

TV Classes Face Study

Five Educators to Evaluate KUON Courses

The worth of the University's growing television correspondence course program will be studied by five Nebraska educators.

The KUON-TV course, still in its infancy, now serves 29 schools within a 60-mile radius of Lincoln offering students half-hour courses in nine subjects.

Evaluators

To evaluate the project's effectiveness and potential are Dr. Steven Wakins, Lincoln Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Walter Beggs, Dean of Teachers College; Dr. Raymond Gilmore of Kearney, president of the State Board of Education; R. A. Johnson of Newman Grove, president of the State School Boards Association; and Dr. Freeman Decker, state commissioner of education.

Included in the study will be trips to participating schools in Nebraska and visits to other TV-course projects in other states. So far the committee has gone to Oklahoma City and has spent another day evaluating some of the schools here.

'Free Rein'

The appraisal committee has "Free rein with their study," according to Dr. Knute Broady, Extension division director.

Questions which the group may consider include:

- How could TV credit courses be strengthened?
- What courses are best taught through television?
- Do students receive comprehension of instruction as good or better through television as through classroom teaching?

Is the \$115,000 yearly allotment from the Fund for the Advancement of Education receiving full value?

Is the program filling the educational offering gaps in schools of smaller enrollment?

Do smaller schools utilize their excess funds made available by the television courses to supplement counseling, library and health service?

In Any School

Dr. Broady said he foresees an era when TV courses could be made available to any high school in the state in a much-expanded schedule of offerings.

The Extension division, which he heads, sponsors the courses and supplements them with texts and supplementary materials.

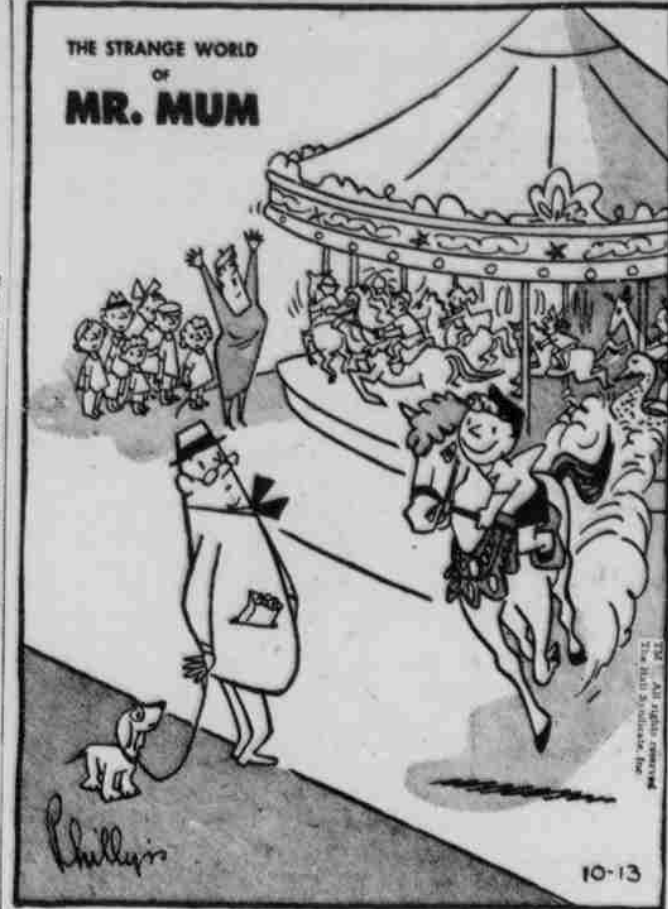
Dr. Broady pointed out that learning through TV can be helpful not only through the subject matter taught, but also through the training in learning from television, since the media is a potential source of information for all ages.

Started in '56

The University program started in the fall of 1956 with six schools giving their students a chance to gain credit for the single television course offering.

This year 490 students are enrolled in credit courses in beginning algebra, general mathematics, physics, plane geometry, chemistry, advanced algebra, art, American literature and Spanish.

In addition, "control courses" are held at Lincoln High School and Beatrice High which allow a measurement of how the course succeeds in larger enrollment schools.



THE STRANGE WORLD OF MR. MUM

12-Month Grant—ME Prof Awarded Fellowship

Donald Haack, associate professor of mechanical engineering, has been awarded a 12-month science faculty fellowship by the National Science Foundation.

The award, which carries a stipend roughly equivalent to the recipient's yearly salary, is one of 300 which have been made this week to science teachers throughout the country.

