

Challenging times ahead for schools, visitors say

It's a challenging time for education, according to two education specialists visiting the University of Nebraska-Lincoln for elementary education summer workshops.

Mrs. Arlene McShea, a language arts specialist from the Gates-Chili School District in Rochester, N.Y., and Mrs. Audean Allman, assistant professor of elementary curriculum at Texas Southern University in Houston, agreed that in spite of problems educators face, exciting things are happening.

"I like to think problems are only opportunities in work clothes," Mrs. Allman said.

She said the biggest crisis in education throughout the country is the method of school financing. "We'll have to wait for some Supreme Court decisions to know exactly where we stand on that," she said.

Mrs. McShea said the biggest problem for educators is "meeting the needs of individual children."

"Good teachers and good administrators have always been aware of the need to meet special needs," she said, "but now we're starting to take a hard look at children and teachers as individuals."

"But if individualization is the biggest problem for education, it's also the best thing about it," she said. "Education is a people business, and now we're really doing something significant for people."

But she cautioned that careful planning is important if individualized educational methods, such as the open school, are to be useful.

"Open education is not just knocking out all the walls, throwing out all the desks, carpeting the floors and putting in central air conditioning," she said.

Mrs. Allman also emphasized the importance of careful planning. Before integrating an all-black faculty at Texas Southern University, Mrs. Allman was with the Houston Public Schools, whose 270,000 students make it the sixth largest school district in the world.

"In a big district, making just one change is like moving an elephant," she said. "Every time we start something new, we have to pilot it very carefully first. The greater flexibility with smaller districts is the biggest advantage they have."

Mrs. McShea said other problems of large metropolitan districts are the urban problems themselves.

"Ours is a small suburban school district in Rochester with just 7,800 students," she said. "But we have a great diversity of backgrounds of our students. There's an amazing variety of languages and living conditions."

Recently it was found that among about 50 children, 17 languages were spoken in their homes, with English learned in school as a second language.

Mrs. Allman and Mrs. McShea praised Nebraska teachers.

"I like the attitude people here have toward education," Mrs. McShea said. "I don't sense any militancy on the part of teachers like we have in New York, with our teacher strikes and pickets. People seem to have a sincere professional desire to improve what they're doing."

"People here don't seem to get up tight about things," Mrs. Allman said. "They seem to have their fingers on the problems."



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'Jesus People'

ETV programs scheduled for July 24-30

MONDAY, JULY 24

6:00 CHARLIE'S PAD (Color) Charles Johnson discusses "Cartoon Spots."
6:15 SWEDISH CLOUPEO "Children in Town" focuses on Stockholm's playground facilities.
6:30 NETCOTE SUPPLEMENT Dr. Mitchell Burkovsky discusses "English As A Second Language."
7:00 PBS SPECIAL OF THE WEEK (Color) "Arthur Penn - Themes and Variants" is a 90-minute profile of the noted film director ("Bonnie and Clyde," "Little Big Man" and others).
8:30 BOOK BEAT (Color) Host Robert Cronin interviews Charles Norman, post-biographer of "Poets and People."
9:00 BACKYARD FARMER (Color) University of Nebraska extension specialists answer questions on lawn, houseplant and garden care shown in by viewers. Phone numbers to call are announced during the broadcast.
10:00 HATHAYOGA (Color) Tonight's positions: "Kneeling Post" and "Goodlie."
10:30 MASTERPIECE THEATRE (Color) Repeats from July 23, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 25

6:00 SOUL FOOD Repeats from 3 p.m.
6:30 CONSULTATION (Color) Dr. Morton Goldberg is the featured speaker on the subject.

Places to visit

ART GALLERY

Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden, 12th and R Streets, exhibits a permanent collection and periodic special showings. Summer gallery hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday; closed Monday and holidays.

SKY SHOWS

The Ralph Mueller Planetarium at the University of Nebraska State Museum features "The Ice Age Astronomer." The sky shows are presented at 2:45 p.m. Monday through Friday and at 2:30 and 3:45 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and holidays. Groups of 10 or more may make arrangements for special showings.

