

# Karnes and Daub discuss their strengths

By Lee Rood  
Senior Reporter

David Karnes sits comfortably in a meeting room at the Cornhusker Hotel in downtown Lincoln.

He relaxes after a small press conference Friday where three former Nebraska governors announced their support for his campaign.

Charles Thone, Robert Crosby and Norbert Tiemann are not the only politicians who say they stand behind Karnes. The country's youngest senator has television commercials boasting support from several of his colleagues.

Karnes was appointed to the Senate by Gov. Kay Orr following the death of Edward Zorinsky in March 1987. After two years in Washington, Karnes is now running for the republican nomination to a second term in the Senate against four-time Nebraska Congressman Hal Daub.

Daub was at the Cornhusker on Saturday afternoon. When he came into the hotel, he was immediately recognized by people in the lobby — something he is used to after eight years in Congress.

Daub says he may not have the "inherited" backing that Karnes is receiving during their 1988 republic

can U.S. Senate race, but that he has been in republican politics for more than 20 years and Nebraskans know him.

"I have taken the time to learn and listen and to gather the experience necessary to be an effective United States senator," Daub said.

Daub, from Omaha, has won his seat in Congress four times in what he calls the "toughest political district in Nebraska."

Many have said the primary for the 1988 Senate election will be a tough race. The Republican winner of the May 10 primary will face either former Nebraska Gov. Bob Kerrey or Ken Michaelis from West Point in the general election.

Both Daub and Karnes say the race will be a rough one and a risky career move. Both say their toughest opponent will be each other, not their democratic opponent.

Both Daub and Karnes say "Nebraskans need me."

Karnes stresses his experience on the Senate Agricultural Committee and his work on new farm credit legislation — work that got Karnes recognition from President Reagan.

Karnes said he understands farmers and their needs because of many summers he spent at his family farm in Fairmont.

That experience gave him a perspective, he said, that many city dwellers may not understand.

"We need someone that really has the hands-on perspective," he said.

That perspective, he says, is one of the differences between he and Daub, "and a big, big difference" between he and Kerrey.

But Daub says Karnes is "kind of a Johnny-one-note" when it comes to agriculture.

"It's an understandable area of emphasis, but it's not the only issue. He doesn't want to talk about foreign

policy and diplomacy and treaty making and ratification . . . the essence of what really the senate's all about according to the constitution."

Daub said Karnes' experience is limited.

"My opponent has some inherited land. A small amount of unimproved land, it has no buildings on it. I mean, he's not a farmer and neither was Ed

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## Book exchange now a reality for students

By Jerry Guenther  
Staff Reporter

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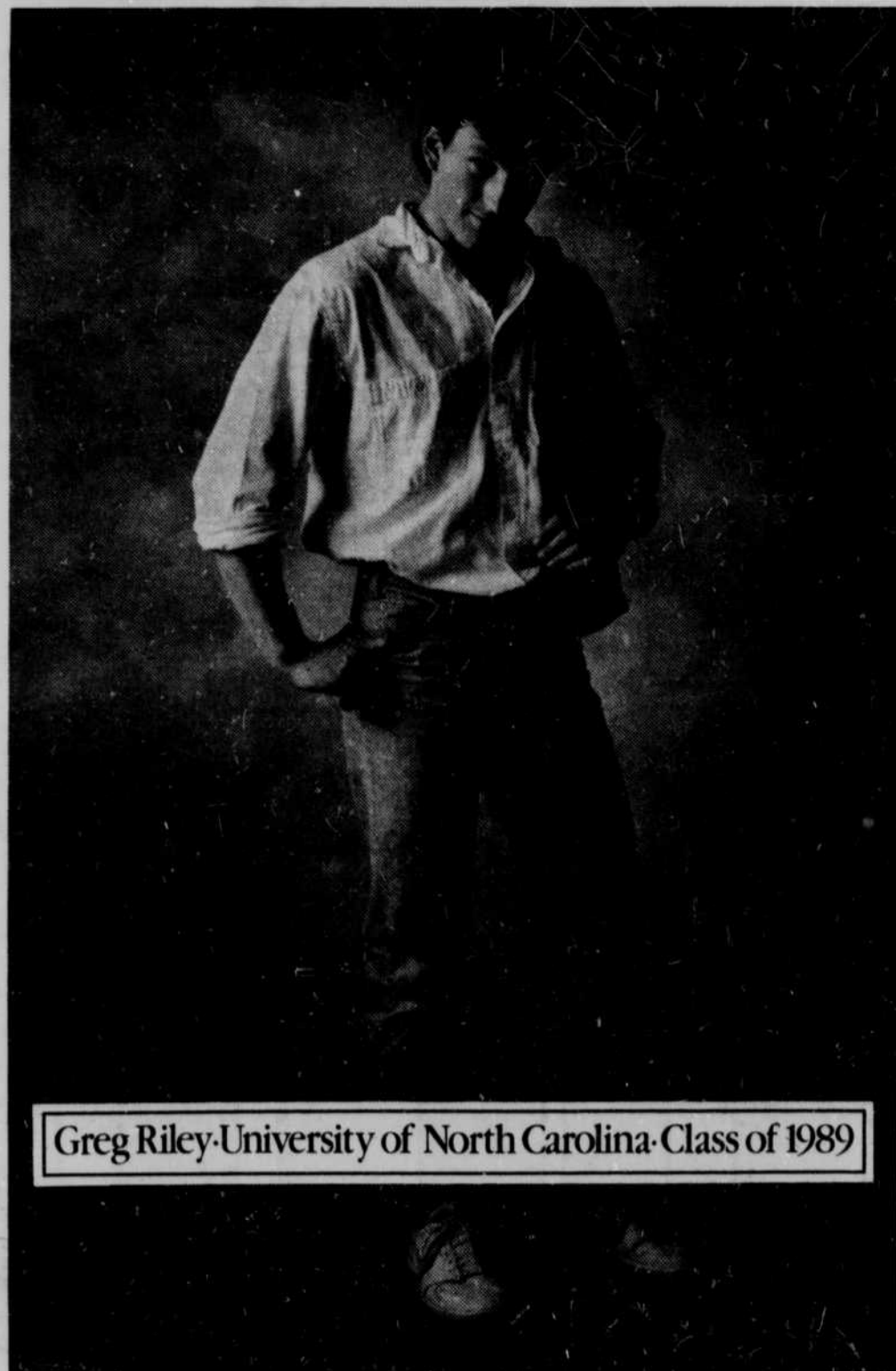
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