

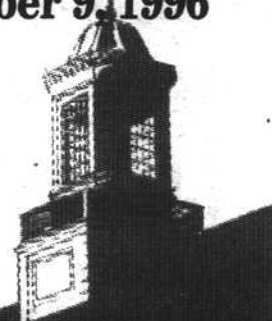
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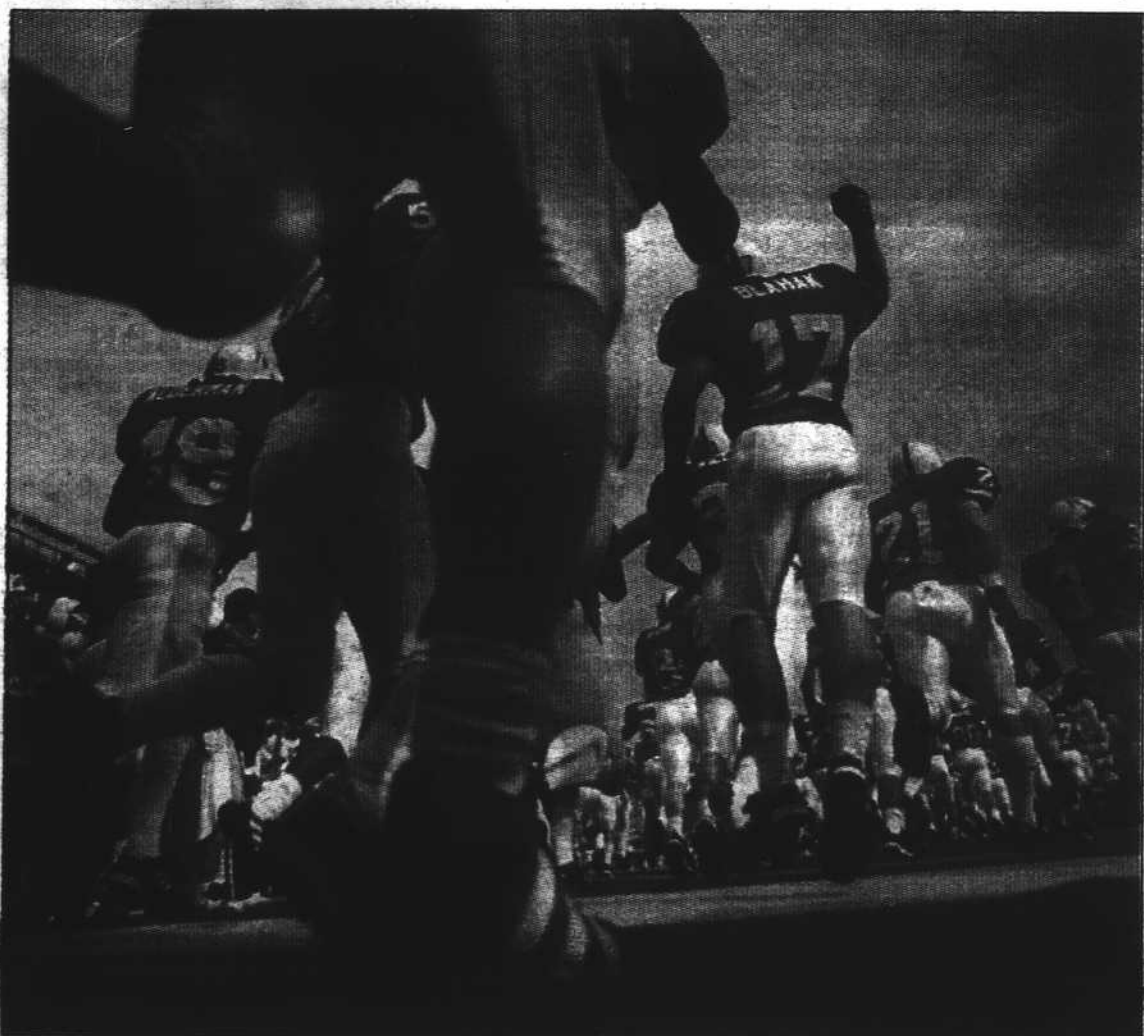
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Going for three



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NEBRASKA SENIOR CORNERBACK CHAD BLAHAK (#17) pumps his fist in the air as he and the rest of the Cornhuskers take the field against Michigan State Saturday. Nebraska won 55-14.

Speaker defines women's roles

BY LINDSAY YOUNG
Staff Reporter

Defining the identity of black women in society became the focus Friday night during the kick-off event for a year-long celebration of the 20th anniversary of the UNL Women's Studies Program.

More than 100 people gathered in the Nebraska Union ballroom to hear Darlene Clark Hine, history professor at Michigan State University deliver her speech "From Suffrage to Civil Rights: Black Women's Activism in the 20th Century America."

The speech chronicled black women's struggle for the right to vote

and for civil rights.

"We share each other's culture and time and community," she said.

Even though Nebraska would be playing Michigan State, Hine's employer, in Saturday's football game, the speaker pressed for unity.

"Coming together tonight is every bit as important as the football game," she said.

