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**Weather:** Mostly cloudy and warmer today with a high of 22 (-8C). Partly cloudy and not as cold tonight, low of 4 (-16C). Weekend outlook: Mostly cloudy and warmer with a slight chance of snow Sunday. Highs in the mid-20s (-4C) and lows in the low teens (-11C).  
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## Bill would legalize sports wagering

By Brad Gifford  
Senior Reporter

Sen. Ernest Chambers of Omaha Thursday told the Legislature's Miscellaneous Subjects Committee that his sports wagering bill is designed to lift the "criminal" label from bettors, not to raise revenue.

Sports bookies, people who take the bets, would be required to pay the state \$500 annually under LB72. For that charge they would receive a stamp they could post displaying their certification. That way customers would know if they were dealing with a legal or an illegal bookie, Chambers said. Book makers would also be subject to a 2 percent tax on all wagers, payable every month.

The Legislature's Fiscal Office projected that implementation of the bill would cost \$80,000 to \$90,000, but State Tax Commissioner Donna Carnes said it would cost much more to collect the tax. The Department of Revenue estimated costs at \$250,000.

Chambers said that the Department of Revenue should not enforce payment of the tax if it would cost too much. The yearly operating fee could be

raised to compensate, he said.

"I'm not interested in making it a revenue-raiser, to be frank with you," Chambers told the committee. "Let's save the state some money and not try to collect the tax...The only thing I'm interested in," he said, "is licensing the bookie and collecting as much as we can from him or her."

Chambers said people are going to bet on sports events regardless of the bill's fate, so "why not legalize and regulate it," he asked.

"We sometimes criminalize conduct and all we end up doing is making criminals," Chambers said.

Sports betting is the most justified of all types of gambling because as chances of winning go down, the dividends increase. Bettors can improve those chances by studying the sport and its teams, he said. Television networks and newspapers pay prognosticators to keep people informed of "the latest line," or how much each team "should" win or lose by. Omaha's Channel 21 forecasts "Sports Weather" during football season.

"Everybody helps you," Chambers said.

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## Nebraska agricultural leaders visit Israel, Egypt, Morocco

By Gene Gentrup  
Senior Reporter

Thirty Nebraska agricultural leaders discovered what's "behind the news" in Morocco, Israel and Egypt during the third Leadership Education/Action Development trip last month, said Allen Blezek, executive director of LEAD III.

The Holy Wars between Israel and Egypt have "hidden" the importance of the two country's agricultural technology, he said. Blezek also is a UNL associate professor of agricultural education.

Blezek said representatives from all geographic regions of the state participated in the trip, which was designed to "broaden the agricultural background of state agricultural leaders."

Blezek said Israel's modern technology has residents "living in the future," while Egypt lags behind, relying on more traditional techniques.

The LEAD III group, called LEAD "fellows," visited import and export facilities, national museums, historical sites and an Israeli "kibbutz."

A kibbutz is a cooperative farm where families work and live together solely for the welfare of the group.

Blezek said the trip included a visit to an NU cooperative project in Morocco, dinner with the

U.S. ambassador to Morocco and a meeting with the governor of Morocco's Sottat province.

The trip is part of LEAD's second-year program. International agriculture is emphasized the second year, he said, while the first year concentrates on the national scene.

The LEAD program was set up to "enhance the leadership qualities in Nebraska's agricultural leaders and broaden the knowledge of background on economic, political, labor, social and historical issues concerning agriculture," Blezek said.

The program brings representatives and national agriculture leaders together to discuss problems and solutions in the agricultural sector.

"We want our state's future leaders to have the background to make intelligent decisions as leaders, as they get more into the state's key leadership roles," he said.

State Sen. Dennis Baack of Dix is one example. The newly elected senator participated in the LEAD II program, Blezek said.

He said many participants currently are serving on state commissions and one participant, Larry Hedkins, is on the National Livestock Feeder's Association.

Blezek said LEAD is a non-profit organization financed by grants and donations from state businesses.



Sen. Baack

Paul Vonderhage/Daily Nebraskan

## Senator, ASUN officials oppose board proposal

By Brad Gifford  
Senior Reporter

University of Nebraska and state college students would be under-represented by a proposed "super board," state Sen. Dennis Baack of Dix said Thursday.

