



The mad rush for Registration changes in Jones Hall.

Quarter System Reviewed

Youngstown State University has completed its first quarter and the students have begun to form opinions about a period of study that they had not been accustomed to. The opinions are as many and as varied as the students themselves.

Additional Work Load

Patricia Hetzler, a senior majoring in Education, says she isn't in favor of the quarter system because of the additional work load. "Why do eighteen weeks worth of work in ten weeks and get two-thirds of the credit?" She remarked, however, that the shorter time period eliminated a good deal of "Deadwood" from many classes, which is one point in its favor. She also liked having the entire holiday vacation free from papers of studying for finals.

The change is felt just as strongly, if not more so, by faculty members as it is by students. Instructors now have to make up three syllabi instead of two, make up and grade three midterms and three finals instead of two, and check half again as many papers. Over the period of one school year, they teach more classes under the new system, and, like the students, they have to suffer through three chaotic "First weeks" like this one has been. One tenth of the allotted class time is now taken up by administrative changes and other similar disruption, instead of the former one-sixteenth.

Both Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Gretel von Ostwalden said that the main problem for everyone is not so much the work load or the lack of time, but simply a matter of adjustment. Hopefully, students will be able this quarter to plan their time more successfully, Profs will know better how much work to cover, and the administration will make further progress in its plans for a more reasonable system. One such plan which has been mentioned would have the

student take three classes of five hours instead of the present system of trying to fit semester classes into the quarter system mold.

Next week the Jambar will study this problem in further detail and will present more complete details on student, faculty, and administration opinions and ideas concerning the quarter system and its developments.