"Hey Mr. Tambourine man, I can't get no satisfaction from my rainy day woman, so let's take a mind excursion on a yellow submarine."

Titles and lyrics of popular songs have recently become the target of record industry critics who claim the ditties advocate sexual and drug experiences through "hidden meanings." Still other rock 'n roll tunes are accused of blatant suggestiveness.

A collection of interpretations of songs culled from University students reveals a tangled undergrowth of narcotic and sexual allusions.

"Mr. Tambourine Man", a song made popular by the Byrds and written by Bob Dylan, became for some students the story of a dope pusher, while "Puff the Magic Dragon," of Peter, Paul and Mary fame, was "obviously about marijuana."

Many students found LSD trips the subject of three current hit paraders: "Mind Excursion," "Eight Miles High," and "Sunshine Superman." Some decided that opium was the "real" subject of "Yellow Submarine," by the Beatles.

'Classic'

The student survey showed

"Louie Louie" to be the "all-time classic" in the area of sexual suggestiveness. "Satisfaction," "Rhapsody in the Rain" and "Gloria" also ranked high on a list of suggestive songs.

More subtle allusions to sex, caged in slang words, were heard in two other Beatles songs: "Day Tripper" and "Norwegian Wood." "I've Got You Under My Skin" and "Cherry Pie" also came under criticism from students.

But though sexual and drug allusions were found by some students in current popular

songs, other students declared the same songs "perfectly innocent." This seems to be the general situation, according to Lee Thomas, disc jockey and program manager of Lincoln radio station KLMS.

"It is largely the listener's interpretation as to whether a song is suggestive or not," Thomas stated.

Several Meanings

He continued, saying that a song is subject to many different interpretations, and lyrics may mean several things to several groups.

"It is a relatively small

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CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES as planned for the new Dental College building on East Campus which will cost \$4.4 million. It is scheduled for completion in the fall of 1967. For additional information, turn to the story on Page 5.