

Agricultural Plan Doing Well

There are activities galore on campus this weekend and a large part of the whirl is the second annual Ag Science Day, which includes a former spring fixture, the Little International livestock show that flourished for 32 years.

Last year's move to incorporate the strictly-animal show into the broader, more inclusive program was a wise one, for actually the livestock show short-changed all the other departments in the College of Agriculture. The Little International, patterned after the granddaddy International in Chicago, featured a parade, floats and livestock fitting and showing. The parade was okay but probably very few people ever visited the University farms for the animal part, except of course, those specifically interested in that phase of agriculture.

This is not to detract anything from the Idaho livestock industry because the

Little International is now a part of a bigger, better show. The livestock aspect is not reduced in the least, the college deans say. The new show simply changes the focal point from all-animal to all-ag. It is now an attempt to present the whole picture of modern agriculture including the background of science and technology, for agriculture today involves more than just plain farming.

The emphasis has been changed to incorporate such areas as farm management and business, farm products, crops and machinery.

It is fitting also that the Ag science Day corresponds with Senior Days. They benefit each other in attracting high schoolers to the campus.

Starting the Ag Science Day was a good move for it now draws more participation and interest than the former, narrow sighted livestock show ever could by itself.—D.E.

Exhibits Set For Display At Ag Show

As part of "Ag Science Day," the department of bacteriology is opening its doors to the wondrous world of biology through the microscope to give those interested an "over the shoulder" look at the microbiological procedures now being conducted at the University.

Dr. Owen B. Weeks, professor of bacteriology, explained that "live" demonstrations to point out the scientific developments in bacteriology will be exhibited.

Demonstrations will include the following:

- Laboratory diagnosis of infectious diseases, such as tuberculosis, diphtheria, venereal diseases, typhoid fever, streptococcal infections (scarlet fever), and staphylococcal infections (boils).
- Blood typing to find the RH factors in A, B, and O groups.
- Antibiotic sensitivity testing—used for the purpose of indicating a resistance to certain antibiotics as penicillin and streptomycin.
- Industrial applications related to foods, sanitation and industrial processing.

"Any student who wishes to have his or her blood type analyzed are certainly welcome," Dr. Weeks said.

"We will be open to discussion and will gladly answer any questions by visitors."

All Bacteriology demonstrations will be held in the Science Hall, rooms 1-2-7.

Kiwanis Plans Pancake Feed

The Kiwanis pancake feed, to help raise money for the Moscow Opportunity School's building purchase fund, will be held tomorrow morning at the Moscow Grange Hall, 214 N. Main.

The Club has pledged \$1,500 toward the fund the school needs to purchase a building. For a year, the Opportunity School has been in temporary quarters and is in need of a new building.

All University students are invited to attend. The living group having the largest percentage of attendance will be awarded an inscribed trophy. Students can register at the Grange Hall ticket desk for the house they represent. All food will be served by a crew of business and professional men and professors from the University. Hours will be from 6:30 a. m. to 1:30 p. m. for breakfast, lunch or both.

Wiley De Carli, Keith Gregory, and Dean Crossenbach, Phi Tau; John Fox, Edie Exum, and Bob Schow, ATO; Gene Gray, Marvin Heilison, Kenneth Smith, and Clyde Trupp, Willis Sweet; Dick Gray, Darwin Nelson, Donald Neil, and Waneck Stein, Sigma Nu.

Pete Groom, James Herndon, and Dave Pugh, Sigma Chi; Don Howard, Fred Otto, and Mike Robinson, Lambda Chi; Keith Huettig and James Metcalf, Delta Sig; Ronald Jones, McConnell; Joe McElroy and Dave Ritchey, Upsilon; David Mulalley, Delta Chi.

Radiotracers Aid In Scientific Research

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Radioactive species of elements often called "radiotopes"—useful because they emit detectable radiations—are opening new vistas of scientific research which will serve as a threshold for a new era in agricultural science.

"With radioactive tracers, we are hoping to establish why and how plants grow by following the tracers through the plant systems," Dr. James V. Jordan, associate professor of agricultural

chemistry, said today. "In the past, such investigations as are now under way would have been impossible."

Dr. Jordan, who received his master's and doctorate degrees from Oregon State College, has attended the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies. He was a chemist for the Canadian Food and Drug Science Service, research chemist for new explosives, and industrial chemist at Sydney, Australia, before coming to the University in 1948.

