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President Varner said he had received a letter from the accrediting association outlining the reasons UNL was given 5-years accreditation instead of 10-years (The 5-year accreditation is "... not a deterioration of higher institutions, but an attempt to assist institutions in accommodating rapid change," the letter said).

Varner said the association was considering a 5-year cycle instead of a 10-year cycle for all institutions because the rapidity of change in higher education demands more concentrated attention.

Next on the agenda, Regent Robert Prokop of Papillion presented to the board his own computations of faculty workload in 20 departments, based nominally on the "Texas Plan."

The Texas Plan is a statistical profile of how each faculty member spends his time. "I wanted to know how each faculty

member spends his week," Prokop said. "Studies in an academic place take a long time ... so I did it myself."

Prokop's and the administration's figures on the faculty work load were different, with the administration's showing the workload to be greater.

Prokop referred to similar workload

computation studies based on the Texas Plan being done through Hobson's office.

Prokop's computations were based on the time a faculty member spends teaching, departing from the Texas Plan's system of computing "waivers" to allow for research, committee work, class preparation and administrative duties that take a member's time. In addition, his figures did not distinguish between part-time and full-time faculty, he said.

Board Chairman Edward Schwartzkopf said he thought Prokop and Hobson should be working together on the computations, and that a mutual effort would make better use of staff time and Regent Prokop's time.

The board directed Hobson to confer with Prokop and work out the differences between Administration figures on faculty workload and Prokop's.

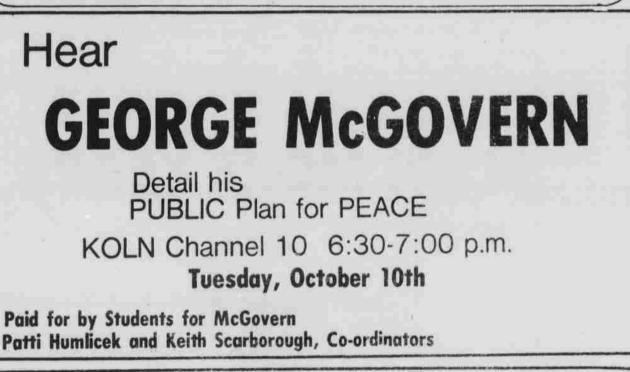
The board did not select an architect for the East Campus Union, as the Daily Nebraskan indicated it would last Friday.

The board also:

-Named Richard C. Armstrong of Greenville, S.C. as director of housing at UNL. He previously had been housing director at the University of Georgia.

 Appointed Ned S. Hedges as assistant to the vice chancellor of academic affairs at UNL.

-Established a school of allied health professions at the University College of Medicine.



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