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## Director plans to watch, learn

By Julie Sobczyk

Staff Reporter

Determining the needs of Nebraska's college students will be all in a day's work for David Powers.

Powers is the new executive director of Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education. He started his new position Monday, and he said his first day went well.

"I think everything went as I expected it to," he said. "Today I have mostly been learning. My first three months here will be learning. I plan to keep my mouth shut and ears open and find out what Nebraska wants."

The only problem Powers experienced on his first day was finding a parking space near his office in downtown Lincoln.

"I couldn't find a parking spot this morning, so I parked at a meter. Later, people from the office helped me find a place to park."

Powers said he was looking forward to working with Nebraskans to find out what is best for their colleges.

"Nebraska has very nice people with good, solid values," he said. "They want this commission to work."

Powers' job as director of the commission involves looking for efficiency and effectiveness in Nebraska's colleges.

To do this, the commission reviews new programs at Nebraska colleges to make sure programs aren't duplicated among colleges, he said.

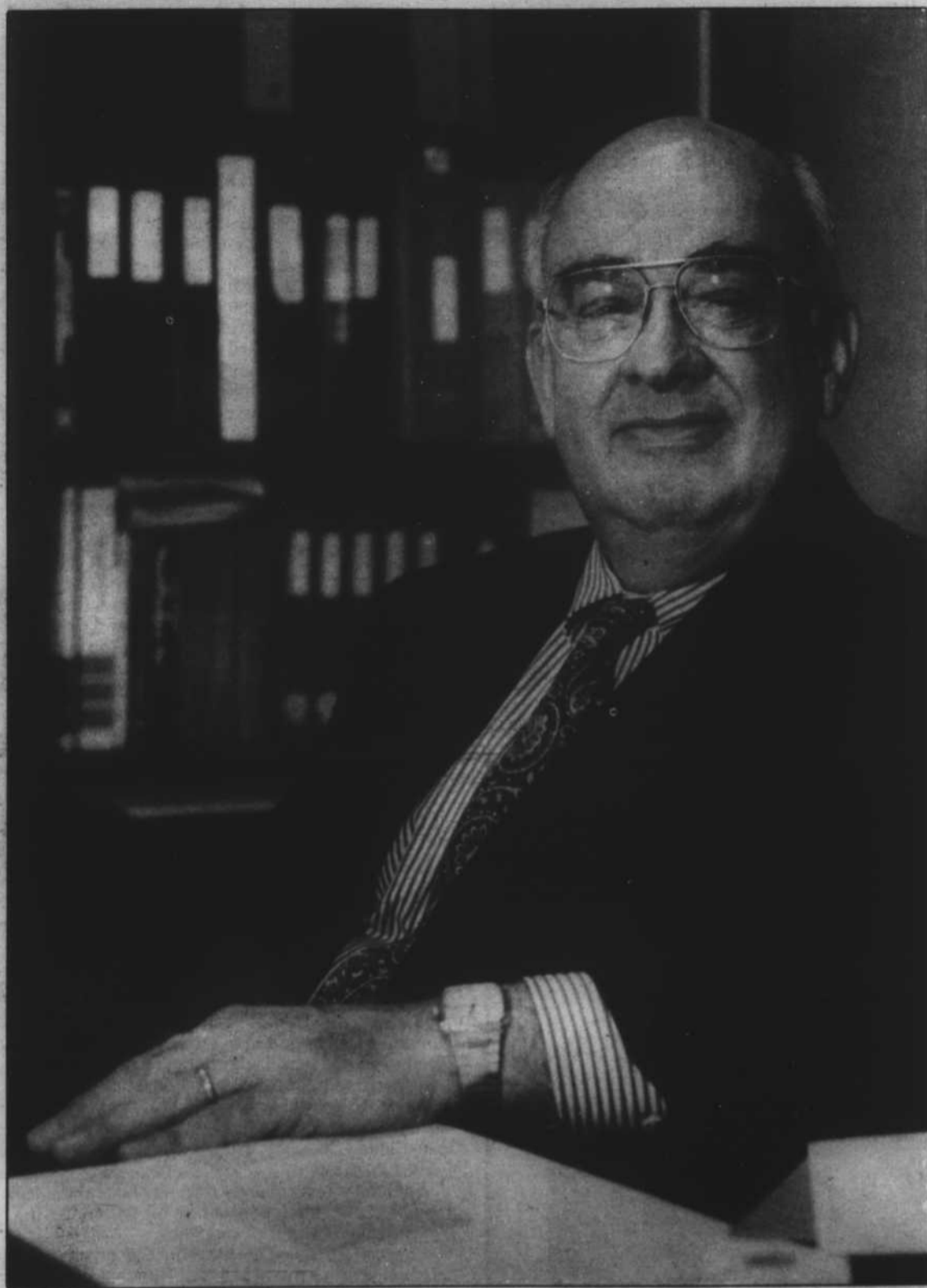
"We want quality and access for the student. We don't want every school to be offering the same things."

