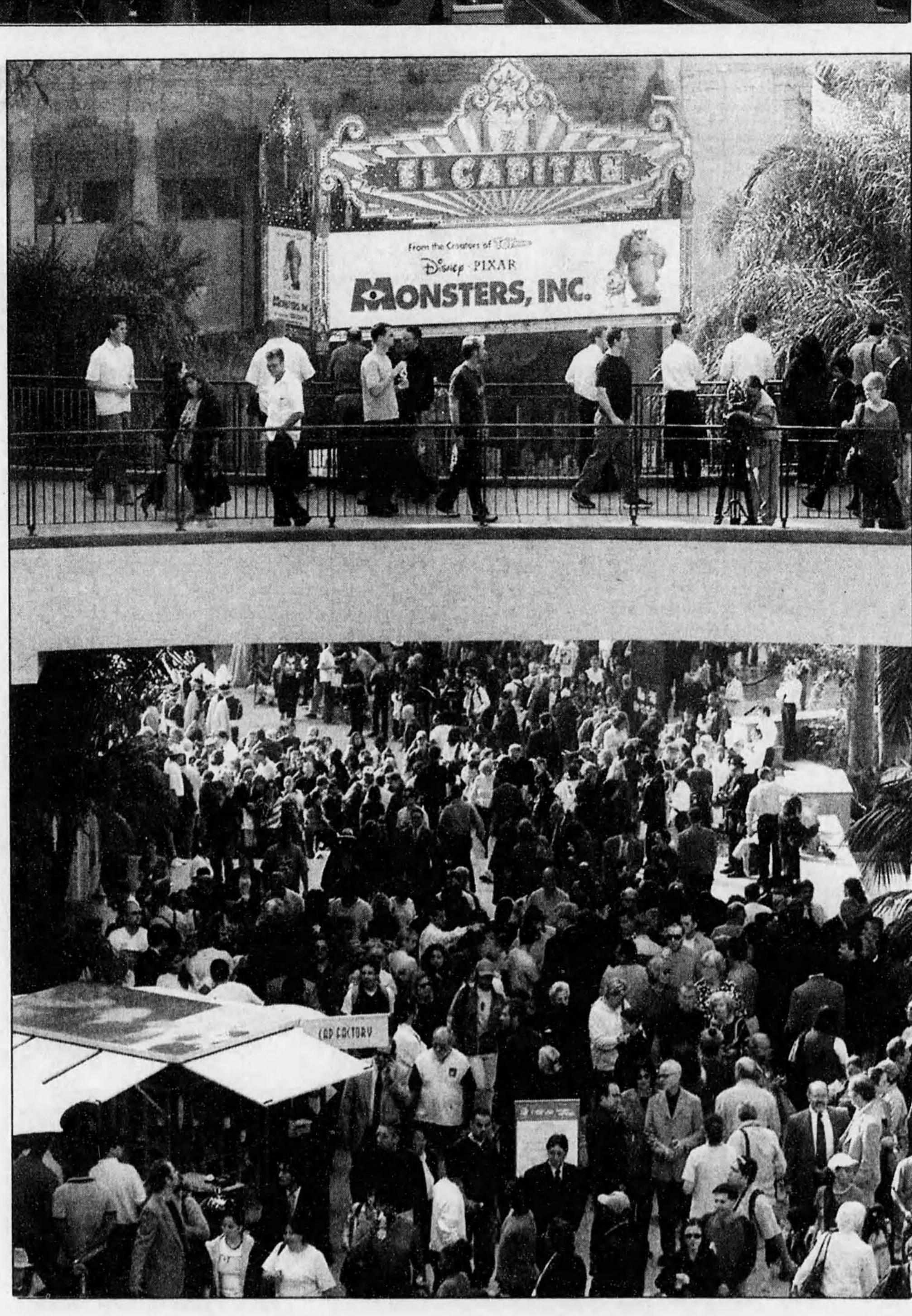


A Cast, er, Crowd of Thousands

As only appropriate, the Hollywood & Highland retail/entertainment complex opened to the public Friday amid glitz and glamour . . . as well as heightened security. A section of Hollywood Boulevard was closed for the festivities. Director Rob Reiner told the opening-day crowd: "I am announcing here today that Hollywood is back." The \$615-million venue boasts more than 60 shops and the future home of the Oscars, the 3,500-seat Kodak Theatre.



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