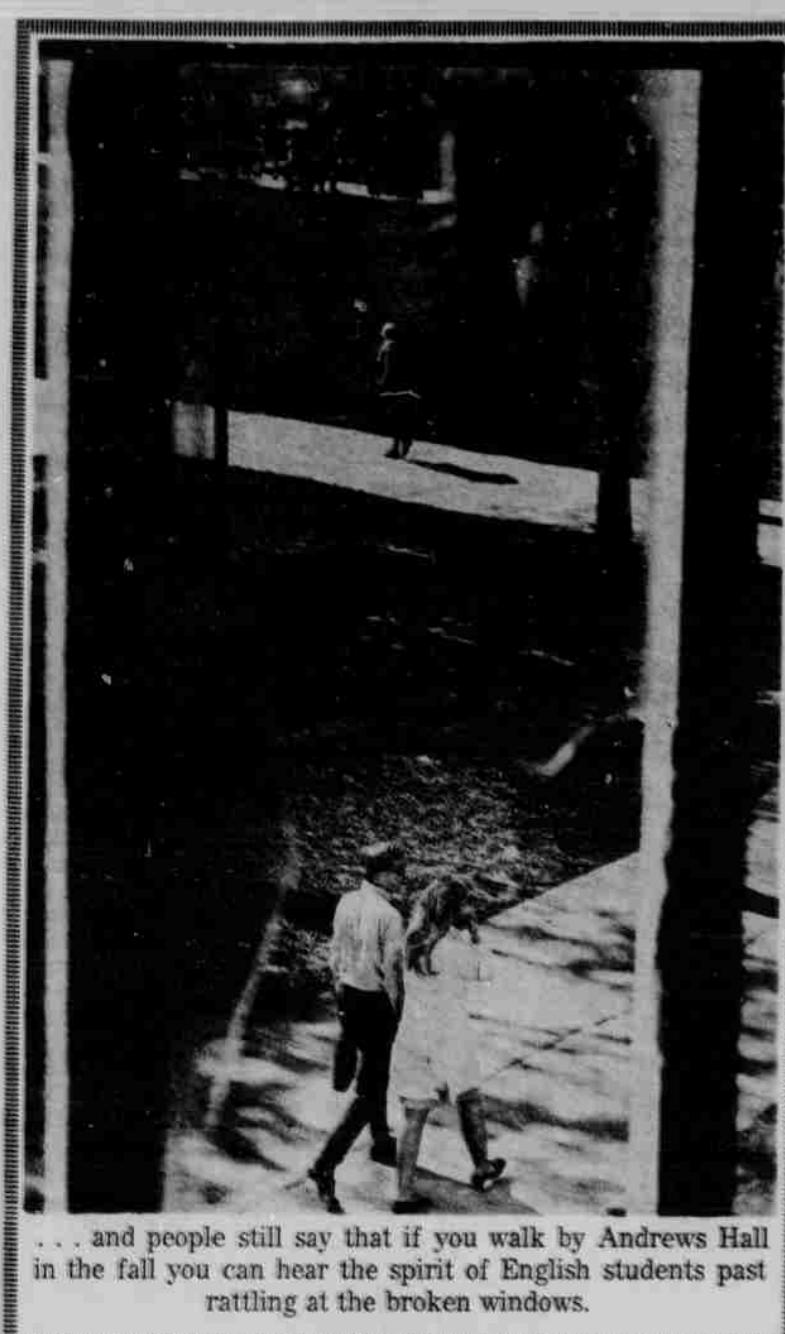




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## Budget, student lobbying among ASUN subjects

by Jim Pedersen

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ASUN Senate Wednesday approved a tentative budget and passed resolutions on student legislative lobbying, the state constitutional amendment for redistricting the Board of Regents, and the state income tax.

According to President Craig Dreeszen the Senate has not been notified of the exact amount of money it will be allowed to spend. He urged, however, that the budget be approved tentatively.

**THE BUDGET** totals \$10,928.20. It is subdivided into projects which receive \$4,500, salaries, which receive \$3,057.20, an administrative expenses, which total \$3,371.

Projects includes the model U.N., Nebraska Free University (NFU); World in Revolution Conference, Faculty Evaluation, Leadership Conference, and National Students Association (NSA) Congress.

The executive and secretarial payments are listed under salaries, and administrative expenses cover office supplies, NSA dues, and the costs of elections.

Changes from last year's budget according to Dreeszen are: money allocated to NFU and the World in Revolution Conference; election costs have been reduced; and NSA dues have been increased.

Sen. Dennis Collins introduced the resolution calling for ASUN to

support passage of Constitutional Amendment No. 7 which would allow the legislature to increase the size of the Board of Regents and allow for reapportionment of Regents' voting districts.

The resolution passed unanimously.

Sen. Diane Theisen moved for the passage of a resolution encouraging the ASUN Legislative Liaison Committee to lobby in the Unicameral on any legislative bill on which ASUN has taken a position.

**THE RESOLUTION** further provided that only those individuals authorized by the President of ASUN and the chairman of the Legislative Liaison Committee with consent of the ASUN Senate may lobby for ASUN.

"I would like to see the Legislative Liaison Committee go beyond representing students on the budget only," Miss Theisen said. "I would like to see us lobby on any bill which ASUN has taken a position on, such as housing."

The first time any lobbying was done by University of Nebraska students came two years ago concerning the budget and tuition, according to Miss Theisen.

