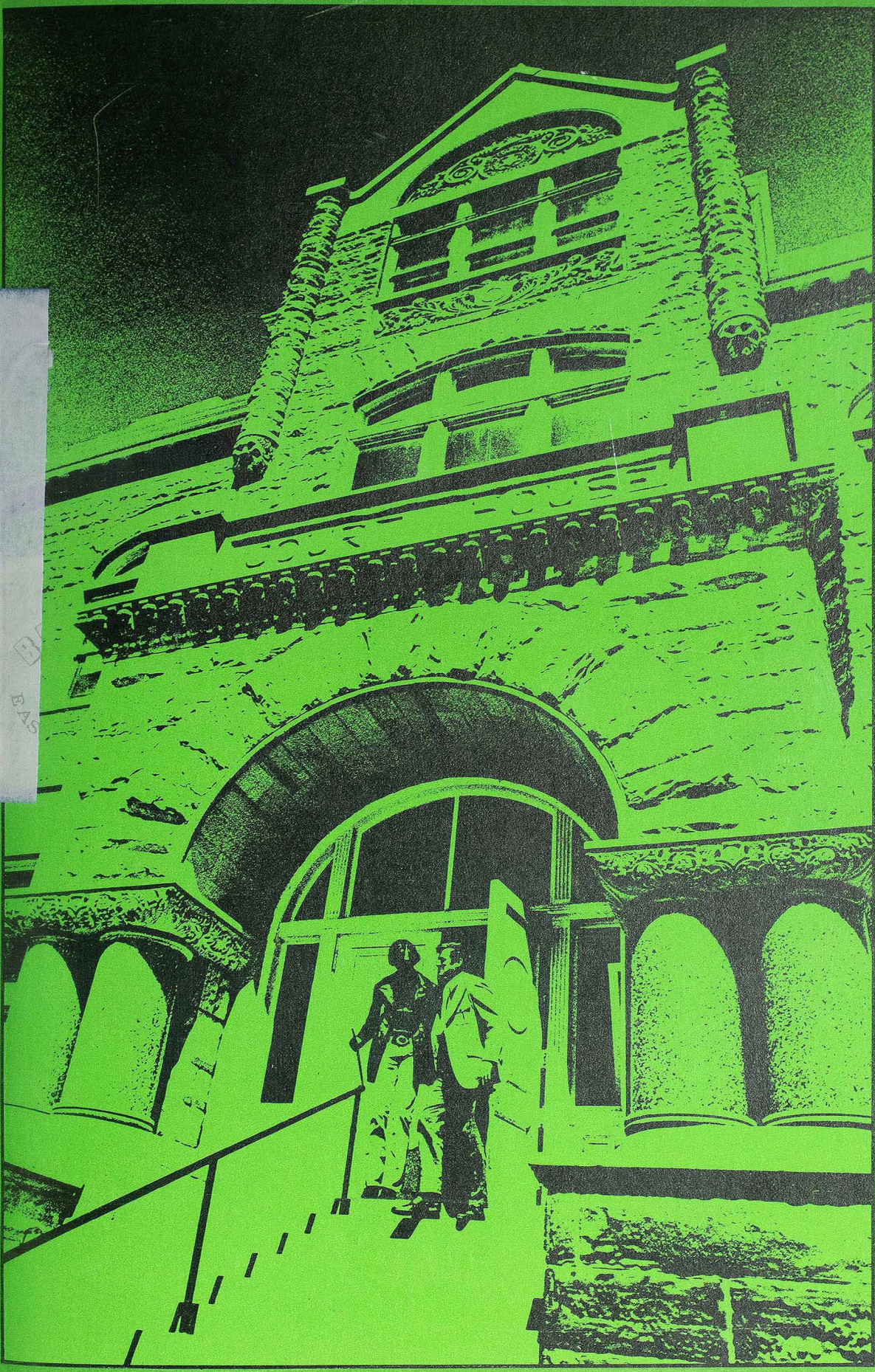


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President's Comments

It has been said that every gift is, in reality, great if given with affection. Such was the gift of \$25,000 presented to the Northeast Missouri State University Development Fund by Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fuller. Indeed our hearts were warmed, not only by the generosity of the Fullers, but by the spirit in which the donation was made. I take the liberty of sharing Mr. Fuller's comments:

The motive behind the gift is selfishness. I look at it this way. My wife and I have exchanged some unneeded pieces of paper for the deep, lasting satisfaction of doing something worthwhile. So the exchange is very one-sided to our advantage. Giving is a habit with us and, like some other habits, the more you indulge it the greater the pleasure that it brings. There is another selfish angle. Everybody knows that you cannot take possessions with you but many people do not act accordingly. Since you must give everything away sometime the smart, selfish plan is to do it while you are alive to enjoy the appreciation. I do not suggest disregard of heirs, but I strongly believe that in addition consideration should be given to social needs.

