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More drop/add students may strain system

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An increase in students expected to go through drop/add second semester could put an extra burden on the university computer system next week, according to Robert Reid, associate director of registration and records.

Reid said last year 8,159 students went through second semester drop/add. This year, he says he expects around 8,400 students to participate.

Reid said from the results of the early regis-

tration, more students had incomplete schedules this year than last.

"It appears to me that there were fewer spaces being offered in certain classes," Reid said. "There was not enough supply for the demand."

That demand has caused Reid and people in his office to be "cautiously optimistic" about drop/add, which begins Monday and ends Thursday. Hours for drop/add will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

"In our meetings with the computer network and representatives from other departments including JNO, the accounting people and other on-line users, they expect normal activity that week," he said.

The university's computer system is currently working at 85 to 90 percent capacity, Reid said.

"Definitely with our activity, we will push that up close to the 100 percent maximum," he said.

"But we are going on the assumption that we will be able to handle 2,400 students a day," he said. "At least that's as many time cards we are handing out. It is certainly a peak processing time for us."

Reid said the computers theoretically could create some real hassles for students if it becomes overloaded.

"We could lose the students requests for drops or adds, there could be delays in getting

their revised schedule to them, and there could be just back-ups or long lines at the stations," he said.

Drop/add also will held on East Campus Monday and Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Animal Science building.

Time cards will be required for Monday and Tuesday drop/add, Reid said. He said students will be able to pick the time cards up at window 111G in the administration building.

"We are anticipating a full house," Reid said. "The earlier they pick up a card, the more classes they will have to choose from on the floor."

Reid also warned that drop/add is only being offered four days this semester, compared to the five days that were offered last year.

Commission cancels club's liquor license

By Victoria Ayotte
Senior Reporter

Mingles will continue business as usual, even though the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission voted Wednesday to cancel its liquor license, said Terry Schaaf, the attorney for Mingles.

Schaaf said Mingles, a nightclub at 826 P St., will request reconsideration of the license cancellation from the commission. If that reconsideration is denied, Schaaf said he intends to appeal the decision in Lancaster District Court.

The appeal process will last months, Schaaf said, and Mingles can operate during that time. Schaaf said he has not filed the appeal yet, but that he has 20 days to do so by law.

"The operation will remain just as it is until the appeal process is ended," Schaaf said.

Mingles has had six convictions for violations since 1981, according to the commission. Mingles was previously known under other names, such as Stooges, but has always remained under the ownership of Starship Enterprises.

Although the bar has only been operating as Mingles for two years, the liquor license always remained under the name of Starship Enterprises so all convictions counted against it, according to a commission spokesman.

The commissioners voted Wednesday that Mingles permitted immoral activity during a Sunday teen night when a Mingles bouncer allegedly told a Lincoln teen-ager that he would let her in without proving she was 16 if she would lift up her T-shirt.

Schaaf said there was no wrongdoing by Mingles.

"Mingles did absolutely nothing illegal," he said. "The commission didn't like what happened, but it wasn't wrong by law."

According to Schaaf, the commission said it was "not sure what immorality is, but we know it when we see it."

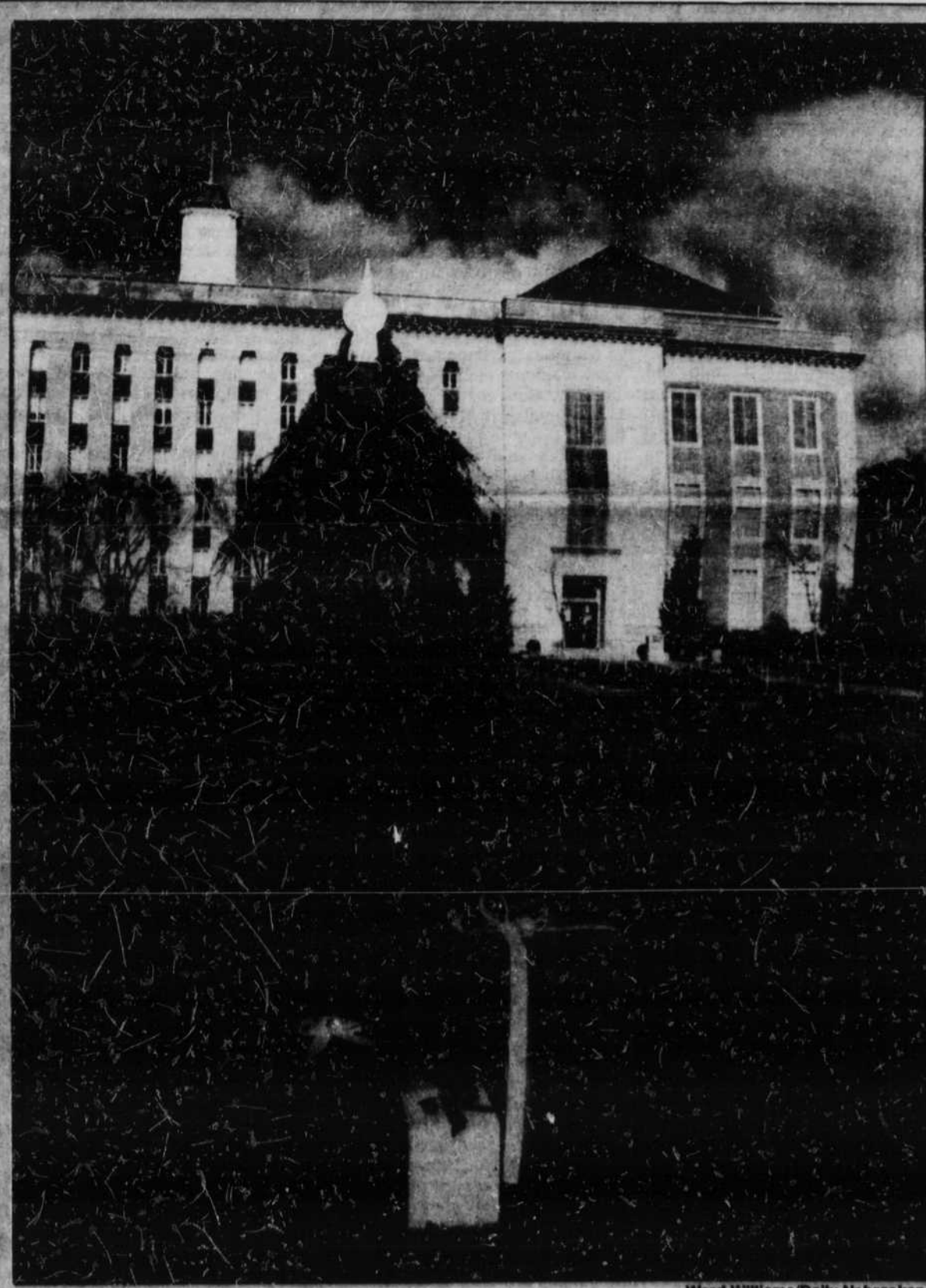
Schaaf said Mingles was only convicted of one violation for minors in the establishment this year, although there have been four charges this year for which Mingles was found not guilty.

