

## Sellentin says opponent not dealing with issues

By Kathy Stokebrand

Jerry Sellentin, candidate for the Nebraska Legislature from Lincoln's 27th district, said incumbent Sen. Steve Fowler may have experience in the legislative process but he isn't dealing with the issues that are most important to his constituents.

At a press conference Thursday morning in his home, Sellentin expressed disappointment that Fowler brought name-calling such as "Thone's clone" and "bureaucrat" into the legislative race.

"I am none of these and will not rely on name-calling," Sellentin declared, adding that it is time to get to the campaign issues.

Calling himself an "average citizen" with a one-car garage and brown spots in his lawn, Sellentin commented on a recent local editorial that criticized the Sellentin-Fowler race as the "most competitive legislative race in Nebraska history."

Name recognition is very important, especially when running against an incumbent, Sellentin said.

### Overwhelming support

He said he has received "overwhelming" support from Lincoln and out-state residents, but won't be intimidated by comments about his successful fund raising efforts.

Sellentin said that in the last race for the state legislature, Fowler spent as much as his opponent. Sellentin said he isn't going to underestimate his opponent's ability to do the same again in this year's contest.

Sellentin, a republican, said he has not received nor

asked for any money from the state Republican Party. However, he said he probably will receive some financial help from the party before the end of the race.

Although all of his staff members are from the 27th district, they are not all republicans, Sellentin said. He added that Fowler has people on his staff who don't live in the 27th district.

Sellentin also criticized Fowler's legislative record as ineffective, expensive, and not "in tune" with the interests of the voters.

### 'Big spender'

He said that even in the Legislature, Fowler is known as a "big spender."

Sellentin cited a 110-page prison control bill Fowler introduced as a study, which was later cut to 46 pages.

"But what has he been working on in areas such as jobs, roads and other voter concerns?" Sellentin asked.

An alumnus of and past instructor at UNL, Sellentin said the university is an investment of the state and needs the money for the finest quality of education possible. The money provided by Gov. Charles Thone is not enough, the candidate said. Thone recommended an appropriation of \$125.9 million for NU in 1980-81 after university officials requested state support of \$133.6 million.

Sellentin also questioned Fowler's moving nearly \$2 million renovation of the Temple building from number 21 on the priority list to top priority. Teaching, research and community service are areas that need to be emphasized more, he said.



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Jerry Sellentin

## Investigations lead to drug arrests

By Suzanne Sayed

A series of investigations led to the seizure Tuesday of about \$1,000 worth of items suspected to be cocaine, marijuana and amphetamines, said Investigator Duane Ritter of the Nebraska State Patrol's Division of Drug Control.

Ronald Mohr, 39, was arrested on charges of delivery of cocaine, marijuana, and suspected amphetamines.

Ron Tompkins, 25, and Curt M. Luedtke, 20, both of 901 N. 25th St., also were arrested on charges of possession with intent to deliver.

With officers from the state patrol, Campus Police department and the Lancaster County Sheriff's office, an arrest warrant was served at the address where Mohr was living temporarily.

Ritter said that upon entering the house, the officers saw some viles suspected to contain cocaine, adding up to about half an ounce, one ounce of a substance suspected to be marijuana, and 400 small white tablets suspected to be amphetamines, Ritter said.

Ritter said while the police went to obtain the search warrant, three undercover officers remained at the house. During that time 10 to 12 people came to the house, he said.

Ritter said this investigation has been going on for six months.

According to Lancaster Deputy County Attorney, Alan Stoler, the three men are all out of jail on signature bond and will appear in court at 8:30 a.m. Sept. 15.

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### Fairing well

Jason Stevenson, from Farwell, takes advantage of a bench at the Nebraska State Fair.

## Opinions differ on center use

By Betsy Miller

Even though the NU Board of Regents approved a lease of the Alumni Association property, there is still disagreement on what to do with the property.

The Regents recently approved the lease at 1220 R St., site of the present Alumni Association building.

The site was chosen after the Alumni Association had investigated several sites on the UNL campus, including a spot north of the Nebraska Union and one near Morrill Hall.

Both sites were disliked by students and administrators because student and faculty parking lots would have been removed to make room for the center at either spot.

The R Street location, which will be used, will not result in any loss of parking, but Renee Wessels, ASUN president and Central Planning Committee Student Member, said she is not completely happy with the location selected for the alumni center.

"The site itself is excellent except for the fact that there are two buildings on the sight," Wessels said.

Wessels said she thinks the Alumni Association will tear down their present alumni building and also the new addition, which housed the faculty club, to build a new alumni building.

Jack Miller, executive vice-president of the Alumni Association, indicated in an earlier interview that the Association had no definite plans for the new center. He said architects would be brought in to present plans which would conceivably either renovate, or tear down the old buildings and build a new complex.

However, Wessels said she was "almost certain" the present buildings would be torn down.

Wessels main complaint is that buildings now standing on the R Street location, while not filling the association's needs, could have been used to house other groups.

Wessels said that other groups had asked the university about the possibility of using the current alumni buildings as their headquarters if the association moved to a new site.

According to Wessels, the Center for Great Plains Studies was one of the groups that was interested in occupying the alumni building if the association moved to a new location.

However, UNL Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance Ronald Wright, also a member of the Central Planning Committee, said the buildings will not remain usable for much longer.

"Cosmetically the house looks better than it is," Wright said.

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