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Sophomore Mendee Jaeger works on her drop/add forms in the Nebraska Union's ballroom Wednesday afternoon.

## Drop/add lines may be normal

By Jan Calinger  
Staff Reporter

No matter how long the lines and scarce the classes seem, the number of UNL students using drop/add this year may be no different than the number using it last year, UNL officials said.

Earl W. Hawkey, director of registration and records, said the overall increase or decrease was hard to calculate this early in the procedure.

"There was an increase in the number of students who lined up Tuesday," he said. "But we really can't tell until it's all over with. We still have three days."

Robert W. Reid, associate director of registration and records, said early calculations showed that so far about the same number of students used drop/add this year as last.

Students have until Monday to change classes using the drop/add

process. Students dropping classes after Monday will be charged a partial tuition fee.

Drop/add takes place between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. today, Friday and Monday. Time appointment cards, which can be obtained at Service Counter 111G in the Administration Building, are needed for all sessions.

Some students said they had problems with drop/add delays.

Charles Nolder, a senior biochemistry major, said his delays began when he tried to get his time card at 7:45 a.m. Tuesday.

"I had to come back for a ticket," he said. "There was a line around the front of the Administration Building."

Once he appeared at his appointment, he said the procedure took him about an hour and a half.

Hawkey said Tuesday was the only day students were delayed when they

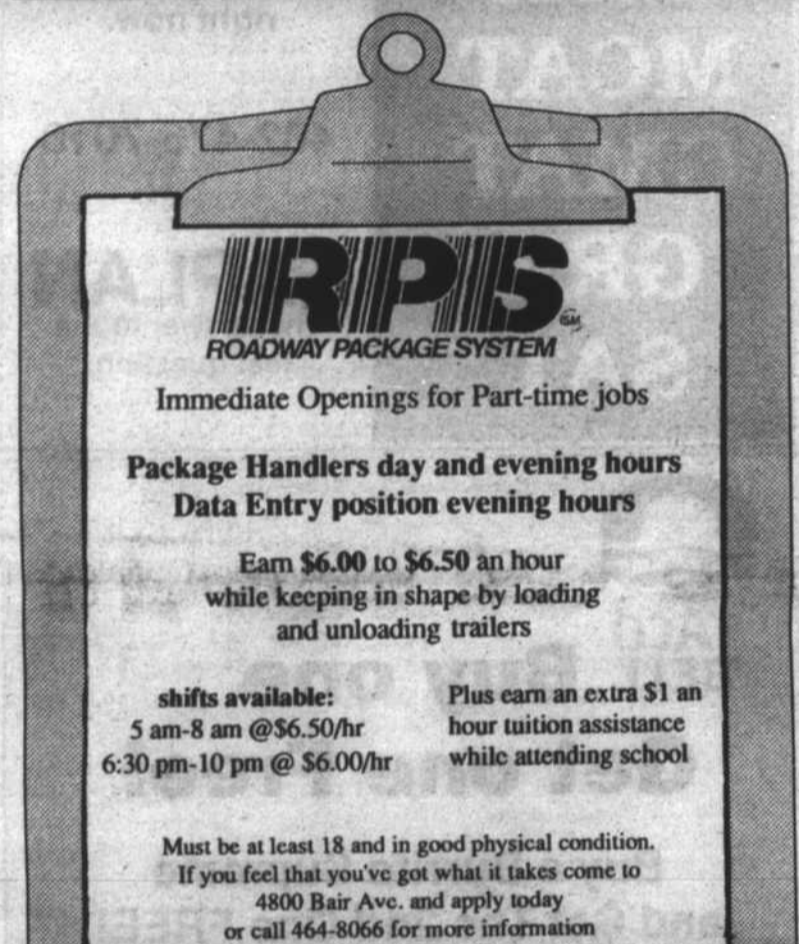
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went to pick up appointment cards. "Otherwise there wasn't much of a wait at all," he said.

Hawkey said students should take care of class changes during the summer to avoid later drop/add hassles. Otherwise, students can wait until later this week when lines will be shorter.

Hawkey said next year's new "voice-response" system should eliminate most of students' drop/add complaints.



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## Fountain airs out

From Staff Reports

Students who noticed the mysterious absence of water in Broyhill Fountain Wednesday shouldn't be alarmed, a university plumber said.

Jim DeCamp, a plumber for University of Nebraska-Lincoln building management, said the fountain was drained for routine cleaning to prepare for the upcoming season.

"During the summer the wind blows and (the fountain) gets an accumulation of dust and algae, and it needs to be drained and cleaned," DeCamp said.

DeCamp also said it needed to be cleaned a little earlier than normal because someone recently had put soap in the fountain. Cleaning usually takes one day, he said.

DeCamp, who has maintained the fountain for 17 years, said it is aging badly and has seen better days.

"When I was a student in '68, the fountain was heated, it ran all year, the level of the spray rose and fell with the wind velocity, and it had an elaborate filtration system.

"Through the years it has failed, and there has been no money to replace it. There's nothing automatic anymore other than the time clock that turns it off at night," DeCamp said.

Every effort will be made to keep the fountain on through the last football game, DeCamp said.

## Nebraska Union may get wing added, official says

By Rebecca Oltmans  
Staff Reporter

Most students passing through the student unions probably won't notice the minor renovations made during the summer — new paint in the Nebraska Union's ballroom and a newly decorated East Campus Union cafeteria.

