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Sure, there are real problems in the world. But why can't the damned Cubs win the pennant? How 'bout them Lakers? **PAGE 7**



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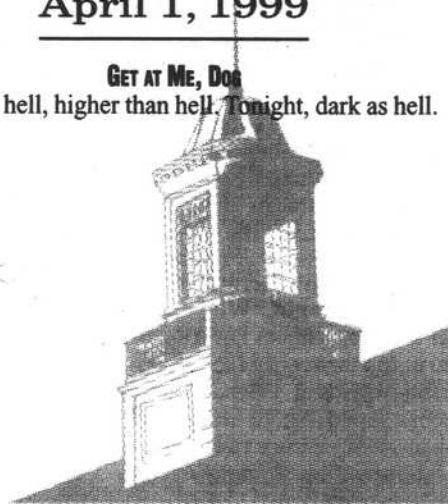
Why even bother pretending that Lincoln has anything worthwhile? Move to Chicago, or even Omaha. Jesus H. Christ. **PAGE 9**

HUMP DAY

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GET AT ME, DOG
Rainy as hell, higher than hell. Tonight, dark as hell.

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All streets to go one way, out of town

■ 'That oughta settle the fickle bastards,' sez City Council, as re-routed traffic streams lemming-like toward certain death.

BY HAL DAUB
Staph infection

The Lincoln City Council broke its six-week streak of inaction Wednesday and voted to make all roads one-way out of Lincoln, channeled through the Haymarket, in order to create a new center of city commerce.

Jim Wrenholt, a P Street business owner and the most active figure in last year's fight to reconfigure P Street back to one-way traffic, led the effort.

Flushed with his success, Wrenholt, who city council members have begun referring to as "Johnny Eastbound" and whose bid for mayor has received support from political pundits like the T-shirt guy and that guy who smells like cabbage, said making all roads one-way out of Lincoln was a solution to traffic problems, lagging downtown commerce and a lack of parking in the **Old Market Haymarket**.

"The **Old Market Haymarket** is the oldest market, the hay-iest market in Lincoln. It's the marketplace that—well, where else are people going to eat? It's a tradition. It's for the kids."

The 100 percent one-way move was supported by Lincoln police on the grounds that fewer accidents would result in town, particularly in inclement weather.

"When it's slick outside, you can't stop too fucking good," said Police

Captain Dave Beggs.

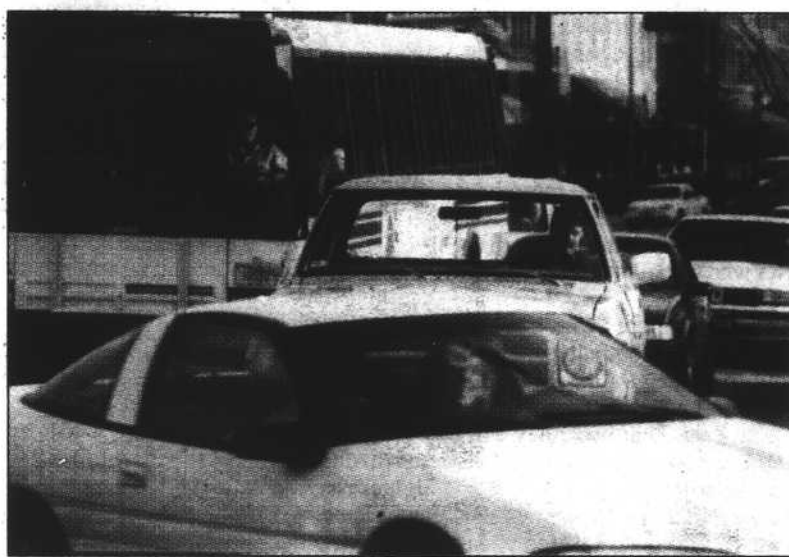
Debate was heated between one-wayers and two-wayers. Some who wanted to speak stood in lines and had to race to the microphone, sometimes running into each other, as speaking time was at a premium.

Some citizens put forth pity pleas such as, "But if I'm headed one-way out of town, I will never see my wife and children again."

But after 8½ hours of testimony from one-way naysayers C-PUD, Citizens for the Plowing Under of Downtown, all those opposing the move were silenced by postal workers who supported the one-way plan and appeared quite disgruntled.

"We were afraid, if we piped up again, they'd shoot our opposition to hell," C-PUD leaders said.

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THE BIG LEBOWSKI/DH
Traffic makes its way out of town. (Make sure you cut out the guy on the right, 'cause he's dead now.)



MARK BALDRIDGE gazes in wide wonder at the key to the City of Lincoln. Although teh significance of the key was lost on Baldridge, he was fascinated by its shiny surface.

HANE LICKENBOTTOM/DH

Area leprechaun gets wee key

BY KRISPY KREME
'99 Key to the City recipient

On behalf of the mayor, two UPC representatives presented a key to the city to Daily Nebraskan columnist and staff leprechaun Mark Baldridge, who has never played in a Grammy-nominated band before, but really likes the idea.

Baldridge sends a great message to Generation Xers, representatives said, because he claims he doesn't use drugs and his musical talent could hold together a pretty serious game of musical chairs.

Giving him the key would also draw media atten-

tion, representatives said. To the best of their knowledge, Lincoln would be the first city worldwide to give its key to a wack-ass leprechaun impersonator who brags about having grade-A equipment "down there."

Baldridge, on loan from the Lincoln Regional Center, was presented with the key onstage.

Audience members called him excited, yet a bit bewildered by the presentation.

"A key to the city? I wouldn't give me a key to my room at the Regional Center!" Baldridge said upon receiving the key.

After giving props to their frat bruthas, presenters

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Are you a wannabe?

We've got mad love for hip-hop, but some of y'all ain't got flava. The following chart displays the most prevalent offenses of weak MCs, and consequently the most frequent causes of arrests for fake MC skillz.

- Blondie asks you to quest star on album 28%
- Giving about eight Juan Rivers 30%
- Rhyming 'gun' with 'fun' 31%
- Hush Puppies instead of Timberlands 37%
- Calling your wife 'the central' 40%

Casady to wack-ass MCs: check yo'selves

BY NEWT GINGRICH
Wack-ass cracker

Local rappers trying to fake the funk should beware because that a DJ spinning their tracks may be a cop, Lincoln Police Chief Tom Casady said.

Wednesday police announced a new special enforcement policy on wannabe rappers who just can't hang.

"They may be wannabe rappers," Casady said. "But if a couple of wannabe MCs get together with a wannabe DJ, you get some wannabe wack-ass flow gettin' dropped."

Casady said that after police party

enforcement efforts had eliminated alcohol at all local parties, they decided to crack down on the wackey entertainment available in this town.

"Since the Vanilla Ice concert, Lincoln has seen an influx of these no-talent MCs," Casady said. "We have to put a stop to this high-risk entertainment."

Lincoln Police are sending officers undercover posing as DJs and rappers to infiltrate the groups.

Last weekend police cited 76 would-be rap stars for spinning in public, flowing without rhyme and maintaining a disorderly performance.

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