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Japanese college students from Senshu University in Tokyo listen intently to their English instructor during their three-week intensive language course taught by UNL's English As A Second Language program.

Japanese students study English at UNL

By Colleen Kenney Senior Reporter

When Jim Ford, UNL's director of the English As A Second Language program, met 19 Japanese students at the airport Wednesday night, they were speaking Japanese.

In the cars driving back to Lincoln from Omaha's Eppley Airfield, the students were still speaking Japanses.

"What's worse, their teachers were, too," Ford said Thursday morning at a welcoming ceremony for the first group of Japanese students to participate in UNL's Intensive English course.

But for the next three weeks, these same students will be given a steady diet of English, UNL campus life and Nebraska.

The college students from Senshu University in Tokyo will be studying English speech, grammar, reading and writing for five hours a day, five and six days a week.

In order to make the most of their Intensive English experience, the students should try not to speak any Japanese, Ford said.

Various activities and field trips have been planned, including a trip through central Nebraska, stopping at Sherman Dam Reservoir, Cedar Lane Ranch, Buffalo Bill's home and Pioneer Village.

One-day trips include stops at Omaha's Strategic Air Command, Nebraska City's Arbor Lodge, and Lincoln sites such as the Gateway Shopping Center and the state capitol building.

Nebraska is "very, very big," said Hideaki Takizawa, 21, who majors in law at Senshu. Although Senshu has 19,000 students, Takizawa said that it seems much smaller than the UNL campus.

Maki Yamada, 20, said the UNL campus is very beautiful and green. Yamada majors in English and American Literature.

None of the Japanese students knew of Willa Cather, the Nebraska author. Most of the students asked knew nothing about Nebraska before coming to Lincoln.

But they all hope to become more familiar with both English and Nebraska.

Norio Takemura, a Senshu professor, and UNL Chancellor Martin Massengale were among some of the initiators of this exchange program. Takemura, a member of Committee for International Exchange at Senshu, spent four years teaching Japanese-related seminars at UNL until about two years ago.

Senshu University will probably send a group of students to UNL for the Intensive English program every summer, Takemura said.

Massengale, who spoke at the welcoming ceremony, said the program will "improve mutual understanding and cooperation between the two countries."

This UNL-Senshu exchange includes sending some UNL students to Japan to study for one semester at the Tokyo campus.

Nanzan University in Nagoya, Japan, also has a student exchange program with UNL

Land trade controversial

By Michael Hooper Staff Reporter

At best it's a controversy. At worst it's a fight over land.

At hand is an eight-block section of the Malone neighborhood, between 19th and 22nd streets and Vine and S streets.

UNL officials want to expand UNL's boundary from 19th to 22nd and possibly use the area for parking and recreational facilities.

But Malone officials say that extending the UNL boundary will not only isolate the Malone Community Center and Malone Manor on 22nd and Vine streets, but may also make the area less compatible for the Manor's 50 elderly residents.

"I'm not sure (the Malone Manor) can even be compatible in that UNL setting," said Carl Kopines, Malone Manor's resident manager.

ent vision than we had when we opened happening in our neighborhood." up Malone Manor," he said.

Extending UNL's boundry to 22nd Street has been UNL's plan since 1967, said Ray Coffey, UNL business manager.

Although the Regents approved the plan a year ago, thus giving UNL the authority to carry it out, negotiations will occur between UNL, Malone community officials and the Radial Reuse Task Force said George Chick, Lincoln urban development director.

At a meeting Wednesday night, Malone Board members adopted a resolution that calls for UNL and the city to include Malone representatives in their planning discussions and to develop a campus plan in those meetings.

John Reed, Malone Board president, said he and other Malone officials knew little of UNL's plans.

"We just want the university to include us in their meetings," he said.

"That (UNL plan) is a totally differ- "We should be able to know what's

Two years ago the city adopted a plan that recommended UNL's land between 19th and 20th streets and Vine and S streets be consolidated for university expansion, said Dallas McGee, Lincoln community development manager. It also recommended that just to the east of 20th Street a park and residential housing be built.

But the plan approved by the Regents last year would amend the city's plan and expand UNL's land east to 22nd Street and south to Q Street. Under this plan the park would not be built nor would residential homes, McGee said.

McGee said the city still owns much of the land UNL wants to expand on, so UNL and city officials drew up a land trade. The city would trade its land in the Malone area, worth an estimated

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Dormitory gets facelift

Neihardt repairs include new windows, gutters

By James M. Lillis Senior Reporter

Costly window and drainage damage in the Neihardt Residence Center is being repaired and steps are being taken to prevent damage in the future.

The restoration of the windows and gutter drains is part of an overall plan to beautify and keep Neihardt in good condition, said Glen Schumann, assistant director of housing at UNL. After the damage is repaired the dormitory will be prepped for further work in the spring. A courtyard with benches, flowers and trees is planned.

"The windows haven't been painted in 10 years," Schumann said, "and the paint only lasts about seven."

The round-topped windows have been clay pipes would break and water

costly in heating and cooling in the would seep into the foundation. Six being prepped and repainted now, and new aluminum storm windows will be installed.

"The cost for the window project will range from \$8,000 to \$10,000," Schumann said, "but the savings will pay for the project easily in five to seven

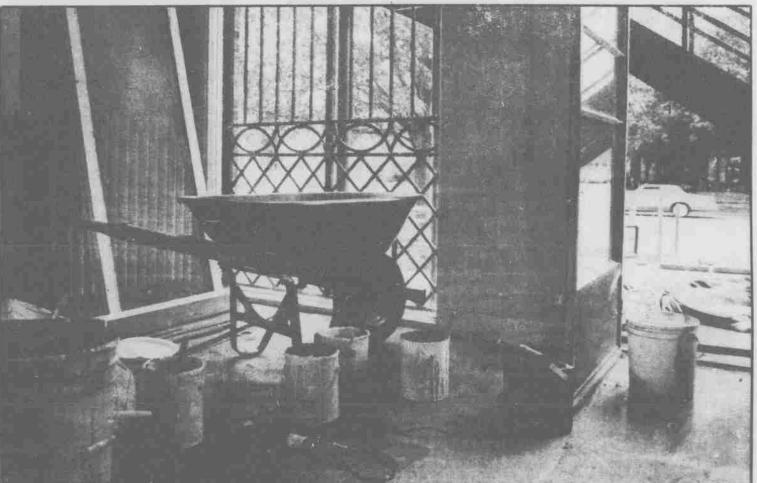
A four-man maintenance crew has been working on Neihardt all summer. Besides windows, they have also been working on gutter drains in the courtyard and water damage to the founda-

tion along with small painting jobs. The clay downspouts will be replaced with PVC pipes which run under the complex into the sewer. The reason for the replacement is because the old

past, Schumann said. The frames are other drains are being put into the courtyard to drain the future cement or block sidewalk during heavy rains.

All window wells are being covered and sealed with cement. This will prevent further damage from water seepage and prevent rats, leaves and trash from being blown in the wells, Schumann said. Also, the earth around the dormitory will be raised 18 inches and tapered off for seven feet. On top of that a rubber sheet will be placed. This will allow water to run away from the building and prevent water damage. The overall cost for the work to be done at Neihardt will be about \$30,000.

"It's a grand old building," Schumann said. "We want to keep her that



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Neihardt Residence Hall sunroom is filled with equipment for renovation, including new windows, new paint and underground drains.