Advanced Work

Haack, on the University faculty since 1947, plans to use the grant beginning in September, 1959, for advanced work in theoretical and applied mechanics and mathematics at Kansas State College. Haack's area of specialization is the mechanics of materials and the theory of elasticity.

His leave from the University is subject to the approval of the Board of Regents.

2,000 Applications

The faculty grants, for which there were approximately 2,000 applications, are part of the National Science Foundation's program for helping improve undergraduate science teaching in American colleges and universities.

Haack, who serves as engineering consultant to the College of Dentistry, is author of a number of publications. Among recent works which he has co-authored is "The Mechanics of Centric and Eccentric Cervical Traction," in the American Journal of Orthodontics.

Haack, who holds a master's degree from the University, came to Nebraska from the Illinois Institute of Technology and the University of Colorado where he was on the faculty.

Are You Positive Schroeder?

Beethoven's Birthday Puzzles

By Marilyn Coffey

What I want to know, Schroeder, is who is this Beethoven, anyway.

For weeks you've been parading in the Peanuts comic strip with signs announcing his birthday as Dec. 16.

Now I happen to know that you don't even know when THE Beethoven was born. In fact, he didn't even know himself.

In Bonn, records of baptisms show a Ludwig Van Beethoven baptized on Dec. 17, 1770. Now just because Bonn babies are usually the day after they are born, doesn't mean THE Beethoven was.

Supposed it had blizzarded that day? Or Little B had a cold and couldn't get his head wet?

I'll bet, Schroeder, you haven't even arranged this day of celebration with the President of the United States, like every American knows you have to do.

Beethoven's father wasn't too ethical. He was grooming little B to be an infant prodigy. He couldn't decide whether it would be wiser to antedate some of Beethoven's compositions or just to postdate his birth.

So for a long time, Beethoven was a little confused himself as to who was born when. He thought he was born in 1772 (and he should know). When the Dec. 16, 1770 certificate of baptism was shown to him, he thought it belonged to his elder brother, also Ludwig, who died in infancy.

So what do you have to say now, Schroeder? Happy Birthday to Little B???

Schrag Terms Second College Day Successful

Five Omaha Prep Schools Send 120 to Huskers Campus

Some 120 Omaha high seniors from five schools visited the University campus Saturday.

The College Day, sponsored by the Teenage Project Committee of the Nebraska Human Resources Research Foundation and the University, is the second program of this type to be held this year.

In October, approximately 160 Grand Island seniors visited the campus.

Students from Omaha Central, North, South, Tech and Benson toured the campus Saturday.

The programs are a means of encouraging qualified students to attend college and of helping them find the college that meets their needs.

Grand Cooperation "Everything went very well," Larry Schrag, chairman of College Day, reported. "We had excellent cooperation from all of the colleges and their deans."

Half hour sessions of actual class instruction by University faculty members in various colleges were given to the students. Conducted bus tours of both campuses were held, as well as a visit to the Ralph Mueller Planetarium.

Chancellor Clifford Hardin greeted the students. Student chairmen in charge of the visits were Jerry Sclentin, Pharmacy; Dennis Elder, Business Administration; David Harper, Dentistry; Charles Huston, Teachers; Roger Wehrbein and Barbara Jorgenson, Agriculture; June Seacrest, Arts and Sciences; Paul Schor, Engineering and Architecture; and Kay Livgren, Fine Arts.

Theatre Plans Play Critiques

Drama students and others interested in theatre have been invited by Nebraska Masquers and Laboratory Theatre to aid in the development of new drama.

A private showing of two new plays written by University students will be presented to the group 4 p.m. Wednesday in Temple 201 as staged readings with script-in-hand. The plays are "Didn't He Ramble?" and "Elijah" which will be presented to the public Jan. 15 and 16.

J. B. Baldwin, assistant professor of speech and dramatic art, said a discussion will follow the play readings. The play's authors may be greatly influenced by the discussion in making revisions in their scripts, Baldwin added.

'On Road Again'

Jackson to Complete KUON Series; Morocco, Algeria Next for Traveler

Colin Jackson, British world traveler and humorist, will complete his six-week series of television programs Thursday night.

The topic of the 7 p.m. program, "Travelling with Jackson," is "On the Road Again." Jackson will leave Lincoln Friday and head for Morocco and Algeria where he will write a series of "on-the-spot" articles.



