

Weather: Mostly sunny and cool today with a high of 45. Tonight, continued cool with a low of 30. Warmer temperatures tomorrow with a high of 55.

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U.S. bombs Libya; Reagan claims 'self-defense'

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The United States, acting to "pre-empt and discourage" Libyan terrorism, executed a series of middle-of-the-night air strikes against Libya, the White House announced Monday night. President Reagan declared: "We have done what we had to do."

Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger said an Air Force F-111 was unaccounted for, but there was no evidence it had been downed. Libyan radio said three U.S. planes had been hit and the crew of one jet had been killed, after they were downed, "by Libyan citizens."

Reagan, in a nationally broadcast address to explain the military strike, said the United States had direct, precise and irrefutable evidence that Libyan leader Moammar Khadafy had ordered recent Anti-American attacks, including the bombing of a discotheque frequented by servicemen in West Berlin.

"When our citizens are abused or attacked anywhere in the world, we will respond in self defense," Reagan said. In an unmistakable warning to Khadafy, he said: "If necessary, we will do it again."

Knowledgeable officials said Khadafy's headquarters was one target of

the raid. Reagan himself described the attacks as "concentrated and carefully targeted to minimize casualties among Libyan people, with whom we have no quarrel."

Weinberger said the attacks were mounted against five targets near Tripoli and Benghazi using 18 F-111 bombers from U.S. bases in England and 15 A-6 and A-7 attack jets off Navy carriers America and Coral Sea.

Deputy White House press secretary Larry Speakes described the targets as Libya's "terrorist infrastructure — the command and control systems, intelligence, communications, logistics and

training facilities."

Secretary of State George Shultz, appearing with Weinberger in the White House briefing room just after Reagan's Oval Office statement, said the Soviet Union was told of the operation as it was taking place and was assured it was "in no way directed at the Soviet Union."

Speakes would not discuss casualties or damage. He said "we took every precaution" to ensure that no civilians would be injured or killed.

Early reaction from Congress was supportive of President Reagan's military move against Libya.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., said Reagan's action was "what the American people would have wanted him to do," and said he believed there had been "substantial compliance" with provisions of the War Powers Act.

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said, "I think all Americans would stand with the commander in chief at this moment."

And Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., called the air strikes "the logical next step" against continued terrorist attacks by Libya. Lugar is the chairman of the

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Senators override NU budget vetos; Roskens relieved

By Kent Endacott
Senior Reporter

The Legislature on Monday restored \$3.1 million to the NU budget, which was cut by Gov. Bob Kerrey last week.

Senators voted 37-9 to override Kerrey's line item veto, which would have cut \$1.6 million out of the UNL budget, \$417,000 from UNO and \$1 million from the NU Medical Center in Omaha. The NU budget was included in a motion to restore \$5.5 million in state operations.

Senators voted on the state funding motion with little debate shortly after reconvening for the afternoon session.

"There comes a point in time when the handwriting is on the wall, and there's no use flogging yourself," said Sen. Gary Hannibal of Omaha.

Override strategy

Earlier in the day, the Appropriations Committee met to plot strategy.

Appropriations Committee Chairman Jerome Warner of Waverly said the committee agreed to emphasize education and health services in its \$20 million override strategy.

"About all you can say about the override is that it deterred (NU's) further deterioration," Warner said.

"The obvious point is that, since fiscal 1981 through fiscal 1984-85, there have been reductions in the university's operating funds, with the exception of salary increases."

Last week Kerrey signed LB 1250, which gives state employees, including NU faculty members, a 3 percent salary increase.

NU President Ronald Roskens said he was relieved and thankful for the override.

"We at no time took any potential decision for granted," he said. "The senators looked at our future and the future of our state and decided that the university needed to have those originally proposed resources."

Thanks

"I want to thank the senators," he said.

Warner said proposed program eliminations that came after Kerrey's veto will not be affected. Among the possible cuts listed were closing the NU School of Technical Agriculture at Curtis, the Nebraska State Museum in Morrill Hall and the Bureau of Business Research.

Eliminating programming money for Nebraska ETV Network and cutting funds from the Bob Devaney Sports Center and women's athletics were also mentioned as possible UNL budget reductions.

Options at UNL included closing its branch development office and taking more money from intercollegiate athletics and the College of Continuing Studies. UNMC would have faced the choice of closing the College of Pharmacy, the Lincoln division of the School of Nursing, the Nebraska Psychiatric Institute and the Meyer's Children's Rehabilitation's Institute.

Positive step

Sen. Sandra Scofield of Chadron asked senators to take a "positive step" and vote for the override.

