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"All the concession stands will have screens to accommodate the fans, and we will also have televisions lined along under the balconies in the east and west stands," Selig said.

The total cost of the video screens and televisions, which were funded entirely through corporate spon-

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sorships, came to \$3.8 million, Selig said.

Nebraska is the first college in the nation to install replay boards in its own stadium. Schools such as Arizona State University and the University of Minnesota in Minne-

apolis, who share facilities with an NFL franchise, use video boards.

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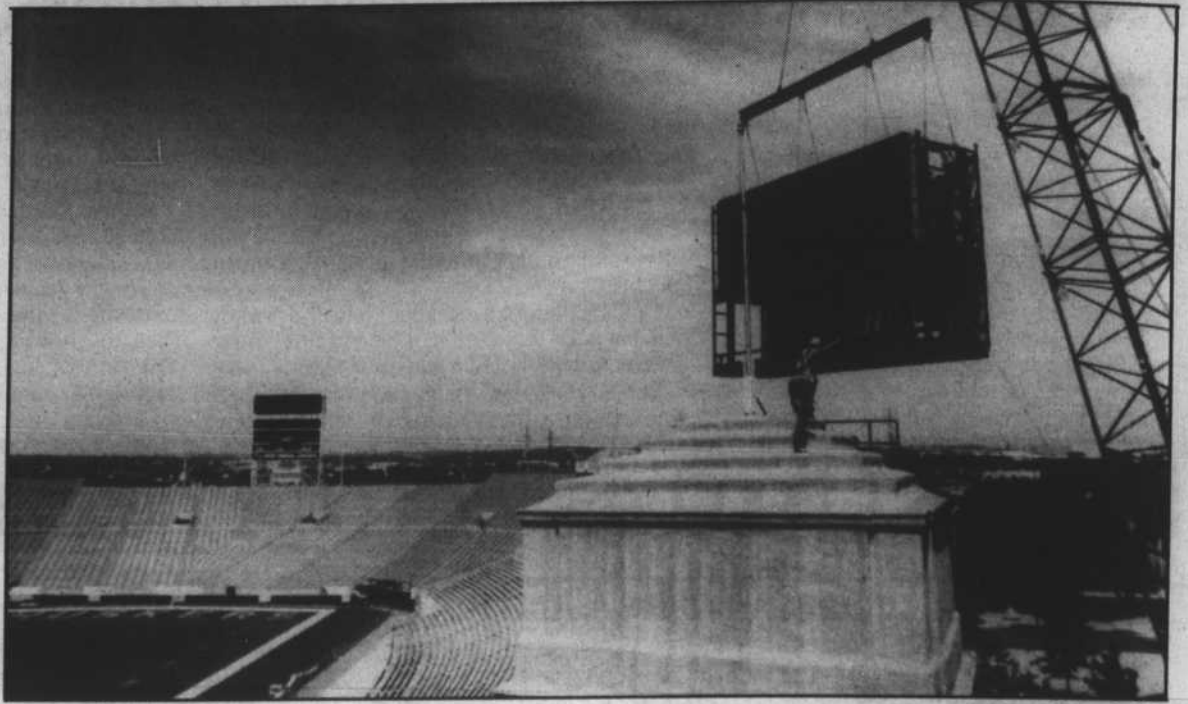
Jeff Schmahl, production director of the HuskerVision system, said the screens would be used to show approximately 14 features during each game.

"We are going to do things like have the Armour hot dog of the game," Schmahl said. "For that, we will pick out four crazy-looking fans in the stands and choose one as the fan of the game. We are going to have trivia contests, a puzzle reveal, Husker moments in history, halftime highlights, quarter statistics and the previous week's players of the game."

To aid Schmahl and his staff, which is partly composed of University of Nebraska-Lincoln journalism students, the athletic department also has added a new sound system to Memorial Stadium.

The \$811,000 system is the second-largest off-season renovation to the stadium. A large set of speakers is in place atop the scoreboard in the north end zone. Additional speakers have been installed throughout the concourse level of the stadium.

