

# Postal rate hike may stamp on UNL budgets

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According to officials at University of Nebraska-Lincoln colleges, the recent postal rate hike will not affect the amount of mail sent at UNL.

The price of first-class stamps increased from 22 cents per stamp to 25 cents April 1. "I think we will continue to mail as much if not more," said Joseph Luther, assistant dean of the College of Architecture. He said that if the college doesn't receive additional money, it might have to cut back somewhere else.

Morris Schneider, associate dean of the College of Engineering and Technology, agreed.

"We mail out a significant number of items," he said. "We just have to absorb it and maybe cut elsewhere."

James O'Hanlon, dean of the Teachers College, said if they cut back on anything it might be the mail.

"We may be more careful in what we send," he said.

Charles Tremper, associate dean of the College of Law, said the increase might diminish recourses in other areas.

"We do a lot of mailing in regard to admissions," he said.

Ted Pfeifer, director of registration and records, said the increase will cause problems.

"We haven't projected what we will do for next year," he said. "Unless we get some more money, which I doubt that we will, we'll have to cut somewhere."

Pfeifer said he should know how the increase will affect the budget by May 1.

Eugene Merchant, associate dean of the College of Dentistry, said the college doesn't mail many letters.

"It's not going to be a major problem," he

said. Steve Hilliard, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said the college hasn't calculated how much the increase will affect them.

"It's obvious it's going to cost us some more money," he said. Hilliard said it shouldn't have much impact on how much the college mails.

Dick Schenaman, manager of campus postal services, said UNL mails roughly 11,000 items every day. He suggested the university could send some mail in a lower class or non-profit to save money.

## Author relies on background for his book

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Jim Sherwood, author of "Nebraska Football" and history professor at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, spoke to students about his book at the Nebraska Union Tuesday.

The book, published last August, is the fastest-selling book in Nebraska Press history.

"Nebraska Football" began in the summer of 1984 when Sherwood was offered a contract. Included in the contract was the condition that he supply his own photographer.

Sherwood hired Dan Dulancy, a 1986 graduate of UNL and former Daily Nebraskan photographer, who shot nearly 6,000 frames and restored several other photos for the book.

"My background as a historian helped me with this," Sherwood said.

He read newspapers and magazines about the Cornhuskers dating back to 1890, their first season. Sherwood then contacted the Nebraska Alumni Association for addresses of former players. He wrote a five-page questionnaire and sent it to about 500 players. After getting a 50 percent response back, he chose 100 players to interview in depth.

Sherwood spoke of some players he interviewed, including the oldest



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### Sherwood

player alive — Paul Shields, who played in 1915.

Sed Hartman, a halfback that played for the Huskers in 1922, was concerned that Sherwood would take his picture with his glasses on because it would make him look old.

"Here is a guy that heard Teddy Roosevelt speak in 1912, and he's worried about looking old," Sherwood said. "They were all like that."

Sherwood said Al Zickman, former athletic director at Kearney State College, was typical of most of the players.

At the beginning of the interview, Zickman said he only had half an hour to talk, but eventually he talked for three hours.

"Jim, I want to thank you," Zickman told Sherwood. "That brought back memories."

Zickman, who played football for Nebraska 1941-43, was at his father's farm when he was called by Chicago Bears owner George Halas

with an offer to play football. The owner of the New York Titans also called with an offer.

The Zickman farm had a party line, so the bidding war was heard by all the neighbors, who kept trying to raise the bid.

The Titans dropped out, and he was finally offered \$8,000 a year to play for Chicago. Zickman refused and pursued a master's degree at UNL for a higher-paying career.

Tom "Trainwreck" Novak, who played from 1949 to 1951, was so tough that once he played with a rib sticking out of his side. His most memorable moment was when the fans in Memorial Stadium stood up and sang "Happy Birthday" to him.

Sherwood said he was pleased with the final result of the book, but wasn't with the cover photo. The photo shows the Cornhuskers when they wore all-red uniforms during 1986's loss to Oklahoma.

"It would have been nice to have shown us beating up on Utah State," he said.

