



Harper an important stop for U.S. and foreign educational leaders

Harper's reputation as a "model" community college has been confirmed of late by its inclusion on the professional travel itineraries of American and foreign educational leaders.

In September, Dr. George Arnstein, institutional relations officer from the National Science Foundation, visited Harper as part of NSF's current study to make itself more responsive to the needs of higher education. Dr. Arnstein told Harper's president, Robert E. Lahti, that community colleges are most important to the NSF for their career programs which can produce the technicians who will help carry out new scientific projects, especially in the emerging field of environmental science.

Dr. Arnstein's visit was followed very shortly by that of R.L. Matchett, 1970 Churchill Fellow from Sydney Technical College in Australia. Mr. Matchett had placed Harper midway in a higher education fact finding tour which will have taken him to colleges and universities in six countries by the end of December. The Australian educator emphasized to Harper's vice president of academic affairs, Clarence H. Schauer, that American community colleges represent a vital element in education which at present is not part of the Australian system. Specifically, he singled out the ability of community colleges to provide educational programs and related community services to all age groups beyond the usual high school age.

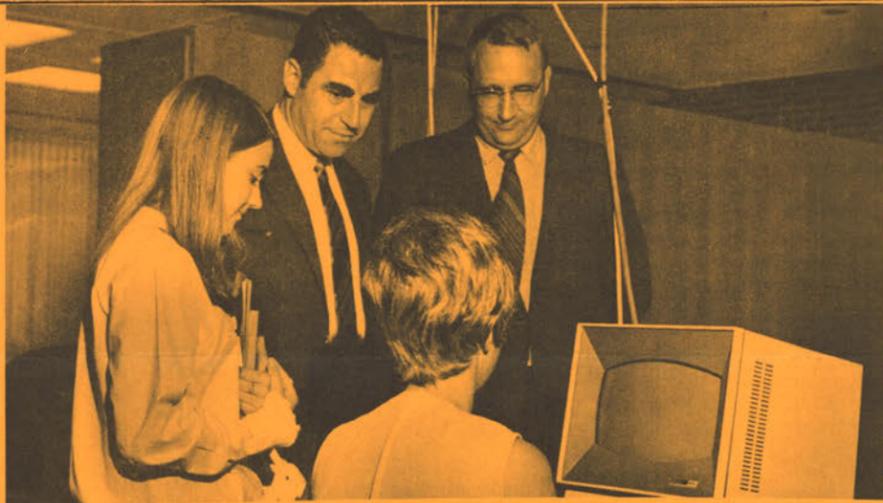
In October, the same observation which our Australian visitor made was emphasized as the vital difference between today's community colleges and other institutions of higher education. The emphasis was given by Dr. Harold Grant, professor of counselor Education at Auburn University, during a presentation he made to Harper faculty members and administrators. Dr. Grant is considered one of the top ten most exciting teachers among professors at Big Ten universities. He won this distinction in an article which appeared during 1968 in the Chicago Tribune Magazine.

President's Long Range Planning Committee looks ahead to 1980's

The Harper College Long Range Planning Committee, which the college president proposed last spring, was appointed this fall and is hard at work planning the direction Harper will take over the next 15 years.

Under chairmanship of Dr. John Lucas, director of Planning and Development, the committee is charged with researching, analyzing and documenting alternative plans for carrying out the Harper College mission through 1985. The Committee's recommendations will identify programs and services to be offered, student selection and retention policies, physical expansion requirements, and strategies for encouragement of innovative teaching.

During the next 15 months, activities of this committee will have the highest institutional priority. Faculty and staff members appointed to serve with Dr. Lucas on the committee are: John R. Birkholz, dean of Transfer Programs, Larry M. Collister, chairman of the Mathematics & Physical Science Division, Dr. Guerin Fischer, dean of Guidance, John M. Muchmore, associate professor of Speech, William E. Nelson, assistant professor in Counseling, Henry Roepken, assistant professor of Journalism, Raymond A. Hylander, associate professor in Counseling, and Elizabeth M. Windham, assistant professor of Physics. Also serving on the committee is a Harper student, freshman Carey Annen of Arlington Heights,



HARPER'S ON-LINE REGISTRATION system, hooked into the college computer via video terminals, became a point of interest for Dr. George Arnstein (2nd from left) of the National Science Foundation as he was hosted to a tour of Harper by Dr. Robert E. Lahti (left), Harper president. See story in adjoining column.

Community, government, industry share load for \$ aid to students

Students attending Harper College are required to pay, through tuition and fees, less than one-third of the actual cost of their education. For many young people, however, even modest fees represent a substantial barrier to continuing in college.

Harper's financial aid program is a comprehensive one. Virtually no student in this area need forego a college education due to a lack of funds.

Scholarships, grants, and loans have been made available through the generous support of local clubs and civic organizations as well as business and industry. Also, each year the State of Illinois offers a series of tuition scholarships and grants to graduates of Illinois high schools.

