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## School of Commerce Organized at U in '24

The School of Commerce was organized as an independent school on a distinctly professional basis in 1924. The purpose of the School of Commerce is to prepare men and women for effective service in business and to develop in them habits of thought that make for continuing growth.

Training is provided for those who wish to equip themselves for the recognized, specialized, expert and professional types of employment, such as accounting, marketing, economic analyst, banking and finance, insurance and real estate, public administration, industrial management, general business administration, secretarial training, and economic theory.

### Has 5 Departments

The School of Commerce has under its jurisdiction five departments, including accounting, marketing, management, economics, and political science. The degree of Bachelor of Science in Commerce is conferred upon the students who have completed the work in the curricula mentioned above.

The School of Commerce also offers several combination training programs, such as Commerce-Law, Accounting-Law, and Commerce-Engineering. These programs enable students to achieve a broader training in two fields and thus better equip themselves for positions in industry. Students who complete the work in the accounting curriculum are immediately eligible to sit for the Certified Public Accountant examination.

### Fraternities Active

Beta Gamma Sigma, recognized by the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business as the national scholarship fraternity in commerce and business, maintains a chapter, Alpha of North Dakota, at the University. Beta Alpha Psi, (Continued on Page 4)



THOMAS J. CLIFFORD

## Clifford Dean of Commerce

Thomas J. Clifford, dean of the University of North Dakota's School of Commerce and professor of accounting, is a native of Langdon, N. D.

He received his B.Sc. and J. D. degrees from the University and did postgraduate work at Stanford. Dean Clifford is a North Dakota Certified Public Accountant and a member of the state bar.

During World War II, Clifford served as a captain in the United States Marines in the Pacific and was awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star and Silver Star medals.

Clifford was named dean of the School of Commerce in 1949, after joining the faculty in 1946. From 1947 to 1949 he also served as counselor of men.

Organizations to which Dean  
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## Summer Session Planned

The annual University of North Dakota summer session will open June 22 with registration and continue through August 14.

More than 500 graduate students are expected in the education and psychology courses offered primarily for teachers.

However, courses will be offered in every division of the University, for all students interested in speeding their education work or who find it more convenient to attend classes during the summer.

Registration will be June 22. Classes will open June 23. Summer session commencement is slated August 13.

A liberal supply of housing accommodations is available during the session for both married and single students at reasonable prices. Loren Swanson, housing director announced. The Student Union cafeteria will be open for meals.

Fees are \$3 per credit hour taken, plus 50 cents a credit hour for graduate research. Matriculation fee, student union fee, health fee, student activity fee and library fee total \$7.75.

## Graduation Program Outlined

An outstanding program has been arranged for alumni planning to attend University Commencement exercises June 8 and 9.

The complete program is listed below.

An innovation this year will be the Alumni smorgasbord at the Student Union. The custom in past years has been to hold an Alumni Banquet with graduates of all ages meeting together. This year, the group will be divided into Old Timers and those who have graduated within the past 25 years.

### To Meet Separately

The Old Timers will have their smorgasbord, reunion and program separately with Judge O. B. Burtness, 1906, in charge.

Meeting in a separate room, the "Young Timers," those who have graduated in the last 25 years, will hold their get-together session with Dr. E. L. Grinnell, 1928, in charge.

It was pointed out that while the groups will meet separately, there will be no restrictions on intermingling, "in case," as one Commencement official expressed. (Continued on Page Four)

## Commencement Calendar

### MONDAY, JUNE 8, 1953

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| 3:00- 5:00 p.m. | Alumni Registration—Student Union Building. Campus tours, movies of the Follies, hockey, basketball.   |
| 3:00 p.m.       | Meeting of the Grey Gowns—Fieldhouse.  |
| 5:00 p.m.       | Band concert—Student Union patio.  |
| 5:30- 6:45 p.m. | Alumni smorgasbord—Student Union building.   |
| 7:00- 8:00 p.m. | Alumni program—Student Union ballroom. Panel discussion—"University's Contribution to Development of N. Dak. Resources."   |
| 8:00- 8:15 p.m. | Annual alumni meeting.   |
| 8:15- 9:00 p.m. | Meeting of alumni Board of Directors.  |
| 8:30-10:30 p.m. | University Reception. President and Mrs. John C. West at home to members of the faculty, alumni, candidates for degrees, and parents. University Band and Madrigal Club Concert on lawn during hours of reception. |

### TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 1953

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| 8:00- 9:30 a.m.  | U.N.D. Breakfast—Student Union building. All are welcome.   |
| 9:45-10:00 a.m.  | Academic Procession (From Student Union to Fieldhouse).   |
| 10:00 a.m.       | Commencement Exercises—University Fieldhouse. Speaker—Dr. Albert H. Gillson, President, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Music by University Band and Madrigal Club. |
| 12:00- 2:00 p.m. | Luncheon in Student Union Cafeteria. All are welcome.   |



# News Briefs of University Alumni

**Oscar J. Thompson, ex 1912**, died recently at his home in Cooperstown, N. D. At the time of his death, Mr. Thompson was Griggs County states attorney. Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, a daughter, a brother, a sister and seven grandchildren.

