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Husker's lose
battle in
Seattle



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Cloudy with a chance of rain today, becoming clear tonight. Tomorrow, mostly sunny and cooler.

NU preparing to lobby against budget slashing

By Susie Arth
Senior Reporter

The Nebraska Legislature will meet in a special session to consider budget cuts this week, and NU lobbying groups will be prepared to fight for their funds.

Joe Rowson, director of public affairs at the University of Nebraska, said the university would prepare testimony outlining the repercussions the budget cuts would have on the university.

BUDGET



But until the bill is introduced, he said, no definite lobbying plans could be made.

The Legislature made it clear that the cuts must be made, Rowson said, but he hoped they would not be harsh.

"We're going to present our situation and hope the Legislature will deal with us as fairly as they can," he said.

Jennifer Lodes, chairman of the Association of Students at the University of Nebraska Government Liaison Committee, said the committee would be at the hearings and ready to lobby if the university was hit too hard.

The operations budget is the one the committee is most concerned with, she said.

A cut in the capital construction budget, she said, would be easier to take because that would inhibit only future projects and leave present programs unharmed.

"(Cuts in the operations budget) would hurt the most because it would affect us now, at the present," she said.

Lodes said GLC was sending copies of an

Omaha World-Herald editorial ("Cutting N.U. a Lost Investment," Sept. 16, 1992) to senators and expressing its agreement with the editorial, which warns against cutting the operations budget.

Sen. Scott Moore of Seward, Appropriations Committee chairman, said the committee had proposed similar cuts to those suggested by Gov. Ben Nelson, who proposed cutting \$4.3 million from NU over the next three years.

The differences, he said, were that the committee suggested going ahead with construction projects at the Omaha, Kearney and medical center campuses to take advantage of low interest rates. Nelson had proposed delaying the capital construction projects for two years, he said.

Also, the Appropriations Committee suggested cutting an additional \$250,000 from NU's energy budget.

"With our unusually mild summer and winter," he said, "there should be a big chunk of change in that fund."

Moore said he could remember years when \$2 million to \$3 million was left over in the energy fund.

Moore said the Legislature was expecting to address objections to the NU cuts at a public hearing 10:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Sen. Ron Withem of Papillion, chairman of the Education Committee, said he thought the state was facing an unfortunate situation, but that the university was taking its fair share of cuts.

"The impression I have is that (the budget cuts) are unfair to everyone," he said. "I don't feel like they are singling out higher education."

Group wants clarification of ROTC policy in bulletin

By Shelley Biggs
Senior Reporter

Members of the Homophobia Awareness Committee are working with university officials to clarify in UNL's Undergraduate Bulletin the ROTC policy banning homosexuals.

Barbara DiBernard, chairwoman of the committee and director of women's studies at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, said the committee was asking that a passage be included in the bulletin to inform students of ROTC's ban and of the possible penalties of enlisting as a homosexual.

ROTC does not allow homosexuals to enlist. When students sign up for the program, they must fill out a questionnaire that asks several personal questions, including one concerning their sexual preference.

Legal actions can be brought against students if ROTC can prove that they lied about their sexual preference when they filled out the questionnaire, DiBernard said.

Under ROTC's policy, students who are proved to be homosexuals after their second year in ROTC can be asked to withdraw and repay the money they used from their scholar-

ships for tuition and books, she said. If scholarship students are proved to be homosexuals before their second year in ROTC, they will be asked to withdraw, but won't be required to pay back the scholarship money, DiBernard said.

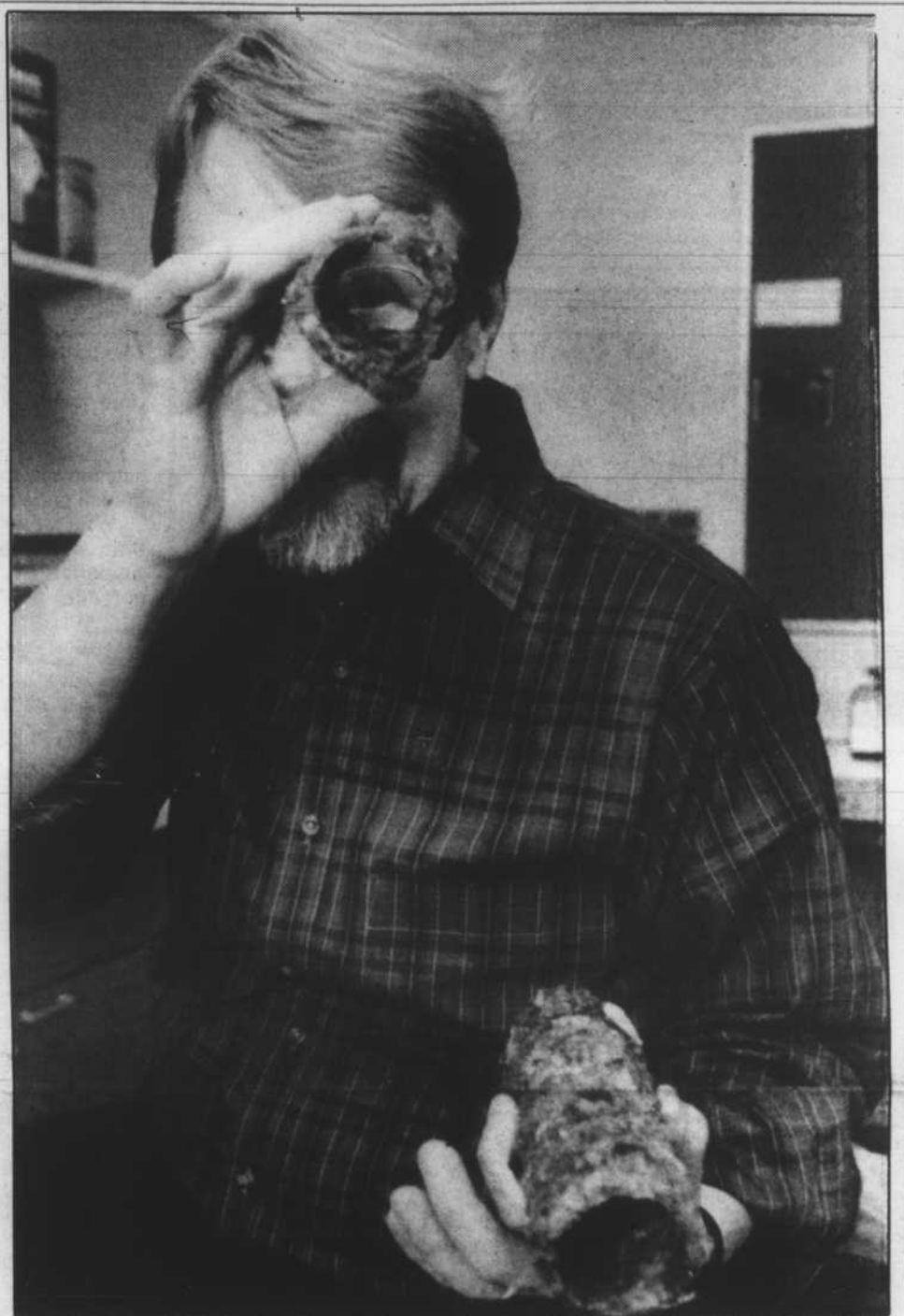
Non-scholarship students proved to be homosexuals will be asked to withdraw, she said. "If a student is on scholarship, it is more complicated from their point of view," she said.

