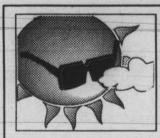
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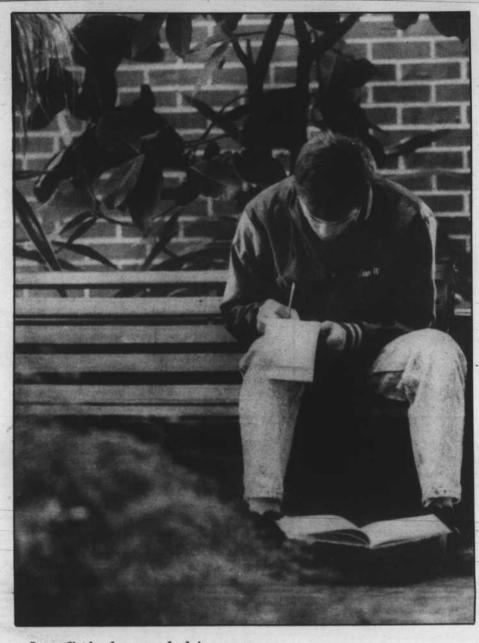


TODAY'S WEATHER

60/35

Today, mostly sunny and mild, northwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight, fair. Fri-day, fair and warm with a high in the upper 60s.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln



Leafin' through his notes

Dan Wisnieski, a senior agriculture major, prepares for his botany lab in the atrium in Manter Hall.

## No special treatment given regent's son, officials say

By Sean Green Senior Reporter

¬ he University of Nebraska-Lincoln made no special considerations when it used a state plane to fly a Teachers College professor to McCook to supervise the son of an NU regent, officials said Wednesday.

times to supervise Regent Don Blank's son, a UNL senior who is student teaching in McCook.

The cost of using the plane was \$3,442.40. The university did what it would have done for any student, said Neale Copple, an assistant to Jack Goebel, the interim chancellor at the

time the plane was used.

"Any time money is spent to contribute to instruction, I think it's legitimate," he said. 'This case involved a professor who volunteered to do the supervising but didn't have the time to drive 250 miles to McCook.

Copple said no special treatment was given in the case because it involved a regent's son. Larry Andrews, a professor of curriculum and instruction at UNL, flew to McCook five ever been used in that exact set of circumstances before.

Blank said he now understood why some students with parents in administration went to different schools from where their parents

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# Baldwin enters pleas of insanity to charges

By Jeremy Fitzpatrick Senior Reporter

ndrew Scott Baldwin entered a dual plea — not guilty by reason of insanity and not responsible by reason of insan-ity — to two assault charges at his arraignment Wednesday in 2nd District Court.

Judge Paul Merritt Jr. scheduled Baldwin's trial for April 6.

Baldwin, a 22-year-old student at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, was charged with first- and third-degree assault after allegedly beating Gina Simanek, 23, and attacking a police officer Jan. 18. On Feb. 18, he was ruled psychologically competent to stand trial.
Following Baldwin's plea, Lancaster County

Attorney Gary Lacey asked Merritt to set bail for Baldwin at \$500,000. Baldwin's attorney, Hal Anderson, said the request was too high and asked for a bond between \$30,000 and \$50,000. Merritt said he would determine bond

Lacey said there was little challenge to facts that "certainly make it clear Mr. Baldwin did the acts complained of and has said as much."

A high bond was required, he said, because Baldwin did not have any ties to the Lincoln Mike Grant and Jon Bostick for further supercommunity, such as family, a job or financial vision. Baldwin lived alone before the Jan. 18 resources, that would deter him from leaving. Lacey also said Simanek's family had told

him she was concerned that if Baldwin was released on bond, she would be in personal

This is a very serious case," he said. "It's one in which a young woman was hurt in a very serious way.'

Anderson said a \$500,000 bond was unreal-

"I can assure the court that if bail is set at \$500,000, Mr. Baldwin can't meet it," he said.

He said Baldwin had no intention of contacting Simanek, and gave the judge a letter from Dr. Louis Martin, a psychiatrist at the Lincoln Regional Center, that said Baldwin did not pose a significant threat to the community.

