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WEATHER:

Today - Mostly cloudy.
Southeast wind 10 to 15 mph.

Tonight - Mostly cloudy.
Low in lower 40s.

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Populist Buchanan bumps Dole in N.H.

By John King
The Associated Press

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Conservative rebel Pat Buchanan won a crucial victory Tuesday in New Hampshire's leadoff presidential primary, nudging Sen. Bob Dole from his perch as Republican front-runner and throwing the GOP race into three-way turmoil.

A surging Lamar Alexander, the former Tennessee governor, ran a strong third and suggested that proved him a better mainstream alternative to Buchanan than "a weakened Senator Dole."

There was no rest after an exhausting New Hampshire campaign: The candidates launched immediately into a five-week, 30-state burst of primary contests.

Dole was headed Wednesday to the Dakotas; Alexander looked south to Georgia and South Carolina, hoping his Tennessee roots would translate into regional strength. Buchanan heads to New York, then to the prairie.

For Buchanan, the commentator-turned-candidate, Tuesday's results made for another dramatic New Hampshire night. Four years ago, he scored 37 percent against an incumbent GOP president here, asserting himself —

and his often unorthodox views — in national Republican politics.

With 98 percent of precincts counted, Buchanan had 55,997 votes, or 27 percent, to 53,623 or 26 percent for Dole. Alexander had 46,616, 23 percent. Publishing heir Steve Forbes, who claimed 12 percent to finish a distant fourth, was said to be reassessing his campaign, but he vowed to press on because of his efforts in Arizona and Delaware.

In exit polls, voters cited pocket-book issues — jobs, taxes and budget deficits — as they judged the eight-man Republican field.

Asked which issue mattered most

in deciding how they voted, one in four cited the economy and jobs and one in five cited taxes. Roughly 15 percent said the federal budget deficit. In clear reflection of the race's volatility, 60 percent said they settled on their choice in the final week.

President Clinton swept to victory in the Democratic primary, logging more than 90 percent of the vote against only token opposition. But the apparent fractures in the Republican field gave Clinton and his party more to celebrate.

"The answer is not to divide the

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New Hampshire results

With 98 percent of precincts reporting:

Pat Buchanan	27%
Bob Dole	26%
Lamar Alexander	23%
Steve Forbes	12%
Others	12%

Source: AP Aaron Steckelberg/DN

Bosnia's Fragile Peace



Staci McKee/DN

Home for many of the U.S. personnel in Tuzla is a canvas tent, a cot, a footlocker, and if they are lucky, a couple of shelves. Kerosene heaters line the floors and are used as stoves to heat meals ready-to-eat.

Bosnia keeping soldiers busy

By Matthew Waite
Senior Editor

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Michaela Tomkins didn't sign up for this.

Sitting in a bunker at the front gate of Eagle Base behind an M-60 machine gun, Tomkins, a 19-year-old graduate of Lincoln Northeast, said that yes, she is a member of the First Armored Division.

As a clarinet player in the band. Now, thousands of miles away from her home base in Germany, Tomkins has been tasked as a Military Police officer in a forward area.

"I guess it could be worse," Tomkins said, dressed in her uniform, a flak vest and a Kevlar helmet. As a member of the band, she said she never expected to wear a flak vest and be required to carry a weapon.

Everyone on the base, nicknamed Tuzla Main, is required to carry a weapon and

wear the vest and helmet outside of the hundreds of tents and run-down buildings.

Many say they don't mind the vests — they offer extra warmth in the frigid countryside of Northeastern Bosnia.

Eagle Base is the eye of the American military hurricane in Bosnia. Four other camps are under construction.

The soldiers are not allowed off the base. No alcohol is allowed anywhere. Each day is another day closer to home. Each day is another day in Tuzla.

For some on the base, this may be their third or fourth deployment in as many years. For Tomkins it is her first.

"And my last, hopefully," she said. Tomkins said she was just serving as a police officer until more people arrived in Tuzla.

The First Armored band found out it was coming to Bosnia when in formation for a concert the first week of December. The director came out and told the group

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For the first time, the Daily Nebraskan will give its readers an up-close look at the largest European conflict since World War II. Senior Editor Matthew Waite and Photo Chief Staci McKee recently spent five days in Tuzla, a city of 160,000 in northeastern Bosnia-Herzegovina. Today begins the first part of a three-part series of stories from the former Yugoslavia.

Today:

The U.S. Military experience in Bosnia.

Tomorrow:

Stories from a refugee camp for the elderly.

Friday:

Two soldiers, friends and students tell about the war, and trying to study with the memories of conflict.

Hagel wants to reshape Senate values

By Ted Taylor
Senior Reporter

The final piece of Nebraska's 1996 U.S. Senate campaign puzzle fell into place Tuesday as Omaha businessman Chuck Hagel officially filed as a candidate.

Hagel, 49, joined Nebraska Attorney General Don Stenberg in the Republican primary race to see who will face Democratic Gov. Ben Nelson in the November election.

"I am running for the United States Senate because I want to help reshape this country," Hagel told the media in the State Capitol Rotunda. "I think we have a tremendous opportunity to get ourselves re-established and re-attached to a value system."

Joined by his wife, Lilibet, and the couple's son and daughter, Allyn and Ziller, Hagel said his campaign would be a family affair.

"Everything I have ever done in my life has been a part of my family," he said.

Hagel, who was born in North Platte and has lived in several other places in the state, said he

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Union lounge to remain for women only

By Todd Anderson
Staff Reporter

The Nebraska Union Board voted Tuesday evening to indefinitely suspend a motion to convert the Nebraska Union women's lounge to a lounge that would be used by all students, faculty and staff.

Scott Mapes, a junior in arts and sciences, brought the issue to the board's attention two weeks ago, saying the lounge was discriminatory because men are not allowed to use it.

A petition signed by 100 women protesting the change was presented to the board.

"I think the fact that there are no men there makes it less threatening," said Janelle Strandberg, a UNL graduate student.

The board voted unanimously to suspend the motion after hearing input from several women at the meeting.

In other business, Daryl Swanson, Nebraska Union director, presented the plans for the new Union Plaza. The board also discussed recommendations made to union renovation archi-

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