

# Early Specialization Opposed by Educator

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NEW YORK (UPI) — On a small college campus in northwestern Illinois, permission was granted one day to a co-ed to bring her goldfish bowl to the

## Union Raps NAACP Picketing Threat

PORTLAND (UPI)—Officials of the Local 8 of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union Monday blasted a threat to picket their headquarters by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

In a statement signed by local president Charles Ross and secretary Art Ronne, the union said it does not discriminate against Negroes. It said 11 Negroes have been working on the docks for almost two years.

"These honest Negroes came down and sought work, not because of the color of their skin, but as fellow Americans who needed an opportunity to earn a decent living," the statement said in part.

"To arrogantly demand jobs solely because of race is un-American and contrary to the principles of Christian brotherhood... We view the threats to picket... as a classic example of misleading the Negro people."

gymnasium examination center. A male student brought his inspirational painting to the same exam because he "couldn't be without it." And in dozens of other ways — from the serving of beef stroganoff and charcoal-broiled steaks on campus menus to a faculty that has not asked for a raise in almost ten years — small (280 students) Shimer College of Mount Carroll, Ill., has built an extraordinary reputation. A high school diploma is not a

requirement for admission to Shimer and students who have failed at other colleges also may be admitted. Yet this four-year, fully-accredited institution (it grants a bachelor's degree) is not lacking in education qualifications. Scholars, Not Degrees Not all of its professors hold degrees themselves, but the old county seat town of Mount Carroll boasts a "community of scholars" where intellectual inquiry is most stressed. Dr. F. J. Mullin, a University

of Chicago - oriented educator who has been president of Shimer since 1954, believes that "individuality" should be allowed to take its course. On a trip to New York, Dr. Mullin said Shimer's goal is that all of its students, regardless of future field of specialization, should have a basic understanding of the humanities, social sciences and the natural sciences — the three major areas of human knowledge. Too early specialization in one

area leads to neglect in others, Dr. Mullin said. Many physicians, he said, are "not as well-educated as many of their patients." Stress Social Sciences But doctors don't just live in their offices, he said. "They live in a community and if the physician is to play a role in society that is more than that of a mere technician," he said, "they must receive more grounding in the social sciences and the humanities." This is true also, he said, for

such professionals as engineers and lawyers. "Most engineering training is fairly narrow and limited," he concluded. "Many engineers have very little cultural awareness and some can't even put together an adequate sentence." Dr. Mullin said that he did not want to "de-emphasize" the teaching of science and other highly-trained skills but simply wanted to point out that specialization should never be at the expense of the social sciences. "The chief value of the Rus-

sian system," he said, "is that they (the Russians) take education seriously. I don't think we take education seriously enough in this country." The early entry program at Shimer is designed for students who can demonstrate (by college entrance board examination) that they are "ready" for college before completion of four years of high school, he said. There are actually "too many people" in college today, Dr. Mullin believes, and too many

who are too eager for early specialization. "The most important function of a college today is to give purpose and meaning to life," he said. "In so doing, it should impart knowledge imaginatively and consider seriously the significant problems of the age. It should impress upon the student the worth of a rigorous intellectual approach which seeks rational answers to man's difficulties." The answer, he believes, is through "liberal arts in depth." The average teacher salary at

Shimer is \$6,814 for nine months. But there is no "publish or perish" atmosphere, Dr. Mullin said. And the teachers are willing to teach more hours without an increase in pay.

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Witnesses said one of the lions reached through the cage with its paw and that Tadlock kicked at it. The lion grabbed his right foot and chewed on it until screams of spectators drove it back.

## Voter Registration Books Close Saturday

SALEM (UPI)—Election registration books for the Oct. 15 tax referendum will close Saturday in all of Oregon's 36 counties, election officials reminded today.

## Court Records

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Jerry L. Johnson, disobeyed stop sign, \$10  
Vincent J. Mathabel, improper passing, \$20  
Calvin A. Ross, obstructed vision, \$10  
Johnnie W. Holloway, violation of basic rule, \$25  
Edward A. Cohen, expired motor vehicle license, \$5  
Stanley E. Turpin, expired motor vehicle license, \$5  
Eugene T. Stevzin, violation of basic rule, \$10  
George A. Graves, expired operator's license, \$5  
Robert L. Stanton, disobeyed traffic signal, \$7  
Dorothy S. Hittie, disobeyed traffic signal, \$15  
Howard R. Laekwood, no safety chains, \$10  
Claude W. Wilson, overload, \$12  
Raymond W. Smith, violation of basic rule, \$10  
John E. Samuelsen, permitting unlicensed minor to operate motor vehicle, \$10  
Marilyn L. Thomas, disobeyed stop sign, \$5  
Donald D. Johnson, overload, \$28  
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Elmer E. Lucas, violation of basic rule, \$10  
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