

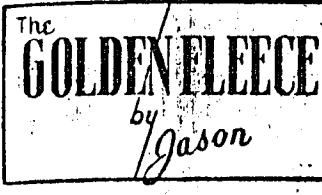
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Students Declare Need For Larger Student Union

Wilder's Comedy Popular Recent Student Opinion Tally Reveals Greek Councils Formulate For Amateur Producers Overwhelming Odds For New Building Semester Rush Plans

MEMORIAL CHAPEL?
A question which has been floating around other campuses lately, and one which is at this time pertinent is what to do about a war memorial. In view of the kinds of memorials possible, it would seem far better to construct a useful, needed building than a statue or obelisk of brass or stone such as was prevalent after the first war. A monument to the casualties of World War II which could be utilized would be symbolic of a society concerned with progress. Instead of the usual pile of stones or standardized military statue, we suggest a chapel in which services could be held and in which all faiths and creeds could combine in campus ceremonies. Something on the order of the Stanford university chapel is what we have in mind and it would not only be a pleasing addition to the campus but an appropriate reminder of the Idaho men who gave their lives that such familiar institutions as religion might prevail.

BUCKET BOOMING
And speaking of buildings, we're pleasantly surprised at the quiet but rapid progress made in the investigation of inadequacies of the present student union building. Financial data, a student poll and facts concerning the present building were gathered to form an impressive and conclusive report to the effect that a majority of the students are anxious that a new building be constructed immediately in anticipation of greater enrollment. Those of us who were here before the war have not forgotten the traffic jam which inevitably occurred in the Bucket after student functions. It did not create a good impression in the minds of prospective enrollees for them to witness the bargain basement melee which was an everyday occurrence.

Approval by the Board of Regents and President Dale is the only feature lacking before an architect can be engaged to draw up the plans. Students on the campus and the executive board are aware of the fact that building costs are high at the present time; however, it stands to reason that they will continue to be inflated as long as material and labor are scarce and this scarcity will not be relieved in the near future. If we are to gain the enrollment desired immediately by the university, we must of necessity present a campus which will induce men and women to matriculate. Recreational facilities will figure to a large extent on whether or not these students will wish to come to Idaho.

I BRING YOU GREETINGS . . .
with this oft-repeated phrase, the Governor made his debut on the Idaho campus, talked briefly of highways, toured the campus, told fish stories, and saw Idaho lose to the University of Washington. After hearing that the governor was "from Idaho, for Idaho, and behind Idaho," the students were glad to know that they had the backing of the chief executive, which was little more than a just due.

Dr. Cady Attends Annual Meeting
Dr. L. C. Cady, head of the department of chemistry and chemical engineering, will attend the annual meeting of the Idaho Safety Council in Boise on January 28 and 29. He is a member of the council as a representative of the university.

SERENADES
After meeting with women's living group house presidents, Dean Louise S. Carter has announced the new rulings on serenades. Women are not to sing back on serenades unless they are sweetheart serenades. Dean Carter also requested that women refrain from speaking to the serenaders except to say goodnight. Whether women are to get out of bed in order to be left up to house regulations or ordinary serenades, although the dean did not think it necessary.

Band Sets Sunday As Date For Delayed Concert
Under the direction of Edmund J. Marty and Charles Swan, NROTC, as student director, the university concert band will present its originally planned pre-holiday concert Sunday at 4 p. m. in the university auditorium.

The band will open the program with the playing of "Fughetta" by Sir John Stainer, and "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral" from "Lohengrin" by Richard Wagner. The second group on the afternoon program will be composed of "King John," Moehlmann; "Phantom Trumpeters," James R. Gillette, and "March" from "The Vanished Army" by Kenneth J. Alford.

The third and final group will include "Finlandia," by Sibelius; "Headlines," Carleton Colby; "Cypress Silhouettes," David Bennett; and "March—Glory of the Gridiron" by Harry L. Alford.

