

# Daily Nebraskan

Wednesday

**WEATHER**

Today, Indian Summer continues with a high of 75-80 and southeast winds 10-15 miles per hour. Tonight, fair, low near 50. Thursday, sunny and warm, high near 75.

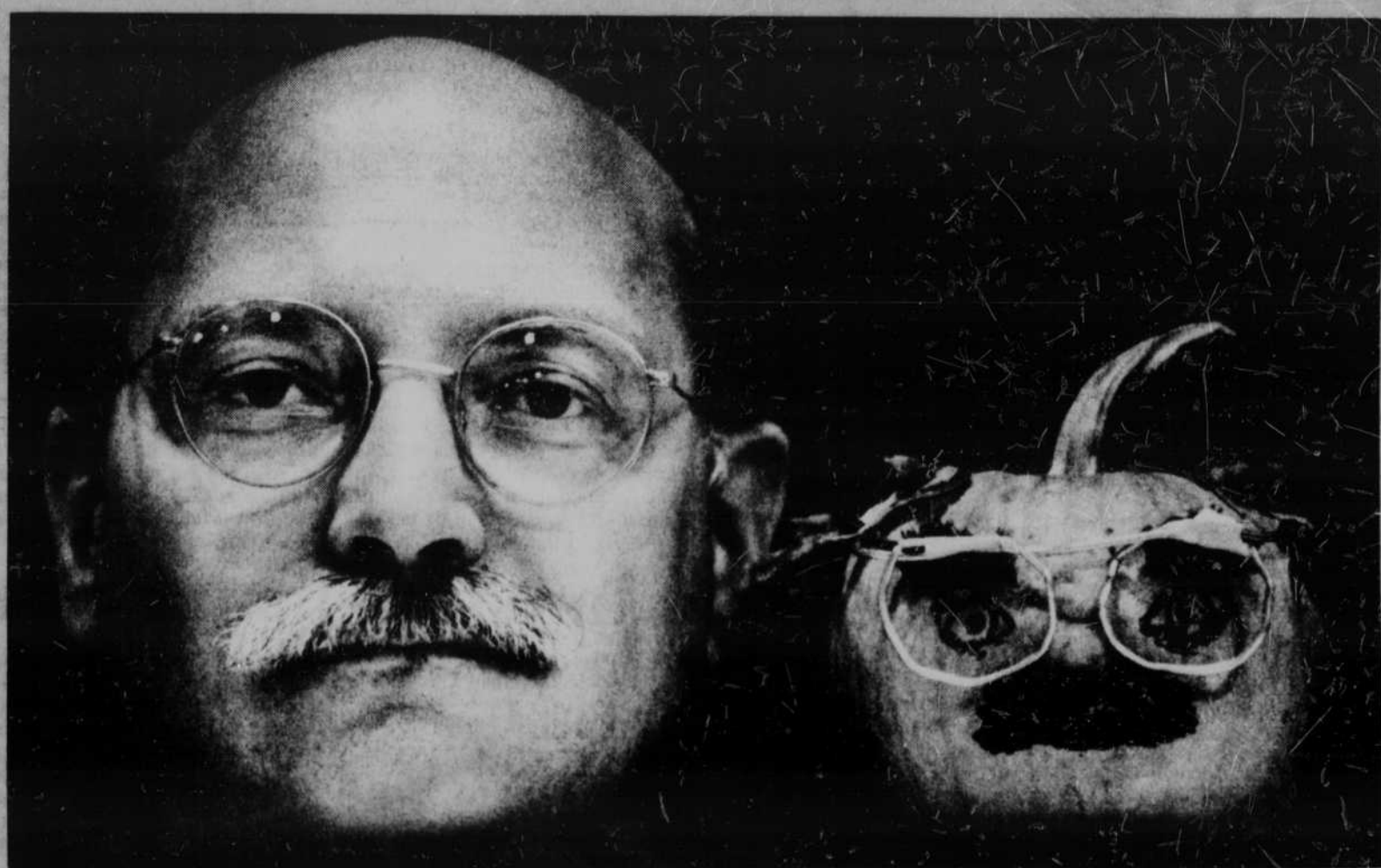
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**Ertl-o'-lantern**

Architecture professor Ted Ertl poses with an entry in the first annual Tau Sigma Delta pumpkin-decorating contest open to architecture or planning students, faculty members and administrators. Architecture student David Quade entered this creation in the "Caricature of Professor Ertl" category.

