

# Coach Beede, Dr. Pfau die during December break

Returning members of the YSU community mourn the loss of Dwight "Dike" Beede, former head football coach, and Dr. Margaret Pfau, English department chairman, both of whom died last month during the Christmas break.

Dwight Beede, retired head football coach, was the victim of an accidental drowning during the past holiday season. His body was recovered from Beaver Creek near his Elkton home on Tuesday, December 12, but it is believed that he died on Sunday, December 10. Beede apparently fell into the creek while he was alone pruning trees near his farm.

"Dike" Beede, who was head football coach since 1939, retired on November 18, 1972, with the distinct honor of being the nation's oldest active college coach.

Before coming to YSU, he coached at Westminster College

for eight years and at Geneva College for two years.

Dr. Margaret Pfau, chairman of the English department, died December 26, in North Side Hospital at the age of 51, after a long illness.

She came to YSU in September, 1962 as an assistant professor of English and became chairman of the department on July 1, 1968. She graduated from Rayen School, and attended Wellesley College, Case Western Reserve University, and Radcliffe College, where she earned her doctorate degree.

Later she served as a Japanese language translator in Washington, D.C., before beginning her teaching career. Dr. Pfau also served on the faculties of Elmyra, Smith, and Mount Holyoke Colleges before coming to YSU. She was an authority on Shakespear and Chaucer.