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Plan Venture in Adult Education



John O'Donnell, director of personnel, describes the University's new adult educational program to a group of employees at an informal meeting.

President Seitz has endorsed plans for a cooperative study program that would enlist volunteer instructors from the campus community to work with University employees in a new venture in adult education.

This experimental program will create the opportunity for instruction on two levels:

Reading, speaking, and writing the English language; fundamental arithmetic.

Preparation for the state high school equivalency program.

The program is designed to assist employees who wish to further their educational development by arranging free instruction for them on campus, at a convenient hour. The University will provide classroom space and instructional materials.

It is the hope of John J. O'Donnell, director of personnel, who is coordinating the program, that individually tailored courses can be arranged on a small-group basis so that participants can work at their own pace, without grading or testing. Mrs. Marcia Cammann, educational director of the Children's School, will be in charge of curriculum planning and will work with the volunteer instructors and participants in the program in designing appropriate courses of study.

Mr. O'Donnell is visiting employee groups around campus to explain the program and answer questions. Assisting him is John Galdos of the Personnel Office, who is fluent in Spanish. Anyone interested in learning more about how this new venture might help him or her is also urged to call Mr. O'Donnell (extension 1414).

Individuals who think they might be able to serve as instructors—in English and arithmetic or in high school subjects—are requested to call Mrs. Cammann (extension 1591). No degrees or specific credits in education are required, only the basic knowledge, the will, and Mrs. Cammann's help.

The ultimate goal of this affirmative action project is to enable all participants to progress at their own pace as far as they desire. All personnel are invited to attend an organizing meeting at 12:15 P.M. on March 1 in Caspary Auditorium, at which time full details will be provided by Mr. O'Donnell and Mrs. Cammann.

Visiting the Campuses

The University has launched an experimental program in which senior faculty members will serve as visiting lecturers at a small group of leading undergraduate institutions.

The program, an outgrowth of discussions within the Academic Council, is aimed at colleges and universities with a tradition of providing excellent preparation for advanced study. The visiting lecturers will help to supplement the faculties of these institutions in certain fields. Typically, a Rockefeller faculty member will visit a campus for a day or two to give a lecture and lead a seminar for students interested in his topic. He will also answer questions about opportunities for graduate study and research at the University with a view to widening the pool of qualified students from which candidates for admission are drawn.

Professor David J. L. Luck, who is coordinating the program, reports that visits to 9 of the 12 institutions invited to participate either have been scheduled or are being arranged. He is gratified at the number of faculty members who have expressed an interest in taking part. If the program is continued beyond next fall, it will be expanded to include more institutions and to involve more faculty.

In addition to Dr. Luck, the visiting lecturers are Professors Purnell W. Choppin, Donald R. Griffin, James G. Hirsch, Nicola N. Khuri, Richard M. Krause, George E. Palade, Edward Reich, and Norton D. Zinder. The list of institutions includes 11 colleges—Reed, Kenyon, Hamilton, Haverford, Swarthmore, Oberlin, Saint Olaf, Williams, Carleton, Amherst, and Mount Holyoke—and Wesleyan University.

As part of its effort to identify exceptionally well-qualified candidates for graduate fellowships, the University has also enlisted the aid of its alumni. A letter from President Seitz urging alumni "to assist us in this most important admissions process" has prompted many expressions of support.



VALENTINE STORY

In the past 12 months *news and notes* has announced a total of 29 marriages of University people.

Members Chosen for New Committee

A Standing Committee on University Affairs comprising representatives of the trustees, academic staff, administration, and graduate fellows has been created to foster better communications within the campus community.

A resolution by the trustees creating the new organization states that the Standing Committee shall advise the Board of Trustees "on issues of significance to the University community and shall have such other powers and responsibilities as may be determined" by the board. In connection with its advisory powers and responsibilities, the committee will "consider such issues as may be submitted" by the board and "may also consider issues submitted by the University Senate and other entities involved with the University community."

The committee is comprised of:

Two members of the tenured faculty, one elected by the Academic Council from among its elected members and the other from the elected executive committee of the General Faculty Organization.

Two members of the nontenured faculty and postdoctoral investigators, also elected from those on the executive committee of the General Faculty Organization.

Two graduate fellows elected by the Student Representative Committee.

Two members of the administration, one being the president and the other to be appointed by him.

Two members of the Board of Trustees, appointed by the board chairman, one of these to be designated as chairman of the Standing Committee.

