

Profs on patrol help create 'whole man'

BANGOR, MAINE—Professors are prowling dormitory corridors nightly at a small college here.

Not spies on disciplinary missions, the profs are voluntarily in the dorms each evening to aid stumped students and to keep communications flowing outside the classroom.

The "professors in residence" idea was that of Dr. Barkev Kibarian, 43, president since July of Husson College, a four-year business college in Bangor. Dr. Kibarian, whose professional plaudits include being most published professor

during his four years at Georgetown University and a business consultant to the Japanese government, aims to treat what he calls the "whole man concept" of today's student.

At Husson Kibarian has found the climate particularly receptive to his slightly off-beat theories. So he has persuaded professors to roam the dorms, where he believes students encounter their most traumatic educational experiences, as when the can't grasp material they must know for tomorrow's class.

"With a professor in the hall, instead of wasting a whole night while his confusion multiplies, the student can get help immediately," Dr. Kibarian stated. "It's the same principle as a doctor in residence at a hospital."

The president doesn't want his students to have to join the cry for relevancy, which he says is justified among most collegians "because a lot of professors just aren't doing the kinds of things outside the classroom that make their teaching relevant."

"The days are over," he maintains, "when the professor leaves his students at the end of the day. He's got to be available on an after-hours tutorial basis."

Kibarian also has cooked up a massive breakfasting program. On various days each month he shares bacon and eggs with his Executive Committee (composed of the college's vice presidents and top administrators), the President's Cabinet (newly created and composed of students, faculty, administrative and staff representatives), the college's Board of Trustees, 50 students selected at random, a dozen faculty members, and 15 randomly invited townspeople.

"This way I have a constant feedback and exchange of opinions, ideas and problems from every direction, Kibarian says.

It's all part of making education relevant, of educating the "whole man" and, at the same time, of retaining the specialized nature of Husson. As Dr. Kibarian sees it, the college thus does its best for both its students and the community.

University Park

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa., Jan.—Penn State was the top team in the East during the 1970 football season—at least at the gate.

Coach Joe Paterno's Nittany Lions attracted an average of 48,898 people to Beaver Stadium for their five home games. Army had an average attendance of 42,859 for its home dates.

Penn State's average attendance exceeded the official seating capacity of Beaver Stadium for the second straight season. The Lions drew an average of 49,188 to the 48,344-seat stadium in 1969.

The Lions attracted their third, sixth, 10th and 12th largest Beaver Stadium crowds during the 1970 season. The 50,540 attendance for the Oct. 17 Homecoming Day contest with Syracuse was the third largest crowd in Beaver Stadium history. The Lions drew 50,017 for Pitt, 48,932 for West Virginia, 48,566 for Navy and 46,434 for Ohio University.

The Beaver Stadium record was set on Oct. 11, 1969 when 52,713 fans turned out for the Homecoming Day game with West Virginia.

The Lions appear headed for another good year at the gate in 1971 when Air Force, Army, TCU, Maryland and North Carolina State come to

Beaver Stadium. The Oct. 23 game with TCU will be Homecoming. The game with Maryland on Nov. 6 has been designated as Band Day and the Nov. 13 contest against North Carolina State will be All-University Day.

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.—Penn State Football 1970: A Winning Tradition, a half-hour color highlight film of Penn State's 1970 football season, is now available for group showing.

Produced for Penn State by Tel Ra Productions, Inc., of Philadelphia, the 16mm sound film includes highlights of each game during the season. It also features outstanding Penn State players.

The film is narrated by Chris Schenkel, the college football voice of ABC-TV. Groups interested in viewing the film should contact Penn State's audio-visual services, 6 Willard Building, University Park, Pa. 16802.

There will be a service charge of \$5 per film.

UNIVERSITY PARK, PA.—It's a bird; it's a plane; no-it's a giant green telephone booth!

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Constructed in the main lobby of the student union building the green phone and booth are the students' way of trying to create more awareness of today's ecological problems.

Green in case you haven't seen any recently, is the symbolic color of the earth.

Each week a special topic of environmental concern is posted at the booth. If anyone has any questions, all he has to do is pick up the phone and ask.

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Luzerne County has unsteady employment

University Park, Pa.—Economic activity in Luzerne County was interrupted during the summer of 1970 by labor disputes, but they did not prevent the area from maintaining a high level of employment before and after the strikes.

Business analysts at The Pennsylvania University, reviewing economic conditions at the end of the year in major areas of Pennsylvania, said that after eight years of expansion, total employment in the Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton area reached a point early in 1970 that was 14 per cent above the average level of 1957-59 and higher than it has been for many years past. Both the manufacturing and the nonmanufacturing industries reached new employment peaks during 1970.

The long national economic expansion of the sixties enabled manufactures in Luzerne County to build their job level 36 per cent above what it had been in the late fifties. During 1970 this level dropped 13 percentage points, mostly because of the strikes, but in December it reverted

again to a level maintained in 1969 and early 1970.

The service, trade and other nonmanufacturing industries as a group did not begin to expand employment until 1965, and grew more slowly. By November, 1970, these industries had employment 10 per cent better than the 1957-59 average, and that level is still being maintained.

Nevertheless, there was much evidence of weakening in the local economy—not incompatible with a high unemployment level, for employment typically can move ahead for a while after conditions in general have ceased to expand.

Unemployment has risen and fallen irregularly ever since the third quarter of 1969, which represented the low point following the long decline of the sixties. On the average, 7,400 persons a month sought work in the area in 1970, amounting to 5.2 per cent of the labor force.

This is one of the highest unemployment rates in Pennsylvania, the Penn State analysts note, pointing out that

the State itself averaged 4.0 per cent last year. In 1969 there had been an average of 5,500 jobseekers, representing 3.9 per cent of the labor force.

The labor force itself is about 7 per cent larger now than it was in 1960, a year in which unemployment amounted to 12.1 per cent.

Industrial firms of the area have developed enough to make a very substantial reduction in the unemployment rate during recent years. However, the Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton industrial area has a wide typical seasonal pattern in employment—a sign that for many workers employment is less than year-round.

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