

Campus Notes

Summer Getting Shorter

Under the new academic calendar adopted this year by both OU and OSU, summer is becoming a shorter season. Fall classes will begin this

year on August 31, almost two weeks earlier than before.

That makes registration come up August 26-28 and final examinations taking the form of early Christmas

gifts December 17-19 and 21-23. While the students favored the new schedule, some surely will be hard pressed to finish term papers before the end of the semester with only the brief Thanksgiving break to depend on.

Registration for the spring semester will be January 14-15 with class-work beginning on January 18. Spring break will be from noon March 20 through March 28. Finals will be May 10-15, and commencement will be May 16.

The bonus in the new calendar is the long Christmas break—from whenever a student finishes finals before Christmas until mid-January—nearly a full month.

Added to the new calendar is a change in class scheduling that will bring students and professors alike into the classrooms beginning at 7:30 a.m. It should make the old 8 o'clocks look like afternoon classes.

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Progress in the Union

In mid-summer the long awaited renovation in the Union basement

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GIFTS TO O.U. AND THE 1969 LAW

The 1969 tax law changed some of the rules for making tax-deductible gifts to the University of Oklahoma. A number of the long established rules for deducting charitable gifts are unchanged.

Both the unchanged rules and the new amendments continue to encourage gifts to O.U. They reduce the cost of your gift and often enable you to make a larger gift than originally planned.

The Office of University Projects has prepared a booklet which tells about taxwise ways to benefit the University of Oklahoma. This booklet, entitled DONOR'S GUIDE TO THE NEW TAX LAW, will be sent to you on request.

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was completed, and the shops began to open. First open was the Crossroad, a handsomely decorated, dimly lit restaurant featuring sandwiches, dinners, weekend entertainment and beer.

Also in the mall, as Union officials are calling it, is the new barbershop with considerably plusher surroundings than most remember there; The Store which features cosmetic and gift items; an adjunct of the book exchange dealing in paperbacks, cards, sweatshirts and novelty items; a quick copy shop, and The Snappy Fox, a women's casual wear shop.

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Swiftly, Swiftly

Raymond Earl Peeples of Tulsa hardly had time to enjoy the halcyon college days. At 19 after spending two semesters and one summer session on the Norman campus, Peeples was accepted for work at the School of Medicine where he will go this fall.

In that short time span he amassed 92 credit hours, 50 of them by advanced standing examination, and maintained a 4.0 grade average.

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Awards

The fifth winner of the Carl Albert Award honoring the outstanding senior in the College of Arts and Sciences was Claude W. Johnson Jr. of Tulsa. The award was established in 1966 by Mr. and Mrs. Julian J. Rothbaum of Tulsa.

Thoma Lauraine Austin, an Oklahoma City sophomore, walked away with \$5,000 as top prize in the Great Books Educational Fund Awards.

Phillip Schafer, a graduate student from Springfield, Missouri, will be in Belgium this year as a Belgian American Education Fellow. He will study at the Free University of Brussels.

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Of Juvenile Offenders

The City of Norman, the University and the National Institute of Mental Health have joined forces

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to fund extension of a 1968 program concerned with predictive sentencing of habitual juvenile traffic offenders.

Under the direction of Leo H. Whinery, professor of law and judge of Norman's Municipal Criminal Court, the project has multiple goals.

"One of the most significant variables related to the problem is the automobile driver under the age of 25," Whinery says. "Studies involving the young driver are important not only in dealing with the traffic problem, but coping with some of the major problems involved in crime and delinquency in the U.S. today."

Since the automobile is one of the first youthful means of showing

anti-social behavior, the findings of studies on traffic offenses and treatment of offenders in innovative ways are significant in working with youth and in developing in them constructive attitudes toward law and order generally, he said.

The program will be administered in part by graduate students of law and the behavioral sciences at OU.

