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their child in the first program available, which often is an inconvenience. Students who have classes on East Campus may have to take their child to City Campus.

In many ways, though, Utecht said that having children complemented his college education. As Kyle grows and learns, so do his parents.

Sydney Turner, a junior news-editorial major, also balances her life between school and her child. Turner became pregnant when she was 20. About nine months later, she became a single parent.

"I had Nick because I am pro-life," she said. "But when you first find out you're pregnant, you can't make a decision like that. When you make a decision, you have to be absolutely sure that that is what you want to do."

Turner chose to have Nicholas, and later met Dana Turner, who is now her husband. Together they share the responsibility of raising a child.

Because Turner is a full-time

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—Turner
junior news-editorial major

student and her husband works, the couple checked into various child care services.

Turner and her husband decided to go with child care that was offered by the university, she said, because of the low cost and good supervision. They decided on the Child Care Project at the YWCA.

"They have a wonderful child care staff, with a good teacher-student ratio," she said.

In addition to the child care Nicholas receives from the YWCA staff, several Turner family members help out. A neighbor often

takes care of Nicholas for a few hours and every Saturday, Nicholas spends the night with his grandmother.

Turner family members are not the only ones who make it easier on the couple. Turner's professors are understanding when Nicholas is sick or if something comes up, she said.

Turner has even taken Nicholas to class with her. She said she thought it was better to take him than to miss class.

"My professors have been really encouraging," she said. "They have never frowned on it, but I don't think I would do it on a regular basis. People are distracted. Usually Nick would look around and color when I brought him with me, but there is no guarantee that he will always do that."

Despite the seemingly endless responsibilities of student parents, neither Utecht nor Turner regret having children.

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POLICE REPORT

Beginning midnight Wednesday

10 a.m. — Vehicle window broken, parking lot at 19th and T streets, \$200.

12:12 p.m. — Bicycle parts stolen, Abel Residence Hall, \$200.

12:28 p.m. — Textbooks stolen,

Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, 601 N. 16th St., \$200.

2:29 p.m. — Stereo stolen, parking lot at 17th and R streets, \$500 loss, \$300 damage.

2:35 p.m. — Tire slashed, parking

lot west of Lied Center for Performing Arts, \$65.

5:01 p.m. — Hit-and-run accident, parking lot at 17th and Court streets, \$350.

9:56 p.m. — Stereo stolen from vehicle, parking lot at 19th and T streets, \$480 loss, \$50 damage.

Regents

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ment on the grounds that such prayers were offensive to some in the diverse university community.

Sigerson said it was "ridiculous" that prayer, which traditionally has been a part of commencement, should be eliminated.

Religion figures importantly in society's culture and deserves to be reflected in prayer at a public university's graduation, Sigerson said.

"You can offer prayers in a way that won't offend anyone," he said. "The regents need to take a stand on this."

Sigerson said he probably would be joined by student regents from other University of Nebraska campuses in requesting action on commencement prayer.

In other business Saturday, the regents will hear reports from university officials on gender equity. Mary Beck, a UNL associate professor of animal science and the head of the Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Women, will be among those speaking.

The regents also will review plans for a master's degree program in art history at UNL and a doctoral degree program in criminal justice at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

The regents will not vote until their January meeting on a much-discussed proposal to change NU admissions standards.

Dead Week

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tion about the two reported violations because she had not yet contacted the professors and students involved.

Although some violations may go unreported, she said, the few reports reflect a general decline in policy violations.

ASUN's effort to inform students about dead week policy through advertisements in the Daily Nebraskan and letters to professors contributed to the decline, she said.

Increased awareness led students and professors to deal with any dead week policy conflicts earlier in the semester, Strong said.

Two professors inquired this week whether their class requirements were in line with university policy, Strong said.

"That's never happened before," she said.

But when violations are reported during dead week, Strong said, it often is too late to do anything about them, except to prevent similar violations from happening the next semester.

"Unfortunately, a lot of (reports) are after the fact," she said.

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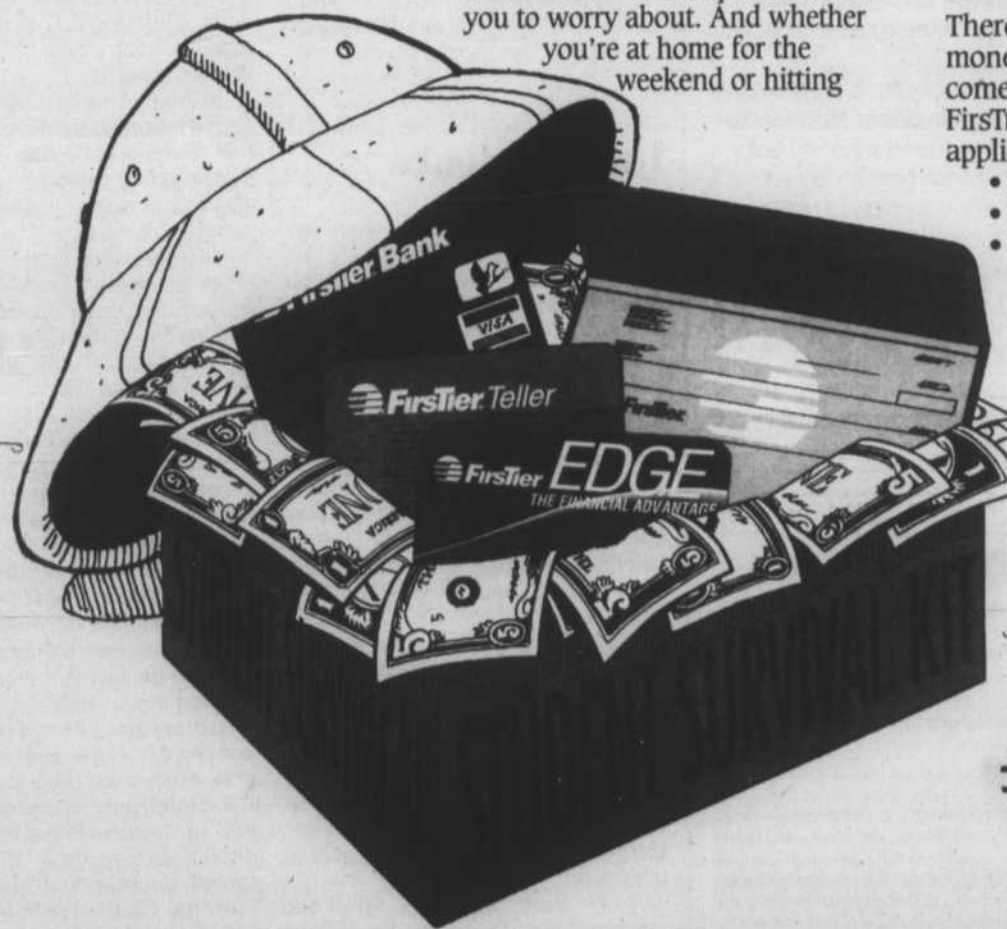
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