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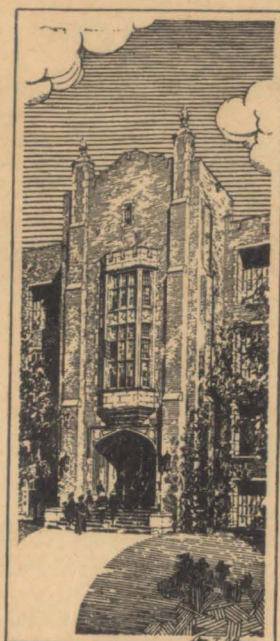
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## ED DEVITT CALLS THE CLASS OF 1934

To the Class of '34:

Comes again the time for annual check-up of the members of good old '34!

Last year, through the efforts of Joe LaBine, the class of '34 published its first news-letter which attempted a check-up on the whereabouts and doings of the members of our class. The response was not so favorable to an appeal for information from each '34 grad. But the letter was published anyway and very much appreciated by us all.

This year it is being published again and we are asking for better cooperation from you all. Within a short time you will receive a card from the Alumni office asking you to tell us what you have been doing since leaving U.N.D., what you are doing now, and any sundry gossip you might have which would be of interest to your fellow graduates. And we hope you answer 100%! Even if you are in the same boat you were in last year when the first census was taken, tell us about it anyway. We want to know. The class wants to know.

Our old friend, Joe LaBine, is all set to grind out the gossip on the typewriter in his newspaper office at New Ulm, Minnesota. Don't disappoint him!

Edward J. Devitt,  
President, Class of '34.

## A CLASS CALL

In the adjacent column Ed Devitt of the class of '34 calls for news notes of interest from his classmates. Ed's appeal and Joe LaBine's work should go to make an interesting and informative news letter for a future edition of The Review.

But they can not do so if members of the class fail to cooperate by sending in their items to be added to the items of their "cronies". Joe LaBine is a good journalist, but he can not write on air. It is for every member of the class of '34 to send in his few items, whatever they may be.

Other classes will be asked a similar "favor" as time goes on and we hope to be able to give complete and accurate information concerning all the graduating classes.

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## MILESTONES

Four anniversaries find considerable space in this issue of The Review. The University plans Founder's Day for its 53rd anniversary, The Dakota Student plans a special edition for its 50th year, the Alpha Phi's plan a reunion for their 25th year, The Review, itself, observes its tenth year. Such anniversaries are milestones, marking the years and emphasizing the growth which the University has enjoyed.



# FOUNDER'S DAY PLANS

Alumni to Join University In Annual Observance

With Meetings Scheduled for all the Major Clubs

## University

Traditional services will mark the 53rd anniversary of the founding of the University, Saturday, February 22, at 10:30 a. m. Dr. David Bryn-Jones, Pastor of Trinity Baptist church of Minneapolis will be the guest speaker.

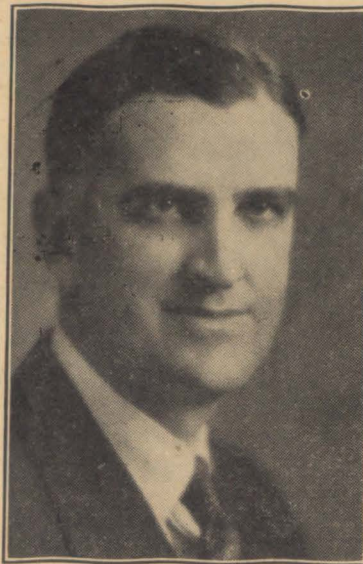
As is a "Founder's Day" custom, the Madrigal club under the direction of Prof. Hywel C. Rowland and the University Concert Band under the direction of Prof. John E. Howard, will have integral places in the observance program.

Blue Key and Mortar Board, campus service fraternities have been enlisted by the committee to encourage campus interest and make the occasion one of lasting brilliance, according to Prof. Howard.

Dr. Bryn-Jones is well known in the Northwest as a speaker, and efforts have been made on past occasions to have him present for other University functions, but always some previous engagement or unavoidable circumstance would intervene.

A graduate of the University of Wales and later a Stanley Jevons research student at the University of Liverpool, Dr. Bryn-Jones taught economics at the University College of South Wales, from which position he proceeded to Birkenhead as minister of the leading Baptist church of that city. Later he went to New Castle-on-Tyne. In 1918 he returned to the University College of North

Wales, Bangor, where he lectured in Economics and Political Science. He has also had considerable experience in settlement and social work and especially was one of the leaders in the adult education movement in Great Britain. For some time he was Secretary of the Educational Settlement



**MACK TRAYNOR**  
Devils Lake President

ments association of Great Britain.

In 1920 he came to America to fill the position of Professor of Economics and Political Science in Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota. At Carleton he specialized in international relations and world politics. Since 1924 he has been minister of Trinity Baptist Church, Minneapolis, but has retained his interest in world politics and has travelled widely to study the problems of international life.

He has frequently visited Europe and is familiar with the personalities and movements of European political life. He knows British politics at first hand. During the summer of 1927 Dr. Bryn-Jones visited eight or nine of the leading European countries, including Germany, Czechoslovakia and Austria. He attended the Institute of International Relations at Geneva and later was present at the meetings of the Council

and Assembly of the League of Nations. He spent the summer of 1929 in studying political conditions in Russia, the Balkan States, Turkey, Greece and Italy. In 1931 he visited the Scandinavian countries and the British Isles. He is particularly familiar with economic and political conditions in Great Britain and in central Europe. He visited Germany and studied the conditions there. In the winter of 1934-35 he visited Northern Africa and the Mediterranean countries.

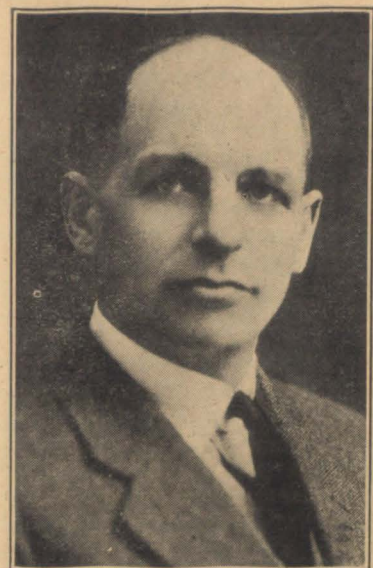
Dr. Bryn-Jones is known through the middle west as a lecturer on World Politics and a speaker on subjects relating to World Peace and other social subjects. He is president for the fourth consecutive year of the Minneapolis branch of the Foreign Policy association.

## Twin City Alumni

Arnold Kirkness, president of the Twin City alumni association has announced a meeting of members of the association and alumni of the University to be held either February 25 or 26, in observance of the University's Founder's Day. The speakers will be Frank J. Webb, alumni secretary, and Senator Gerald P. Nye, of North Dakota.



**FRANK J. WEBB**  
Minneapolis Speaker



**JUDGE PAUL PAULSEN**  
Fargo President



President Kirkness writes as follows: "Our program this year, although it has not been completed, will be an observance in the true sense of the word. Quite some thought is being given to entertainment.

"At present we are working on plans for entertaining and being entertained by the Madrigal club some time in May. We are very enthusiastic about the treat in store for us."

Tillman S. Stevens is secretary and treasurer of the club.

#### Jamestown

L. R. Burgum is in charge of arrangements for the Founder's Day observance by Jamestown alumni. February 20 has been selected as the day for their program and Prof. John E. Howard of the University music department has been secured for the guest speaker.

#### Valley City

Friday evening, February 21, is the date selected by E. G. Hilborn and the Valley City alumni for their Founder's Day Observance. Dr. G. A. Abbott, head of the department of chemistry, will be the guest speaker.

#### Washington, D. C.

Tentative arrangements for Founder's Day by the Washington, D. C. alumni have been announced through a communication from Charles D. Hamel, president of the association.

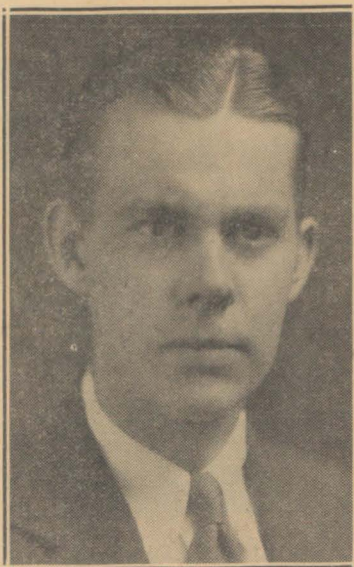
The North Dakota Society plans a meeting for February 21, so the U. N. D. alumni will meet in conjunction with that affair. During the course of the dinner, several dis-

tinguished North Dakota alumni will be called upon. It is expected that Senator Lynn J. Frazier, Congressman William Lemke and Comptroller of the Currency J. F. T. O'Connor will be present. Mr. Hamel is arranging to have Judge Birdzell, as a former member of the faculty, speak briefly.

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#### Bottineau

A committee consisting of A. F. Arnason, Miss Manda Svingen, and



FRANK LUNDING  
Chicago President

Miss Laura Gier is in charge of Founder's Day arrangements.

