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## Launch Drive for \$500,000

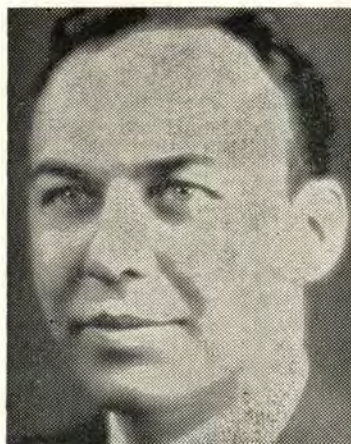
### Chairmen of New University Drive



ARMIN R. ROHDE  
National chairman



LOYDE C. THOMPSON  
State chairman



T. E. WALDON  
Grand Forks chairman

A \$500,000 fund drive for the University development fund has been launched by the Alumni association, the biggest project of its kind ever undertaken by a University group.

Chairmen have been appointed by the Alumni association board of directors and include Armin F. Rohde as general chairman; Loyde C. Thompson as North Dakota chairman; T. E. Waldon as Grand Forks chairman and E. E. Simmons as publicity director.

Headquarters for the drive have been established in the Alumni office in Merrifield hall and J. Lloyd Stone, alumni director, is handling details of the project.

Primary purposes of the big campaign are:

1. To match the \$250,000 left to the University by the late J. F. T. O'Connor to establish a scholarship fund.

2. To complete a modern hockey arena in the Winter Sports building, installing equipment for artificial ice and improving the seating arrangements.

3. To install a swimming pool in the new fieldhouse-gymnasium now under construction.

Alumni, former students and friends of the University will be contacted for voluntary subscriptions, to be paid annually over a five-year period.

Chairmen will be appointed for every state, under Rohde's supervision. In some states, with a large population of alumni and friends, more than one chairman will be named.

The executive committee for the drive, members of the Alumni board of directors, include J. B. Bridston, association president; Rohde, Thompson, Stone, Simmons, Waldon, and Mrs. J. Warren McClure.

Bridston pointed out that it was hoped to complete the drive by Nov. 1. The executive

## University Facilities Rank High

With a three million dollar building program fast changing from paper dreams to steel and brick realities, the University of North Dakota is equipped to give its students educational services and facilities ranking among the best of the nation's smaller universities.

Opening in September, 1884, with a single building, "Old Main," on a campus of 20 acres, the "U" has grown to an institution of 35 buildings covering 112 acres and serving more than 2,000 students.

The building program now in progress includes the Memorial Student Union, which will be completed early in May; the medical science building, finished in October of 1949; the lignite research laboratory, completed this winter; the field house, scheduled to open in December, 1951; the engineering building and a girls' and men's dormitory, all of which were begun last fall and will open some time next year.

Funds for an education

building to replace Woodworth hall, destroyed by fire in March, 1949, were appropriated by the 1951 legislature. An administration building to replace Old Main and an auditorium are also included in the future plans.

The \$625,000 Student Union financed by a semester Student Union fee, alumni contributions and a bond issue to be retired from proceeds of the building, is dedicated to the memory of the University students and alumni who lost their lives in World War II.

The 92-room center of campus social and recreational activity includes an enormous ballroom and main lounge approximately twice the size of the Armory. It will accommodate about 1,300 couples for dances and 500 persons for banquets.

Other features of the building include a cafeteria which will seat 300 persons, a snack bar with seating space for 62 persons, eight bowling alleys, a large game and card room,

meeting rooms and offices for students organizations, a memorial trophy room, a music appreciation room, a projection room and 2 check rooms.

The new \$875,000 field house-gymnasium, located one block west of the Memorial stadium and one block north of the 2700 block of University avenue, has seating space for 7,500 spectators. Half of the seats, 3,750, will be permanent, while the remainder will be removable bleachers.

Outstanding features of the building are the portable court, two gymnasiums—78 by 100 feet, academic classrooms, three squash racquet and handball courts, a boxing room with an 18-foot square practice ring, a projection room, a 25 by 60-foot dance studio and game rooms, shuffleboard runs, table tennis and instruction facilities.