There are, of course, many worthy causes that appeal for money. Why, then, should one favor a tax supported institution of higher learning. One reason is that it needs a larger income than it gets from state appropriations. Another is that the income from an endowment fund is perennial, while many contributions are spent and gone. The final and best reason is that it is your alma mater.

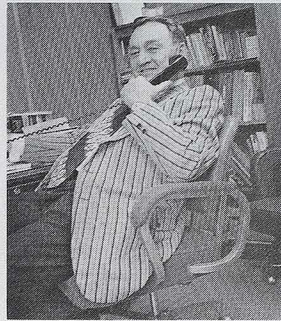
I believe Mr. and Mrs. Fuller have captured the true spirit of the concept of the NMSU Development Fund. Many more gifts will be received—hopefully in the same spirit. I invite each of you to join in this joy of sharing with your alma mater.

Charles J. McClain
President

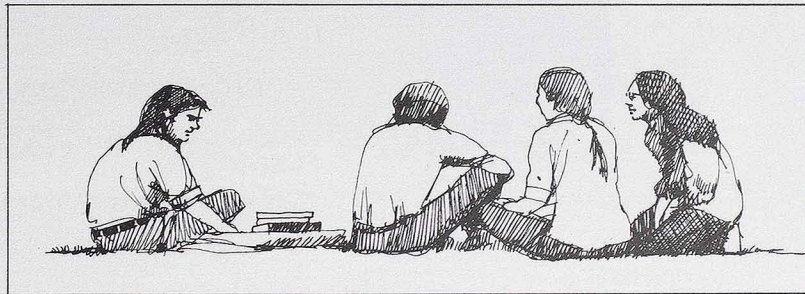
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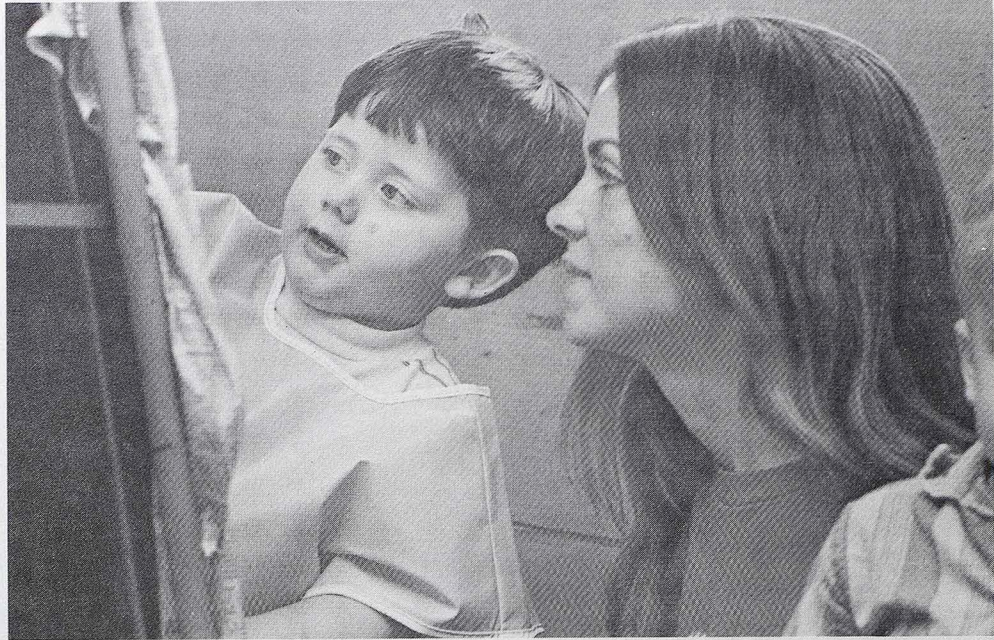
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interns on the go

by Thomas R. Shrout, Jr.



A young water color artist catches the attention of his teacher, Florence O'Brien who did her internship with the Kirksville Head Start Program.



One of Randy's assignments was to study the city landfill and identify any needed changes in operation.



Phil Hoskins takes part in a discussion on proposed legislation with Senator Ike Skelton.



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For years employers have been complaining that students coming out of the colleges and universities were long on knowledge and short on experience. The idealism of four years in a university environment, they said, had not come face-to-face with the realities of day-to-day problems.

Some 70 years ago John R. Kirk, fifth president of the University, recognized the need for practical experience for students in education and initiated the concept of practice teaching. For years NMSU has successfully built a strong practice teaching program which has become an integral part of each future teacher's study. Now, Kirk's wisdom and insight into the need for actual work experience while still in the academic setting is being applied outside the teaching area.

