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Professor Geoffrey Clive

The human assets of the University of Massachusetts at Boston are its dedicated faculty and staff. Through the death last week of Dr. Geoffrey Clive, Professor of Philosophy in College I, UMass-Boston lost one of its leading professors and inspiring human beings.

He had been ill for a long time, but he was straining to get back to his classes and his students. But his illness cut short his life at 47.

Prof. Clive came to the University in 1967. He went through the growing years at Park Square, and it was not easy for him to walk from his 20 Boylston Street offices to whatever classes may have been scheduled at the Sawyer Building or Salada.

Both as a person and scholar he was an inspiring man, and UMass-Boston will sorely miss him.

Private services were conducted last Thursday at the old library at Leverett House at Harvard University. His teaching career began at Harvard as a teaching fellow in 1952 while he was earning his Ph. D. there.

Over the years he had many teaching assignments including appointments at Clark University, Vanderbilt University, University of Florida at Gainesville, and University at Saar at Saarbrucken, Germany.

His scholarly publications were many including essays in The Journal of Religion, Lutheran Quarterly, The Christian Scholar, and several others.

"The Broken Icon" was his most recent book, a study of philosophy in 19th century Russian novels.

He leaves his mother Mrs. Rose Clive and a brother Dr. John Clive.

Illegal Air

The Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror featured in its pages recently the research being done by Thomas Kelliher, who was graduated from UMass-Boston in May.

He is monitoring Nantucket air at his UMass-Boston Field Station on the island, and he proclaims that "when there's a west-southwest wind, Nantucket air is illegal," and the culprit is not Nantucket's fault but New York City's.

At a Nantucket Planning Commission meeting, Kelliher explained that the pollution originates from automobile exhaust.

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In cities the ozones break down by colliding with surface material or by being absorbed by soot. But because only the ocean separates Nantucket from New York, no surface material (trees, etc.) is present to break up the ozones. Among other things, the results are plant damage resembling burns on leaves frequently seen on tobacco plants which are particularly sensitive and a lower yield in corn and tomato crops to name a few. Ozones may also be responsible for yellowing paint and creates a generally unhealthy environment for all plants and animals.

At Kelliher's suggestion, the Planning Commission voted to submit an application to the state requesting that one of the 400 official state monitoring stations soon to be set up around Massachusetts be located on Nantucket. The young researcher reported that so far all monitoring stations have been located in cities and no emphasis has been given to the effects of city created pollution on suburban and rural areas. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is scheduled to revise air emission standards in automobiles in 1977, and with a monitoring station collecting data on Nantucket until that time, Nantucket could have some say in the revised standards.

Housing Seminar

The Boston Urban Observatory, a facility of UMass-Boston, and the City of Boston are sponsoring a seminar today (Tuesday) from 9 to 1:30 at the College II lounge (third floor) on the city's new subsidized housing improvement program. Representatives of nearly 30 cities and towns in the Commonwealth will attend. Joseph Slavet, Director of the Observatory, is the keynote speaker.

The new housing program provides support up to 20 per cent of the costs for repairs and renovations of real estate.

In addition to Slavet other speakers are Francis W. Gens, Commissioner, Housing Inspection Department of the City of Boston; Wilfred J. Peltier, Craig S. Nickerson, Wayne McNamara, Dennis McKinnon and Michael Mahoney of the Housing Inspection Department, and David Strohm, Director of the Mayor's Office of Community Development.

Topics are program incentives, eligibility criteria, operations and funding.

Temporary Telephone
Number Changes

The following telephone assignments will be in effect until late August:

Academic Support Service I	3135
Anthropology I	2669
Economics I	2805
English I	2681
French I	2629
German I	2891
Italian I	2615
Politics I	2551
Psychology I	2674
Sociology I	2694
Spanish I	2697
Student Activities II	3231

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All other College I departments will remain the same throughout the summer.

Three Deckers

Contrary to popular predictions, triple-deckers continue to be viable housing in many sections of Boston. This is the principal conclusion of a study released by Joseph S. Slavet, Director of the Boston Urban Observatory of UMass-Boston, a study conducted during the past 18 months under joint auspices of the UMass-Boston facility and the Boston Redevelopment Authority. Louise Elving served as Project Director of the study; most of the funds for the study were granted by the Permanent Charity Fund.

