

Science research faces draft of grad students

WASHINGTON (CPS)—Unless changes are made in the present draft regulations as they affect graduate students, the nation's supply of trained Ph.D.s in the sciences will be "seriously curtailed" in the 1970's.

That is the conclusion of a survey of the draft's effect on male students now in their first or second year of graduate school in the sciences, released this week by the Scientific Manpower Commission, an independent Washington research firm.

According to data furnished by 1,237 Ph.D. granting science departments in institutions throughout the U.S., as many as 46 per cent first- and second-year male graduate students are potentially eligible for induction in the next few months.

That's 50 per cent of all graduate students who are also employed by universities to teach undergraduate classes, and 47 per cent of those who are employed to do research in the sciences.

Many universities told the Commission they will not be able to find enough students to teach courses during the next year, and that research projects may have to be curtailed, reduced or delayed if no changes in graduate deferment are made this year.

The present policy of drafting oldest eligible men first means that first- and second-year graduate students, most recently reclassified since last spring's policy change, are first priority to fill draft calls, which are expected to stay at the 30,000-plus level through the coming summer.

The survey was limited to science departments because the organizations which sponsor the Commission are scientific academic groups. It believes, however, results of this first survey are roughly applicable to general graduate school enrollment.

The Commission also speculated about the reasons for the failure of Fall 1968's projected enrollment drop to materialize. The slowness of the reclassification process, it said, combined with the summer setback in physical examinations, was a major reason.

Another was that many students returned to or started graduate school although in imminent danger of reclassification, because "they just

wanted to get as far as they could," or because they had federal scholarships or grants which required them to enroll immediately. Those scholarships would then be waiting for them after they came out of military service, if they were drafted.

Of the more than 4,000 male graduate students who were reported to have been accepted to a department and then failed to enroll, however, about one-fourth were known to have either been drafted or to have voluntarily entered military service.

Many students, of course, when faced with imminent drafting, have chosen to join a service other than the Army, hoping to avoid duty in Vietnam.

"There is no way," the survey report states, "to predict accurately how many of the first and second year graduate students who are liable to induction will be called to service before summer."

"But inductions are likely to be highest among this group, since current regulations require that a draft board fill its quota from the oldest available men. Few non-college men are available in the age group 22-25, where most of these students fall."

According to the Commission, the importance of all of this is not how many students are lost during the 1968-69 school year itself, or during any given semester, but the final toll on students and universities in the next five-year period.

"Although many may be allowed to complete this school year if an induction notice is not issued before they are in the final term, this does not change the fact that most of these draft-eligible men may be unable to complete their graduate training prior to entry into the service. A substantial loss of first- and second-year graduate students inevitably will reduce the size of advanced Ph.D. classes in following years."

"The Commission believes that the results obtained in this survey," the report concludes, "are substantial enough to provide those concerned with scientific manpower an insight into the potential impact of current draft policy on graduate education in the sciences, and on the future supply of highly trained personnel in disciplines crucial to the future well-being of the nation."

Poet: reading, being

By SHERYL MACY
Of The Emerald

All my archetypes are foods, and my greatest archetype is peanut butter. Robert Sward; professional poet. Almost as rare as a professional shepherd. Standing there in his Jewish hair reading his own poetry. For all sorts of sound theatrical reasons, poets shouldn't read their own poetry. For all sorts of feelings no one should read poetry but the men who write it.

Impossible Hurricane Loss—of—NamePoem. Death's Thousand Year Old Piante. Quiet silent EMU room. Silence except for the nasal non-oratory of these poems and their emotional offsprings.

Touch us hurts us poke around the insides of our minds. Show us what you have felt. We can understand even if we can't explain. Eight o'clock, nine o'clock. Don't stop now, it's only Tuesday.

Robert Sward; professional human organism; intellectual orgasm. Velvet jacket, nervous drink-water. A poet? You make a living that way?

In my last life I was a Confederate soldier killed in action. My foot believes it will be reincarnated as a chicken, I am the first human being to take a vaccine guaranteeing I

will not be reincarnated as any form of water fowl; duck, goose or chicken. There are better things to be in 2001 A.D. than a chicken.

Lived in Iowa, lived in Mexico; dreams, hallucinations. My friend was high for three weeks, the best hash money could buy. Lived on a diet of champagne and baby food. All my poems are outgrowths of friendships, when I read them they summon forth my friends, sometimes painfully.

I am writing a book. You call that a book. Pieces of poems, party of play, a novel whose main character is Ferdinand the Pig. I will read you a letter to my friend Robert from the book. It is, yes, a book.

Back to Iowa, a tornado funnel full of butterflies, a back yard full of butterflies and rainbow.

I must get to bed now. No don't go. Take this paper. It is not you. It has some of me on it. Lay your hand on it and feel all the words like braille.

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Safeway considered grape boycott target

The Safeway Supermarket on E. 18th Ave. may be the target of a grape boycott in the middle of this term. Plans for the boycott were discussed at a meeting Tuesday night.

"We're going to talk with the manager of the store and see if we can get them to stop selling grapes," said Robbie Hanna.

Otherwise, students from South Eugene High School, the University and the Chicano Student Union, an organization of Spanish-American students, will

Term enrollment close to fall total

Enrollment for winter term at the University totaled 14,227 Friday, the final day of the registration period.

While a few more registrations, by petition, are expected to increase the enrollment, the total already is only .044 per cent below the final enrollment of 14,884 for fall term of this academic year. The normal drop between fall and winter terms is 5 per cent, according to Registrar Clifford Constance.

Enrollment for winter term, last year, stood at 13,167 at the close of registration. Following that date, some 150 additional registrations by petition were tallied.

take part in a demonstration, she added.

Also discussed at the meeting was the tentative re-showing of the documentary film, "Huelga!"

It features the march from Delano to Sacramento, the living conditions in Delano housing for migrant farmers, and Cesar Chavez, director of the organizing committee of the United Farm Workers which is trying to form a union.

It will be distributed to the dorm complexes for public viewing by Elaine Berg, a member of the grape boycott.

Literature on the grape boycott and the migrant farmer's strike in Delano is available at the Student Community Projects table on the EMU terrace.

An informal meeting is scheduled at 6 p.m. Feb. 4 in the EMU.

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