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#### Bismarck

Genevieve Parsons, Agnes Fleck and Auverne Olson are the committee in charge of Founder's Day arrangements for the capital city. Wednesday, February 19, has been selected as the date for the affair, which will have as guest speaker John E. Howard, University professor of music and bandmaster. The scene will be the Patterson hotel.

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#### Minot

Minot alumni will gather Friday, February 21, to observe the University's Founder's Day. Ben Johnson is in charge of the arrangements and has secured for the speaker Miss M. Beatrice Johnstone of the University extension division.

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#### Devils Lake

Mack Traynor, president of the Devils Lake association, has charge of general arrangements for the Founder's Day festivities at that city.

No word has been received by the Bureau of Alumni Relations concerning a definite program.

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#### Chicago

Franklin Lunding, president of the Chicago alumni, has arranged for a Founder's Day observance on February 29 to be held in the club rooms of the 132nd Infantry Officers. The difficulty in finding a suitable place for an alumni gathering had Frank stopped for a while, but Captain W. C. Wright offered the facilities of the Officer's Club so that the problem is solved for this year.

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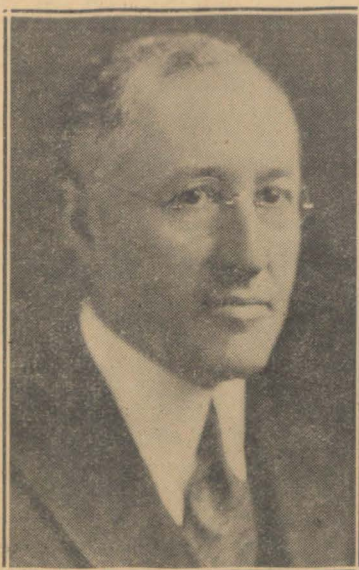
#### Fargo

Founder's Day will be observed in Fargo February 19, with Judge Paul Paulsen presiding. The program, which includes President John C. West, Prof. Hywel C. Rowland, the Sioux quartet, and Mary Cave of the physical education department and Lillian Morck of New Rockford, is scheduled for the Waldorf hotel. Original plans called for the program to be presented February 20, but conflicting activities made that impossible. Grace Hudson is in charge of arrangements.

#### Other Points

Other North Dakota Alumni clubs planning gatherings on or near Founder's Day are those in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, Milwaukee, Seattle, and New York City.

All arrangements are being made through the cooperation and with the aid of the Bureau of Alumni Relations at the University.



CHARLES D. HAMEL  
Washington, D. C., President



ARNOLD KIRKNESS  
Twin City President



# The Review Completes 10th Year

With this issue, The Alumni Review concludes its tenth year of publication. Since that venture into the field, the Review has recorded many changes in the University for its far flung alumni readers.

When Volume I, Number I, made its debut in June, 1925 it carried a full page questionnaire written by Walter Schlosser, '13, then president of the alumni association. Mr. Schlosser's remarks were headed in bold type, "Do You Want An Alumni Magazine?" For ten years the answer has been "Yes," and each succeeding graduating class has lent its throat to the resounding cry. The Alumni Review has passed infancy.

Thumbing through the pages are like thumbing through the pages of archives of historic memories, each year's book picturing the activity of the alumni group and the student body too, recording the progress of the University of North Dakota.

That first issue brought word from then President Thomas F. Kane. It brought remarks from Roscoe MacKean, '20, describing his world jaunts in the interests of foreign trade banking. The late Dean Vernon P. Squires brought the history of the University since 1900 up to 1935. C. D. Locklin, ex '13, described the formation of the Flickertail Club to boost athletics.

Maurice O. Ryan, '25, disclosed the plans of his class to give an endowment fund to the University. A biographical sketch of John Francis Douglas, '96, narrating his engineering experiences on the Pacific coast, found its place in the first issue. A short item called to the attention of one and all that Maxwell Anderson's ('11) new play "What Price Glory" was being acclaimed as one of the season's outstanding hits. Heywood Brown, nationally known critic, selected the play to lead his selections of the season's best.

News from the campus related how the "North Dakota Engineer" was to be established; how plans for the second annual Engineer's day going forward; that four new honorary fraternities were to be installed, Order of the Coif, law; Pi Lambda Theta, women's educational; Delta Sigma Pi, men's professional commerce; and Pi Chi Theta, women's professional commerce.

Volume I, Number 2, went on to say that the \$20,000 addition to the

Armory was nearing completion, that the 1926 Dacotah was to be dedicated to Prof. O. G. Libby; that the University was mourning the death of Dean Earle J. Babcock; and that Coach Paul J. Davis was looking forward to a successful season on the gridiron.

The January, 1926, issue came out numbered Volume II, Number I, probably to put on an air of maturity. This number told about the association's efforts to launch a campaign to establish Memorial Stadium and reprinted a review of Maxwell Anderson's newest play, "Outside Loo'ing



F. LESLIE ERHARDT

In". The April issue honored Carl Ben Eielson for his exploits in the polar regions with Captain George Hubert Wilkins.

1927 told of Carl Ben Eielson's plans to span the Pacific; of the new faculty members, John E. Howard, Dr. J. V. Breiwieser, Registrar R. O. Wilson, E. M. Acosta, William Schriener, R. C. Staley, Irvine Lavine and Edith Kay; and of the new houses of Kappa Sigma and Delta Zeta.

1928 copies reveal the announcement of the appointment of C. A. West as athletic director, of the plans of the New Merrifield Hall, of plans for the 4th annual Flickertail Follies.

Wesley College's new \$40,000 hall started the news summary in 1929, the new houses of Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Phi and Gamma Phi Beta and the installation of Delta Delta Delta led the Greek letter gossip.

The dedication of New Merrifield Hall, the death of Carl Ben Eielson headed the news of 1930.

That accounts for the first half of our history—the last half is too readily familiar to be repeated here.

The first editor of the Review was

F. Leslie Erhardt. The present one is Frank J. Webb. Two managing editors have succeeded to the staff prior to the present one, Joe LaBine and Gordon Ohnstad. Prior to that time the work on the magazine fell upon the shoulders of the editor and his group of active and interested associates.

## Baby North Dakota Senator Studies Law in University

The Senator from Richland county is his title when the North Dakota state legislature is in session; but to the faculty men of the University law school he is Melvin P. Johnson, freshman. Reversing the usual routine of student, lawyer, senator, Johnson has followed footsteps senator, student and lawyer.

Although only 25 years old at the time of his election in 1934, Johnson had served as president of the Richland county taxpayer's association, president of the Galchutt local of the Farmer's Union and a member of the state board of directors of the taxpayer's association.

Johnson is a graduate of the junior college division of Wahpeton state school of science.

His bill to prohibit compulsory military training was introduced and defeated by a vote of 24 to 23. He declares he is not a pacifist and points to his voluntary enlistment in the national guard as evidence, yet he says he does not believe drill should be compulsory.

Once the baby senator was denied admittance into the legislature because of his youth, but when he answered "present" to the roll call, a flustered attendant made a hurried apology.

But now his legislative role is cast off, and he finds himself very much involved in the University and its many and varied activities. Debating and oratory have claimed much of his outside activity, and he has been victorious in the three leading speech contests conducted this year.

His conquests include the King extemporaneous speaking contest, the Peace oratorical contest, and the Merrifield oratorical contest.

The senator is not to resume his legislative duties until January 6, 1937.



## AMONG ALUMNI

### J. J. Marquette Succumbs To Attack of Pneumonia

After a week's illness of pneumonia, contracted while returning to Washington on a train from California, John J. Marquette, a member of the United States Board of Tax Appeals died Saturday in Sibley, Washington.

Considered one of the most capable members of the board, Mr. Marquette had gone to California to hear a case involving evaluation of the estate of the late Henry Huntington, railroad magnate. The Huntington estate included approximately 4,000 pieces of real estate besides other property.

Born in Utica, N. Y., Mr. Marquette moved West as a youth and studied at North Dakota university, where he was graduated with a law degree. He began his law career at Missoula, Mont., and practiced there for several years.

At the outbreak of the Spanish-American War Mr. Marquette enlisted in the Army and served two years in the Philippines. He served in the Army again during the World War, this time as a captain in the Air Corps. After flying at Kelly Field, in Texas, he was stationed at Bolling Field in Washington, D. C. He was injured in a crack-up in 1919, which confined him to the Walter Reed hospital for a year and left him lame.

After leaving the military service in 1920, Mr. Marquette entered the office of the solicitor in the Internal Revenue Bureau. He served as a legal adviser until his appointment to the Tax Appeal Board in 1924. In the latter position he figured in several of the government's largest cases, including the Couzens case, in which the evaluation of the Ford estate was involved.

### C. G. Blough Promoted

Appointment of Carmen G. Blough, former member of the University of North Dakota faculty, as chief accountant for the federal securities commission was announced at Washington. Blough had been assistant chief of the registration division of the commission. He entered the service of the securities board three years ago after serving from 1929 to 1932 as head of the University accounting department here.

### Ernest Wenner Wins Carnegie Award

Ernest V. Wenner, University of North Dakota graduate now studying for his master's degree at the University of Minnesota, has been awarded a Carnegie fellowship for the study of typographical and advertising art, according to word received here.

His assignment is to study all forms of art in connection with a project at Owatonna, Minn., determine the art needs of the community and embody his findings in a program of art work for elementary and secondary school curriculums and adult education projects.

