

Brownville man decides to run for House seat

By Lisa Richardson
Staff Reporter

Corky Jones announced his candidacy Friday for the U.S. House of Representatives, saying that Nebraska needs a leader with "calluses on his hands."

The 56-year-old Brownville farmer stepped down as national president of the American Agriculture Movement last week to run against Republican incumbent Doug Bereuter.

Jones criticized Bereuter for supporting what the House hopeful called the Reagan administration's failed economic policy.

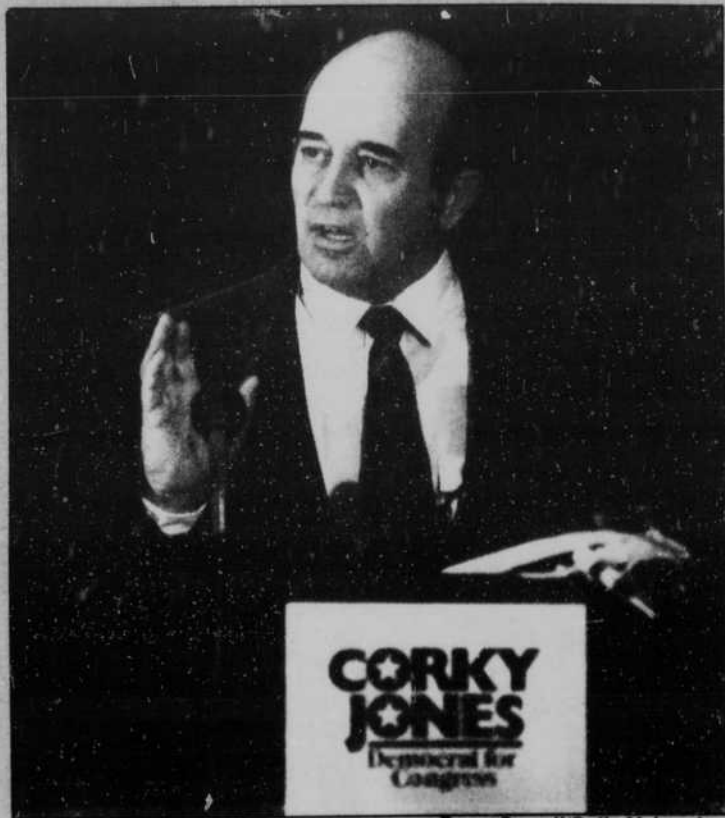
"Bereuter has continued to support policies that don't work in the face of devastation and foreclosures," Jones said.

Current economic policy is to blame for such problems as a declining standard of living, the doubling of the national debt and a half-million farm failures, he said.

The solution to these problems lies in a "common-sense approach," he added.

Jones said revitalizing the production industries of manufacturing, farming, ranching, mining, timber and oil would help solve these problems.

He said the United States should not import goods that can be produced here, and fair prices for these products should be guaranteed. In reference to the farm crisis, Jones said, Congress should legislate prices that exceed the cost of crop and animal production.



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Corky Jones, a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives from Brownville, announces his candidacy at a press conference Friday at the Capitol.

Jones said he also would like to spend more money on agriculture education, as well as other forms of education.

When asked about Nebraska's proposed low-level nuclear waste dump, Jones said that under no circumstances should the dump be located where it could contaminate the Ogallala Aquifer, the largest source of groundwater in North America.

That would be a fatal disaster, he said.

In reference to U.S. spending policies, Jones said he favors a strong defense, but money should be spent on conventional forces instead of expensive weapons systems such as the Strategic Defense Initiative, known as Star Wars.

The United States should continue humanitarian aid to Central America, Jones said, but continued military aid is wrong.

"This (the Midwest) is the Central America I'm worried about," he said.

Massengale pleased

Regents appoint Omtvedt vice chancellor

By Bob Nelson
Senior Editor

The University of Nebraska Board of Regents appointed Irvin Omtvedt as the vice chancellor of agriculture and natural resources Saturday.

