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WEATHER:

Monday, mostly cloudy and cool with a 50 percent chance of showers and a high in the 60s. Cloudy Monday night with a 40 percent chance of showers and a low between 45 and 50. Winds northeast from 10 to 15 miles per hour. Cloudy Tuesday with a 30 percent chance of showers and a high in the 60s.

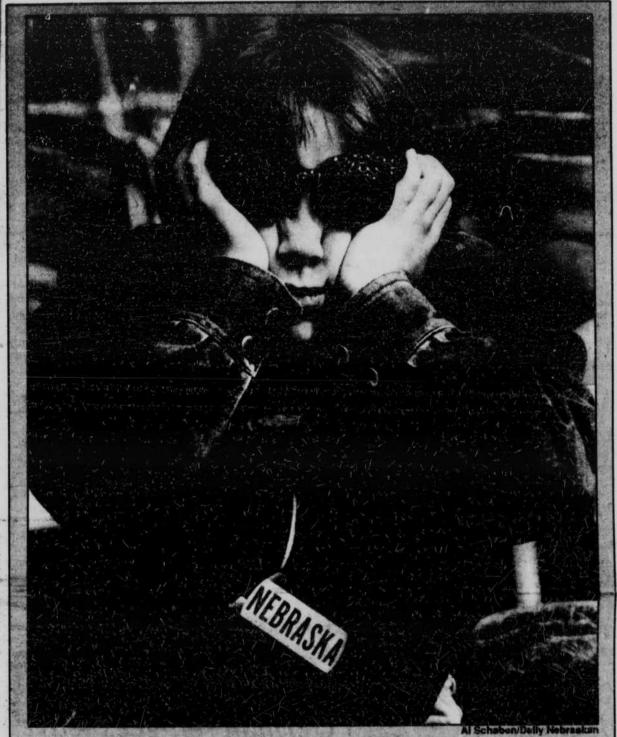
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Nebraska opened its second century of college football Saturday in a less-than-typical fashion. One fan, seven-year-old Brook Brestei of Lincoln, appears to be unimpressed with the Cornhuskers' performance during the second half. For more football photos, see pages 11 and

Night, day students pay same fees

By Roger Price Staff Reporter

tudents at the University of now will pay the same student fees as day students as part of a "more equitable" fee assessment system, according to administration officials.

James Griesen, vice chancellor for student affairs, said many changes have taken place since the Division of Continuing Studies was founded, which have led to the change in the assessment of student fees.

Griesen said, almost all night classes fees and the other didn't.

were offered through the division.

One example Griesen gave was in Nebraska-Lincoln who regis- the Department of Educational Psyter only for evening courses chology. In that department 37 sections of 34 classes are offered at night, but none are offered through

the Division of Continuing Studies.

Another example is Political Science 417/417c where, Griesen said, the same class at the same time and location is offered to both traditional and evening students.

The only difference between the two students, Griesen said, is that When the division was founded, under the old system one paid student

Griesen said he has received a lot Since then, he said, "the lines between day and night work have become blurred."

Officeed said he has received a lot of complaints from evening students who were paying student fees because they were enrolled in night classes outside the Division of Continuing Studies.

'It struck me that it was really important for equity in this area, Griesen said.

Robert Simerly, dean of the Division of Continuing Studies, agreed. Simerly said the new system is the 'most equitable way for all students to pay for services rendered by stu-dent fees."

Griesen said that under the new system, all students will pay identical

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Search committee plan draws some criticism from student regents

By Lisa Twiestmeyer Staff Reporter

he NU Board of Regents' plan for selecting members of a presidential search committee drew criticism from some NU leaders who said there are too many general public members and too few faculty and student representatives.

With the three student regents casting the only votes against the plan, the board voted unanimously to adopt Regent Don Blank's proposal for selecting the 12 voting and six non-voting members of the commit-

Student regent votes are unoffi-

The committee will comprise one NU student, one faculty member from each campus, one NU Foundation representative, six members from the general public and a "wild card" member.

In addition, the committee will include six non-voting, "ex-officio" members: an affirmative action officer, an administrative officer, a representative from each of the alumni associations of each campus and a regent selected by the board.

The faculty senate presidents and student regents of the three NU cam-puses said the general public is overrepresented on the committee.