Idaho Voice Team Presents Musicales
Billed on the same Spokane program with Dougherty and Ruzicka tonight, termed "the best of duo-piano teams," are Robert Walls of the university music department and Betty Meagher, university voice student.

The joint recital, sponsored by the Early Birds Breakfast club, will be presented at 8:15 p. m. at the Masonic temple auditorium in Spokane. Admission is limited to members and their wives or guests. Mr. Walls and Miss Meagher will be accompanied by Hall M. Macklin at the piano.

Ben Ryan Honored



Silver Star medal, awarded for gallantry in action in the Pacific area, was presented to Major, then Captain, Bernard Ryan by Colonel B. H. Hensley, professor of military science and tactics at the university, in a ceremony which took place in the Colonel's office at the university yesterday morning.

The citation read in part, "for gallantry in action west of Gusukuma Village, Okinawa Shima, on April 25, 1945. Captain Ryan led his troops to seize a ridge that was the key defense of the enemy and, in doing so, was subject to continued enemy fire. Knowing the importance of this ground, Captain Ryan, with a force of only 44 men, held the position for over 10 hours and then personally took a patrol to contact units of another battalion. From this point he organized a reinforcement group which carried supplies back to his own besieged force and, with the reinforcement, was able to attack at dawn and clear the ridge of the enemy. His efforts resulted in paving the way for the capture of Machinato Airfield. Throughout the period, Captain Ryan's fearlessness and superb leadership made him the outstanding figure on the battlefield."

Thornton Wilder's comedy, "The Skin of Our Teeth," the forthcoming ASUI dramatic production, has been exceedingly popular for amateur presentations all over the country during the last three years, as is seen from articles from "Theater Arts Monthly."

The University of Idaho production is scheduled for February 21, 22, and 23, according to Miss Jean Collette, director.

The play was given last year at Stanford university, with sets designed by John Ford Sollers, formerly in the dramatics department here. Horace Robinson produced the show with such great success at the University of Oregon that the University of Montana hired him as guest director for their summer production of the play. One of its first non-professional productions was done by the Kalamazoo Civic Players at Kalamazoo, Mich. It was greeted enthusiastically at the University of Utah and at UCLA, where a repeat performance was given upon request.

"Theater Arts" quotes "The Skin of Our Teeth" as a hit in Stockholm last year while the Lawrence Oliviers were preparing a production of it in England.

Editors Announce Meeting Today
In a second meeting in the cove room of the Blue Bucket at 5 p. m. today students interested in launching a literary magazine will name the publication and make final arrangements for the first issue, according to Elizabeth Robinson and Maurice Paulsen, co-editors.

A headline for all contributions, which may be made by any student, is set at March 5. In addition to various departmental features, the magazine will use short stories from 1000 to 4000 words, humorous and serious essays, poetry and cartoons.

Items To Be Included
Consensus of student opinion points that an "adequate" building would include such items as a ballroom, main lounge, fountain, cafeteria, bookstore, bowling alley, meeting rooms, combined men's and women's gameroom, offices for the Student Council and publications, a graduate manager's office, and office of the alumni secretary. Varying greatly was the opinion on a theater, but a majority view won out. Listed as "most essential" by 30 per cent of students were a banquet room, men's and women's lounges, a guest room, faculty room, and men's and women's gamerooms.

Some Features Listed As Non-Essential
Innovations suggested in the questionnaire included a town girls' room, a check-cashing counter, a public address system, a room for housing the KUOI station, a full basement, a supply elevator and office soundproofing. The rest of the features listed were considered relatively non-essential by a majority of voters. These opinion tabulations were made on the basis of sex, class, marital status, and the independent-fraternity-sorority factor.

One of the outstanding items on the ballot sheet was the site for a new Student Union. The favored location, voted for by 50.3 per cent, is the property opposite Hutchinson's, extending to the corner directly across from the campus steps.

