Kerrey proposes budget cuts

Gov-elect Orr 'disappointed' by Nichols suggested tax hike

By the Associated Press

LINCOLN - Gov. Bob Kerrey's proposal to cut \$6.5 million from the current state budget confronts state senators with some difficult decisions and has sparked something of a rift between Gov.-elect Kay Orr and her future lieutenant governor.

The 89th Legislature will be the first in Nebraska history to have four special sessions. Lawmakers are set to convene

Sen. William Nichol of Scottsbluff, speaker of the legislature and soon-tobe lieutenant governor, has taken a position in direct opposition to Orr by Kerrey's veto of funding for the Scotts-

saying the state should boost its sales bluff nursing program. tax rate. Throughout her campaign and since her election, Orr has been adamant in opposing any kind of tax increase.

Orr said Thursday she was "disappointed" when Nichol suggested a onecent increase in the sales tax.

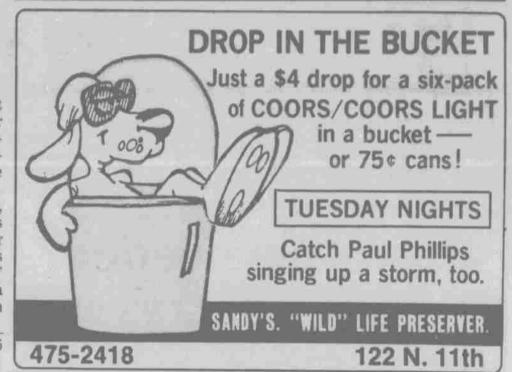
Kerrey's proposal includes cuts of across the state. Included in the edu-still being that of a state senator cation cuts are \$243,000 for the state representing his district and the actions colleges system and \$337,000 for tech- he took in past legislative sessions,"

Nichol led a successful fight in the Jan. 8." regular legislative session to override

"I'm very disappointed that we aren't off to a very good start," Orr said of her relationship with Nichol. "I'm disappointed that we did not have the conversation we had this morning before he made those comments."

"I had a talk with Bill this morning, \$.5 million in funding for NU schools and it seems that he sees his role as nical community colleges. He proposed Orr said. "He does not see himself as a a \$237,000 cut in direct aid to counties. lieutenant governor until he is sworn in

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Panel discusses ag problem

By Andy Jacobitz Staff Reporter

U.S. agricultural problems do not result from the increasing self-sufficiency of developing countries, an official of Harvard University's center for International Affairs said Thursday.

Robert Paarlberg said that in looking at U.S. agriculture problems. Ameritoo often use scapegoats. Blame is frequently placed on the European Economic Community, developing countries and the Soviet Union.

"I don't believe that they have significantly contributed to the problem," he said.

Timothy Josling of the Food Research Institute at Stanford University and George Rossmiller of the National Center for Food and Agricultural Policy joined Paarlberg in a panel discussion addressing the external sources of U.S. agriculture trade problems. The discussion was part of "American Agriculture in International Competition," a two-day conference sponsored by UNL international programs and the department of political science and agricultural economics.

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rise. It is often noted that China and India have made tremendous strides in panels on "Farm and Trade Policies agriculture, making them net exporters and Ag Trade Problems" from 9:30 to of agriculture products. But they are 11:30 a.m. and "Problems of an Agriculthe exception, he said.

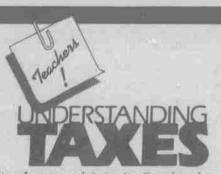
world recession than to these scape- University, the University of Minnesota, goats, he said. Josling said that big and the University of California, Berkeadvances have been made in world ley. The sessions will be at the Nebraska trade policies, making the world system Union and are open to faculty, students much more open.

"Many more countries are participating in the process," he said.

Agricultural trade will grow, but the United States will not receive all of this increase in trade and may even have a hard time regaining its market share of the late 1970s, he said. Josling said that efficient agriculture-producing countries such as Canada and Australia have taken advantage of the U.S. agriculture programs that limited production through diversion of production acres.

Rossmiller said that income and developmental growth in other countries will most like follow the growth in the United States. It is unlikely that the United States will be able to have a cost advantage over competitors because Paarlberg said that, contrary to other countries will be able to implepopular belief, agricultural self-suffic- ment new technology at a faster rate

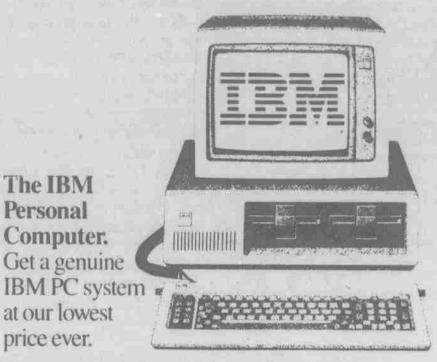
The conference continues today with tural Policy Science" from 1:30 to 4 Foreign demand is tied more to the p.m. Panelists are from Central Michigan and the public.



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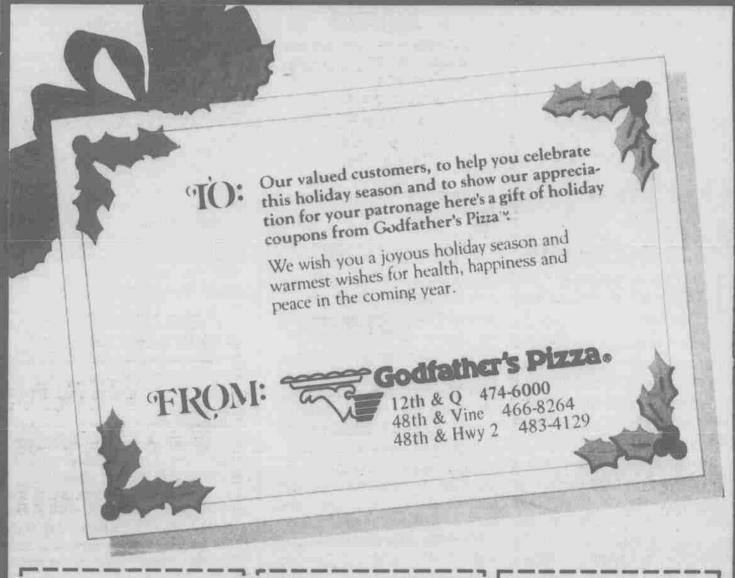
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