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Teacher Rating Again . . .

Advocates of the use of teacher rating scales have been fighting an uphill battle at the University for the past six months in trying to get the idea in at least partial use in NU classrooms. The Daily Nebraskan and the Student Council last semester worked toward the establishment of a teacher rating plan on campus, but with only sporadic success.

Since it is generally assumed that the smaller the class the more reliable the rating is likely to be, the small summer classes would be ideal for testing the plan. Instructors too are less rushed during the summer months, and they would be more likely to have a chance to analyze the questionnaires themselves.

Last semester The Daily Nebraskan had a number of copies of the Purdue scale printed, and instructors who wish to try the rating in summer school will be welcome to copies of the scale as long as they last. The Purdue scale is in wide use throughout the country, and is explained elsewhere in today's paper.

By the Way . . .

Proof that the groups planning the summer session activities have aimed at the new and different will be given Wednesday when the YM and YW, in cooperation with the Union, sponsor the first in a series of informal discussions on marriage problems. Summer school students will have an opportunity to hear experts in the field of marriage relations discuss common problems. Much of the material which will be presented is similar to that offered in the course in marriage relations held during the regular school year.

This is your Daily Nebraskan. As always, our aim is to give the students the kind of news and feature stories they want to read. If student groups have news they think is of interest to the campus in general, a quick dial of the phone to University extension 4226 will make sure the news gets in the paper. Gripes are also welcome, and the Rag "Letterip" column is ready and waiting for letters to the editor, or open letters to the campus in general. The only requirement for letters which are published is that they must be signed with the real name of the author—though pseudonyms may appear in print.

An opportunity to see one of the most unusual films shown on campus in some time is being re-offered by the YMCA through the screening of "Stone Flower." The film was shown during the regular session, and was so well received it is playing a repeat performance. The film, which is Russian with English sub-titles, is processed in a secret form of color recently developed by the Russians. The folk-story will offer an escape from the hot weather and studying on June 20 at 3 and 8 p. m. in Love Library auditorium.

It's an old story which comes from Rag editor's several times each semester, but it's still important. Through the generosity of a Lincoln corporation, the grounds around the Library and Sosh were landscaped last year and for the first time in several years the so-called "new" campus has grass and trees to give a more collegiate look. Students who persist in cutting corners, however, have worn several spots in the new sod, and unless the practice stops, the University may find itself looking for another landscaping donation to repair the damage. Summer is the time to slow down anyway, so why not slow down enough to take the walks instead of the shortcuts across the lawns.

Teachers and educators on campus for the summer session, as well as undergraduates in Teachers college should take note of the Textbook Exhibit which opened yesterday in Room 108 Burnett. The exhibit, which will continue throughout the week, gives a first hand view of the materials available for up-to-the-minute teaching aids. Not only texts will be shown, but supplementary material such as maps, charts and globes will be on display. The exhibit of audio-visual aids being shown in conjunction with the annual textbook showing also offers a chance to see the latest developments in the newest field of education.

Bucknell to Ask 'Guarantee Fee'

In order that Bucknell University may know exactly how many students will be returning in the fall, the administration has requested a non-refundable guarantee deposit of \$50 of both men and women students.

Previously only women dormitory residents were asked to sign

a contract reserving a place for the next academic year. According to Registrar George Faint, the decision to require a guarantee deposit from both men and women, regardless of whether or not they plan to live in the college dormitories, is not common practice in many colleges.

Students Help Survey Lincoln Parking Habits

Lincoln's parking problem has prompted the State Highway department to take a survey of parking habits of Lincoln residents, and a number of University students have been helping conduct the survey.

The past week, the survey has reached the campus area on R street, and students have been asked about their driving habits, destinations, and purpose in driving.

Student interviewers have been asking Lincoln shoppers and business people in various sections of the downtown district such questions as "Where did this trip start?"; "Where are you going?"; and "Why did you come downtown on this trip?"

Cooperation

Students who have been doing the interviewing have found the auto owners more than happy to cooperate, and according to one interviewer, "They all seem to have a solution to the parking problem. One man suggested that every other north and south street be made a one way street—so 16th would be for north bound traffic only, 17th for south bound traffic only, etc."

The survey is being made because, according to the highway department in Lincoln, as in most metropolitan areas, the problem of finding a parking place has become increasingly difficult.

Purpose

"In order that available facilities in the central business district be used to their maximum capacity, parking practices and regulations must be such that traffic can flow smoothly on the highways and arterial streets through the congested area."

Problems which it is hoped the parking survey will help solve include those created by cruising while looking for a parking place, illegal parking, overtime parking, crowded parking lots, and diagonal parking.

Art Fraternity Elects Kirsch

The national art honorary society, Delta Phi Delta, announced Friday it has named Professor Dwight Kirsch, jr., its laureate for the current biennium.

Kirsch is professor of art and directors of the galleries at the University. He is appearing as one of the principal speakers at the society's biennial meeting in Denver this week.

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Syracuse U. Tries Teaching Theory

A new teaching theory, which advocates student self-sufficiency, is in the experimentation stage at the College of Applied Science at Syracuse University.

Under the new non-directive technique, instructors outline the material students most covered during the semester. The students then apportion the material over the term. Every week two students, selected by the class, make up a quiz over material they think is important; the tests are then graded by the students and grades are given by students at the end of the term.

Preliminary tests given at the first of the semester are given again at the end of the term to measure the progress of the experimental group against the progress of a normally conducted class.

Kenyon Abolishes English Tests

Speech requirement and the English attainment tests have recently been abolished by the Kenyon College faculty. Previously all had to pass the tests before graduation or take courses in these subjects which would enable them to pass the tests.

Beginning with the class of '53, the course becomes an elective to be taken as one of four courses. As a result of this action, speech and drama majors and those students who wish to elect courses in speech, theater, and drama will have a wider variety of courses to choose from.

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