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WASHINGTON, D.C., May 17 ---Former Nebraskan Eldon L. Erickson recently completed the first half of a nine month Congressional Fellowship program which he served in the Washington Senate office of U.S. Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kans.) For the second half of the program, sponsored by the American Political Science Association, he will work in the office of John B. Anderson (R-Ohio).

Now employeed in Washington, D.C. as a senior budget examiner under the Secretary of Agriculture in the Office of Budget and Finance, he was one of two U.S.D.A. employees to be selected for the fellowship program. Approximately 40 outstanding individuals from both private and government jobs were selected to participate.

Although Erickson has an agricultural background, having farmed in Lyons, Kansas from 1944 to 47, his work in the Dole office largely encompassed urban matters. He assisted Dole specifically in the areas of public works and economic development. Working closely with the Senator's administrative assistant and legislative aides, Erickson helped coordinate state and federal efforts to improve the outlook of economically depressed areas of Kansas.

The former Nebraskan presently resides with his family in Bowie, Md. Erickson, who was born in Wakefield, Nebr., is the son of Emmet E. Erickson, who lives in Oakland, Nebr.