Inflation hits Oread offices

The bite of rising costs is being felt at the University of Kansas campus. KU Libraries have discontinued purchasing 2,000 different periodicals—some of which the library has been receiving for years—as a result of increased subscription prices.

The cost of bond paper, used for office forms, course outlines and examinations, has increased 26 per cent in price since January, with all other paper materials experiencing a similar jump, according to Bill Smith, director of printing services.

Paper clips are selling for more than double their 66-cent, 1,000 price last year, while file folders have increased from $1.00 per 100 to $3.18.

The cost of chemicals and equipment is increasing as well. One chemistry professor said he was embarrassed to hand out rusty bunsen burners and test tube clamps to his class, but his department could not afford to buy new ones.

The new minimum wage law also will have its affect upon university funds. The same amount of money now will hire fewer student helpers than it used to.

Lavery resigns after 23 years

Carl H. Lavery, the mostly anonymous man who kept straight the records of the Kansas University Endowment Association while he grew from $2 million to $44 million in assets, is retiring from his job.

Lavery functioned as treasurer and accountant since he joined the Endowment staff in 1951, and two years ago officially received the title.

His resignation was prompted by health problems. Lavery was a polio victim when a year old, but despite severe crippling was active as a sportsman in hiking and fishing. But recently he twice has undergone major vascular surgery and has had to give up the responsibility of daily duties.

Irving E. Youngberg, who as executive secretary was Lavery's immediate superior those 23 years, said, "I never expect to see another like him in terms of dedication, integrity, ability and devotion to the University."

Through the years the Endowment Association has established a reputation of prompt efficient service to the University and of accurate recording and reporting concerning financial matters. Credit for that reputation belongs to Carl Lavery more than any other person.

Stouffer chair goes to Price

G. Bailey Price, KU professor of mathematics, has been named the first recipient of the E. B. Stouffer Chair in Mathematics.

The inauguration of the chair honoring the late Ellis B. Stouffer, former KU dean and professor of mathematics, took place at a specially called conference October 24-25 which attracted some of the top scientific minds of the country to the University of Kansas.

Price, who joined the KU faculty in 1957, will only hold the position for a year since he is due to retire next year. His nomination to the chair was in recognition of his unique place in the math department for over a generation. He served as department chairman for 20 years.

The Stouffer Chair was established in 1966 by Miss Jean Stouffer, c'41, b'46, as a memorial to her father. Miss Stouffer is associate dean of students and foreign student advisor at Fort Hays State College. She is a member of the Alumni Association's board of directors.

The late Dean Stouffer retired from active teaching in 1955. Between 1921 and 1932 he published 20 research papers and during his career served the University in a number of administrative capacities. Stouffer Place, an apartment complex for married students at the University of Kansas, was named in his honor.

Professors fill academic post

Edward Basset, Dean of the School of Journalism, and Ralph Christoffersen, professor of chemistry, have been named to half-time positions in the Office of Academic Affairs.

Basset's title will be associate vice chancellor for academic affairs. Christoffersen will be assistant vice chancellor.

Basset, a professor of journalism, and Christoffersen will continue to teach and do research half-time. Basset became dean of the journalism school in July of 1972. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Iowa in 1967.

Christoffersen joined the KU faculty in 1969. He received his Ph.D. in 1964 from Indiana University.

The two half-time positions will fill the half-time vacancy created when James Rosier resigned recently to accept a position in New Jersey.

Roberts chair to Donald Baer

Donald Baer, professor of human development and psychology at the University of Kansas, has been named to receive a Roy A. Roberts Distinguished Professorship in Human Development.

Appointment as a Roy Roberts distinguished professor carries an annual stipend in addition to the regular salary.

The Roberts Professorships were established by the late Roy A. Roberts in 1957 through a $200,000 gift to the KU Endowment Association. Roberts was a long-time editor and publisher of the Kansas City Star.

KU alumni rank alma mater high

A recent survey shows that Kansas University alumni have a considerably higher regard for their Alma Mater than the average college alumni across the nation.

Five thousand graduates of the KU classes of 1963 through 1973 were mailed surveys. The 1,360 who replied (the high response is significant) gave KU performance ratings some 26 per cent higher than the ratings other alumni gave their school.

One finding of particular importance to KU officials was that 90.7 per cent of the alumni said they would have their children to go to KU, a good indication there are many "satisfied customers."

An editorial in the Lawrence Daily Journal World observed that "if the survey were extended beyond the class of 1963, it doubtless would be even more clearly edged in Crimson and Blue loyalty and dedication."

Year after year, KU has consistently rated among the top 10 tax-supported universities in the nation from standpoint of private financial support. What this has brought about, the Journal World said, is a top flight school that can give any younger who applies himself or herself an education as good as can be gained anywhere.

Med Center has new programs

The University of Kansas Medical Center is starting two programs to help interdent and train young people in medical careers.

One program, offered in conjunction with participating junior colleges throughout Kansas, will give paramedical training to junior college students.

For the first year of the two-year program the students will attend accounting and personnel management classes at the junior colleges. The second year, the students will attend classes at the Medical Center, gaining experience in laboratory and hospital routines.

A summer session will follow with each student working an internship with an established paramedical team. The teams travel from town to town, offering emergency and pre-hospital care to patients. Graduates of the program will receive an associate degree in emergency medical services and will be eligible for certification as an emergency mobile intensive care technician.

In the second pioneering program, students at Shawnee Mission East High School in Johnson County are getting an early look at health related careers by participating in a course taught at the Medical Center. Eighteen students enrolled in the course spend two hours daily at KUMC observing health care occupations.

Wooden wins 'Peachbasket'

Chancellor Archie R. Dykes presented the first annual James A. Naimith "Peachbasket" Award to UCLA basketball coach John Wooden Nov. 12 at a dinner in Kansas City, Mo.

The award was presented on behalf of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. The award is given in honor of Naimith, the inventor of basketball, and is given to the professional or amateur player, coach, sportswriter or sportscaster who most emulates Naimith, according to a committee of 26 Sig Eps.