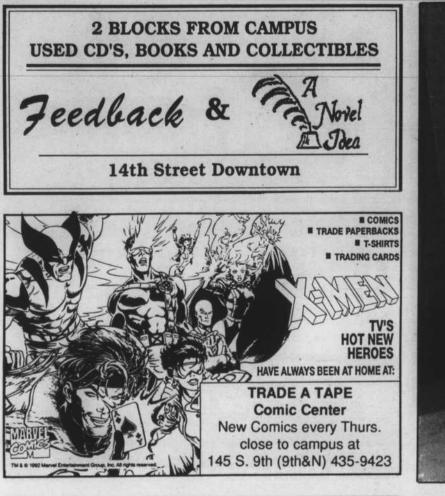
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Marc Tejral of Shanahan Mechanical and Electrical Co., left, and Jerry Pralle, a state electrical in-spector, leave the new Amigos restaurant in the Nebraska Union this week after checking some

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# Union fast breaks to fast foods

### By Rebecca Kruse

Staff Reporter

It's the end of an era.

Cafeteria-style food service, which has been a part of the Nebraska Union since 1968, has become a thing of the past

But as the fall semester begins, so will business for Imperial Palace Express, which offers Chinese food, and Amigos, which offers Mexican food.

Frank Kuhn, assistant director of operations for the Nebraska Union, said the new restaurants would give

customers a wider range of choices. 'Now we think we have a nice variety of fast-food restaurants," he said.

Smaller tables have been added to

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seating arrangement is expected to stay the same.

Dick Williams, director of food services for the Nebraska Union, said the first cafeteria opened its doors in the Union in 1968. The cafeteria was called the Harvest Room until 1989 when its name was changed to Fast Break

Kuhn said an economic crunch and changing times prompted the closing of Fast Break cafeteria and the opening of the two new restaurants.

"We were losing money in the Harvest Room, and students wanted something different," he said.

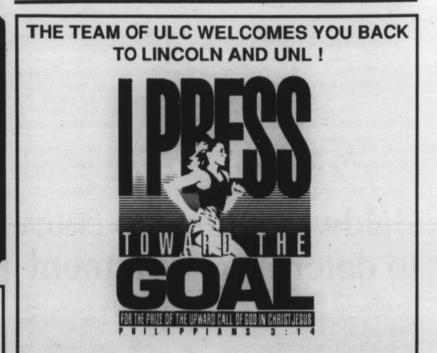
Although 400 to 500 customers,

the new food court to allow for more seating, Kuhn said, but otherwise, the seating arrangement is expected to during each of the last three years, Kuhn said.

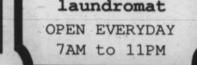
> A Union Board survey taken in 1991 and 1992 indicated that respondents wanted Mexican and Chinese food restaurants. Bids from food vendors were taken, and the board made its selections. Final approval came from the NU Board of Regents.

> Kuhn said he thought customers' tastes had moved in different directions, with people opting for more than just the basic meat and potatoes offered at traditional cafeterias.

> "I think students, faculty and everybody in general are more health-conscious," he said.



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