With the new one-twelfth mile running track included in the building, Sioux tracksters will have an opportunity to participate on an equal basis

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# News Briefs of University Alumni

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Fitzsimmons, 1948 (Dolores Friesz, 1946) are living in Bismarck, where Fitzsimmons is doing private engineering and surveying and his wife works at the bureau of reclamation.

Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Marcia, 1944 (Helen Hagelie, 1946) reside in Patterson, Calif., where the Doctor is a resident in anesthesiology at Samuel Merritt hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert K. Smith Jr., 1947 (Edyth Rosenberg, 1949) are living in Grafton, N. D., where Smith is administrator for the Grafton Deaconess hospital.

Mrs. Lars Stalsbraten (Esther Fugelstad, 1943) has moved from East Stanwood, Wash., to Astoria, Ore., where her husband has accepted a call to the Lutheran Free church.

Albert C. Kane, 1940, is employed in the cost analysis department of the American Steel and Wire company in Duluth. Also working in the same department are two other U. N. D. alumni—Chester Graves, 1942, and Aaron Egge, 1942.

Alice D. Brandt, 1931, is serving as president of the League of Women Voters in South St. Paul, where she has been teaching senior social science. She was granted a leave of absence for the second semester to be consultant for the University of Minnesota in the field of economic education and to do follow-up work in connection with the 1949 and 1950 workshops on economic education held at the University of Minnesota for teachers in the upper Midwest.

Alice S. deBruyn Kops, has moved from Littleton, Col. to Englewood, Col., where she has purchased a home.

William H. Robinson, 1905, died recently in a Williston, N. D., hospital. He was 73 years of age at the time of his death. He served as North Dakota state engineer and was chief engineer of the state highway commission from 1917 to 1923. He was city engineer of Williston for 20 years, until his retirement in 1946. Mr. Robinson is survived by two sons, one grandson, and one granddaughter.

Employment of Eugene R. Zobeil, 1949, Grand Forks radio engineer to have charge of construction and operation of North Dakota's state radio system was announced recently by the board of administration. He took up his work in Bismarck in March and has the title of state radio communications director.

Lt. Col. Mylo L. Heen, 1938, former professor of military science and tactics in the Savannah, Ga., high schools, has reported to Fort McPherson, Georgia and has been assigned to duty as chief, civilian components branch, supply division of the Third army's G-4 section.

Helgi Johanneson, ex 1924, of Grand Forks has been appointed an assistant attorney general by Attorney General E. T. Christianson. Johanneson graduated from the St. Paul College of Law in 1930 and practiced law at Walhalla and Cavalier two years. He was Pembina county states attorney from 1932 through 1937.

Muriel Ball, 1924, was recently married to Frederick Burgess Morgan of Syracuse, N. Y. The wedding took place in Gulfport, Miss., and the couple are at home in St. Petersburg, Fla. Mrs. Morgan was affiliated with the Delta Gamma sorority while attending the University.

Miss Charmaine Peterson became the bride of Dr. Norman Hupper, 1944, at a recent ceremony. They will live in Rochester, Minn.

Barbara Anne Larson of LaCrosse, Wis., recently became the bride of Donald Ward Hjelle, ex 1948. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hjelle are students at Luther college in Decorah, Iowa.

Robert W. Mackin, 1950, instructor in the Bismarck high school and Bismarck junior college, has resigned to accept the post of military training specialist with the office of naval research. Mackin will be assigned to the Chicago office in the special devices section of the research laboratory.

Dr. Thomas Harada, 1942, is a resident in surgery at the Veterans hospital in Minneapolis.

Four former University students were married March 10 in Alabama. The bridegrooms are both stationed at Camp Rucker. Lois C. Burke, ex 1951, became the bride of Robert Don Whitman, ex 1951, and Joline Rohde, ex 1951, was married to Donald H. Lindgren, ex 1951. The two girls are members of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. Lindgren is a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and Whitman is a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

Jean Backes, 1950, and Donald W. Stenerodden, ex 1951, recently exchanged marriage vows in the chapel at Camp Rucker, Ala. For the past six months, Mrs. Stenerodden has been employed in Washington, D. C. She is a member of Alpha Phi sorority and the bridegroom is a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He is a member of a medical company of the 164th infantry.

Lt. Col. Gilbert J. Check, ex 1934, North Dakota's most decorated soldier in the Korean war, has been awarded the first bronze oak leaf cluster to the Silver Star for gallantry in action. Check already holds the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star and the Bronze Star.