Present Union Inadequate
Using personal interviews, financial statements of the purchasing agent, Mrs. Evelyn Albrecht, and records from the registrar's office as her resource data, Miss MacRae deemed the present structure "grossly inadequate" in every respect in view of present enrollment, without considering the expected increase in enrollment to a prewar level. Storage space, seating capacity, and modern equipment and furniture seem to be particularly deficient.

A comparison of the size and seating capacity of the Bucket in relation to increased patronage and sales reveals that the seating capacity of 118 or 8.4 per cent of student population, is inadequate in view of the fact that 62.5 per cent of the students claim to patronize the Bucket one to four times a week, while the other 37.5 per cent congregate there five times or more per week. After such events as games and dances, the inadequacy is still more evident, reports Miss MacRae.

Larger Ballroom Needed
Other needs are a larger ballroom, the present one being too small for all-university dances, more furniture in almost every room and office which lack of present space does not permit, a larger Bucket lounge, facilities for recreational activities other than dancing, storage space for bookstore, Bucket, and offices, and adequately equipped restrooms. Separate Gem and Argonaut offices or more space and equipment were suggested, as the present arrangement of a joint office does not permit simultaneous use by both staffs.

Financial Report Given
Mr. Thomson's report pointed out comparisons of cost of the present Idaho Student Union building with construction costs of other intermountain Student Unions. This information was procured by letters to officials of other universities, which also requested data on the source of funds for supporting such undertakings. It was discovered that, on the average, costs for buildings were reported from \$235,000 to \$300,000, these amounts being for the most part covered by student registration fees, and in some cases by PWA grants. These figures are compared with a total initial expense of \$62,725 for the Idaho building. The amount of self-support of Unions in schools interviewed and the Idaho building is negligible, the main source of income being student fees. Estimated Student Union profits in the future are estimated as \$10,000 per year.

Weltzin To Speak Before IR Club
Dean J. F. Weltzin, head of the school of education, will be the principal speaker at the weekly meeting of the International Relations club this evening. Dean Weltzin will discuss "School Reorganization in Idaho."

Program for the last meeting was provided by Dr. H. C. Harmsworth, F. W. Trail, and H. P. Brown, who discussed the problem of the American negro.

The public is invited to attend these meetings which are held at the Blue Bucket in the upstairs lounge from 7 to 8:30 p. m.

SENIORS
Seniors are requested to turn in the questionnaires issued by the Gem by Monday at 5:30 p. m. A box has been provided for them in the Gem office.

Students still holding proofs are urged to turn them in to Hutchinson's Studio by Wednesday as that is the deadline.

With the beginning of a new semester, Panhellenic and Interfraternity councils have formulated plans for rushing. Second semester women's rushing will commence Wednesday, February 13, announced Dean Louise Carter at a Panhellenic meeting January 14.

The regular Panhellenic tea will start at 4 p. m. and rushees will have 20 minutes at each house. Sororities are allowed one party, either a dinner from 6-8 p. m., or a fireside, 8:30-10 p. m. on Thursday or Friday.

Invitations for these parties will be made by telephone. On Saturday, February 16, rushees will meet in Dean Carter's office for the bids that will arrive at 9:30 a. m.

Women going through rush are asked to sign up in the dean of women's office, while those houses planning to rush must be signed up by Saturday. Silence rules will be observed starting February 10.

Interfraternity council has announced that men's formal pledging will begin February 12 at 5 p. m. and continue for three days, closing February 15 at 5 p. m. The present open pledging period will be closed February 2 until March 1, when open rushing and pledging will take place.

Names of men going through pledging and the rush fee of \$1 should be paid two days prior to pledging. A list of prospective pledges will be distributed to all men's houses.

A rush office will be maintained in the Blue Bucket and will be open from 4:15 to 6:15, February 10 to 13.

Fraternity houses that will be open second semester are Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Chi, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, and Sigma Nu.

Speaker Features Europe In Friday Lecture
Donald Grant, lecturer from England, will appear before the student body Friday morning at 11 p. m. in the Memorial gym. His subject will be "Europe, 1946" and will include discussions of Britain, Soviet Russia, Austria and the USSR's rise to power from 1922-1946.

