

bill board | State sciences academy topic of hearing

A bill to establish the Nebraska Academy of Sciences as a state administrative department will be heard publicly by the Nebraska Legislature's Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee Friday. Hastings Sen. Richard Marvel, the bill's sponsor, said the measure is a vehicle to help publish scientific papers by Nebraska scholars.

The academy has existed since 1891, when it was founded by a group of university professors, including Roscoe Pound and Charles E. Bessey, according to C.B. Schultz, academy executive secretary.

It has been financed by private donations, an endowment and an experimental farm it owns in Otoe County, he said. Nebraska has done what Schultz called a poor job of getting scientific treatises published, and he said the bill may help.

Representatives of the governor's office and academy members will testify at the hearing, Schultz said.

If enacted, the bill would allow the governor to appoint members of the academy with the consent of the Legislature.

Legislative Hearings

Committees, Statehouse hearing room assignments, bills to be heard Friday and their sponsors are:

Appropriations, Room 1003

- LB 691 Appropriations bill for state government agencies.
- 2 p.m.—Public Employees Retirement Board
- 2:20—Military Department
- 2:40—Mexican-American Commission

- 3—Indian Commission
- 3:30—Natural Resources Commission
- 4—Environmental Control Dept.
- 4:30—District Courts

Government, Military & Veterans Affairs, Room 2102

- LB 659 (Marvel) Creates a new state Academy of Sciences.
- LB 661 (Koch) Transfers from the Library Commission to Department of Public Institutions certain materials on the blind and physically handicapped.
- LB 671 (Kelly) Specifies the time period for airport leases.
- LB 672 (Moylan) Requires that a certificate of taxes paid be presented before an instrument may be filed or recorded.

Public Works, East Chamber

- LB 650 (Keyes) Sets guidelines for reclassification of streets and highways.
- LB 678 (Nichol) Repeals a section relating to bridges.
- LB 685 (Kime) Establishes maximum length of livestock forage vehicles.

UNL blood drive nets 381 pints

University Red Cross (URC) collected 381 pints of blood in a two-day UNL campus drive Dec. 8 and 9, according to Pat Nefzger, Red Cross Youth Service Program director.

She said URC collected the blood for the Omaha Regional Red Cross Blood Center. The center collects about 1,500 pints of blood weekly and provides all of the blood for hospitals in more than half of Nebraska and part of Iowa.

She credited the drive's success to four students who planned and organized the drive.

They are URC officers Bob Sundberg, a senior from Littleton, Colo.; Ann Hanson, an Arapahoe junior; Avery

Loshen, an Upland junior, and Jan Parlin, a junior, from Elgin.

Angel Flight and Arnold Air Society members worked at the blood collection center, located at the Abel-Sandoz Residence Hall Complex, she said.

Although the URC did not reach its goal of 400 pints, Nefzger said Red Cross members appreciate those who donated. The blood drive scheduled for April 1 probably will be more successful, she added.

"More people would have donated if we hadn't had the drive during dead week," she said. URC will try to schedule next semester's blood drive earlier, Nefzger said.

Senators accept 10 I-80 sculptures

The Nebraska Legislature Wednesday passed by a vote of 25-14 an amended version of Grand Island Sen. Ralph Kelly's resolution to accept the Interstate-80 Sculptures Corporation's gift of ten sculptures.

The resolution was amended to include Gov. J. James Exon as co-acceptor of the sculptures, and to strike a provision recommending that the Nebraska Arts Council provide sculpture projects more closely reflecting the state's heritage.

The acceptance was in response to recent comments by Exon and Department of Roads Director Thomas Doyle that they would accept the sculptures if the Legislature had taken no action by Feb. 1.

Senators opposing the resolution argued that acceptance by the Legislature was not necessary because the executive branch has power to accept personal property gifts, like the sculptures, for the state. Those supporting the resolution said before anyone accepted the sculptures for the state, the Legislature's intent should be known.

