

'Suffering Intellectual Malnutrition'

Nurses Told Education Quality Down

By DAROLD POWERS

SUI students suffer intellectual malnutrition, Dr. Helen M. Dawson of the SUI College of Medicine told about a thousand persons attending the annual sophomore nurses' capping ceremony in the Iowa Memorial Union Sunday.

Prof. Dawson's speech was followed by the formal capping of 121 sophomore nursing students. The one male student received a name pin instead of a cap.

Each sophomore carried to the stage an unlit candle in a candlestick resembling an old-fashioned oil lamp. Junior nursing students lit the candles and placed the caps upon the girls' heads.

The name of one sophomore was omitted by mistake from the list in Thursday's Daily Iowan. She is Mary Reinleidy of St. Louis.



ALL READY TO TAKE THE WHEEL are these three sophomore nurses who participated in the capping ceremonies Sunday. They are, left to right, Joan Blackstone, Rockford, Ill.; Ken Baker, Iowa City, and Billie Recher, Estherville. Baker was the only male nurse out of the 121 who were capped. He received a name pin instead of a cap.

Elizabeth Dales, an instructor in the College of Nursing led the group in the Florence Nightingale pledge.

Class presidents Gretchen Stark, Na. Boone; Shirley Lenz, N3, Mt. Vernon; Patricia Faulkner, N2, Des Moines; and Carolyn Herman, N1, Bone, represented their classes on the program.

Myrtle E. Kitchell, dean of the College of Nursing, gave the welcome and Robert S. Michaelson, director of the School of Religion asked the invocation.

The capping ceremony traditionally recognizes the beginning of clinical practice for sophomores at-University Hospitals. This part of the nurses' training began Monday.

Brain Food

In the main address, Prof. Dawson explained that students are given pre-digested brain food which they do not assimilate. Then it is regurgitated during objective tests, she charged.

She criticized the objective type examination as not making it necessary for the student to organize her own thoughts, as do essay questions.

Dawson cited SUI's basic skills program as evidence of the poor secondary preparation students are given.

"Thus the University teaches at the high school level," she lamented. "It's a deplorable situation."

Strong Individuals

"Now, more than ever before, we need individuals who are strong intellectually, morally and physically," she told her listeners.

"There seems to be a move to keep individuals from being alone with thinking time, she said. Because of the constant bombardment of our senses, time to be alone with our thoughts is at a premium," she continued.

"Pointing out examples of our spiraling technological progress, Prof. Dawson warned that we pay a price for it.

"Nervous tension has increased tremendously," she explained.

Pounding Propaganda

We are pounded from all sides by propaganda, she declared. And she warned that we must learn to discriminate the good from the bad; the true from the false.

"Knowledge gives power. But we must develop morally as well as intellectually or risk becoming a monster," the speaker went on.

Prof. Dawson warned that individuals have definite responsibilities to family and society, and that if they are not met, disaster may be expected.

"There is work to do," she told the sophomores. "Fight on. Tomorrow comes too soon; it's today that matters."

Women Voters Start 4th Discussion Units

Rathjen To Head Engineering Society



Keith Rathjen
President

Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering society, recently elected Keith Rathjen, E4, Williamsburg, as its president for second semester.

Other officers elected were Elias Prentzas, E4, Lamia, Greece, vice-president; Thomas Freund, E3, Clinton, corresponding secretary; Donald Boldt, E3, Jesup, recording secretary; James Andrews, E3, Iowa City, treasurer, and Paul Barritt, E4, Council Bluffs, cataloguer.

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Women Voters Start 4th Discussion Units

The Iowa City League of Women Voters will hold its fourth round of discussion groups this week. The topic for discussion will be "Financing Higher Education."

The City-Wide Group will meet today at 9:15 a.m. in the home of Mrs. R. F. Sheets, 1202 Yewell. Leader of the group is Mrs. George Kalnitsky.

The West Group will meet at 3 p.m. today in the home of Mrs. Robert Sorenson, 403 Melrose Ct., with Mrs. Samuel Hays as group leader.

Wednesday at 8 p.m. the Southeast Group will meet with Mrs. Gene Lata, 1414 Franklin. Mrs. Morton Hammer will be discussion leader.

The East Group will meet with Mrs. Robert Edberg, 831 E. College, Thursday at 8 p.m. Leaders of the group will be Mrs. David Gold and Mrs. Max Bardenstein.

The North Group will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday at the home of Mrs. J. D. Whisenand, 1828 N. Dubuque. Discussion leader will be Mrs. Allyn Lemme.

Tell Meaning Of Ceremony

What will Sunday's capping ceremony mean to SUI's sophomore nursing students in future years?

To get the answer, the Daily Iowan interviewed SUI nursing students and graduates on duty in University General Hospitals.

Several nurses interviewed felt the event will take on increasing importance in the minds of 1956's nursing sophomores as time goes by.

"I realize now better than I did then the ceremony's significance in my life," said Jean Moore as she prepared a vial of medicine for intravenous injection. She graduated from SUI in 1954.

Anne Fischer, a head nurse, was giving a patient tube feedings when the question was posed to her.

'A Big Step'

"Looking back, capping means more to me now than it did at the time," she said. "We were ready for actual hospital work. That was a big step," she explained.

