

# LTS bus crashes into bank

Seeing the driverless bus barreling toward his guard station, the bank policeman thought of self-preservation.

"I had to get out before I got wiped out myself," said Keith Church, who scrambled from his chair as the Lincoln transportation System (LTS) bus came within three feet of the station before crashing into the main building of the First National Lincoln Auto Bank.

The Trendwood South city bus and a St. Mary's school bus collided at the intersection of 14th and L streets shortly after 8 a.m. Thursday.

Lincoln Police Officer Tim Carmichael said that although witnesses gave conflicting stories, the city bus, northbound on 14th St. apparently entered the intersection on a yellow light, striking the left front of the school bus westbound on L St.

City bus driver Carol Johnson was knocked from her seat upon impact, and

the bus veered west over the curb, went between the bank's auto station and sign. It continued past the guard station, striking an armored car before hitting the building, Carmichael said.

Jim Donaghy, LTS director, said the city driver, who was alone in the bus, complained after the accident of pain in her legs, ribs and head. Donaghy said an off-duty fireman entered the bus and assisted the woman after the crash.

Lincoln General Hospital officials said all collision victims have been released. The bus driver and two of the five children taken to the hospital were treated for minor injuries, officials said.

Don Dischner, bank vice president, said bank employees were at a meeting in another building when the incident occurred. He added that usually cars are parked in the lot the bus ran through.

Charges are pending on further investigation of the accident, Carmichael said.



Photo by Ted Kirk

After colliding with a school bus, a Lincoln Transportation System bus came to a stop against the First National Lincoln Auto Bank Thursday.

# Panama question called big problem

Differing opinions on who should control the Panama Canal is "one of the most important and worst problems between the United States and Latin America," a Mexican journalist said Thursday.

Gregorio Gonzalez, director of the Collective Communications and Journalism School in Guadalajara, Mexico, spoke to Nebraska journalists Thursday in his second of three stops in the United States.

On his second visit to the U.S., Gonzalez has been "talking and listening" to Americans' opinions about Latin American issues.

"It would make me happy to see Panama the owner of their own land," Gonzalez said. "Every country should be the owner of their own territory."

However, he said, U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's shuttle diplomacy tends to control other countries' situations.

"For foreigners, words like participation, confrontation, and equality between people are a manifestation of the U.S. culture," he said.

If governments don't accept criticism by newspapers, people won't have confidence in politicians, Gonzalez added.

Gonzalez was referring to a recent incident in which the entire editorial staff of Excelsior, a Mexico City newspaper, resigned in a dispute over governmental intervention. In Mexico, he said, "the news media is forced to support governmental programs."

"Any government is responsible for maintaining an attitude of remaining outside of communications, especially newspapers," he said.

# TV coverage priority being studied

Preliminary research in a study designed to compare network television coverage of the 1972 and 1976 presidential election campaigns indicates the networks again are focusing more on candidates than issues, according to a UNL researcher.

James Klumpp, UNL assistant professor of speech, said a study of September network newscasts shows that the networks are emphasizing the successes or failures of the candidates rather than the issues.

After receiving much criticism for doing the same in 1972, the networks committed themselves on the air and in trade journals to do more issue coverage in 1976, Klumpp said.

"We're trying to find out if they're doing that," Klumpp said. He is being assisted in the study by Dan Sullivan, a UNL speech doctoral candidate, and Dennis Garrett, a UNL graduate assistant working on his masters degree.

From Oct. 1 to Nov. 2, Klumpp said, the three will tape, code and analyze network newscasts. A \$600 UNL Research Council grant will be used to buy tapes of 1972 network newscasts for the same days from the Vanderbilt University television news archives.

The 1972 tapes also will be analyzed, and those two analyses compared, Klumpp said.

"The content analyses will determine the predominant mode of coverage—whether the newscast focuses on the issues, whether the reporter looks at the campaign as a

game with a win-loss mentality, or whether the newscast projects the image of the candidate," Klumpp said.

Campaign coverage for the newscast is divided into 12 categories, such as the position of the report in the overall newscast, whether the report focuses on what happened in the campaign that day, or whether the report focuses on campaign strategy, he said.

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