

Teacher Demand Greater Past Year

Only One of 30 Requests Filled

The annual report of the Teachers College placement division indicates the demand for University-trained teachers took the biggest leap ever recorded during this past year.

The report shows that there has been an 11 per cent increase in requests for all students at the College and a 20 per cent increase in demand for students who will teach in colleges.

Jump of 2,000

While there were more than 16,000 requests made for primary, secondary and college teachers last year, the number was up 18,000 during the 1958-59 school year, Dr. Wesley Meierhenry, division coordinator, said.

For every 30 requests

made, only one can be filled during the year.

Nebraska schools received 60 per cent of the school's graduating students and although this is a slight decrease over last year, 70 of the state's 93 counties did get a teacher from the University.

Dr. Meierhenry said, "We can't begin to satisfy all Nebraska schools." In Nebraska alone, there were 2,346 requests. Only 393 were filled.

Larger Portions

Dr. Meierhenry pointed out that, as in years past, California, Colorado and Iowa received the major portion of the remaining 40 per cent.

"The real bind is just around the corner," he said. "There is going to be a critical demand for college teachers in the early part of the 1960's because of the 'war baby' birth rate from 1945 to 1960."

Enrollment the Same

Dr. Meierhenry pointed out there has been no increase in enrollment of students in Teachers College this year.

"In certain areas of the United States, starting salaries of teachers are going up sharply and are reflecting the overwhelming demand," he said.

Dr. Weaver To Head New Group

Dr. John Weaver, dean of the University Graduate College, has been elected temporary chairman of the newly formed Mid-America Association of State Universities.

He was also named chairman of the executive committee.

State university representatives from six states met at Kansas City, Mo., to discuss a plan to pool research and other upper-level training in which duplications would be avoided.

The group plans to initiate a co-operative effort in which specialized and costly research would be parceled out to one school, working for the benefit of all.

In addition to the University, the following schools were represented at the meeting: The Universities of Missouri, Kansas, Kansas State, Oklahoma State, Colorado, Oklahoma State and Iowa State.

Derricks At 12th, R Not for Oil

Derricks that might be seen at the corner of 12th and R Sts. are not up for the purpose of drilling of oil or water.

"They are testing soil to find the type of foundation which will be necessary to put up for a heavy stone building such as the Sheldon Art Gallery," Carl Donaldson University business manager, said.

This is a regular routine for all construction, he said.

Drawings for buildings are progressing rapidly and details of international relations of adjoining rooms are being worked out, according to New York architect Philip Johnston.

Regents Election Set Saturday

University Regents will hold their annual reorganization meeting Saturday at 4 p.m.

The 1960 president and vice president will be elected as well as the trustees for the Dormitory Corporation and the regent's representative on the Nebraska University Foundation.

Clarence Swanson is now president.

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NU Given Government Surpluses

Louis Legg, manager of the University's inventory section, is responsible, among other things, for the acquisition and placement of surplus federal equipment and supplies.

Recently obtained by the University were five jeeps, a heating and refrigeration system for the physics department for research of weather effects on concrete, lathes and compressors for the maintenance section, sprayers and related equipment for the College of Agriculture, electronic equipment for the College of Engineering and sound absorbing material for the department of speech.

The University is able to obtain these items since all schools in Nebraska are on a priority outlet list when it comes to the disposal of outdated, damaged or surplus federal supplies and equipment.

Legg explained that the federal government turns over the material to the state to be stored and disposed of.

"There is no way of determining just how much this saves the Nebraska taxpayer," Legg said, "but it runs into a very substantial amount each year."

He explained that many departments and colleges at the University would have to wait for years before receiving enough budget money for certain pieces of equipment if it were not for the surplus material.

Home Economics Faculty Sponsors Coffee Hour

Home economics seniors and graduate students at the University will be honored at a coffee hour this Saturday.

The annual event, sponsored by the home economics faculty, will be held in the Student Union from 9:30-11 a.m.

Special guests, in addition to the students, will include Mrs. Clifford Hardin, Mrs. W. V. Lambert and Mrs. Franklin Eldridge.

Other guests will be: Miss Helen Snyder, associate dean of student affairs; Mrs. Jane Wendorf, assistant to the dean of student affairs; and Mrs. Olga Steele, foreign student adviser.

Former home economics staff members, the Misses Margaret Fedde, Florence Corbin, Carolyn and Mary Rokahr will also be guests.

English Profs Plan Non-Credit Poetry Course

Beginning this month, the KUON-TV program "Conversation Piece" will be televised on Tuesdays at 8 p.m.

Permanent participants on the poetry discussion hour are Professors Bernice Slose and James Miller Jr. of the English dept.

A special guest will join them each week for an informal exchange of ideas. The first two programs are on contemporary Italian and American poets.

