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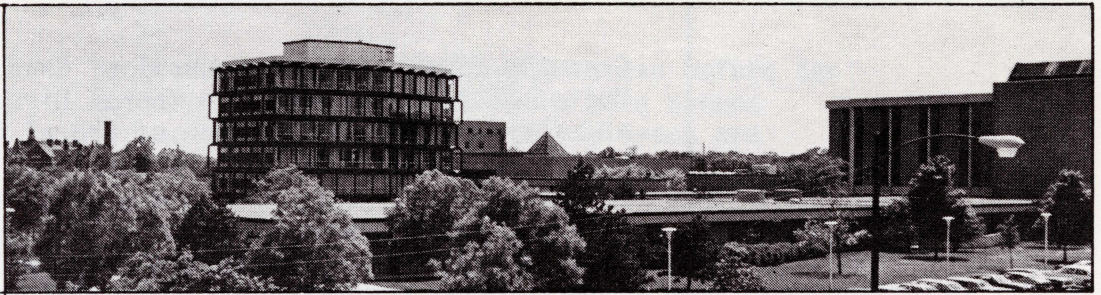
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DR. GORDON H. LAMB

Dr. Gordon H. Lamb will arrive at Northeastern in mid-September to assume his duties as president of the university. The Board of Governors of State Colleges and Universities (BOG) selected Dr. Lamb out of a field of 116 candidates at its board meeting on July 24.

In accepting the position, Dr. Lamb said he views his new job as an exciting challenge. "Initially, I would like to establish a higher profile for the university within the city and to work with university and community leaders to determine where Northeastern's focus shall be," he added.

BOG members are pleased that Dr. Lamb has accepted the position. They feel he has the background and qualifications necessary to be an excellent president and will provide highly effective leadership to the students and faculty of the university.

Prior to his appointment, Dr. Lamb served as vice-president of academic affairs at the University of Texas at San Antonio. As vice-president, he was responsible for the academic planning of a rapidly developing urban institution serving over 12,000 students. He helped the university establish its role in the larger metropolitan area by anticipating and meeting the educational and economic needs of a growing city.

Dr. Lamb began his career in education in 1956 as a music teacher in the Iowa Public School System. In 1969, he was appointed assistant professor at the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, and, in 1970, he joined the faculty of the University of Texas at Austin, where he remained until 1974. He then served as professor and director of the Division of Music at the University of Texas at San Antonio until his appointment as vice-president of academic affairs.

Dr. Lamb has written and edited various books and articles for publication on choral directing and techniques. Among his many accomplishments, he was honored by receiving the Robert McCowen Memorial Award for Outstanding Contributions to Choral Music in Iowa. He has been listed in the Who's Who in the South and Southwest, the International Who's Who in Music, and the American Who's Who in Music. In addition, he is a member of numerous professional educational and music organizations, including the American Council on

## NEW EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Graduate Education, the Council of Graduate Schools in the United States, the American Choral Directors Association, and the American Association of Choral Conductors.

He received his bachelors in music education from Simpson College in Iowa; his masters in music from the University of Nebraska; and his doctorate from the University of Iowa.

Dr. Lamb is married and has three children.

On July 1, the university introduced a new health care plan as part of the comprehensive benefits package offered to employees of the state of Illinois. As part of this program, the state is offering employees four other benefit plans - a free dental care plan, a dependent care plan, a university life program, and a deferred compensation plan.

### Dental Care Plan

Effective October 1, employees, retirees, and eligible dependents who are currently enrolled in the Basic State Health Plan or one of the HMO option plans will automatically receive certain dental benefits through the Delta Dental Plan of Illinois. These benefits are provided without any employee contribution, deductible, or co-payment. Option coverage may be purchased to supplement this plan. This is the first of a three-phase implementation process, with additional dental benefits beginning July 1, 1987, and July 1, 1988.

### Dependent Care Plan

On January 1, 1987, state employees will be eligible to participate in the Dependent Care Plan. Through this new benefit program, individuals may contribute up to \$5000 of their annual income to an individual dependent care reimbursement account.

### University Life Program

The University Life Program offers employees traditional life insurance protection, a savings fund that earns competitive interest rates, and adjustable premiums. Through Metropolitan Insurance and Annuity Company, employees of the state of Illinois, age 18 to 70, are eligible to participate in this program after six months of service.

