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Professor Rice

Education professor retires after 29 years of service

by Gina Schweikart

After 29 years of teaching at ASU, Professor Roy C. Rice will close the door.

"But a new one will open," said 65-year old Rice, professor of Education.

Perhaps it is because of this strong optimism toward life that Rice has succeeded as one of the entrepreneurs of education at ASU.

Although Rice's specialization has been in the education field, he began his career as a chemistry teacher. After receiving his B.S. and M.S. degrees in chemistry Rice went on for his Ph.D in Education.

"The switch to education may just have been chance," said Rice. With a smile and nod he continued, "I thought teachers could be trained to teach math and science better. So much of our life is dependent upon what has grown out of the science field."

Arriving at ASU in 1946, Rice taught courses in secondary education and psychology. Four years later he was appointed Director of Summer Sessions and then promoted to dean. It was during

this time the professor began his work in adult education.

Although he hesitated to admit that he was one of three initiators of the program, his feelings about it were quite strong.

"We're living longer and education is a continuous process from the first day of life to the last," said Rice. After a long draw on his tobacco pipe he added, "In adult education we train mostly those to teach in and administer at all levels.

There's a great need for this in such industries as business, hospitals and community colleges." The tall, thin, silver-haired professor clarified his definition by adding, "It's merely a process for individuals to satisfy certain needs that are provoked by the society in which we live, whether vocational, social or intellectual in nature."

Rice's continuing contribution to the area has been honored with an award of merit received in May from the Rocky Mountain Plains Adult Education Association which represents seven states in the Rocky Mountain area.

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Summer dorm life differs

by Pat Denley

ASU makes dormitory rooms available in the summer even though the 420 current residents are less than required for the operation to break even.

"That just doesn't pay for opening the building," said Russell Flaherty, housing director. He said the loss must be made up from housing revenues gathered during regular semesters, when campus residents number between 3,500 and 4,000.

Rick Shindell, unit director at Palo Verde West where men are housed, said dormitory resident's attitudes have changed during the five years he has worked for the housing department.

"Students won't put up with the same lack of privacy. They are quicker to demand legal rights, he said.

"People have the same rights as in apartments," he added, a view echoed by Flaherty.

Unannounced room checks, a sign-out sheet for women, and a ban on room visitation by the opposite sex have been eliminated in dorms, Shindell said.

He said men and women students are allowed to visit each others rooms from noon to midnight weekdays and until 2 a.m. A sign posted in Palo Verde East, the women's dorm, says visiting hours end at 11:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m.

After closing hours in P.V. East the doors are locked and women must knock to be let in.

Housing Director Flaherty, Shindell, and Steve Forrest, unit director at P.V. East, said cases of marijuana use in the dorms are usually referred to the Dean of Students office for possible disciplinary action.

Shindell and Forrest said they have the option of calling the police, but preferred not to give a student a criminal record.

Flaherty said housing officials have a legal obligation to report and discourage marijuana use in dorms. The three indicated unit directors use some discretion in drug matters.

Dorm residents 19 years of age have recently been allowed to bring alcoholic beverages into their rooms.

Housing officials said summer dorm students are on the average older, spend more time studying, and are more serious about school, resulting in fewer problems and disturbances in dorms.

The older students at summer school include teachers and other professionals back to meet credentials requirements or earn promotions.

Summer students choose to attend classes when most other students are relaxing, thus they are generally more dedicated, the officials said.

Students pay \$86 to share a room or \$172 for a private room for a five-week session.

Dormitories open during the summer are not public hotels, Housing Director Flaherty said, but he adds guest space is available to visiting students and others "affiliated with the educational process." The price for visitors is \$5.00 the first day, \$3.50 thereafter.

Both men and women students eat in P.V. East's cafeteria. They have a choice of buying 10 meal tickets for \$14.25, or 15 tickets for \$15.00 for weekday meals. On weekends, meals are paid for at the door.

Margaret Sleeper, a sophomore Spanish major, and Tamara Travagiakis, a sophomore psychology major, are roommates in P.V. East.

