

UNC Invited Into Nation TV Network

The Ford Foundation has invited the University of North Carolina's Educational Television stations to share in the development of a system of educational TV distribution by satellite.

John Young, director of the University's educational television studio here, has received a letter from McGeorge Bundy, president of the Ford Foundation, calling his attention to the Foundation's proposal for a nonprofit, satellite communications system for the United States.

Accompanying the letter is a copy of the complete proposal for an educational, noncommercial "fourth network" presented to the Federal Communications Commission several days ago. Bundy invites Young to "share our interest" in the plan and asks for comments and suggestions on the proposal.

As a solution to the "money" problems of educational or non-commercial television, the Ford Foundation recommends that commercial networks (ABC, CBS and NBC) be al-

lowed to use the new satellite system for relay purposes.

The satellite system would carry all cross-country signals of present commercial networks at an estimated savings of \$45 million over the current cost of ground communications systems. The networks would then contribute two-thirds of their annual savings to the noncommercial, education network, which also would use the satellite system.

Young terms the Ford Foundation proposal a "model way of meeting the needs of edu-

cational television." With specific reference to the University's educational television stations, he visualizes the Ford proposal as the "missing link" between programs now offered by the University and a broadcast service affording the immediacy of a live network.

"The proposed educational television network," says Young, "would enable the University to receive programs truly national in scope, with the additional advantage of immediacy."

University of North Carolina stations at Chapel Hill and

Columbia are among the 36 university - owned educational television stations in the United States. Stations at Asheville, Concord and Linville are among several university - owned stations presently under construction in this country. In all, there are more than 120 educational television stations in the nation.

The satellite system, Young notes, would not change the present distribution pattern of programs in the state. Programs would still be distributed between carrier transmitters by the university's microwave relay system.

Klan Charges Undecided

Two UNC students, and the wife of one of them, who claim that they were assaulted at a July 31 Ku Klux Klan rally in Raleigh say they will press charges if their "financial situation" permits.

Reid T. Reynolds, a graduate student, and Elliot Kramers, a senior, and his wife, reportedly discussed the possibility of bringing assault charges against the Klan with Wake County Superior Court Solicitor William G. Ransdell Jr.

Solicitor Ransdell, contacted in Raleigh Wednesday, said he "might have a statement Thursday," when asked about the case.

"They have not demonstrated that they are dying to press charges," Ransdell said. "There is a question of identity," he added, "You can't just fill out a John Doe warrant."

Ransdell said he had viewed a film showing part of the scuffle taken by a Wilmington TV reporter, Wes Guptill. He refused to comment on what the film showed.

Kramers, from Greensboro, and Reynolds, from Ossining, New York, reported that they, along with Kramers' wife, received a polite snub from police when they asked to press charges against Klansmen and

Klanswomen who attacked them during a rally in downtown Raleigh, on Sunday, July 31.

Instead, Klan Security Guards and two plainclothesmen escorted them from Nash Square where the rally was being held, they said.

The three reported only minor injuries.

The "plainclothesmen" turned out to be Dt. Lts. Larry Smith and Edgar Duke.

Kramers said he and his wife both wore civil rights buttons to the rally, but did nothing to incite the Klansmen.

At a news conference last week, Gov. Dan Moore condemned the Klan's tactics and said he had asked Solicitor Ransdell to make a full investigation of the incident.

Former Uganda Diplomat To Be Visiting Professor

The U. S. Ambassador to Uganda will be a visiting professor of political science at the University of North Carolina here this year beginning in September.

Olcott Hawthorn Deming will not teach courses, but will be available for seminars, consultations and speaking engagements, according to Frank Duffey, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

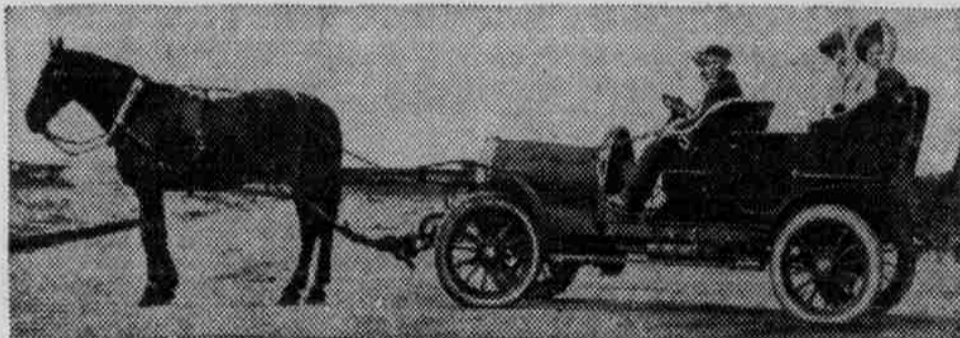
Deming's visit to UNC will mark the first time a U. S. ambassador has participated in the State Department Senior Fellows Program and the first time the program has been in operation in the Southeast.

The program calls for senior

foreign service officers to spend an academic year in residence at major colleges and universities across the country. A diplomat-in-residence. Deming will also be available for engagements at Duke, N.C. State, and other area colleges.

Deming taught Spanish and English in several New England private schools before joining the State Department in 1941. He also held other posts in various departments before entering Foreign Service in 1948. A native of Westchester, N. Y., he received the A. B. degree from Rollins College in 1935, did graduate work at Tennessee for two years and was research assistant for the Tennessee Valley Authority in Knoxville.

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