Wenner won the award because of "interest and proficiency" in art as related to journalism. At Minnesota university this year, he is completing work for his master of arts degree with a major in journalism.

Wenner also graduate counsellor of Gamma Tau chapter of Sigma Nu fraternity at Minnesota and is special inspector of the Teuth division of the national fraternity. His duties in the latter office will take him to Wisconsin and North Dakota university for inspections.

### William Maloney Dies in Fargo

In poor health for a year, William Maloney, 910 Fourteenth st. N., attorney in Fargo for the past 14 years, died in a Fargo hospital.

Born in Warren, Wis., Jan. 15, 1870, he came to North Dakota with his parents a year later. The family homesteaded near Arvilla in Grand Forks county. Following completion of his grade and high school education there, Maloney entered the University of North Dakota and was graduated from the law school in 1906.

In his early 20s, Maloney invented the double disk drill and the caveat's right still is on record in the United States patent office in Washington, D. C.

A charter member of the Knights of Columbus at Minot, Maloney also was secretary of the Inventors association of Fargo and held memberships in the Old Settlers association and the state and county bar associations.

### Daniel C. McGuire Heads General Motors Division

President Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., of General Motors Corporation has announced the appointment of Daniel C. McGuire as president and general manager of the Argonaut Realty Corporation, which has charge of all General Motors real estate operations in the United States and Canada. Mr. McGuire succeeds Harrie T. Hickey.

Mr. McGuire was born in Grand Forks, N. D., and is a graduate of University of North Dakota. He lives in Detroit. Starting with General Electric, Schenectady, N. Y., in the engineering department, he was transferred to the laboratories.

In 1917 he went with the duPont organization, Wilmington, Del. When the United States entered the World War, Mr. McGuire was assigned to take special courses at the Naval Academy. Then he was given active service abroad with the American Navy and rose to the rank of lieutenant commander.

In 1919 he returned to the duPont Company on the advisory engineering staff. He joined General Motors in January, 1922. For four years he served on the central office staff on special assignments in connection with plant construction and maintenance. He was made plant engineer for Chevrolet at Flint, Mich. in 1926, and last year was named general superintendent for the gear and axle division of Chevrolet at Detroit.

### Chrissie Budge Appointed for Constitution's Sesquicentennial

Miss Chrissie Budge, the first woman ever to become secretary to the governor of North Dakota when she received that appointment from the late Governor A. G. Sorlie, received word of her selection for a secretarial position in the commission working on the commemoration of the United States Constitution sesquicentennial to be observed Sept. 17, 1937, to June 21, 1938.

Besides serving under Governor Sorlie, Miss Budge continued as private secretary to the governor during Walter J. Maddock's term. Following that she was secretary to Pres. Thomas F. Kane of the University of North Dakota until his retirement from that position.





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By  
Joseph H. Mader, Jr.

Exactly at the midway point in the 14-game conference schedule, the North Dakota basketball champions find themselves riding high on the victory wave. In seven successive conference games they have come away unscathed, rolling up 326 points against 197 for loop opponents. A quick slide-rule computation indicates that Sioux are right in stride with their record of last year when they established themselves as the "point-a-minute" quintet. Right now they average just a bit more than 46½ points per game against their North Central conference opponents. These opposing teams have averaged 28 points per game.

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Four preseason games, all Sioux victories, bring the current winning streak to 11, and record a scoring total of 508, or a shade better than 46 points each game. The second game of the season, the 29-28 victory over Jamestown college has been the only game with a story-book windup. The highest score tallied by the Letich cagers was 62 points against Mayville Normal.

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In 10 games thus far the margin of victory has been 12 points or greater. In the game against South Dakota State the Sioux showed their greatest superiority over any opponent when they routed the Bunnies 54 to 30, a margin of 24 points. Mayville and Omaha university in early encounters were vanquished by 21 and 20 point margins. In the last three games, the Sioux have finished up with an advantage of 20 points or more. Quite naturally such a high scoring machine as "Clem" Letich has developed finds its greatest strength on the offense. The fast-breaking style of play, which at times becomes so dazzling that it is difficult for the eye to follow the ball, is not designed to keep opponents' scores down, but rather to match every basket by opponents with two for the Sioux. Thus we find that only in one game, that against the Omaha university quint, have the Sioux kept their opponents from scoring more than 20 points. With one or two exceptions, the games this season have started with the lightning-like speed more characteristic of hockey than basketball.

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To the spectator it has seemed apparent that the Sioux cage team could roll up even more overwhelming scores if Coach Letich were so inclined. However, he has kept his starting lineup in each game only long enough to make victory fairly certain before he sent in his still inexperienced reserves. As the season progresses this strategy is proving more than judicious, for the substitutes are developing into first rate floor generals.

When the season opened, it appeared that the coach would have to rely on much assistance from experienced men who were winding up the football season, but it soon became evident that only one man from the football squad would be on hand to finish out the season. This is Rorvig, the well-proportioned fullback, who is playing his first and last year with Letich's team. The high scoring forwards, Emmet Birk and Robert Finnegan, were a certainty for their positions. Likewise Gordon Aamoth, team captain, seemed assured of a regular post as guard. The center position and the other guard corner vexed Letich no little. But the steady development of Donn Robertson and the cool, aggressive play of Rorvig quickly settled the concern over a starting lineup.

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Now after six weeks of campaigning, the reserves are coming into their own. First it was LeMaire, a lad who demonstrated surprising skill last year in intramural basketball. Then Muus, Kittleson and Pond began to shed some of the skittishness and nervousness under fire. Finally Pete Burich trotted out to take his place with the four other reserves. With every passing minute under fire these five youngsters have gained in confidence and steadiness.

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Right now, Nodak fans are willing to tack all-conference medals on the two regular forwards. They put the two men in the same bracket with Witasek for spectacular ballhandling, uncanny shooting, and aggressiveness. They'll probably even give them the edge on team play. The two frequently alternate in capturing high scoring honors. Both provide spectacular shots and unbelievable skill to give the fans the impulse to rise from their seats every time either gets his hands on the ball. Finnegan with his port-side delivery and Birk with his shots from "way down under" bring "ohs" and "ahs" of wonderment from hundreds of yell-worn throats.

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All eyes are turned now to the four-game windup with the Bison of the Agricultural college. Although three other games remain against Morningside, South Dakota State and the Coyotes of South Dakota university, it's going to be difficult to impress on the mind of any team follower that any of these games may bring about a reversal. With Bob Lowe's Bison matching every victory recorded by the Sioux, it seems almost inevitable to fans that the two North Dakota teams will go into their annual tournament with both slates clear.

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\* The Fargoans have defeated every conference team which has met its fate from the Sioux tomahawks, but in every instance the Bison victory has been less decisive. First of the two games between the traditional rivals will be fought out in Fargo February 21 and 22. The term "fought" is used advisedly, for history bears out the fact that rarely do these games bring out the best basketball ability of either team. Comparative scores of past games mean little to the average fan when he contemplates the approach of the Bison-Sioux series.

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He knows the intensive rivalry, the tremendous partisanship of the home-town aggregations and the visiting team's followers. He expects to witness a noisy, colorful, intensely spirited battle. He fears that he will be hoarse and weak after seeing each game. He is never disappointed and he loves it.

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# Grace Gordon Heads Alpha Phi's

By Lillian Leith Witmer, '23

To the ten or twelve thousand living members of the Alpha Phi Inter-national Fraternity, Incorporated, the name of Grace Colton Gordon (Mrs. Philip W. Gordon) has meant since 1934 that of their interested, active, and far-thinking president. To the thousands of students who attended the University of North Dakota between 1922 and 1928 the name, Miss Grace Colton, will naturally bring to mind that pleasantly efficient person who managed the University Commons dining hall and cafeteria and who taught courses in institutional management during that period.

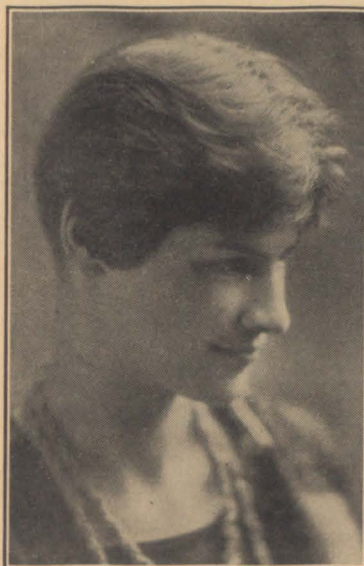
Though a graduate of the University of Washington where she was initiated by the local chapter of Alpha Phi, her later connections with the University of North Dakota, not the least important of which is through her marriage to Philip W. Gordon, L.B. '27, and her acquaintance with a wide spread body of former students make her subsequent activities of special interest to readers of The Alumni Review.

During her residence at the University she affiliated with the Grand Forks group of Alpha Phi Alumnae, and was invited to membership in the local chapter of P. E. O. in which she still maintains her interest. An unusual opportunity for "extra-curricular" work with undergraduates presented itself in the form of an invitation from a local sorority to act as advisor to its new organization and later activities in petitioning for a charter from a national group. Miss Colton accepted the opportunity, faithfully gave of her time and fine counsel, and in due time Sigma Kappa granted a charter to this group of young women.

