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# Student paper gets All-American rating

For the ninth time in a row, the Daily Nebraskan received an All-American rating from the National Scholastic Press Association.

The fall 1980 edition of the Daily Nebraskan received marks of distinction in every possible category—coverage and content; writing and editing; opinion content; design; and photography, art and graphics.

"The content is great," said Mary Skar, the judge.

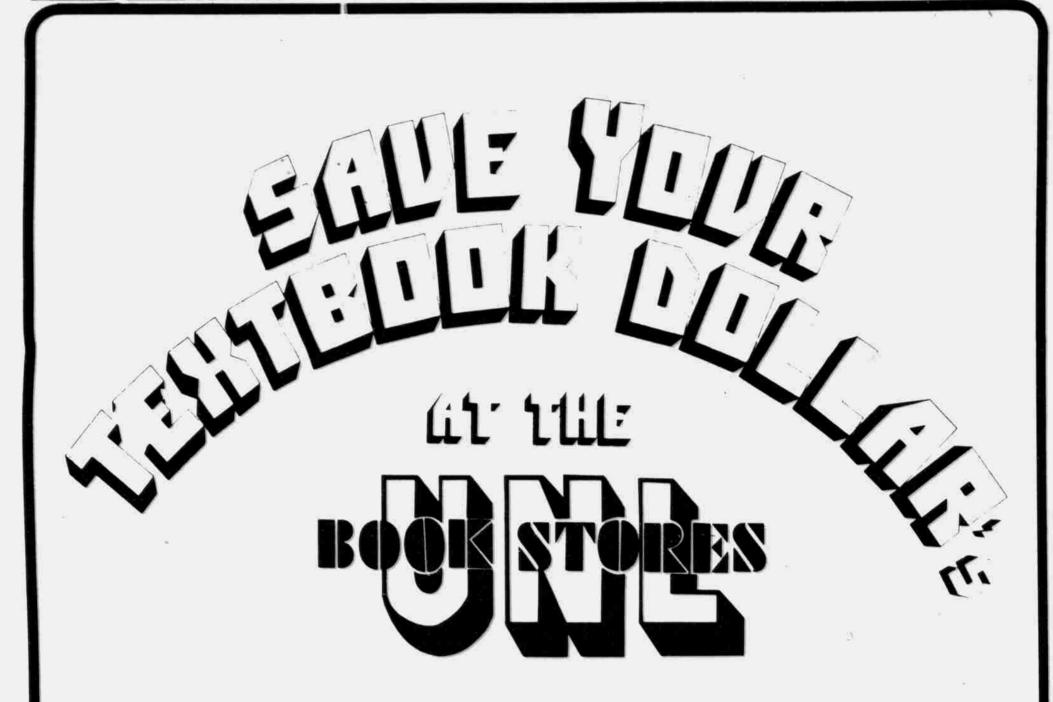
"There's something for everybody in the DN's pages.

DN is, again, a fantastic paper. The pictures are clear and candid, and the supplements are terrific.

"The design is well-planned, bright and often innovative," she said.

Paul Buys, of the NSPA, said the All-American rating is given to only about the top 10 percent of all college newspapers entered.

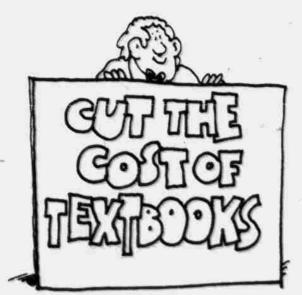
Two Nebraska state college newspapers were included in that group, The Antelope from Kearney State and The Wayne Stater. Both papers are weeklies.



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#### Coalition says gays, lesbians discriminated

Discrimination against gay men and lesbians happens in Lincoln, Scott Stebelman and Cheryl Long, members of the Lincoln Coalition for Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights, said Monday.

The coalition, a group with about 50 members, was formed several months ago when the Lincoln Commission on Human Rights began considering an amendment to the local human rights ordinance extending its protection to gay men and lesbians.

The commission will hold a public hearing on the question on Nov. 17. The coalition intends to present its findings at this hearing.

The coalition's goal is to organize support for the amendment by documenting incidents of discrimination and making people aware of problems, said Long.

People are afraid to reveal incidents of discrimination because it means "coming out" with their homosexuality, Stebelman said.

"There is a strong conservative element in Lincoln, which promotes a closet mentality," he said.

The "intimidation of the potential for discrimination" against them keeps many from revealing their sexual orientation, Long said.

Twenty-five people responded to the coalition's request for examples of discrimination. The group promised confidentiality and relied on word-ofmouth and advertisements placed in gay and lesbianoriented papers to make its request known.

The coalition presented several cases of discrimination, including those of an assistant store manager and a professional advocate for disabled people who lost their jobs because they revealed they were gay.

In another case a woman could not rent an apartment because the landlord was prejudiced against gay people.