The program has found the greatest initial success in the Social Science Division, but instead of calling participants practicing politicians, practicing social workers or practicing law enforcement officers, they are called interns and their programs internships.

NMSU students are interning with legislators, congressmen, city officials and other governmental agencies. They may earn up to one semester credit for their on-the-job experiences, but most students agree that the value of the semester assignments far exceeds, in the practical aspect, a semester's class work.

The Social Science Internship program was initiated by Dr. Darrell Krueger, Assistant Professor of Social Science. Krueger said the idea for the internship program evolved after he attended a conference in Washington D.C. He said it was there that he began to see the need for the bachelor's degree candidates to have both flexibility as well as specialized training so the student could meet the changing demands of our society.

One NMSU student, Randy Smith, worked with Kirksville City Manager Shirl Abbey during the fall semester. Smith said he was caught in the middle of the reduced demand for teachers and wanted to build a program with more alternatives. He came to NMSU being graduated from Newtown-Harris High School in 1969 with the in-

tention of becoming a social studies teacher. However, he realized this tightening of the teacher job market may have impaired his ability to find a job following his graduation so he turned to the internship program.

"The job market is tight in education and this would give me some on-the-job training for an administrative position in government," Randy said.

City manager Abbey said of the program: "the interns are fresh from school and they have a fresh outlook on things.

"They challenge what you are doing, and it makes you think. I welcomed the intern with no reservations whatsoever," Abbey said.

During the course of the semester Randy became involved in several projects including a revamping of the city parking system, a study of the Kirksville landfill and an evaluation of the city water system operation. Actually Randy was lucky to be accepted for the Kirksville internship under city manager Abbey because the manager form of government is less than a year old. Abbey admitted that, "My greatest time of need (for administrative assistance) is in these first couple of years of city management. There are so many things that have to be done."

The only regret that Abbey had was not being able to pay Randy some stipend for the work he had done; the money simply was not available. Several spring semester interns are receiving compensation for their hard and long hours, however payment is not a requirement of the program.

Spring semester Delvin Dresser and Ann McClone of Moberly, Mo., both political science majors, took over for Randy. Delvin began putting the finishing touches on Randy's study of the Kirksville water system. The outcome of the project was a \$200,000 bond issue, which called for a major renovation work on the sewer system. It passed.

Recent unionization of many of the city employees, put Ann to the task of researching and setting up job classifications for all city employees. She also developed a test for city firemen and policemen, the results of which are

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Ann McClone has found her internship with the city of Kirksville an invaluable practical experience.



to be used as an aid to determine promotions. Ann administered the Kuder Preference Record Exam, to firemen in hopes of determining their personality traits. As for the future for these two interns, Ann already has an assistantship at Southern Illinois University in Public Administration. Delvin is looking forward to law school at any one of several to which he has applied.

Other NMSU interns are working in city government. Jim Steinbeck, a senior from Fairfield, Iowa is in Marceline, Mo. assisting city manager Carl Egger. As one of his projects Jim made a study of the city's civil defense plan. A previous plan was out of date and the city had lost some state revenue because of it.

"We have to have the plan in order to get state civil defense funds. The state gives us \$1,400 for a civil defense director if we have an approved civil defense plan," Jim said. Since Marceline doesn't have a civil defense director, the money can be used for civil defense supplies.

Egger views Jim as his assistant and has him do much of the detailed research that his busy city manager's schedule won't allow him to do. Since Marceline owns its own light plant, it has more than the usual number of city employees for a town its size and this does cause some difficulties.

"We have problems with inequities in the pay and benefits for all our city employees so I put Jim to work in developing a city employees manual," Egger said.

Like Randy Smith, Jim has become involved in the study of solid waste disposal. Recent state legislation has forced cities to upgrade and regulate their landfills.

"We are considering having a county-wide landfill system and possibly a system whereby certain persons under a certain income level would be exempted from paying. Jim has to develop the cost figures and determine what kind of system will work for Marceline," said Egger.

But unlike the Kirksville city interns, Jim is being paid \$150 a month for the work he does for the city manager. "I talked the possibility of having an intern with James

Flynn, the mayor, and he liked the idea, so we got Jim," Egger said. "I haven't had a complaint from the council."

"I know some people wonder what I do, but everyone in Marceline has been real friendly," Jim said.

In May, Jim received his bachelors degree and from there, is looking toward graduate school or law school, possibly at the University of Arizona. But he says of his experiences at Marceline, "I wanted to find out what public administration would be like. I am really interested in it and would be happy with it as a career."

Involved in a different kind of internship is Fred Curry, a senior from Hale, Mo. Fred is serving as a legislative aid to Rep. Richard DeCoster, Canton, Speaker Pro-Tem of the House.