The last year the University Commons occupied the building originally constructed for it (but now used by the University Library) proved to be Miss Colton's last year at the University of North Dakota as in the summer of 1928 she resigned to go "to the University of Iowa, as manager of all food service in the Memorial Union. After a year there, she resigned to be married to Philip W. Gordon, a graduate of the Uni-

versity of North Dakota law school and a member of Sigma Nu fraternity."\* The Gordons have a fine young son, Philip Colton, five years old, and reside at 157 Hillside Road, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Mrs. Gordon's election to the presidency of her fraternity took place in June, 1934, at the International convention at Estes Park, Colorado, at which place other University of North Dakota alumnae present to see her inaugurated were Mrs. R. R. Hitchcock (Blondie Holt, '12), her-



GRACE COLTON GORDON

self a national officer of the fraternity; Florence Harrison Jelstrup (Mrs. Gunnar), '20 who was financial manager for the convention; Helen McIllose, '35, and Lois Vanderhoef, '36. Previous to her election as president Mrs. Gordon had served a two-year term as vice-president and director of alumnae activities, doing outstanding work in organization of dozens of new alumnae groups throughout the continent and territory of Hawaii for her fraternity.

She has been a familiar presence at conventions and district gatherings of the organization, and her present position has required her presence at other gatherings in many

\*Mrs. R. R. Hitchcock in Alpha Phi Quarterly, Sept., 1934, pg. 246.

sections of the country—east, west, north and south. In December, in her capacity as president of Alpha Phi, Mrs. Gordon attended the annual gathering of the National Panhellenic Congress, this year held at the Edgewater Gulf Hotel, Biloxi, Mississippi. She will preside at the thirty-third biennial convention of Alpha Phi at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, Michigan, June 22-27, 1936 at which it is expected nearly five hundred will be in attendance.

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## Phi's To Celebrate

To University of North Dakota alumni of (can it be?) a quarter century ago the following names no doubt recall friendships of those years, and, in many cases, friendships still existing; to a different group these names have stood, down thru the years, for the charter members of Pi chapter of Alpha Phi; and it is because of the standing, encouragement, and aid of the administration and the student body of the University of twenty-five and thirty years ago that the local chapter will, on June 9 and 10 of this year, be able to honor these alumnae and to celebrate its twenty-fifth birthday.

There were, in 1911, seventeen charter members of Pi chapter: Lida Abrahamsen (Mrs. O. H. Bridston, 411 Reeves Drive, Grand Forks, N. D.); Birdie M. Adair, 4723 College View Avenue, Los Angeles, California; Teone E. Carkin (Mrs. Glenn O. Taylor, Federal Building, Medford Oregon); Allie R. Dickson, Pendleton, Oregon; Florence Eyford (Mrs. John Kennedy, 3350 Freemont Ave., South, Minneapolis, Minnesota); H. Christine Finlayson, %North Dakota Agricultural College, Fargo, N. D.; Stella Hodgins (Mrs. Frederick H. Bradshaw, 3973 Wyoming Street, St. Louis, Missouri); Blondie A. Holt (Mrs. R. R. Hitchcock, University Station, Grand Forks, N. D.); Theodosia Houghton (Mrs. T. Thode, 310 G. Street, Chula Vista, California); Clara R. Hyslop (Mrs. C. W. Wilkins, 4341 Aldrich Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota); Jennie-Belle Lewis (Mrs. William Wellington Norton, 909 East 9th Street, Flint,

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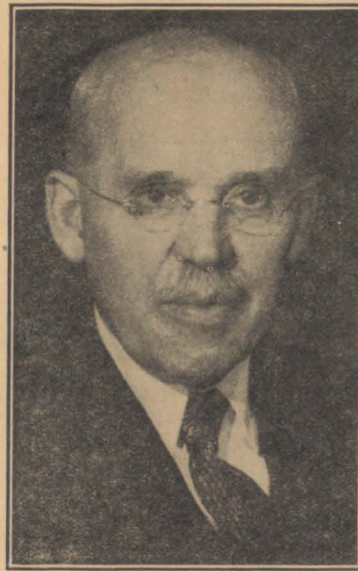
# "The Dakota Student"

« By Ad N

Old father time has set his calendar clock for a new semester 1936-'37—and the golden anniversary of "The biggest business on the campus except the University itself", the college newspaper. Fifty years ago, when the University of North Dakota was "A fine building", a young, but ambitious man, who had worked his way up from the humble position of a Canadian printers devil to a staff job on the Grand Forks Herald, yielded to a long stifled desire to study medicine. There was no medical schools in North Dakota in these early days and his school education had ceased when he was 13, but these barriers could not block the youth's ambition. By special arrangement he enrolled at the University and was admitted to the senior preparatory class to gain qualifications necessary for entrance to Ann Arbor college. Shortly after becoming a U. N. D. student in 1886 he was granted the privilege of producing the initial issue of "The University News" making him the first University student-newspaper editor! The lad was Dr. A. R. Griffith, now a practicing physician in Montreal, Canada. He was his own editor, business-manager, reporter, make-up man, night-editor, and printer—a one man "staff."

Since that birthday the infant college publication has flourished, battled financial problems and other threats of extinction, recorded vital campus news for 50 years, to compile a "journalistic history" of the University of North Dakota. More than 50 students have been appointed to

the position of editor-in-chief and about a thousand have held staff jobs. Members have been consistently noted for their leadership in all lines of college endeavor, have dominated in the control of University publications and class offices, and been outstanding participators in



DR. A. R. GRIFFITH  
Editor 1886

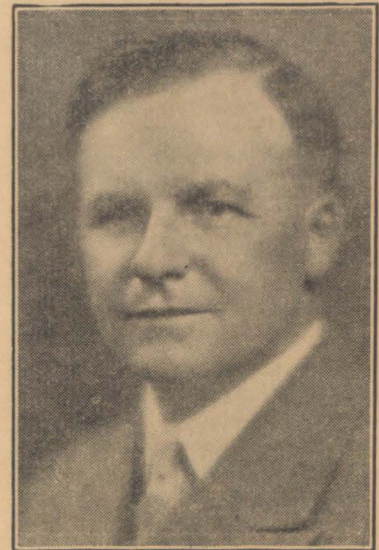
debate, dramatics, sports, literary work, scholarship and all activities. After graduation these "embryonic" newspaper men and women have continued their leadership throughout the nation. In their ranks today we find such men as J. F. T. O'Connor, comptroller of currency, and John Hancock, prominent alumnus and New York industrial broker, others in top editorial positions on leading dailies and weeklies, some prominent as "head men" in local and Washington politics, and so many outstanding in various national activities that it would require more space than allotted to list them. While attending school here and "pounding out copy" for the campus paper these students were not only recording, but making University history, and now as graduates they are making state and national history.

When Dr. Griffith began his ambi-

tious attempt at editing and publishing "The University News" his first issue stated "In presenting the 'University News' to the students of the University and friends of education in general, I do so feeling that any efforts that are made toward the elevation of the intellect and advancement of the cause of education will meet with universal support. The News will, during the present year, (1886), devote most of its attention to the University of North Dakota. This institution is young and vigorous and is certain to make greater headway this year than ever before. The students will have free access to the columns of the News, and it is expected they will do all in their power to make the paper a success." In 1888 F. M. Allen '90 and Marie Teel '89, who headed the "Board of Editors" as "Literary Editors" and included in their staff of eight members H. M. Bangs '90, George F. Robertson '91, W. J. Marcey '91, J. J. Armstrong '91, and business managers Peter Sharpe '90, and H. F. Arnold '92 "took up the torch" with their news-magazine publication titled "The Student." In explaining their selection of this name in 1888 they wrote: 'What's in a name?' our greatest writer asked, and many a humble man has echoed his thought,



JOHN HANCOCK



J. F. T. O'CONNOR



# Celebrates 50th Year

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The name for our paper was long discussed, high-sounding Latin and deep-meaning Greek titles were proposed; others suggestion our geographical position were offered; but, finally, conscious of our infancy, we settled on the present unassuming title. Charles Dudley Warner, speaking of the University of Minnesota, in his studies of the Great West, says: "Its first class graduated only in 1872." What modesty should be shown by the students of a University whose first graduates are yet to be! The name assumed by the little paper we are now sending for the first time to the public, may be taken as largely indicative of the purpose we hope to fulfill and the aims for which we intend to strive.

