

The Cornhuskers will have to counter 7-foot, 290-pound Bryant "Big Country" Reeves in Stillwater, Okla., Saturday.

Page 7

Today, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers.

One arrest made, another pending in assault

By Angie Brunkow

Senior Reporter

One arrest has been made and another is pending in the assault of two NU football players at the Lincoln Residence Inn last month, Lincoln police officials said.

Police Chief Tom Casady said a 16-year-old male from Lincoln was arrested Feb. 2 on charges of disturbing the peace and false information.

The juvenile, who was released with a cita-

tion, allegedly lied to officers when they questioned him about the incident, Casady said. He will be arraigned March 3 in Lancaster County Court.

Casady said the juvenile was involved in the disturbance at the hotel that resulted in injuries to redshirt freshman Ramone Worthy and wingback Abdul Muhammad.

Muhammad was pushed against a window of an adjacent hotel room, causing the window to break. Worthy was assaulted with a knife.

Casady said police knew the identity of the man who brandished the knife. The Lancaster County attorney is processing charges against a 17-year-old male from Arkansas who was visiting relatives in Lincoln at the time of the incident.

Casady said he expected an arrest warrant within a few days for the Arkansas juvenile.

The 17-year-old was one of five party crashers at the motel, Casady said. But police aren't expecting additional arrest warrants to be filed

in the case, he said.

Casady said he was pleased with the investigation and the cooperation of Worthy in identifying his assailants.

"Our success in the case was based on the cooperation of the victim," he said.

Worthy provided police with a good description of the incident and the assailants. Later, Worthy identified another one of the party crashers on the University of Nebraska-Lincoln campus. Casady declined to elaborate.



Sandy Summers/DN

Flat busted

Adam Cederlind, a senior Russian major, fixes a flat tire outside of the South side of Nebraska Union on Thursday. "It was my fault. I ran over the curb and ripped a hole in the tire," he said.

Some challenge report alleging sexism in CBA

By Todd Neeley

Staff Reporter

Opinions are split on the environment for women in the College of Business Administration.

Saturday, the NU Board of Regents will hear a report from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln chapter of the American Association of

University Presidents that says women in CBA face a chilly climate. But one official in the college has said the accuracy of the report is questionable.

Gary Schwendiman, dean of the College of Business Administration, said he didn't think the report was an accurate portrayal of the college.

"The validity of the comments made in the report are in question, since none of the students or staff at the forums are named," he said.

However, Helen Moore, chair of the sociology department, said the climate at CBA was anything but enjoyable.

"Female faculty members and students chose not to disclose their names for fear of retribution," she said.

According to the report, female faculty members who commented said the environment in CBA was chilly and expressed their concern about how they were treated by male faculty members.

One staff member said the environment was frightening for students, and sexist actions often were committed.

Another woman described a newspaper clipping on a male faculty member's door that said "These women are getting away with murder."

Also, in speaking about the climate for female students, the report states that many comments have been made about women that could be termed as sexist and derogatory.

For example, the report said a male professor announced an upcoming woman speaker, then went to the dean's office questioning the idea of "bringing this feminist b-tch to campus."

In addition, the AAUP report says few CBA women are involved in decision-making processes, because few are full professors or eligible for tenure.

Concerns were expressed despite steady increases in female faculty and students in recent years.

According to Schwendiman's report, there has been an increase in full-time female faculty in the past four years, from five during the 1990-91 school year to 10 this school year.

His report also says female students made up 8 percent of the undergraduate student population at CBA in 1971. In 1993, 43 percent of all students in the college were female.

Moore said with the steady increase in female students and faculty at CBA, gender equity had become a more important issue to the college.

"They will have to address issues that they hadn't had to before," she said.

Cary Thorp, an associate professor and the chairman of the Gender and Minority Issues Committee at CBA, said the AAUP report came as a surprise to him.

In the classes he has taught, Thorp said, the climate has been warm. He said students had never complained of unfair treatment in his classes.

See EQUITY on 3

Regents to consider raising housing rates

By Jeffrey Robb

Senior Editor

The NU Board of Regents will be asked to approve an increase for University of Nebraska-Lincoln room and board rates at Saturday's meeting.

The increase would result in a double-room, 20-meal plan cost of \$3,145 and a double-room, 13-meal plan cost of \$3,090. Both rates would increase by \$150, or 5 percent.

Doug Zatechka, director of housing at UNL, said the rates would apply to new students, most likely transfer students or freshmen. Students continuing their stay in the residence halls

would not experience rate increases.

NU REGENTS



would

not experience rate increases. If a student lives in the halls for three years, the increase will amount to only a \$50 change per year, or about 1.5 percent, Zatechka said.

The additional revenue would cover the increased cost of utilities, an employee benefit program and improvement of the food service.

Compared to other Big Eight schools, Zatechka said, UNL's rates are the lowest, but

they could move to second-lowest after all schools complete rate adjustments. In another UNL peer group, Zatechka said, UNL's rates are \$1,000 less than other schools' rates.

A report on the status of women in the College of Business Administration, conducted by the UNL chapter of the American Association of University Professors, also could be considered by the regents. Helen Moore, chair of the sociology department, will present the report.

The report states the faculty, students and staff of CBA characterized the pace and direc-

See REGENTS on 3

Bjorklund's lawyers file more motions

By Angie Brunkow

Senior Reporter

Robbery charges against Roger Bjorklund should be tried before his March 7 sentencing hearing, his attorneys said in a motion filed Wednesday.

Attorneys also filed two other motions, saying the death penalty was unconstitutional and asking the state to exclude it as a possible punishment for Bjorklund.

Bjorklund was convicted in November of the first-degree murder of Candice Harms, a University of Nebraska-Lincoln student.

Lancaster County District Judge Donald Endacott will decide between the death penalty and life imprisonment during Bjorklund's sentencing hearing.

Before Endacott can do this, however, attor-

neys said a jury must hear charges against him that stemmed from a string of robberies. Law enforcement officials had arrested Bjorklund on those charges before he was implicated in the Harms murder.

Because prosecutors plan to use the robbery charges to prove Bjorklund has a history of "serious assaultive or terrorizing criminal activity" during the sentencing hearing, his attorneys said those charges must be tried first.

In another motion, attorneys said the judge could not sentence Bjorklund to death. The jury, the attorneys said, did not indicate whether Bjorklund killed Harms, intended to kill her or had a major involvement in the murder.

A third motion said the death penalty was cruel and unusual punishment, and the state didn't have set procedures or circumstances in

which it consistently applied the punishment. Nebraska death penalty statutes, the motion said, are vague and too broad.

"Persons of common intelligence must necessarily guess at their scope and meaning," the motion said.

The motion also says Nebraska statutes set no standards for assigning the death penalty.

Endacott decided last November that he alone would decide whether to sentence Bjorklund to death. Nebraska law allows either a judge or a panel of three judges to decide whether the circumstances warrant the death penalty.

Bjorklund's attorneys previously had protested Endacott's decision to decide the case alone.

All motions will be heard by Endacott on March 7 before the sentencing hearing.