

Hardin to be Agriculture Secretary

Chancellor Clifford M. Hardin will be named Wednesday night as the Secretary of Agriculture for President-elect Richard Nixon, according to sources in Washington and the Nebraska statehouse.

Statehouse sources also disclosed Tuesday that Merk Hobson, vice-chancellor and dean of faculties, will serve as acting chancellor in Hardin's absence.

The Omaha World-Herald said Tuesday that Hardin had talked to Nixon last week. The Washington Post News Service said Monday night that Hardin apparently was the only candidate for the post who had visited with Nixon.

of absence to serve with Nixon. University campus presidents and University campus president and the two vice-chancellors as candidates to assume Hardin's position.

The Daily Nebraskan confirmed independently Tuesday that Hardin was scheduled to fly to Washington Wednesday morning in time to appear on national television that night with Nixon and the rest of his appointments. The broadcast begins at nine p.m. CST.

SOURCES INDICATED that Regent Richard Herman of Omaha and George Cook of Lincoln were involved in securing Hardin for the Nixon administration. Though neither would deny

Hardin's appointment earlier this week, both indicated without direct confirmation that he would become Secretary of Agriculture.

Cook is a key man in the state Republican organization and Herman has worked with Nixon's staff during the transition between administrations.

HARDIN HAS been chancellor of the University since July, 1964. He came to NU from Michigan State University where he served as dean of the School of Agriculture.

He received his baccalaureate and graduate degrees from Purdue University in 1937, 1939, and received his Ph.D. in 1941. He was a member of the faculty

in agricultural economics at the University of Wisconsin from 1941 to 1944. He joined the faculty at Michigan State in 1944. There he also served as professor and chairman of agricultural economics.

HOBSON SERVED as dean of the University College of Engineering and Architecture from 1957 to 1965 when he was named vice-chancellor for research and dean of the graduate college. He is currently dean of faculties.

He has been a member of the University staff since 1950 when he was appointed assistant professor of chemical engineering. Hobson received a bachelor of

science degree from Wisconsin, and his master of science degree and Ph.D. from Northwestern University.

HARDIN HAS been involved with food and agricultural problems at the national level through pro-

grams with Ataturk University in Turkey, technical assistance for agriculture in Colombia, and a Latin American and International Studies program.

He is the editor of a recently published book concerning world food problems.

Clifford Hardin



Merk Hobson



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Tiemann proposes sharp budget cut

University building plans, faculty salaries hurt

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The University will probably have to enter a "period of retrenchment" should the budget recommendations of Gov. Norbert Tiemann be adopted by the Legislature.

This was a tentative statement given Tuesday by President Joseph Soshnik based on "the minimal amount of available information."

TIEMANN released Monday his budget recommendations. The University operating request was over \$101 million dollars. Tiemann's recommendation for the University to the Legislature was some \$68 million.

The University's capital construction request of over \$24 million was slashed to \$4.71 million. Soshnik called the construction request cutback "a moratorium" on the University's building program.

Soshnik also said it was the understanding of University officials that there will be a five per cent annual salary adjustment for faculty personnel if the funds are available.

The University budget request asked for a nine per cent increase in faculty-level salaries.

"A FIVE per cent adjustment would only intensify our necessary retrenchments from the 1968-69 level of operations, based on our understanding of the situation," Soshnik said.

The slash of capital construction allowances would mean "a sharp cutback in the University's long range building program approved by the Legislature four years ago," the Lincoln president said.

He explained that the Lincoln campuses and outstate service areas of the University have had building allowances of \$13-14 million per biennium for the last two bienniums. He said the proposed allowance was under \$3 million for the next biennium.

THERE WOULD be no new major buildings started and all funds for land acquisition would be shut off under the Governor's recommendations, Soshnik explained.

University at Omaha campus President Kirk Naylor said Tuesday he was very disturbed about Tiemann's recommendations. Based on the Governor's proposed cuts, he doubted the Omaha campus's ability to handle next year's expected enrollment.

"I'm very concerned about a severe cut in the capital construction budget," Naylor said. He explained new buildings are a high priority at Omaha and that Tiemann's recommendations would prohibit new classroom facilities from being erected.

Public hearing planned for sales tax legislation

A public hearing is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon to consider state sales tax legislation. The Unicameral's Revenue Committee will sponsor the hearing.

At stake is Legislative Bill 3 which would rescind the scheduled drop in the two and one half per cent sales tax rate to two per cent effective Jan. 1.

