

Rackley Calls University 'Ideal' As Place to Live and Work

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A fat and friendly cocker spaniel that "thinks she's human" welcomes visitors at the home of John R. Rackley, dean of the College of Education.

Once inside, "Zipper's" greeting is seconded by the warm hospitality of the entire family—Dr. and Mrs. Rackley and their 13-year-old son, Gordon.

The Rackleys have lived most of their married life in just such an atmosphere. Settling back in his chair, Rackley called the university community an "ideal" place to live.

Rackley said, "A real richness exists through the diversity of a university campus." Mrs. Rackley added, "It's the young people that keep us young."

"Diversity" is the keynote of the dean's many interests. Besides his fulltime work with the University, Rackley finds time to win golfing trophies and to hunt and fish with his son.

Rackley is an active member of several national education councils. He is also a major with the Army Reserve and would participate in the organization and movement of troops in the event of an emergency.

Rackley must spend 15 days of each year at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. Asked if this doesn't curtail family vacations, Mrs. Rackley said she's "just happy this country has such a corp of men to protect it."

Last September the Rackleys moved into their present home—a two-level modern frame house they designed themselves. It is the third house they have designed and built.

From the front the home appears to be one level. Actually, it is built on a hill which slopes from front to back. The lower floor opens off onto a lovely patio and large yard.

On a tour of the interior, the dean proudly repeated, "Not a bit of wasted space; every inch is utilized."

The Rackleys met each other on a blind date that "worked out" at Fort Sill, Okla., during the summer of 1936.

Smiling at his wife, Rackley said, "The temperature had been over 110 degrees for most of August. It took a lot of persuading to get me to take a blind date to the full dress Governor's Ball."



"I READ AS WIDELY as I can in all fields because education embraces all fields."



GORDON RACKLEY puts his cocker spaniel through some of his paces. Mrs. Rackley, watching, reports "Zipper is able to get his dish, roll over and act like a dog."



"FOR ME, DEAR?" Mrs. Rackley accepts a wooden bookcase that the dean has just completed a few hours ago. Rackley enjoys spending what free time he has at his workbench.

University Rests Budget Case

The University has rested its case for more money from the state legislature.

President Eric A. Walker's testimony before the Senate Budget Committee Wednesday seems to have been well received although none of the committee members would commit themselves on the University's request for additional money.

Sen. Jo Hays (D-Centre) said the general reaction, though, was very good. He also said that he hadn't recalled any senator suggesting that the way to solve the University's problems would be to raise fees. He is not a member of the committee.

Sen. George B. Stevenson (R-Clinton), chairman of the budget committee, questioned the University's proposed expansion plans and said the plans pose a problem in appraising the University's needs. He did not think there was any "fat" in the University's proposed budget.

"It's just a matter of how far we can go," Stevenson told a newsman Wednesday night. Yesterday he refused to expand on these remarks.

Hays said the "time may come soon" for him to do something about the University's appropriation request. The University requested \$43.9 million from the State Assembly but Gov. David L. Lawrence cut the request to \$34.2 million in his budget message.

Walker in his testimony said the University needs \$8.3 million to make adjustments in faculty and staff salaries and in auxiliary benefits. He presented charts comparing the University's salaries with those being paid by Cornell, Purdue, Michigan State, Ohio State, Illinois, Maryland and Wisconsin.

He also said that it would take \$4.3 million alone for new faculty and staff members, maintenance of new buildings and new research programs during the next two years. Walker told the committee that the University plans to enroll an additional 5600 students during the next biennium, noting that during the present biennium resident enrollment increased 3834 students.

Walker pointed to rising costs of materials and supplies adding \$1.3 million to the University's maintenance expenses.

Fraternity Debtors--

(Continued from page one) gain more detailed information about the prevalence of the problem.

The Fraternity Affairs Office conducted a survey of the fraternities and questioned each president as to the exact amount of money that graduating seniors left in debts to the fraternity. At the April 9 meeting of the committee, the fraternity debtors were classified as conduct unbecoming to a University student and subject to disciplinary action.

2 Juniors To Get LA Scholarships

Two \$200 scholarships will be awarded to two sixth semester liberal arts students, the Liberal Arts Student Council decided April 7.

The choices will be made by George N. P. Leetch, coordinator of scholarships, and Richard C. Maloney, associate dean of the College of the Liberal Arts, on the basis of need and contribution to the college.

Applications submitted on regular University scholarship forms to Leetch's office, 203 Old Main, will be considered.

The council had previously offered two \$150 scholarships, but voted to increase each by \$50 because of an increase in the council treasury.

The treasury balance was brought to \$784.92 when \$389.25 was received from student fees. The money comes from the Inter-Class Budget System, through which each student council semesterly receives 25 cents per student enrolled in that college.

In another action, council members broke a 3-way tie for the tenth representative for next year's junior class. John Black, sophomore in arts and letters from Lancaster, was elected by the council to fill the post.

Sara Phillips, sophomore in arts and letters from Leesport, and Ronald Watzman, sophomore in arts and letters from Carnegie, were named alternates to the council.

Morse Publishes Book on Joyce

J. Mitchell Morse, assistant professor of English composition, has had his book, "The Sympathetic Alien, James Joyce and Catholicism," published by the New York University Press.

In the book, Morse explores Joyce's thought in terms of the conflict between the Catholic church and the artist and shows how that conflict became the essential subject of his work.

Morse was appointed to the English Department in 1948. Before that time he was a reporter for "The Columbia Record," news editor of "The American Banker," assistant editor of "The Nation," and UN correspondent for the "Free Press of India."

Rock 'n' Roll Show To Be Held Sunday

Pat "the Cat" Monforte and his Kittens will present a rock 'n' roll show from two to five p.m. Sunday in the Hetzel Union ballroom.

The jam session is being held by the World University Service to aid in its campaign for funds for needy foreign students.

Featured with Monforte's combo will be the Continentals, a vocal group made up of University students.

Pat "the Cat" and his group have been together for six years. They started out in New York and are now performing from coast to coast.

They recently returned from engagements at the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas and the Brass Rail in Chicago. This summer they will play in Wildwood, New Jersey.

The combo plays anything from "Basin Street Blues" to "Charlie

Brown." An unusual grouping of instruments creates new and varying sounds.

Members of the combo are: Monforte, tenor and alto saxophones; Dick DePofi; tenor saxophone and flute; Joe Szedlock, piano and organ; Tony Monforte, drums, and Dick Fontaine, base guitar. Fontaine also does the vocalizing.

Tickets for the performance may be purchased at the Harmony Shop and the Music Room in town, the HUB desk and at the door. Admission is 50 cents.

Career Day--

(Continued from page two) he came again he would bring a different display, according to Cook.

Cook said that in a future expo-

sition a few more career fields should be represented. Some students were asking about certified public accountants who were not represented, he said.

A number of the company and

association representatives said they would like to be invited back next year. This was the first time some of them had attended a career oriented exposition like this and they said they "learned a lot" themselves, Cook said.