Re-Dedication of Avery Hall

September 30, 2004
3:00 pm
Avery Hall
Room 115

Yellow: Math Department
Red: Computer Science and Engineering Department
Purple: Center for Science, Math, & Computer Education
Grey: Statistics Department
Green: Library
Orange: Conference Rooms
Blue: Classrooms
Avery Hall was named after Chancellor Samuel Avery, who was the University of Nebraska’s longest-serving chancellor. Avery was chancellor from 1909 to 1927. Avery’s life at NU began when he was a student in chemistry; he received his degree in 1892 and a master’s degree here in 1894. He earned a doctorate from the University of Heidelberg, Germany, and joined the NU faculty in 1895. He was a professor of agricultural chemistry and chemist at the Nebraska Agricultural Experience Station before becoming Chancellor.

As chancellor, Avery led during a time of growth for the state’s university. He established the colleges of Business Administration, Dentistry and Pharmacy, and the School of Fine Art and the School of Journalism. He changed the Industrial College to the colleges of Agriculture and Engineering. One book about Avery says he “calmly and patiently smoothed out difficulties and impartially apportioned the means at hand.” Another source says Avery dutifully read Chemical Abstracts each week as chancellor to keep up with his field.

In 1935, Avery received an Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, from NU. He died in 1936.

Welcome
Harvey Perlman, Chancellor, University of Nebraska–Lincoln
Roger Wehrbein, Nebraska State Senator

Words of Dedication
John Meakin, Chair, Mathematics
Rich Sincovec, Chair, Computer Science and Engineering
Joan Giesecke, Dean, University Libraries

Ribbon Cutting
Reception & Refreshments
Third Floor, Room 348
Lower Level, Center Common Area

Building Tours/Open House