

WEATHER: Mostly cloudy with a high in the mid-60s. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy and cooler. Low in the low 40s. Thursday, sunny and clear with a high around 60.

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Orr says Curtis school should stay open

By Bob Nelson
 Staff Reporter

Gov. Kay Orr said Tuesday in Norfolk the Nebraska College for Technical Agriculture at Curtis should remain open as part of the University of Nebraska.

Orr said she will seek amendments to the 1987-89 biennial appropriation to give Curtis \$350,000 for its current fiscal year and \$1.4 million for the following year.

In a letter addressed to NU President Ronald Roskens, Orr said, "The development of a new role and mis-

sion for NCTA is extremely important as is the reevaluation and redirection of its curriculum."

Orr said Curtis should remain open because the success of Nebraska's agricultural economy is vitally linked to the state's educational efforts and ability to take full advantage of new methods, technology and techniques.

Orr said Curtis can and should play a key role in assisting and supporting the implementation of these advancements.

Roskens could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

The Curtis school's future had

been in question since the NU Board of Regents voted last spring to stop university financing of the school

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—Huntwork

because of budget cuts.

In May, the Legislature approved \$2.6 million to keep Curtis open for

two years. Orr vetoed all but \$500,000 needed to phase the school out because of a need to balance the state budget.

Regent Don Blank of McCook stressed that the money Orr wants to allocate to maintain the Curtis school will come from additional allocations by the Legislature and not from the present NU budget. He said the budget cuts the regents made by eliminating Curtis last spring will remain.

Blank said the regents didn't vote to drop Curtis because it wasn't a quality institution, but because the university had to make budget cuts

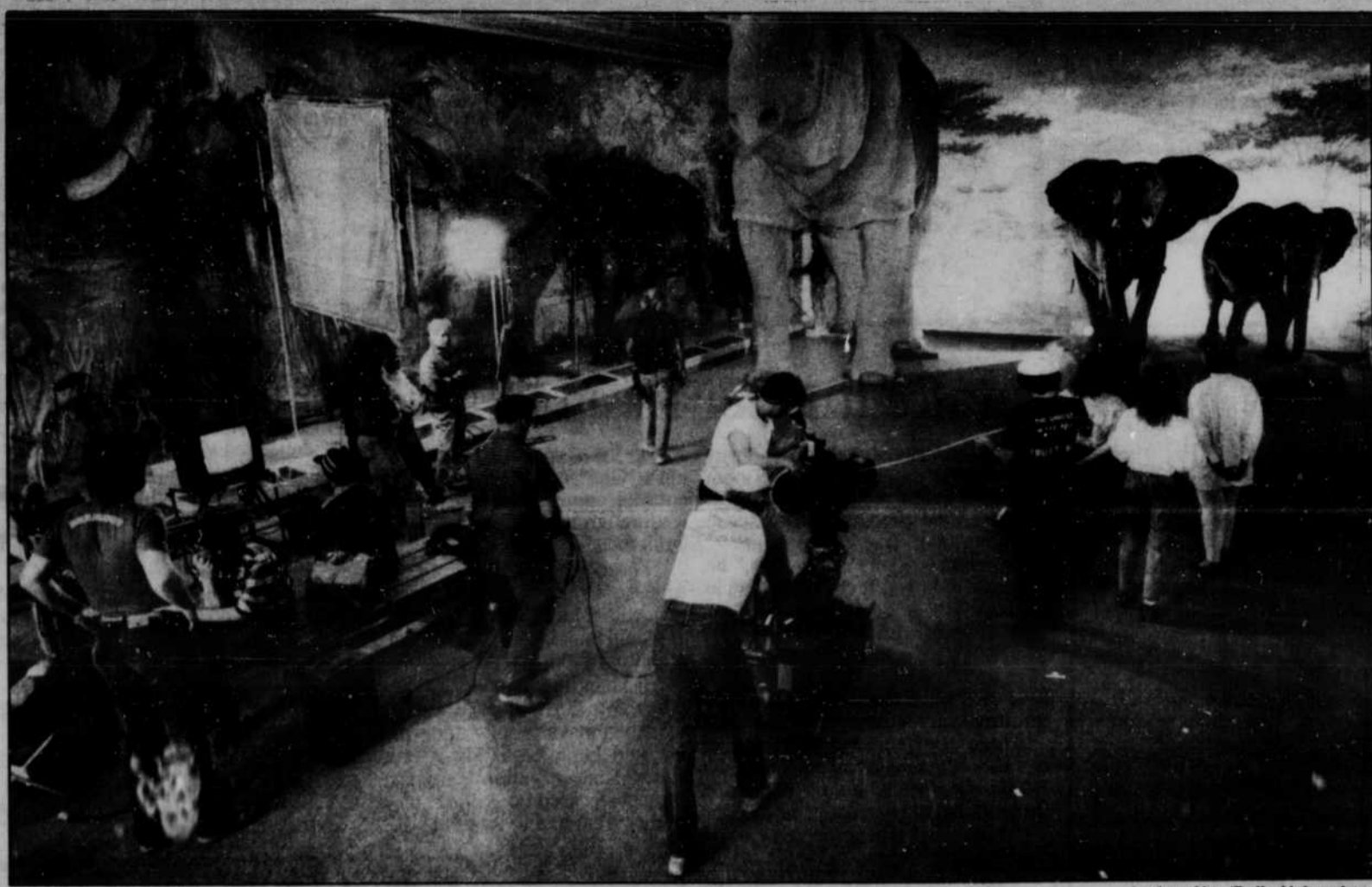
and the Curtis school was the target of those cuts.

