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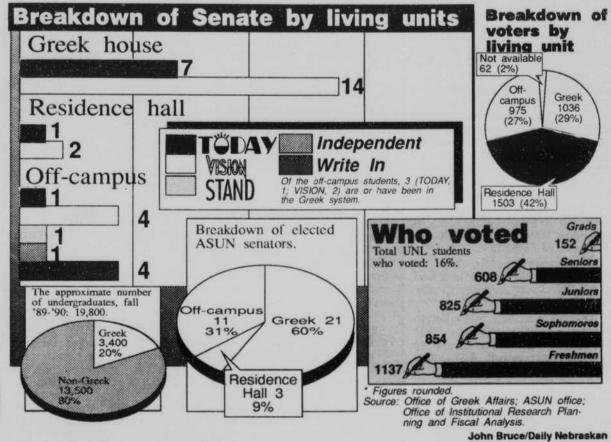
Tuesday, mostly sunny and warmer, high 65-70, south wind 10-20 miles per hour. Tuesday night, partly cloudy, low in the upper-30s. Wednesday, partly sunny and a little cooler, high in the upper-50s.

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Elections show boost in residence hall voters



By Eric Pfanner

or the first time in at least four years, students in residence halls made up the largest portion of voters in Association of Students of the University of Nebraska elections.

Stacy Mohling, VISION party first vice presidential candidate, said more residence hall students voted this year because polling sites were placed in Abel/Sandoz and Neihardt residence

Deb Fiddelke, TODAY party presidential candidate, said more students voted at those sites than at any of the five locations aside from the Nebraska

Last year, there were no polls in residence halls.

About 42 percent of 1990 voters live in residence halls, about 29 percent in fraternities and sororities and about 27 percent off campus.
"That's great," Fiddelke said of

the increase in voters from residence halls. But "obviously, it's not enough."

Not enough, she said, because the portion of voters in fraternities and sororities still is disproportionate with the amount of students who live there.

More than half of UNL students live off campus, but represent only 27 percent of 1990 voters.

cent. The big shift was in the proportion of voters from fraternities and sororities, which dropped from 38 percent in 1989 to 29 percent in 1990.

Residence hall voters took up the slack, increasing 10 percentage points from 32 percent in 1989.

Mohling, who also is Residence Hall Association president, said proposals to restructure ASUN may have contributed to the greater percentage

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Fiddelke ASUN presidential candidate

of residence hall voters. TODAY, VISION and STAND all included restructuring plans on their platforms this year in an effort to broaden the base of voters.

Fiddelke said she thinks this year's results may be a "sign that things are changing." The restructuring proposals may gain momentum because of the larger percentage of residence hall voters, she said.

'As you broaden the base of in-That percentage was almost un-changed from 1989, dropping 1 per-effect for the future," she said.

Program developed to evaluate division of national forest land

By James P. Webb Staff Reporter

he U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service is developing a program to manage the division of national forest land, according to a Forest Service official.

Bill Rietveld, project leader for the serv-

ice's experiment station at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's East Campus, said the service has recognized a trend toward more recreation and wildlife in national forests.

Following that trend, Rictveld said, the agency's New Perspectives program will evaluate how forests are divided.

As a conservation agency, the Forest Service is charged with finding the most efficient division of 154 national forests for timber, wildlife, water, recreation and range.

New Perspectives will bring competing interest groups together to confront new environmental issues.

"We want to get everyone involved and get people to talk to each other," Rietveld said.
"Through that understanding (we can) develop better policy for our national forests."

Currently, he said, people misunderstand other purchases, help local economies, he said. the Forest Service's mission because of the conflict between logging companies and environmentalists.

The number of lawsuits filed against the agency from both sides is indicative of the increasingly intense conflict over resources, he

He said the Office of Management and Budget has cut Forest Service spending for recreation and wildlife.

It's a case where "everyone is guilty and everyone is innocent," Rietveld said. "We're right in the middle. We can't take either side."

Rietveld said some restrictions are necessary to reduce the Forest Service's sales of its

"The logging companies have cut most of their land. Now they're looking at the old growth on national forests ... this is conflicting with the demands of the environmentally con-

scious people in the Northwest," he said.
But Rietveld said restrictions would hurt local governments that depend on logging for

He said the timber industry also bolsters local economies with hidden benefits, which are overlooked by environmentalists.

Second forests, those regenerated from natural disaster or from harvesting, are able to support more wildlife because of fresh undergrowth, he said.

The additional wildlife attracts hunters and backpackers who, through license permits and

Hunters and backpackers benefit from existing logging roads built with government money, he said, and the value of the roads increases with additional use.

Rietveld said each dollar the government

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Anti-discrimination resolution passed

By Sara Bauder Staff Reporter

resolution condemning discrimination was passed by the RHA Senate on Sun-

The resolution, passed unanimously, had been drafted at last week's meeting in reaction to fliers advertising a white supremacist group. The Residence Hall Association did not act on the resolution then because there was no quo-

Debate continued at this week's meeting. The resolution was amended to state that RHA will promote minority recruitment for faculty members and students alike.

The amendment, proposed by Selleck Sen. Randy Eliason, also encourages administrators to broaden the multi-cultural curriculum at

Eliason said the amendment was needed

because the resolution had "no teeth" without it. He said the amendment changed the intent of the resolution from condemning discrimination to actually suggesting action.

Shawn Carson, presidential proxy from Cather Residence Hall who had opposed the resolution a week ago, said he now supports it. He said it would have been bad timing to adopt the resolution last week.

Last week, the resolution would have been seen as condemning students who participated

in a white-supremacist group, he said.
"I no longer see RHA as condemning students," he said. "I see us more as supporting those who marched against racism.

On March 12, about 300 students marched to protest the formation of the group for whites only. No one claiming to belong to the supremacist group showed up at the proposed meeting site.



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Outlining a vision

Democratic gubernatorial candidate Bill Hoppner speaks Monday at Henzlik Hall. Outlining his views on education, Hoppner said the current school finance system does not provide equal educational opportunities, and he proposed a school finance system that focuses on the individual child.