Beginning Jan. 19, the series will develop into a non-credit telecourse in American and English poetry. A course outline will be available from KUON-TV.

European Seminar Announced

The 11th graduate seminar held by New York University's School of Education is planned next July 1-Aug. 29.

The group will attend a session of the British Parliament and University of London seminar. In Germany, Italy and France the program includes visits to UNESCO, NATO, SHAPE, United States embassies and the parliaments of the countries.

The total cost of the seminar is estimated at \$1,460. Participants who complete all requirements will receive eight hours of graduate credit.

The members of the seminar will have most of their afternoons and weekends free since the visits will take place in the morning.

Applications will be considered in the order in which they are received.

Requirements, applications and further information can be obtained from: Prof. C. O. Arndt, Students Building 57A, New York University, Washington Square, New York 3.

Missionary Here To Talk Today

The Rev. Mr. R. A. Gill, a member of the Episcopal Order of Holy Cross and a missionary in Liberia, will speak at 4 p.m. today in 334 Student Union.

He will show slides of his work in Liberia and speak on the mission of the church.



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Kaleidoscope Set Tonight

The Cosmopolitan Club's "International Kaleidoscope," featuring dancing, singing and yoga, will be held tonight in the Student Union Ballroom at 7:30.

Tickets for the show are 50 cents. More than 25 nations will be represented with Dick Marrs acting as master of ceremonies.

Over-all chairman for the event is Gunel Ataisik.

Switchboard In Andrews Is Rewired

Complete rewiring of the electrical switchboard in Andrews Hall was completed by the University maintenance department prior to Christmas.

Charles Fowler, director of the Division of Building and Grounds, said the work was made necessary because of the increased use of electricity by the College of Dentistry.

Fowler explained that Dental College is keeping up with the times in their use of complex equipment and as a result more efficient electrical conduits were made necessary.

"The entire University uses approximately seven per cent more electricity each successive year," he added.

In addition to the rewiring work done during the holidays, maintenance men are repairing and painting several men's and women's residence halls, are replacing second-story railings and are repairing the child development laboratory at the College of Agriculture.

Sprains, Pulled Muscles Keep Therapists Busy

The social season may bring an extra bit of business to the physical therapy department at Student Health.

Formal occasions often find the girls with the perfect dress but no suntan to go with it. Some of them trek to the physical therapy lab in search of a sunlamp.

However, these visitors are often disappointed when they learn a doctor's prescription is needed, even for a suntan!

Varied Cases

This is just one example of the variety of cases the physical therapists of Student Health, George Sullivan and Mrs. Pat Bott, encounter in their work.

According to Sullivan, the largest percentage of their work deals with acute injuries such as sprains and pulled muscles. Most of them are the result of injuries resulting from intramural sports, physical education classes and University athletic programs such as football and basketball.

The therapists also do some rehabilitation work with injured athletes. This requires stretching muscles decapitated by an injury.

The therapists also have helped to rehabilitate students suffering from paralysis caused by polio.

Heat is the most effective method for eliminating swelling and loosening taut muscles, according to Sullivan. Other equipment used includes a whirlpool, diathermy machine, ultra sound and ultra violet machines.

The whirlpool is used for sprained ankles and agitates hot and cold water alternately around the ankle. The diathermy uses electrical deep heat. The ultra-sound machine uses sound waves at the rate of one million per second, to stimulate circulation and heat.

Lab Features

Other features of the lab include an exercise or rehabilitation room equipped with a special exercise table and different types of exercise equipment. Heat lamps, paraffin baths and hot packs also are used.

Sullivan pointed out that the success of rehabilitation was due to the patients' attitude. If they have the right attitude half the battle is won, he said.

He mentioned that many of his patients complained of pains in their backs. In many cases this may be attributed to poor posture. He said students are not as active, physically, in college as they were in high school due to less participation in athletic programs.

The therapists treat an average of 18 patients a day. During the fall as many as 30 cases a day are treated.

Students Say Classrooms Beat TV

A University graduate student's thesis shows that although high school students may learn as much in some subjects by taking combined TV-correspondence courses as in the classroom, the student still prefer the old way.

Leon Rottmann concluded in his thesis for a Doctor of Philosophy degree that although the attitude toward the subject matter and teacher in TV-correspondence instruction is the same, the attitude toward method favors the conventional classroom techniques.

Several groups of students were compared by Rottmann in the state. One group was taking the combination TV-correspondence courses and two others in small and large conventional classrooms, all taking the same subjects.

"In some subject areas it is possible to teach more effectively by the TV-correspondence method . . . and in other subjects it is not as effective," the thesis stated.

It was also stated that many factors contribute toward the success of TV-correspondence study instruction and that the effectiveness of the method is not necessarily related to the levels of school ability.

Rottmann is now teaching in Albuquerque, N.M.

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