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Summer registration

Reminder: Today is the last day for early registration for the second summer session. Students may register from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Registration packets are being distributed in the Memorial Union Rendezvous Lounge. Students may then pick up class cards through their colleges and departments.

Registration materials must then be taken to the MU Cochise Room 212 for fee payment.

Regular "walk-through" registration will follow next week, July 5.

Exchange contract enables student study in Mexico

ASU administrators traveled to Monterrey, Mexico June 13 to sign a student exchange agreement with officials of the Universidad Autonoma Nuevo Leon.

The delegation, headed by ASU president John Schwada, included Dr. V. Alonzo Metcalf, administrative vice president, Dr. Robert Knox, chairman of the economics department and Dr. Lewis Tambs, director of the ASU Center for Latin American Studies.

The agreement, signed by the both presidents of the universities, is aided by the Weatherhead Foundation. It will enable two ASU students to attend the University of Nuevo Leon this fall. Two Mexican students in turn will attend ASU.

ASU students, Patrick Stark and David Whitehorn, both Spanish majors, have been selected to attend the Mexican university and will live with Mexican families throughout the school year.

The program, while primarily educational in nature, also focuses on promoting trade and cultural understanding between the two nations.

Tambs said students may apply in May for the program. "Students are selected mainly on their seriousness about studying in Mexico," he said, "and there is no required major although an understanding of Spanish is necessary so that the students may do well in school."

Professor retires

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Rice's concern for education was not limited to the adult level. His interest in safety education prompted him to help initiate a program at ASU.

"We are a mobile society and you have to be concerned with safety on our highways," said Rice.

With a chuckle he proceeded to dig through a filing cabinet drawer full of grade books, one for each class he has ever taught at ASU.

"Oh, I keep all my files so when questions come up that's one source I have," said Rice.

"Ah yes; here it is; the first driver education class was offered in 1947," he said. The course was taught

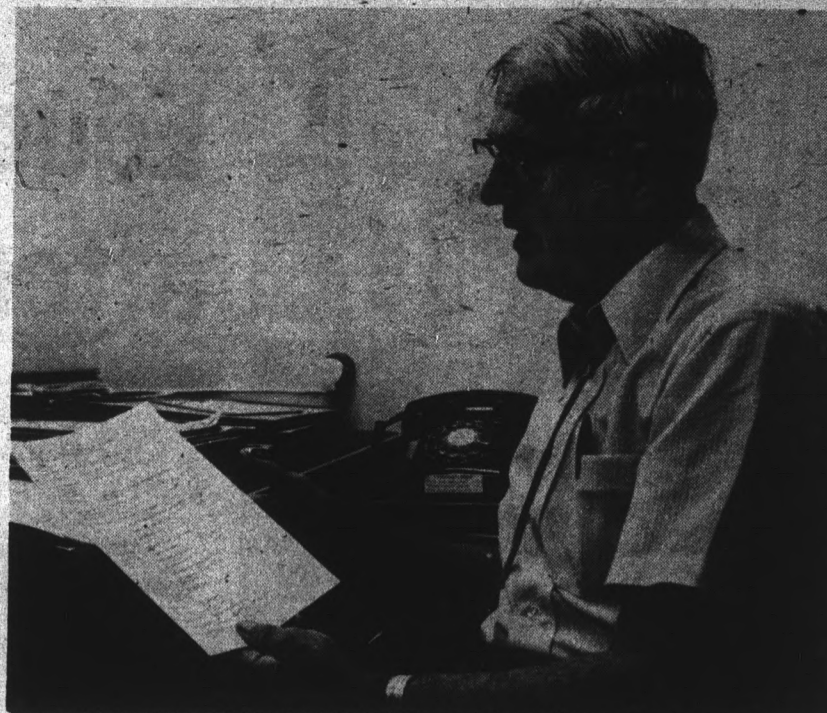


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Dr. Roy C. Rice checks his personal book list deciding which ones he will donate to the Hayden Library.

by Rice.

Rice's achievements in the program were recognized by the Governor's Award in Safety Education which he

received in 1954.

