

Urges University Stress Moral and Social Goals

PULLMAN, Wash. — University of Iowa President Howard Bowen argued Sunday for a greater university role in the formation of individual values and social goals.



Howard Bowen

Speaking at the inauguration of W. Glenn Terrell, jr., as president of Washington State University, Dr. Bowen said:

"In the past, men have been guided by priesthods, churches, aristocracies and custom in defining the good life, in setting standards and values for individual conduct, and in formulating social goals.
"Today moral authority — as represented by churches, aristocracies and tradition — has diminished. A partial vacuum has been created which gives rise to much of the lack of direction and the sense of meaninglessness that characterizes modern life.
"I would argue that the university should try to fill this vacuum by assuming a more active role in the realm of values and social goals, that this is the task not only of the humanities but of the entire university."

Vinton Native
Dr. Bowen was the main speaker at the inauguration of Dr. Terrell, who received his Ph.D. from the U. of I. Dr.

Traveled widely . . . fancy themselves, right or wrongly, as adults."
Dr. Bowen said that even though the university may loosen "its parental reins, it will, and I think should, strive to create an extracurricular community life that will inspire and ennoble and cultivate even if it does not regulate . . .
Awareness
"The environment I envision includes improvement of the educational values derived from housing and dining, counseling, public lectures and discussion, journalism and writing, the arts, social life and recreation, student involvement in university affairs, and counseling — all of which can raise the level of aspiration and the cultural awareness of students."
In the area of political agitation he emphasized that he considers the "university a place of study, thought, discussion and publication, not a center of political action. It finds its influence through the power of its ideas, not through overt political action."

Commenting on the currently controversial aspect of student welfare, Dr. Bowen said, "Through housing arrangements, rules and traditions, efforts to create a community life and to some extent through the curriculum, the university has attempted to provide a protective, healthful and formative environment for young men and women.
This traditional system is under heavy attack from the students. Young people of the age of 18 and above who have dated since the age of 12, driven and owned cars,

Anamosa Board, Teachers Okay \$6,100 Base Salary

ANAMOSA — The board of education and the Anamosa Education Assn. have reached agreement on a salary schedule base salary and other welfare matters for the 1968-69 school year.

A \$6,100 salary for beginning degree teachers, a compromise figure proposed by the association, was accepted by the board at a joint board-faculty committee meeting held last week. The association's first request was for a \$6,200 base salary; the board's original offer was \$6,000.
The new salary schedule will permit a teacher with a BA degree to earn \$8,540 after 10 years of experience. A teacher with a master's degree would earn \$10,492 after 14 years of experience.

The change in salary schedule will require an increase of \$57,000 for instructional salaries. The increase in the individual teacher's salaries will average \$860 or 9.94 percent.

Health Insurance
The association's request for 100 percent payment by the district of the individual employee's hospital and surgical insurance premiums was approved by the board with an \$9.50 per employe, per month limitation.
A formula for determining the salary for extra class assignments beyond the normal class load as originally proposed by the association and later modified by the board, was accepted by the association.

The formula provides for extra pay based on the teacher's position on the salary schedule rather than a flat dollar amount.

The staff proposal that teachers be paid for duties such as ticket selling at athletic, music and drama events was not accepted by the board. Pay for pep bus chaperones at a maximum rate of \$8 per trip was approved by the board and association.
A change in the pay schedule for certain activity sponsors, special teachers and coaches was proposed by the faculty. The proposal was modified slightly by the board and approved by both groups.

Aide Plan Rejected
The association proposal calling for the hiring of a teacher aide for each attendance center to assist teachers in routine clerical tasks and in some student supervision was not accepted by the board.
The association approved the proposal of the board that a committee be appointed to study the feasibility of developing and installing a plan for merit pay.
The committee is to be composed of one member from the board of education, one member from the administrative staff and one lay person selected by the board; and three staff members and one lay person selected by the association. The superintendent will serve as an ex-officio member. The committee is to make its report prior to Feb. 1, 1969.