The first chairman of the new organization is Walter N. Rothschild, Jr. The other member from the board is Dr. John G. Hildebrand, a University alumnus. The two members elected by the students are Anthony S. Meyer and Alan M. Tartakoff. The tenured faculty selected as members are Professors David J. L. Luck and Martin A. Rizack. Nontenured faculty members are Dr. Christiana M. Leonard and Dr. Richard E. Zigmond. President Seitz has appointed Rodney W. Nichols, director of program planning and development, as the other administration member.

Members will be chosen on or before the date of the trustees' annual meeting for a term of one year. They may be elected or appointed to succeed themselves, but it is the board's hope

that the membership of the standing committee will change periodically. No member, other than the president, will serve for more than five consecutive years. It is expected that the entire group will meet every three months, beginning this month.

Dr. Seitz described the formation of the committee as a significant step toward enhancing University communications and took the opportunity to reaffirm his continuing interest in meeting with anyone on matters of concern to the campus community.

The creation of the committee stems from students' recommendations that they be given a more meaningful voice in the affairs of the University. Last October, David Rockefeller, board chairman, appointed an *ad hoc* committee, chaired by Mr. Rothschild, to study ways by which graduate fellows could participate more effectively in the planning process. This group included President Seitz, William O. Baker, J. Richardson Dilworth, John W. Gardner, Dr. Hildebrand, and Dr. Mark Kac. Two students—Richard E. Zigmond, now a postdoctoral fellow, and J. David Castle—also served as members, and Mr. Nichols participated as a representative of the administration.

After wide-ranging discussions and a survey of mechanisms used at other universities to achieve good communications among trustees, faculty, administrators, and students, the *ad hoc* committee submitted a unanimous report recommending the formation of a Standing Committee on University Affairs.

PERSONAL MENTION

Linda M. Petersell, typist-clerk, was married on December 18 to John Snowman, a proofreader.

Born, December 20, to **Louise Ferraro**, bookkeeping clerk, and her husband, Joseph, a construction worker, a daughter, Christina Louise, their third child. Mrs. Ferraro's mother, **Emily Getting**, is a helper in the laboratory of Dr. Henry G. Kunkel.

Born, December 28, to **Jean Baptiste Garcia**, kitchen porter, and his wife, Leda, a son, Donald, their second child.

Two New Grants Raise Development Total

Two new grants in support of the University's \$118 million development effort have been announced by President Seitz, bringing to nearly \$25.5 million the total raised since the program was launched a year ago this month.

The Carnegie Corporation of New York has approved a grant of \$250,000 to be made over a three year period in support of research on cultural factors in the development of learning abilities. This research is being conducted by Professors Michael Cole and William K. Estes, Mathematical Psychology.

A grant of \$75,000 has been received from The Charles E. Merrill Trust to be used at the discretion of the trustees in helping to meet the objectives of the development program. Dr. Seitz said that no decision has yet been made as to the allocation of the unrestricted gift.

C. W. Cook, chairman and chief executive officer of the General Foods Corporation, heads the trustee committee that is spearheading the University's first attempt to seek private support since its founding. In reviewing the results of the first year's activities, Dr. Seitz reported that in excess of \$20 million has been received from foundations and more than \$5 million from individuals. Foundation grants previously announced include: Rockefeller Foundation, \$9.7 million; Rockefeller Brothers Fund, \$5 million; Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, \$2,512,500; Scaife Family Charitable Trust, \$2 million; Mary Flagler Cary Charitable Trust, \$550,000; and Surdna Foundation, \$100,000. In addition to a pledge of \$5 million made by David Rockefeller, chairman of the board, gifts totaling more than \$300,000 have been made by other individuals, primarily the University's trustees.

Mr. Rockefeller joined Mr. Cook and President Seitz in expressing "our deep appreciation to the members of the University's faculty and staff who have given so liberally of their time and effort in assisting in the presentation of proposals to foundations and individuals and in meeting with prospective donors on the campus. This kind of continuing cooperation," they said, "will be a primary factor in insuring the success of a most ambitious undertaking, especially as we increase the pace of our activity."



At left, Dr. Dole answers students' questions. Right, at the clinic: William Taylor (standing at left), Dr. Millman, Dr. Khuri, and Mrs. McCarty.

Objective: "A Bridge to the World"

"Must a kid who's 16 and has been mainlining since he was 12 have to 'shoot up' two more years before he's eligible for methadone?"

The questioner was a high school student, one of hundreds who attended the University's Christmas Lectures on drug addiction. The lecturer was Dr. Vincent P. Dole. After two days of separating fact from fancy about drug abuse, he had been describing the method of treating heroin addiction through the administration of methadone—a substance which relieves drug hunger and blocks euphoria, thus making it possible for the addict to function normally. (The method was developed by Dr. Dole and his wife, psychiatrist Marie Nyswander, in the early sixties and its use is now widespread.) Dr. Dole explained that regular methadone maintenance programs are generally limited to proven addicts of at least 18 years of age. The question which troubled the teenager has troubled Dr. Dole and Dr. Nyswander, but the usual arguments against methadone for youngsters have been based upon the fact that the treatment is not a cure. Notwithstanding its benefits, it depends upon the substitution of one addictive substance for another. Should very young addicts have their tolerance raised by exposure to another narcotic?