Baack and ASUN officials put their opinions about the board and other student-related legislation on the table — beside the coffee and doughnuts — at a breakfast meeting sponsored by the ASUN Government Liaison Committee.

The Constitutional Revision and Recreation Committee has scheduled hearings Feb. 14 for two resolutions calling for the super board, a modified NU Board of Regents. LB36 would expand the board of regents to 13 members, five appointed by the governor. LB38 would have a board of nine people appointed by the governor, also bringing technical colleges into the board's jurisdiction. If either proposal gains committee and legislative approval, it will be placed on the November 1986 general election ballot.

Each plan allows for three non-voting student representatives on the board. They would speak for seven campuses.

ASUN President Mark Scudder said he wants to keep the present governing system

because a student appointee to the super board could be put in an uncomfortable position.

"I would have trouble arguing the governor's budget when I knew he was the one who appointed me," Scudder said.

Debra Chapelle, executive director of the Nebraska State Student Association, said state college students feel the same.

"They, too, are seriously concerned that student representation would be diluted," Chapelle said.

Scudder said an amendment attached to the approved resolution that would allow seven student delegates would make the super board more lucrative.

Baack said the resolutions would be killed if they were in the Education Committee. But the eastern Nebraska-dominated Constitutional Revision and Recreation Committee increases the chance of one of the proposals reaching the Legislature floor, he said.

Baack, a member of both committees, said he would vote against the super board because it would require too much of its members and discriminate against outstate Nebraska.

"I can't imagine being well-enough informed to govern the university and all the state colleges," he said.

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## ASUN condemns Daily Nebraskan ad policy

By Jonathan Taylor  
Staff Reporter

Describing the current Daily Nebraskan advertising policy as "discriminatory," the ASUN Senate voted Wednesday to condemn the policy in favor of one that would allow self-description in the ads.

The senate's action stems from the Daily Nebraskan's refusal to allow two lesbian women to place a want ad for a lesbian roommate. The UNL Publications Board interpreted the ad as being discriminatory against "sexual orientation" and passed a policy banning such ads.

The present ad policy allows stu-

dents to specify a preference of gender in roommate ads and whether they want people who smoke or don't smoke.

Mark Scudder, ASUN president, said the vote indicates that the senate "feels that the current policy limits basic freedoms and the inherent right students have to describe themselves."

Self-description in the ads would not discriminate against anyone, Scudder said, and he and ASUN Vice President-Curt Oltmans are drafting a proposal seeking a reversal of the board's decision.

"The Publications Board has drawn an arbitrary line about what a person can say about themselves," Scudder said.

In open forum, Deb Chapelle, executive director of the Nebraska State Students Association, updated the senate on President Reagan's proposed cuts to federal financial aid for students. The senate should know about the "severities and dangers" of the proposed cuts, which could eliminate more than 1.6 million financial awards, Chapelle said.

"I appeal to you as student leaders to encourage your fellow students to speak out on the issue," she said.

Chapelle said "intelligent responses to Congress about the cuts will make the difference whether the budget plan is passed or not."

"The plan will be altered only if people speak out," she said.

Andy Carothers, registered lobbyist for ASUN's Government Liaison committee, reviewed a list of bills state senators may vote on this legislative session. Included are LB169E, which would set aside money for renovation of Morrill Hall, and LB64E, which would establish funds for a state scholarship awards program.

Carothers urged ASUN senators to contact their representatives through ASUN's "Adopt a Senator" program. In the program, individual students informally "lobby" their respective senators to discuss bills and issues pertinent to the university.

In other business, the senate passed a resolution condemning a proposal by

the Calendar and Examinations Committee, which recommends that all classes meeting after 4:30 p.m. must have their final exams during finals week. Oltmans said many night class instructors choose to give final exams during Dead Week — and the proposal would limit their freedom.

The senate also passed legislation to approve a survey that asks whether students would support a fee increase to publish an all-university yearbook, The Cornhusker. The yearbook has not been published since 1972.

ASUN presented an award to Mike Leeper, president of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity, in recognition of the group's nightly escort service.