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signing staff would make the separate college work.

"I'm not a big spender because I pay a lot of taxes in this state," Skrupa said. "If I didn't think this would be totally cost efficient ... I wouldn't support it,

"The cost is being totally blown out of proportion with the need. When there is a need to be filled in education money has been found."

Skrupa said the criticisms about lowering the quality of education in Lincoln was another bogeyman.

"Why would it lower the quality?" she said. "Lincoln will continue to be the flagship campus as far as research."

Sokol, who represents a coalition of more than 80 Omaha businesses, agreed with Skrupa saying quality was not an issue

"No one here is trying to reduce everyone.

funding for the Lincoln programs," he said. "This isn't an Omaha vs. Lincoln issue.

Sokol is the president and chief executive officer of California Energy Co. in Omaha.

Omaha had a separate engineering college, Sokol said, until it was merged with UNL's in 1970. He said it was unreasonable for Omaha businesses to send employees to Lincoln day classes because the classes were not offered in Omaha.

Sokol said UNL Chancellor Gra-ham Spanier and Liberty have both acknowledged UNO has been neglect-

The coalition realized it would be called upon to cover some of the estimated \$2 to \$3 million dollars, Sokol

It is good for Nebraska to encourage business, Sokol said, something expanded engineering would do. He said more jobs meant less taxes for

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"(The AAHE) chose them because they believe they have the programs

The program would determine rewards for teaching by assessing good

when determining the quality of teaching," she said. "How do you know good teaching when you see it?

"This program is designed to make an exemplary program available to all universities to duplicate.'

Using teaching methods in conjunction with research capabilities is another aspect of the program.

The recipient institutions will be officially announced Friday at the AAHE convention in New Orleans.

#### Defendants get date postponed

From Staff Reports

A court date for five University of Missouri-Columbia students, who allegedly stole a statue from the Sheldon Memorial Sculpture Garden, was post-poned Monday until Feb. 7.

Jason Mott, 19, Jason Meyer, 19, Richard Daniel, 19, Brad Schuster, 18, and Craig Rehmert, 18, were arrested Nov. 21 for criminal mischief in the theft of a 3-foot-tall statue of Abraham

The men, all members of the Missouri chapter of Farmhouse Fraternity, were arrested after Lincoln police saw them carrying the statue near 30th and Y

Woody Bradford, an Omaha attorney who is representing the men, did not appear in court Monday.

Criminal mischief is a Class IV felony, punishable by a maximum of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine or both. The felony has no minimum sentence.

University police have said about \$10,000 damage was done to the base of the statue.

The statue now is in New York being repaired, a spokesman for Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery said Monday.

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and values systems that are exemplary," she said.

teaching methods, Leitzel said.

"It's to establish what to look at

#### Nelson

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building blocks for Nebraska's future. "Our accomplishments of yesterday are the starting point for tomor-

row," Nelson said. More has to be done to rid the streets of crime, Nelson said, including providing police and the courts with strength to do their job in catching and prosecuting more criminals.
"We must have a full set of teeth to

take that bite out of crime," he said. Nelson said he wanted to continue

developing Nebraska agriculture into an even stronger world provider.

With his guidance and the help of the people of Nebraska, Nelson said his goals could be reached.

East to west, north to south and all points in between, I see Nebraskans from all points of life working for one Nebraska," he said.

The Nebraska Republican Party responded to Nelson's re-election bid, saying he was slow to react to key issues including job creation, economic development and crime.

In a press release, Phil Young, executive director of the Nebraska

Republican Party, said the tax cut initiated by Nelson's administration was ineffective and only amounted to 40 cents per week for each taxpayer.

It also questioned Nelson's person-al staff bonuses he gave in 1992, when the state was facing a budget crisis.
"Nebraska needs real leadership,

not a good ribbon-cutter, in the governor's office," Young said in the re-

Nelson traveled across the eastern part of the state Monday. Today his campaign moves to western Nebraska and ends Wednesday in his hometown of McCook







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