Jackson

First-Hand Speaker The purpose of Jackson's visit to Nebraska was to present world affairs as seen by one who can add first-hand information as a result of his travels. Jackson covers some 40,000 miles per year.

The news commentator commended the KUON-TV student staff for their ability and suggested that "people in the community don't seem to appreciate the work of these students who operate the cameras and sound system."

During his stay in America, he has observed that American students are broad-minded and are willing to listen to the views of outsiders. He compared this to the situation in other countries where he must guard himself so as not to be objectionably critical.

'Willing Agreement'

He added that perhaps American students are too willing to agree with the opinions of the outsiders, however, rather than defending their original ideas.

"They are likely to underestimate the greatness of their own country," he said, "and they allow themselves to be too easily frightened by such things as Sputniks."

"My best students are those who think out their beliefs on their own," Jackson said. He continued that students shouldn't be satisfied with just what the professor offers in lectures. They should be interested in obtaining a full understanding of the subject content by searching for and reading more outside material.

Cultural Programs Urged

Jackson suggested that perhaps the Student Council and other campus organizations could take advantage of the cultural opportunities on campus by sponsoring programs which would feature international students who could present such things as their social customs, traditions and ways of entertainment.

"Though it is educational to bring out the political characteristics of nations, the cultural side should not be overlooked," Jackson said.

He expressed his appreciation for the cooperation he has received which helped him to present a successful series during his visit.

New Freshmen Flunkout Heaviest

Nearly half the students dropped from University rolls for unsatisfactory scholarship at the end of the 1957-58 academic year were students first enrolled as freshmen in September, 1957.

Four of five failing students were of Junior Division classification, according to Lee Chatfield, director of Junior Division and Counseling Service.

Upperclassmen stay Some 48 per cent of the total dropped were new freshmen. Chatfield's report read, and 20 per cent of the unsatisfactory reports came from non-Junior Division students.

The proportion of new freshmen dropped was 21 per cent. A fourth of the Junior Division students failed to gain adequate grades to stay in school and an estimated 15 per cent of the sophomore class flunked.

College Drops Equal

Chatfield's report showed only about 3 1/2 per cent of non-Junior Division undergraduates fell below University standards, with the percentage approximately the same for each college.

To stay in school new freshmen must have earned a 4

average or higher in at least one of the two semesters, with a minimum cumulative average of 3.5.

Upperclassmen ordinarily were dropped if their accumulative average fell below 4 or if they had two consecutive semester averages below 4.

KUON-TV Tuesday

- 5:30 Sing Hi-Sing Lo
- 5:45 Friendly Giant
- 6:00 Evening Parade
- 6:30 TV Classroom
- 7:00 Let's Visit School
- 7:30 Ten For Survival
- 8:00 Language and Literature
- 8:30 Documentary
- 9:00 Repeating Session

Young Republicans

The Young Republicans will have a Christmas party Thursday evening following a short program.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Union 313.

Outside World

About 5,000 American tourists have visited the Soviet Union so far this year, says Radio Moscow. This is double the 1957 number.

Avoid the Rush

A London pub gives this advice: "Avoid Christmas rush—drink now."

Upholds Honor

An Aldershot, England man began serving 42 days in jail for upholding the honor of Scotland the hard way. He was convicted of beating three English soldiers who teased him about his highland home.

Sex Pictures Easier

Brigitte Bardot's ex-husband, Producer Roger Vadim, said in London, "I only make sex pictures because it's easier to get these past the censor in France than it is with pictures about almost any other subject."

Pooch Wears Pajamas

Scarsdale, N. Y., police found a Welsh terrier clad in blue pajamas. When the owner turned up to claim the dog she told police the dog had run off just before bedtime.

Air Conditioning Provided

Ipswich, England firemen received 100 pairs of "ventilated trousers" after complaining of their "hot, stuffy and uncomfortable" firefighting garb.

Union Plans 'Tinsel Time'

The gleam and glitter of tinsel will help welcome the holidays at the Student Union's annual Christmas party, "Tinsel Time."

The party, sponsored by the Special Activities Committee, will be held Wednesday from 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Women's hours will be extended to 11:00 p.m. for the event.