Every week Fred writes a summary of each bill that has been in committee. "There's really no way of determining how many bills that I have summarized this session. But, I would estimate in the first ten weeks of the session it is somewhere between 600 and 700," Fred said.

The summaries help him and the Representatives keep track of the various bills and their status. Already when the bills have reached critical points in committees, Representative DeCoster has called on Fred to testify on bills in committee. Fred spoke before the Motor Vehicles and Traffic committee on House Bill 609 and 826 which would establish a new license classification for one-half-ton pick-up trucks.

On House Bill 592 Fred became involved in both researching and testifying on the bill which would standardize the rate of evaluating property assessments. He also appeared before the House Ways and Means committee in favor of the bill which would set 30 per cent as the standard amount of assessed evaluation.

Fred is doing ground work on a bill introduced by Rep. DeCoster which would raise the state sales tax to four per cent, eliminate local sales taxes and designate 25 per cent to be returned to local governments according to population.

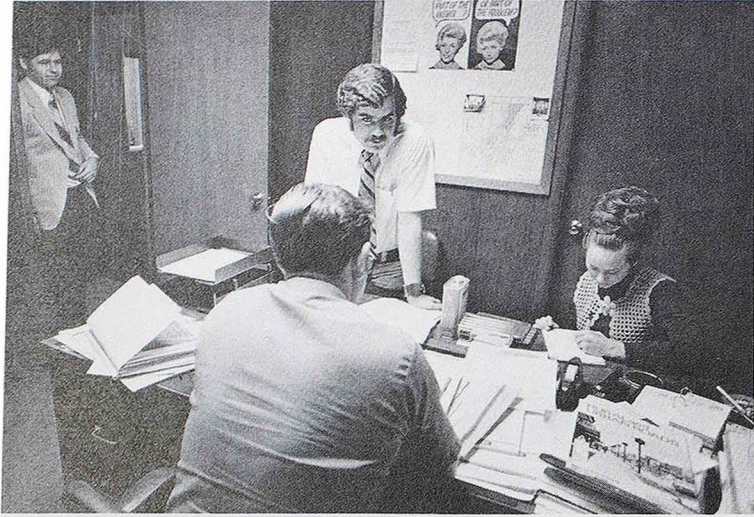
To date, none of Fred's bills have been signed into law, but as far as his testimony is concerned, "I've had several



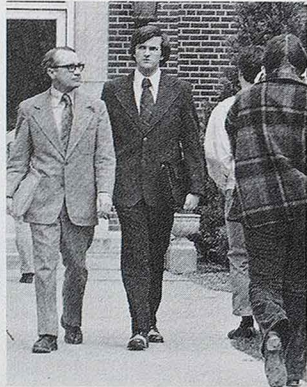
Ann McClone explains portions of a test she developed to aid the city determine needed city employee promotions.



Fred Curry covers some of the more detailed aspects of proposed legislation with his faculty adviser, Dr. Darrel Krueger.



Jim Steinbeck discusses some recent assignments with Carl Egger, Marceline city manager while Dr. Krueger, his faculty advisor watches from the doorway.



David Rector was the first intern assigned to University President Charles J. McClain and both are happy about their mutual benefit from David's spring semester internship.



Dan Safford, a senior majoring in psychology and law enforcement from Mexico, Missouri, works with an exceptional child during his internship at the Kirksville Regional Diagnostic Clinic.



Jim Steinbeck found Marceline a friendly town and he feels he may want to pursue public administration as a profession.

compliments," Fred said.

As a sidelight to his work, Fred has been writing a bi-weekly column for the University student newspaper, the INDEX, on pending legislation that would be of interest to students. Fred has discussed such issues as lowering the legal drinking age to 18 and the open meetings or "sunshine" bills. He is not at all reluctant to express his opinions of the legislation as he wrote recently of the sunshine bills: "While the sunshine bills sound good in theory, they tend to be another political ploy to draw votes."

Fred says of his experiences at the legislature: "I love every minute of it. Being where the action is sounds trite, but this is where much of what happens affects the average person in his day-to-day life."

In the other chamber, Phil Hoskins, a senior from Linneus, is working with Senator Ike Skelton, a democrat from Lexington.

Phil has become involved in the Senator's public relations effort. He had worked for *The Kirksville Daily Express* so he has used his newspaper background to help Senator Skelton write his weekly newspaper column and help produce his weekly radio program. But Phil does his share of legislative research too.

The recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling on the death penalty sent Phil into the legislative library looking into new capital punishment laws passed by other states. "I've worked quite a bit on the death penalty bill," Phil said. "I've studied bills from other states that have been signed into law since the Supreme Court ruled and I'm trying to find the best one."