A team of University researchers are using the radio tracers in an attempt to discover how "sick" alfalfa gets that way. The departments of agronomy, bacteriology, plant pathology and agricultural chemistry have been working on specialized phases of the problem.

To determine what happens to the moisture and other elements in the sick alfalfa, scientists apply radioactive phosphorus in the soil at various depths. Later, the nutrients that feed the plant absorb the radioactive phosphorus which can be traced through the roots of a sick or healthy plant. The ability of each root to absorb phosphorus is then checked in the laboratory by means of two sensitive gieger counters which measure the radioactivity both in the plant and in the soil.

This equipment will be on display in the Ag Science building, room 129.

STANFORD QUESTIONS NSA Stanford University's affiliation with National Student Association will be decided by referendum. The student legislature at first voted 14-4 against continuing membership, but reversed the action to allow for a student vote.

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HERE'S MORE ABOUT — 'Key'

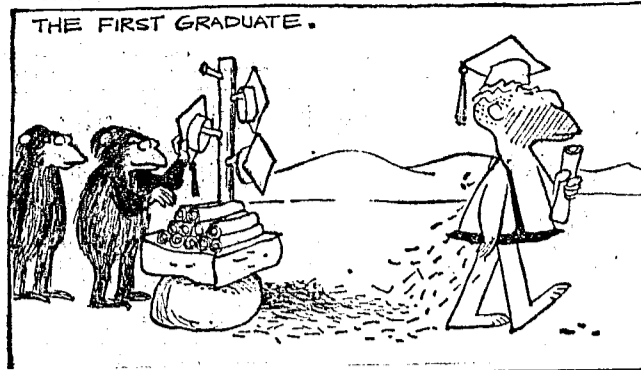
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In the list published in Tuesday's Argonaut naming the order in which the acts were to appear, there is no change, except that there will be an intermission between the Gamma Phi "West Side Story," and SAE Nick Bond's piano solo.

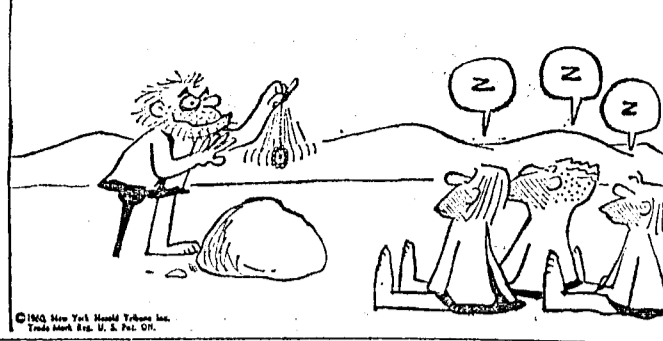
The non-competitive acts returning from last year, and the last three numbers on the program, are Carol Ann Mackin, nee Haddock, off campus, with a vocal solo; Sandy Wright, Hays, and a dancing act; and the Pi Phi all-house act, "Lizzie Borden."

Tim Daley, Beta, is general chairman of the show; and other committee seats are filled by Bill Agee, off campus, tickets; Paul Kroeg, Chrisman, invitations; Bruce McCowan, off campus, ushers; Neil Leitner, ATO, publicity; Bob Palmer, Theta Chi, cues; Gary Randall, Phi Delta, properties; John Fitzgerald, Delta, and Bill Pasley, Sigma Nu, stage production, and Terry White, Phi, and Harry Stunz, Sigma Nu, lights. Stunz also handled judges.

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The Key Hole

By PETE REED

Some go to church Sundays, some on Saturdays, some not at all. Does it really make much difference to the way of life here? It doesn't seem to in any profound way. About the most noticeable effect of religion on the campus seems to be the Sunday morning fashion parade which centers around the Student Union after morning services are over.

This is no attack on religions, but merely observation of their apparent effect on campus life. And strangely enough religion doesn't seem to have much effect at all, which is surprising, because surely a religion should form the basis for the whole philosophy by which a person of that faith directs his or her life. One would expect this to show up quite often, yet it seems to be the accepted thing to push religion as far into the background as possible.

