

# Home Ec building postpones dean's changes

by Shelly Kalkowski

How does the only female dean at UNL feel about her new position?

"I like it," Hazel Anthony said with a grin. "The other deans are very, very nice to work with."

Anthony, 53, has had ample opportunity to work with UNL's male administrators. In 1970, she was appointed Associate Dean of the College of Home Economics after nine years in the UNL Department of Home Economics Education.

When former dean, Dr. Virginia Trotter, was appointed vice-chancellor of Academic Affairs, Anthony became interim dean. Her new appointment to the college's top administrative position was announced by the Board of Regents during their December meeting.

In an interview last week, Anthony said she did not think her position as a female dean will be either an advantage or a disadvantage. She said she became accustomed to working with male administrators during her appointments at Michigan State University, Iowa State University and when she was pursuing her doctorate at the University of Pennsylvania.

The Lexington, Nebraska, native received both her undergraduate and masters degrees from the University of Nebraska in Home Economics Education.

When asked about her plans for the College of Home Economics, the trim, neatly dressed dean said she did not plan to change anything, but she would listen to suggestions from department heads and faculty members.

Changes in administrative procedures will not take place until the new Home Economics Building is completed, Anthony said. She added that building construction should be completed sometime during the 1973-74 school year.

This semester, she will continue to teach the Home Economics Senior Seminar which she taught as associate dean because she feels classroom contact is a means of keeping in touch with students.

Compared to other schools' programs, Anthony rates the UNL Home Economics undergraduate program "right up among the top in balance, quality of instruction and expertise of faculty. But we are not as strong on the graduate level."

"This past month, 50 notices of vacancies, from professorships to administrative positions, have passed this desk," she said. "Most say 'doctorates preferred.' UNL's Home Economics program

"The need for doctorates in home economics is increasing," she continued.

offers only one doctorate in food and nutrition.

According to the new dean, Home Economics is useful in today's society because "our programs are cognizant of the social situation today."

Anthony named such areas as consumer service, the handicapped homemaker, nutrition, the social-psychology of clothing and human development as those responding to the needs of the times.

She also said that home economics courses are of interest to students outside of the college.

"Last year, we had over 700 registrations from other colleges within UNL," Anthony said. "And we had a higher percentage of enrollment growth than any other UNL college."

She added that she works closely with the deans from agriculture, arts and sciences and teachers colleges because of interrelated programs.

"I don't feel any hesitation in saying this," she continued. "I think Home Economics has gained a sense of respect at UNL."

While discussing the Equal Rights Amendment, Anthony said she thinks "It would be too bad if Nebraska rescinds what they did because it (the amendment) will eventually become the law of the land. I think the proposal for reversal is based on misinterpretation and misconception."

"Delighted" is the word Anthony used to describe her reaction to men entering Home Economics. She said that males make a class more interesting and realistic.

"I think men have every right to enter a field dominated by women," Anthony said. She said the breakdown of male-female roles and the increase of male Home Economics faculty members helps make male students more comfortable.

The College of Home Economics now employs three male faculty members and three male graduate assistants.

Concerning the Home Economics stereotype (dowdy old ladies in long skirts), Anthony said, "I can remember what I used to think, and I hope we've changed."

She added that she thought the stereotype was fading because of the enthusiasm, professionalism and attractiveness of young men and women in Home Economics.

She said the Home Economics graduate has an obligation to her profession.

"We need dedicated young women," Anthony said. "The Home Economics graduate will be letting herself down if she doesn't use and share her opportunities and knowledge."



Home Ec Dean Hazel Anthony . . . no novice in dealing with male administrators

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## Fewer students attend UNL

Fewer students are attending UNL this semester than last, if enrollment estimates announced by University officials prove correct. According to Gerald Bowker, UNL director of academic services, just under 20,000 students are attending classes this semester on the Lincoln campus.

That figure, he said, is close to an earlier projection for second semester. First semester enrollment was 21,582.

Officials had projected a seven to eight per cent drop in attendance second semester. Last year, second semester enrollment dropped about six per cent. That figure was higher than the rate during the previous two school years. The rate for those years was about four per cent.

Bowker said the 20,000 figure is only a head count and does not indicate how many credit hours students are taking.

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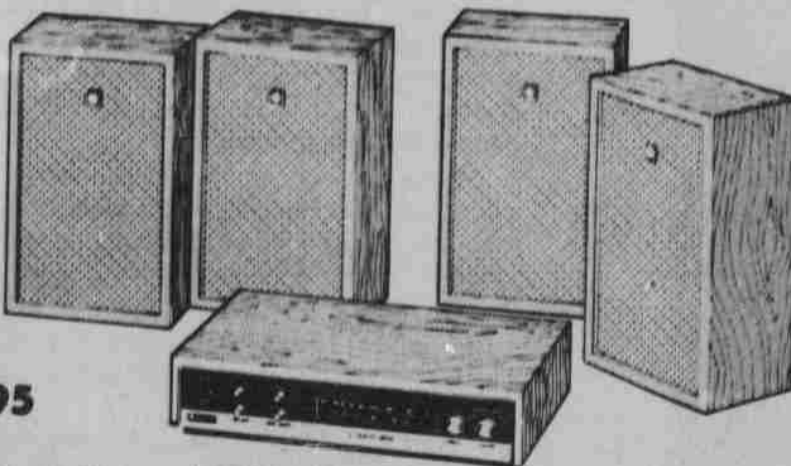
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### Family planning

The Family Planning Center is training a new staff on Feb. 3. Interested persons should leave their name and phone number at the Student Y by Jan. 31.