Omtvedt, who served as interim vice chancellor since August 1987, will be paid \$95,500, up from \$84,700.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln Chancellor Martin Massengale said

he was pleased to have Omtvedt as vice chancellor.

"He's an outstanding man and a nationally respected administrator," Massengale said.

Massengale said Omtvedt's salary, which is higher than his own, is not unusual for vice chancellors of peer agriculture institutions and it is actually slightly lower than normal.

Massengale said it did not bother

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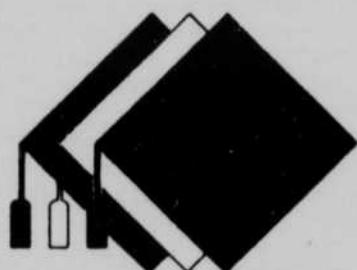
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rector for the Nebraska Libertarian Party, said, "Our platform is based on individual rights and responsibilities with freedom for all."

Paul was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives as a Republican in 1977 and was re-elected for an additional three terms, said Eric Rittberg, Paul's advance man.

While in Congress, Paul was a

ranking member of the Banking Committee and House sponsor to the U.S. Gold Commission. In addition, Paul worked to re-establish the gold standard and curb the Federal Reserve, Rittberg said.



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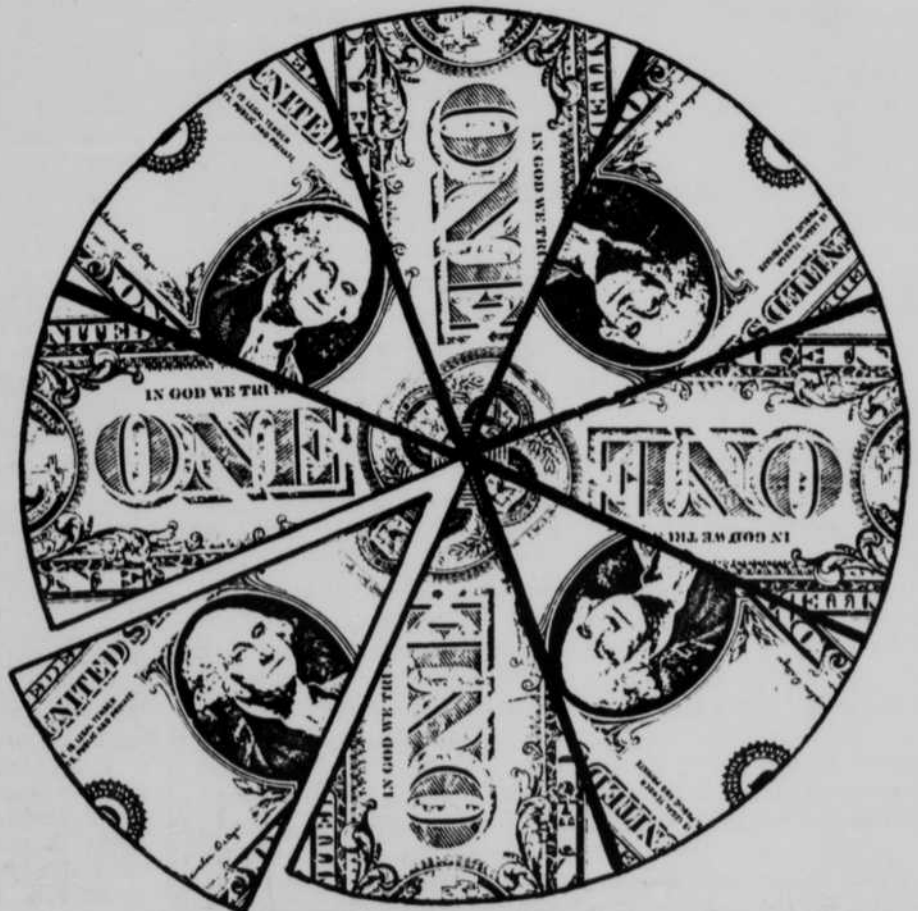
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