Herb Howe, associate to the UNL chancellor, said he met with the Homophobia Awareness Committee last spring and discussed the issue this summer with ROTC's three units — Army, Navy and Air Force.

Howe said the committee was concerned with the degree to which the U.S. Department of Defense was informing people of its policies. He said he agreed that it would be helpful to have a clarification printed in the Undergraduate Bulletin that informed students of all ROTC policies, not just the ban on homosexuals. Other ROTC qualifications center on age, physical characteristics and political beliefs.

Howe said nothing could be done at the university to change ROTC's policy banning homosexuals.

"It's a national policy which will have to change in Washington before it changes in Lincoln," he said.



Robin Trimarchi/DN

Peter Bleed, a UNL anthropology professor, peers through a piece of cast-iron pipe recovered from the old rear wing of the Kennard House. The pipe is a remnant of early 1900s plumbing.

Dirty work

Field school uncovers treasures

By Matthew Grant
Staff Reporter

Visitors to the Kennard House museum this fall will not notice the eight weeks of strenuous excavating done by UNL students over the summer.

The students, who participated in an archaeological field school, filled in all the trenches during the last two days of the dig.

"It is sort of melancholy filling in pits after you dig them," said Peter Bleed, UNL professor of anthropology and project coordinator, "but on the other hand it's a kind of natural progression."

Built in 1869, the Kennard House at 1627 H St. is the oldest standing building in the

original Lincoln plat and was the home of Thomas P. Kennard, Nebraska's first secretary of state. It is now a Nebraska Statehood Memorial.

The rear section of the building was torn down in 1923. The remainder of the house has been a museum since 1960. It was reconstructed to look like it did in the 1870s, complete with furnishings of that period.

The aim of the field school excavation was to determine the layout of the rear wing of the Kennard House, Bleed said, and to give the 18 students involved a chance to earn credits — and experience.

The ultimate aim, he said, is to recon-

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Campus Safety Week events

- Today
 - Tables set up on Broyhill Plaza from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 - Bicycle safety equipment and licenses will be available
 - Michael Mulnix, executive director of university relations, will speak in Nebraska Union at 8 p.m.
- Tuesday
 - Panel discussion on personal safety from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Nebraska Union.
- Wednesday
 - Panel discussion on sexual assaults. "From Occurrence to Protection," from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Nebraska Union.
- Thursday
 - Panel discussion: "University Rules and the Problems Related to Alcohol," from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Nebraska Union.
 - Campus Safety Week walks starting at 7:30 p.m. from Nebraska Union.
- Friday
 - Panel discussion on students' safety concerns from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Nebraska Union.

Brian Shelton/DN

Campus Safety Week begins

UNL police focus on rape, theft and alcohol awareness

By Matthew Grant
Staff Reporter

Sexual assault will be the prime concern of the first University of Nebraska-Lincoln Campus Safety Week, which begins today and runs through Friday.

UNL police started the event this year to educate students about crime prevention and safety.

Rape, theft and alcohol abuse are problems on campus that students must know more about, officer Lisa Yardley said. Yardley is a crime-

prevention officer with the UNL Police Department.

In the first week of school, three sexual assaults were reported, Yardley said, but police believe many attacks occur that they never hear about. Rape is the most underreported crime, she said.

Almost all victims of sexual assault or rape know their attacker prior to the attack, Yardley said. Attacks by strangers on campus are rare, she said.

Anywhere from 1-in-3 to 1-in-8 rapes are reported, Yardley said.

"That's acquaintance rape," she said. "We're trying to let people know they do go on."

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