The commission also makes reports about budgets, for building renovations as well as operation programs, he said.

Powers said his plans for the future involved following up on a statewide comprehensive plan for postsecondary education from 1992.

"We need to update this plan and meet with college presidents and regents to find out what their perceptions of needs are. We will take these findings and put them

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Damon Lee/DN

David Powers spent his first day as director of Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education Monday. Powers, who comes to Nebraska from St. Paul, Minn., said his first three months on the job would be spent learning about Nebraska's colleges and educational needs.

## Dispute caused resignation

From Staff and Wire Reports

The former director of the University of Nebraska State Museum said Monday that his resignation followed a disagreement with the university over the direction the museum was headed.

Hugh Genoways, a nationally known authority on mammals, had been museum director since 1986. He submitted his resignation last week.

"There was disagreement between myself and the administration over where the museum was headed, and over our ability to manage our own resources," he said.

Priscilla Grew, vice chancellor for research, said the resignation was sudden and unexpected. She said NU officials had not requested it.

"It's been building for the past year," Genoways said.

Genoways will remain on the university staff as a researcher and teacher in the museum's zoology section. Genoways' wife, Joyce, said his new position would be similar to the work he did before taking the director position in 1986.

Grew said the recent five-year accreditation of the museum by the American Association of Museums was the result of Genoways' efforts.

"The quality and improvement of the museum under his leadership contributed to successful accredita-

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## NRoll is running smoothly

By Paula Lavigne

Senior Reporter

Changes to NRoll, UNL's phone registration service, made the first day of registration for the 1995 spring semester proceed without major complications, an administrator said.

Earl Hawkey, director of registration and records at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, said only three of the 48 NRoll lines experienced difficulty Monday, and the lines were fixed within five minutes.

"It did basically exactly what it was supposed to do," Hawkey said.

He said one of the major changes from last year involved the withdrawal process. Previously, when students pushed nine on the telephone, they immediately withdrew from all their classes.

Now, after students push nine, the NRoll voice asks them if they wish to withdraw. If so, they student is instructed to push nine again to confirm.

"We were getting some people who accidentally hit nine and weren't paying attention to what they were doing," Hawkey said. "We are going to give them a second chance."

Hawkey said the system would start alternating registration times based on the last digit of a student's social security number.

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## Alcohol use increases risk of rape

By Brian Sharp

Senior Reporter

He was her best friend.

They were drinking, talking, and then it got more involved. He went too far. He raped her.

It's a scenario that is played out too often, said University Police Chief Ken Cauble. And all the victims he remembers had been drinking heavily and knew their attacker.

"There is a lot of emotion involved," Cauble said. "Here's somebody they trusted. Besides the assault, they feel very lied to."

Cauble said of the 13 sexual assaults reported at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the past four years, all were either date or acquaintance rape. But those numbers are just the beginning.

Many are afraid to report an assault because of the negative stigma

attached to it, he said. Victims are afraid their friends, significant others or parents will find out, he said.

Statistics show that nationwide only one in 20 rapes are reported, Cauble said. That number holds true just about everywhere, he said, but it's probably even higher among college students.

Actually, it might be much higher.

One in four college women experience rape or attempted rape, according to the book "I Never Called It Rape" by Robin Warshaw, a research expert on sexual assault.

In another statistic, Warshaw states that one in 12 college-age men admitted to committing rape or attempted rape. The men agreed to a definition in which the word "rape" was omitted. None of the men identified themselves as rapists.

In 1991, the Senate Judiciary Committee, in "The Response to

Rape," found that of 102,550 rape cases reported nationally, 84 percent did not result in a conviction.

"There isn't a lot of deterrent by fear of being caught or something happening to you if you do commit the crime," Cauble said. "That's what people who commit crimes are looking for."

First-degree sexual assault is a Class II Felony, punishable by at least 25 years without parole.

Of the 13 cases at UNL, three were false reports, Cauble said. One case was referred to Judicial Affairs, two are being investigated, and the others went to the Lancaster County Attorney's office, he said.

Records at that office revealed no charges had been filed on the remaining cases.

Judith Kriss, director of the UNL Women's Center, said public awareness had increased, but it's been

mostly talk and little action.

"What the whole picture looks like ... that's pretty revealing," Kriss said.

In the recent assaults reported at UNL, the majority of victims were freshmen, Cauble said. One was a 15-year-old woman. All of the alleged attackers were UNL students, and each assault occurred in the residence halls, he said.

Cauble said investigating the cases was difficult because some reports weren't made until three years later. Then, because the victim knew her attacker and was in the situation willingly, some degree of consent existed, he said.

Cauble said police and the courts were left to decide an issue of he said/she said.

Kriss said that all-too-common result adds to feelings of guilt already

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