

YOUNGSTOWN COLLEGE DEVELOPS

Youngstown College marks another milestone in its progress, receiving notice from the Ohio Department of Education that it has been placed on the list of colleges approved for teacher training.

As Director Jones says, the approval is the most important recognition of the college's worth since authority to grant the Bachelor of Arts degree was granted it in 1930. Just as interesting as the recognition itself are the reasons for it: Dr. W. W. Boyd's report as investigator makes good reading for Youngstown people. He reports on the college's "gallant struggle" for a high standard, on the maintenance of a large enrollment in liberal arts work, on the addition of well-trained faculty members, on "splendid equipment," and "excellent laboratories," and the access to the Reuben McMillan Free Library.

One of the most significant sections of the report is this statement: "Another matter which they are very careful about is standards. In admitting students they are holding very strictly to the North Central Association requirements."

In depression times, when enrollment tends to decrease and finances are low, the temptation must be very great to admit applicants who have the means, whether they are properly prepared or not. That the college has resisted this temptation is evidence that its directors are not sacrificing the future structure to the temporary gain.

With such standards, the time certainly will come, if indeed it is not already here, when Youngstown people will send their children to Youngstown College not merely because it is cheaper for them, but as a matter of choice on merit.

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