Anderson said that if Baldwin was released on bail, he would be willing to submit himself to the St. Joseph Center for Mental Health in Omaha and accept its judgment of his condi-

He said Baldwin would remain at the center as long as doctors recommended. When doctors released him, Anderson said, Baldwin would continue outpatient treatment.

After Baldwin was released, Anderson said, he would live with fellow football players

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### Women unfairly represented in UNL faculty, officials say

#### Regents establishing gender equality goals

Editor's note: This the fourth part of a series on faculty salaries at UNL.

By Cindy Kimbrough

ver the past decade, equity between men and women's salaries at UNL has been an issue gaining increasing attention.

But several university officials said the issue may no longer be pay equity, but rather the shortage of women among UNL faculty.

Mary Beck, chairperson of the Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Women, said equality in faculty salaries was not the most important issue of the status of women at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

According to a commission study, which took into account years of experience and serv-

But that amount is not a large difference, Beck said.

When considering past differences, such as a \$600 disparity in 1978, she said, women have

fared well. A \$600 difference now is not as large an amount as it was then, she said.

Current differences in salary easily could be solved by giving proper attention to salary distribution so women are granted raises comparably, she said.

Stan Liberty, interim vice chancellor for academic affairs, said that given the level at which women were employed, their salaries were unequal.

The number of women in administrative ositions is very small at UNL, Liberty said.

Where you tend to see the higher salaries at UNL, you don't tend to see any women," he

Liberty said he believed the pay gap had been almost completely closed, but he said he would continue to check on it every year.

Richard Wood, NU general counsel, agreed and said two regression studies on faculty salaries at UNL indicated little to no significant inequity in faculty salaries. The regression vere done in 1989 and 1990 and took ice, tenure, rank and department, women fac- into account numerous variables, such as eduulty make an average of \$600 less than men a cational background and number of years at

> Wood said the regression study completed in 1989 showed almost the same difference in

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## would permit all students to get loans

By Jeremy Fitzpatrick Senior Reporter

overnment loans would be available to all students wishing to attend college, regardless of income, if a bill now on the "fast track" in the U.S. Congress is

The proposed IDEA loan program would allow undergraduate students to borrow up to \$5,000 a year, and graduate students would be able to borrow up to \$15,000 a year. Under-graduates could not borrow more than \$25,000 and graduates not more than

IDEA is a direct loan program, which means that the federal government would loan money directly to students through colleges and universities, without banks acting as mid-

dlemen.

Money would be withheld from a person's paycheck by the Internal Revenue Service following graduation to pay off the loans. Repayment would be based on income level after gradustudents who made more money after college would have to repay their loans faster than those who made less.

The program originally was proposed by Sens. Paul Simon, D-III., and David Durenberger, R-Minn., but stalled in the U.S. Senate because of controversy over a provision that would have replaced the current government student loan program government loans are handled through - with IDEA.

But after negotiation, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., endorsed a compromise version of the plan Tuesday, which he introduced in the Senate.

The compromise would keep both programs and test the IDEA plan in 300 schools in 1993-94. If the program was successful, it would be offered to all schools in 1997-98.

David Carle, Simon's press secretary, said the IDEA program would be part of the economic recovery package that President Bush asked Congress to pass by March 20. He said the bill's inclusion in the recovery package put it on the "fast track" to pass through Congress.

John Beacon, director of scholarships and financial aid at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, said he would not comment on the IDEA plan before it had been passed in its final

Philosophically, he said, he approved of direct-lending programs

because they make loans available to a large number of students.

'It reaches out not just to the student who shows financial need," he said, "but it also makes money available at a pretty good interest rate to middle income families."

However, Beacon said he was concerned that making large loans more readily available to students might create problems in the future. He said students who took on \$5,000a-year loans might have difficulty paying them off after they graduated.

"Are we setting people up for having to pay back large loan amounts?" he

Beacon said he also questioned whether the government could handle the paperwork and processing involved with handling the IDEA program.

#### THURSDAY

Correction:In Wednesday's Daily Ne-braskan, an article on ASUN budget cuts to the University Programs Council in-correctly quoted CFA Chairman Rob Broomfield as saying CFA did not cut any programming costs. Rather, he said CFA did not cut any programming costs from UPC's Chicano Special Events Committee.



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