

Paraska New Dean

Dr. Nicholas Paraska, associate professor of civil engineering at Youngstown State University, has been appointed Dean of the Technical and Community College of the University, it was announced today by Dr. Albert L. Pugsley, University president.

The Technical and Community College will be a major division of the University, and will begin operation with the fall quarter 1968-69.

Dr. Paraska has been a member of the YSU faculty since 1960 when he left his position as Special As-



Dean Nicholas Paraska

stant for Air Force Projects to the Assistant Chief of Engineers for Military Construction, Corps of Engineers, Washington, D.C.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Military Academy (West Point), his Master of Science, with a major in civil engineering, from Texas A&M University, and his Ph. D. in civil engineering from the Carnegie Institute of Technology.

In announcing the appointment, President Pugsley stated, "In the appointment of Dr. Paraska as Dean of the new Technical and Commun-

ity College of the University, recognition has been granted to an able faculty member whose abilities are particularly well suited to the tasks ahead.

Dr. Paraska has a deep concern for students of all levels, but his special concerns lie with students who seek courses of study that allow direct and immediate entrance into the great market of technical, industrial, business, and other positions supportive of the professions.

"He will work closely with employers of the area to develop these two-year programs. His experience in industry, his excellent professional background, his qualities of leadership, and his dedication to the objectives of this new college of the University confirm the great confidence we have in selecting him for this important task."

The appointment of Dr. Paraska as dean is effective February 1, 1968.

Dr. Paraska has served as a consulting engineer for a number of architectural, legal, and business firms in the Youngstown, Sharon, and New Castle areas, including Smith, Buchanan and Smith Associates, architects, Youngstown; Routman, Moore and Goldstone, attorneys-at-law, Sharon; Luxenberg and Kraus, developers, New Castle; and for the Manufacturing Division, Republic Steel Corporation, Youngstown.

He has also served as Assistant Security Officer, Department of Defense Classified Documents, 1963-66, and as Security Supervisor, Department of Defense Classified Documents, 1966-67.

As a professional engineer, Dr. Paraska is listed as a Registered Professional Engineer and Surveyor in Ohio, a Registered Professional Engineer in Pennsylvania, and a Registered Professional Engineer in the District of Columbia.

He is a member of the following scientific and professional societies: Fellow, American Society of Civil Engineers; member, American Society of Engineering Education; member, National Society of Professional Engineers; member, Ohio Society of Professional Engineers; and member, Water Pollution Control Federation.

In the latter membership he attended the National Symposium on Quality Standards for Natural Water at the University of Michigan, 1966.

Dr. Paraska and his wife, Martha, reside in New Bedford, Pa., and are the parents of three sons, Harry J., 26, and Nicholas II, 25, both of whom graduated from YSU in 1966 and are now in the U.S. Army, and Robert L., 21, a senior mathematics student at YSU.