But plans are under way for the biggest change the City Campus' union has seen in 25 years.

In his State of the University address Friday, Chancellor Graham Spanier announced plans to expand the Nebraska Union.

"The announcement is our go-ahead to plan on addition," said Daryl Swanson, director of Nebraska Unions.

"At this stage the project and the ideas are not certain; we are just conceptualizing," Swanson said.

The plan right now though, Swanson said, is to build a small addition to the west that would take in the grassy area beside the Union. The three-story addition would run the length of the current lounge back to the computer room and handicapped ramp—about 140 feet long, Swanson said.

Swanson said the University Bookstore would have the first option to fill the basement of the addition.

But students will have a say in what goes on the first floor, Swanson said. The Nebraska Union Board will survey students to find out what they want. Swanson said some ideas suggested were a music store, travel agency and dry cleaners.

"We don't want to turn into a minimal," Swanson said, "but we would like to have more private vendors because we have had such good luck with them in the past."

Third-floor additions could include

expansion of the Career Planning and Placement Center and meeting rooms, Swanson said.

A ground-level entrance at the corner of the addition with a passenger elevator also is being considered to improve accessibility to people with disabilities.

The union's expansion still is two or three years away, Swanson said, because there are many levels to work through.

The idea for an addition is not a new one. The Nebraska Union Board has talked about adding on since the union's basement was gutted eight years ago to make way for the University Bookstore, Swanson said.

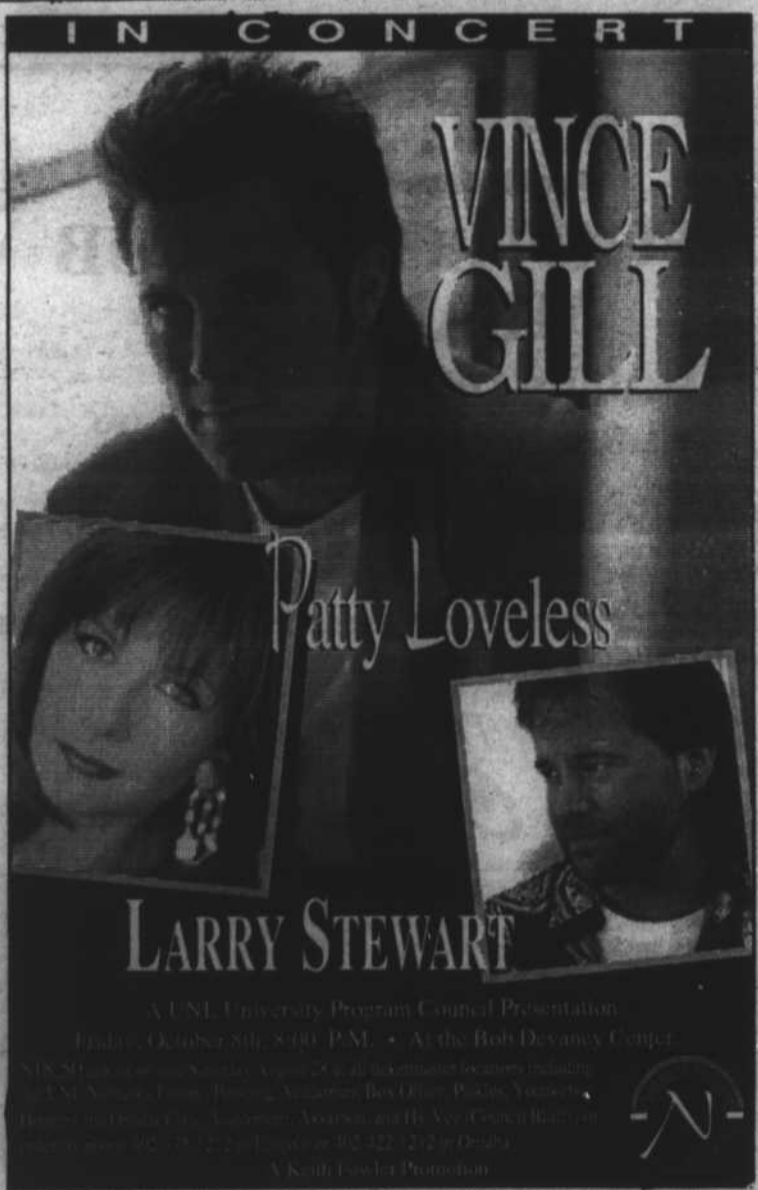
Before then, the basement contained a 10-lane bowling alley, video game room, auditorium, two large storerooms, a supply store and a small textbook store.

There was a need for a bigger bookstore on campus for students, Swanson said, and the union agreed to make way for it.

"The agreement at that time," Swanson said, "was that we do this and in the future the bookstore and the union would cooperate to build an addition to regain the space we lost."

Finances have dictated otherwise up to this point, Swanson said, but the union has seen significant changes since then. Business at the bookstore and the food court have greatly increased, and the meeting room business has become the largest in Lincoln.

Most recently, Swanson said, the union replaced its fluorescent lightbulbs with incandescent ones. The project cost nearly \$20,000, but Swanson said he hoped the move would save the \$20,000 in light bills this year.



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