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Chambers, NU analyze Baldwin shooting

Senator planning to study contradictions in police statements

By Chuck Green
Senior Reporter

Three weeks after the shooting of a University of Nebraska-Lincoln student by Omaha police, Sen. Ernie Chambers of Omaha remains unsatisfied with official reports of the incident.

Chambers said he would try to gather as much information as possible from police and witnesses about the shooting, which left Andrew Scott Baldwin paralyzed from the chest down.

Baldwin, 23, a former Cornhusker football

player, was shot Sept. 5 during a scuffle with two Omaha police officers when he allegedly tried to grab the holstered gun of one of the officers.

Chambers said there were enough contradictions between witness reports and official police reports to merit further investigation, possibly at the federal level. Chambers declined to specify what action he had in mind.

"I don't want to say right now what I'm planning, but I will say that I'm not going to rule out any possibilities," he said. "I'll explore all avenues to find what the best route will be to take."

Chambers said police accounts of the incident had changed over the last three weeks and contradictions existed among police and witnesses.

The contradictions, he said, include the fol-

NU not responsible for Baldwin's medical costs, official says

By Chuck Green
Senior Reporter

It is unlikely that the Nebraska athletic department will pay medical and psychiatric costs for Andrew Scott Baldwin, an official said.

Gary Fouraker, assistant athletic director for business affairs, said Nebraska's athletic department bore no responsibility for costs resulting from the Sept. 5 shooting by an Omaha police officer that left Baldwin paralyzed from the chest down.

Fouraker said injuries to Nebraska athletes

were covered by insurance only if the injuries occurred during competition, practice or conditioning, or were otherwise related to the sport.

Because Baldwin's injury was not related to football, Fouraker said, the athletic department's insurer, National Sports Underwriters, would not cover the bill.

"I don't see us paying for anything else at this point," Fouraker said. "We don't feel we have any responsibility for injuries Scott received in the shooting."

Baldwin was shot by an Omaha police officer when he allegedly tried to grab another officer's gun during a scuffle. Witnesses at the scene said Baldwin, who was nude, was trying to throw his body through a glass door.

Baldwin apparently was suffering his second psychotic episode in eight months when the incident occurred.

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Bennett confident that U.S. will win drug war

Drug use by young is diminishing, says former "drug czar"

By Jeremy Fitzpatrick
Staff Reporter

America is in a drug crisis, but not for the first time, William Bennett said Thursday.

Bennett, who served as "drug czar" in the Bush administration between 1989 and 1990, said the United States had endured another crisis with drug use in the late 1800s and early 1900s.



William Bennett

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"We cannot do this time what we did last time," he said. "... We so successfully beat it, we have forgotten it ever happened."

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Students protest Bennett's stance on drugs. See story on 3.

he said.

Between 1 million and 1.5 million Americans are addicted to drugs, Bennett said.

That number will be cut in half within 10 years, he said, because many of the addicts will die.

Bennett spoke of the national drug strategy that he helped develop when he served in the Bush administration. The strategy still is widely accepted, he said.

One of the principal elements of the strategy, he said, is interdiction, or the prevention of drugs from entering the country.

"This is our country, and you can't just stand there and let people walk in with any poison they want," he said.

Bennett said the United States was too large of a country to completely prevent the importation of drugs. What he tried to do as drug czar, he said, was to raise the price of drug trafficking.

"We haven't stopped (trafficking), but we have made it more difficult," Bennett said.

The United States also aimed its efforts at negotiating with the countries where drugs such as cocaine and heroin were produced, Bennett said.

He said cocaine primarily was a product of Bolivia, Peru and Colombia. Heroin, he said, is imported from Laos, Burma and Thailand.

Negotiating with the countries produced mixed results, he said.

"We did see some efforts and some reduction," he said, "... and I think that's an effort we need to continue."

Overall, Bennett said he was confident the United States would win its war on drugs.

"I think we will prevail in this effort," he said.

He is optimistic, he said, because the American people are behind the drug war.

"The single most important thing was the American people figuring out for themselves that this was wrong," he said.

Bill would ban freshman parking

From Staff Reports

UNL freshmen may have to look elsewhere for parking spaces if ASUN supports a bill banning first-year students from parking on campus.

But ASUN President Andrew Sigerson said he would be surprised if the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska supported the bill, which was written last year.

Sigerson said, however, that a ban on fresh-

man parking would have a good chance of being put into effect with ASUN's support.

Senators will discuss the bill in two weeks, he said.

If ASUN supports the bill, Sigerson said, the idea will be presented to the Parking Advisory Committee for consideration.

If the bill passed, he said, the university probably would obtain large parking lots off campus for freshmen and provide a shuttle service.



William Lauer/DN

Marilyn Quayle, wife of Vice President Dan Quayle, signs an autograph after landing at Duncan Aviation Thursday.

Marilyn Quayle pursues votes at area fund-raiser

By Susie Arth
Senior Reporter

Marilyn Quayle urged Nebraskans Thursday to keep the "new breeze" blowing across the world by re-electing George Bush as president.

Quayle asked about 200 supporters during a campaign fund-raiser at the Cornhusker Hotel to think of the free states of the former Soviet Union, the democratic countries sprouting in Africa and the fall of the Berlin Wall.

"We see a world that is forever changed," she said.

These changes occurred, Quayle said, because Bush knew the importance of maintaining a strong military to keep peace around the globe.

With these changes, she said, come new challenges that Bush and her husband, Vice President Dan Quayle, are prepared to meet.

The challenge of worldwide depression is one that can be solved with innovative ideas, she said.

The opening of new markets across the world, Quayle said, creates jobs in the United States and eases unemployment.

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