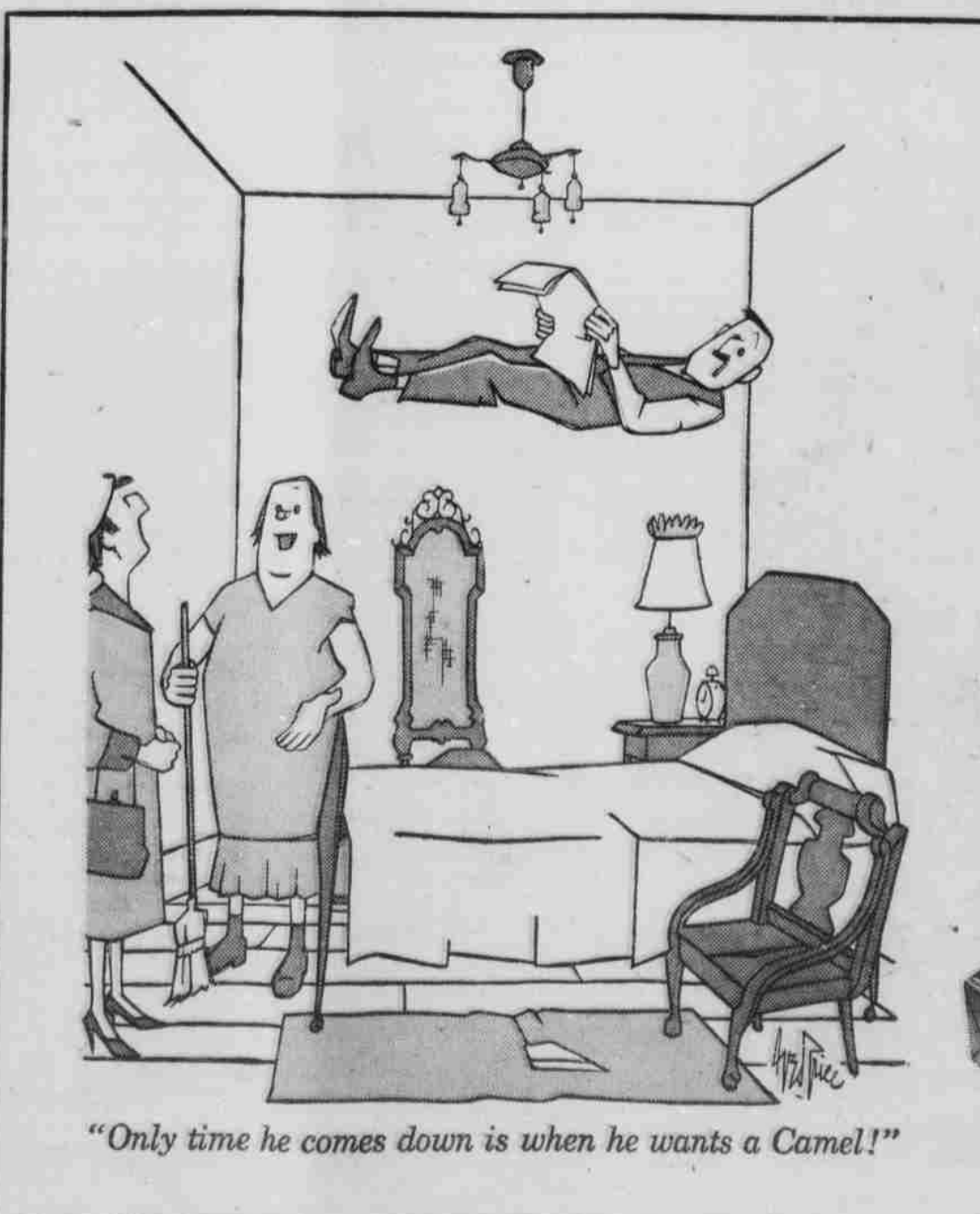
Bill Albers' Band and Dick Moses' Combo will provide music.

Special entertainment will include the Ag Carolers, a stereophonic hi-fidelity demonstration and Santa Claus. Refreshments will be served.

All students are welcome.

Cliff's
Gifts for men
Lindell Hotel
13th & M
Open Evenings 'til 9

STOEHR'S COMPLETE SHOE REPAIR SERVICE
Expert Shoe Service
WHILE-U-WAIT
Renew your Shoes & Restore Their "New" Look
Save Money—Save Shoes
2322 N 2-7839



For real, down-to-earth smoking enjoyment, there's nothing else like Camel. No other cigarette brings you the rich flavor and easygoing mildness of Camel's costly blend. More people smoke Camels than any other cigarette of any kind. Today as always, the best tobacco makes the best smoke.

Rise above fads and fancy stuff...
Have a real cigarette—have a CAMEL