Hine, author of several books, discussed the sometimes unnoticed contributions of black women throughout history to the suffrage and civil rights movements.

Hine also focused on the difficulty for black women of upholding a "multiple consciousness." She described this multiple consciousness by saying black women had to deal with several

factors when it came to the suffrage and civil rights movements.

The multiple consciousness was the separation of race and gender and the combination of the two.

The speech kicked off a year-long celebration of Women's Studies, which will include informal talks with guest speakers, lectures, poetry readings and book discussions. The Women's Studies program explores the contributions and roles of women in society and academic fields.

The next event, "Gender Neutrality and Immigration Law" will be Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. in Nebraska Union. On Oct. 1, Patricia Foster from the University of Iowa will read from her works, "Minding the Body" and "Sister to Sister."

Senate race heats up at debate

BY MATTHEW WAITE
Senior Reporter

HASTINGS — Partisan politics and disputed budget numbers drove an often-heated U.S. Senate race debate here Friday between Democratic Gov. Ben Nelson and Republican businessman Chuck Hagel.

Hagel and Nelson did find some common ground over government's role in the beef market and a handful of other issues, but most of the hour-and-a-half debate was both candidates attacking and rebutting each other's claims.

The debate, sponsored by The Associated Press, was the second between the two Senate contenders who are battling for the seat vacated

by retiring Democratic Sen. James Exon.

From their opening statements, the candidates showed their differences in methods but showed their similarities in ideas.

Hagel opened by saying that government was too big and people were taxed too much, which became a theme of his throughout the debate.

Nelson opened by immediately touting his six-year service as governor. He highlighted cutting government, consolidating departments, lowering crime and creating jobs.

But the pleasantries stopped after the first question, which was a short exchange about Nebraska's east/west split. The second question about cutting taxes and government

spending put the candidates toe to toe.

Hagel, at whom the question was aimed, lashed out first by saying he had been the only candidate who was clear about his plan to cut spending and taxes.

"We must do both," he said. "Yes, we must cut spending. Yes, we must cut government. But we also need to give our people tax relief."

Nelson responded, challenging Hagel's intended cuts of the Federal Aviation Administration. Nelson said Hagel wants to cut the FAA at a time when more airport security is needed.

"His cuts are really aimed at the wrong targets," Nelson said.

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NU officials unveil Husker race car

BY KASEY KERBER
Staff Reporter

Friday night's Husker Block Party at State Fair Park featured fireworks, the UNL Spirit Squad and celebrity guests. It even had a Spartan bonfire.

But all of that served only as a prelude to the night's top event — the grand unveiling of the University of Nebraska's official NASCAR race car.

The car, the first ever university-sponsored entry into the National Association of Stock Car Auto Racing, is the result of a cooperative effort among former Nebraska All-American Husker Trev Alberts, UNL Chancellor James Moeser and Nebraska Athletic Director Bill Byrne.

The project began as a way Alberts could give back to UNL. Profits from merchandise carrying the car's logo

will go directly to the university.

One-third of all profits will go to the Athletic Department, one-third to an alumni association scholarship and one-third to the general scholarship fund.

The unveiling occurred only after an evening of keeping the crowd of people in suspense.

The evening's festivities included music from the band Blackhawk, a 10-minute fireworks display and a huge bonfire burning the Michigan State Spartan mascot in effigy, which earlier was retrieved from the dunking booth.

And then, minutes before the official unveiling of the car, the crowd made way for the "Big Red Bus," on which rode the night's top guests.

On top of the bus were Alberts, now with the Indianapolis Colts, Byrne,

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Long-distance service returns money to UNL

BY HEIDI WHITE
Staff Reporter

The gift of gab may now be the gift of education for others.

The Husker Network, a new long-distance telephone service being offered through the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, can help customers save money while supporting the university, UNL administrators said.

Paul Carlson, associate vice chancellor for business and finance, said each call will give money to the university's general scholarship fund.

The entire contribution will depend on the volume of use, but will total at least five percent of the profits, he said.

Last fall, Interim Chancellor Joan Leitzel, and Carlson approved the contract with the National Endowment Foundation of Nebraska.

The foundation then set up the program through the TotalTel telecommunications company.

Other universities, such as Florida State and the University of Illinois,

have similar programs that have proved to be successful and prompted the idea for the Husker Network, Carlson said.

The programs may not be as profitable now because recent telecommunications deregulation allowed for more competition, Carlson said. But he still has hope for the network.

Aliant Communications, formerly Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph, will continue to provide long-distance service in the residence halls because of its contracts and special low rates, Carlson said.

Because of this, he said, residence hall students may still want to apply for a calling card for out-of-town use. He said the Husker Network was mainly geared for parents, alumni and Lincoln residents.

Special features of the Husker Network include a 30-second billing minimum, with pro-rated six-second rounding and offers set rates that don't vary with the time of day. Husker Network users can also apply for a calling card.

The Husker Network can be reached at 1-(888)-8HUSKER.



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CHUCK HAGEL, Republican candidate for U.S. Senate, gestures to Gov. Ben Nelson during their debate Friday.