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## Sioux Ice Team Gets Fast Start

University of North Dakota's team, off to the best start in the history of the sport here, ran up eight straight victories, including four over conference foes, to remain unbeaten after the first three weeks of the season.

The Sioux are tied for second place in the new Midwest College Hockey conference, gaining two victories each over Michigan State and Michigan Tech.

They also scored double wins over University of Saskatchewan and University of Toronto.

However, despite the impressive start, the tough part of the schedule lies ahead. It is admitted that the two Michigan schools are not as strong as the remaining league foes on the Sioux schedule—Denver, Colorado College, Michigan and Minnesota. Also, the Sioux have had the advantage of playing their first eight games on home ice.

Coach Cliff Purpur is satisfied that his team, despite a late start because of the traditional "no ice" situation un-

### DATES TO REMEMBER

February 6-7—Blue Key  
Winter Carnival  
Hockey:  
Minnesota vs. Sioux

til weeks after other teams have started workouts, is approaching peak condition. Fans have packed the winter sports building to watch the first games and a new attendance record is certain for the season.

Coach Louis Bogan's basketball Sioux have found the going much rougher. They have  
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Posing with this promotion poster at the Camelback Inn reunion are, left to right: Ed O'Connor of Los Angeles; Lloyd Stone, Alumni Association secretary; J. B. Bridston, Alumni Association president; Jack Stewart owner of Camelback; and Gordon Martin of Glendale, Calif.

### Mascot Correspondent Reports:

## Reunion Voted Big Success

Dear Alums:

I was standing in my office at Camelback Inn last week when I noticed President John West of the University of North Dakota and Mrs. West drive up. In striking up a conversation, he told me he was the head man for the Third Nodak Reunion. From that time through December 12, 13 and 14, the air was rent with "Let's Go Nodaks" and "Go Gang Go". In fact when Gordon Martin and Bob Ryan lead the singing, it was too much competition for me, and I could sneak in only an occasional bray here and there instead of having the desert air to myself.

Friday night the Nodaks

held their opening party at Jack Rabbit Casa, and Lloyd Stone showed university movies thereafter in the lounge. All of the girls were especially glamorous that evening with many beautiful orchids airmailed to the event by the Honolulu Alumni Group which also sent greetings through President Dr. Min Hin Li and Ann Monson, secretary.

Saturday was a day long to be remembered. There was a putting tournament in the morning, won by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ruud, formerly of Grand Forks. At noon the North Dakota youngsters participated in a swimming meet, and in the afternoon the kids had a track meet. It was no-

ticed that most of the ribbons were won by the Glenn Jarrett and Ed O'Connor children.

As I prowled around the pool Saturday, I noticed that the H. De La Pointes of Mott were on hand with three children, and they won a case of Wheaties from Durward Balch of Minneapolis for bringing the most children the longest distance. Durward gave me a box, too, because I am the Camelback champion.

Chatting with a group of former lettermen was ex-coach Jack West. Some of his earlier stars included Paul Boyd, Ed O'Connor, Dr. Bill Durnin, Dr. Willis Shepard, Lloyd Nelson,  
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## Camelback

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Dr. Lafe Ludwig, Glenn Jarrett and Gordon Dablow.

Arriving somewhat later than the first contingent was Joe Bridston, president of the alumni group, who flew down in a private plane piloted by Les Jolly.

Mr. and Mrs. Milt Kelly, our visitors from Devils Lake, were surprised at how sharp our cactus can be. The Herb Treichlers of Newgulf, Texas, the E. H. McDermotts of Chicago and Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Kneeshaw of San Jose were there for their third visit.

Occupying the Camelback Inn penthouse were the J. H. Douglasses of New York, who made the long trip out from the east and spent a week at Camelback. Mr. Douglas started at the University before 1900 and was one of the oldest alumni present. Another old timer I noticed in the thick of all the sunbathing, dancing and good fellowship was W. H. "Kid" Moran of Alberta, Canada, Class of 1903. Mrs. Stone voted Mr. Moran the most enthusiastic square dancer at the conference.

Longest visitors with the Douglasses were the Robert Schows of Los Angeles who were also here for a week.

