

Jobs for teachers still available, OU dean says

Students who have their hearts set on teaching career should enter the field and they will be able to find a job, particularly if they are mobile, says an Oakland University dean.

For the past nine years, educators have been telling prospective students there are no teaching jobs. Now there are spot shortages and journals are warning of a nationwide

critical shortage as early as 1985, says Gerald Pine, dean of the OU School of Human and Educational Services.

"If you are mobile and ready to move to the South, West, or Southwest, you can find a job in teaching," Pine says.

Recently, OU received notices of available positions in Los Angeles County and Florence, S.C. Los Angeles County listed 100 certified openings for elementary and secondary school teachers. Florence is seeking up to 40 teachers for the 1981-82 year.

"Such announcements of available teacher positions are evidence of the growing shortage of teachers in other parts of the country. The Chronicle of Higher Education, on March 23, warned that today's spot shortages are a harbinger of a critical nationwide teacher shortage in four years," Pine says.

for areas where there is a high demand, says Pine, an Avon Township resident.

The National Education Association, in a recent survey, found 37 states that have shortages of teachers, at least in some subject areas, Pine says.

The dean says while the prospects for a teaching position in Michigan are currently grim, there are plentiful jobs for substitutes. The Pontiac School District recently sent out advertisements for substitute teachers and the district has been trying to recruit substitute teachers since September, Pine says.

Pine points to an interesting development in teacher education — the grow-

ing number of students who are finding educational positions in non-school settings.

Last year, Pine says, industry and business spent more money on in-house training and education programs than all the money spent for higher education in the United States.

Students who used to go into public school teaching with the expectation of a lifelong career, he says, are now enrolling in educational programs such as Oakland University's Human Resources Development Program.

Pine says these graduates are finding positions as training and development specialists, early childhood spe-

cialists, child and youth advocates, staff development and program development specialists in hospitals, designers of educational toys and recreational equipment, educational journalists, and consultants in media production.

EDUCATION GOES ON everywhere in a variety of settings and is a lifelong process, Pine says. Students need to think about educational careers in a variety of settings, not just schools, he says.

He says for those interested in public school teaching, there are critical shortages of math and science teachers and teachers of vocational and technical education subjects.

State funds for seniors?

If Proposal A passes May 19, the state will have funds to provide individual rent control for senior citizens, said State Sen. Doug Ross, D-Southfield, who last year introduced legislation to provide tax relief for senior renters.

The bill was passed but the state now has to find another source of revenue to provide individual rent control for senior citizens 65 or older, he said.

Implementation bill under which the state would refund to senior citizens any rent in excess of 40 percent of their income. "This is in addition to the income tax credit seniors receive."

"If Proposal A fails, the state would have to find another source of revenue to provide individual rent control for senior citizens 65 or older," he said.

Academy presents 'Stage Door'

The Academy of the Sacred Heart's production of "Stage Door" will be presented beginning at 8:30 p.m. tomorrow and on Saturday at the school, 1250 Kensington Road in Bloomfield Hills.

Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and are available from cast members and at the door.

Playing the lead roles in the three-act play by Edna Ferber and George S. Kaufman are Paisley Anne Lyne of the academy and Michael Wantuck of Andover High School.

Featured in supporting roles are Jay Farris of Brother Rice High School, Dan Turner of Clawson High School and Beth Bowers of the academy.

Student director Gretchen McCough and stage manager Pam Bishop are both students at the academy.

Tom Emmott, who has taught drama at Cranbrook School and acted and directed in Michigan and New York City, is the director. Art McGregor is in charge of lighting.

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