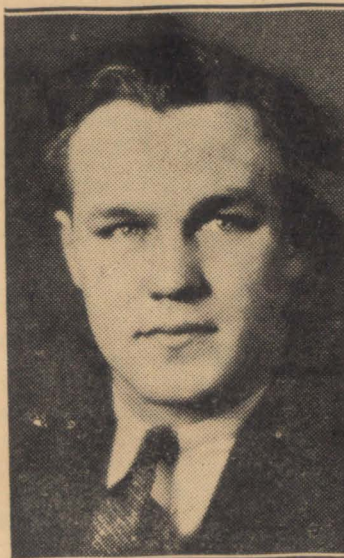
"Our writers will be students. Their culture is the chief object we have in view. If our periodical shall prove useful, in any degree, in developing and refining any crude talent they possess, it will not be a failure. We desire to do credit to our Alma Mater and to students as a class. Perhaps we may be useful in making our college known among other institutions of learning; and perhaps, by showing how pleasant and profitable a student's occupation is, we

may induce some to share with us the advantages furnished by the University of North Dakota. In assuming the name of The Student, we place ourselves in that class which, though

has continued. Many changes have taken place, the personnel has changed yearly with the original one-man staff developing into an editorial and business staff of 55 and the edition running the gamut from a monthly sheet or literary magazine to a large semi-weekly publication. From a small sized five column issue, printed in local commercial shops it has grown into a large six column paper printed in a complete University press shop employing a force of three regular printers, three part-time workers, a Mergenthaler Linotype and modern press equipment. The circulation has grown from a doubtful 200 to 2400. These changes, necessary for progressive development, have changed the paper mechanically, but the fundamental motive behind the organization remains the same as that so humbly but bravely set forth by pioneer editors Griffith, Allen and Teel; to not only present the news in an entertaining, interesting, efficient manner but to "develop and refine any crude talent" we student writers may possess and to further and record the progress of our University.

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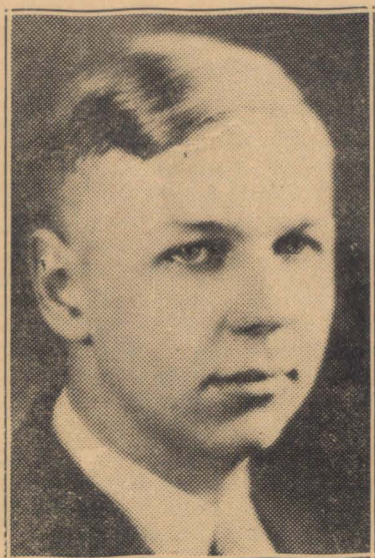
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ADLO E. NORDMARKEN  
Editor 1936

it includes the humblest, as certainly embraces the noblest of all. Those who have carried on the great work of advancing manhood, each generation learning a little more than the preceding had known, have always been students as well as teachers. For the sake of the cause of higher American education, which we would promote, and which, however feebly, we would gladly represent, we bespeak for our little magazine generous indulgence. Reader, 'Be to her faults a little blind; Be to her virtues very kind'.

For 50 years our campus paper



ALVIN AUSTIN  
Editor 1930-31

#### THE AUTHOR

Adlo E. Nordmarken, is the present editor-in-chief of The Dakota Student. Nordmarken has been active in University activities for the past three years, heading the National Collegiate Players, playmaker organization; secretary for Blue Key; humor editor of the 1935 Dacotah and has many other achievements.



FRED J. O'NEIL  
Editor 1933-34



## NEW BOOKS



By George Price

### HONEY IN THE HORN

—H. L. Davis

It is easy to see the crowding reasons (beyond its being the Harpers' contest winner) for H. L. Davis's book being a best seller of 1935. Its merits and attractions are so fresh and exhilarating that the difficulty is to avoid over-praise of it; yet it has failings obvious to any hasty reader.

But to begin with praise—Mencken says that the comparison of *Honey in the Horn* with *Huck Finn*, because nearly unavoidable, is already trite. But since the comparison is illuminating, why not? Like *Huck Finn*, *Honey in the Horn* chronicles the adventures of a vagrant youth, a likable rogue, who now eludes, now defies, the injustice of the law in favor of justice as he sees it. Like *Huck Finn*, *Honey in the Horn* is of the earth, earthy; it is packed with racy detail, alive with the smells of earth and men, crammed with the sights and sounds of the forests, deserts, mountains, and sea-coast of Oregon and the ventures of its pioneers. Mark Twain himself never surpassed Davis in enthusiastic knowledge and love of the landscape and its human dwellers, an encyclopedic knowledge which after while causes the reader to pause in wonder. The mere superabundance of detail without a ever a hint of thinning exceeds even that of the Mississippi world pictured by Twain; for example, the species of flowers named and swiftly flashed before our eyes would easily run to fifty. So with all the features of the exuberant Oregon landscape. The physical picture that Davis presents is deeply satisfying.

This hungry love of the land (a noble country worthy of such love) is one with the observation of its people, pioneers of the period of 1906-1908. But whereas the feeling of the author towards mountains and valleys is serious romantic love, his equally accurate records of its people crackles with rich, dry humor, which in places halts the reader for the kind of hilarity that annoys a household, in fact for such shameless guffaws as no one since Mark Twain

has stirred. Such places are many. The endless parade of characters, their quirks and angles sharpened by the isolation of the frontier, furnish the vast part of the humor, in a variety that equals Dickens, but in a merciless white light that shines also in *Huck Finn*, *David Harum*, and *Main Street*; but the author also drops in easily his own reflections to equally good effect, naturally,—for example, his comment upon the folk songs, "those long gallows-ditties in which a condemned criminal recounts, with ill-concealed relish, all the wicked things he is about to be strung up for, and ends by warning his hearers not to try to have as much fun as he had." Every page yields humor, genuine, and rare in its appreciation of the object of object of laughter. Perhaps some of the warmth of feeling behind Mark Twain's presentments is lacking in Davis, but he is ever without sympathy.

The style, which like *Huck's*, is calculated to horrify school-marms, is of course a strong element of this humor. The idiom is that of the characters themselves: "When the table was set, Drusilla went upstairs and called Uncle Preston. He was writing like the devil beating tank-bark, his chair creaking like a walking-beam as he followed his pen across the paper and then reached to stab it into the ink-bottle, and he explained that he was in the middle of walloping home the moral of his chapter." As a record of an American dialect, *Honey in the Horn* should survive, whatever its literary merits. Although, as remarked above, the descriptive power of the author is high, the literary estimate of this book must include other requirements; and here perhaps the chief weaknesses of the work may be found. Setting aside minor errors like shifting the point of view beyond the hero's range of experience (e. g., a reference to the stolidity of Norman peasants), one must grant that the story is interrupted sometimes unjustifiably to permit humorous disquisitions upon the habits of a tribe of Indians or some other interesting but non-essential subject. Granted that such a picaresque novel as this has, of all novels, the most right to looseness of plot and to diffuseness; still at critical moments the action should march; and this necessity is violated several times in *Honey in the Horn*. One may point out a still more fundamental flaw:

that in spite of the author's knowledge of human nature and photographic memory for detail, even the major characters in this book lack much depth. This lack is not fatal in the type of novel attempted here; and it is to be expected in a first novel such as this. But fullness of character drawing is of course the mark of a great novel.

Perhaps such objects are beside the point. *Honey in the Horn* has besides its descriptive power, its humor, and its array of characters and types (indeed because of the latter) value as an historical and social document. Precisely because it is weak and inconclusive in the structural element of plot, it better serves to accomplish the author's purpose to include the greater wealth of persons and places, present panorama of life in Oregon in 1907. The episodes of the ride to the jail and of the lynching of Wade Shively show what the author could do in narrative if he would. His purpose is well accomplished in *Honey in the Horn*, whatever may be academic judgement of it as a novel; and rambling or not, it has the kind of art that is relished by the many.

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### O. HENRY MEMORIAL PRIZE

Selected and edited by Harry Hansen

Though at first thought collecting short-stories might seem like hoarding sand at the sea-shore, yet such garnerings can easily be justified. Apart from the functions of acclaiming and assisting artistic but commercially unsuccessful writers and magazines, collections such as those of the O. Henry Memorial and Edward J. O'Brien perform for the average reader a service which may be surprisingly great. For example, an intelligent reader who prefers to save his eyes for the books that have attained eternal salvation may with easy conscience neglect current fiction in the magazines and once or twice a year find nearly everything worth his time in such harvest as the Memorial. Granted that an occasional gem may be lost by this method (as, for example, "Miracle at Cholula" by Griffith Beems in the *May Harpers*), the best is there. Also, they save one an effort at the impossible—trying to find and read all worthy magazines. And finally they present the busy reader with just good entertainment.

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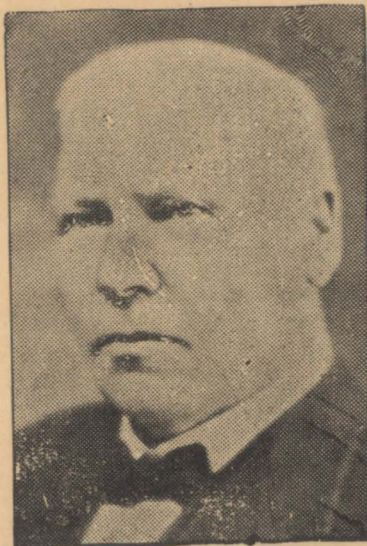


# With the North Dakota Professors

In inaugurating a new series of faculty biographical sketches, The Alumni Review enters this tribute to a man, now in quiet retirement at Drayton, N. Dak., who gave more than 28 years of his life to teaching in the University. Students of Scandinavian languages readily recall Professors John H. Tinglestad.

Prof. Tinglestad retired from the faculty in 1929. In May of that year students in his department honored him at a dinner which was featured by letters from former students and expressions of the high regard with which Mr. Tinglestad was held by colleague and student.

Speaking for the alumni students at that time, Superintendent W. E. Lillo of Larimore (now professor of public speaking at Jamestown College) characterized Prof. Tinglestad as "a great teacher who has given the best part of his life in a great work for the University and student body". Among letters received at the dinner were those from former Governor R.