Sniper Story Was Hoax, Youth Says

LA PORTE CITY (AP) — A 19-year-old youth who told of a masked bandit who fired two shots into the windshield of his car, has admitted the story was a hoax.

Black Hawk County Deputy Sheriff Bob Adrich said Sunday, Dick Rhoads told officers under questioning that he fired the shots into his own windshield.
Rhoads was held in the Black Hawk county jail pending further investigation.

The story Rhoads told La Porte City Police Chief Robert Weber Thursday night had added to this town's jitters created by the March 5 slaying of one of its prominent citizens, Dale Redman.
The body of Redman, with eight .22 caliber bullets in the head, was found on the floor of the dairy he operated here.
Rhoads told Weber that as he was driving from his farm home into La Porte City Thursday night, he encountered a masked man at the north edge of town who fired two shots into Rhoads' windshield, narrowly missing the youth.

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Jones Democrats Announce Sites For Caucuses

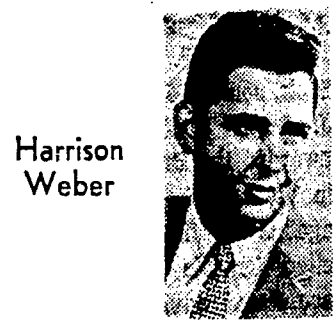
ANAMOSA — Jones county Democrats will meet March 25 at 8 p.m. for precinct caucuses. Sites are as follows:

- Anamosa, ward 1, REC building; ward 2, Conney real estate; ward 3, Mrs. Neal Dougherty residence; ward 4, Citizens Savings bank.
- Monticello, ward 1, Mrs. Keith Lubbock residence; ward 2, Elton Copley residence; ward 3, Mrs. Kenneth Ferring residence; ward 4, Community building, room 2.
- Cass, Cass center school; Castle Grove, James T. Hogan residence; Center Junction-Madison, Center Junction town hall; Clay, James Moran residence; Fairview, Mrs. Orville Hinz residence; Greenfield, Mrs. Lloyd Aller residence; Hale, Mrs. Harry Carbaugh residence; Jackson, Antioch church; Lovell, William Aitchison residence.
- Morley, Walter Hoppe residence; Onslow, Shellenberger Locker; Oxford, Oxford Junction fire station; Richland East, Ray Miller feed store; Richland West, Richard Finson residence; Rome, old post office; Scotch Grove, Bohlen garage; Stone City, Meehan grocery; Washington, Orland Manternach residence; Wayne, Amber school; Wyoming, town hall.

State Hires Consultant

Backlog of 26,000 Medicaid Claims

By Harrison Weber
Iowa Daily Press Association
DES MOINES (IDPA) — The state is retaining a data processing consultant firm to help smooth out the Medicaid program.
Practically all claims now being received for Medicaid, which is for people over 65 and the medically indigent, are processed within a minimum of 30 days.
But a backlog of approximately 26,000 claims have proven to be an albatross to the state. Some of these claims, no one is sure of how many, date back to July when the program was started.
Hopefully the consultants will be able to not only eliminate this backlog, but also improve the method of processing claims which often has become mired in red tape caused by eligibility requirements.



Harrison Weber

it's estimated that between 24,000 to 26,000 were more than 30 days old. Over \$7 million in Medicaid benefits have been paid to Iowans. "But these old claims are driving everyone crazy," said William A. Guy, Blue Cross president.
A big reason for the backlog it develops is that Blue Cross-Blue Shield did not receive its first eligibility tape from the state until November, or four months after the program was launched.
Advances
Because of the delay in processing claims, the state has paid pharmacists and operators of extended care facilities 75 percent of their outstanding bills. Other vendors — such as doctors, dentists, and hospitals — have not been advanced payments, however.
Maurice A. Harmon, Iowa's new director of Social Services, believes much progress is being made in the handling of Medicaid claims. He recalled that the program was instituted on very short notice following passage of federal legislation.
Harmon likened the situation