Three years ago Dr. Nyswander decided to try an experimental program to see if low doses of methadone coupled with other therapeutic measures, might work as a means toward ultimate detoxification, rather than lifetime maintenance.

She began with a few adolescent addicts at the Rockefeller Hospital outpatient clinic. About a year ago, the project moved into its own quarters at 411 East 69th Street, the old Kips Bay Health Center, with the support of a Rockefeller Foundation grant. As reported last May in *news and notes*, the clinic, called the Adolescent Develop-

ment Program, is run jointly by the University and the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center. Its staff is under the direction of Dr. Robert B. Millman, assistant professor of public health at Cornell and assistant physician and postdoctoral fellow at Rockefeller, and Dr. Elizabeth Khuri, a Cornell Fellow in pediatrics and visiting associate physician at Rockefeller. (Her husband, Dr. Nicola N. Khuri, is professor of theoretical physics at the University.) Marjorie McCarty (Mrs. Maelyn McCarty), who has had extensive experience in other drug programs, serves as a counselor specializing in legal and vocational help. Barbara Morris, a high school teacher, took an extended leave to work as the clinic's educational liaison. She has resumed teaching but continues to help out in her spare time. Replacing her is counselor Cindy Meyer. William Taylor, another full-time counselor, and college student Joseph Turner, a part-time rehabilitation aid, fill a special need because they are close in age and social background to the patients. When the youngsters come for their daily dosage and urine check, they report to Nurses Karin Nelson and Claudette Chan of New York Hospital. Mrs. Beatrice Bryant is in charge of the reception desk.

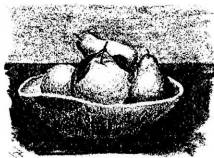
When the program was being developed, a major question was whom to select for treatment. It was decided that the clinic should function as a neighborhood resource, its patients limited to students registered in the Julia Richman High School on East 67th Street. Most of these students, who are from 14 to 18 years of age, come from the ghetto. Drug use is high and the truancy rate runs about 40 percent. Only those with a record of two years of continuous addiction and a history of failure in other drug programs are admitted, and only with parental consent. Referrals are made by school personnel and by other patients

in the program. Upon entry, each patient undergoes a complete physical examination and immediate attention is given to existing health problems.

For many of these children, coming to the center has meant finding, for the first time in a long while, people who seem to give a damn about them, and in the beginning, they spend much of their time there. The doctors' and counselors' doors are always open. The conference room is a place for coffee, sandwiches, and conversation. Counselors arrange trips to plays, films, museums, and sports events. Gently, the youngsters are eased into thinking about a return to school. Help is arranged for remedial tutoring or for jobs. As Dr. Khuri puts it, "This is their haven, their refuge, but we also want it to be their bridge to the world. It's not enough for them to adjust only to the clinic community." Accordingly, the center makes a point of soliciting the help of able ex-addicts in working with the kids.

On January 8-10, the Fourth National Methadone Conference met in San Francisco. Dr. Millman reported on the results of the first three years of the center's detoxification program. Fifty-seven patients are currently being followed. Eighty-six percent of the original sixty-six patients remain in the program. Seventy-three percent are on methadone. Nine have been detoxified, for periods ranging from a month to a year, with a mean of six months. Nine patients have been discharged for continued drug abuse or other reasons. One detoxified patient reverts occasionally to heroin. Another uses barbiturates heavily. Two had to be restabilized on methadone after unsuccessful detoxification attempts. Eventually, they will try again. Thirty-one are back at school, as compared with eight before admission to the program. Regular employment has risen, and arrest rates have dropped markedly. One young man kicked heroin completely, went back to finish high school, is now a sophomore "doing brilliantly" at a local university on full scholarship, and has plans for law school. He and his wife are expecting their first child.

Says Dr. Millman: "The Adolescent Development Program has opened new doors in the care of the younger heroin addict. Moreover, the model of an open clinic linking the school and a medical center and relating to the community holds promise for the treatment of large numbers of deprived urban adolescents."