Scholarships recently made available to the college include three for \$350 each donated by the Palatine National Bank and one for \$340 given by the Woman's Club of Inverness. All are full tuition scholarships for two college semesters. The college also received \$300 from the Arlington Heights Woman's Club to be used for the Student Loan Fund.

Scholarships have also been provided by the American Society of Tool & Manufacturing Engineers (Skokie Valley Chapter No. 170), the Arlington Heights Jaycee Wives, the Arlington Heights Junior Woman's Club, the Arlington Heights Rotary Club, the Barrington Rotary Club, the European Work-Scholarship, the Harper College Trustees, the Hoffman Estates Woman's Club, the Junior Woman's Club of Palatine, the Mainliner Club of Chicago, the Mt. Prospect Nurses Club, the Mt. Prospect Woman's Club, the Newspaper Distributors Association of Chicago, the Northbrook Rotary Club, the Northbrook Service Club, the Northwest Industrial Council, the Rolling Meadows Chamber of Commerce, the St. Alexius Hospital Auxiliary, the U.S. Gypsum Research Center, the Universal Oil Products Company of Des Plaines, and the Wheeling Scholarship Foundation.

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If there are any questions you would like to have answered concerning Harper College, please call 359-4200 and ask for the Community Relations Office, extension 261. If you would prefer to write, please send us your name, address, telephone number, and your question, and we will send you a reply as soon as possible.

Harper College Board Meetings are public meetings. They are open for general attendance except for certain discussion topics covered by law that should be closed. Citizens are encouraged to attend these meetings when they can.

Harper president named to head council of 275 junior colleges

Robert E. Lahti, Harper College president, was elected president of the Council of North Central Junior Colleges at the 27th annual convention of the organization held recently in Detroit, Michigan.

Dr. Lahti will serve as president of the council through its 1971 convention to be held next October in Chicago.

The group represents 275 two-year colleges in 19 states. Its membership coincides geographically with the area covered by the North Central accrediting association (North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools).

The council provides member colleges with a forum for exchanging ideas about the philosophy and policy development of community colleges. Its recent convention focused upon the topic of "Accountability" in public higher education.

In addition to Dr. Lahti, Harper College was represented on the convention program by James J. Hamill of Palatine, chairman of Harper's board of trustees.

CAMPUS EVENTS

Nov. 5 - 25 Art Exhibit: Contemporary Japanese Prints from the post world war II renaissance collection. Most of the prints in the exhibit are woodcuts, but a variety of works by notable Japanese artists will be shown. Learning Resources Center, Room F-132. Free.

Nov. 9 Concert: Harper College Chamber Orchestra and Concert Choir present All Beethoven Concert. 8 p.m., College Center Lounge. Free.

Nov. 13 Film: "La Strada" (Italy, 1954). Fellini's story of a simple-minded waif, a brutish strong man, and a philosophical "fool" who travel the highway in Italy. Through the artistry of all concerned, the film becomes a story of every man's loneliness and search for a way of life. 8 p.m., Lecture/Demo Center, Room E-107. Adults, \$1.00; Students, \$.50 (bearers of valid Harper ID card, free).

Nov. 17 Lecture: David Susskind, Moderator of TV's Open End, will talk about "Television as a Media in Influencing Public Opinion." 8 p.m., College Center Lounge. Adults, \$2.00; Students, \$1.00 (bearers of valid Harper ID card, free).

Dec. 1 - 18 Art Exhibit: Paintings by Lester Rebeck. Landscape and still life oil paintings. Learning Resources Center, Room F-132. Free.

Dec. 4 Concert: The University of Illinois Jazz Band under the direction of Professor John Garvey. 1 p.m., College Center Lounge. Free.

Career program dean brings unique skills and experience to Harper

Dr. Robert B. Cormack, Harper's energetic new dean of career programs, is uniquely qualified to head up the college's vocational studies program.

In addition to his doctorate in education, he is by vocation a journeyman plumber. He spent close to five years working with the New York State Education Department Division of Occupational Education, where he administered state vocational programs, planned policy, and functioned as liaison officer between education and labor departments. Before taking the New York post, he served as vocational education coordinator for Glenbrook High Schools in Northbrook, Illinois.

The new dean's unique background got its start with a general technical high school diploma and a five-year plumbing apprenticeship which led to a journeyman's license. During these years, he took time to attend Wright Junior College, where he received his Associate in Arts degree from the evening division. He also spent two years in the armed services as a member of the Tank Corps.

Dr. Cormack then enrolled at Northern Illinois University, receiving his B.S. in Education a year and half later. Returning to plumbing for two more years, he became a foreman and handled many large accounts, including the job of field superintendent for a contractor at O'Hare International Airport.