PROF. JOHN TINGLESTAD

A. Nestos, Prof. Martin B. Ruud of the University of Minnesota, and many other notables.

Born in 1861 at Gran, Hadeland, Norway, Prof. Tinglestad has had a varied and multiple career. He was educated in Norway and was teaching at the age of 17. In 1879 he came to the United States and enrolled in Luther College in Decorah, Iowa.

He was an instructor in mathematics at Luther for a year and one half after his graduation. He decided, however, to forsake teaching to enter ministry. As a result he transferred to Luther Seminary at Robbinsdale, Minnesota, from which school he graduated with honors in 1890. He came to North Dakota and for ten years occupied a pulpit in Traill county.

When he was appointed professor of Scandinavian languages in the University, he went to Oslo, Norway, to study in preparation for his duties. Largely through his efforts the University now has a Scandinavian library recognized generally throughout the entire United States.

## Frank Lynch Extends Wesley College Offer

Friends of Wesley college were invited to join Frank Lynch of San Diego, president of college board of trustees and for many years its largest contributor, in an effort to provide \$100,000 within the next year to meet the present financial emergency in the institution.

The renewed plan, whereby Lynch will give \$25,000 to the school if other contributors provide a total of \$75,000 was announced by President C. L. Wallace upon his return from a conference with Lynch at San Diego.

Last March, Lynch first made the offer to match \$75,000 with \$25,000 if the former amount could be raised before October 14, 1935. Now he has extended the offer for another year, because uncertain conditions in the state this season prevented Wesley college from making a concerted drive for funds.

Although some progress in the movement has been made this year the greater part of the amount remains to be obtained. Lynch expressed to Dr. Wallace his hope that other friends of the college would join him

in the effort and contribute as generously as possible.

Under the terms of his offer, Lynch will give \$1,000 for each \$3,000 obtained by the school from other sources from time to time, until the amount reaches the aggregate of \$100,000. Thus the institution need not wait until the goal is attained before it receives the benefits of the plan.

Pending the outcome of the fund movement, Lynch gave the college a check for \$1,000 to assist in meeting the immediate emergency. This money, in accordance with his instructions, will be used toward the payment of overdue salaries.

A distinct advance in the welfare of Wesley college this season has resulted in optimism that, with the needed support from friends, it will be able to "keep going", Dr. E. P. Robertson, president emeritus, said.

Sayre hall, men's residence building, is filled to capacity and has a waiting list, while Larimore hall, women's dormitory, is nearly full. Reservations in both halls this fall were more numerous than for several years.

Wesley college this year marks the thirtieth anniversary of its acceptance of the University's invitation for affiliation between the two institutions, and effecting of the relationship.

The plan became operative in 1905 when, through an arrangement effected by Dr. Robertson, then president of Wesley, and the late President Webster Merrifield of the University, the Red River Valley university of Wahpeton was moved to Grand Forks and renamed Wesley college.

Lynch, then living in Casselton, was president of the college board of trustees at that time and was prominent in bringing about the affiliation between the two institutions. The Grand Forks Commercial club was active in the movement to bring the college here.

With a staff of instructors qualified through academic training and experience, Wesley college's curriculum emphasizes religion, music and expression. Its courses carry University credit.



## « GLEANINGS FROM THE CAMPUS »

### Dr. J. F. Weltzin Named Valley City President

J. Frederick Weltzin, professor of education in the University, has been appointed by the state board of administration to succeed C. E. Allen as President of Valley City State Teacher's College. President Allen had tendered his resignation, effective November 1, 1936.

Until that time Dr. Weltzin will continue his services on the faculty of the University.

Dr. Weltzin's training and experience has been in the educational system of this state. He graduated from the Mayville high school, and in 1924 completed the two years training course at Mayville State teachers college.

The next year he completed the requirement for the B. A. and B. S. in Education at the University. In 1927 the University conferred the Master of Science degree upon him. He then continued his graduate work majoring in School Administration writing a thesis dealing with the legal aspects of public education.

His minors were in law, secondary and elementary education. Upon successful completion of this course the University conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

Dr. Weltzin's experience includes teaching and the principalship at Kloten, N. Dak., 1922-24; Superintendent of Schools, Streeter, 1925-27; and assistant in the Department of Scandinavian languages in the University 1927-29.

Dr. Weltzin has also been prominent in ancillary, civic and educational activities having served as director of the Federal Teacher Institute, August 12-September 6, 1935; member of the Administrative Committee of the University, since 1932; associate editor, Educational Law and Administration; associate editor, School of Education Record; chairman, U. N. D. branch of the North Dakota Higher Education association; member of Budget Board of Review, Grand Forks; member, Board of Education, Grand Forks; and president of the northeastern division of the North Dakota Education association. In addition to his teaching and civic activities and leadership, Dr. Weltzin has been a prolific and effective writer.



DR. J. FREDERICK WELTZIN

### Three Judges Selected For 26th Carney Contest

With the selection of three judges for the annual Carney Song Contest, plans for the interclass songfest neared completion. Due to conflicting activities, the contest was postponed from February 21 to February 26.

Choregi for the classes are Vivian Coghlan, freshman; Phil Poppler, sophomore; Bert Christianson, junior; and John Stratte, senior. The arrangements are in the hands of a committee headed by Hywel C. Rowland, association professor of music.

Judges selected were, Hans Lee of the department of music at Mayville State Teachers college; T. W. Thorson, supervisor in music at Crookston, Minn.; and Mrs. Eli Weston of Fargo. Mrs. Weston, formerly Hazel Walker, was chorega of the senior class which won the contest in 1925.

### Winter Sports Contract Let

Nelson and Carlson company of Grand Forks was awarded the contract for excavation and footings for the new winter sports building at the university, the state board of administration announces. The bid of \$4,965 was one of three presented to the board.

### New Degree Added To Arts Curriculum

A new degree—Ph.B., or bachelor of philosophy—has been added to the University's schedule of degrees by action of the University council, Dean William G. Bek of the college of science, literature and arts announced January 6.

Requirements for the Ph.B. degree differ slightly from those of the B. A. degree, the changes having been made to meet more effectively the needs of students preparing for the law profession or social service work.

Candidates for the new Ph.B. degree may choose two of the following three minimum requirements: first, 20 hours of mathematics and science; second, 24 hours of social science, including nine hours of history; and third, 18 hours of foreign language.

Required for the B. A. degree are all of the following three: first, 16 hours of mathematics and science; second, 12 hours of social science; and third, 18 hours of foreign language. For both degrees, the foreign language requirement is reduced to 12 hours if the subject has been studied two years in high school.

Dean Bek pointed out that under this arrangement, the student seeking a Ph.B. may choose two of the three major classifications of courses, for more thorough study than would be possible if he took all of the three types.

The new degree becomes available immediately, the dean said. It was authorized by the University council which consists of the deans, full professors, associate professors, directors and assistant professors with three years' service on the faculty.

### Summer Session Dates Set

Dates for the University's 1936 summer session will be June 15 to August 7, Dean J. V. Breitwieser, summer school director, announced. Conditions will be substantially the same, he said, as for the 1933 and 1934 vacation terms. The summer session committee includes, besides Dean Breitwieser, President John C. West, R. O. Wilson, registrar; J. W. Wilkerson, business manager and W. G. Bek, dean of the college of science, literature and arts.



## « GLEANINGS FROM THE CAMPUS »

### Bandmaster Howard Announces Band's Spring Tour Dates

The University Concert Band, numbering 45 musicians, has a tentative ten day tour scheduled to start March 8 according to Bandmaster John E. Howard. The itinerary includes stops in cities in North Dakota and Minnesota, with Minneapolis the farthest point.

Having successfully toured North Dakota last year and having been well received in 12 cities, the band plans to extend its tour this year into Minnesota. This Howard believes will increase interest in the University and in the band itself on the part of prospective students.

Alumni in each city will be contacted and asked to lend assistance to the local committee in arranging the details of the concerts.

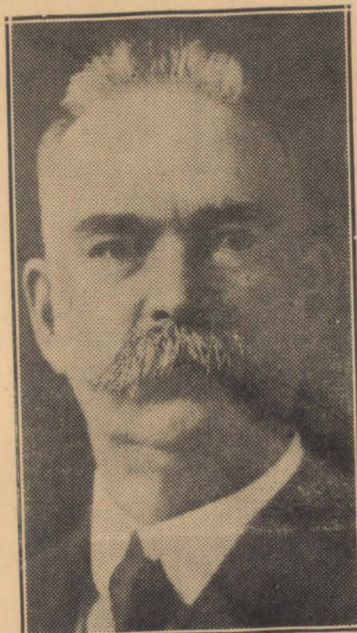
### Judge John Burke Receives LL. D.

John Burke, justice of the North Dakota supreme court and former governor of North Dakota, was conferred an honorary LL. D. degree at the mid-year Commencement exercises January 31.

President John C. West officiated and conferred the degrees and the devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. C. L. Wallace, president of Wesley college. The University Madrigal club under the direction of Hywel C. Rowland and the University concert band under the direction of John E. Howard provided the musical numbers.

Fifteen candidates received degrees.

