

Mead Says Only Half-Job Done By Mass Education

Mass Education — the pouring of facts into the student's head — accomplishes only half the job of teaching, says Dr. Douglass S. Mead who has retired from the faculty with the rank of professor emeritus after 40 years of teaching.

"A course that is any good ought to do something to the student," Mead says. "It takes more than facts. Mass education does not teach the student how to use these facts.

"The personal relationship between the student and the teacher is very valuable," the veteran professor said as he warned that he is afraid it is in danger of being lost.

Mead, who has watched the University and the student body grow since 1920, says he thinks today's students are better than they use to be.

"I sometimes dig out my old exams," he said. "but I couldn't give them now; they're too easy."

Mead taught 36 different courses during his four decades at the University — everything from freshman English to Germanic philology. His favorite courses have been Old English, Sam Johnson, and the history of English language, which he taught for 35 years.

He helped to initiate the graduate program in English and for 25 years assigned the graduate theses. He has personally supervised 56 of them.

He founded Belles Lettres, an undergraduate cultural club, in 1944 and is responsible for establishing a campus chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, English scholastic honorary fraternity in 1956.

Calendar Change--

(Continued from page one) spring the abolition of the 3-day Thanksgiving vacation from the fall semester. The recommendation was voted down.

Dr. Benjamin A. Whisler, head of the committee, said his committee was not notified of the change in the spring semester calendar.

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Walters Invited To Germany

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The invitation was extended by the German Embassy in Washington, D.C. The group will be guests of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Walters will fly to Bonn Sept. 4 and return Oct. 3.

Following conferences with representatives of appropriate federal ministries in Bonn, the group will visit Koblenz, Bingen, Frankfurt, Munich, Berlin, Hamburg, Dusseldorf, and West Berlin. An excursion to the Oberammergau Passion Play is included.

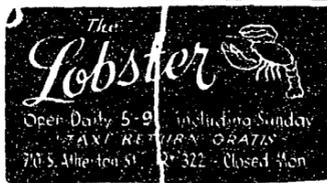
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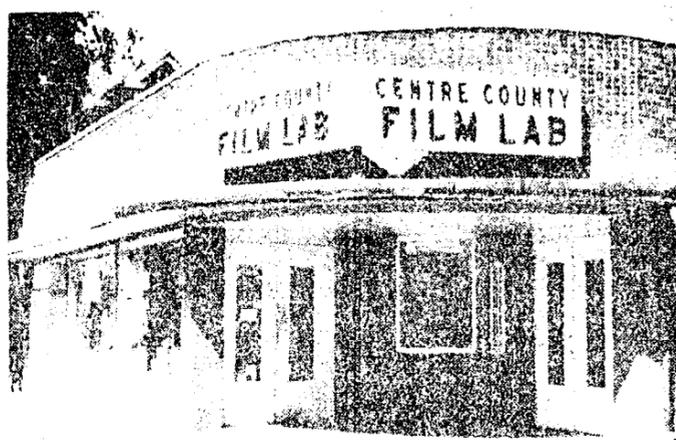
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Engineering Profs Attend Teaching Conference Here

Twenty-five young engineering teachers and ten experienced instructors, each from a different college or university, are taking tute at the University which continues until Sept. 9.

Funded by a grant of \$50,000 from the Ford Foundation, the Summer Institute on Effective Teaching is designed to give engineering teachers an opportunity to study and practice successful teaching procedures.

If this pilot program proves successful, the Institute will be continued for two more years with enrollment expanded to 100 per year, Lancaster said.

Forestry Symposium

About 100 men from state, federal and private agencies are attending the forestry symposium on campus assaying the uses of herbicides.

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