

**Weather:**

Sunny and breezy today. Winds northwesterly 10-20 mph with a high of 72. Clear and cool tonight. Low of 40. Mostly sunny on Thursday with a high near 70.

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## Roskens says more cuts could cripple NU

By Todd von Kampen  
Senior Reporter

NU President Ronald Roskens on Tuesday gave the Legislature's Appropriations Committee a long list of projected NU budget and program cuts and a warning that those cuts could cause lasting damage to the university.

A crowd of about 200, many of them NU faculty members and students, filled a state capitol hearing room for almost two hours of testimony against Gov. Bob Kerrey's proposed \$5 million cut in NU's 1985-86 budget. The audience included four of NU's eight regents, ASUN President Gerard Keating, the faculty senate presidents of NU's three campuses and student group representatives.

Roskens told the committee that the NU budget can be cut only by "changing markedly the historic mission of this university."

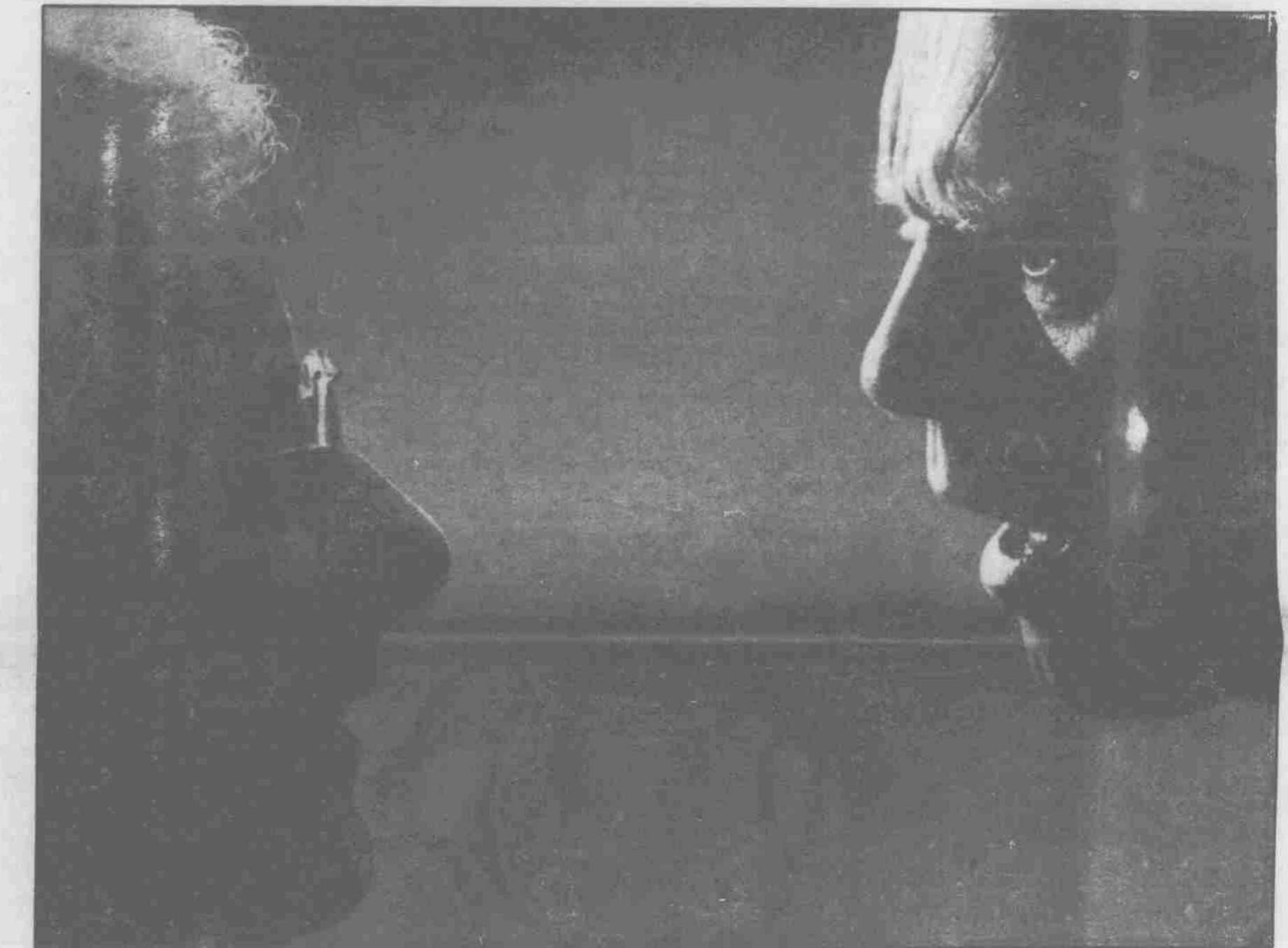
"I'd like you to know that, in our judgment, these actions are unwise and they may very well cripple the university for decades to come," Roskens said. "But we have no choice. We are forced now to submit this list to you to meet the 3 percent mid-year reduction probabilities or possibilities."