CINDY JONES

Art Course Begins Spring Sessions

February 10 will be the date for the first session of the spring series of art classes open to all University members on a first-come, first-served basis. Instruction covers basic and advanced drawing and watercolor. Classes meet Thursdays from 7:00 to 9:30 P.M. in the recreation room of the Graduate Students Residence. They are under the direction of J. Forest Vey, who also teaches at Hunter College and at the Polytechnic Preparatory Country Day School in Brooklyn where, in January, Mr. Vey presented a one-man exhibition of prints, drawings, watercolors, and sculpture. A nominal fee is charged for the series and no previous training is necessary. Further information may be obtained from Professor Walther F. Goebel, a regular participant and the organizer of the program, which began six years ago.



W. F. GOEBEL



H. O. BAGG

IN PRINT

University wives who write were well represented in the *New York Times* of December 12. Sheila Cole, wife of Professor Michael Cole, had a piece in the magazine section on "The Search for the Truth about Day Care." "The Last Word," a column in the book review section, featured an essay on book censorship in New York State prisons entitled "Prisoners In, Books Out," by Ruth Biemiller who is married to Reynard Biemiller, assistant director of The Rockefeller University Press.

The December 17 issue of the British scientific journal *Nature* carries an article on "The Bacterial Cell Surface" by Professor A. Tomasz, Biochemistry and Genetics, in which he reviews recent findings and ongoing investigations in this complex and multidisciplinary field.

A MILESTONE AT MEMORIAL

A milestone in the construction of the new Memorial Hospital, the University's neighbor on York Avenue between 67th and 68th Streets, was achieved by year's end, 1971—completion of the exterior. Work is now in progress on the interior. The 19 level structure, begun in 1969, is expected to be completed by 1973.

BRIEFS

Professor **Christian de Duve**, Biochemistry and Cell Biology, was invited to serve as the Goodpasture Distinguished Lecturer in Pathology at Vanderbilt University in Nashville on November 22. He spoke on The Significance of Lysosomes in Pathology. The series is held in honor of Ernest W. Goodpasture.

Professor **Fritz Lipmann**, Biochemistry, is serving as guest lecturer for three months in the Department of Biochemistry of the University of California Medical School in San Francisco.

Professor **Philip Siekevitz**, Cell Biology, served as chairman of the Conference on the Social Responsibility of Scientists, held in New York on December 19 under the sponsorship of the New York Academy of Sciences. The purpose of the conference was to encourage discussion of ways in which scientists might take a more active role in helping society to evaluate the potential benefits or dangers of particular lines of research and of scientific findings.

Professor **Victor J. Wilson**, Physiology, has been appointed to the editorial board of *Experimental Brain Research*.

William E. McNamara, who served as manager of accounting services, resigned December 31 to become assistant vice president for business at the University of Bridgeport where, 20 years ago, he was business manager. A resident of Easton, Connecticut, Mr. McNamara came to Rockefeller in 1967.

Professor **Maclyn McCarty**, vice president and physician-in-chief, was the recipient of an Award of Merit for distinguished service from the American Heart Association. The award was presented at the association's board meeting on January 14.

Professor **Rebecca C. Lancefield**, Microbiology, was one of three recipients of the 1972 Wellesley Achievement Awards presented by the Alumnae Association of Wellesley College on February 4. Dr. Lancefield was cited for her work in uncovering the relationship of streptococcal infections to rheumatic fever and kidney disease through her classification of hemolytic streptococci.

Watch Those Tax Bites

Just in case you haven't noticed them already, Accounting Services calls attention to four changes in tax withholdings this year.

1. **Federal Income Tax:** To correct the underwithholding experienced by some taxpayers in previous years, the federal government, as of January 16, increased the amount withheld from everyone's pay. As a result some staff members may find that more money is being withheld than necessary. This can be corrected by filing a new W-4 form. (Of course, as in previous years, any excessive withholding in 1972 will be refunded by check after the 1972 income tax return has been filed.)

2. **Social Security Tax:** As of January 1, the taxable income base for Social Security increased from \$7,800 to \$9,000.

3. **State Income Tax:** As of January 1, the state added a 2.5 percent surcharge and eliminated the statutory deduction previously allowed to taxpayers. Withholding has been increased to compensate for these changes.

4. **City Income Tax:** There has been no change in the tax rate, but the amount of withholding was reduced January 1. Why? Because last July the tax rate was increased retroactively to January 1, 1971, and the amount withheld was increased accordingly.

If you have any questions about these changes, please call the payroll office, extension 1249.

CURIOSA

A chilly February tale! Barney Lupinek, former superintendent of buildings and grounds and *Curiosa's* favorite informant, recalls that on February 9, 1934, the mercury hit 15 below zero, almost fatally cracking eight of the University's beautiful London plane trees, which had been planted 20 years earlier as three-inch seedlings. Happily, they were saved. But now, under their bark coverings, lie hearts of purest concrete.

