

Weather: Sunny and warmer today with a high in the mid-70s and a low near 50 tonight. Partly cloudy Thursday with a high near 80.

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Financial aid applications to be checked for accuracy

By Pam Alward
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As many as 70 percent of UNL's 1986-87 student financial aid applications will be checked for accuracy because of new federal standards, said Don Aripoli, director of scholarships and financial aid.

At congressional request, the U.S. Department of Education released the guidelines in March to ensure that college students aren't falsifying aid applications to receive extra money, Aripoli said.

Between 50 percent and 70 percent of all people who receive Pell Grants, Guaranteed Student Loans and campus-based aid will have their aid for next year verified, Aripoli said. Since 1978, UNL has checked 3,000 of about 6,500

Pell Grant applications each year at the request of the federal government, he said. But full-scale verification is new to UNL, Aripoli said.

Aripoli estimated that about 90 percent to 99 percent of the discrepancies between income reported on aid forms and income reported on tax forms result from students' poor estimates.

The discrepancies often arise because the deadline for aid applications is a month before taxes are due, so students may not calculate their exact income until well after they've applied for aid, he said.

Students with inaccurate financial statements will be asked to correct their applications to re-establish their aid eligibility, Aripoli said. Aid officers intent to help these students get as much aid as they can, he said.

Further action will be taken against the small number of students who intentionally "fudged" their income estimates in an attempt to receive extra aid, Aripoli said. He said he couldn't specify the form of this action.

"Each discrepancy will be looked at," he said.

Although the government will save money by eliminating aid to students who falsify their applications, Aripoli said, UNL must pay a "significant cost" to comply with federal standards.

The costs will include \$7,000 in labor and even more for computer programs, Aripoli said. But UNL probably will save about that much money by eliminating campus-based aid to students who intentionally "fudge" on their aid forms, he said.

Dead week comments wanted

ASUN is asking students to stop by its office during the next two weeks to discuss the university's dead week policy.

As part of a campaign to serve students better, ASUN is taking complaints of dead week violations and other comments about the week, said Patricia Sokolik, chairwoman of ASUN's Communication Committee.

Dead week, which begins Monday, is designed to give students extra study time for finals, Sokolik said, and ASUN wants to ensure that this policy is followed.

The policy reads:

- Final exams for full-semester classes are to be given only at the regularly scheduled time as published in the Schedule of Classes. Any deviations from this schedule must be agreed upon by the entire class.

- Only laboratory practical exams, make-up or repeat exams and self-paced exams can be given during dead week.

- Projects, papers, and speeches scheduled for completion during dead week must have been assigned in writing by the end of the eighth week of the semester.

Complaint forms will be available in

the ASUN office, Nebraska Union 115. Violations also can be reported to the Professional Conduct Committee.

Sokolik said that besides handling reports of dead week policy violations, ASUN is working on an information center.

The center will be something all students can use, she said, but off-campus students will find it particularly helpful.

Other projects in ASUN's future include evaluating teacher quality, methods of evaluation and academic advising and researching possible changes in Nebraska Union food service.



David Creamer/Daily Nebraskan
Leviticus

UNL station may begin international tractor tests

By Lise Olsen
Senior Reporter

An attempt to eliminate the NU tractor testing laboratory on East Campus resulted in the station's shift of emphasis from a state to a world farm market, said Kenneth Von Bargen, chairman of the Nebraska Tractor Test Board.

Under a bill passed last Monday in the Legislature, the testing laboratory should begin administering a more extensive test series next fall, said Von Bargen, also a UNL professor of agricultural engineering.

However, the proposal must first be approved by the United States Department of Commerce and members of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, said Louis Leviticus, chief engineer of the tractor testing laboratory.

With the new law, Nebraska could test tractors that would be sold in the 26 nations that make up the OECD.

NU has been testing tractors for sale in Nebraska since 1919. The new authorization, which allows the station to diversify its offerings, is the first major change in the service since it began, Von Bargen said.