Elizabeth Perry Smith, ex 1951, was recently married to James William Anderson, ex 1951, of Indianola, Iowa. Mr. Anderson is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority and her husband is affiliated with Beta Theta Pi fraternity. The couple will make their home in Iowa.

Suzanne Leininger of McCook, Neb., was married in March to Paul J. Beithon, 1949, of Wahpeton, N. D. Beithon is attending the University of Nebraska school of medicine at Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Marvin, ex 1950, of Warroad, Minn., are the parents of a daughter born February 23. Cal played hockey with the University Sioux last season.

Marcella O. Hanson, 1946, is in Paris, France, where she works in the European headquarters for the economic co-operation administration. Her work consists of secretarial and accounting duties.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hubert Fyten, 1950, (Alice Russell, 1950) are living in Bremerton, Wash. Fyten is an architectural engineer for the Bremerton shipyards.

Edgar E. Foster, 1922, a reclamation bureau hydraulic engineer, is on loan to the British government under the point four program of exchanging technical information. He will be stationed in northern Rhodesia for 18 months.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Cordner, 1950, (Patricia Gallagher, ex 1947) live in Billings, Mont., where Cordner is employed as geologist for the Pure Oil company. They have a son born August 21, 1950.

Thomas Amberry, ex 1946, will graduate from the California College of Chiropractic in San Francisco June 9 with the degree of doctor of surgical chiropractic. His wife is the former Marilyn McGowan of Grand Forks.

J. Douglas Leith, 1920, is associate dean of students at Lehigh university in Bethlehem, Pa., where he has been since serving in the U. S. naval air force in World War II. His two sons are medical students at Lehigh university.

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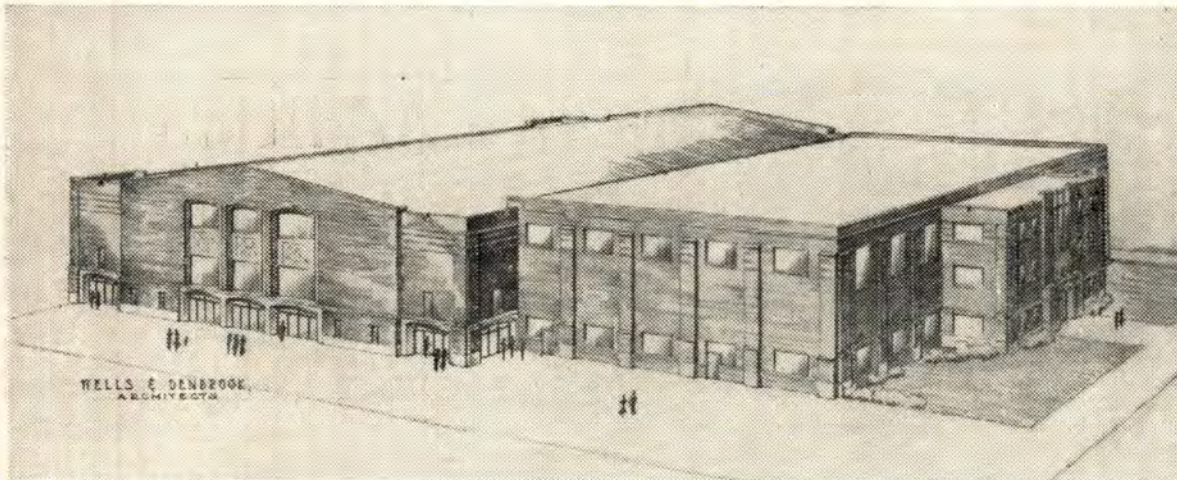
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## Architect's Sketch of New Fieldhouse



This sketch of the huge new fieldhouse-gymnasium now under construction on the University campus, shows what the completed structure will be like. Part of the new \$500,000 fund drive will be used to install a swimming pool in the structure.

### New Grid Assistant Appointed

William B. (Bill) Richter, head football mentor at Valley City Teachers college the last three years, has been named assistant grid coach at the University of North Dakota, Athletic Director Glenn Jarrett announced April 13.

Richter will come to the University on a temporary basis, replacing Roy Hausauer, who went on active duty with 47th division of the North Dakota-Minnesota national guard in January. Hausauer will resume his position at the University when his tour of duty with the national guard is completed.

