

## Climatologist feels budget axe



State climatologist Morris Webb . . . will be out of a job when the state climatology office closes.

Are you interested in finding out what the weather was like in Nebraska on the day you were born?

If you are, call the state climatologist's office in Nebraska Hall. Someone will find the exact information you want. But you'd better hurry.

President Nixon recently dropped the budget axe on several federal programs. One blow felled the climatology office.

According to Nebraska State Climatologist Morris Webb, within 90 days all state climatology offices across the nation will be closed and the employees reassigned.

Webb said he isn't worried about finding a new job.

"Before I came to this office I was a weather forecaster and I guess I can always be one again," Webb said. "It's the older fellows across the nation, the ones that are really too old to start a new job, that could face a traumatic experience."

The only other employee in the Nebraska office is Webb's secretary, Esther Culwell. Webb doesn't believe she will have any difficulty in finding another job because of her 31 years of government experience.

Law requires only that weather forecasts and severe weather be given, Webb said, and when Nixon's budget cuts came, "our research programs were axed."

Researchers, in particular UNL's agriculture and geology departments, have used the climatology office for 95 years to obtain past weather records and to make future projections, according to Webb.

"Often citizens would simply call us to find out what the temperature was 20 years ago, and all we had to do was check our records and there it was," Webb added. "I'm not certain where they will be able to locate such information now."

Webb said a meeting was held Monday at C.Y. Thompson Library on East Campus to determine what's going to happen to those records.

"It is a strong hope of mine to keep all the data stored somewhere in Lincoln," he said.

## Masters to return to UNL

Seventeen UNL alumni have accepted invitations to participate in Masters Week which will be held March 5-6 at UNL.

The annual event gives students an opportunity to talk with alums in classes and living units. Members of Mortar Board and Innocents, senior honoraries, sponsor the event in cooperation with the chancellor's office.

Alumni who will attend include Byron S. Miller, head of special products, General Mills, North Minneapolis, Minn.; A.B. Maunders, director of sorghum research, DeKalb Agriculture Research Inc., Lubbock, Tex.; Wayne F. Keim, professor of agronomy, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.; and Nolan B. Sommer, executive vice president and director, American Cyanamid Co., Saddle River, N.J.

Also included are Daniel McPherson, vice president, General Mills, Minneapolis, Minn.; Lucigrace Switzer, managing editor, College and University Business, Chicago, Ill.; Paul Sonderegger, president,

Hoskins-Western-Sonderegger, Inc., Lincoln architectural firm; and William A. McConnell, director of emissions certification, Ford Motor Co., Dearborn, Mich.

Marjorie Knoll, professor, College of Human Development, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Penn.; Paul Romberg, president, California State College, Bakersfield, Cal.; Dr. Eugene Keller, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.; K.O. Broady, educator and author, Lincoln; and Dr. Milton Wittman, Social Work Training Branch, National Institute of Mental Health, Rockville, Md., also have accepted invitations.

Others who plan to attend are Stephen Zifferblatt, School of Education, Stanford University, Stanford, Cal.; Richard Short, superintendent of Main Township Schools, Park Ridge, Ill.; Charles McAfee, architect, Wichita, Kan.; and Janet Macy, extension information specialist, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minn.

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