

RADIO PROGRAM

PHYSICAL EDUCATION FOR HEALTH

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"FUTURES OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION -- PHYSIQUE, POISE AND PERSONALITY"

Allen -- Last year the University of Kansas established a four-year curriculum in Physical Education. The high school and general School of Education requirements are that the entering student shall have 3 years of English, 2 years of physical science or 2 years of mathematics, 2 years of biological science, and 2 years of social science. The enrollment is in the Department of Physical Education, in the School of Education, starting at the beginning of the freshman year. 124 hours are required for graduation. 19 or more hours shall be in the School of Education, and 30 to 40 hours in the major subject, Physical Education. It is necessary that the graduating students shall have a total grade point requirement of 140 grade points, and an average grade in their major of 1.5. Before this prospective graduate may take practice teaching, he must have 80 hours and 90 grade points. All candidates for a degree will be required to present an academic minor of at least 20 hours. The degree conferred by the University is Bachelor of Science in Education. We have collaborating with us tonight four physical education majors from the School of Education: Miss Catherine Dunkel, of Topeka, Kansas, who is vice president of the Sasnak Club, Miss Virginia Anderson, of St. Louis, Mo., Mr. Giles Elmore, of Macksville, Kansas, who is treasurer of the Sasnak Club, and Mr. Ralph Miller, of Chanute, Kansas. Maurice Cannady, the president of the Sasnak Club, is on his way to Tucson with the football team. Miss Ruth Baker, a senior in physical education, is secretary of the club.

Miller-- Say, I heard some of the students call that "sassafras" or "Sasparilla", but I imagine they meant "sarsaparilla". They apparently thought it was some tonic.

Elmore-- Well, it is a peppy club. Maybe that is what they meant.

Anderson-- Perhaps we had better tell them that it is Kansas spelled backwards.

Dunkel-- Well, anyway you look at it, regardless of how you spell it, this Kansas "Sasnak" means progress. Dr. Allen, I have been troubled with this problem - will all these physical education majors obtain a job when they graduate? Assuming that our department plans to attract most of its students from Kansas and return them to teaching positions in Kansas, I imagine that superintendents and principals have been consulted in regard to the needs of the situation, have they not?

Allen-- Yes, Miss Dunkel, we have worked out a sort of a formal questionnaire which we expect to follow along the general plan of what Dean W.W. Charters calls "job analysis". That means that we are analyzing the types, kinds and numbers of jobs available in the field, and then we will do our best to fit students to capably fill these positions. In the beginning we are endeavoring to be certain that our basic courses are what should be taught.

Elmore-- There is considerable discussion about anatomy, physiology and kinesiology as a background for teachers of physical education. Are these courses taught by the coaches who are coaching football, basketball and track?