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Gerik Parmele/DN

Workers install the first of two screens recently at Memorial Stadium. The HuskerVision video screens, located at the northeast and southeast corners of the stadium, were one of many stadium renovations this summer.

heard fans complain about in the past is that they would rather stay home and watch the game on TV," Schmahl said. "Well now, with the video screens and the sound system, they can come to the game and get the best of both worlds."

Byrne said the improvements

would help fans enjoy the game.

"Now fans will be able to hear the public address announcer," he said. "That's something they haven't been able to do in the past couple of years. We feel that the improvements will greatly add to the atmosphere of Memorial Stadium."

Other changes include reconstruction of Section 14, which collapsed in the summer of 1993. It has been repaired and made accessible to persons with disabilities. In addition, the west stands are being overhauled and waterproofed.

WELCOME BACK!

Last year the Zoo Bar celebrated 20 years of live music and was voted **The Nation's #1 Blues Bar.**



You'll see the following acts this fall at the Zoo: Yabba, Magic Slim, Charlie Musselwhite, James Harman, Carlie, Candy Kane, Tinsley Ellis, Ida McBeth, Monkey Meet, Matt Murphy, The Tallgators, Coco Montoya, The Forbidden Pigs, Kim Wilson, The Dynatones and many more.

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Free food, human bowling will welcome new students

By Matthew Waite
Senior Reporter

Beginning today, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln will open its arms to new students during the three-day Big Red Welcome.

Students will be welcomed this year with free picnics, human bowling and greetings individualized for different types of students.

Pat McBride, director of New Student Enrollment, said Big Red Welcome was a great way for new students to meet other students and to meet the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska senators for their colleges.

The welcome also is a good way to have fun, he said. An event called Fun Times, which will be held Friday from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the north side of the Nebraska Union, will offer a variety of activities.

"You can put on a Velcro suit and jump up on a wall and be a fly caught on fly paper," he said. Fun Times, sponsored by the University Program

Council, also will feature human bowling and a piano like the one Tom Hanks used to play "Chopsticks" in the movie "Big."

Other events are:
• Greetings for commuter, international, out-of-state, racial minority, greek, residence hall, transfer and graduate students. Friday at noon.

• The All University Welcome featuring UNL Chancellor Graham Spanier and ASUN president Andrew Loudon. Friday from 12:45 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

• Picnic at Broyhill Fountain and Fun Times. Friday at 5 p.m.

• Class-schedule tours throughout the weekend.

McBride said area businesses would give away food, plastic cups and other items during the All University Welcome. Student groups also will have booths where interested freshman can get information about the groups, he said.

"We're trying to make all students feel welcome with their new setting," he said.

NEWS BRIEFS

Spanier to talk about goals

Chancellor Graham Spanier will deliver the second annual State of the University Address on Friday.

Spanier will talk about long-range plans for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and discuss goals for the upcoming year.

The speech will be at the Lied Center for Performing Arts. Doors open at 10:30 a.m., and the speech will begin at 11 a.m. A picnic lunch will be held on the Lied Plaza following the speech.

Shuttle service from East Campus to the Lied Center will be provided. Students can board buses at Agricultural Hall at 10:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Buses returning to East Campus will leave the center at 1 p.m. and 1:15 p.m.

Voter registration offered

Students can register to vote during Big Red Welcome. The League of Women Voters is sponsoring a voter registration booth Friday from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. No identification is required to register.

Students also can pick up information on the requirements to vote, applications for an internship at the county election office and absentee ballot request forms. Students may register at their campus addresses or use their home addresses.

Pools to close for season

Seven of the nine city swimming pools will close for the year on Sunday, according to the Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department.

At 6 p.m., Antelope, Arnold Heights, Ballard, Belmont, Irvingdale, Meadow Heights and Woods pools will close.

Eden Pool, 4400 Antelope Creek Road, and Uni Pool, 2000 N. 48th St., will remain open until Aug. 28.



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