

Ag Secretary Knebel pledges export support

By Paula Dittrick

U.S. Acting Secretary of Agriculture John Knebel Friday told UNL students and Nebraska livestock industry leaders that he will work toward promoting more grain and beef exports.

During Knebel's visit to Lincoln, he briefly toured the Nebraska tractor testing station and spoke on the UNL East Campus after watching a meat processing demonstration.

Knebel and others present were surprised when Roger Mandigo, head of UNL Loeffel Meat Lab, concluded his explanation of the meat processing technique by pressing some meat into the shape of Nebraska.

Knebel described the beef and wheat industries as "down, but not out."

He said the U.S. Agriculture Dept. would soon stop the flow of beef imports from Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

Foreign meat had been getting around the import quota and into this country through this port.

Knebel predicted quotas on beef imports will be continued next year unless beef prices sharply increase in the U.S.

"The essence of what the President wants in agriculture is the continuance of policies he and (former Agriculture Secretary) Earl Butz developed," Knebel said.

Knebel moved from under secretary of the U.S. Agriculture Dept. after the resignation of Butz.

He said Congress must face new farm legislation next year and will meet pressure to improve crop disaster programs and target price guarantees.

Agreeing that current farm legislation needs adjustment, Knebel said he thinks there would be "a proper upward advance in the target price" of farm products.

A guaranteed target price would insure the farmer a price calculated to pay expenses and provide profit. No guaranteed target price now exists.

During a downtown press conference Knebel said his trip was for campaign purposes and paid for by the Ford election committee.

Knebel called Jimmy Carter's agriculture program "just a bunch of peanuts."

When asked about a secret memo passed around federal departments advising against ethnic jokes, Knebel said it might exist although he had no knowledge of it.

He said that because of Butz's travels he had been acting secretary before his formal appointment.

Knebel was escorted by retiring U.S. Sen. Roman Hruska and his Lincoln visit was hosted by U.S. Rep. Charles Thone.



Photo by Ted Kirk

John Knebel, U.S. acting secretary of agriculture.

FAB tables motion to recall center's excess fees

By Betsie Ammons

A motion to recall some student fees allocated last year to the Women's Resource Center was tabled at Sunday's Fees Allocation Board (FAB) meeting because the board lacked a quorum by one member.

The motion was made after Jamie Moore, Women's Resource Center representative, appeared at the meeting to request that \$158 left over from its 1976-77 allocation be applied to its 1977-78 budget.

Moore said the extra money was needed because it is "barely making it" on the \$1,000 allocated to it by FAB last year.

The Women's Resource Center originally asked for \$3,127 in student fees for the 1976-77 school year.

Moore also said the additional money would allow the center to develop programs and activities they haven't sponsored in recent years.

FAB member Skip Walter made a motion that Moore's request be denied be-

cause the center had originally estimated it would have a \$54 carryover.

However, Walter said that \$54 plus an additional \$45 needed to buy magazine subscriptions could be kept by the center.

Also, they asked Moore about \$200 allocated for a women's theatre presentation, which Moore said is not being scheduled because it is too costly.

FAB member Skip Walter made a motion that FAB do not allow student organizations to re-allocate student fee money.

Moore told the group the money would be spent to bring women artists to Lincoln.

FAB chairman Sherry Cole said the center would have to submit money usage changes to FAB for approval.

Fund recalls also are being investigated for other student organizations, Cole said. She assigned four subcommittees to determine which organizations are abusing student fee allocations or will have surplus at the end of 1976-77 budget year.

Cole also formed three subcommittees to review the budgets and spending pro-

cedures of major student fee users. The majority of student fees are designated to the University Health Center, the Center for Students and Organizations, the Recreation Dept. and the Nebraska and Nebraska East Unions.

After reviewing how student organiza-

tions spend student fees, the FAB will begin receiving its requests for student fees for the 1977-78 year, she said.

The board will meet again Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. to discuss a proposed increase in student fees for the Nebraska East Union.

UNO senate again attempts to remove Regent Shovers

By George Miller

The University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) student senate took another shot at removing Steven Shovers, UNO student body president and student regent, from office during its Oct. 21 meeting.

The first attempt to convict Shovers on two impeachment counts was thrown out of the UNO student court Oct. 21 on a technicality.

The court ruled that five student senators who voted on Shover's first impeachment counts had questionable status in the senate during the impeachment vote.

The UNO constitution states that any senator with three or more absences shall be removed from the senate by a vote, and then must be notified of the removal.

The five senators in question had been notified of their removal, but no formal action to remove them had been taken by the senate.

Senate Speaker Nancy Norenberg said that in a couple of cases new senators had been appointed to replace them, so it was possible both senators had voted on impeachment.