Skelton is enthusiastic about the intern program. "Excellent! I don't know how I got along without this good help before. Phil is my administrative assistant and I consider him an extension on myself, from researching bills and drafting amendments to dealing with constituents. Other legislators have accepted the idea I have an assistant and they are very impressed that I have

someone very capable," Skelton said. "I've been spoiled, he just gets things done."

"The internship program is a tremendous success and I'm naturally appreciative of Dr. Krueger for talking with me about it many months ago."

In an internship outside of government is David Rec-tor, a senior from Macon, working in University President Charles McClain's office.

Recently David has been researching current educational problems such as enrollment trends, sabbatical leave, faculty salaries, tenure and general education requirements.

"I also did a survey of the campus from a student's point of view, making various recommendations," David said.

David is a history major with a political science minor. He became involved in the internship program because "it was a chance to get some experience outside of teaching and to develop a second career possibility."

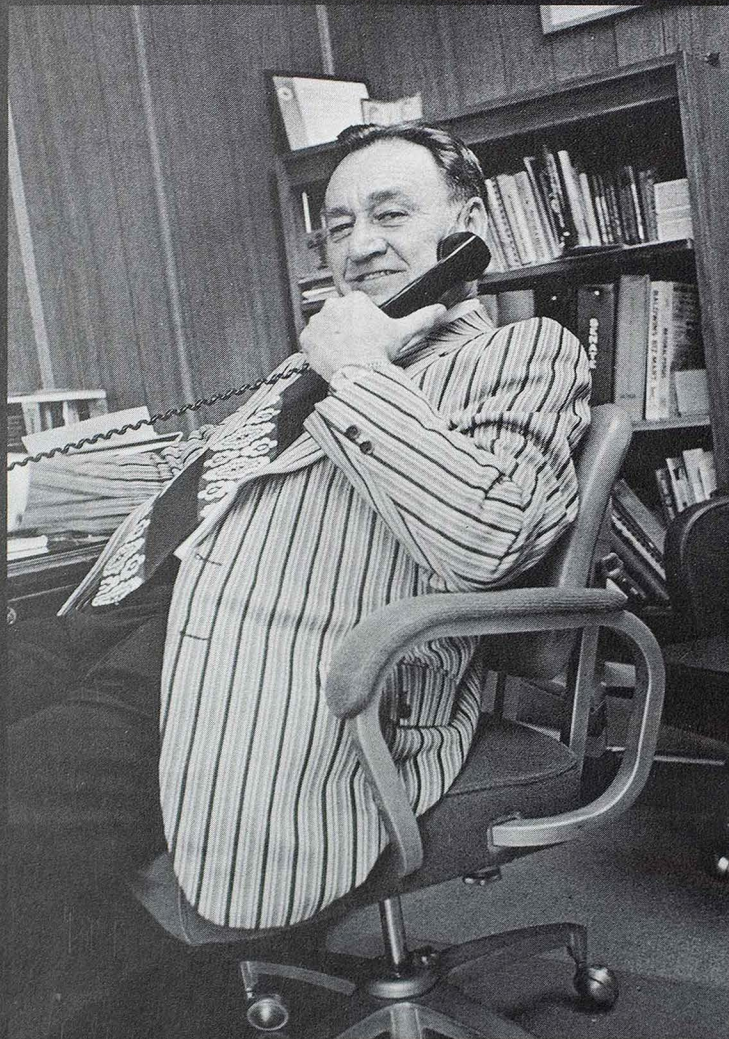
What does he plan to do after graduation? "Good question. I'm trying to keep my options open. There are too many people with masters degrees and not experience. I think the internship program will give me experience and I think that's what prospective employers are looking for."

"Working for the president has its advantages," David laughed. "One thing it gives you instant cooperation from people on campus. And sometimes people also become very interested in, and try to find out from me, what the president thinks about this or that."

The internships are not simply in the Social Science division. Internships have been developed in Language and Literature, Practical Arts and several other divisions are searching for similar practical experience curriculums.

So, John R. Kirk's 70-year-old "internship" or student teaching idea has been revitalized and redefined. Perhaps time is the best judge of the merit of an idea or maybe there really aren't any new ideas—just old ones revisited.

