

Weather: Partly to mostly cloudy Friday and Friday night. High Friday near 70. Lows Friday night in the 50s to around 60. Partly cloudy and warmer on Saturday with highs in the 80s.

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Agricultural leaders attack '85 Farm Bill

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Agricultural leaders at a U.S. Senate-Committee Hearing Thursday called the 1985 U.S. Farm Bill a failure and emphasized mandatory controls, value-added exports and alternate uses of agricultural goods as areas of change.

Forty agricultural leaders were scheduled to testify before senators J. James Exon and Edward Zorinsky and congressman Douglas Bereuter during the six-hour hearing held at the UNL East Campus Union.

The Farm Bill under attack was passed in December 1985, and planned for five years. Its total cost was estimated at \$72 billion.

In 1986, however, an estimated \$25 billion will be spent on agriculture, said Rob Robertson, press aide for Bereuter. Robertson also said the main aspects of the bill under attack deal with major agricultural commodities, like wheat, rice, cotton and corn.

The Farm Bill was an experiment that failed, said Sen. Bill Harris of Lincoln. Harris said that for two months in a row this year the United States imported more agricultural products than it exported, and yet surplus grain fills storage bins in Nebraska.

All this, he said, is occurring while the United States spends more for an agricultural program.

Larry Hall, president of the Nebraska Farmers Union said the national government needs to use mandatory controls of some type.

"Let us produce for sale," Hall said. "Let the rest of the world produce for storage."

Farmers within the farm programs now are required to leave 20 percent of feed-crop land idle and 25 percent of wheat land idle. Zorinsky said requiring all farmers to leave some land idle would decrease individual farmers' requirements.

Bereuter said support for mandatory control is up 25 percent in his district from a similar poll taken a couple years ago.

Bereuter also expressed strong support for the development of value-added products. Instead of exporting raw, bulk goods, he said, the United States should process goods. This would increase the value of U.S. products, he said, and create jobs in the United States.

Bereuter emphasized the importance of the Food Processing Center on the UNL campus. He said the state is funding the center with a "pittance" and needs to offer more funds as an investment in Nebraska.

Agricultural leaders mentioned ethanol, a corn-based fuel, as another area of importance to Nebraska. Exon read from a report that said 300 billion bushels of corn were used last year in the production of ethanol. This produced \$2 billion of farm income in America, he said.

State Sen. Loran Schmidt of Bellwood, suggested using the surplus corn to make fuel that could be held in storage for an emergency.



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Delbert Casey shines the glass to the Whac-A-Mole booth Thursday, getting it ready for the big crowds estimated for this year's fair. The State Fair begins today.

Stevie, the Captain to be at the fair

By Shelly Hurlbert
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Stevie Wonder will be there — so will Captain Kangaroo and the next governor of Nebraska. What event could possibly unite such diverse personalities? The 1986 Nebraska State Fair, Aug. 29 through Sept. 7.

Along with its traditional attractions, this year's fair will host its first-ever street dance on Saturday. The

local group Loose (formerly Footloose) will perform from 9 to 11 p.m. at the main entrance across from the Food Plaza. Admission is free.

This year's fair also features a variety of daytime activities such as the gubernatorial debate between Democrat Helen Boosalis and Republican Kay Orr. The debate is sponsored by the League of Women Voters as part of Ag Day Thursday and will be in the open-air auditorium at 11 a.m.

In celebration of the Cornhuskers'

first home game on Sept. 6, the fair will sponsor a special pep rally at 5 p.m. on the north ramp of the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

If none of these events have sparked your interest, take heart. Bob Keeshan, better known as Captain Kangaroo, also will be on hand to perform with the Navy Band and to meet with area spelling contestants on Sept. 6.

Henry Brandt, general manager of State Fair, hopes that the fair's attendance will be close to last year's figure of

575,000, but said "It's hard to predict."

Admission to the State Fair is \$2 in advance and \$3 at the gate. However, special rates are in effect on certain days. Tuesday, for example, is "Food Bank Day"; admission is \$1 plus one can of food for the Food Bank of Lincoln, Inc.

Sept. 7 is billed as the "Last Blast"; gate admission is free after 4 p.m., and fairgoers can ride all the rides from 4 p.m. until midnight for \$7.

New Home Ec dean stresses excellence

By Curt Wagner
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Excellence, continuity and people are three words that characterize what the new dean of home economics hopes to accomplish at UNL.

Karen Craig said excellence in programs research, and other areas are important because "people have to do the best they can in everything they do," Craig said. For this reason Craig plans to keep current academic programs that show a high level of excellence, and improve those that do not.

By retaining the excellence from the past, and at the same time changing for the future, Craig said she hopes to gain continuity in the Home Economics College. It may be difficult, she said, but

she believes it's possible.

Changes will come because home economic professionals, like others, must deal with a changing society. Craig cited the nutrition and health aspect of home economics as an example. In the 1930s home economists studied refrigeration and safe food storage. In today's weight-conscious society, dieting now takes up much of their study time, Craig said.

Some changes Craig has planned over a four-year period include establishing a Ph.D program for home economics majors. The program already has been drafted and "looks good," she said. A big demand for jobs nationally and a shortage of home economic Ph.Ds creates a tremendous need for a Ph.D program at UNL, Craig said.

Craig said she plans to create research centers dealing with economic issues, family resource issues and nutrition and health issues next year. These centers will "enhance the college's research function," Craig said.

In her third year, attracting outside private and industrial resources will be a big priority. With these resources Craig said she can "make sure students have scholarships."

Craig's final plan for change in the Home Ec college involves a "big push" on international home economics. The same issues present in the United States occur in Third World countries, but in a different format, Craig said.

"I think it is very important for our graduates and faculty to understand, deal with and help relate to those

worlds because we are a world society," she said.

Teaching students how to deal with people in average daily situations and helping students with their own self-consciousness constitute the third phase of Craig's three-word summation of her plans. By understanding themselves, and being able to relate to others, students may learn to better cope with conflict and change in the family structure, Craig said.

Craig, a Missouri native, said that she has received job offers from both coasts, but has decided against them because she is a "midwesterner at heart."

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