Richter has obtained a one-year leave of absence from Valley City Teachers college. He will not be available for spring football practice which Head Coach Frank Zazula has already started.

The 34-year-old Richter is expected here about July 1. He will be in charge of the Sioux backfield when football drills get under way in the fall.

In four years of football coaching in the North Intercollegiate conference, Richter's teams won three titles. His 1946 Minot State

### University to Receive Historical Collection

A permanent collection of historical articles of North Dakota, including the University, will be collected by Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity of former

**Teachers college eleven won the NDIC championship while Valley City Teachers copped top honors in 1949 and 1950.**

Richter's Valley City Teachers football teams won 20 games and lost 5 while his overall grid coaching record is 35 wins, 5 defeats and 1 tie.

He graduated from Minot Teachers in 1940 and received his master's degree in physical education from the University of Montana in 1941. From 1942 to 1946, Richter served as a lieutenant in the navy.

After receiving his discharge from the navy in 1946, Richter took over as head football coach at Minot Teachers. He was football assistant and head basketball coach at Boise Junior college in Boise, Idaho, during the 1947-48 season, moving from there to Valley City Teachers.

Richter is married and has a daughter.

Shirley Ann Norenberg, ex 1948, is now employed as stenographer and cashier at the American loan system in Denver, Col.

Boy Scouts, in co-operation with Lloyd Stone, director of the Alumni association.

This project has been undertaken because of the many offers of donations by friends of the University.

The collection, to be displayed in various buildings on the campus, is to include any articles, antiques, pictures, news clippings, etc., or anything of North Dakota historical significance. The purpose is to further the educational and cultural background of the state.

Donors may send articles to Director of the Alumni Association, University of North Dakota, or leave them in 107 Merrifield hall on the campus. Grand Forks donations will be picked up by calling George Hayashi, 4-7117. A brief history of the article and the name of the donor should be included. Further information may be obtained by writing George Hayashi, 306 Hamline St., Grand Forks.

Alpha Phi Omega members of the collecting committee are Chairman George Hayashi, Carrington; publicity, Robert Geldt, Hague; Gordon Hoberg, Bismarck; William Williams, Fargo and Gerald Nelson, Ellendale.

### University Band Ends 2d Tour

The University of North Dakota Concert Band, directed by Professor John E. Howard, completed the second tour of the 1950-51 academic year March 14.

A concert under the auspices of the high school band at Larimore, Harold Kepler, director, was played March 7. Kenneth Grossman, an alumnus of UND who is directing the band at Frazee, Minn., sponsored the appearance of the Nodak musicians March 8 at that city.

Two concerts were given March 9. The band played for the Minneapolis Rotary club at the Nicollet hotel at noon and at Hudson, Wis., the same evening. The Band Mothers club at Hudson was in charge of arrangements for that concert.

Ellsworth, Wis., was visited by the band March 10. A program was given at Hennepin avenue Methodist church at Minneapolis March 11.

Enthusiastic student audiences heard the band at Central High School in St. Paul March 12, where two programs were given. Southwest high school received the band enthusiastically March 13.



## ● Fund Drive

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committee will hold meetings each week to report on progress.

As chairman for North Dakota, Thompson will name chairmen for the larger cities of the state to handle details of the drive in their adjoining territory.

Projects of the University development fund call for modernization of the winter sports building through insulation and addition of bleachers and artificial ice at a cost of between \$125,000 and \$150,000.

Officials of the association estimated that it would cost about \$75,000 to install a swimming pool in the fieldhouse, excavation for which has been provided in plans and specifications of the structure.

Bridston pointed out that "Only through the voluntary assistance of alumni and friends can any of the trimmings be made available, as they represent projects which cannot be expected to come from the pocketbooks of the taxpayer."

In reporting to the board, Bridston said that several alumni in the east and other sections of the United States who have made substantial contributions to the student union and the development funds have indicated they will support the drive.

Demands for a heated hockey arena, and ice on which the hockey team can practice when teams against which the Sioux compete are reaching condition, have grown since North Dakota entered big time inter-collegiate hockey. Action now being taken by the alumni association is the outgrowth of those demands.