Robert L. McKinney



WHEREAS, Robert L. McKinney, Assistant to the President and Head of the Division of Public Relations and Information Service, Northeast Missouri State University, Kirksville, Missouri, passed away unexpectedly on January 29, 1973; and

WHEREAS, he faithfully served Northeast Missouri State University in so many capacities for more than 35 years and was held in such high esteem by members of the Board of Regents, administrators, faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends of the University; and

WHEREAS, his integrity could be depended upon during the University's most trying circumstances and he was steadfast in the face of crucial issues; and

WHEREAS, trustworthiness was the keystone of his life, and warmth and generosity his motto for living; and

WHEREAS, he was a loyal friend and servant of the University and a close friend, personally and professionally, with members of the Board of Regents, and will be remembered for his trustworthiness, loyalty, judgment, generosity, unselfishness and warmth;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of Northeast Missouri State University pay tribute to Robert L. McKinney for his many years of service and dedication to the entire University; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mrs. Robert L. McKinney and sons, Robert L. McKinney, Jr. and T. Hal McKinney, receive a copy of this resolution as an expression of esteem on the part of the Board of Regents of Northeast Missouri State University.

Robert L. McKinney

by R. Russell Harrison

"Northeast Missouri State University has lost a friend in Robert L. McKinney and with him his love of life, his love of people and his deep sense of loyalty. He is gone and he will be missed."—University President Charles J. McClain.

This is only one of numerous tributes received at the time of death of Col. Robert L. McKinney, Assistant to the President and head of the Division of Public Relations at Northeast. He died Monday, January 29, 1973 while in Jefferson City. He suffered a fatal heart attack while in the capitol building.

President McClain said: "The University community is saddened by the loss of Robert L. McKinney. He was a faithful adviser and friend but more importantly his devotion to the University for more than 35 years was never ending. He saw the University through its times of need and through its times of prosperity. When he died he was on University business."

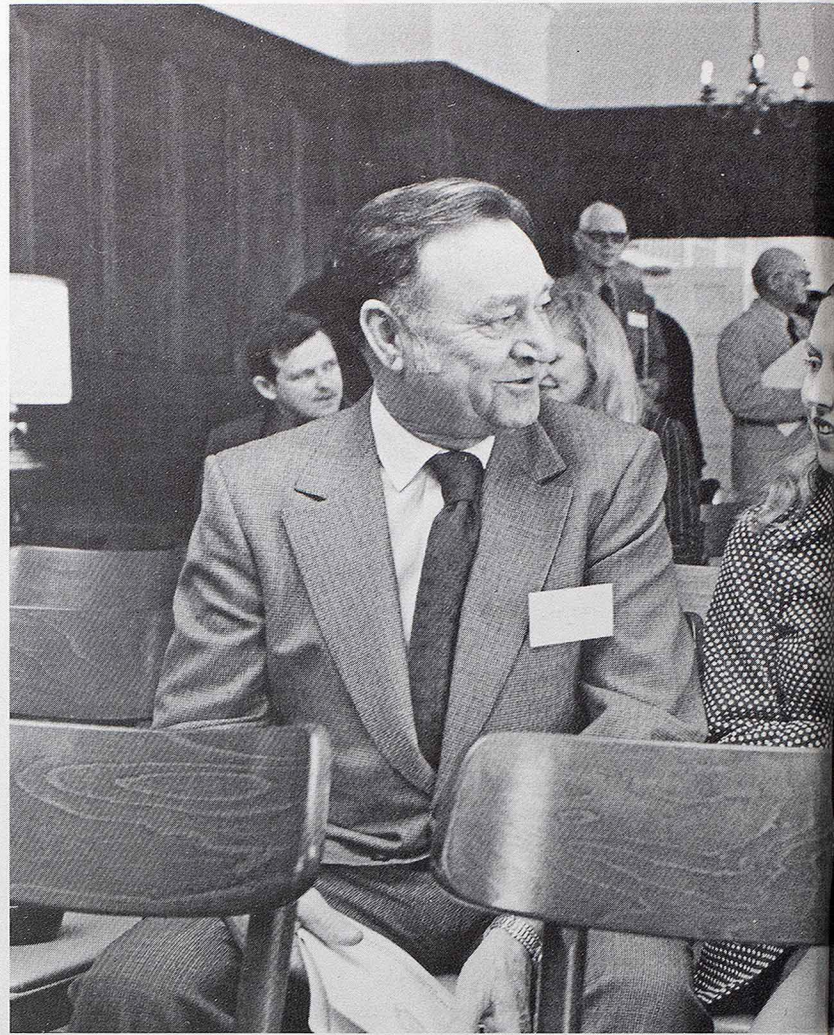
President Emeritus Walter H. Ryle said, "Colonel Robert McKinney has been my friend and close associate for nearly 40 years. I have known him since he was a college sophomore. On January 1, 1938, he became my executive secretary and within a few months assumed the duties of my assistant, a position which he held until I retired in 1967.