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## Osborne: Team won't tackle lid

By Paul Domeier  
Senior Reporter

Nebraska coach Tom Osborne opted to keep his football team neutral about the proposed 2 percent lid, although Nebraska's student government is trying to fight the next battle against the lid in Memorial Stadium.

"We don't want to politicize the football team," Osborne said Tuesday at his weekly press conference. "I don't think that's appropriate."

In a resolution passed last Wednesday, the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska urged students to wear blue to Saturday's Nebraska-Colorado game to show opposition to the lid.

"Students ought to do whatever they think's right," Osborne said. "There'll be enough red there."

Osborne did take time to reiterate his opposition to the lid and defend his knowledge of the issue.

"I've been accused of being duped, of being uninformed, and really not knowing what I'm talking about, and I think that is probably not a very accurate statement," he said.

Osborne said his experience from a three-year period in the mid-1980s when the athletic department's budget increased between 1 percent and 3 percent has shown him what would happen under the 2 percent lid.

The department did not have enough money for all salaries and supplies in all programs, Osborne said.

"So don't tell me I don't have any experience or don't know what I'm talking about," he said.

The lid, which will go before Nebraska voters in Tuesday's election, would limit state and local government spending increases to 2 percent each year.

Osborne has appeared in television commercials urging Nebraskans to vote against the initiative. His stand, he said, has earned him some negative letters, including one he read a portion of at the press conference.

The letter asked Osborne to stay out of the issue because he is a state employee. The letter writer, who

## Search for president may quicken

By Pat Dinslage  
Staff Reporter

If the University of Nebraska Presidential Search Committee sends a list of names to the NU Board of Regents Nov. 9, the board will "move very quickly" to select a

new NU president, a committee co-chairman said.

Don Blank of McCook, who also is chairman of the NU Board of Regents, said the committee may forward the names to the board Nov. 9.

The search committee is scheduled to meet Nov. 9 at 8 a.m. The

Board of Regents will meet at noon Nov. 9 and go into closed session until 1:30 p.m.

"When you're down to seven (candidates), and that number is within the charge given the committee by the board, you've got to assume things are moving well," Blank said.

"But if the committee is not comfortable with all the candidates, they will not forward the names."

The selection by the board of a candidate to fill the presidential position will move faster than the search

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## Candidates discuss viability of commission

By Cindy Wostrel  
Staff Reporter

While two regents candidates supported higher education coordination Tuesday, one questioned whether the cost of a strengthened coordinating commission is too high.

Chuck Wilson and Dick Powell separately discussed the proposed stronger Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education and 2 percent lid constitutional amendments, which will be voted on Tuesday, before about 30 students in the Nebraska Union. The current coordinating

commission serves only as an advisory body.

Both candidates said they approved of coordination of university programs by the commission.

"Conceptually, it makes sense..." Powell said. "I'm for coordinating."

But, because of uncertainty about the cost and power of the body, Powell said, he has mixed feelings about it. Even state senators don't know the answers to those questions, he said.

"I'm nervous about that."

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### Mock election yields small turnout

## Voting students kill 2 percent lid, re-elect Gov. Orr

By Jennifer O'Clilka  
Senior Reporter

The proposed 2 percent lid on state and local government spending was shot down in a mock election among University of Nebraska-Lincoln students Tuesday.

One hundred sixty-eight students turned out in the Nebraska Union between 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. to vote in the Government Liaison Committee mock election.

One hundred sixty students voted against Initiative 405, the proposed 2 percent limit on state and local government spending increases each year. Eight students voted for the constitutional amendment.