The Lloyd Nelsons and Ed O'Connors entertained all of the North Dakota group at a cocktail party Saturday evening, and this was one of the high points (from more ways than one) of the Reunion. It's undoubtedly true that the rafters will never be the same following the terrific song waves which resounded off them like the roar of the Atlantic Ocean during a hurricane—as produced by the song leader Martin and his cohorts.

The banquet featured steaks, potatoes and baking products from North Dakota. Toastmaster Ed O'Connor was in rare form, as usual. An inspiring talk was given by President West.

At the dance that evening some special and impromptu entertainment included a wonderful dancing exhibition by Dr. Lafe Ludwig, who showed that he had lost none of the earlier ability he used to exhibit at the States Theatre at East Grand Forks; and the same could be said about the Charleston exhibition put on

## RESEARCH GRANT

Dr. Roland G. Severson of the University Chemistry Department has been awarded a grant of \$1,800 by the Research Corporation of New York. The grant is for the support of research in the field of organosilicon chemistry and includes the establishment of a fellowship. For the current year the fellowship goes to Raymond A. Malzahn, chemistry graduate student from Chaska, Minn. This is the fourth in a series of research grants awarded the Department of Chemistry within the last two years.

by Ed O'Connor. His partners included Mrs. O'Connor and Ione Haagenon De La Pointe and his daughter, Barbara. Among the star dancers during the evening were the Jay Pelhams of Riverside, California, the Arlo Melvilles of Los Angeles and the Walter Duckstads, who came all the way from St. Paul for the occasion.

During the evening we celebrated Rube Aasland's birthday. I couldn't get a word out of Rube about his age, but I noticed he was Class of 1926. Also present was Biggie Munn, coach of the year, from Michigan State. His wife is from Ellendale, N. D. Biggie liked the reunion.

One of the most interesting parts of the Reunion was the fact that some 30 youngsters accompanied their parents to the Inn. They were presented Hopalong College diplomas signed by Hopalong Cassidy himself. The kids seemed to enjoy the activities as much as their parents.

The entire affair was voted to be the most successful thus far and was held throughout the several days under perfect cloudless skies with a warm sun above. It will be hard for next year's occasion to come up to the one held this year.

It was wonderful to see all of you folks, and I shall be looking forward to your return next season.

Cordially yours,

Your Desert Correspondent,  
Snowball

**Bernard F. Rygh, ex 1937**, is living in North Plainfield, N. J. He is employed by Johnson & Johnson of New Brunswick, N. J.

# Need More Education Historical Building Papers Bids Asked

To continue development of the Orin G. Libby Historical Manuscript Library at the University, more material is needed from the people of the state, according to Louis Geiger, history instructor in charge.

Such a file is valuable to the state for the light it throws on past events and people.

Materials such as old and current correspondence, diaries, photographs and journals are needed. Much of this material has great value for research, he said.

Among some of the papers in the collection is correspondence of John Burke, one time North Dakota governor, Louis Kosuth Church, last territorial governor, and other noted figures.

## PUBLISHES POEMS

Entitled a "Sheaf of Verses" is a booklet of poems just published by Prof. Richard Beck, head of the Scandinavian language department at the University. The volume contains a group of Dr. Beck's poems. The new booklet was published by the University of North Dakota Press.

**Dr. Joe A. Hertell, 1947**, has been appointed director of Central Texas Regional Blood Center. His headquarters are at Waco, Texas. Another 1947 graduate, **Dr. G. F. Cammisa**, is running a laboratory in Alexandria, Va.

**Mrs. Herbert Cleophas (Stella Koto) 1915**, died in Forest City, Iowa, December 23. She is survived by her husband and a daughter, both of Forest City. Mrs. Cleophas was a native of Northwood, N. D.

**Lud C. Vobayda, 1916**, was recently promoted from assistant vice president to vice president of the investment department of the First National Bank of Minneapolis. Vobayda joined the staff of the First National Bank in 1933. He was made assistant cashier in 1944 and assistant vice president in 1947.

Bids will be opened for the proposed University school of education building January 14 in President John C. West's office.

The proposed \$600,000 structure will replace burned out Woodworth Hall, destroyed in March, 1949, and will again provide a home for the school of education, and various other University units that have been scattered over nine other buildings during recent years.

