



McKEESPORT CAMPUS—One of the three buildings built within the last five years for the use of the faculty and 350 students enrolled at the campus is shown above. The

classrooms in this and other buildings are used chiefly by engineering students since over half of those enrolled are in this curriculum.

Commonwealth Campuses

Old Mansion Once Used As McKeesport 'Campus'

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(This is the eighth in a series of articles concerning the University's 14 Commonwealth campuses. Today's article features the McKeesport campus.)

The McKeesport campus had three different locations in five years during the period when its associate degree program was being established for students in the area.

FOUR MILES from the present site of the campus, the one-year technical institute day program began in 1948 in an old mansion.

The three-story, 20-room brick mansion had formerly been used as a home for the aged. Even after considerable funds were spent for repairs on the house, it was not long before the site of the campus was changed to the third floor of a nearby grade school in a residential area.

With youngsters learning ABC's on the first and second floors, the one-year technical program continued for the older students in the rented third floor of the building.

In 1953 the associate degree program was inaugurated at Mc-

Keesport with almost 200 students enrolling.

AFTER TWO YEARS with the associate degree program at the grade school site, a 10-acre undeveloped area of land was given to the University by William Buck, a McKeesport realtor. Then a community campaign was launched to raise money for development of the site and the construction of buildings.

Tons of land fill were used to level off the area and the \$240,000 raised in the community drive was used to build a classroom-administration building. This facility also housed the library, dispensary, faculty offices and a cafeteria.

Two years later when the science laboratory was added to the campus, enrollment expanded but the male-female ratio still remained at about 24-1.

In 1958 the baccalaureate degree program was first offered and more women than enrolled. Enrollment for the campus was at 315 when the newest building, the Buck Student Union, was dedicated last May.

THE STUDENT UNION was built from student fees and includes areas for a lounge, bookstore, office space, student meeting rooms and a cafeteria.

Walter A. Kearney, director of the campus, has held the post since 1959 when he succeeded Daniel T. Hopkins, who is now regional director of continuing education for the University.

'French Party' Set To Honor Visitors

A mixer for the 10 French students visiting on campus for 13 days through the Experiment in International Living will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Pollock area recreation room.

"La Fete Francais" or "French party" will be sponsored by the Association of Women Students.

Luther H. Harshbarger, professor of religion, will be a dinner guest of AWS at the evening meal Monday. Students interested in meeting and talking with him should meet at 5:30 p.m. in the recreation room of Pollock dining hall.

Students who do not have meal tickets for the Pollock "C" dining hall should contact Janice Chrabas at UN 5-8659 for reservations.

AWS is also planning a theatre party for the Mateer Playhouse for interested students in the near future, Sandra Whitely, president, said last night.

Visiting Professors Named for '62-'63

Appointments of several visiting professors for the academic year 1962-63 have been announced recently.

ELMER L. LUCAS, who has served during the past three summers on the faculty of the College of Mineral Industries, is once again a visiting professor of geology for the summer term.

Lucas has served on the faculty of the University of Oklahoma since 1941.

He has served also as a consulting geologist for oil companies, working mainly in the Rocky Mountain region. His research has been concerned primarily with oil shale distillation in Oklahoma and with sedimentary petrography.

CHARLES PERELMAN, of the Free University of Brussels, Belgium, has been appointed a distinguished visiting professor of philosophy and speech for the fall term.

He is widely known as an authority on the history and theory of rhetoric and on the relations between rhetoric and philosophy. Perelman will teach a seminar on the general theory of argumentation and will also give courses in speech.

KURT SCHUETTE, visiting professor of mathematics at Eidgenossische Technische Hochschule, Zurich, Switzerland, has been appointed visiting professor of mathematics for the fall, winter and spring terms. He is a logician specializing in metamathematics.

DENIS STEVENS, internationally known musicologist, composer, critic and conductor, has been appointed a distinguished visiting professor of music for the fall, winter and spring terms. Since 1960, he has been serving as professor of music at the Royal Academy of Music in London. From 1957 to 1962, he was also

musical consultant to the British Broadcasting Corp., specializing in medieval, Renaissance and baroque music.

The distinguished visiting professorship program was instituted at the University in 1958 to enrich the educational program by bringing to the campus teachers and scholars of international renown whose presence will serve to inspire and to instruct both students and faculty.

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