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Photo by Denice Bacher

The afternoon sunlight shining through the Women's P.E. corridor casts shadows on a lone summer school student.

Veterans' benefit checks delayed

By Pat Denley

Benefit checks to about 150 veterans attending summer school will be late this month because of funding delays in the U.S. Congress, said veterans officials.

Office spokesmen estimate 2,000 veterans are attending the first summer session.

State veterans director Gordon Lyons said the delay would most likely affect 1,500 to 2,000 Arizona veterans. He said arguments in Congress have slowed passage of a large appropriations bill that includes money for veterans benefits.

Spence Smartt, chief veterans representative in the ASU Veterans Affairs Office, said checks will be held up no more than five to ten days, with the majority of campus veterans not affected.

Smartt also said he wanted to tell ASU veterans which of them is eligible for a special nine month extension authorized last December and designed for certain veterans whose

benefits have run out. Some veterans are already using the extension.

A veteran must have been entitled to 36 months of benefits upon leaving the service, he said.

To qualify, he explained, a veteran must have run out of benefits while working toward his original undergraduate degree. "The nine-month extension can't be used for graduate work," Smartt said.

He said his office will check to see if applicants for the extension change their program at the time original benefits expire or during the extension. No will be allowed to change a major just to use the extension, he said.

If ASU veterans have questions about their benefits, Smartt said, "They should bring their most recent award letter in and we'll figure it out."

The Veterans Affairs Office is located on the third floor of the Academic Services building, phone 965-4187.

Health center offers

summer services

By Janice Casey

One hundred-fifty students a day during summer session compared to the usual 500 patients visiting the Health Services during a regular term may not sound like many. But when the 150 are divided between two doctors in one morning, things can get hectic, explained Dr. Richard Jones, Director of the Student Health Service.

"The Health Service to summer students has come a long way in the last four years," said Dr. Jones. "During the summer four years ago, the Services only staffed one Doctor and there was no pharmacy, lab facilities or X-rays available. This summer there are two doctors and most facilities are open on a limited basis except the infirmary."

Dr. Jones pointed out that the major differences between the Health Service's summer and regular services are the smaller staff size, the infirmary is closed, the hours are modified and there are no additional programs or seminars.

During the normal school year there are nine regular doctors, eight consultants and a larger nursing staff. Only two doctors are maintained during the summer and no consultants. The consultants usually include specialists such as a gynecologist, neurologist, radiologist and a dermatologist.

Nurses man the infirmary of 26 beds during the regular term. Students nurses from the College of Nursing can learn some basic skills here but this does not replace their hospital training.

When discussing the summer staff, Dr. Jones was quick to add that the Health Service can cater to psychological problems. "A special feature the students may not realize exists is our year-round psychologist in residency training from the state hospital. Again, I'd like to stress we do handle short-term emotional and mental problems year-round."

What do these services cost the summer session or full-time ASU student?

According to Dr. Jones, the Health Service is allocated funds to operate the facilities during the regular and summer sessions. As a result, all office calls are free no matter how frequent, though a minimal charge is made for outside lab work and prescriptions. This fee covers all valid respondents to university programs; which includes all people attending institutional seminars, and groups such as Upward Bound and the Bell Ringers.

Another difference in summer services is the hours. Summer hours are 8 a.m. — 4 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday. There is nurse coverage until midnight, daily.

Out of the 32,000 students attending ASU, during a normal term, 19,000 students compiled some 70,000 visits to the Health Service this year. Considering that around 50 per cent of the students are commuters from the Phoenix area, this is a surprisingly large percentage, added Dr. Jones.

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Health Center

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To cater to this population, Dr. Jones said additional programs are offered during the regular year. Highlights include a weight gain and reduction program, VD detection and an Outreach program.

"Students may not know where they want to go or what they need, but we'll get them there," said Dr. Jones, referring to the additional programs. "For example, if a student needs counseling say in a 'boy-girl' problem, they will be referred to the counseling service."

To find out student concerns and complaints, Dr. Jones said he meets with campus residents periodically during the normal academic year.

"Sometimes the only way to improve the Health Service is to find out the student complaints. This way we can catch the problems before they hit rock-bottom. Through the campus residents we can also channel necessary information to the students," said Dr. Jones.

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Concerned students respond negatively to nightly television violence portrayal

Nine of 10 students questioned on campus recently voiced concern about the amount of crime and violence portrayed nightly on network television. Opinions differed as to the relationship between T.V. violence and actual crime rates.

"They make heroes out of crooks," said business major Wayne Randolph, 22, citing the influence of T.V. as a possible cause of rising rates of violent crime in the U.S.

All students interviewed were concerned about the strong influence T.V. has on children.

"What worried me is, children watch too much T.V.," said Randolph.

Edward Fitzhugh, a senior in political science, said, "I saw my nephew give a little neighbor kid a karate chop on the neck." He explained that his 7-year-old nephew always watches "Kung Fu".

"Kids get all kinds of

ideas from T.V.," said Kitty Tuberoso, a visiting student from Northern Arizona University.

"Some of it is good, like 'Sesame Street', but a lot of it is wrong — like the idea that the way to solve problems is to beat somebody up."