Retirement will not be a sedentary experience for Rice. He has been asked to write the history of the Rocky Mountain Plains Association which has been in existence for 30 years and looks forward to the opportunity.

He considers his retirement "another good stage in one's life." He added, "I've travelled a lot and will continue to."

"There are lots of volunteer things you can do where your services can be used," he said, smiling optimistically.

Rice and his wife, Margaret, a retired ASU professor who taught English and speech for 18 years also plan to spend time at their cabin near Payson.

"We'll spend our summers there and our winters here," he said. "You know I have a garden up there ... and one here," he added.

After a moment's reflection Rice eased back into his swivel chair and said calmly, "It's interesting to have been part of the growth (ASU) but with it you get a certain amount of complexity, organization complexity. With this perhaps there is a decrease in the concern for individuals ... but there is a great increase in the opportunities available."

The retiring professor will complete his career with goals successfully reached because to Rice, "One of the rewards of teaching and education is watching the growth of people."

A reception honoring Rice and his wife will be held Tuesday, July 1, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Faculty, staff, students and administrators are invited to attend.

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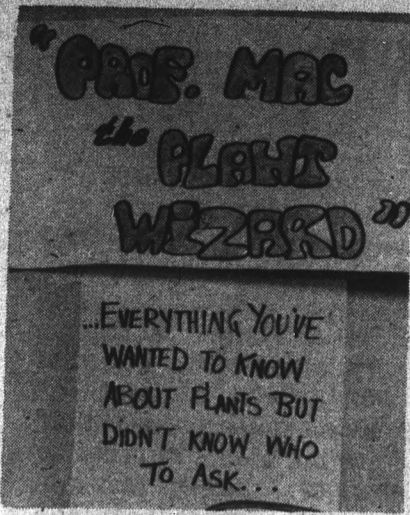
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ASU's greenest thumb

Story and Photos by Denice Bacher

The "real professor" of the botany department has his office in the sub-basement of the Life Sciences building, according to anyone who knows Mack Young.

Young, ("the plant wizard") has the simple title of greenhouse caretaker, but his responsibilities and achievements aren't confined to that role.

A former Pennsylvania coal miner, ("I spent ten years as an underground farmer") Young began working at ASU as a

custodian in 1959. After watering the plants in the greenhouse one summer, while everyone else was on vacation, he was asked to assume complete control in 1963, a position he gladly accepted.

Now, 11 years and "a little practical schoolin'" later, Young has transformed the meager greenhouse into a thriving, productive unit.

His methods would baffle the more meticulous plant-grower. Plants grow on huge wooden tables, under the tables, around wires, out of old lightbulbs from the football stadium ("I make terrariums out of 'em, ya see."), and even upside-down ("It's an experiment.')

Despite the apparent confusion, Young knows what and where every plant is, as well as where he obtained each plant and tool for the greenhouse. Pointing to a pile of pots recently brought in by a visitor, he says, "That's how I get most of my material. I scrounge a lot."

He not only supplies the botany department with plants for experiments, but conducts several of his own, manages the stockroom and traverses the Valley, giving lectures and demonstrations to schools and organizations. It takes a lot of time, but Young seems to thrive on it as well as his plants thrive on his care.

"I wouldn't trade any of this practical experience for a Harvard Ph.D.," he said.

He seems to have no need for a degree for some of his accomplishments, which include growing the only Brazilian staghorn ferns in Arizona, putting a mimosa to sleep with chloroform and growing a 14-week-old coleus that threatens to consume the interior of the greenhouse.

Hanging from the ceiling, the coleus spreads over five feet in diameter.