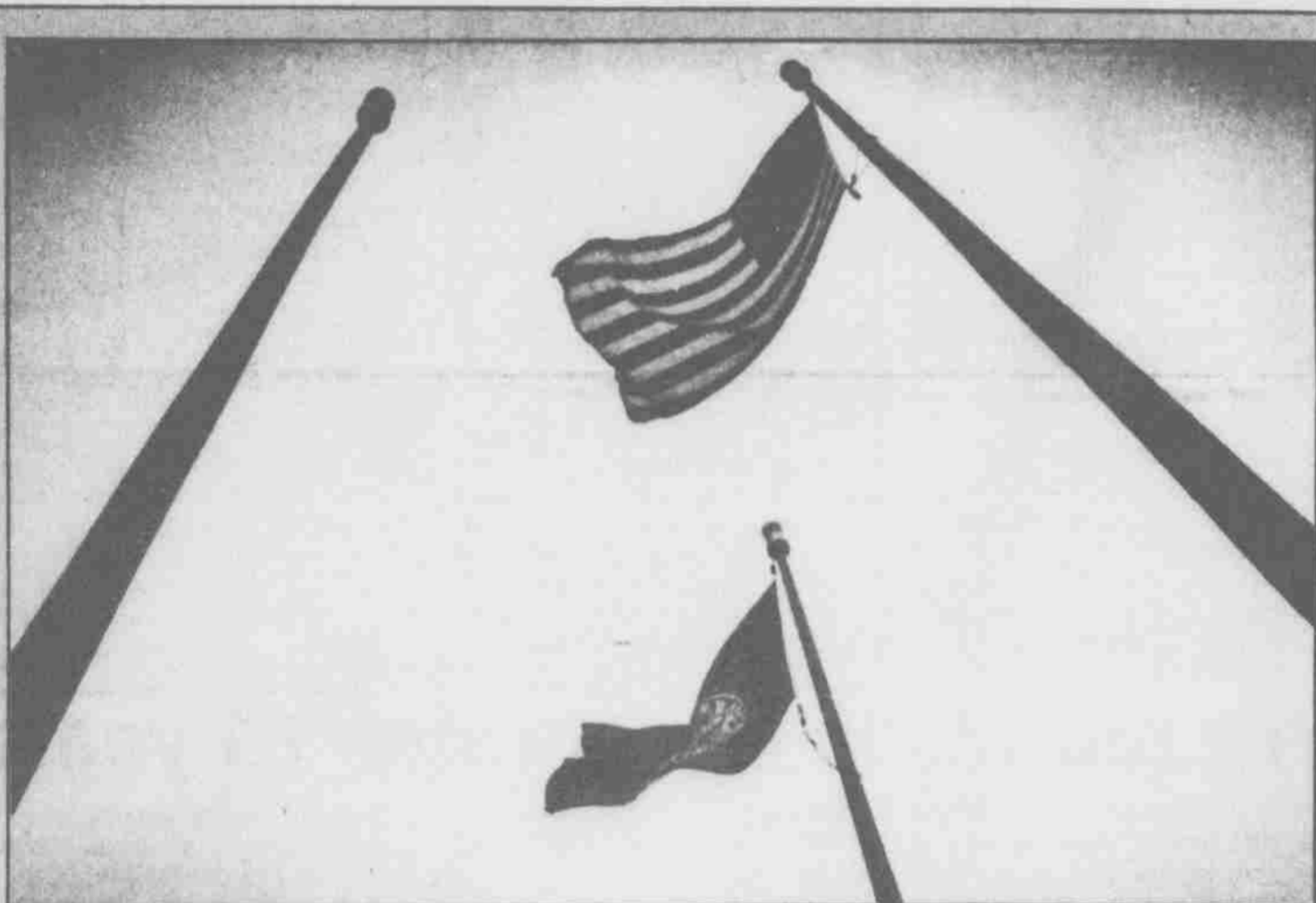
"We stand at a point today where we can send a message to the people of Nebraska," she said. Without the override "that message would be 'Nebraska isn't a place to stay and maybe they (students) should leave.'"

"I suggest we send a message that says, 'Nebraska intends to compete.' It's very important that we invest in the future," she said.

ASUN President Chris Scudder said she and some other ASUN senators lobbied senators Monday morning.

"I thought we had a pretty good chance this morning," she said. "I think they (senators) got lobbied real hard from officials from the university."

ASUN also set up a phone bank Friday in the Nebraska Union to encourage students to lobby for the university, said Marlene Beyke, ASUN development director. She said about 50 students used the banks.



Mark Davis/Daily Nebraskan

The U.S. and Nebraska flags flap in the wind, while the NU flagpole stands bare after high winds and rain damaged the flag's string and fabric.

University flag reported missing

Police blame windy weather, not thieves

ASUN's executive committee planned to make a social statement this morning.

By flying a university flag at half-staff beside the oval drive between the Administration Building and the Nebraska Union, ASUN officials hoped to draw attention to UNL's plight, said ASUN President Chris Scudder.

But when Scudder and others went to get the flag, they discovered it was missing.

Rumors of theft circulated. UNL investigator Bob Fey said flags occasionally prey to vandals, thieves and souvenir seekers.

But the solution to the mystery of the missing flag may be simpler.

Heavy rain storms and high winds had battered the flag's string and fabric, according to UNL police and ASUN officials.

Currently, UNL administration has no university banner to fly in protest or in pride. One of the three flag-

poles stands unadorned, while the others hoist the blue Nebraska and U.S. flags.

Scudder said the half-staff plan was a spur-of-the-moment idea — a dramatic move to help draw attention to the university's plight at a time when the Legislature is making crucial decisions on whether or not to override Kerrey's vetoes and restore funds to UNL.

"We should have a flag," Scudder said.

Missing master key causes problems

Some locks have been replaced in the Oldfather Hall Political Science offices after the theft of a master key, the department chairman said.

David P. Rapkin said the key was stolen more than three weeks ago from a department secretary. Security on the floor and in Political Science classes has been tight, with movable equipment such as TVs, video recorders and overhead projectors being stored in secure areas. Some classes are having to get secretaries to fetch equipment,

class members said.

Police investigator Bob Fey said a key was missing but would not comment, because the investigation is continuing. He would not comment on a report that several master keys were missing from Oldfather offices.

The UNL Maintenance Office had no reports of lost keys or lock replacements in the building, said Bob Bauch, assistant manager.

No other keys have been lost or stolen in the last year, Rapkin said, and

department key-holders have been more cautious since the theft.

In October of 1985 a master key to the Harper-Schramm-Smith Residence Complex was reported stolen. The loss cost the university between \$12,000 and \$15,000 to replace all locks in Harper Hall.

The key was later recovered by a student who found the key in the snow. The new locks were swapped for the old locks, saving the money spent on new locks.