

Omaha, Lincoln firms win contracts

by Gary Seacrest

The NU Board of Regents in a special meeting Sunday battled over the selection of architects to plan the UNL fieldhouse—a contract worth from \$600,000 to \$720,000—and finally selected one Lincoln and one Omaha firm to split the job.

It took three separate votes before the regents awarded the architectural contract for the controversial \$12 million fieldhouse to both Leo Daly of Omaha and Davis-Clark and Associates of Lincoln. Davis-Clark did the preliminary plans for the fieldhouse project for \$10,000.

There was an identical split on the three votes with the new members of the board voting against the more tenured regents.

Regent Kermit Wagner of Schuyler opened up the meeting by proposing that three firms—Leo Daly, Davis-Clark and Kirkham-Michael and Associates of Omaha—be awarded the lucrative contract.

However, Wagner's resolution was defeated 4-3 with one abstention.

Koefoot, a Grand Island physician, then introduced a resolution proposing that just Leo Daly and Davis-Clark be awarded the contract. Prokop objected to Koefoot's motion by saying, "In a state-wide project of \$12 million we should try to split the architectural contract as widely as possible."

Moylan, an Omaha attorney, then made a motion to amend Koefoot's resolution to give the contract only to Leo Daly. Schwartzkopf, the Lincoln regent, replied to Moylan's amendment by saying, "If you want to spread the contract out, it is inconsistent to just have one firm."

Moylan's amendment was defeated 4-3 with one abstention as the regents duplicated their earlier vote on Wagner's motion.

The board then passed Koefoot's resolution to award the contract to Leo Daly and Davis-Clark on a 4-3 vote with one abstention. Koefoot, Raun, Elliott and Schwartzkopf voted for the resolution; Wagner, Prokop and Moylan voted no; and Hansen abstained again.

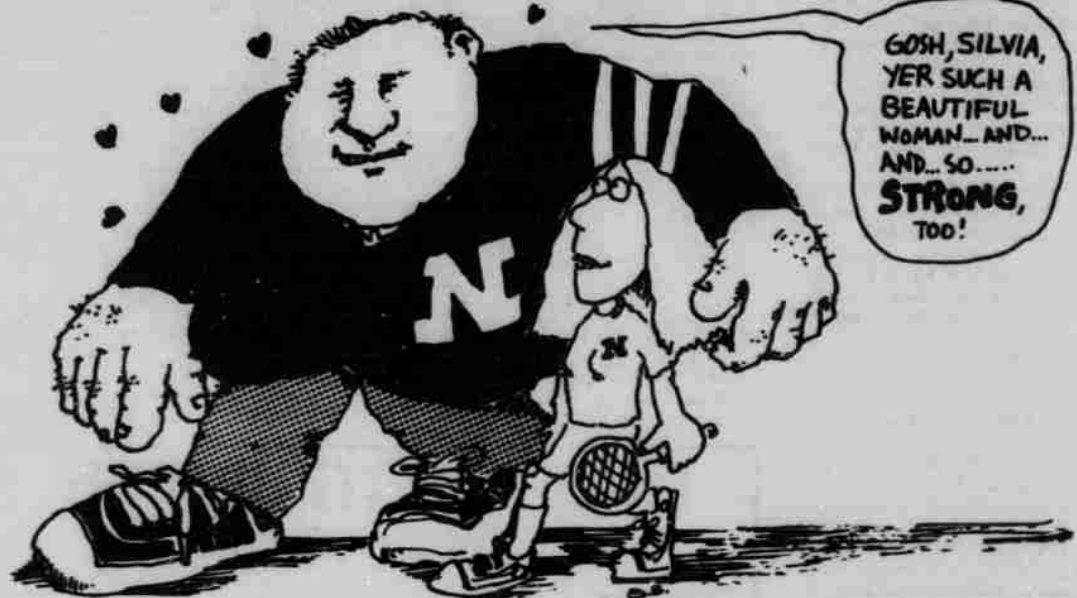
KC crushes gridders in basketball

It was billed as a basketball game but sometimes the action resembled a football game. That's not surprising since the two teams playing at Pershing Auditorium Sunday night were the Kansas City Chiefs and seniors from Nebraska's national championship football team.

The Chiefs using superior rebounding and team-work defeated the Huskers 90-73 in a benefit game for the March of Dimes that drew a crowd of 1,300.

The Chiefs' Buck Buchanan led all scorers with 22 points.

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"Women are just not women if they participate in sports—they are female jocks!" This was a reply from a male student when asked what he thought of women participating in sports at UNL.

Many people believe in the old idea that men should be the players and the women should be the cheerleaders. But this idea is being replaced by a new idea. Women's participation in sports on the UNL campus—whether organized or not—is rapidly growing.

Over 600 UNL women students have participated in either women's extramurals, intramurals or co-recreation activities this year, according to Nancy Sonner, UNL women's intramurals and co-recreation coordinator.

The most competitive women's sports program is women's extramurals. Any undergraduate women student is eligible to try-out for any one of the seven different team sports: field hockey, volleyball, basketball, swimming, gymnastics, tennis and softball. Teams generally practice three times a week and have games against other college and university women's teams once or twice a week. About 120 women will participate in women's extramurals this year.

The two less competitive women's sports programs include women's intramurals and co-recreation activities. "The women's intramurals are increasing in numbers, but women seem to enjoy participating in the co-recreational sports more," Sonner said. "Girls generally enjoy the intramurals and co-recreation programs because they are less competitive than extramurals."

"However, you must also remember there are a lot of women who participate in sports outside of the three programs we offer. Many of the women participate in activities on their own such as running, playing tennis and golf or bicycling. But if women are jocks if they like sports, then there sure are a lot of female jocks attending this school."

Fortunately the UNL women who do participate in the variety of sports activities have a different view of themselves too.

"I consider myself first as a woman, second as an athlete," said Carol Meyerhoff, a women's physical education major, "Just because we enjoy competing and participating in sports, most people, especially the men, go around stereotyping us as jocks. I'm sorry to disappoint all those people, but we are women—not jocks. I'd go crazy just going to classes all day."

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