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WEATHER:

Today - Partly sunny and mild. Northwest wind 15 to 25 mph.

Tonight - Partly cloudy. Low in lower 30s.



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Dole resists Buchanan surge in Iowa

By John King
The Associate Press

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Sen. Bob Dole scored a shaky victory in Iowa's Republican presidential caucuses Monday night as Pat Buchanan emerged from the GOP field to ready a conservative challenge in next week's pivotal New Hampshire primary.

Former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander ran a solid third and hoped that would be enough to give his cash-poor campaign a fresh start for the five-week blitz of primaries likely to settle the nomination fight.

All the candidates vowed to press on, but Iowa's results were sobering to publishing heir Steve Forbes, who was a distant fourth, and may have dealt a fatal blow to Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, who ran fifth.

Rivals rushed to assert that Dole's

win was hardly convincing, noting that he ran 10 points behind his 1988 showing here. But Dole said his win was hardly a weak showing, telling a victory rally, "We withstood a barrage of millions and millions and millions of dollars of negative advertising and came out on top."

Buchanan called his showing "a victory for a new idea in the Republican Party and national politics, a new spirited conservatism of the heart" he said would attract not only social conservatives but blue-collar workers worried about trade deals that send their jobs overseas.

New Hampshire is a Buchanan stronghold, the state where he got 37 percent to spark his 1992 primary run against President Bush. But Dole vowed not to stumble there this time as he did after Iowa got him off to a

Iowa Caucuses

Complete results from Monday's GOP caucuses in Iowa:

Bob Dole	26%
Patrick Buchanan	23%
Lamar Alexander	16%
Steve Forbes	10%
Phil Gramm	9%
Alan Keyes	7%
Richard Lugar	4%
Morry Taylor	1%
Bob Dornan	0%

Source: AP Aaron Steckelberg/DN

2nd place finish called surprise

By Ted Taylor
Senior Reporter

Strong showings from Pat Buchanan and Lamar Alexander in Monday's Iowa caucuses had two UNL political science professors scratching their heads.

"No one anticipated Buchanan would do this well," Professor Robert Sittig said Monday night, after Buchanan gained 23 percent of the vote.

"If anyone is excited, it has to be Buchanan and his supporters," Sittig said.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, the expected winner, led the pack with 26 percent — a victory Professor John Hibbing called "a

little on the small side."

"This wasn't a very big win for Dole," Hibbing said. "He's always been popular in Iowa, but I thought he would be a little higher."

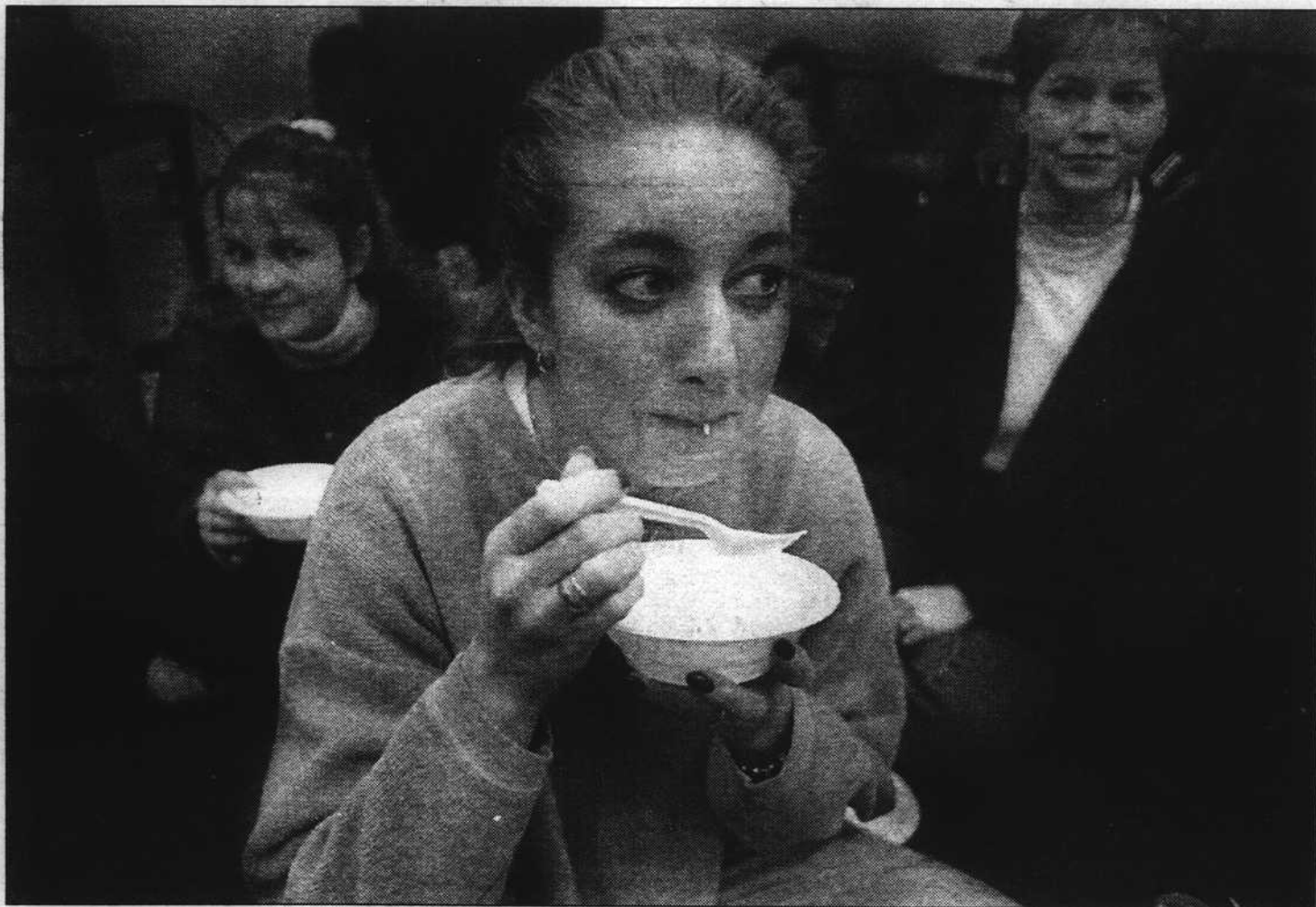
Sittig said shaky results for Dole indicated that there may still be question marks surrounding his campaign.