The bill was introduced Monday to the Unicameral in a special session called by Gov. Norbert Tiemann. The bill, written by Tiemann, is sponsored by Sens. Roland Luedtke and William Swanson, of Lincoln, Sen. C. W. Holmquist of Oakland and Sen. George Gerdes of Alliance.

TIEMANN addressed the Legislature Monday and presented his \$33 million general fund budget recommendation. He again told Legislators that the two and one half per cent tax rate is necessary to finance what he has termed a continuation budget for the next biennium.

This repeats statements made Dec. 3 by Tiemann that if the tax rate falls to two per cent, the available general fund resources for the next biennium will be somewhere near \$321 million, short of Tiemann's recommendations.

LB3 would have to be passed as an emergency clause to go into effect. This type of legislation requires at least 33 affirmative votes. Most observers indicate that Tiemann will have difficulty achieving this many votes.

HOWEVER, a preliminary summary of agency budget requests by the Legislative Fiscal Office concludes that the Legislature can finance a continuation budget for the next biennium with the two per cent tax rate.

"Even with the presently scheduled decrease in the rate on January 1 to two per cent, a basically continuation-level budget could likely be financed," the report states.

Budget balancing

	1969-71 General Fund Request	Governor's Recommen- dation
Agency Operating Budgets	\$334,051,050	\$246,671,796
(University of Nebraska)	24,300,000	4,071,000
State Aid to Education	120,000,000	50,000,000
Aid to Cities and Counties	20,000,000	20,000,000
Capital Construction	68,909,389	15,687,563
(University of Nebraska)	101,014,122	68,232,751
Total	\$542,960,439	\$332,359,459



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SDS demonstrators hosted by business-minded Faculty Senate

by George Kaufman
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The Faculty Senate hosted some visitors Tuesday afternoon, but it was strictly business as usual as the group listened to committee reports and adjourned early.

About 20 SDS (Students for a Democratic Society) demonstrators staged some dramatics outside Love Library and distributed anti-

ROTC leaflets to a sparse crowd, then filed into the auditorium to take seats in the front of the room.

BUT FACULTY members expecting a "good show," as one professor put it, were quite disappointed.

Chancellor Clifford Hardin called the meeting to order and said, "You will notice we have some visitors. What is your pleasure

concerning letting them stay?" Several members murmured "Yes," and Hardin reminded the SDS members that they did not have privilege of the floor.

Throughout the rest of the 45-minute meeting, the demonstrators sat quietly, passing a note telling them to get up and walk out at a pre-determined moment.

BUT THE planned moment never came; and Hardin adjourned the senate without incident, leaving professors filing out mumbling about "no show."

No real action was taken during the shortened session, as two reports were approved and two others discussed and referred to future action.

One of the most important and controversial, the resolution to establish a committee on human rights, was given little hope of reaching the senate floor before the February, 1969, meeting.

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Spy bill revised, passed

by Jim Pedersen
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The Student Affairs Committee Monday approved the resolution prohibiting campus undercover agents with only slight alterations in the original document passed by the ASUN Senate.

In its Nov. 22 meeting, the committee issued a statement agreeing in principle with the resolution but adding that certain areas needed to be rewritten.

The areas of disagreement were the legitimacy of the occupation of undercover agents and the use of the words "misconduct" and "disciplinary action" in the resolution.

"IF THE resolution merely disapproved of the University hiring undercover agents, I would accept it," James Blackman, Associate Dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture, said. "But it prohibits a student from working at a legitimate occupation."

What should not be permitted is a student, under the false pretense of being a student, spying on other students, according to Paula Teigeler, student representative. Such a restriction would not interfere with any legal occupation.

Mickey Brazeal, a student on the committee, added that the question of occupational propriety is not relevant to the direction taken by the resolution.

The actions of student agents comes under what the University

handbook designates as moral expectations beyond those of the outside community, Brazeal said.

"I believe that there have been cases in the past where student undercover agents have been dealt with informally by other students," he continued. "The effect of the disciplinary action will be to give both sides the safeguards of the due process machinery."



The Ten Best Dressed coeds, announced Monday night at a fashion show sponsored by AWS and the Union Hospitality Committee, are (back row) Fran Koziol, Connie Manstedt, Starr Hirschback, Jean Andrews, Carolyn Casper, Marti Gottschalk, Ginger Josely, (front row) Karen Hughes, Maureen Johnson and Connie Douglas. The winners were presented with trophies and gift certificates from Quentins.