Shovers said that at the senate's regular Thursday night meeting last week, the prosecutor pushed for a "total revampment" of the senate. The five senators were formally voted out of office and the senate voted again on the impeachment counts.

The matter will now go back to the UNO student court, Shovers said.

One count charges Shovers with wrongdoing in office for opening an administrative file without permission last July.

The second article charges him with making two student appointments without senate approval to a committee appointed by UNO Chancellor Ronald Roskens.

A time has not been set for the court to again hear Shovers' case.

Shovers complained Saturday that the senate was "making a circus out of the whole student government" and was "hamstringing" his job as student body president.

"I'm tired of their (the senators') efforts here to make a mockery out of student government," Shovers said.

Shovers said he was thinking "more and more" about running for re-election.

Shovers' term expires at the end of the fall semester.

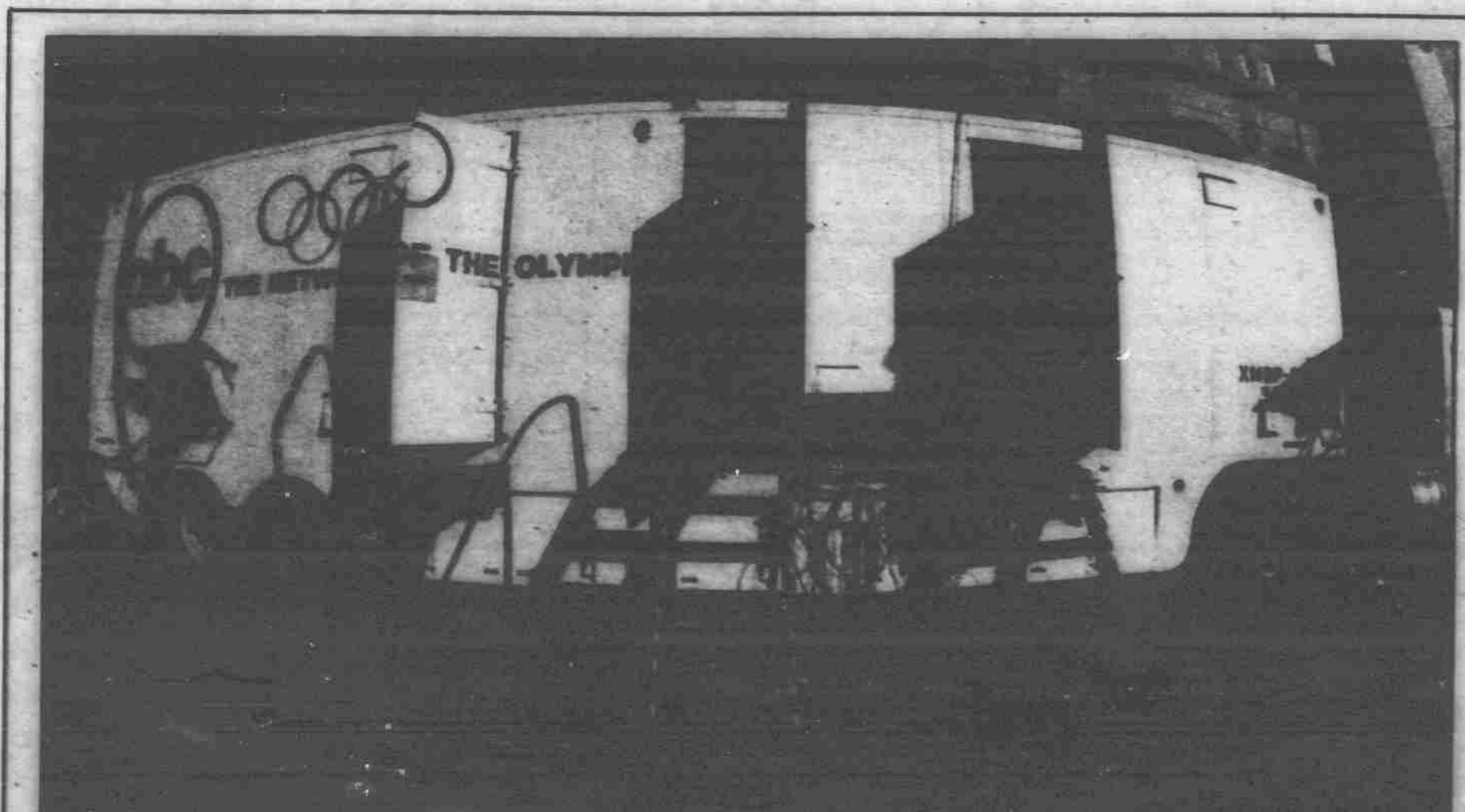


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ABC's 'magic bus,' along with the University of Missouri's NCAA allotment of bodies, rolled into town last week. When they all left, Lincoln felt empty. See pictures of the ABC-NU-MU triad on pages six and seven.