He then enrolled at Indiana University for a Master's Degree in Education. While studying during the summers, he developed the Glenbrook vocational program.

Dr. Cormack then became associated with the New York State Education Department.

While completing requirements on his doctorate, which he received in June, 1970 from Indiana University, Dean Cormack served a one-year appointment as a research associate at the university.



Dr. Robert B. Cormack
Dean of Career Programs

State approves new Harper career fields, including 'Child Services'

New state-approved career programs being offered at Harper College this fall include "Child Services," "Fire Science," "Supervisory and Administration Management," and "Legal Secretary."

The new Child Services curriculum is in response to the growing local and national demand for trained personnel capable of working in day care centers, mental health centers for children, and schools.

The general objective of the new program is to prepare students for semi-professional positions in child care, including psychiatric aide, mental health worker, group counselor, and house parent. One-year certificates and two-year associate degrees are offered.

Acting coordinator of the Child Services program is Charles Joly, assistant professor of Psychology.

The Fire Science curriculum has been developed to professionalize fire service. It offers systematic formal study to increase fire department proficiency.

Technological progress and increasing stress on fire prevention have resulted in urgent manpower concerns on the part of our community fire departments.

The Fire Science program offers either a one-year certificate or a two-year associate degree for currently employed fire protection personnel. Students seeking employment in the general field of Fire Science are also eligible for enrollment.

Coordinator of the program is Chief Louis Galante of the Chicago Fire Department.

"Legal Secretary" is a new specialized sequence of the Secretarial Science curriculum. The program coordinator is Miss Mary Ann Mickina.

"Supervisory and Administrative Management" is aimed at aspiring or newly-appointed first level supervisors in industrial or office settings. It will provide them with skills to function as lower to mid-management personnel. Gerald Tapp is the program coordinator.

Enrollment growth running two years ahead of projected pace

Fall 1970 enrollment topped out at 7,183 students. This is 40 per cent ahead of original estimates made in 1964, 30 per cent ahead of last year's enrollment, and about 20 per cent more than the most recent enrollment projections completed late last summer.

Official figures show 3,291 students enrolled full time and 3,129 enrolled part time in the regular college curriculum. Added to the 6,420 total are 530 adults enrolled in evening and continuing education non-credit courses and 233 taking university extension courses.

Full time equivalent (FTE) students (all students equated on a 15-hour load) has reached 4,257, which is 33 per cent ahead of the projections for 1970-71 made by the Arthur D. Little organization in a study conducted in 1966. The FTE is 15 per cent above last year's FTE of 3,688. FTE is significant since it is this figure to which the State of Illinois applies its per student/per credit hour allowance.

Almost three-quarters of the students (74 per cent) are residents of the Harper College district, with the balance coming from other high school districts in northern, western, and far northwest suburban areas. This semester Harper has no out-of-state students.

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Also available to qualified students are Educational Opportunity Grants, funds from the Law Enforcement Student Grant Program, scholarships and grants from the Illinois State Scholarship Commission, Illinois State Veterans' Scholarships, the federally funded Nursing Scholarship Program, and a 75 per cent tuition rebate program for current members of the armed forces.

In addition to the GI Bill for veterans, there is the Junior GI Bill (Widows' Compensation) which provides funds for children and widows of veterans who died or were permanently disabled while in the armed services, and the VA Vocational Rehabilitation Program for permanently disabled veterans.

Loans are available to students from funds established by the American Association of University Women (Arlington Heights Branch), the Arlington Heights Women's Club, the Dental Hygiene Education Fund, the Harper Short-Term Student Loan Fund, State Guaranteed Loans authorized by the Illinois General Assembly, the James R. Carroll Dental Hygiene Loan Fund, the Book Loan Fund established by the Junior Women's Club of Palatine, the Linda Corral Memorial Fund, and the Law Enforcement Student Loan Program.

Further information can be obtained by calling Harper's director of student aids, Fred A. Vaisvil, at 359-4200, extension 247.

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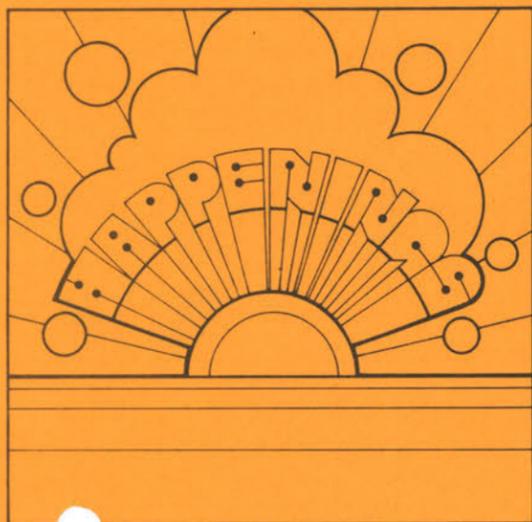
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