Arrangements had been made previously to have Vilhjalmur Stefansson as speaker, but the explorer was unable to attend at that time because of the refusal by the government to grant an extension of time on a report due February 1.



MARSHALL JEWELL

### New Portrait Added To Press Hall of Fame

Collaborating with the North Dakota Press association, the University journalism department unveiled the portrait of Marshall Jewell and placed it in the department's North Dakota Press Hall of Fame in Merrifield hall, January 10. The ceremony was one of the items on the program of the association's state convention, held in Grand Forks.

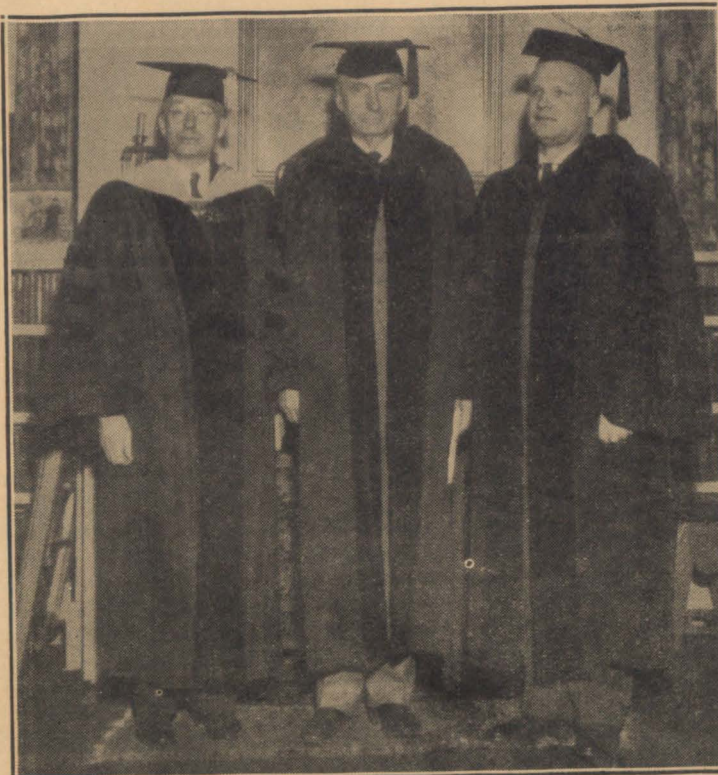
Long a dominant figure in North Dakota journalism, Jewell had been editor of the Bismarck Tribune for almost 30 years. Kenneth W. Simons, president editor of the Tribune, gave the address on Mr. Jewell at the ceremonies. Jewell's portrait is the sixth in the hall.

Many newspaper men of North Dakota, including several former students of the University department, were prominent in the convention. Judging of several events of competition was done through the University department of journalism.

Other pioneer journalists already honored are: Col. C. A. Lounsberry of the Bismarck Tribune, George B. Winship of the Grand Forks Herald, Norman B. Black of the Fargo Forum, Grant S. Hager of the Walsh County Record and Walter C. Taylor of the LaMoure Chronicle.

Other features of the convention in which the University played an active part were the banquet which had as guest speaker Col. Frank Knox, editor of the Chicago Daily News, and the Sigma Delta Chi luncheon honored the visiting state pressmen.

Ed. Franta, '27, of the Cavalier County Republican, is assistant secretary of the association and the absence of M. I. Forkner of Langdon, secretary, left much of the preparation for the convention in the hands of Franta.



PRESIDENT WEST, JUDGE JOHN BURKE, AND DEAN O. H. THORMODSGARD



## Icelandic Monthly Praises Dr. Beck

Recent writings by Dr. Richard Beck, professor of Scandinavian languages and literatures at the University, have been widely and favorably commented on in publications in this country and abroad.

His literary and scholarly publications were the subject of a special article in the October number of the Icelandic monthly, "Samtidin," published at Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland.

Written by Sigurdur Skulason, the editor, a prominent young Icelandic scholar and author, the article refers to Dr. Beck as "a productive scholar and a highly esteemed interpreter of Icelandic literature." It continues: "He has, as is well known, written a considerable number of articles in Icelandic papers and periodicals, which reveal wide knowledge and warm interest in Icelandic studies."

The author of the article then goes on to call special attention to Dr. Beck's latest works in the field, including his "History of the Icelandic Lutheran Synod of America" published last June in Winnipeg in connection with the golden jubilee of the synod. This book, the third one since Dr. Beck came to the University, has also been praised in reviews in the Winnipeg Icelandic weekly "Logberg," in the annual of the Icelandic Ministerial Association, where Professor S. Sivertsen, vice-bishop of Iceland, terms it "an excellent work," and in the Icelandic weekly "Dagur" which says in part: "Dr. Beck writes the history of the synod with that saneness and fairness which is characteristic of him, and has brought together in a short space a vast amount of information about the many-sided activities of the organization."

Other writings of Dr. Beck have been given favorable comment in the Reykjavik-daily "Visir", and the Icelandic periodicals: "Jord", "Rokkur," and "Skinfaxi"; as well as in the Minneapolis monthly "The Friend," the Norwegian-American weeklies "Normanden", published at Fargo, Chicago "Skandinaven", and the Winnipeg Icelandic weekly "Heimskringla".

A short time ago Dr. Beck accepted an invitation to review books of Scandinavian interest for a London publication, "The Modern Language Review", journal of the Modern Humanities Research Association of

Great Britain. The invitation was extended by Professor C. J. Sisson, of University College, London, general editor of the publication. Dr. Beck already contributes regularly to a number of learned journals.

### BASKET BALL SCORES

Dec. 7—Concordia 35; U. N. D. 47  
Dec. 13—Jamestown 28; U. N. D. 29  
Dec. 30—Superior Teachers 27; U. N. D. 44  
Jan. 3—Omaha U 26; U. N. D. 46  
Jan. 10—Iowa State Teachers 31; U. N. D. 43  
Jan. 11—Omaha U. 19; U. N. D. 37  
Jan. 13—Morningside 36; U. N. D. 48  
Jan. 17—S. D. State 30; U. N. D. 54  
Jan. 25—S. D. U. 26; U. N. D. 46  
Feb. 1—Iowa State Teachers 29; U. N. D. 52.

## "Dakota Student" Celebrates 50th Year

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come the vital happenings of the day and to the campus editorial staff must fall the duty of keeping a "reporter's thumb" on the pulse-beat of the University body. The University newspaper is only three years younger than the University itself and by virtue of its vital contact with the school through the half-century period, has been one of the most faithful and lively re-orders of the institution's development, yet no anniversary issue has ever been published to commemorate or pay tribute to these pioneer writers of the school.

In the dusty files of our Student newspaper lie, untouched and unrecognized, some of the most amusing or sorrowful, emotion packed, exciting and vital incidents that have ever occurred in the lives of our student body. This 50 volume newspaper "history" is the surest, liveliest, most detailed and "nearly eternal" existing source of information concerning historical University events. Here is pioneer literary work in its finest, most graphic form; word pictures painted in printer's ink against a background of yellowing paper, pictures of a struggling institution, born on the wind-swept prairies of our state, fighting against blizzards, equipment handicaps and tremendous financial and political odds; pictures of cheery hearted stu-

dents and faculty members, pathetically lacking in number and resource but abundantly stocked in courage, determined to gain and give an education.

In these pages, musty history shakes off the dust and shackles of time, the reader sees the great events and historical figures of the University's past live again. Not only the highest "monumental" peaks of University achievement are recorded here, from the school's 53 years of existence, but also the seeming trivial incidents of the day, sand of time that morticed together by the hand of history form the University's foundation. It is only fitting that The Dakota Student pay tribute to these pioneer students and newswriters, to gather together the printed highlights and the verbal and written reminiscences of alumni members concerning incidents that formed the "plot" and numerous "side-plots" in this dramatic more than half-a-century, adventure in education; to again bring graphically to the eyes and minds of our present day members that though our school may be an institution young in years, we have as thrilling a past behind us as we have a future ahead. What could be a finer journalistic or historic "tie-up" than to print a combined anniversary edition celebrating the golden anniversary year of the school's newspaper, which contains the history of the institution, and the University's 53 Founders Day, which occurs on February 22?

Preparing for this historic issue, we, of the present staff of The Dakota Student, with the cooperation of the Alumni office and Miss Davies, head of the University NYA, have issued letters to most of the past editors of the campus newspaper and to other available alumni who participated in editing the newspaper throughout the 50 years of its existence. It will be possible for us to write a resume of each year's news and the editor's "reign" from material at hand in the files of The Student but it is for unprinted incidents relative to the growth of the University and the "news production" that we are appealing to former students and staff members. Our time and resources are so limited that it would be impossible for us to personally contact any more than the editors (emeritus), some of the business managers and a few of the outstanding, living figures in relation to the University's first class, etc. but in order to make this combina-



tion 53 Founders Day and 50 year of the University newspaper anniversary edition a truly representative one I am asking you to mail to me, in care of the Dakota Student, University Station, Grand Forks, N. Dak. on or before February 18, any outstanding reminiscence you, as a University alumnus, might have about either incidents occurring in your school life in connection with campus history or news.

