



"Instead of raising tuition based on the hours taken, why not do it on the basis of hours passed?"

Pharmacy students believe lies hurt anti-drug programs

HOUSTON (AP)—"The main fault of most people who lead a drug (anti-drug) program is that they lie to the kids," said Herb Stokes.

Stokes, 22, is a college student with a mustache and moderately long hair—a pharmacy student at the University of Houston who along with other students spends time talking about drugs to high school audiences.

"We are not here to dictate morals to you," goes the opening line of the lecture. "We're here to present the facts about drugs."

The lecturer attracts the in-

terest of the high school pupils so many times turned off by a 40-year-old law officer or a 50-year-old school principal, the pharmacy majors who take part in the program say.

For three years the Student Drug Abuse Education Committee of the College of Pharmacy has conducted drug discussions at Houston area junior and senior highs as well as before many adult groups.

The lectures would raise the short hair on the heads of many school principals.

Another of the Houston U. students, Don Denton, 29 said the usual lectures "make drugs

Rise in VD rate prompts new laws on aid to minors

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

With the incidence of venereal disease in the United States now estimated at more than two million cases a year—nearly twice the number five years ago—state legislatures have passed or are considering laws to make it easier for youngsters to get treatment without their parents' knowledge or permission.

Massachusetts passed the nation's first such law, and many states and the District of Columbia have followed suit, most of them in the past two or three years.

In North Dakota, according to the state medical association, the law leaves a physician open to an assault charge if he treats minors for venereal disease without their parents' consent. However, a bill to change that is pending in the legislature.

Arizona, which requires that parents be notified and give their permission before their children can be treated for VD, has a bill under consideration in the legislature which would permit treatment without parental consent.

"I think most health officers would concur that this law would help," says Lawrence Burinsky, chief of the Health Department's VD control section.

Such a bill reached the Nevada Legislature, but it was re-

turned to committee after a legislator called it "Communist" because it "allows government to step in and take over the role of the family."

Similar legislation also is pending in Wisconsin, Minnesota, New Mexico, Georgia and Ohio. The Georgia bill provides that attending physicians may tell their patients' parents but

are not required to do so. A similar bill was approved by the legislature last year, but was vetoed by Lester Maddox, then governor.

In addition, six states have attorney generals' opinions saying it is legal for youngsters to seek medical attention for VD without telling their parents.

The states without such provisions are Alabama, Arizona, Georgia, Minnesota, New Mexico, Ohio, North Dakota, Nevada, Wisconsin and Wyoming. But such legislation is pending in eight of those states.

In Alabama, no such law is on the books or pending in the legislature, but the state attorney general's office says it is planning to submit one this year and "highly recommends it." Under present Alabama law parents can be held liable if they refuse to allow their children to be treated for VD.

Most health officers in states where minors are permitted to seek help on their own agree the laws are helpful in controlling VD, but they say it's too early to develop statistics indicating more youths are getting treatment earlier than previously.

Student action 71-72 emphasis in Town Hall

Town Hall committee reorganization for the 1971-72 school year is under way, with membership applications being accepted through March 10.

Next year's chairman, Kirk Hawkins, said the reorganization goal of the Memorial Student Center committee is a more active student role in Town Hall functions.

The committee, working with Memorial Student Center (MSC) advisor H. W. Gaines, arranges Town Hall and Artist Showcase performances on campus and works in similar capacity with the Rotary Community Series.

Hawkins indicated increased student activity in aspects of programming such as set-up, ushering, ticket taking, publicity and information distribution plus scouting and making recommendations for future programs is expected.

He noted diversification of membership also is sought. Committee size will be restricted, Hawkins added.

Interested students should inquire for application forms at the Student Program Office in the MSC. Interviews will be held March 9-11.

Bulletin Board

TONIGHT

Rio Grande Valley Hometown Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the second floor lobby of the MSC to select a sweetheart.

Irving Hometown Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at Ralph's Pizza at Eastgate.

Dallas Hometown Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the Social Room of the MSC to select a sweetheart.

Mid-Jefferson County Hometown Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the Bowling Alley of the MSC for a bowling party.

SATURDAY

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