Health Service Will Extend Scope, Says Skaggs In Interview

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Overloaded facilities and the new emotional health program of the Rice Student Health Service were discussed by Dr. Raymond Skaggs, head of the Health Service, in an exclusive Thresher interview on Monday.

Over 100 students each day visit the service, said Skaggs. Skaggs commented that in comparison the University of Houston, with greater student body, had far fewer patients.

“OVER A quarter need Doctor’s care,” reported Skaggs, “and the Health Service may be in new surroundings soon. “One problem is lack of facilities for girls in the infirmary.”

The emotional health program, said Skaggs, will be expanded from its pilot project status of last year. It will also include coordination with community-wide activities.

IN THIS connection, the program will be operated from the Houston State Psychiatric Institute and headed by Dr. Schooler, JA 6-4151.

The Rice emotional health program was used to a greater extent last year, said Skaggs, if only because hesitation on the part of students towards consulting a psychiatrist was gradually disappearing.