Provisions for a swimming pool were drawn into the plans of the gymnasium section of the fieldhouse. Appropriations, however, were insufficient to complete the pool. But, it has been the hope of the department of physical education that some means would be found to build the pool, and they have had the contractors dig the basin.

Because of the need for artificial ice, alumni officers will take up the winter sports building project first and the initial step there will be the purchase and installation of equipment.

## ● University Facilities

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with other conference schools.

The arena part of the building will have a dirt floor which will accommodate indoor football, track events, baseball, softball and golf practice during inclement fall or spring weather. A swimming pool is included in future plans for the building.

### Two Dorms Building

The critical housing problem will be alleviated by the two new \$400,000 dormitories. The three-story girls' dorm is being constructed on the south side of University avenue west of the president's residence. The new men's dorm is located directly across from it between Wesley college and Princeton street.

The main section of the T-shaped men's dorm will measure 140 by 36 feet. A hall will run almost the length of the building and will be joined by a lounge on the north side. Study and sleeping rooms in the three-story structure will measure 11 by 13 feet.

### Named for Educator

Rooms in the girls' dorm, recently named Johnstone hall in honor of Miss M. Beatrice Johnstone, director of the division of correspondence at the University, and a member of the University's first graduating class, will be slightly larger than the men's. Each floor will have a lounge in addition to the main lounge on the first floor.

The head resident will have a three-room apartment on the first floor. In the basement will be a recreation room, a small kitchenette, a trunk room, a typing room and a maid's room.

Harrington hall, the new engineering building named in honor of the late L. C. Harrington, dean of the college of engineering until his death February 3, will centralize activities of this rapidly developing division of the University. The building is located across from Babcock hall.

### Plant Dedicated

The only lignite research laboratory in the world, the \$750,000 University plant — located south of East hall on Second avenue, was dedicated this winter. A federal government project, the lignite plant was constructed on land donated by the University Memorial corporation and follows

# Approve Addition To Medical Building

Preparation of plans and specifications for a \$250,000 addition to the medical science building at the University was approved at a meeting of the board of higher education.

The addition, about 200,000 cubic feet in size, will be

## Need To Explain U. S. Viewpoint

The United States should try to explain its point of view in international affairs to the people of India, believes C. V. S. Ratnum, native of that country, who received a doctor's degree at the University of North Dakota last semester.

Ratnum recently returned to India where he expects to teach chemical engineering. He said few Indians understand the viewpoint of the U. S.

Tangibles, such as food aid to India from the U. S., would help bind that country to the U. S. ideal, he believes.

the collegiate gothic type of architecture similar to the other modern buildings on the campus. The L-shaped structure is essentially two buildings, a laboratory building and the pilot plant.

Studies of the chemistry and physics of lignite are being made in order to solve the many problems which confront lignite miners and consumers. Chemists are trying to reduce the moisture content of lignite which gives added weight to the load in shipping. They are also investigating the possibilities of changing lignite to hydrogen gas and briquets.

This material progress made possible by foresighted legislators and progressive administrators and faculty has transformed the University of North Dakota from an average small university into a modern, outstanding educational giant.

about one-half as large as the present medical school building. Money for the addition will come from funds of the North Dakota state medical center.

Plans for the structure will be prepared by Wells and Denbrook. In addition to facilities for a department of biochemistry, the addition may house the blood bank which has just been inaugurated on the campus, infirmary, dispensary, a laboratory for medical technicians, offices for the medical staff, extension of the library, and laboratory recitation rooms for nurses.

If a bill now under consideration by congress should pass, the funds of the state would be matched, making it possible to erect an addition equal in size to the new medical science structure.

The bill, for expanding medical training facilities, would provide appropriations to the various states for their medical schools.

The board said it plans to cooperate "in every way possible" with the legislative research committee's forthcoming study of higher education facilities. The committee's study was ordered by the 1951 legislature.

Jacque Stockman, 1950, is now associated with Attorney J. E. Hendrickson in the Fargo National bank building. He is a member of the North Dakota and Cass County Bar associations, is married and has a daughter.

Thomas H. Smith, 1948, now oil editor of the Odessa, Tex., American, was elected a member of the board of directors of the National Association of Petroleum Writers for 1951 at a recent meeting in Los Angeles of the American Petroleum Institute.