Union expansion to start in fall Students will start paying \$12.5 million bill in 1998

The expansion will provide 48,043

The north edge of the Union will

Broyhill Fountain will be recon-

The major difference in the foun-

feet of new construction and will re-

model approximately 66,725 feet of

expand out to what is now approximately the center of Broyhill Foun-

structed, but will take on a new tear-

tain is that it will be set into the ground

instead of above it . The fountain will

have steps leading down into the pool

with water spraying up in the same

Several large granite boulders will be placed to the back of the fountain

around the water shoots. Swanson said

the water area will be larger than it is

will be losing 75 feet of greenspace located to the north of the Union and

facing Selleck Residence Hall.

One drawback of the expansion

The greenspace was controversial

However, Swanson said, "one ob-

jective of the Union expansion is to

when it was first proposed because it removed a parking lot. Students and

faculty questioned the move with park-

space within the union.

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By Rob Winans Staff Writer

By the time the incoming University of Nebraska-Lincoln freshman class are starting their third year of college, the expansion of the Nebraska Union will be complete.

Plans for the \$12.5 million renovation of both the building and the north plaza have been

completed and groundbreaking has been set for the fall.

Daryl Swanson, director of the Nebraska Unions, said the \$12.5 million price tag was double what was originally planned, but necessary to meet all the objectives set for expansion.

The NU Board Of Regents approved the Union expansion in April 1995 after a survey showed 55 percent of students approved of the expansion with a \$20 charge per student per semester to take effect in 1998.

But after the cost were announced, and even now before groundbreaking is set to start, student opinion remains in favor of the project.

in favor of the project. "Union expansion is a great idea" said Jordan Mawson, a sophomore business major. "I don't mind paying for it as long as the improvements are worthwhile."

The expansion will include everything from new fast food restaurants in an expanded food court, to a completely remodeled Broyhill Fountain by the fall of 1998.

Expansion plans started in 1985 when the basement of the original union was remodeled for increased University Bookstore space.

The remodeling took out an old bowling alley, a small student auditorium, and a large gameroom.

The new expansion will replace those lost areas

with a new pool hall, an expanded video game room, and a new large-screen TV viewing area.



Source: Nebraska Union

with the greenspace to the north of the building." On the east side of the new foun-

On the east side of the new fountain will be a permanent stage that will be used for activities outside of the Union.

Swanson said that the stage will be able to serve three different audience locations: On the greenspace to the north, in front of the union, and in the shaded areas located to the east of the plaza.

Structural changes to the building include:

• An overhang covering the area immediately outside the entrance to the expansion. The overhang will run across the entire front of the expanded entrance.

• Improved access for people with disabilities with ramps located on either sides of the stairs leading to the entrance of the building.

• An elevator directly inside of the main doors to the upper floors of the building.

 A new food court that will be 40% larger than the current one, with new fast food restaurants.
An expanded computer room to

provide more student with access. • A 300 seat auditorium and a 150

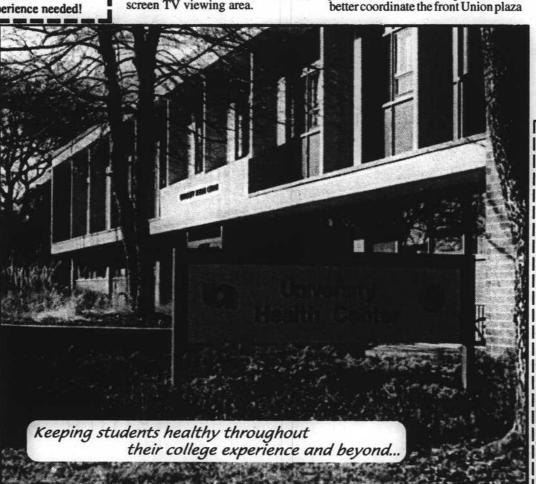
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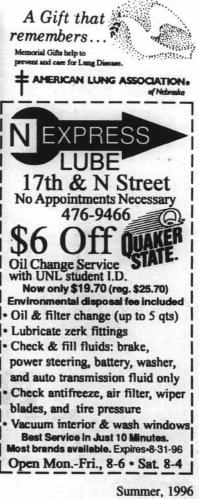
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