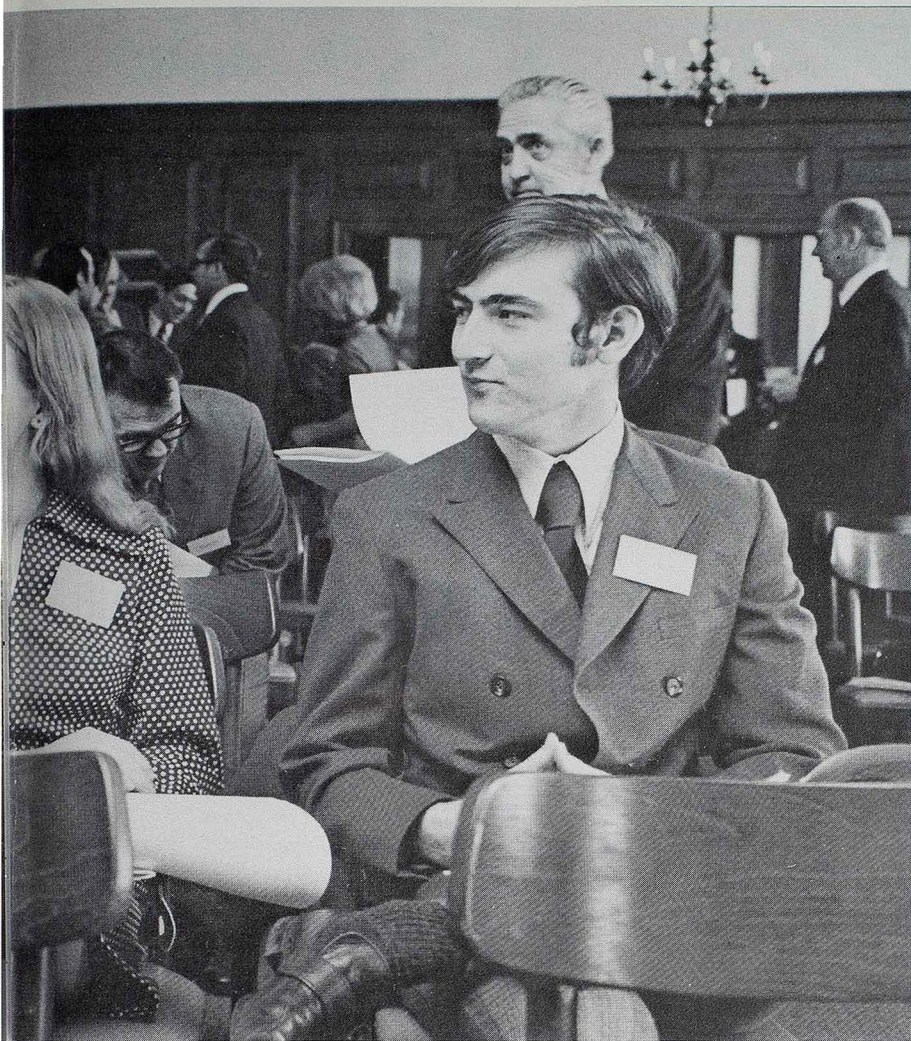
"Robert McKinney's integrity could be depended on in the face of the most trying circumstances. He was fearless in facing crucial issues. It was not a part of his make-up to betray a friend or confidant. One could trust him with the most delicate mission, knowing he would manage it wisely. Trustworthiness was the keystone of his life.

"Robert McKinney devoted many years of his life to the college he loved. He was dedicated to its general welfare. He believed in his mission. He gave unselfishly his time and energy. He was one of the great men of this century old institution."

Acting Board of Regents President Mrs. Mary Alice Bunney of Shelbyville said, "The University has suffered a great loss with the passing of Colonel Bob McKinney. He was a great asset to the University as a whole. He was a friend to the students as well as the administration and will be missed by all. In fact, the Board of Regents considered him as our right hand man. I personally feel a great loss."

Former President of the Board of Regents, Judge James R. Reinhard of Hannibal, issued the following statement:





Above: Much of Col. McKinney's work involved dealing with legislators as he is seen here pictured with Congressman William L. "Bill" Hungate of the Ninth District. Left: As head of the division of public relations, Col. McKinney often met with students to discuss University activities to keep abreast with student needs and interests. Left Below: Some ten years ago, Col. McKinney is seen with his wife Fran and his two sons "Rob" (left) and Hal (right). Below: Col. McKinney, along with President McClain and Athletic Director, Jim Dougherty, discuss a problem with former Board of Regents President James R. Reinhard.



"The death of Bob McKinney comes as a great shock to all of us. I have lost a personal friend. The school has lost a loyal servant. I have sought his judgment and advice on many occasions. He always recommended what was in the best interest of the University. He never sought the headlines. Many of the advances at Northeast were the result of his efforts, but he was willing to let others take the credit. He will be missed and cannot be replaced."

