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## Out on a limb

For Bob Covert Monday afternoon the bite was worse than the bark; the bite of the wind, that is. Covert and pastor A.D. Wasmundt worked in freezing temperatures to bring down a tree at First United Pentacostal Church at 2980 Holdrege St.

## Lincoln groups tackle abuse

# ABC movie's treatment of incest criticized

*Something for Amelia*, a movie about incest which aired on ABC Jan. 9, improved public awareness but did not increase the number of incest cases reported, an employee of the Nebraska Department of Social Services said Monday.

Shelley Cook of the Lincoln department said since the movie was shown, three or four people have called for general information on incest. Several mothers also have asked for advice about what age to start telling their children about incest, Cook said.

Despite the increase of phone calls, Cook said she had mixed feelings about the effect of the movie.

First, Cook said she hoped the movie would encourage the report of incest cases by bringing it to the public's attention.

However, Cook said the movie's treatment of how

the characters handled the subject may have frightened children.

For example, Cook said, her department would not take an incest victim to confront her mother as the counselor did in the movie.

The movie also showed two police officers taking the incest victim away from her home. Cook said her agency usually would have the police remove the offender, not the victim.

Another group which deals with incest is the Lincoln Incest Coalition, which will have a workshop on incest at the YWCA, 15th and N streets, at 7 p.m. tonight.

Mary Skoler, chairperson of the coalition, said her organization is made up of professionals and lay people who work to help others understand incest.

Skoler said the workshop will cover the procedures of investigating an incest case, upcoming leg-

## Freezing weather presents problems for grounds crew

By Pam Alward

Extremely cold weather has caused a few difficulties for the UNL Physical Plant and Grounds Department, which control the university's snow removal and heating. However, the holidays kept their cash flows from freezing like the rest of the state.

Despite warmer temperatures inside buildings during break, frozen pipes at Hamilton Hall damaged floors and carpeting, said John Amend, assistant to the director of the Physical Plant. This winter has been the worst in recent years because of the freeze-ups, he said.

"We have saved money just about every year during break," Amend said.

This year, however, building temperatures were not lowered as much because of the sub-zero outdoor temperatures.

The Grounds Department saved money because fewer students worked during break, said Wilbur Dasenbrock, director of grounds. But, he said, the snow removal job also was not complete because students were not working.

Ray Coffey, UNL business manager of business and finance, said the cold has presented the Grounds Department with two main difficulties.

First, UNL vehicles such as snow plows are difficult to start and sustain additional wear at lower temperatures, he said.

Second, Coffey said, the cold affects UNL employees who must work outside.

Coffey said UNL workers have come in over the weekend or early in the morning to do the extra work, which results in overtime and shift problems.

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islation dealing with incest and the coalition's goals for 1984.

Two adults who were incest victims will speak at the workshop, Skoler said.

The coalition has two major goals, Skoler said. First, to reach more adult survivors, and second, to strive for better incest legislation.

Besides helping the general public understand incest, she said, the coalition treats incest victims and their families.

"On the average we deal with three new cases of incest each month," Skoler said. "Right now we have about 15 families in treatment."

Incest is seldom discussed or written about, Skoler said, but it is a crime which occurs more often than people would like to believe. Groups like Women Against Violence and the Rape-Spouse Abuse Crisis Center are working to deal with and fight against incest, she said.

## Textbooks in season; choosy shoppers find similar prices

By Christopher Burbach

In scenes comparable to a bummed steer's worst moments in a stockyard cattle chute, UNL students milled and sweated Monday in long lines at the campus bookstores. The end of the line is somewhat less final for students, however. Cattle get a bolt through the head; would be scholars merely a sharp pain in the pocketbook.

Both Nebraska Bookstore, 12th and R streets, and the University Bookstore in the Nebraska Union teemed with life Monday as students armed themselves for another semester's siege on the ever-elusive City of Knowledge.

The University and Nebraska Bookstores are the major marketers of books for UNL students. The ASUN Book Exchange in the Nebraska Union Cellar does a somewhat smaller business.

Mark Oppgaard, Nebraska Bookstore manager, said although there is competition between his store and the University Bookstore, "it's not fierce competition. We get along. There's enough business for both of us."

An informal price comparison revealed fairly similar prices at the two stores. The new *Economics* textbook by Campbell R. McConnell costs \$28.50 at both stores. A used *Nazi Seizure of Power* costs \$6 at both places. *Francis Bacon, A Selection of His Works* sells for \$12 at Nebraska Bookstore and \$12.05 at the union.

Theresa Renken, a freshman pre-vet major, said she doesn't compare prices. She said she had bought only two books so far, which cost her \$20.

"I still have three or four books to buy. I can't find political science anywhere," Renken said.

Tom Magnuson, a senior philosophy major, said he hasn't bought any books yet.

"I don't have any money right now. I'll wait until some time in April," Magnuson said.

Another student who hasn't begun buying books is Andrea Marinkovich, a senior biology major.

"I never buy any books the first couple of days," she said. "The stores are too busy."

Marinkovich said she is a comparison shopper, and she buys some of her books at the ASUN Book Exchange.

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