### Deferred Compensation Plan

The Deferred Compensation Plan is an investment

program that allows employees to use before tax dollars to build savings for a more secure financial future. All state employees are eligible to participate in this plan.

For detailed information on these plans and other important employee benefits, the Personnel Department urges all employees to attend a group meeting on one of the following dates and times:

September 11, 12, or 15  
8:30-9:30 a.m., 12:00-1:00 p.m.,  
or 4:00-5:00 p.m.  
Commuter Center-Golden Eagles  
Room

#### IN THE MEDIA

#### UPCOMING IN THE MEDIA

GERALD NEMANIC, professor of English, has announced the programs scheduled for September for his show, "Writing/Chicago." The show is broadcast on WBEZ-FM (91.5) on Friday afternoons at 1:00. Following are the programs scheduled:

- September 5 - Interview with Richard Martin, author of The Cinch, a crime novel set in Chicago
- September 12 - Interview with Dianne Donovan, editor of the new Chicago Tribune section entitled "Tribune Books"
- September 19 - Interview with Karen Lee Osborne, author of Carlyle Simpson
- September 26 - Interview with Paul Hoover, author of a book of poems entitled Nervous Songs

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LIBBY KOMAIKO FLEMING and the Ensemble Espanol were featured in an article entitled "Ensemble Espanol in Skokie," in the Chicago Sun-Times, on Friday, August 1. Fleming, director of the ensemble, discussed her background and training in Spanish dance.

NORTHEASTERN was one of the Chicago area colleges highlighted in an article entitled "Getting In-What North Shore Students are Learning About the College Admissions Game and How They Can Make the Grade." The article appeared in the September issue of North Shore Magazine.

Three Northeastern faculty members contributed to an article on "The Family Stretches in New Directions," in the Deerfield Review, on Thursday, June 19. MARY ANN SCHWARTZ, professor of sociology and women's studies,

noted, "There will be a continuation of today's trends to variations of family forms. But, we need to learn how to work out all these relationships and still keep close ties." "Trends that will also continue are parenthood at a later age, more creative parenting among males, and an increased number of professional women who are vying for the same jobs as their male counterparts," added LYNNE REYNOLDS, associate professor of special education. "In order to exist and survive, we have to go back to the family as a popular image," stated MARY LOUISE BURGER, professor of curriculum and instruction. "Eventually, we have to come together because people want a family."

## HONORS AND ACTIVITIES

LESLIE S. BLOCK, assistant director of development, was a guest speaker at the International Conference on the economic, political, and social issues facing Tanzania, at the University of London, on Thursday, June 26, and Friday, June 27. His presentation was entitled "The Political Process and Education: How Effective Has Tanzania Been in Utilizing Education for Both Social Revolution and Manpower Planning?" The conference was sponsored by the University of London's School of Oriental and African Studies.

DANIEL KUZUHARA, assistant professor of psychology, recently taught a seminar on "Coping with Aging Parents" at Mary Seat of Wisdom School in Chicago. The seminar focused on parenting our parents, guilt feelings, the sense of loss, and viable ways to deal with changing relationships.

STANLEY NEWMAN, professor of anthropology, recently gave a speech at a reception of the Mental Health Professionals Division, Jewish United Fund-Israel Fund. He discussed the psychological and sociocultural issues related to the resettlement of Ethiopian Jews in Israel.

EDWARD ROBINSON, professor of curriculum and instruction, recently recorded selected poems and short stories from the anthology, Readings From McDougal Littell Literature. A cassette featuring Robinson's readings will be enclosed in a resource binder for teachers of the ninth grade.

VIN ROSENTHAL, professor of psychology, presented a five-day course on "Learning to Identify and Express My Natural Self," in Hasliberg-Reutl, Switzerland, on June 8-13. The course was sponsored by WILL-International. In addition, he recently served as a judge for the John Warkentin Student Essay Contest, sponsored by Voices, a journal of the American Academy of Psychotherapists. He was also appointed to the editorial board of Pilgrimage: Psychotherapy and Personal Exploration.

MITCHELL VOGEL, associate professor of educational foundations, was recently elected president of the University Professionals of Illinois.