Triple-deckers provide the lowest cost form of home ownership in many neighborhoods, the report pointed out. For thousands of working-class families who could not manage a mortgage without the help of rental income, they offer the only available entry into home ownership. Over two-thirds of Boston's 16,000 triple-deckers still have resident owners.

But the continued survival of triple-deckers, which make up one-fifth of all dwelling units in Boston, is linked inextricably to the neighborhoods where they are located, the report emphasized. In areas like Brighton and East Boston, their prices are escalating as a result of the entry into the housing market of young adults and students who have pushed up prices by their willingness to double up and pay higher rents. In Brighton, for example, recent prices for triple-deckers have reached as high as \$40,000. Ironically, the report points out, the same influx of newcomers that is keeping the market strong for triple-deckers is also beginning to put them beyond the reach of the working families whom they have traditionally housed.

There is much that City Hall can do to help and support triple-deckers, the report adds. In neighborhoods where the market for triple-deckers is still strong, the investments of owners can be reinforced by public improvements and direct subsidies like the recently announced Housing Improvement Program under community development revenue sharing that provides up to 20 percent rebates to owners for repairs which bring buildings up to the standards of the State Housing Code. Owner confidence in sagging neighborhoods could be raised by improved city services and assurances that mortgage and home improvement funds will be available for upgrading their properties. In addition, many triple-deckers in Dorchester and Mattapan are burdened by relatively higher property tax assessments than buildings of similar value elsewhere; equalizing these assessments could provide useful economic relief through lower property taxes. Changes in the economic and management structure of three-deckers--i.e., to condominiums--is another solution applicable to certain situations. In deeply troubled triple-decker neighborhoods characterized by owner and bank disinvestment, racial exclusion and speculation, the report is not sanguine about constructive solutions. Restoration of abandoned buildings may be possible only when national policy

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includes commitments to raise the incomes of poor families to higher standards and to concentrate federal assistance in urban neighborhoods with the greatest needs.

10th Anniversary

On September 10, 1965, the first students enrolled at UMass-Boston met with the pioneer faculty to begin the adventure in education that is the hallmark of this institution.

For the original faculty and staff, there are many memories of the hectic days that preceded and included the first day of class at 100 Arlington Street.

To share these memories, this moment in our history, the Bulletin would like to have these thoughts published in upcoming editions. So, we are asking for that look down memory lane from members of faculty and staff. Please send your thoughts to the Office of Public Relations, Administration Building.

Free Films

Faculty, students and staff are invited to preview films Wednesday afternoon, July 30, from noon until 2 p. m. in the large Science Auditorium. The films, "Six Filmmakers in Search of a Wedding", and "Hometown", are on free-loan or preview-loan from various film distributors in this country. (University of Mass-Amherst, Exxon Corp., Shell Corp., Modern Talking Pictures, the Canadian Consulate, and many more.)

With the current budget crisis in mind, we remind those who are in need of films for their classrooms in the fall that there is a collection of free-loan film catalogs available for research. The collection is located in the Media Center Film Services Office., G-1 level of the Library Building.

For film information please contact Maureen MacDonald, Film Programmer, Ext. 2208.

Institute for Learning
and Teaching

A new publication, "Coalition", published by the Citywide Educational Coalition, in its July issue has an impressive story on the activities of the Institute for Learning and Teaching.

Rather than being an exposition of Dr. James Case's thoughts about this activity, the essay is mainly quotations from high school and secondary school personnel in Boston.

Daniel E. Kearns, principal of the Mary E. Curley School, says: "If we are having problems in a particular area, ILT talks to us to discover its nature and then gets an expert or consultant to help us set it straight."

Nicholas Bergin, principal of the McCormack School, says: "We feel good about working with UMass-Boston because it is an urban university and understands our problems more. For example, when we realized the effect busing was going to have on the McCormack, we asked ILT to help. They arranged for busing experts to come from Berkeley, Calif., and Pontiac, Mich., to talk to us about their experiences so we would know what to expect."