

Speaking series focuses on international topics

By Jamie Pitts
Staff Reporter

University of Nebraska-Lincoln political science professor David Forsythe has begun a monthly speaking series on international topics sponsored by the Institute for International Studies.

Forsythe said he began the series "to get the faculty and graduate students who are interested in international affairs to get to know each other."

"The second objective is to create some intellectual stimulation about international affairs," he said.

Ben Moore, assistant professor of political science, gave a speech in the Nebraska Union Tuesday titled "The Palestinian Uprising: An Israeli View."

Moore, the first speaker in the series, told approximately a dozen faculty members and graduate students about the region's history and how both sides feel about the conflict.

There will be a continued paralysis on the part of the Palestinian Liberation Organization until the United States and Israeli elections have passed, Moore said. After the elections, he said, the battle could get worse and seems to be heading in that direction because neither side is willing to end the conflict.

Moore spoke for about 30 minutes then answered questions for 15 minutes. Forsythe said he will publicize the event better next time to attract a

larger audience from a wider range of departments on campus. Forsythe said no plans for the next speaker have been decided, but he would like to have an economist.

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But because Nemko requested comments from only a few students and faculty, the book can not accurately access all the aspects of a UNL education, Griesen said.

Berger, who is also an associate professor of history, said another difference between UNL and Ivy League schools is UNL's open admissions policy. Ivy League schools have highly selective and competitive admissions policies, he said.

"UNL attracts outstanding students who would be competitive at any Ivy League school," Berger said.

Griesen said UNL has an obli-

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significant role in his termination," Bock said.

Bock refused to say what specific evidence and testimony would be used to prove discrimination.

Tooker's complaint asks the court to order that he be hired in the position of assistant to the dean and receive lost past wages.

The alternative requests the university to pay him lost past and future wages of \$275,000 plus fringe benefits if the court decided not to order that he be hired.

On action relating to termination of his employment, he wants to be reinstated to his former position as assistant director or be paid past and future wages of \$462,000 for that position.

Bock and Wood said the case will probably not come to trial for six months or more.

tion to educate more students because it is the only state-supported comprehensive institution in Nebraska.

"For that reason," Griesen said, "we feel the need to keep our resources open to the sons and daughters of the taxpayers of this state."

Because schools are often rated on selectivity and UNL is basically an open-admission institution, ACT scores will naturally be lower here than at Ivy League schools, Griesen said.

Also, Berger said, many students at UNL work during the school year, while most of their counterparts at schools like Columbia or Yale do not. Studies have shown that a school's prestige is related to the amount of research funding and research publications it has, Griesen said.

The fact that UNL is a research institution probably helped to get UNL listed in the book, Griesen said, but it could have contributed to a low ranking as well.

UNL is ranked near the bottom of the top 100 research institutions in the

country, he said. If the University of Nebraska Medical Center was included as a part of UNL, the ranking would probably be much higher, he said.

Griesen said he is generally wary of publications that try to evaluate institutions without extensive research. What is included in the end product is "very often up to the whims of the author," he said.

Still, Griesen said, there is no question that a UNL student who takes the initiative can be just as prepared as a student from a higher ranking school.

"It's very clear to me that a good student who makes the most of this environment can do just as much as an Ivy Leaguer," he said.

A challenge UNL faces is to ensure that highly motivated students are challenged, Berger said. The top 250 students at UNL can become involved in UNL's honors program, he said.

The rest have the option to participate in lab research, lab assistant work, undergraduate honors thesis work and other programs on campus.

police

Beginning midnight, Tuesday, Sept. 27

9:59 a.m. — Person fainted in Bessey Hall, was transported to Lincoln General Hospital.

10:34 a.m. — Broken window and vandalism reported in 215 Bessey Hall.

2:43 p.m. — Stereo reported stolen from an automobile in Area 3 parking lot, north of Harper-Schramm-Smith.

3 p.m. — Accident reported in dorm meter lot. No injuries reported.

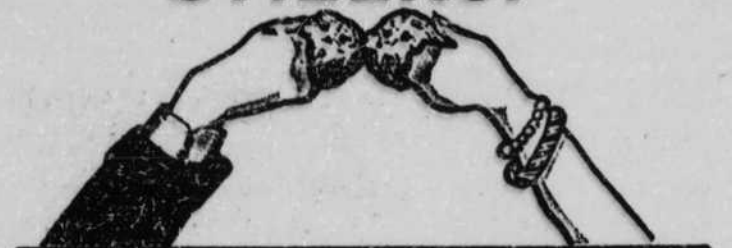
3:13 p.m. — Stereo reported stolen from an automobile in Area 3 parking lot.

4:10 p.m. — Louvers reported stolen from an automobile in Area 3 parking lot.

4:59 p.m. — Purse reported stolen from desk in 113 Barkley.

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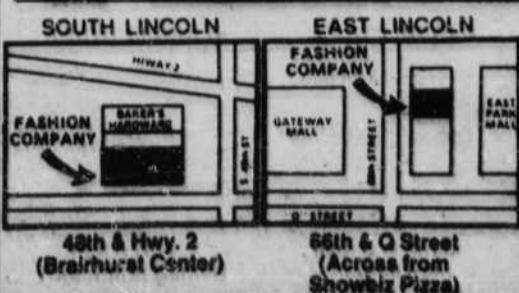
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