UNL student found guilty of assault in October scuffle incident in Union

Regina Edington was found guilty Wednesday on one misdemeanor charge of assault against fellow UNL student Jeffery Quackenbush, but was declared innocent of a second misdemeanor charge of assault against Campus Police Officer Ronald Lundy.

County Judge Jeffre Chevront issued the verdict Wednesday afternoon after a morning of testimony. He set sentencing for Jan. 26. Chevront also revoked Edington's probation from an earlier assault and battery charge.

The charges stemmed from an Oct. 15 scuffle near the north entrance of the Nebraska Union.

The incident allegedly started when Edington and Quackenbush entered the Union through the north revolving doors. Edington complained that her foot became stuck in the door as Quackenbush and a friend tried to enter through the same door.

Edington testified that Quackenbush appeared amused at the incident at the revolving door. She said she asked him what was so funny and asked "in a calm voice" if he had tried to hurt her.

Quackenbush was upset, red and swollen in the face and nervous according to Lundy, who arrived at the scene several minutes after the scuffle.

Lundy said he approached Edington from the front, touched her on the arm and asked her to stay for questioning.

Edington then "struck me on the left jaw" with her right fist, and was about to strike him again, so he pulled her to the floor to handcuff her, Lundy said.

However, witnesses for the defense testified that Lundy "grabbed" or "tackled" Edington without any verbal exchange. Edington did not throw any punches, the defense witnesses said.

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Educator speaks today

An adult education specialist will conduct a student and faculty seminar at UNL today and Friday.

Allen Tough, associate professor of adult education at Ontario Institute for Studies in Education and the University of Toronto, has authored several books, including *Learning Without a Teacher* and *Why Adults Learn*. Much of the seminar information is from his book, *The Adults Learning Projects*.

Tough will conduct the student seminar today from 8:30 a.m. to noon and a faculty seminar Friday from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education.

Undergraduates may attend the seminar, according to Wesley Mierhenry, chairman of the Adult and Continuing Education Dept.

calendar

- 3 p.m.—Summer Orientation Planning Committee—Union 232.
 - 3:30 p.m.—Retirement Reception for Bessie Bulin—Union 203.
 - 4 p.m.—Elementary Education 108—Union Auditorium.
 - 5 p.m.—Fees Allocation Board—Union 216.
 - 5:30 p.m.—Housing Policy Committee—Union Pewter Room.
 - 6:30 p.m.—Residence Hall Association—Union 242.
 - 7 p.m.—Council on Student Life—Union Pewter Room.
 - 7 p.m.—Chess Club—Union Harvest Room A.
 - 7 p.m.—Concerned Pro-Life Students—Union 232.
 - 7:30 p.m.—Students International Meditation Society—Introductory Lecture—Union Auditorium.
 - 7:30 p.m.—Union Program Council (UPC) Talks and Topics—Sam Ervin—Union Centennial Room.
 - 9 p.m.—UPC Informal Rap with Sam Ervin—Union 202.
- Weather**
Thursday: Partly cloudy and a little warmer today with highs in the low 40s. Small chance of precipitation. . . .
- Thursday**
 8 a.m.—Japanese Agricultural Training Program—Nebraska Center for Continuing Education (NCCE), 33rd and Holdrege St. (through March 6).
 8 a.m.—National Rural Electrification Cooperative Association—NCCE (through Jan. 23).
 8 a.m.—District V 4-H Leader Training Program—NCCE.
 8:30 a.m.—Student Affairs Staff—203 Nebraska Union.
 8:30 a.m.—Adult and Continuing Education—Union 202-202A.
 10 a.m.—Food and Nutrition 470—Union 337.
 11:50 a.m.—Emeriti Association Luncheon—Union Pewter Room.
 2:30 p.m.—Student Affairs—State Senators—Union 242-243.
 2:30 p.m.—Student Affairs—Staff Development—Union 216.

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