No comment on liquor

Dr. Rogers named Brown master

Dr. John Rogers, Professor of Geology, was named the new Master of Brown College by University President Pitzer.

Although it is too early in the year to decide on any specific plans for change or modification of Brown, Dr. Rogers does feel that the college system, as found at Rice, has some definite good qualities. As Master of Brown, Dr. Rogers feels he “ought to initiate some programs, though most . . . should be generated by the girls themselves.”

Along this line, he intends to encourage speaker programs and other college activities; although he feels these individual college affairs should remain strictly supplementary to the real educational processes of Rice itself—“it’s a mistake to supplant normal work by college activities.”

When asked about the disparity between the liquor policy of Jones and Brown, Dr. Rogers declined to comment, because he felt it was really too soon to define specific policies. He does feel, however, that there “should be some uniform policy on alcohol for men and women both.”

Dr. Rogers tacitly approved the existing system of supervising the women of Rice and not the men—“I think men and women are different; therefore you have to treat them differently.”

Dr. Rogers, his wife Barbara, and their two sons, Peter who is five years old, and Timothy who is one, now live in the Master’s home adjacent to Brown.

He replaces Dr. Frank Vandiver, who resigned in order to spend more time on his other commitments, notably writing and research.