

Physical Therapy Needed; Scholarships Now Available

A special appeal to students who have had at least two year's college work, including 12 semester units in biology and basic science, was issued this week by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, which is offering scholarships for the training of some 1000 physical therapists at once.

The national foundation urged consideration of physical therapy as a postwar career in a new booklet which has been sent to the presidents and deans of 1,127 colleges, universities and junior colleges. The booklet, entitled "Physical Therapy . . . A Service and A Career," outlines the nature and scope of the profession, basic educational requirements and simple tests to determine temperamental qualifications. Those interested should inquire at the office of the president or dean or write for information to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, 120 Broadway, New York 5, N. Y.

Number Limited

There are only 2,500 physical therapists to date, more than half

Scrap Salvage Set For Friday

Living organizations today will remove useless tin cans from their kitchens and basements for collection on Friday. While they may consider it a pre-school-end cleanup, they also will be helping to get more tin into the fight against the Japs.

Trucks will begin visiting the houses for the tin cans at 3 p.m. Friday, and house war board chairmen are requested to place the boxes of scrap on their front porches before that time. This will be the last scrap drive of the year, announces Florence Hintzen, chairman.

Lieutenant Childs, '40 Back from Philippines

First Lieut. Al Childs, class of '40, was a campus visitors last week. After 36 days at sea, he arrived from the Philippines, and has a 21-day furlough before reporting to duty at Santa Monica, Calif. As a casual, Lieut. Childs arrived in the south west Pacific before the 41st division. As a member of a fighter control squadron, his duties in New Guinea and the Philippines were directing planes lost in the air.

Childs completed three years here, and his sister, Sally Childs, is a senior on the campus now.

of whom are in the armed forces, the booklet reveals. An additional 5,000 could be used right now, if they existed, according to the foundation.

Pointing out that courses at five or more of the approved schools of physical therapy begin in either June or July, the national foundation said it hopes to select its first group of scholarship recipients in time for enrollment at some of these schools. Scholarships are available to graduates of accredited schools of nursing and colleges offering a B.S. degree in physical education, as well as to all men and women who have the science requirement.

Training Period

"Courses at approved schools run for from nine to twelve months," explained Miss Catherine Worthingham, director of technical education for the foundation. "That means it will be March, 1946, at the earliest, before a new group of qualified physical therapists will be ready to serve discharged service men, victims of infantile paralysis and other disabling diseases, those injured in industrial accidents and all the others whose recoveries depend in such large part upon intensive and regular physical therapy.

"The national foundation's physical therapy program covers the period of the next three years. But the sooner we can start students with proper prerequisites on their physical therapy training, the sooner we shall begin to overcome the present acute shortage of qualified physical therapists."

Scholarships Available

The sum of \$1,267,600 has been set aside for student scholarships, teaching fellowships, and general development of the field of physical therapy. Scholarships cover tuition and books, when necessary, maintenance and transportation to the school. Candidates will be asked to state their preference as to schools, giving second and third choices for use in the event the school of first choice is filled to capacity.



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