"He is going to have to separate himself in a sharper fashion," he said. "If he has to go all the way to the convention with Buchanan and Alexander nipping at his heels, he could falter along the way."

Both professors agreed that Texas Sen. Phil Gramm's poor showing may be the end of his cam-

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HUNGER PANGS



Travis Heying/DN
Kim Warner, a senior biology major, eats a bowl of rice Monday night in her Introduction to Nutrition class. Instructor Jeff Hampl, in an effort to demonstrate the large percentage of the world's population that eats poorly, had 65 percent of the class sit on the floor and eat a bowl of rice. Another 25 percent of the class had potato salad and bread, while three students in the class of 30 got a full course meal.

Senators look at increasing minimum wage

By Ted Taylor
Senior Reporter

Opponents of raising the minimum wage to \$5.15 in Nebraska say such a move would force businesses to raise all wages.



And that would be just fine with Sen. Don Wesely of Lincoln and the nearly 30 organizations that gathered Monday to testify in favor of LB1042.

Wesely's bill, if passed, would raise Nebraska's minimum wage 90 cents over the next two years in 45 cent increments.

"We've phased it out over two years so people can get used to it," he said.

Donning buttons that read "\$5.15 Is Only Fair," many proponents of LB1042 were forced out of the packed hearing room and into the hallway to watch the proceedings on closed circuit TV.

Inside the tiny Gilbert M. Hitchcock Memorial Hearing Room, Wesely told the committee that he was "surprised and pleased" with the reaction the legislation had received across the state.

He said an improving state economy had warranted an increase in wages for all Nebraskans — especially those making the \$4.25 minimum wage.

"But we can do better," he said. "We can

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Stenberg files request to close Sioux casino

By Chad Lorenz
Senior Reporter

Nebraska Attorney General Don Stenberg wants a gambling casino on the Santee Sioux Indian Reservation shut down.

But Butch Denny, tribal chairman of the Santee Sioux, and attorney Dan Evans think he's overstepping his bounds.

"We're going to stay open," Denny said. "We're not worried about Stenberg."

"He has no jurisdiction over us." Stenberg filed a request Monday with the U.S. District Court to issue a court order closing the casino.

"Whether the casino is in Omaha, Lincoln, Scottsbluff or an Indian reservation, it is illegal," Stenberg said in a written statement. "The state Legislature has made casino gambling illegal in Nebraska, and that law must be enforced."

Stenberg said he filed the request because U.S. Attorney Tom Monaghan was acting too slowly.

Monaghan said he would look into the matter at his own pace and warned against a hasty decision.

Stenberg said he would work with U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno to make a swifter decision.

Evans said Stenberg had no way of regulating activity on the reservation

because it was a domestic dependent sovereign nation. The reservation only has to abide by federal laws, not state laws, he said.

"Mr. Stenberg has got to understand what the law is," Evans said. "If he had bothered to do his homework, he'd find that state law prohibits putting a casino at 72nd and Dodge (in Omaha) but not on the Santee Sioux reservation."

Evans said he didn't think the District Court would grant Stenberg's request because of a U.S. Supreme Court decision.

In the 1978 Cabazon case, the Supreme Court ruling affirmed that Indians could allow gambling on their

reservations, Evans said. Under the 1988 Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, tribes had to negotiate a compact with the state permitting gambling, he said.

An agreement had been reached with Gov. Ben Nelson's administration, Evans said, but Stenberg backed out.

Nelson said he would leave it to Stenberg and Monaghan to decide on the matter.

"The ball is in their court, and they'll have to decide how to do it in the best possible way."

"I think Nebraska state law should be the deciding factor in this issue," Nelson said.

Evans said Stenberg also failed to

notify the Santee Sioux of his legal actions as Nebraska law requires.

"He never attempted to resolve it like an adult," Evans said. "Instead, he grandstanded to try and get support for his senatorial campaign."

Stenberg, who was out of town Monday, was not available for further comment.

Evans said Stenberg was picking on the Santee Sioux and called his actions economic racism.

"There's a certain amount of justice in this state, and we will serve Don Stenberg his due share."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.