Of the funds allowed, the legislature provided \$480,000 in 1951 and insurance from the old building amounted to \$124,555.

## RECEIVE GRANT

The U.S. Atomic Energy Commission awarded the University Biochemistry Department a \$7,000 research grant to study effects of radiation on enzyme systems of tissues. Prof. W. E. Cornatzer is head of the department and has conducted research of this nature under previous grants from AEC.

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**T. E. WALDON**  
1905-1952

ron, Minn., Mr. Waldon received his grade and high school education in Cass Lake, Minn. He entered the University of North Dakota in 1924 and was graduated with a commerce degree in 1928.

Mr. Waldon was owner of the Mork Shoe Co. and associated with a brother in business in Moorhead, Minn. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, a son, one sister and five brothers.

Prominent in civic activities, Mr. Waldon was president of the Grand Forks Rotary club, past president and director of the Grand Forks Country club, past president of the Community Chest and Red Cross, a member of the Elks lodge and Masons. He was city chairman of the University Development Fund drive.

**Mary E. Converse, ex 1944**, is employed by the University of Maryland as chief medical librarian at their University Hospital.

## Alumni News Notes

**Ruth Rudser, 1926**, formerly of Grand Forks and now of Bismarck, was recently nominated for a citation of honor from the American Artist Professional League for her influence in art in the community as a teacher in the Bismarck high school and junior college. The nomination was made in connection with the observance of Art Week.

**Ronald King, ex 1950**, recently accepted a position with a finance company at Jackson, Mich. He previously was assistant manager of the Montgomery Wards retail store at Pipestone, Minn.

**Mrs. T. C. Hooker (Joan Blaisdell, 1948)** lives in Campbell, Calif. Her husband is resident surgeon at Santa Clara County Hospital, San Jose, Calif.

**Mr. and Mrs. George Unruh, 1951, (Elaine Berg, ex 1949)** are now living in the Redlands, a grove and farming area of Dade County, near Miami, Fla. Unruh is practicing law in Homestead, Fla. The Unruhs have two boys, George and Paul.

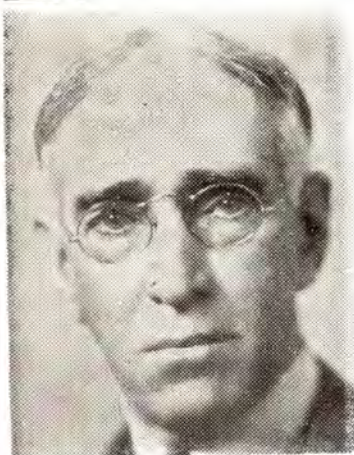
**Joanne Melberg, ex 1951**, 1953 Minneapolis Aquatennial Queen, was a guest at the Orange Festival in Miami, Fla., New Year's Day. She rode in the Orange festival parades and attended the Orange Bowl football game.

**Cameron Stewart, 1951**, is attending the University of California in Los Angeles where he is working on his master's degree. He was married in June to Karen Rogstad of Gaylord.



Here is a group of guests at the recent Camelback Inn reunion. Front row, left to right: Herbert Treichler of Newgulf, Tex., Durward Balch of Minneapolis; University Athletic Director Glenn Jarrett and W. J. Moran of Kneehill, Alta.; standing, left to right: Dr. G. M. Dwire of Colorado Springs, Dr. R. S. Kneeshaw of San Jose, Calif., University President John C. West, Dr. Lafe Ludwig of Los Angeles, Alumni Association secretary Lloyd Stone, Jack Fields of Los Angeles, Milton Kelly of Devils Lake, N. D., and Jack Stewart, owner of Camelback Inn.





**DR. FRANK L. MCVEY**  
1869-1953

Dr. Frank Lerond McVey, 83, a former president of the University of North Dakota, died January 4 in a Lexington, Ky., hospital where he had undergone major surgery.

Dr. McVey was president of the University from 1909 to 1917. At his death, he was president emeritus of the University of Kentucky.

Dr. McVey had headed many national and regional educational groups, helped with educational surveys in many states and was author of numerous educational papers. His last visit to Grand Forks was in 1939 when he spoke at a University convocation.