Shawn Burnham, chairwoman of the Government Liaison Committee, said she was pleased that the lid was defeated.

Not many students had questions about the lid, she said.

"That means we've done a really good job educating students about it," Burnham said.

Burnham said turnout for the election was not as good as she had hoped,

but that it shows people are aware that an election is coming up Tuesday. GLC's goal for the mock election was to increase awareness, she said.

"Hopefully more will get out and vote on Tuesday," she said.

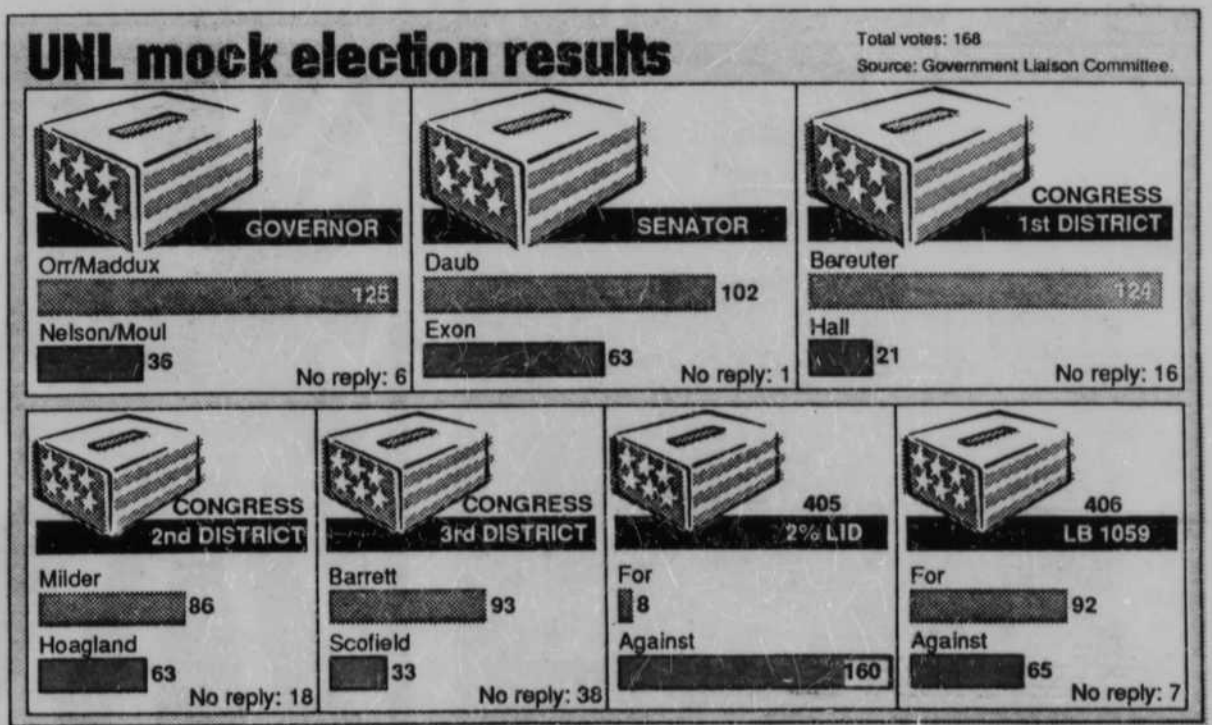
Burnham stressed that the mock election "may or may not be an accurate representation of student opinion on campus" because it was a voluntary vote and a small percentage of the about 25,000 UNL students turned out to vote.

Other results of the election showed that Republican Gov. Kay Orr and her running mate, Jack Maddux, beat Democrat Ben Nelson and Maxine Moul, 125-36.

Republican Hal Daub defeated incumbent Democrat Sen. James Exon for the Nebraska senate seat, 102-63.

Rep. Doug Bereuter, R-Neb., took the 1st Congressional District seat over Democratic challenger Larry Hall with a vote of 124-21. The 2nd Congressional District seat went to Republican Ally Milder by a vote of 86-63 over incumbent Rep. Peter Hoag-

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