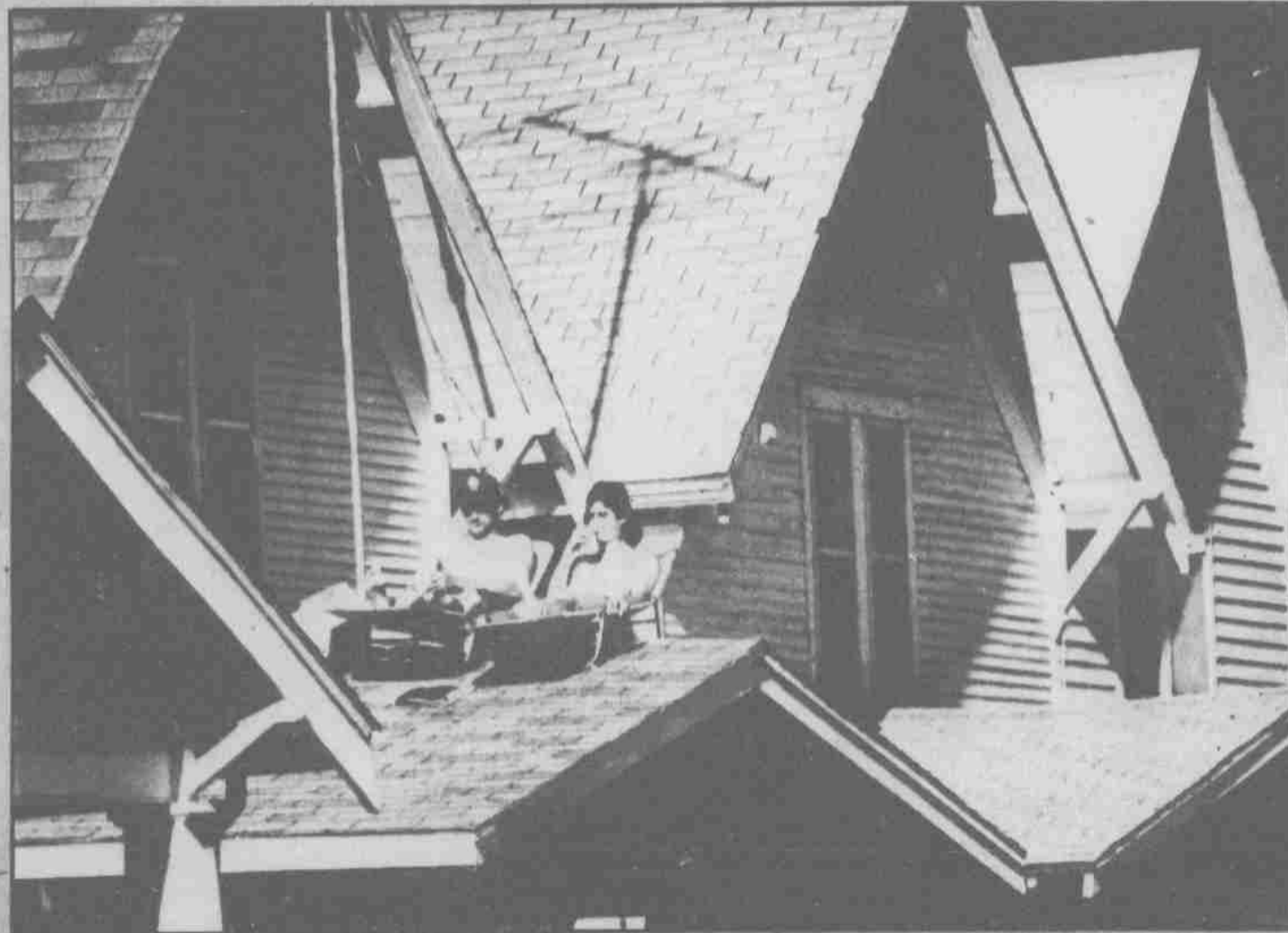
The testing station also will continue to offer tractor tests based on

the Society of Automotive Engineers tests. Those tests are accepted in a number of countries. But the OECD tests, developed in Europe, are more extensive and may require the Nebraska technicians to perform some off-site testing besides regular tests of power and performance, Von Bargen said.

The NU station is the only official tractor testing laboratory in the United States, mostly because Nebraska is the only state that requires tractors to be tested and certified before they can be sold. However, the station's test results are respected worldwide, Von Bargen said.

The station has the capability to test about 45 tractors a year. The average number tested at the station each year is about 40, Von Bargen said. But in recent years, the number of tractors tested at the station has slacked off because of the bad farm economy and other factors, he said.

Leviticus, a UNL professor of agricultural engineering, said that a number of tractors scheduled to be tested were excluded because of an OECD agreement. The agreement states that any tractor which has been tested in one country cannot be retested in another member country, he said.



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Rays-ing the roof

It's not enough for Lane Jueffs, left, a junior in the College of Agriculture, and Jeff Jung, a senior in the College of Business Administration, to lounge in their yard. So they lounge on their roof on Vine Street to catch some sun and take a break from studies.