All 10 students said they would like to see less aggression on network TV., but few had clear ideas about what should replace it.

Gail Brennan, a senior broadcasting major, would like to see "something more creative" in programming.

"The crime shows bore me," she said. "Different stations use the same tired themes again and again." Peter Brongers, 22, a

student from the Netherlands, sees T.V. primarily as an entertainment medium.

"People want this kind of show," he said. He pointed out that Dutch television is "all education and documentaries" and that imported U.S. detective shows such as "Mannix" are popular because they are entertaining.

"I think our rising crime rate is more a result of the current economic situation than anything else," said Steve Young, engineering graduate student and father of two.

One student asking not to be identified said, "I learned everything I know about breaking into houses from watching T.V."

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Summer session's history shows changes

By Gina Schweikart

The 13,380 students who registered for this year's first session of summer school may not relate to their parents' stories of suffering through registration procedures. However, the mystique of college life at ASU includes a 44-year history of summer sessions which began on an unairconditioned campus.

The start of summer sessions in 1932 at what was then known as Arizona State Teachers College showed a first session enrollment of 195 women and 47 men. "The high percentage of women students registered at that time is due to the school's specialization in the teaching field," said Dr. Denis J. Kigin, director of summer sessions.

Enrollment increased proportionately each year until the end of World War II in 1945. Within one year following the war, however, male enrollment increased 477 per cent.

Although ASU presently handles student registrations in much greater numbers, it follows past trends with an increased first-session enrollment this year of 1,630 over last year.

In the pre-airconditioned days the major criteria for class scheduling differed greatly from today. According to the 1932 Arizona State Teachers College Bulletin, "Classrooms will be chosen with reference to shade and ventilation." Classes were also scheduled in the forenoon to avoid the extreme heat of the afternoon desert sun.

While most classes are still held in the morning, the invention of airconditioning has made afternoon classes feasible. "A night program also exists here in the summer but is most prevalent in the business college," said Kigin.

Although inflation controls have become a critical concern for today's economists, summer sessions have kept the lid on

their rising prices showing only a 50 per cent increase in summer tuition over the 44-year span.

The 1932 financial figures show 2-credit courses only were offered for a flat fee of \$20 per course or \$35 for two courses. Classes ran one hour per day, six days a week and were conducted by a faculty of 18.

"Classroom facilities today are used as much in the summer as in the academic year because a 3-credit hour class meets five days per week for 90 minutes each session," said Kigin.

"This compares to the academic session where the majority of 3-credit hour classes meet for 50-minute sessions three days per week."

From the start, no tax money was given to support the summer sessions and that policy is still in effect today. "The entire summer instructional program is dependent on student fees," said Kigin.

Throughout the school's history out-of-state tuition has never been charged for summer school. "This policy affords people the opportunity to participate in ASU's program," said Kigin.

For recreational fun, Arizona State Teachers College offered free use of their outdoor pool, the largest in the area,



Originally the administration and Science Center, built in 1924, this building was remodeled in 1950 to become the English building and is currently the Liberal Arts Annex.

located in the center of the campus amidst picnic tables and shady trees, according to the school's bulletin.

One thing that hasn't changed drastically through the years is Arizona's hot summers. Swimming pool use to alleviate the heat did not go out with the times either and is presently available to summer session students.

Additional recreational activities and services provided to this year's students through the summer activity fee include use of the Memorial Union, Student Health Service, Summer State Press, in-state excursions and the Summer Recreation Program. The Summer Festival Series, film program, Lyric Opera and Lyceum Theater presentations are also available.

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MU schedules trips to four scenic areas

by Denice Bacher

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In an attempt to maintain the faith that Arizona residents have in their state, and to introduce out-of-state visitors to its diverse attractions, both natural and man-made, the MU and Summer Sessions have planned four weekend trips into various Arizona vacationlands.

A one-day excursion to Oak Creek Canyon, Jerome and Montezuma's Castle, a trip to Nogales and Tucson, and two visits to the Grand Canyon are scheduled for the summer.

"The tours are offered at about 50 per cent less than the actual transportation costs," said Rick Eden, MU activities assistant. Summer Sessions makes up the difference.

Each trip is made on an air-conditioned bus, complete with a host from the MU staff.

"The tours were extremely successful last year," said Eden. "We completely sold out all four tours and the first tour for this summer is already two-thirds full."

Each tour commences on a Saturday morning and returns before the following Monday to make the trips accessible to students and working people.

"We usually have a pretty good mixture of people from the university," said Eden. "A lot of families participate because of the ease of transportation. It's a comfortable way to travel with children."

A schedule of the tours appears below. Anyone desiring a comprehensive itinerary and information about reservations should visit the MU Activities Center before the day of the tour. Reservations are on a first come, first serve basis . . . and they're going fast!

Grand Canyon: overnight, June 14-15 and July 19-20

Tucson-Nogales: overnight, June 28-29

Oak Creek-Jerome-Montezuma Castle: day trip, August 2.



Photo by Denice Bacher
After studying trusts for three hours, Rick Donato, a recent ASU Law school graduate, tries the "learn-while-you-sleep" method. He is preparing for the 3-day bar exam in July.

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June 12-13

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