

Professors say Bentsen better understood issues

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debate rules, Bentsen won. He also said the debate marginally helped the Dukakis/Bentsen ticket because there are still close to 10 percent of the voters who haven't decided how they will vote.

Bill Avery, political science professor, said Bentsen had a better grasp of the issues and more depth.

In terms of presentation of self, Avery said, both candidates did a good job. This is a very important aspect of any election, Avery said.

Avery said that Quayle dispelled some fears people had about him, but he said he got the impression that

Quayle had prepared statements for the questions.

Jack Kay, chairman and associate professor of speech communication, said in terms of scoring debate points, the debate produced a "clear Bentsen victory." Bentsen's image and the substance of his arguments were the keys to his success, Kay said.

Bentsen was more specific and offered more factual information about the issues, while Quayle was more evasive, according to Kay.

Avery said he doesn't think the vice-presidential debates matter because people are going to vote for the candidates on the top of the ticket.

police REPORT

Beginning midnight, Tuesday Oct. 4

12:30 a.m. — Assisted other police to recover a runaway male in 228 Abel Hall.

12:53 p.m. — \$20 in cash reported stolen from 720 Cather Hall. 2 p.m. — Car battery reported stolen from vehicle in area 10, 16th and Y streets, \$36.

6:20 p.m. — Two-vehicle accident reported in Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery parking lot. No injuries, \$1,300 damage to both vehicles.

Beginning midnight, Wednesday Oct. 5.

2:46 a.m. — Backpack reported stolen from car in dorm meter lot west of Selleck, \$48.

3:13 p.m. — Hit and run accident reported at Area 3 Harper-Schramm-Smith, \$200.

3:57 p.m. — Billfold reported stolen from 113 Richards Hall.

4:33 p.m. — Chrome valve stem covers stolen off car in Area 3, 1640 and Y streets, \$15.

9:31 p.m. — Indecent exposure reported at women's restroom at East Campus Activities building. Party gone upon arrival of officers.

UNL police officer saves child from burning apartment house

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"All of the other apartment residents were evacuated by the time we got there," King said. "We were able to contain the fire in the one bedroom apartment, but everything in the room was on fire."

AP reported that Merwick said the fire apparently started in the living room.

Petersen said Kratochvil was treated for smoke inhalation and released from St. Elizabeth Thursday afternoon.

Thursday night, a St. Elizabeth's spokesperson said Christopher was listed in fair condition. Elizabeth and Ryan were still in critical condition.

The Bureau of Fire Prevention is investigating the cause of the fire.

Federal sholarships available

From Staff Reports

University of Nebraska-Lincoln sophomores interested in a career in government service are invited to apply for the 1989 Harry S. Truman Scholarship.

The scholarship award covers eligible expenses up to \$7,000 per year for the junior year, the senior year and two years of graduate study.

Established by Congress in 1975, the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation will award 105 scholar-

ships nationally.

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Application materials are available from Patrice Berger, Truman Scholarship Faculty Representative, 345 Nebraska Union.

Forensic anthropology helps scientists to identify missing, dead by remains

By Pattie Greene Staff Reporter

Forensic anthropology enables scientists to help law agencies identify missing or dead people by their skeletal remains, said Doug Owsley of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

Owsley, associate curator of the anthropology department at the institution, spoke Thursday at the Nebraska State Museum brown-bag lecture series about the role forensic anthropologists play in human identification cases.

Owsley said the Smithsonian's goal is to provide all the facts about deceased people for law agencies so the agencies can go to missing persons files and identify the bodies.

Once law enforcement officials have established a general identity, Owsley said, they request specific information concerning facial photographs and dental and medical records.

"It begins a process of ante-mortum," Owsley said, "meaning (comparing) the records taken of the indi-

vidual in life with the post-mortum, with the skeleton that you're dealing with."

The forensic anthropologists try to establish a positive identification, he said, "so that you can have that body identified and given a death certificate."

Forensic anthropologists identify bodies in three different types of cases, he said. Owsley said that at the Smithsonian, anthropologists deal with FBI cases and medical examiner's cases from different states.

General disappearances when someone wanders away are one type of case, he said.

"You can't use the traditional criteria to identify this person," he said. "You can't use facial appearance, tattoos or fingerprints."

Another type of case is severe trauma, Owsley said. In this case, he said, the person has been involved in a plane crash or automobile accident and is distorted beyond recognition, he said.

"The third general category that we're dealing with involves the

darker side of people," he said. This is intentional efforts on someone's behalf to try and disguise a body and make it unrecognizable, he said.

"Our first objective is to say whether it's human or not," he said. Owsley said there are many animal bones that resemble human bones.

In one case, Owsley had to prove that tiny chips of bone belonged to a human and not to a deer.


He did this by magnifying the cells 100 times. Animal bone cells are different from human bone cells because human bone cells have haversian systems — the network of capillaries and nerves running throughout the cells, he said.

Deer bone is plexicorn bone, which is made up of vascular channels, he said.

If the bone is human, Owsley said, the second step is to go into a very detailed analysis using the skeleton. This shows the age, sex, race and stature.

The skeleton also can show cause of death, such as bullet wounds or blows to the head and can provide a nutritional analysis.

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EVERYBODY WELCOME

Center helps farmers, industry

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ions of automated weather stations in Nebraska and all the states that border Nebraska, plus North Dakota," Blad said.

Blad said the funding is a continuation fund which will allow the center to operate for another year.

"Unfortunately, it has to be approved by Congress every year," Blad said. "Eventually, we would like to see the funding approved on a longer term basis."

Although the center doesn't receive any money directly from the university budget, Blad said that indirectly, some of director's salaries and technical support is paid through the university budget.

Besides providing climate information, Blad said the center collects and archives weather data from numerous sources and provides this information to individuals who need climatic input for making decisions.

Some of the recipients of this information include farmers, county agents and industry, Blad said.

For example, Blad said, farmers and ranchers receive information calculated by the center on the amount of water their crops require during different stages of growth.

"This helps to aid in the proper scheduling of irrigation," Blad said.

Both Blad and Bowen said they were not sure when the center would receive the funding.