LIBRARIES

Major library units include Love Library, Law Library, Undergraduate Library at Nebraska Hall and the C. V. Thompson Library on East Campus. Library hours: 7:30 a.m. to 10:20 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 7:30 a.m. to 4:50 p.m. Friday; 7:50 a.m. to 4:50 p.m. Saturday; 5 to 10:20 p.m. Sunday.

STATE MUSEUM

The University of Nebraska State Museum, 14th and U Streets, features audio-tours of exhibits, Hall of Elephants, Hall of Nebraska Wildlife, Hall of Man, Health Science Galleries. Museum hours: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday; 1:30 to 5 p.m. Sunday and holidays.

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6:00 THE DEVOUT YOUNG (Color) "Two Communities" examines a Zen Center near Los Angeles and the Community of the Agape in San Francisco.
6:30 THE FRENCH CHEF (Color) Repeats from July 23, 6:30 p.m.
7:00 HOUSE AND HOME (Color) Janet Poley hosts this weekly feature of consumer news, tips on meal management and answers to viewer questions and interviews.
7:30 THE JAZZ SET (Color) Folk guitarist Larry Johnson sings the blues songs of the old masters.
8:00 HOLLYWOOD TELEVISION THEATRE (Color) "Birds" stars James Farentino and Patty Duke in a powerful psychological drama about a struggling young writer working in a New York restaurant.
9:00 WORLD PRESS (Color) Experts analyze news coverage in world's leading newspapers.
9:30 THIRTY MINUTES WITH (Color) Newswoman Elizabeth Drew interviews prominent public figures.
10:00 HATHAYOGA (Color) Tonight's positions: "Anterior Stretch and Cobra."
10:30 EVENING AT POPS (Color) Repeats from July 25, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

6:00 THE AMERICAN WEST (Color) Jack Smith hosts this travel series that visits famous historical sites.
6:30 BRIDGE WITH JEAN COX Lesson on beginning bridge.
7:00 A PUBLIC AFFAIR/ELECTION '72 (Color) Veteran broadcast journalists Sander Vanocur and Robert McNeil look at the issues, the voters, and the candidates of the 1972 presidential campaign.
7:30 FILM ODYSSEY "The Cabinet of Doctor Caligari" stars Werner Krauss and Conrad Veidt in this bizarre German silent film about a magician, a sleepwalker, and a series of strange murders.
9:00 ALL ABOUT WELFARE (Color) "The Coming Asunder of Jimmy Bright" is a story of a young caseworker caught in the conflict between the clients he must serve and the welfare system he represents.
10:30 HATHAYOGA (Color) Tonight's positions: "Revolving Triangle and Tripod Head Stand."
11:00 FIRING LINE (Color) Repeats from July 23, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 28

6:00 HOUSE AND HOME (Color) Repeats from July 27, 7 p.m.
6:30 OFF THE RECORD The work of a producer and problems he faces in putting together a "hit" record are discussed.
7:00 THE OLEANNA TRAIL (Color) Michael Cooney and Richard and Lee Wilkie perform.
7:30 UNIVERSITY NEWS News events from the four University of Nebraska campuses are reported.
8:00 OUR STREET (Color) "Dark Darkness" finds Bull's untimely, senseless death.
8:30 WASHINGTON WEEK IN REVIEW (Color) Moderator Robert MacNeil and newsmen Peter Lisagor, Charles Corddry and Neil McNeil discuss top news stories.

9:00 MAGGIE AND THE BEAUTIFUL MACHINE (Color)

who chose to become carpenters and farmers.

SUNDAY, JULY 30

6:00 THE ELECTRIC COMPANY (Color)
6:30 THE FRENCH CHEF (Color) Julia Child demonstrates how to concoct an expert pie crust dough and use it many ways.
7:00 FIRING LINE (Color) William F. Buckley, Jr. hosts this hour of lively debate.
8:00 MASTERPIECE THEATRE (Color) Assuming that Owen and Fieda will marry, Mrs. Gareth returns the "spoils" to Peyton, but Mona has her own plans.
9:00 EVENING AT POPS (Color) The piano duo team of Ferrante and Teicher appear in concert with Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops.
10:00 HATHAYOGA (Color) Tonight's positions: "Shooting Bow and Inverted Posture."
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