It is now difficult for this author to add to a memorial story on Bob McKinney, as words cannot express the loss to the University as a whole or the personal loss of a close friend and an inspiring associate. One of his many contributions to the University was the founding of the NEMOSCOPE in 1948. He served as its first editor and continued to edit the magazine for a number of years. The editorial staff dedicates this issue to him.



Col. McKinney participated in the dedication of the new Industrial Education Building.

Bob McKinney was born August 8, 1913, in Jacksonville, Missouri, and was the son of the late Judge and Mrs. H. J. McKinney. He attended the public schools in the Jacksonville area and was a graduate of the Cairo High School. He attended the University of Missouri in Columbia for one year before transferring to Northeast Missouri State Teachers College where he received the Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1936. Colonel McKinney attended the Gem City Business College in Quincy, Ill., and had done additional graduate work at New York University. McKinney was named private secretary to President Emeritus Walter H. Ryle in 1938 and was soon advanced to assistant to the President.

He enlisted in the Missouri National Guard, 110th Engineers, 35th Infantry Division, in October of 1940. He was called to active duty in December of 1940 and was commissioned a 2nd Lt. in the Corps of Engineers, January 24, 1942. The ability of Bob McKinney was exemplified by his promotions in rank during his military career,

as he was named 1st Lt. in August, 1942, Capt., March, 1943, Major in May, 1944, and Lt. Col., June, 1945. He served during World War II as an inspector general and served overseas in the European Theatre from June, 1943 through November, 1945. He was separated from the service on March 15, 1946.

McKinney returned to the campus and resumed his duties as assistant to the President until he was recalled to active duty in 1950. He was assigned to the office of the inspector general and served in numerous important military assignments until his retirement from the service in 1965.

Colonel McKinney is survived by his wife, the former Virginia Frances McCuiston, and two sons, Robert L., Jr., a student at NMSU, and Hal, a senior at the Kirksville High School. Mrs. McKinney is presently foreign student advisor at NMSU. Funeral services were held in the First Christian Church in Kirksville and interment was in the National Cemetery at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

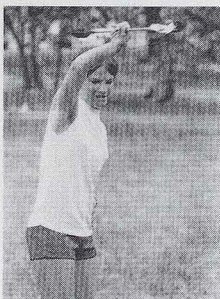
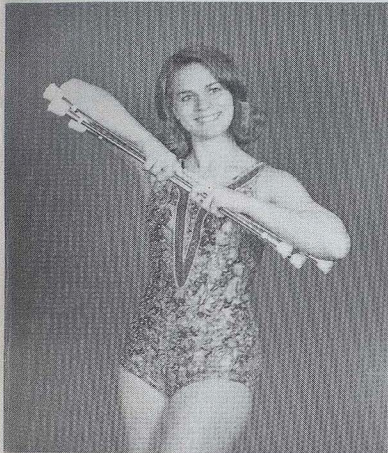
His leadership abilities were exemplified during his college days as he was active in student politics, college debate and was named to Who's Who Among College Students and was also active on the college newspaper staff and was a member of Blue Key honor fraternity. At the time of his death he was an active member of the American College Public Relations Association, a national organization of which he was one of the early founders in the late 1940's. He was a member of numerous honorary professional and civic organizations and was a charter life member of the University Alumni Association. McKinney was a member of the Jacksonville Lodge 541, AF & AM. He was appointed to the progressive line of officers of the Grand Lodge of Missouri in 1965 and had continued through the line to the station of Senior Deacon prior to resigning in 1970 for health reasons. He was a member of both the York and Scottish Rites and the Shrine.

Hundreds of tributes and expressions of sympathy have been received by the family and the University, including resolutions by both the Missouri House of Representatives and the Missouri Senate.

The family has established a memorial fund at Northeast in honor of Colonel McKinney. Friends wishing to be a part of the memorial may send their contributions to the office of the President.

"Bob McKinney was a vital part of the University and the memorial is a most fitting tribute to a man who truly loved the University and the students it serves."

1000 Hills Summer Baton Twirling & Drum Major Camp



Renee Stuedemann, Miss Iowa 1972 and semifinalist for Miss America, will direct this year's summer camp. The winner of over 600 twirling awards, Renee won the Junior Twirling National in

1962, Senior Twirling Nationals in 1965 and Junior Strut Championship in 1963. Teachers for the camp include Jim Hallett, Nancy Mitchell, Monica Parisi, Kathy Freed, Becky Seay, Charlene Drost, and others. The cost is only \$36.00, which includes tuition, room and board and insurance. Also, this year's camp will be preceded by an NBTA Class A Open Contest. Students will live in Univer-

sity housing, have full-time counselors and participate in planned and supervised activities. For further information write: Tom Duden, Director, 1000 Hills Summer Baton Twirling and Drum Major Camp, Northeast Missouri State University, Kirksville, Missouri 63501.

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