But, as state officials explain, with any program of this magnitude, there are bound to be problems. In the Medicare program, for example, claims were still being filed two years after the program originated.
The state contracted the job of processing Medicaid claims to Blue Cross-Blue Shield. Through March 1, that organization had processed 306,000 of the 389,000 claims that had been filed to date, or 80 percent.
Of the 83,000 unpaid claims,

But, state officials warn, the hiring of the data processing consultants is no panacea. They say it may take up to 60 days to process all of the 26,000 claims.

Weekend Auto Accidents Take 4 Iowa Lives

By The Associated Press
Four persons died in Iowa traffic accidents over the weekend.

A woman died and a young man was charged with drunk driving after a car-truck collision on a Burlington street Friday night. The victim was Mary Zippe, 47, of Burlington, who died Saturday night. Charged was Patrick F. Smith, 21, of Burlington, who police said ran a stop sign.
Harold Rhoades, 23, of Des Moines died Sunday from injuries sustained in a two-car collision in Des Moines Saturday night. Three other persons were hurt.
Ives G. Boyington, 77, of Red Oak, died Sunday from injuries suffered in a car-truck accident on a Red Oak street Friday.

A car ran off a county road southwest of Atlantic early Saturday, killing one of the passengers, Larry Baier, 15, of Atlantic.

Nurse Shortage in South Iowa Stressed

OTTUMWA (AP) — A shortage of licensed practical nurses is placing in jeopardy the care of some Iowans, particularly the old and disabled, in 12 southern counties, says the Iowa Employment Service.

In a survey covering Appanoose, Davis, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lucas, Mahaska, Marion, Monroe, Van Buren, Wapello, Wayne and Washington counties, 34 hospital and nursing home administrators said they were short 98 nurses.

Flatt: Educators Unduly Alarmed by College Plan

DES MOINES (AP) — Educators at Iowa's three state universities are unduly alarmed about possible competition from a proposed western Iowa university, State Sen. Joseph Flatt (R-Winterset) says.
Flatt, chief sponsor of a bill in the 1967 legislature to establish the western Iowa institution, commented Saturday on fears voiced by University of Northern Iowa faculty members to the state board of regents.

The educators told the regents the western Iowa school would compete with UNI for state funds and faculty. One said the new school would "put demands on taxpayers they can't meet."

Flatt said the western Iowa school will be developed gradually as needed to meet the state's responsibilities in higher education, and that he would prefer to have it set up initially as a branch of UNI, so that it can utilize UNI's "administrative and academic know-how."

If the educators' philosophy were followed, Flatt said, "we would build campuses of 30,000 students or more" at existing sites. He said the legislature is trying to establish a "balanced" educational system.

Flatt said legislators will feel the state board of regents is dragging its feet if a site for the western Iowa school isn't acquired this year. The 1967 legislature appropriated

Fire Bomb Hits Home of Negro Waterloo Judge

WATERLOO (AP) — A homemade fire bomb fashioned from a whiskey bottle, inflammable liquid and a rag wick was hurled into the home of a Negro municipal court judge here.

It caused minor damage Saturday night to the home of Judge William Parker. No one was injured.

Police said they are pushing the investigation but have no leads. Both they and Parker said they have no idea who threw the bomb.

Judge Parker and his family are the only Negroes living in their neighborhood.
The judge said, he, his wife and four children had retired to their upstairs bedrooms when the bomb was thrown into his study downstairs about 10 p.m. Saturday.