"Lobbying as we define it is not registered lobbying with an expense account, but rather talking with legislators on a person to person basis and testifying before legislative committees," she said.



Senator Diane Theisen calls for student lobbying of the Unicameral on any issue that ASUN takes a stand on.

## Journeys to the twilight zone, or, your invisible classmates

by John Dvorak

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Do poltergeists, so-called playful ghosts who throw objects around, really exist? What are UFO's? Do ouija boards work?

Such phenomena, which lie in a hazy zone between science, magic and religion, will be investigated in the Nebraska Free University course, "The Twilight Zone."

"Now I don't claim to believe in all these phenomena," said the course leader, Dr. Hugh Whitt. "But we must look at the evidence

and take an open-minded approach."

**WHITT** SAID the course will be operated on a workshop basis, combining discussion and experimentation. This is Whitt's first semester in the NFU, although he participated in a free college at the University of North Carolina several years ago.

As in all NFU classes, the students will decide the exact course make-up. Whitt suggested several possible areas of investigation.

Ouija boards; why and how they work. And they do work, in one sense, Whitt said.

They don't always give exact prophecies, he explained. For instance, a ouija board once predicted that Whitt would become involved with one of his female students and that on August 16 her brother would kill Whitt. It did not happen.

There is some psychological tie between users of a ouija board, he said. But research is necessary to determine more about how they work.

—Unidentified flying objects — do they exist and if so what are they?

"They do exist," Whitt declared. He could not, however, explain what they are.

"UFO'S COULD be any one of a number of things," he continued. "They could be secret military experiments or possible visitors from outer space."

— Extra Sensory Perception, commonly known as ESP. For instance, a person in one room can draw cards from a deck and at the same time a person in another room can tell what that card is, Whitt said.

"Certain people seem to have an ability for this," he pointed out.

Years of experiments done by Professor J. B. Rhine, formerly of Duke University, bear this out, he added.

Various other phenomena could also be investigated in the NFU course. Whitt said. He mentioned the case of Bishop James Pike, a well respected theologian.

Pike's son died, and afterwards, Pike heard unusual noises around his home. He felt the noises were his son trying to communicate.

The elder Pike, by going through a medium, claims to have established contact with his son.

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"I DOUBT this is the case," Whitt said. But such phenomena have occurred too many times with too few explanations. "Our class may try to investigate some of them scientifically."

True believers in these psychic phenomena, in addition to curious and skeptical students, are expected to register for the course, according to Whitt. The only requirement for the course is an open mind.

Students, faculty or anyone else interested may register for "The Twilight Zone" as well as other NFU courses through Tuesday, October 29.

## Committees to hear student grade appeals

Arts & Sciences begins review by departments

by Connie Winkler

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The College of Arts and Sciences cares about your grades. All the departments of the college have established Grading Review Committees, according to Dr. Walter H. Bruning, Assistant Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The Grading Review Committees were recommended by the Student Academic Freedom Report. The report said that each college or department should provide a stan-

members on the committee, but some committees include students and graduate assistants, Bruning said.

The Dean of Arts and Sciences, C. Peter Macgrath, instructed the chairmen of the departments to choose the committee by whatever method they wanted, Bruning said.

If, after talking with the department review committees, the student is still unhappy with his grade, he can appeal to the College Grading Review Appeal Committee.

Three faculty members from different departments and one student will be on the second committee for appeal.

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THE STUDENT on the College committee will be chosen by the Arts and Sciences Student Advisory Board.

If a student wants to have his grade considered by the Grading Review Committee, he should contact the chairman of the department who will direct him to the members of the committee.

Bruning expects that most of the grading disagreements will still be handled by the individual instructors, especially when the debate is between an "A" and a "B+."

"Yet, these committees will be there when the student does feel he was arbitrarily judged," Bruning said.



## Pigskin to textbook plays coached by tutor aid program

by Bill Smitherman

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Saturday's athletes are also Monday's scholars, according to Glenn Potter, director of the scholastic aid program for University athletes.

A co-ordinated program of tutoring and study exists to keep athletes of all sports on the field, Potter said.

Athletes are required to spend a great deal of time in practice and have only limited study time because of this. For this reason it is very important that athletes develop good study habits, he said.

In THE case of trips to contests away from home, athletes sometimes miss classes and need special tutoring to make them up, he continued. During a long absence, such as the basketball team's week long trip to Hawaii

last year, even the best students need tutoring on missed classes.

The program concentrates primarily on the freshman athlete, he continued. Freshmen have special problems in developing their study habits and adjusting to the college atmosphere.

He noted that most of the freshman tutoring is group tutoring. This is possible because freshmen are generally in many common courses.

Freshmen athletes have mandatory study halls Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings. Tutors are available at this time and individual appointments may be arranged if necessary, he continued.

Above the sophomore level tutoring is conducted on an individual basis, Potter said. When a man feels that he needs a tutor in a

specific course, Potter can supply him with one. If a tutor is not already on the program's staff, Potter goes through the course departmental office to find a suitable one.

The program is selective of its tutors, he said. Graduate assistants are preferred because of their teaching experience.

He continued that sometimes an athlete will not ask for help for various reasons. Because of this, coaches keep a close watch on their athletes down slips. If an athlete receives a down in a course that he has not been tutored in, he is generally referred to a tutor.

The tutoring program continues for athletes in and out of their seasons. Potter gave four reasons for the continuing importance of the program.

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