The board unanimously rejected an amendment by University of Nebraska-Lincoln student regent Bryan Hill to add three more students, one from each campus, to the ex-officio

members of the committee.
"With 40,000 students, I can't think of a more major constituency the university has," Hill said. Hill said students at the univer-

sity's three campuses are "distinctly different from each other" and come from different backgrounds. It is important that the different types of students be represented, he said.

University of Nebraska at Omaha student regent Paula Effle said it would be a "monumental task" for one student to try to represent all three campuses.

But regent Rosemary Skrupa of Omaha said students at each of the

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White pleads not guilty

Osborne suspends player

By Jerry Guenther Senior Reporter

ith recent publicity alleging drug use by former Nebraska football players, Coach Tom Osborne said he is uncertain what type of effect drug charges against I-back Lamont White will have on the public's perception of the Nebraska football program. White, 20, of 435 S. 20th, pleaded

not guilty to possession of a con-trolled substance during arraignment in Lancaster County Court Thursday.

Author Armen Keteyian's book, "Big Red Confidential: Inside Nebraska Football," alleges that some former Nebraska football players used drugs while on the team.

Osborne said Sunday that the allegations in the book, including co-caine use by 1983 Heisman Trophy winner Mike Rozier, are from anonymous sources.

Osborne said some people, including former player Nate Mason, have said they never saw Rozier use co-

But, Osborne said, the public will have to make its own decision.

Osborne said White, a 5-foot-9, 180-pound sophomore, has been suspended from the team because of the

charges.

"In no way does that pre-judge him one way or the other," Osborne

said. "I just think it's kind of awkward to go ahead and play him if he is under some type of charges.

White is scheduled to appear in Lancaster County Court Sept. 25.

Lancaster County Attorney Mike Heavican said White and another man were stopped by Lincoln police last June at a car wash on North 27th

Heavican said police found a vial with what they believed to be cocaine residue in it inside a briefcase in the

Osborne said White told him the vial belonged to the other man who was in the car.

Osborne said it was his understanding that White was helping the other man move when the incident occurred.

"We feel very badly about Lamont's situation," he said. "He was obviously around the wrong Possession of a controlled sub-

stance is a Class IV leiony, able by up to five years in prison, a \$10,000 fine, or both, Heavican said.

Osborne said he originally thought the case would be dismissed

"Probably sometime in the next few days we'll know what the dispo-sition is," he said.

If White wouldn't have been suspended, he would have played Saturday against Northern Illinois.

New system lessens processing time for financial aid

By Robin Trimarchi Staff Reporter

ollege students nationwide could be getting financial aid money more quickly in a couple of years, say federal Department of Education officials, but some

financial aid officials are not so sure.

The Department of Education announced in early August that a new system for processing financial aid forms will take effect in the 1990-

91 school year. Five financial-aid service companies now will be authorized by the federal government to process students' federal aid forms. Before, the College Board's College Scholarship Service and the American College Testing Program together handled six million forms a year.

John Beacon, Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid director at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, said the current process takes about 7 calendar days. He said the education department expects a 72-hour turnaround time with the new system.

Bill Moran, an education department official, said that under the new system, the five companies will electronically transmit all data directly to one central computing center, which then will return the information to the processing service company. The processor will inform students of their aid eligibility.

"The student applies to one source and receives a reply from one source," Moran said, rather than the previous system of dealing with both the company and the computing center.

According to the Aug. 9 Chronicle of Higher Education, the new system will cost the federal government \$20 million.

"We acknowledge that it costs more," Moran said. "We want it simpler and more streamlined for students to follow."

But a few financial aid administrators have reservations about the new system. Beacon said he is concerned that the faster

turnaround time might be "misleading. For example, an aid form received by the central computers at 12:01 p.m. Friday would be logged on the following Monday's work-

day, with a deadline for processing at noon Thursday, he said. Don Davis, acting director of Student Financial Services at the University of Texas at Austin, said he believes the new process will 'cause confusion.

"Some students use more than one (processing) service," Davis said. "For example, when applying to more than one school, there may be some schools that will not receive the proper forms.

The current system allows only the federal Pell Grant processor to accept financial-aid form changes directly from the student, Davis

Under the new system, "corrections can go back and forth through the process," Davis said.

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