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Upwardly

Upward Bound, a federally funded pre-college preparatory program for young people from low-income backgrounds, is being launched this month at OU with 36 young people. It's under the direction of Grayson

Noley of Oklahomans for Indian Opportunity in a cooperative effort between OU's University College and OIO.

This year students in eighth, ninth and tenth grades will participate in a summer camp on the campus and then will return to the campus four different times during the school year. Next summer they will spend an additional six to eight weeks here.

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Bully Bears

Using \$50,000 in hypothetical money, 64 OU students last year went out to play the stock market. While they studied the market, two OU researchers in psychology studied the students.

What they found was that personality has quite a bit to do with how successful an investor is on the stock market.

William G. Baker III, who tackled the project as part of his graduate work toward a doctorate, and Dr. Paul D. Jacobs, assistant professor of psychology, think theirs is the first known attempt to scientifically investigate the relationship between personality correlates and stock market speculation.

For the study a successful investor was one who performed better than the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

"The successful investor was aggressive, spontaneous, effective in communication, flexible, self-assured, productive and active, ambitious, intellectually efficient and resourceful," Baker said. He was also more likely to invest in conservative-oriented—as opposed to risk-oriented—stocks.

"The market strategy of those investors who were successful was, on the average, to invest 62 per cent of their money in conservative-oriented stocks and 12 per cent in risk-oriented stocks, while maintaining an average of 26 per cent in cash," Baker said. "This was opposed to the non-successful investor's 46 per cent in conservative-oriented stocks, 51 per cent in risk-oriented stocks and 3 per cent in cash."

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Women did better than men in making investments, possibly because they leaned toward conservative-oriented stocks.

Standard personality tests provided the personality correlates to the investment patterns.

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After more years than most anyone cares to remember of hanging around in that little white frame building behind the women's physical education building, Shadowbox has finally moved to better quarters.

Involved in the move was the opening of a boutique—the Shadowbox 518 Shop—at 518 Elm where students sell everything from fashions to etchings and pottery.

Interior design classes produced renovation ideas for the old house, and fashion display classes did all the work including building fixtures, and props, paneling the walls, paint-

ing and giving the place a general facelift.

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Transitory Problems

One OU researcher sees freeway and parking strangulation coming within a decade to Oklahoma City, Tulsa and other of the country's major cities.

Dr. J. Edwin Becht, senior research associate in the Bureau for Business and Economic Research, has a plan for a mass-transit market in Oklahoma. His plan is a portal-to-portal transportation service by a horizontal, on-call elevator system combining living, working and recreational activities into a totally new living pattern, available to anyone who wished to take advantage of the plan.

Becht, who also is a professor of geography, calls his plan "The Noble Line," a transit system from Purcell to Oklahoma City—via Noble, Norman and Moore.

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It's Heavy

This summer some 40 students, most of them freshman honors students, have been participating in what they called the "Intensive Learning Program." It's something they thought up themselves and pushed through, and it meant really nothing more than a lot of hard work for them.

While the normal class load for students in summer session is six to nine hours, each of the intensive learning students has been cramming in 15 to 18 hours during the summer term—a more than full load even during a regular semester.

What's more, they didn't enroll in easy grade courses. What they did was move into an apartment house along with some professors and their families and make living a learning experience—virtually every waking hour seven days a week—with promises from the professors that they would work them to the bone.

Results aren't in yet, but chances are good that the experiment wasn't dull.

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Relating Humanly

The University's new master's program in human relations gets under way this fall after more than a year of planning by Dr. George Henderson, Goldman professor of human relations.

Students in the program will be from all disciplines, wiping out the fallacy that human relations professionals are basically social scientists.

The program is non-thesis and offers highly concentrated academic studies and internships in social agencies in Oklahoma and outside the state.

"This new program was designed in consultation with the National Association for Intergroup Relations officials," Henderson says, "and they are looking to us to provide a model program on which to build. Specifically, the program will prepare individuals for leadership roles in governmental agencies, public school systems, city and state commissions, and other institutions seeking to improve intergroup relations."

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