From 1896 to 1907, Dr. McVey was instructor and professor at the University of Minnesota. He became first chairman of the Minnesota tax commission in 1907 and two years later came to Grand Forks.

From 1918 to 1940, he was president of the University of Kentucky. His last major undertaking was educational adviser to the Venezuelan government in 1943.

Survivors include two daughters, a son, a sister, two brothers and six grand children.

Funeral services were held January 7 in Lexington.

**Dr. Ralph Vinje, 1933**, has opened an office for practice limited to orthopedic surgery and surgery of the hand in Bismarck. Dr. Vinje also serves as medical director for the North Dakota Workmen's Compensation Bureau part time. He is married and has five children.

## New Seats Added to U Arena

Addition of 1,000 new seats in the University Winter Sports building this year reminded hockey fans of this area of the day 16 years ago the 132 by 322 foot structure was dedicated.

At that time the structure seated 550 persons on permanent seats and allowed another 450 persons standing room.

Crowds of 3,000 have attended hockey games this year and the present seating capacity of 4,600 will be filled several times during the season.

The building was begun in 1936 as a Works Progress Administration project. It was opened by Athletic Director C. A. West in November, 1937. At that time it provided the University with one of the few enclosed winter sports arenas of any schools in the country.

Besides winter sports activities, the building provided cover for other events and for football, track and wrestling practice.

## Ice Team

(Continued from Page One) won one conference game, 71-67, over South Dakota University; and lost two, 74-65 to Iowa Teachers and 80-77 to Morningside.

The victory over South Dakota and the loss to Morningside came on consecutive nights on a trip south. Hence, home fans have yet to see the Sioux in conference competition, since they opened at Iowa Teachers.

The over-all record of 3 wins and 7 losses is not what fans had expected at this mid-season point in the schedule.

On the brighter side, it can be pointed out that there has been scoring improvement to help the two top men, Chuck Wolfe and Jon Haaven. Furthermore, the Sioux still can be a factor in the conference race. At least, they have two tough trips out of the way and most of their remaining games will be on the home court.



Among guests at the Camelback Inn reunion were Sharon De La Pointe, left, daughter of Ione Haagenon, 1929, and Barbara O'Connor, right, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed O'Connor, 1933.

## Alumni News Notes

**Daniel J. Dougherty, ex 1949**, was recently awarded a bronze star medal for distinguished and meritorious service in Korea. Dougherty was discharged from the army in September and is now assistant zone manager for the Devils Lake zone of the Grand Forks District of International Harvester.

**Pvt. John C. Hart, 1952**, visited friends and relatives in Grand Forks while on leave following basic training at Camp Breckenridge, Ky. He is now doing chemical research work for the army in Toledo, Ohio.

Two 1952 graduates recently completed an associate infantry company officer course at Fort Benning, Ga. They are **James A. Graham Jr.** of Grand Forks and **Edmund G. Weber** of Minot. Both were commissioned in June through the University's ROTC program. Their home station is Fort Riley, Kansas.

**Mrs. Doranna Robertson (Doranna Plante) ex 1948**, is a dictaphone operator in the office of the State Welfare Department in Bismarck.

**Virginia May Albaugh and Lauren O. Armstrong, ex 1951**, were married recently in Grand Forks. They are making their home in California. The bride is a graduate of the Bethesda School of Nursing in Crookston. Armstrong is a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

**2d Lt. Robert A. Moe, ex 1950**, was killed when his jet fighter plane crashed in a swamp near St. Cloud, Fla. The victim was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Moe of Grand Forks.

**Dr. C. V. S. Ratnam, 1951**, is working on a lignite project in the South Arcot district of South India. Dr. Ratnam returned to his native India after receiving his Ph.D. at UND.

**Lalah E. Dement and Sigvald Aase, 1942**, were married November 1 in Chanute, Kansas. Aase is superintendent of schools in Benedict, Kansas.

**Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Tiedeman, 1942 (Jean Gustafson, 1941)** have moved from Thief River Falls, Minn., to Sacramento, Calif., where Tiedeman is credit manager for the California Liquid Gas Corp.