3-Year Graduate

Mrs. Pat Strub, a 1954 graduate of the three-year program, pondered what her advice to today's sophomores would be as she prepared a bottle of fluid for intravenous injection.

"We all get discouraged and feel like quitting," she pointed out. "We all feel like she was on the outside of nursing; while afterwards she felt like she was on the inside for the first time.

JIGSAW SANDWICHES

Give the small fry a thrill by cutting their sandwiches like jigsaw puzzles, then let them rearrange the pieces before they eat them.

REHEATED RICE

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Golden-brown Cheese Souffle is a delicious, economical main dish. It's a wonderful way to serve nutritious eggs, now in over-abundant supply.

January is Egg Month—a good time to tray a souffle calling for six eggs.

A surplus supply of eggs has flooded the markets and the government has urged thrifty homemakers to take advantage of the opportunity to serve more of this nutritious low-cost food to their families.

This golden-brown cheese souffle is light as a breeze. Its delicate fluffy texture fairly melts in the mouth. Delight your family with it often.

CHEESE SOUFFLE
4 tablespoons shortening
4 tablespoons flour
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1 teaspoon salt
dash of cayenne
1 1/2 cups milk
1 cup grated yellow cheese or smoked cheese
6 egg yolks, beaten until thick and lemon-colored
6 egg whites, stiffly beaten

Melt shortening in saucepan, add flour, salt, paprika, and cayenne and blend well. Add milk gradually and cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add cheese and stir over low heat until cheese is melted. Remove from heat. Add beaten egg yolks, and blend thoroughly. Fold in beaten egg whites. Pour into 1 1/2-quart shortening-coated casserole and place casserole in pan of warm water. Bake in moderate oven (350°F.) 40-50 minutes. The souffle should have a golden-brown crust on top. Serves 6.

DELTA CHI

Delta Chi social fraternity recently pledged James Quinn, Al Ainsworth.

UNIVERSITY CLUB

University Club will hold a coffee hour Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in the Club Rooms of the Iowa Memorial Union. Following a brief business meeting, Mrs. Thorne J. Butler will present a group of folk songs.

Mrs. Henry Bull is committee chairman. Committee members are Mrs. James W. Culbertson, Mrs. Donald S. Strahan, Mrs. Ned Astin and Mrs. L. G. Lawyer.

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On Campus with Max Strubman
(Author of "Barefoot Boy With Check," etc.)

ADVENTURES IN SOCIAL SCIENCE: NO. 2

Doff your caps and bells; there will be no fun and games this day. Today, with earnestness and sobriety, we make the second of our forays into social science. Today we take up the most basic of all the social sciences—sociology itself.

Sociology teaches us that man is a social animal. It is not his instincts or his heredity that determine his conduct; it is his environment. This fact is vividly borne out when one considers any of the several cases of children who were raised by wild animals. Take, for example, the dossier on Julio Sigafos.

Julio, abandoned as an infant in a dark wood near Cleveland, was adopted by a pack of wild dogs and reared as one of their own. When Julio was found by a hunter at the age of twelve, the poor child was more canine than human. He ran on all fours, barked and growled, ate raw meat, lapped water with his tongue, and could neither speak nor understand one single word. In short, he was a complete product of his environment.

(Julio, incidentally, was more fortunate than most wild children. They never become truly humanized, but Julio was exceptional. Bit by bit, he began to talk and walk and eat and drink as people do. His long dormant mental processes, when awakened at last, turned out to be remarkably acute. In fact, he was so bright that he learned to read and write in a month, got through grammar school in five years and high school in two. And last June, as thousands of spectators, knowing Julio's tragic background, stood and cheered, he was graduated valedictorian from Cal Tech with a degree in astrophysics!)

(Who can say to what towering heights this incredible boy would have risen had he not been killed the day after commencement while chasing a car?)

But I digress. To return to sociology, people tend to gather in groups—a tendency that began, as we all know, with the introduction of Philip Morris Cigarettes. What an aid to sociability they are! How benignly one looks upon his fellows after a puff of Philip Morris's gentle, pleasant, flavorful tobacco! How eager it makes one to share, to communicate, to extend the hand of friendship! How grateful we all are to Philip Morris for making possible this togetherness! How good not to live in the bleak pre-Philip Morris world, with every man a stranger!

The groups that people live in today (thanks to Philip Morris) vary widely in their customs. What is perfectly acceptable in one society may be outlandish in another. Take, for instance, the case of Ug Pooopooomogoo.

Ug, a Polynesian lad, grew up in an idyllic South Sea Isle where the leading social event of the year was the feast of Max, the sun god. A quaint all-day ceremony was held, with tribal dancing, war chants, fat lady races, pie eating contests, and, for the grand finale, the sacrifice of two dozen maidens.

According to Ug's folkways, sacrificing maidens was quite acceptable, but when in his eighteenth year he was sent as an exchange student to the University of Wisconsin, he soon learned that Americans take a dim view of this practice—in Wisconsin, at any rate. The first twelve or thirteen maidens Ug sacrificed, he was let off with a warning. When, however, he persisted, drastic measures were taken—he was de-pledged by his fraternity. A broken man, Ug quit school and moved to Milwaukee where today he earns a meagre living as a stein.

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