Blank said Orr's budget amendment proposal will now have to be approved by the Legislature. Blank said he thinks the Legislature will pass Orr's amendment because of past legislative votes on Curtis.

Gerald Huntwork, associate director of the Curtis school, said he and Curtis residents were very pleased with Orr's decision.

"We're tremendously optimistic and elated," Huntwork said. "The

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On location

The "Born to Lose" crew works on a scene at Morrill Hall Tuesday. See story, page 6.

Karnes and Exxon weigh Ginsburg

By Amy Edwards
 Senior Reporter

Allegations that Supreme Court nominee Douglas H. Ginsburg violated criminal conflict-of-interest laws are a serious concern, Sen. Dave Karnes, R-Neb., said Thursday.

Ginsburg had almost \$140,000 invested in a cable television corporation when he "personally handled" a Justice Department effort to have the court extend First Amendment protection to cable operators, according to The Associated Press.

AP reported Tuesday that the American Bar Association and the Office of Government Ethics are reviewing the allegations.

Karnes said the allegations should be not only his concern, but the concern of everyone involved with the hearings.

Ginsburg, 41, a former head of the Justice Department's antitrust division and now a Circuit Court of Appeals judge, was nominated by President Reagan Thursday to succeed retired Justice Lewis Powell on the Supreme Court.

Karnes said Ginsburg is in a "unique position" because he is so young and has not published many cases reflecting his judicial philosophy.

The hearings on Ginsburg will establish his qualifications, Karnes said from Washington, D.C., in a telephone press conference. Key factors in the hearings will be his character, judgment and intellectual ability.

Sen. Jim Exxon, D-Neb., said in a press release Friday that the Senate should refrain from "choosing sides in the first inning" of the nomination of Ginsburg to the Supreme Court.

Exxon said he was surprised and disappointed when some Judiciary Committee members came out against the previous nominee, Judge Robert Bork, before his hearing. Exxon said he felt the same way when some Judiciary Committee members came out in support of Ginsburg Thursday in "the pep rally-type" announcement made by Reagan.

Mark Bowen, Exxon's press secretary, said the senator will wait until more is known about Ginsburg to comment further.

John Gruhl, associate professor of political science at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, said Ginsburg's nomination "confirms expectations that Reagan would nominate someone who has not made public statements and is very unknown."

Gruhl said the senators are more likely to object to a candidate's ethics than his ideology because ethics are less controversial and the American people react better to an ethical objection than to an ideological objection.

Feds take an extra bite out of student loans

By Randy Lyons
 Staff Reporter

The federal government will take an extra bite out of Guaranteed Student Loans through Nov. 20 to help reduce the national deficit which reached \$221 billion in 1986.

The additional charge will be assessed through the origination fee, which students must pay when the loans are taken out. The fee rose from 5 to 5.5 percent of the loan amount as of October 20.

Dallas Martin, president of the National Association of Financial Aid

Administrators, said students were charged the extra .5 percent because of an order to Congress by President Ronald Reagan which would bring the deficit in line with the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit reduction act.

"GSLs have been affected first because they are not forward-funded and come out of the current year's budget," Martin said.

If the amount targeted for reduction is not met by Nov. 20 when Congress takes a second look, money will be reduced by 7.5 percent starting July 1 for programs like College Work

Study and Pell Grants, he said.

Twenty-seven percent of all national programs are affected by the order, Martin said. Of those programs, 50 percent of the cuts must be from defense-related programs and the remainder from non-defense areas, he said.

Students who are affected by the order will be charged up to an additional \$12.50 for the origination fee. The order also will create added delays and paperwork for financial aid offices and lenders, Martin said.

Doug Severs, assistant director of loans in the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, said his office had to send many Guaranteed Student Loan checks back to the lenders to subtract the fee.

At UNL, 30 to 40 checks have been delayed and another 30 were sent back. This continues to slow the processing time of the office, he said.

"The sudden change was cruel," Severs said. "The change on a day's notice shows lack of sensitivity to the

students and all others involved."

Some of the checks that had been received by the financial aid office after Oct. 20 had been sent without the additional fee charged and had to be figured by hand and then returned, Severs said.

Nancy J. Boeche, student loan administrator and credit representative for the Havelock Bank at 14th and M streets, said the bank had a few problems until Oct. 26, because the guarantee agencies didn't have their software updated to handle the problem. The problems have since been corrected, she said.

The special allowance rate given to banks, which allows them to earn a profit from lending students money, was also reduced from 3.25 to 3.20 percent by the order, Boeche said. The reduction allows the government to pay the lenders less and also receive the additional .5 percent from the origination fee, both of which will help reduce the national deficit, she said.

ASUN to vote on tuition bill

By Lee Rood
 Senior Reporter

ASUN senators will vote tonight on an amended bill asking the University of Nebraska Board of Regents to consider raising tuition

for faculty salaries.

Shawn Boldt, second vice president of ASUN, said he expects the bill to receive student and area media attention.

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