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Quotes OF THE WEEK

As I told you before, I'm ready to sit up in that chair if you're ready to push that switch.

Convicted murderer David K. Dunster, who is seeking the death penalty

I found absolutely no spot where Mr. Dunster was not in touch with reality.

Dr. Scott Moore, Lincoln Regional Center clinical director

It was a new feeling. I have heard of satellite classes, but this is new stuff. It is exciting to be part of history.

Zarir, part of the first-ever, three-way Internet class

The guns are silent. We believe this should be the end of the war in the Congo.

Bazima Karaha, chief negotiator of the Rally for Democracy

I have no idea what's going on. I've been trying to find out myself.

Ruth Buckhalter, mother of Correll Buckhalter, missing I-back

There was never a time when I went up to Coach Solich or gave him a call or a message or left any type of notification with anyone that I was leaving this team.

Eric Crouch, Husker quarterback, on rumors that he, too, was going AWOL

I'm a homeboy.

Joseph White, professor emeritus of the University of California and Lincoln native

Typically, a cult-type realm of people will be active in these activities, or carry out whatever they do here in cemeteries.

Todd TerMaat, Wyuka cemetery spokesman on speculation of 9-9-99-related activities

The U.S. can stop this in a minute if they applied serious pressure on Indonesia. Every hour they wait is more people killed.

East Timorese election observer

For me, I'm not worried. But I'm staying for the little ones.

Nelly Avila Abarca, preparing to face Hurricane Greg from an emergency shelter

You do not turn into tacos, and you WERE NEVER THE SAME!

MegaHAL, a computer program, trying to make sense of it all

AND IN THIS ISSUE:

It could go both ways. A lot of students probably see it as horrible, and a lot probably say 'Hey, he's human.'

ASUN President Andy Schuerman on how UNO students may react to UNO Student President Jon Shradar's arrest for disorderly conduct at Saturday's Maverick game in Omaha

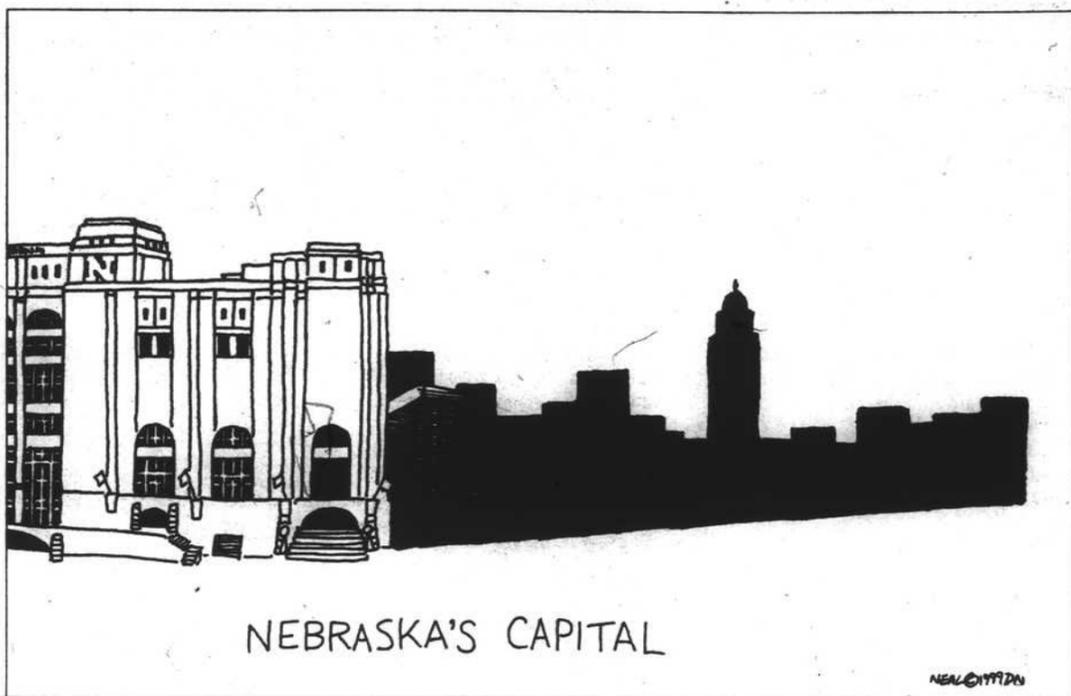
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Obermeyer's VIEW



Global matters

Environmentally conscious solutions at our fingertips



Did You Know

Your food travels more than 1,300 miles from farm gate to dinner plate. Better hope that all 1,300 miles are Y2K compliant, or there will be food shortages.

ducing massive amounts of corn to feed the world. Feed the world?! He knows damn well that all of that corn is for livestock feed. It isn't suitable to be ingested by humans.

Anyway, what would you rather eat?

A vegetable grown organically, from a local region, one that strengthens not only the mind, body and soul but also the local economy and is simply a far superior product?

Or, some genetically altered, fertilized, pesticide-ridden, tasteless piece of filth from a massive, faceless chemical company?

Local Food Locally

And what do they feed us here? Where is the UNL cafeteria that serves food from local farmers?

We must demand that UNL support food businesses that produce sustainable and organic foodstuffs, which include free range, organic diet, non-hormone treated animals for meat and non-chemically treated fruits and vegetables.

It's our money and our health.

Hey, did you hear that a liberal, Kansas dairy company, Double Dutch dairy, wants to build an enclosed mega-farm for 4600 milking cows in Shelby, Neb.?

The Lincoln Journal Star quoted a local farmer as saying that if the dairy industry in Nebraska doesn't work for big operators, it won't work for smaller farmers, either.

Has this farmer been brainwashed by the promise of corporate money-making schemes? Has he forgotten the methods of his ancestors? Has he been educated on the theory and practice of Associative Economics and how he will fit into a restructured, sustainable U.S. food system?

Have you?
What do you think is better for Nebraska?

A diversified and vibrant economy with many small farmers, treating the earth and its animals ethically and all cooperating to produce fresh, healthy foods?

Or, a mega-corporation from Kansas that is the epitome of everything wrong with farming today, will destroy local economies (as has happened with grain) and produce milk containing cancerous and birth defect-causing agents?

Remember the small, organic farmers (like Lincoln's own Equinox Community Supported Agriculture). They are the epitome of everything that is right with farming today!

The bottom line is, government wants food production in as few hands as possible, because that would be easier to manage.

It's easier to pour on fertilizers and pesticides and radiate crops. All for the almighty dollar.

It's funny how much people spend on the surface of the body and how little they care about its insides. You are what you eat, right?

An Open Invitation

As co-director of the University of Nebraska Environmental Resource Center, let me invite you to a forum today at 12:30 p.m. by the Broyhill Fountain and a bike ride at 4:30 p.m. around downtown (on the streets, of course).

The discussion will center on public transportation and pedestrian and bicycling issues.

Hopefully, we can find a better solution than simply sending our officers in blue to police the sidewalks for aggressive bicyclists.

Portland, Ore., has far narrower streets than Lincoln and the same type of one-way system in its downtown and other busy areas, and it still has bike lanes.

Can Lincoln be as progressive? Come and find out.

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