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Weather: Sunny and a little warmer today with a high of 42 (8C). Monday night, clear and cold with a low of 17 (-8C). Tuesday, partly cloudy and warmer with a high in the lower to mid-40s (7C).

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Born in the U.S.A.!

In front of a full Bob Devaney Sports Center, Springsteen performed well into Sunday night.

Regents pass plan to unite vet colleges

By Suzanne Teten
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The NU Board of Regents Friday passed a resolution endorsing a proposal for NU to join with one or more already established veterinary colleges to provide long-term veterinary education for Nebraska students.

Roy Arnold, UNL vice chancellor for agriculture and natural resources, told the regents the proposal changes the direction from establishing a new regional college among universities that don't have veterinary colleges to allowing Nebraska to make an agreement with other existing colleges.

The agreement would be made "in such a way that it would allow us to be a truly regional partner with them with regard to veterinary medical education," Arnold said.

He said a similar format exists between Washington State and Oregon State. Both universities' students attend the veterinary college at Washington State, but Oregon State offers some additional programs not available at Washington State, Arnold said.

The Veterinary College Task Force has visited four universities — Iowa State, Missouri, Kansas State and Mississippi State — looking for a long-term agreement. While discussing the possibilities with these universities, UNL has outlined several items for negotiation:

- Sending students to one institution. Nebraska veterinary students now attend five universities, he said.
- Making a long-term agreement. This agreement would end the year-to-year contractual agreements the university has now, Arnold said.

- Sending students to other universities for pre-clinical training, but bringing them back to Nebraska for clinical training.

- NU would decide which Nebraska students would be admitted to the program.

- Seeking an arrangement so cooperating states could develop their own strengths. Arnold said students from the other cooperating states also could come to Nebraska for their clinical training.

- Clinical training places would be established in Lincoln and Clay Center. Arnold said the Clay Center facilities would be smaller and would deal exclusively with livestock from the U.S. Feeder Animal Research Center.

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Bickering dams Platte River project

By Jeff Browne

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The future of the Platte River is being decided by stilted scientific evidence, an attorney for the Central Platte Natural Resources District said Friday.

Richard Kopf said that both sides — those who want irrigation projects drawn from the river and those who don't want them — provide the Department of Water Resources with questionable evidence.

"I am appalled by the scientific research provided by both sides," Kopf said. "We need more good, firm objective evidence."

Kopf made his comments at a symposium at UNL's East Campus sponsored by the College of Law. The day-long symposium addressed the problems the Platte faces and possible solutions to those

problems.

State agricultural economist Lloyd Fischer defended the scientific evidence handed to the DWR. He said scientists work from an assumption that a water project is either good or bad and then work to prove that assumption.

Kopf said that the evidence is made up to suit a particular business' interests. He says that it is possible for both sides to hire competent scientists who will present evidence objectively and rationally.

DWR Director Michael Jess said that no major projects will be built on the Platte in the near future because of the constant bickering on both sides of the irrigation issue.

"There are two sides and they are both dug in," Jess said. "Neither one of them

wants to acknowledge the other has any right to what flows in the river."

Because of the bickering, anyone who might fund projects on the river has shied from any funding, Jess said.

Sen. Loran Schmit of Bellwood, chairman of the Legislature's Public Works Committee, said he doesn't expect the state to spend any money on Platte River programs during the next legislative session.

"At this point, we're going to be lucky to continue on the course we set last year," Schmit said.

Water quality will improve, though, through legislative action, Schmit said. He predicted that bills on chemigation and leaking underground fuel storage tanks will pass easily in the Legislature.

UNL attracts competitors

Foreign athletes adjust to climate, prejudice

By Scott Ahlstrand

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Foreign athletes. They come to the United States from places like Jamaica, South Africa and Great Britain. Among them are hurdlers, sprinters and cross country runners. Their reasons for coming are as varied as their nationalities. Competitors in collegiate athletics for decades, their number continues to rise.

Dennis Wallace is an international student athlete. A sprinter from Westmoreland, Jamaica, Wallace has been in Nebraska since 1981. He says he came to UNL for an education; his running

comes second.

"In Jamaica you can't go to college and compete in track and field," he said. "Our economy is such that you have to commit to one or the other, you can't do both."

Wallace, like many athletes from countries with tropical climates, had problems adjusting to the Nebraska's bone-chilling weather.

"My first year I had trouble adapting. I didn't grow up in cold weather, and it was hard for me to accept," he said. "It was like being in a refrigerator. My dad told me about the cold, but I didn't believe him. I wasn't fully equipped for it. That first winter

wasn't one of my best."

In addition to adjusting to climate differences, he also had to learn to adjust to cultural differences between the United States and home.

"The hardest thing about adjusting is getting a friend you can talk to about anything," he said. "It usually helps if you can talk to someone from the same culture. That way you don't have to deal with a language barrier, and they can better understand your problems," he said. "A lot of people don't want to commit to a friendship; they don't want to deal with the problems of different cultures."

Shown the ropes by former high school teammates Norman Mills and Charles Lawrence, Wallace said he chose Nebraska over other U.S. schools because of the strong ties developed between UNL and Jamaica.

"I had the opportunity to go to Southern Cal or UCLA or Texas El Paso, but I took the chance to come here so I'd have friends right away," he said. "Looking back, I could have gone somewhere warmer, where I might have run faster. But I'm satisfied with my choice, I'm happy with my education (he's a business management major) and my running. Once you get used to it, the

cold really isn't that big of a problem."

Wallace, like most foreign athletes, was recruited by Nebraska mainly through word of mouth. Husker coaches were in Westmoreland recruiting Mills and Lawrence when the two told them about Wallace.

Craig Duncan also is a foreign student athlete. He's a native of Glasgow, Scotland.

Unlike Wallace, Duncan said his adjustment problems were more language than weather-related.

"I may speak English, but people in Nebraska can't understand me,"

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