**Reductions needed**

To meet Kerrey's 3 percent reduction plan, Roskens said, UNL will have to trim about \$2.7 million from its present budget and another \$2.7 million in upcoming years. Possible 1985-86 cuts could include:

- \$1 million in spending for current part-time faculty members and hiring new full-time faculty members in such areas as business administration, engineering, mathematics and journalism.
- \$600,000 in equipment purchases.
- \$50,000 in travel budgets.
- \$150,000 in library spending.
- \$100,000 in women's intercollegiate athletics.
- \$100,000 in the Nebraska Educational Television Network budget.
- \$50,000 from the Nebraska State Museum in Morrill Hall.
- \$25,000 from the Sheldon Art Gallery.
- \$20,000 from the Community Resource and Research Center.
- \$50,000 from the Bureau of Business Research.
- \$50,000 from the Counseling Center.
- \$150,000 from a 15 percent reduction in the budget for extension agents.
- \$345,000 from the elimination of all UNL staff other than tenured faculty members.

Permanent UNL budget cuts after July 1, 1986, would include \$542,000 from the budgets for women's intercollegiate athletics and the Bob



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Sen. Ray Lundy of Kearney (left) talks with Ronald Roskens before an Appropriations Committee hearing.

Devaney Sports Center; \$125,000 from the Nebraska ETV budget; \$250,000 from closing the Community Resource and Research Center and the Bureau of Business Research; \$400,000 from the extension agent budget; \$80,000 from Sheldon Art Gallery and the Nebraska State Museum; \$1.3 million from closing the NU School of Technical Agriculture at Curtis.

**Forced to close**

If state support for NU is reduced by 5.6 percent — more than \$9.3 million — UNL could be forced to close the Nebraska State Museum and the Counseling Center, reduce NETV to part-time broadcasting, cut all spending for women's intercollegiate athletics and trim almost \$850,000 from academic programs, Roskens said.

Waverly Sen. Jerome Warner, Appropriations Committee chairman, said the committee must plan for 5.6 percent cuts for state agencies in case the Legislature approves no tax increases during the special legislative session.

Nebraskans showed this summer they wanted present programs continued when they told the NU Board of Regents not to cut the NU Medical Center's College of Pharmacy and the School of Nursing's Lincoln division, Roskens said. He told the committee he was "at best impatient" with those who suggested Nebraskans want to let other states train their students.

Each of the 16 people who testified before the committee urged senators to leave NU's funding intact. NU Regent John Payne of Kearney said

further cuts would "decimate the institution" in light of budget cuts in previous years.

**'Frustrated and enraged'**

Desmond Wheeler, UNL Faculty Senate president, said other states with budget problems increased their spending for their universities to encourage businesses to locate in their states. He said faculty morale at UNL is so low that more cuts would "convert a respectable state university into a glorified state college."

Guy Mockelman, a senior economics major at UNO and a board member of the Nebraska State Student Association, said students are "frustrated and enraged" at the prospect of further cuts. About 40 college students picketed in front of the state capitol during the hearing.

## Administrators say Kerrey's facts are wrong

By Martha Stoddard  
Staff Reporter

Gov. Bob Kerrey had his facts wrong when he suggested NU's graduate professional schools and central administration are more expendable than the undergraduate programs, four NU administrators said Tuesday.

Kerrey said in a Tuesday Daily Nebraskan article that professional schools such as the NU Medical Center and the College of Law should be cut first because comparatively few Nebraskans attend them and fewer of their graduates stay in Nebraska than those of the undergraduate programs.

"That's wrong," said NU Medical Center Chancellor Charles Andrews.

Between 98 percent and 99 percent of the

students in medical center programs are Nebraskans, Andrews said. The number of graduates who stay in the state varies from program to program. Andrews said 30 percent of doctors who graduate from the medical center stay in the state, but more than 60 percent of graduates who go through the residency program stay.

Of Nebraska's more than 2,000 practicing doctors, 60 percent are graduates of the medical center, said Dave Ogden, director of public affairs at the medical center.

Harvey Perlman, dean of the UNL College of Law, also disputed Kerrey's statement. He said 90 percent of UNL law students are Nebraska residents. Historically, 65 percent of the college's graduates have stayed in the state, he said. Excluding Douglas County, which attracts more graduates from other schools, 80 percent of

the lawyers and judges in the state are UNL graduates, Perlman said.

It would be a significant loss to the state if the law college was closed, Perlman said. Unlike other disciplines that could be studied anywhere, he said, the law college is the only state-supported institution that deals with Nebraska law.

College faculty members often help the governor and the Legislature with legal questions, Perlman said. The college's law library has the largest collection of legal materials in the state and often is used by practicing lawyers.

Kerrey said the NU central administration costs the state \$19 million, money that could be saved without damage to the university campuses. However, eliminating the central administra-

tion would save only \$1.9 million, said Alan Seagren, NU vice president for administration. He said the larger figure is the budget for administration in general.

The administrative budget for the whole university includes money for comptrollers' offices and accounting offices at UNL, UNO and the medical center.

UNL Chancellor Martin Massengale said other states are supporting education to promote economic development. He said the governor of Tennessee listed his 10 priorities as "education, education, education..."

Massengale said that commitment to education made the difference in the General Motors Corp. decision to build its Saturn plant in Tennessee.