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## Changing faces...

Youthful eyes gaze into the future from an aged face — or is it the other way around? Dan Fifiield volunteered to have his face made up to look like that of a senior citizen as part of the Center for Gerontology's information table yesterday in the EMU lobby. Designed to inform students about the elderly and the University's Center for Gerontology, the table featured information on gerontology classes and workshops offered through the University, a film, "Peege", about a senior citizen in a nursing home and quizzes to test knowledge of the elderly. A University theatre student was on hand to make up volunteers who wished to see how their faces would look thirty or forty years from now.

## Sociologists stratified over employee

By GARY LEY  
Of the Emerald

The University Sociology Department is polarized over a conflict in the hiring of new faculty.

The problem is a result of a dispute among faculty members over the hiring of David Milton. Nine of the department faculty oppose Milton's hiring, because they say "another full-time person isn't needed in the social stratification area" in which Milton is to teach.

But the department's other faculty members and the graduate students in the school say the real reason for the opposition of the "Group of Nine" to Milton is because they do not want to hire a Marxist.

Dick Gale, one of the "gang of nine," says that his group opposes Milton, even though he is well-qualified, because "we felt we didn't need a permanent appointment to an already over-represented area."

Gale says that the social stratification

area of the school has 10 members now, but only seven of the department's 55 undergraduate courses are in this area.

Sandy Gill says that Gale's reasoning is faulty.

"That reason can be brought up whenever it is convenient," she says.

Albert Szymanski, one of the department's so-called "Marxists," says that the "gang of nine" oppose hiring Marxists because they oppose hiring anyone who is in favor of student voting rights in the department.

Gale admits that he feels graduate students may have too powerful a voice in the department but that that is not the reason for his opposition to Milton.

As part of a compromise, the department's "Marxists" agreed to let the conservative faculty hire whoever they wanted, if they received the same consideration in hiring Milton.

"But they adamantly refused to go along with that," Szymanski says.

John Baldwin, dean of the college of arts and sciences, has decided to offer Milton a two-year visiting position, while offering

two-year full-time positions to Jane McGee and Charles Evers, candidates backed by conservative faculty members but said to be less-qualified than Milton by the other faction.

Dean Baldwin says the reason for Milton getting the visiting position is strictly a matter of convenience. He explains that McGee and Evers have connections with their present universities that make it impossible for them to be offered less than full-time positions.

"One of the three had to have a visiting appointment and it makes the best sense to offer it to Milton. The practical instance indicated this was the best way of getting all three here for this Fall," Baldwin says.

As for the problems within the school itself, Baldwin says that "it's very clear that the appointment of Milton isn't being blocked in any way."

"The anguish evident in the student's letter to the Emerald is real, and I don't want to deny the concern of students. But I feel that the differences that are evident will be re-

solved through time and effort," Baldwin adds.

However, Mike Wilson, one of the students who signed the letter isn't so sure about that.

"The solution has just postponed the rift that does exist in the department," he says.

Elaine Enarson, another signee, says that the problem is no longer "an internal squabble" of the department and is typical of action that has started to appear in other colleges across the country.

Kate Barry and Greg Brookes express concern that the problem will surface again because of tenure review which is coming up soon.

Both Gale and Szymanski agree that the faculty is evenly split on the issue of hiring "Marxists." And 41 of the school's 45 grad students signed the letter of protest.

Gill says that the students "want to keep everything disciplined and rational."

Gale says he welcomes Milton to the department but that "the decision not to offer him a permanent position was sound."