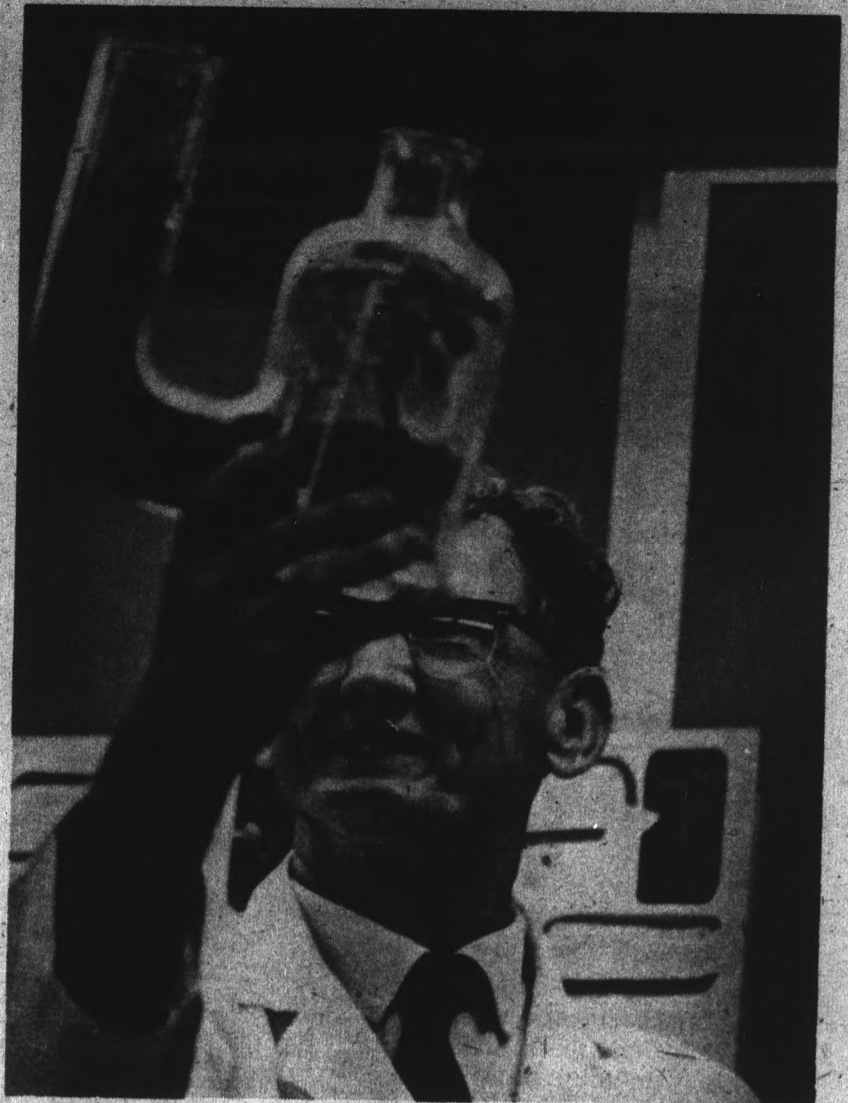
"That's a dandy, isn't it? When it's eight feet I'm going to claim it to be the biggest in town."

Sixteen years at ASU have taught him a lot about people, too, he said, everyone from plumbers to faculty.

"I've helped a lot of guys get their Ph.D.'s," he said. "They used to come to my house for plants when the greenhouse wasn't so good."

It's not hard to maintain his home garden and plants along with the duties of the greenhouse, he said.