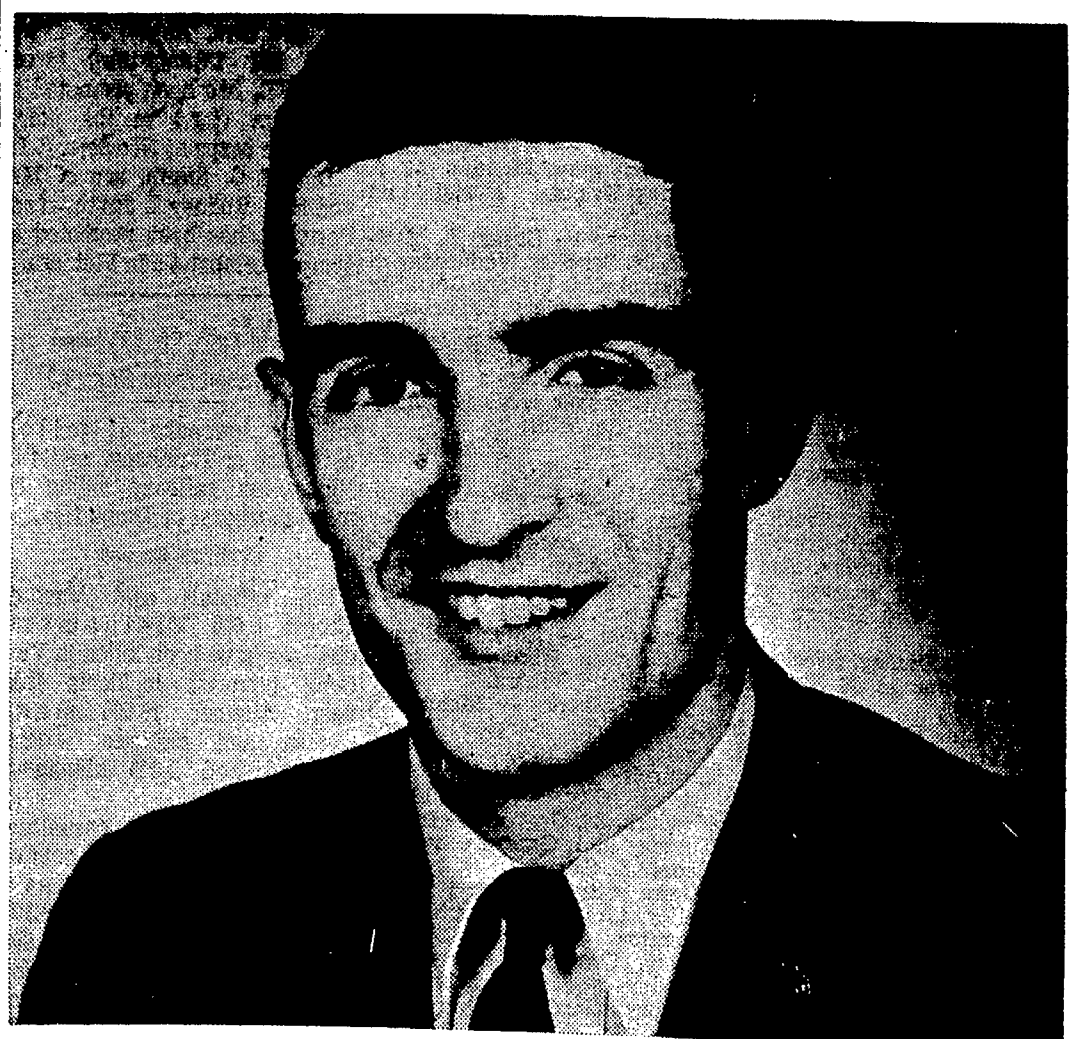
He said he heard the explosion, ran downstairs and found the curtains blazing in the study. Firemen quickly extinguished the flames. Judge Parker said damage was confined to the floor of the study, a desk and two pieces of upholstered furniture.

"I don't have the slightest idea who did it," Parker said. "I guess, though, that after one has been on the bench for a few years he can expect anything."
Parker is a former member of the state board of parole, but resigned to run for the municipal court bench in 1963. He was elected then and re-elected last year.

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