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## PROGRESS ON MERGER RELATED

The NU-OU merger committee continues to toil toward the July 1 deadline when properties of OU will be transferred to NU.

Dr. Craig Affleck, who along with Dean Cecil Wittson represents the Medical Center on the committee, this week highlighted some of the work being done by the committee and subcommittees as it may affect the Far East Campus:

Graduate Education--Ph.D. programs will be administered through the graduate college; more will be developed at OU, including some that should be of assistance to graduate programs on the medical campus.

Nursing--There will be a single program in the University system. The present program at OU, where diploma graduates can obtain academic credits toward a degree, will be phased out.

Medical Technology--A joint UN-OU program is being developed with an eye toward identifying med techs early in their college career, exposing them to clinical environment and providing counselling. The possibility of using other Omaha hospitals for clinical training is being explored.

Special Education--Special education programs at OU will be coordinated with health related activities at the Medical Center, such as the handicapped children's clinic.

Fringe Benefits--Efforts are being made to assure comparability among faculties.

Nuclear Medicine--Closer relationships are being worked out between the department of physics at OU and the developing programs of radiobiology, nuclear medicine and biomedical engineering here.

Computers and Communications--The aim is compatibility among all systems.

Students--OU's President Naylor has said Medical Center students are welcome to use facilities at OU. The subcommittee is working out details of implementation and the participation of Medical Center personnel in OU's cultural programs.

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