

Teachers College celebrates 75th year

By Marlene Burbach

The UNL Teachers College celebrates its birthday in its own special way. The Teachers College cake patrol delivered 30 cakes to its associates to thank them for 75 years of friendship, James O'Hanlon, acting dean of the college, said Saturday.

Some of the cakes were given to the Lincoln Public Schools, the NU Foundation and the chairmen of the education departments. Gov. Bob Kerrey also got a cake.

Delivery of the cakes initiated celebration of the 75th anniversary of the college.

The March issue of the "Primer," an Alumni Association/Teachers College

periodical, will feature the staff, faculty, students and graduates of the college, O'Hanlon said.

"We are compiling a list of the last 25 years of outstanding or distinguished graduates and faculty (of the Teachers College)," said Carolyn McCall, a student helping to gather this information for the list. The list will be published in "Scope and Review," a Teachers College publication, she said.

The departments of secondary education, elementary education and special education are also writing the history of their departments.

A Teachers College Symposium Series is being planned for this fall. It will include nationally recognized speakers who will

discuss subjects of special interest to educators, O'Hanlon said.

According to alumni records, the Teachers College has graduated more students than any other college at the university. As of the summer of 1982, 22,000 graduates had received UNL teaching degrees, O'Hanlon said. Thirty percent of the teachers in Nebraska and 60 percent of the state's school administrators and specialists are graduates of the college, he said.

The NU Board of Regents founded the Teachers College on Feb. 14, 1908, although an educational department called the department of pedagogy, had been established in 1890. The university calendar for 1895-96 listed six two-hour

courses offered by this department. This number doubled the next year. The first teacher placement from UNL was in 1892. There were five departments in the original college: education, educational psychology, educational theory and practice, secondary education and agricultural education.

In June, 1909, 47 students graduated from the Teachers College. For many years, the college operated out of Henzlik and Bancroft halls. The college now has a building of its own.

Seventy-five years after the founding of the Teachers College, its numbers have grown to 2,500 undergraduates and 140 faculty members.

International panel: Social role of women varies with culture

By Marcia Warkentin

Women in the United States are treated more as individuals than women in many countries, three female international students at UNL said Monday at a panel discussion in the Nebraska Union.

Nila Davda, an engineering major from Tanzania, who is a native of India, said a woman in India is subordinate to her parents when she is young, to her husband when she is married and to her sons when she is old.

"They (women) find satisfaction in the role they play," Davda said. "Maybe that's because they are not exposed to the other side of the coin."

Religion influences the role of women in every society, Davda said. Women are treated with respect in America because of the influence of Christianity, which teaches the value of the individual, she said.

Tango Efinda, a graduate English major from Zaire, said women in Zaire see themselves as part of society rather than as individuals.

"The role of women in Zaire and Africa at large is very significant in the preservation and submission of

culture to future generations," Efinda said.

Tobidday Marin, a graduate earth science and general sciences major from Venezuela, said that although women do not enjoy as much personal freedom in Venezuela, education and job opportunities have improved and most people respect a woman's opinion.

"It's not just because we're women," Marin said. "It's because we're a part of society."

Indian students studying in America often have conflicts with traditional views, Davda said. Since all marriages are arranged in India, dating is unheard of. Some Indian students want to date while in America and their parents do not understand, she said.

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