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Federal aid switch: more work, less \$

By Judi Nygren

In order to cope with mounting financial problems, many UNL students turn to financial aid. But if Congress approves, President Reagan's projected 1985 budget, fewer financial aid programs may be available.

According to the budget, many financial aid programs may be eliminated. Among the threatened programs are Supplemental Opportunity Grants, State Student Incentive Grants and National Direct Student Loans.

Doug Severs, UNL assistant director of scholarships and financial aids said NDSL's would drop 25 percent if federal support is eliminated.

By cutting programs, Severs said, Reagan is attempting to limit colleges' ability to give aid. Reagan also is promoting the work ethic, he said, by shifting aid from grants to work-study programs and loans, he said.

Shifting aid has its benefits, Severs said, but it also has drawbacks. Students may be forced to accumulate larger loan debts and work longer hours. This may hurt their grades, he said.

Possible Pell Grant changes demonstrate the aid shift. One of the largest aid programs, the Pells may be replaced by self-help grants, Severs said. Students who participate in work-study and receive loans would get the self-help grants, he said.

The Guaranteed Student Loan is another program that faces possible changes. Reagan has proposed a "needs test" for all GSL applicants, Severs said. Currently, only students whose families earn more than \$30,000 a year take the test. The proposed changes will not cause a decrease in the number of loan recipients, Severs said, but the amount of money students receive may drop. If the loan amount decreases, he said, more students may be forced to find jobs.

Students may be able to find more jobs, Severs said, if Reagan's proposed increase for the workstudy program passes. Reagan asked Congress to raise the program's budget from \$550 million a year to \$850 million a year.

If it passes, Nebraska's work-study bill, LB1057, will further increase the number of available jobs, Severs said. He said the bill could create 100 to 150 new jobs.

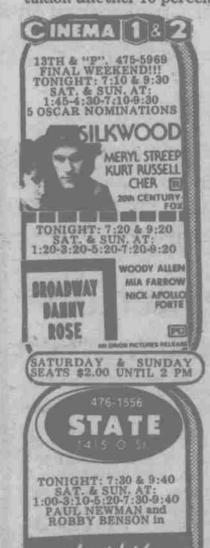
LB1057 would be a state-funded program. But, Severs said, most aid comes from the federal govern-

According to a federal report, "Trends in Student Aid: 1963-1983," currently 80 percent of aid is federally funded. This amounts to about \$16 billion. In 1963, 40 percent of all aid was federally funded. This amounted to approximately \$500 million.

Although aid increased steadily for two decades, the report showed aid dropped by \$2 billion after 1981. Aid was further diminished by inflation, according to the report. From 1980-81 to 1983-84, the real value of aid dropped about 21 percent, the report showed.

Severs said he agrees with the report's findings. The amount of aid UNL receives has not changed since 1981-82, he said, but it does not stretch as far because of the rising cost of books, housing and tuition.

In 1981-82, resident tuition cost \$29.25 per credit hour. By the 1982 fall semester it rose 10 percent, and then another 10 percent in the spring of 1983. From 1982-83 to 1983-84, tuition rose 7 percent, to \$34.50 per credit hour. UNL has proposed hiking tuition another 10 percent for the 1984-85 year.



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"Being Friendly" is a growth workshop for men who are interested in increasing or enhancing their friendships. The cost of the workshop is \$35, and it will be from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. March 16 and 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. March 17 at the YWCA, 1432 N St. The cost includes Saturday dinner.

Gene Morton and Glenn Pflum, who have presented men's events in the past, will facilitate the workshop. Men who are interested in registering or who need more information can call the YWCA at 476-2802.

"Winning With Nutrition," a workshop sponsored by the Graduate Nutrition Association and the Lincoln Dietetic Association, will be 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 10 at East Campus Union.

Off The Wire

National and international news from the Reuter News Report

Soviet Olympic official is denied entrance visa

LOS ANGELES — The State Department has refused to issue a visa to the Soviet official in charge of making advance preparations for the Soviet team at the 1984 Summer Games, the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee said Thursday. Refusal to grant an entrance visa to Oleg Yermishkin came on the day he had planned to arrive here to begin work as the Soviet Olympic attache, said Peter Ueberroth, president of the LAOOC. An LAOOC spokesman said he did not know the reason for the State Department's action.

In Washington, a State Department spokesman had no immediate comment. Ueberroth issued a statement saying the LAOOC would "seek immediate clarification of the U.S. government's actions on this matter at several levels. We are deeply troubled by the timing of this denial, which appears to be inefficient and unfair," he said.

Soviet delegate vetoes proposal

MOSCOW — The Soviet delegate vetoed a proposal to send United Nations troops to Beirut because it failed to order U.S. warships away from the Lebanese coast and did not define U.N. troop deployments, the Soviet news agency Tass said Thursday. Commenting on the U.N. Security Council resolution which the Soviet Union killed in a vote Wednesday, Tass said: "The mandate of the U.N. force contained in the draft was formulated so vaguely that it in fact created prerequisites for deploying the force throughout the whole of Lebanon."

Soviet U.N. Ambassador Oleg Troyanovsky said at the Security Council session that Moscow's chief objection was the omission of any provisions barring further shelling by U.S. warships stationed off Lebanon.

The Soviet Union had called for the withdrawal of the vessels as a condition for supporting the resolution. Moscow and the Ukraine voted against it while the other 13 members of the Security Council voted in favor.

Journalists threatened

SANSALVADOR — A right-wing death squad threatened Thursday to kill journalists who "collaborate" with left-wing guerrillas, and the armed forces sharply criticized the international news media. "We warn radio, television and print journalists that they will be executed for collaboration with the enemies of our republic," the Salvadoran Anti-Communist Comando said.

The CAS statement, published in the conservative Diario de Hoy newspaper, accused journalists of distorting news from El Salvador and of siding with left-wing guerrillas fighting the U.S.-backed government.

The complaints were echoed, though with more restraint, by the Armed Forces Press Committee (Coprefa), which said foreign reporters were spreading lies about El Salvador.

Hollings, Askew, Cranston quit

WASHINGTON — Ernest Hollings and Reubin Askew, a pair of conservative mavericks in a field of liberals, quit the Democratic presidential nomination race Thursday in a move that opens new battlegrounds for the leaders. Their withdrawals trimmed the Democratic field to five after last Tuesday's New Hampshire primary, where Sen. Gary Hart upset former Vice President Walter Mondale.

Sen. Alan Cranston of California dropped out immediately after the New Hampshire vote in which he, Hollings and Askew ran sixth, seventh and eighth in an eight-candidate field.

Millions in jewelry, gold stolen

HONG KONG — A gang of thieves stole a widow's private collection of jewelry and gold bars worth \$15.4 million in one of the world's biggest robberies.

Police said Thursday the stolen property, whose owner was not identified, was not insured. The widow, who had spent 10 years collecting the treasure and storing it in her factory safe, was offering a \$128,000 reward for the recovery of the jewels and gold, detectives said. The thieves broke into her factory in Hong Kong's Kowloon District, pried open the safe and fled with the valuables. The robbery was discovered when employees arrived for work Wednesday morning.