He stressed that Mingles has served more than one million people in the last 10 years.

"Sure, Mingles has had more violations, but they have had more customers," he said. "You have to put that in perspective."

"It isn't necessary to say where there's smoke, there's necessarily fire."

One lawful conviction a year "isn't that severe a record" for an establishment that has served as many people as Mingles, he said.



A cardboard Christmas

A Christmas tree and presents has been set up on the lawn in front of Love Library.

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Lack of space for research spurs concern

By Victoria Ayotte
Senior Reporter

Increased research activities have led to a "critical" space shortage, said John Yost, vice chancellor for research and graduate studies.

"The opportunity we've had to substantially increase research activities . . . has created a great challenge and even a critical situation in regard to space needs," Yost said.

Robert Furgason, vice chancellor for academic affairs, said he, too, is concerned about the space problem. Furgason said he sees a real problem with fulfilling the "substantial" space requirements of the research initiative.

This spring, the Nebraska Legislature supported Gov. Kay Orr's research initiative and appropriated \$4 million for University of Nebraska research, \$2.8 million of that going to UNL. However, Yost said, this research money accounted for more projects and faculty, not more space.

"Space simply cannot be eliminated from that equation," Yost said. "It's reached a point where our research activities are outstripping our space facilities."

UNL Chancellor Martin Massengale said that UNL is able to enhance its storage space, "it's going to be a limiting factor in our research initiative."

Yost said the areas targeted for research, such as biochemistry, are facing space shortages right now.

"We're operating at capacity without question," Yost said. He said he gets "continual requests" for more space.

Specifically, Yost said, physics in Behlen Physics Lab and chemistry in Hamilton Hall will run out of space in two or three years. The type of facilities needed in these labs are "vastly" different than a decade ago.

"We're dealing with obsolete equipment and aging facilities," he said.

University of Nebraska Medical Center Chancellor Charles Andrews added: "You can't do 1988 research in 1915 buildings."

Yost said the Nebraska Center for Advanced Technology is one place where research in biotechnology and biochemistry can go, but even that will not solve future needs for space.

The center might free up some space in Hamilton and Manter Halls, he said.

The space problem is one that has come to light in the last year, Yost said.

"Our main concern has been with obtaining the kind of support needed for people and programs," Yost said. "As we see this happening, (with the research initiative) then all of the sudden, we become aware this is

Fewer business graduates threaten industry

By Lynn Schwebach
Staff Reporter

Too many business students are competing for a limited number of entry-level, "fast-track" management positions, according to a management professor at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Phillip Hall, assistant professor of management, said that "for any one financial analyst position there are 25

assistant manager positions for retail stores or fast food restaurants."

Larry Routh, director of the Career Planning and Placement Center, said employers are more concerned with the baby bust, or the declining number of young people.

Routh said the baby bust could hurt business because baby boomers are approaching retirement age. The number of business college graduates are declining, he said, while the

demand for business graduates has been increasing. Retiring baby boomers probably will cause a greater need for such graduates, he said.

According to Routh, employers look at demographics, and they can estimate how many 19-year-olds will attend college in seven years by knowing how many 12-year-olds are

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CORRECTION

In a story about finals week survival tips (Diversions, Dec. 15), Doug McLeese's name was misspelled.

Friday, mostly sunny and not as cold, high in the mid 30s with W winds at 10-15 mph.
Friday night, partly cloudy, low around 10.
Saturday, mostly sunny, high in the low 30s.

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