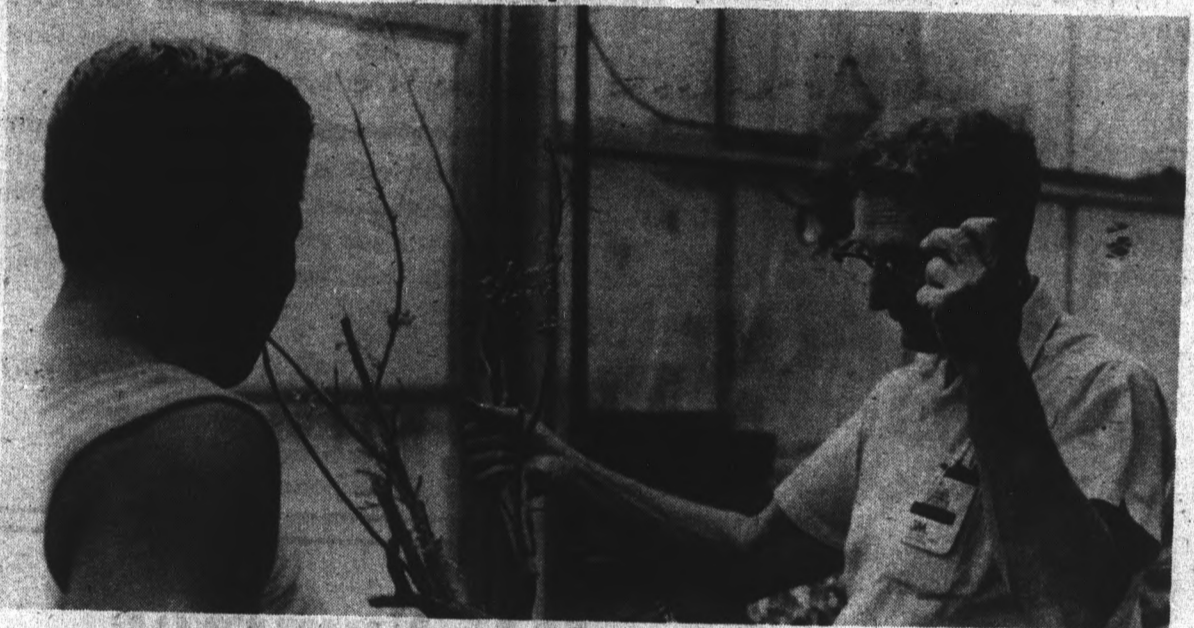
"You just plant them and forget about them and they'll grow. I guarantee it," he said. "Some people kill their plants with love."



Young's practice of never wasting a thing helped create this terrarium out of a used drain pipe.

Young's friends tease him by saying that about the only thing he hasn't done yet is sprout mops from broom-

stick cuttings. "I'm workin' on it," he said with a smile.



Everyone seeks Young's advice on plants, including an ASU gardener who wanted to know whether or not this plant was dead. Although it wasn't he left it to recuperate under Young's care.

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Dorms

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"The convenience keeps us here, and the food," said Sleeper. She added, "The students try to be nice, it's more friendly than an apartment complex."

The two said they once forgetfully left their laundry in the dorm washing machine. When they returned, their wash was dry and neatly folded.

Their complaints centered around noise heard through thin walls, and sharing their bathroom with the occupants of the next room as do all other summer dorm residents.

Many women in P.V. East have been bothered recently by an obscene phone caller asking what they are wearing.

Faith Kircher, a freshman, answered such a call at 2:30 a.m. Far from being upset, she said, laughing, "I think it was funny."

Lt. Irv Jaffe of the ASU police said his department is attempting to trace the calls.

The five-week course can be taken by anyone who has graduated from high school. The fee is \$30.00. Registration is in the Reading Center, Room B-112 of Payne Hall, north of the Farmer Building. Further information may be obtained by calling 965-3474, 3709, or 3519. Pick a class that fits your schedule from the list below:

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ASU professor directs ARRP program

More than 1700 persons have participated in the Tri-City Driving While Intoxicated Program since it started three years ago.

The Tempe-Scottsdale-Mesa effort is a unit of the Alcohol Research and Re-education Project (ARRP) established at Arizona State University in 1964.

Dr. Ernest I. Stewart, professor and associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts who has directed the project since its inception said, "ARRP's main thrust from 1964 to 1971 concerned re-educating persons arrested for drunken driving in Phoenix."

As a result of the publicity received from the Phoenix DWI School, the original research unit, more than 1,000 U.S. and Canadian cities have instituted drunken driver education. The second research unit

was established in 1971 in the Tri-City area to serve as a center for educating teachers and counselors. It would also permit experimentation with new teaching and counseling techniques offered by various ASU departments.

A course, held in a Tempe Municipal Courtroom and affiliated with the ASU Extension, "encourages participants to examine personal living patterns and their own drinking and driving habits in order to make necessary changes," said Dr. Stewart.

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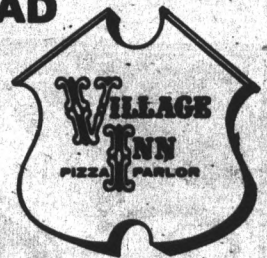
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