## Voices move ethanol bill

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The University of Nebraska-Lincoln could receive more fuel for research if the Nebraska Legislature passes a bill it gave second-round voice approval Tuesday.

LB1217 would give the Ethanol Authority and Development Board the power to consider grants to any postsecondary institution, said Todd Sneller, adviser to the board.

"It expands our ability to look at something besides cities, counties and villages," he said. Previously, the board could only give grants to these municipalities.

According to the bill, grants would be used for development or marketing of ethanol-based non-food products.

Up to five million dollars could go to the University of Nebraska or other postsecondary institutions under the bill, said Sen. Chris Abboud of Omaha, one of the bill's sponsors.

Thomas Krepel, assistant to UNL Chancellor Martin Massengale, said the bill won't affect the university, but agreed it would improve chances

for the university to receive grants. "All 1217 does, and all it is intended to do, is simply provide additional grant-making discretion to the state ethanol authority," he said.

Sneller said if LB1217 becomes law, he is confident grant requests from postsecondary institutions will increase.

Central Community College with branches in Hastings, Grand Island and Columbus, is currently modifying vehicles to use pure ethanol as fuel rather than a combination of ethanol and other fuels, Sneller said.

Sneller said he understood some UNL officials were interested in getting grants for ethanol-related studies at a food processing center.

"It will peak Central Community College's interests. And I'm quite confident people from the university ... will follow through," he said.

Abboud said he thinks the bill will increase ethanol research tremendously. Ethanol research is important to Nebraska because of the big corn industry here, he said.

"It's a big opportunity for the University of Nebraska. It'll help with their research capabilities," he said.

## Slain ex-Husker hoped to return to NU

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"He had some ability. He was a typical walk-on — he was making some progress and he had some talent."

Osborne also said Becton was contemplating returning to Lincoln.

"He came out a little late — I don't think he came here until school started (last year)," Osborne said. "He was a very good person. He was plan-

ning to come back, and we would have liked him to. He went home to earn money so he could come back."

Dauway said Becton was working at a sporting goods store in Brooklyn before his death.

Besides his parents, Becton is survived by his stepmother, Sandra Becton; stepfather, John Dauway; two brothers; and four sisters.

## Education money remains in Orr budget

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Educational television was cut about \$88,000; the Nebraska State Historical Society was cut \$38,000; Administrative Systems were cut \$332,000; Economic Development

was cut \$30,000; Arts Council was cut \$250,000 from the general fund and \$50,000 from federal funds. The Crime Commission was cut \$300,000.

The vetoes brought the total state budget down to \$963.9 million.

## Methods of regulating pickle cards debated

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by one company in Nebraska, but this proposal was stricken.

Abboud spoke in support of the amendment, saying it "goes to the very essence of the pickle controversy and could help to reduce fraud."

Sen. Pat Morehead of Beatrice opposed the amendment, saying that the people feeding the machines with the pickle cards could also fix the system.

"I'm still not ready to move into the arena of machines," Morehead

said. In closing, Schmit again said his amendment is the only way to control pickles.

"The thieves are about to be corralled," he said. "Either 1232 is to be a mechanism whereby you regulate and control or it is to be a sham," he said.

Schmit's amendment failed to receive enough approval in a 18-16 vote.

Legislators will begin debate today on 17 additional amendments to the bill, Abboud said.

## College would welcome improvements

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out students in a "cookie-cutter mold" by requiring all students to take the same classes, Spann said. Such a system, he said, would be the "antithesis of a liberal education."

Journalism college students have a broad range of interests and talents, which is why the college places an emphasis on advising.

The college tailors a student's curriculum through advising, he said. The college requires an adviser's signature on all registration worksheets.

If a student expresses interest in working in a specific region of the world or for a certain employer, ad-

visers will help students choose classes that emphasize what that region or employer centers on.

The college's curriculum is ultimately in the hands of the faculty members, he said.

"The faculty feels the curriculum is their turf," he said.

The curriculum committee is merely advisory, he said. The committee can make recommendations and do research, but cannot make any decisions. This situation is "pretty much the same" throughout the university, he said.

If journalism faculty members do not approve of proposed curriculum changes — no matter who proposes them — the faculty will not accept those proposals, he said.

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