Mr. Grant is a graduate of the University of Edinburgh, and holds academic honors from several European universities. He was engaged in relief work in many European countries after the first World war. Since that time he has spent four years in New Zealand and has kept in touch with Pacific affairs. Keenly aware of the problems confronting the world at present, he will give an analysis of his topic.

Five Pledge Vows In SAI Initiation
Initiation services will be held Sunday, January 27, at 5:30 p. m. in Ridenbaugh hall for five students who are to become members of Sigma Alpha Iota. Virginia Transue, a senior, Rosa Ascuaga, junior, and Billie Adamson and Dorothy Monico, sophomores, are music majors who will be initiated.

Mrs. Virginia Stewart, also to be initiated, will be remembered as Virginia Eggan, prominent in campus music activities during the last three years. In 1943 she was soprano soloist for "Tomorrow and Tomorrow," hit song of the musical-comedy "Gee-Eyes Right," original production which was presented by army, navy, and civilian students on the campus.

Following the initiation, a reception-party will be held at the home of Mrs. J. G. Eldridge, patroness of SAI. Colored pictures taken on the campus, and pictures of the convention attended by Jean Armour, will be shown.

Miss Mercer Speaks
Guest speaker before classes in the home economics department of the university last Thursday was Miss Marian Mercer, nutritionist with the Spokane Dairy Council. Miss Mercer spoke on opportunities in the business field of home economics.

Board Sponsors Sport Dance On Friday Night
Second of the all-campus sports dances will be held tomorrow night in the Blue Bucket ballroom, according to Elaine Anderson, chairman of the student activities board. The dance will immediately follow the Idaho-Oregon State basketball game and will continue until midnight. Admission will be 75 cents per couple and tickets may be purchased at the door. NROTC men will be granted late permission so they may attend.

Music will be furnished by radio station KUOI. It is expected that most student musicians will return second semester to form an orchestra for future dances. Mrs. H. P. Magnuson will be patroness.

Arrangements for the dance are being made by members of the SAB. They are Bob Nelson, Lucile Thompson, Mary Dochios, Clara Beth Young, Helen Terhaar, Wendell Swenson, Chuck Altmyer, June Williams, Betty Ann Craggs and Fred Kieper.

Half-time entertainment at the games, which has been scheduled by the SAB for the week-end, includes a stunt by members of the NROTC Friday and a special pom pom stunt by women students Saturday night. The university band, under the direction of E. J. Marty, will play both nights.

Art Dept. Displays Color Prints
On display in the art building this week are 244 color prints from the circulating collection of Dr. Konrad Prothman of Baldwin, Long Island, N. Y. These color prints are from all over the world as they are facsimile reproductions published here and in Europe. Facsimile reproductions are as near like the original as possible and come in several sizes from reduced prints to full-sized facsimiles. The large ones are as near to the original as one can get.

The Art club is sponsoring the exhibit, and orders can be taken for the prints. According to Dr. T. J. Pritchard, this is one of a series of small exhibits which the art department hopes to keep available in the lobby of the art building throughout the school year. All of the public is welcome at any time during school hours or while the building is open.

Swindler Attends Winter Meeting
Dr. William F. Swindler, head of the department of journalism, returned Monday from Pocatello where he attended the winter meeting of the Idaho State Editorial association, of which he is the secretary.

Purpose of the meeting was to discuss advertising for newspapers of Idaho and post-war printing problems. Approximately 50 editors and publishers attended. Chief speaker was Don Eck, manager of the National Editorial association, Chicago. Other speakers were there from Salt Lake City and Seattle.

IMPORTANT
Men and women students interested in mixed chorus singing, will be given the opportunity to belong to the University Singers class to be taught next semester, eighth period, on Monday and Thursday. This class will be the same course which has been taught this semester to women students, but it will become a mixed chorus next semester. The course may be taken for either academic or activity credits. No try-outs are required for membership. The new chorus will be under the direction of Miss Ruth Erickson.



Donald Grant

