

Arts and crafts area equipped for painting, ceramics

Any student wanting to find a use for a blob of clay should make his way to the third floor of SUB Nov. 20.

That day, the building's arts and crafts area will open and begin functioning. It will be fully equipped for lessons in painting and ceramics.

"Registration cost will be \$1 or \$2," said Audrey Stewart, chairman of the arts committee. "Students can register anytime but after Nov. 20 is probably better," she said.

Miss Stewart explained the registration fee covers the use of the facilities. Students, however, must pay for what they make.

"We're going to start with two sets of workshops," Miss Stewart said.

She said elementary pottery will be taught evenings Nov. 20, 22 and 23 and elementary ceramics will be taught Nov. 27, 28 and 29.

David Fox, arts supervisor, is to be the instructor.

Oldest prof disapproves of early specialization

The U of A's oldest professor, Dr. Ralph F. Shaner, says students should have fewer lectures and more labs.

He maintains students should be in contact with more solid facts rather than mere words and pictures in books.

Dr. Shaner speaks from experience. He will be 74 in December and has spent most of his years at U of A.

Although officially retired since 1959, he spends four hours a week helping anatomy students and intends to continue as long as he is wanted.

Born in Pennsylvania, Dr. Shaner received his degrees, PhD and PhB at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., and at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., where he taught prior to coming to U of A in 1921.

Specializing in embryology and microscopic anatomy, he has worked on many research papers.

He said he has never taken a

teaching course, but once assisted a bad instructor who taught him how not to teach.

Dr. Shaner, who describes himself as a man of leisure, says students don't fully appreciate the campus expansion and progress around them.

He recalled first university president Henry Marshall Tory had originally planned to have enough residences for everyone, but this soon proved impossible.

He admitted even he has trouble finding rooms in the Tory building and called it the "worst building on campus."

One of his pet peeves is specialization. He says it is so bad "you can't even spit without taking a course."

He expressed disapproval of too-early specialization in the maiden years of university.

Dr. Shaner thinks the impersonal nature of modern-day universities is to be regretted, but it can't be helped.

When comparing students from his generation with those today, he said, "They were damn fools in those days, and they're damn fools today."

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International week to feature students' conference next Saturday

International fellowship hits U of A Nov. 20 to 26, during International Week, sponsored by Club Internationale.

International house, 11038 88 Ave., home of the club, will be the scene of open houses held each night of the week at 8 p.m.

A hunger lunch will be held Nov. 23. Club Internationale asks students to donate their lunch money to the Canadian Save the Children Fund in exchange for a "hunger lunch" consisting of bread and cheese.

Nov. 24 an international variety show will be held in SUB at 8 p.m. featuring dancing, a fashion show and displays of national dress.

The highlight of the week will

be the International Students' Conference, General Assembly.

The topic of the conference is "The Problems of Technical Assistance" and is divided into two parts.

Professor Barrington will speak on "The Western Technician in the Developing Country" followed by panel discussions, floor discussions and lunch.

Dr. Qureshi will speak later on "The Returning Foreign Student in his own country", followed by discussions.

A Miss Internationale will be crowned at the International Dance held Saturday at 8 p.m. in SUB. Five girls each from different countries are contesting the Rotary Club trophy.

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