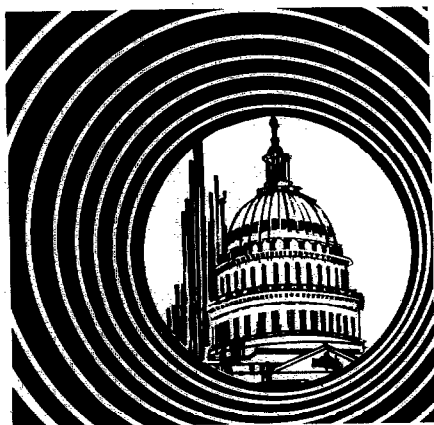


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DISADVANTAGED SLIGHTED: National Advisory Council on Vocational Education, in third report to President and Congress, complains vocational education for nation's disadvantaged is marked by foot-dragging and inadequate funding. It warned abuses must be corrected "if deeply frustrated, untrained youths are not to conclude that violence is the only way to create change."

Group recommended: (a) priority be given to programs for disadvantaged in vocational education without separating them from education's mainstream, (b) that residential schools be established in every major metropolitan area and poor rural area, (c) that schools recognize employment as integral part of education, and that they include part-time employment and employment services in programs, (d) that as much money be spent on follow-up and counseling for dropouts as for those who remain in school.

Report expressed disappointment that 18 months after passage of Vocational Education Amendments "so much remains to be done . . . Progress has been slow, and strong Executive leadership is due. The disadvantaged have made it clear that good intentions must be backed by adequate funds and a genuine national concern." For copy write Council at: Regional Office Bldg. 3, Room 5022, Washington, D.C. 20202.

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MANPOWER PROGRAM REVAMPED: Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee has written major revisions into President's manpower training program.

It added \$1 billion to \$2 billion requested by Administration and included provision to put between 150,000 and 200,000 unemployed persons to work in local hospitals, schools, police and fire departments, and other agencies.

Manpower training would be decentralized, but while Administration proposed giving control to governors, Committee divided control between governors and mayors of cities with more than 75,000 population.

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HEALTH MANPOWER CLIMBS: Nation's supply of health manpower will climb to 5.3 million by 1980, according to Thomas D. Hatch, Acting Director, Division of Allied Health Manpower, Bureau of Health Professions Education and Manpower Training, National Institutes of Health. He points out that 117 separate federal programs or authorizations now support health occupational training, of which 83 are exclusively for health occupations training.

Programs from which grants are available are listed in new report, Allied Health Manpower, 1950-80, Health Manpower Source Book, Section 21, available from Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 20402, \$1.25 per copy.

One program, MEDIHC, is cooperative effort by HEW and Defense Department to steer military personnel trained in medical skills into jobs in health field or into enrolling for additional schooling or training under GI Bill. Program is summed up in Publication, Operation MEDIHC (Military Experience Directed Into Health Careers) prepared by HEW's Office of Health Manpower, Health and Scientific Affairs.

Another new publication put out by Public Health Service, The Continuing Education Program of the Division of Physician Manpower, summarizes individual grants and demonstration project grants under program, suggests guidelines for developing proposals. Write: Division of Physician Manpower, National Institutes of Health, HEW, for copy.

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HANDICAPPED TRAINING SPURRED: Move is under way to consolidate rehabilitation services with Department of Health, Education and Welfare and to expand training programs and services to handicapped.

Federal program is operated through states and has \$530 million funding for fiscal 1970, and \$570 million is asked for next fiscal year. Goal is to reach more of nation's handicapped and to provide them with job skills they are capable of performing. U.S. has 22 million persons with limited handicaps and five million who can't work, but HEW's rehabilitation program now reaches only 750,000 persons annually.

Edward Newman, Commissioner of HEW Rehabilitation Services Administration, said plan is to make more funds available for research and work training. Program foresees survey of handicapped manpower to accurately determine total number of persons and nature of handicap, their vocational aptitudes, and placement into proper job.

Elements of programs for handicapped are now located in number of other federal agencies, including Office of Education and Labor Department. Newman sees urgent need to consolidate activities on behalf of handicapped population.

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