Also, this edition will be distributed free about the campus, but if you wish a copy reserved, and in order to give us some idea of the number of issues needed, a card or letter from you will be greatly appreciated. The edition will be filled with both old and new cuts concerning past and present students and University news events. Besides the regular week-end news edition, including Founders Day and the anniversary of the University newspaper, columns are being prepared which will contain the cream of the humor columns for the 50 year period, society incidents, type error "laughs", comment on advertisements, such as the one "Headquarters for furs and buckskin underwear", review of sports, much other feature material and a brief tracing of the origin and development of University organizations. Much of the size, completeness and success of the issue will depend not only on our present staff but on the efficiency of you former students, and University "news hounds", in submitting your contributions immediately to beat this new 50 year anniversary, "deadline".

## New Books

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zine publishes more than its share of skillfully written stories (two in this collection are taken from one issue); that Harpers, the Atlantic, and Story may be considered goals for the novice author; that the American scene (a weary phrase!) provides rich variety of medium in dialect, natural background, and humanity; that American stories on the whole are intelligently and artfully written; and finally that there is in America at present no master of the short-story like Kipling, Poe, Bret Harte, or even O. Henry.

The stories are artfully written; but, except in the prize winners—in the order, "The White Horses of Vienna" by Kay Boyle, "The Home

Place" by Dorothy Thomas, and "John the Six" by Josephine Johnson—and in one or two others, the artfulness often becomes a mannerism; in other words, simplicity vanishes, and the reader is aware of the conjuring of the writer. Of course this labored technique does not mar all; above that level are four or five written with restraint and care if not with high talent. But some of the others make altogether too noisy an attempt to be new. In "Five Ripe Pears" William Saroyan, more amusing than usual, achieves his effect, but is vain in wordiness. Louis Mamet in "A Writer Interviews a Banker" finds vents for his egotism and destroys the semblance of story. "Long Distance" by Upton Terrell touches a perilous subject, the romantic West, and finishes without ludicrousness, but without much effect upon the reader because of an elliptical style punctuated by one or two repeated tricks. And why should the name of Stephen Vincent Benet be reason for including such a ready-made pot-boiler as "The Professor's Punch"? It is not worthy of a collection which, if it is without masterpieces, has some very fine stories.

All of the selections (excepting Benet's) show masterful cleverness in dialogue, and the dialects reproduced in several are perfectly rendered—at least so this reader feels. (As a matter of fact many writers in the collection would seem to have spent nearly all the effort of composition on accuracy of colloquialism and not enough on story.) I should pick to top this garner the two first prize winners named—Kay Boyle's creation of the despairing mood of a young Jewish doctor in the Nazi Tyrol and Dorothy Thomas's exposition of the grinding of the depression on a family of Nebraska farmers—"Little Elise" by Dorothy McCleary, which has an old woman as delightful as Mrs. Gamp; "Jesus Knew" by E. P. O'Donnell, a character story of a Negro girl in the far South, to contrast with "Lay Me Low!" by Louis Paul, a really funny affair in Negro dialect, of remarkable skill in phrasing.

A few of the stories in this book show the print of the stereotype; some try too hard to face the sordid facts of life. But for the sake of the stories mentioned ten cents rental fee at the library will show that the best short-stories continue to be plain stories, not the extravagant technical novelties of such people as Lewis Mamet.

## Phi's to Celebrate

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Michigan); Edith A. Londergan (Mrs. Ralph Chisholm, Willmar, Minnesota); Hazel B. Nielson, Washington, D. C.; Ethel M. Poupore (Mrs. Charles Osborne, R. 1, Bridgeman, Michigan); Fannie Terrett (Mrs. C. F. McErlane, Michigan, North Dakota); Bernice Veitch (Mrs. Auley McAuley, 212 West Park Street, Lakeland, Florida); and Mildred Veitch (Mrs. Robert K. West, 2000-3rd Avenue, North, Great Falls, Montana).

At the reunion, which is planned in connection with the quarter-century observance, it is expected that a number of these alumnae will return to the scenes of their college life; as well as dozens of others—members of the chapter at one time or another since its installation in June, 1911.

The Grand Forks alumnae of the group have planned the observance to complement the Universities' commencement season, expecting in so doing that many will return to be present at the annual baccalaureate service held Sunday evening, June 7; the informal but inspiring functions on University Alumni Day on Monday, June 8—the annual Alumni meeting followed by the dinner attended by hundreds of "old grads" each year; and on Tuesday, June 9, the Phi Beta Kappa breakfast and initiation services (for members), followed by the Commencement exercises and luncheon.

Following these all-university functions on Tuesday an informal afternoon reception at the Alpha Phi chapter house at 2626 University Avenue is to be held to which all University alumni in the city for Commencement, and other friends of the members of the chapter are invited. It is hoped by those in charge that at this affair old friendships may be rekindled, old time reviewed, and old loyalties renewed; and that any University alumna or alumnus returning to the campus for Commencement day will drop in at the Alpha Phi house to see University friends.

The Grand Forks group of Alpha Phis has not announced the rest of their two-day program, much of which is planned to take place at the chapter house where returning alumnae will be housed and where meal service will be provided.



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## **SIOUX SPORTS**

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Intercollegiate boxing raises its head from the horizon to demand its place in the sun, and North Dakota university has joined the few major schools that are giving the manly art full consideration in their athletic programs. Even at this is being written 10 University boxers are in Minneapolis being groomed by Coach H. H. Russell and Trainer Jack Mayfield for the gruelling three-day siege known as the Golden Gloves tournament. In the heavyweight division are Ben Blanchette, twice golden gloves champion, and Martin Gainor; "Fritz" Pollard, versatile Negro athlete represents the light-heavyweights; Don Smart is middleweight entry; Joe Miltenberger, semi-finalist last year, is seeking the welterweight crown; Owen Trickey, last year's champion, and Ray Baker, who has practically grown up on golden gloves battles, will compete as lightweights; Gordon Lee is the flyweight entry; and "Cully" Ekstrom and Carlyle Loverud, two new students, are entered as featherweight and bantamweight respectively.

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Incidentally Ekstrom and Loverud are two titleholders in the golden gloves tournament who have been attracted to North Dakota University by the attractive boxing program outlined. Kenny Brown, repeated title-holder in the middleweight division, who formerly represented the Nodaks, is not registered at the University, but is understood to be entered independently.

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A mixture of intercollegiate and other amateur matches outlined for the boxing squad this year is the most ambitious ever undertaken in Sioux history. A home and home schedule with the Bison of Fargo opens February 12 here, with the return match scheduled down state on March 6. A collection of fighters from Winnipeg will meet the North Dakotans in Grand Forks February 20 or 21 and again in the Canadian city March 20. The national champions of Wisconsin university will defend their title against the Sioux at Madison on February 28. Definite arrangements were concluded this week for a team match against Washington State university, Pacific coast champions in 1935. The Sioux will meet this team on April 9 when the

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Cougars are enroute to Madison for a match with Wisconsin. Other intercollegiate contests may be scheduled against schools boasting full teams. A major attraction will be the battle between the campus gladiators and a representative squad of golden gloves winners from Minneapolis who will appear in Grand Forks March 12 or 13. The most promising squad members will be appointed for the national intercollegiate tournament in Charlottesville, Virginia, March 27 and 28.

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The decided upturn in winter sports will receive a further boost before another season rolls around. Completion of the winter sports arena anticipated about June 1 will give impetus to development of hockey, skating, tennis and indoor track, as well as provide indoor training quarters for other teams. Contracts for excavations, foundations, and footings have been let, and authority has been granted for the letting of bids on the structure itself. Plans and specifications for the entire plant are now in their final stages.

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Except for the final game of the 1936 season, the football schedule for next year is complete, according to C. A. West, athletic director. Negotiations are still under way with Detroit university, Montana university, and Gonzaga of Spokane to determine the Sioux opponent for the game on November 21. The completed schedule finds three home games to be played under the lights as the season opens: Luther on September 25; Moorhead State Teachers college October 2; and Iowa State Teachers October 9. The Homecoming contest will see the St. Louis Billikens attempting to avenge a one-point defeat heaped on them last year by the Sioux. The game will be played October 17. The last home game will be another flood-light spectacle, with South Dakota State as the opposition.

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Beginning with the traditional setto with the Bison on October 30 at Fargo, the Sioux oppose DePaul university at Chicago the following week and then travel to Vermillion for the final conference game against South Dakota university. The trip to Detroit or to the west coast concludes the season.



# The Alumni Month



Feb. 19—Bismarck Alumni Observe Founder's Day.  
 Feb. 19—Fargo Alumni Observe Founder's Day.  
 Feb. 20—Jamestown Alumni Observe Founder's Day.  
 Feb. 21—Valley City Alumni Observe Founder's Day  
 Feb. 21—Washington, D. C., Alumni Observe Founder's Day  
 Feb. 21—Minot Alumni Observe Founder's Day  
 Feb. 21—University Basketball Team Plays A. C. at Fargo  
 Feb. 22—University Observes Founder's Day  
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 Feb. 25 or 26—Twin City Alumni Observe Founder's Day  
 Feb. 26—26th Annual Carney Song Contest  
 Feb. 28—Basketball, Bison vs. Sioux, at University  
 Feb. 29—Chicago Alumni Observe Founder's Day  
 Feb. 29—Basketball, Bison vs. Sioux, at University.

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