This is noticeable in class-room and coffee table discussions. Very frequently Christians will set their religious beliefs aside entirely when formulating their arguments, and often deny their affiliation completely. Then on Sunday morning these same people can be seen trotting off to church.

There is an obvious inconsistency here, and one wonders just what is behind it. One part-answer is the prevalent feeling that to be an agnostic or atheist is a necessary factor in appearing intelligent. One can't act the part of the "intellectual" and be a Christian, it seems. Probably all this creates is a phony Christian and a phony "intellectual." There are other psychological reasons, though, which prompt going to church and declaring oneself a Christian.

Think back to the political campaigns. Many candidates listed church activities. Doesn't this make the voter think, "He must be a real nice, sincere guy?" And church is one of the few oppor-

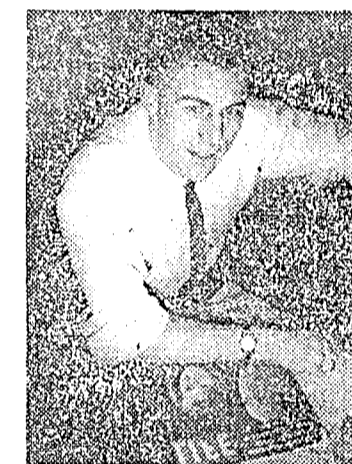
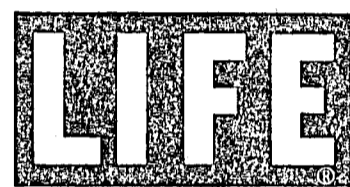
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Nearly every week LIFE has an article about college life. Students from the University of California made LIFE this week by playing chess. Not quite the ordinary kind of chess, however. The game they play at Berkeley requires 64 dormitory windows on one flat wall—the kind we don't have at Idaho. The windows have to be exactly eight-wide and eight-stories high in the typical Purina checkerboard fashion. The chessmen are yard-high giants of cardboard displayed in the windows and one move is made a day. The real strategy was done on regular size boards until the men's dorm won on the 37th play. The architects who planned the Idaho campus clearly didn't provide for this kind of intramural competition.

Other innovations at Berkeley include Morse code messages sent by blinking study lamps. The reason: phones are cut off at 11 o'clock. Now, surely that's been done before. The dorm-size chess game probably hasn't. Idaho made it in LIFE when the Vandals beat WSC in football for the first time in 29 years. That was in 1954. We ought to be able to boast of something original in 1960. Maybe it will be the Loser's Club or our yet-small unicycle fad.

Burlesque: A Sure-Fire Reader Getter

There's one article in LIFE this week that at least one-third of the campus is sure to read. That's because nearly one-third of the Idaho population is male. The topic: burlesque! Considered a dirty word today, burlesque simply stars girls who take off their clothes (as if you needed to know that). But it was once "fun for all the family," or in other words, more tame. LIFE records a historical night when dancers went too far and drew a sudden police raid that ruined real burlesque for the future. That's all I'm going to say. For all that "came off" that night read the rest for yourself in LIFE.

A Tragic Story of High School Dropouts

High school students on campus this weekend for Senior Days represent the majority who will graduate from prep schools this spring. The students who didn't come, however, represent a real tragedy if they aren't planning for a college education. LIFE says that unless the trend is radically changed, an appalling one-third of American youths will not complete high school in this new decade. Of the estimated high school enrollment of 33 million, that means 11-12 million will not finish. LIFE paints a tragic picture of the dropouts from the "jungles" of New York who can get only mediocre jobs and can't even speak good English. But this is just the first part in a series. The solution to rescue dropouts will come in LIFE next week.

Trampoline Business Is Jumping

There is a "boom in bounceland." It was only last year that trampoline recreation was reserved for exhibitionist tumblers and Clarke Mitchell's PE class. Last fall there were three public trampoline centers in Los Angeles. Now there are 175 and another 150 in other cities from Hawaii to Miami and more are opening at the rate of 10 a week (cover story). Like miniature golf, the Jump-O-Ramas are outdoors under lights. The mats are set over pits in the ground and provide jumping room for all ages for 40 cents a half hour. Let Coach Mitchell see LIFE's pictures of an "expertly-done" stomach drop and front flip, however, and he'll say the jumper is traveling on the mat. Coaching or no, it provides a new sport for all types of jumping (and reducing) people.

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