

# 'Illusion'

## GOP head attacks Kerrey leadership

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Senior Reporter

The Kerrey administration is subjecting Nebraskans to "the illusion of leadership" while the state's economy continues to decline, said Nebraska Republican Party chairman Kermit Brashear.



Brashear

Speaking before the Lancaster County Republican Convention at the Villager Motor Inn Wednesday night, Brashear said Gov. Bob Kerrey has no plan for solving Nebraska's problems. He said Kerrey has resorted to photo opportunities to keep up his image while farmers and small-town businesses continue to lose money.

"He promised us a businesslike leadership," Brashear said, "and it's been politics as usual in the new style."

Kerrey has said agriculture and economic

development are among his top priorities, Brashear said. But during his term, Kerrey has allowed some industries to leave the state and has confined his campaign for new industries to those that would locate in eastern Nebraska, he said.

"Do all the farmers in western Nebraska and central Nebraska want to move to Omaha or Lincoln, put on a collar and work in high-tech?" Brashear asked. "No. We want a plant in every town, and then we want two."

Kerrey's performance on budget and legislative issues this year shows his lack of leadership, Brashear said. When Kerrey proposed his initial fiscal 1985 budget in December, he told Nebraskans they should "grab their future" without worrying what state government spends, Brashear said. But as the extent of fiscal problems became obvious, he said, Kerrey let the Legislature bear the brunt of cutting the budget from \$883 million to \$828 million.

Brashear refused to comment on whether depositors of the insolvent Commonwealth Savings should be reimbursed by the state. But he said the Kerrey administration should have noticed that LB713, the bill authorizing the payoff, was missing necessary language before he signed the bill.

On Wednesday, Kerrey called the Legislature into special session to correct the problem.

Although Kerrey has "professed hither and yon that education is the future," Brashear said, his actions on the NU budget show otherwise. He said Kerrey has not convinced Nebraskans that the state will be better off without programs such as the NU Medical Center's College of Pharmacy.

"It is not the solution to go out and close a college here and a college there," Brashear said.

Brashear challenged the audience to come up with a long-range economic plan that will defeat Kerrey and help Nebraska as well.

"We are not just into attacking Bob Kerrey just to attack Bob Kerrey and winning the governorship just to win the governorship," he said.

# 'Stand-up Man'

## Sileven: God's law should govern

By Michael Hooper  
Staff Reporter

State laws should be based on the Bible and Nebraskans should vote for their judges, rather than having them appointed, said the Rev. Everett Sileven, who is seeking the Republican nomination for governor.



Sileven

Nebraska needs penal reform, to which "laws are based on the word of God," said Sileven, 48, who is the minister of the Faith Christian Church of Louisville.

Speaking to about 40 ministers of Lincoln churches at a Ministerial Alliance meeting at Nebraska Wesleyan University, Sileven said, "It's better to stand up for rights, even if you stand wrongly."

Sileven said he is an advocate of strong state government. He opposed the idea of Nebraskans

paying their federal taxes and not seeing any return of the funds to the state.

"More and more and more we're seeing the government intervening with people's lives, especially the families," he said. "As a whole, the family should be left alone."

The state should enforce laws against things like murder, but there should not be a law requiring Nebraskans to wear seat belts, he said.

Sileven said he is against the Equal Rights Amendment because it "could make women eligible for the draft, and could promote the homosexual and lesbian community."

"The government should not be there for welfare," he said. "The churches should be taking care of the needs of the family." Sileven had no comment when asked what would happen to the needy people who are not church affiliated.

Sileven said he would advocate programs such as the Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women and the Commission on Indian Affairs only if they were run by volunteers.

Campaigning as the "Stand-up Man," Sileven said his name became known through his fight to keep open the Faith Christian School of Louisville. The school didn't have state-accredited teachers. Some people outside of the state see Nebraskans as "bursting for freedom," he said.

Sileven said he is against abortion; favors the repeal of LB 662; urges immediate 90-day moratorium on farm foreclosures; will develop foreign trade for Nebraska products; will strive to reduce state prosecution load; and he believes criminals should pay their victims.

Sileven encouraged the ministers to tell their congregations where they stand on public issues.

The press has been reluctant to listen to what ministers have to say about public issues, he said, "because often we have nothing to say."

"We are guilty, my friends," he told the ministers. "We need to be informed."

Referring to Romans 13:1, Sileven said he is concerned that government officials are not subjecting themselves to God, who put them in their positions.

# ASUN, RHA form joint committee to examine Smith study area issue

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grading appeals process, 90c math classes and the Program of Active Commitment to Education (PACE) tuition assistance program.

● Heard from the Communications Committee, which is planning an ASUN open house Oct. 9. The event will give students a chance to meet their senators.

ASUN senators also passed a resolution to form an Ad-Hoc committee with RHA, the H-S-S Senate and Smith residents. Nine senators will serve on the committee that will address issues such as why Smith was chosen; why residents weren't consulted; what can be done to improve the situation; and what can be done to prevent similar problems in the future.

In other business, senators:

"The women athletes that I have talked to and my friends I have talked to are behind us on this," Warner said. "They understand our position."

The residents of Smith Hall realize it would be in no one's interest to remove

the area since the money already has been spent, she said. Residents are interested in the possibility of having access to the area or replacement of the study area and piano room replaced by the new study area, Warner said.

## Police Report

The following incidents were reported to UNL police between 12:48 p.m. and 11:32 p.m. Wednesday.

**12:48 p.m.** — Backpack and contents reported stolen from the women's restroom in the Nebraska Union.

**2:59 p.m.** — Stereo equipment reported stolen from a vehicle in Parking Area 2 near 17th and Y streets.

**3:21 p.m.** — Property damage ac-

cident reported in Parking Area 2 near 18th and Vine streets.

**8:08 p.m.** — Property damage accident reported in Parking Area 2 near 18th and Vine streets.

**9:46 p.m.** — Third-degree sexual assault reported on the sidewalk near 1425 R St.

**11:32 p.m.** — Non-university person arrested in Smith Hall on warrants from another law enforcement agency.

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