**John G. Walters, 1937**, superintendent of the Walsh County Agricultural and Training Schol in Park River, N. D., has resigned to take a position with the high school and junior college at Santa Maria, Calif. His resignation will be effective at the end of the present school term. Walters had served as superintendent at Park River for 10 years.

**Airman Leonard Pfeffer, ex 1952**, recently spent a 20-day leave with his parents in South Milwaukee, Wis. He is being transferred from Park Air Force Base, Calif., to cadet training school at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

**Mrs. I. B. Velleu (Dot E. Barry) 1919**, is employed as surgical dispatcher at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. Her husband, a 1925 graduate, teaches in the Rochester school.

**Donald S. Holte, ex 1949**, is employed in the engineering department and Planning Service of McDonnell Aircraft in St. Louis.

**Lt. Donald I. Oehler, 1952**, is stationed at Lowry Air Force Base in Denver, Colo. He will be there until August.

**Maj. Arthur G. Nugent, 1936**, is in the Medical Corps and stationed at Eielson Air Force Base, Fairbanks, Alaska. His wife and three children are with him.

**Mr. and Mrs. Creighton Gilbertson, 1950 (Gloria Christian-son, 1951)** have moved to St. Paul from Alexandria, Minn. Gilbertson has been promoted to assistant claims superintendent for the State Farm Mutual Insurance Co.

**Clifford K. Monsrud, 1938**, is an instructor in sheet metal and woodwork in the Rochester senior high school, Rochester, Minn.

**Mrs. Duane Paulson (Florence Nielson) ex 1949**, is doing part-time nursing at the St. Cloud, Minn., hospital while her husband attends the teachers college.

**Dr. Robert James Borgerson, 1941**, is a radiologist at Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago.

**Stanford D. Bentley, 1952**, is living in Minneapolis, where he is employed by the Carpenter Paper Co.

**Mrs. Richard Peterson (Mary Woolridge) 1937**, is living in Richfield, Minn. Her husband is with the F.B.I. They have two adopted children.

**Aviation Cadet Dewey D. Mostad, 1951**, of East Grand Forks was among graduates attending a 28-week observer school at the Harlingen, Texas, Air Force Base. In service since 1950, he was stationed with an aircraft warning squadron in New York before being assigned to school.

**Mrs. Lynn Mutchler (Marilyn Gremsgard) 1949**, lives in Berkeley, Mo. Her husband is employed as an engineer for the McDonnell Aircraft Corp. They recently purchased a home in a new subdivision. They have one son, Scott Bradley.

**Clarence W. Piltingsrud, 1942**, resides in Denver, Colo., where he is employed by the Dow Chemical Co.

**Shirley Birkeland, 1951**, was recently married to Norris D. Nelson of Lisbon, N. D. Mrs. Nelson has been teaching in the Lisbon high school. The couple will make their home in Lisbon.

**2nd Lt. Glenn H. Egstrom, 1950**, recently completed a course in chemical warfare at the Eta Jima Specialist School in Japan. Lt. Egstrom, who entered the army in April, 1951, received basic training at Fort Ord, Calif. His wife is the former **Donna Wehmhoefer, 1950**.

**Ben A. Johnson, 1929**, is a partner in the law firm of Husband, Fort & Johnson in Eugene, Ore. The senior partner in the firm, **Donald Husband**, is also a former student of the University.

**William L. Flannery, 1948**, will receive his Ph.D. degree in bacteriology from the University of Maryland in June. He is now working on a 6-months project for the Department of Agriculture. His wife, the former **Ruth Kjerstad, 1944**, is working in the library at the University of Maryland.

**Shirlee M. Lake, ex 1946**, is the first woman ever to be elected to a city council post in Kenosha, Wis. Miss Lake at 27 is the youngest person ever to serve in the council. She is employed as a design engineer at the J. I. Case Co., manufacturers of farm machinery, in Racine, Wis., and she is a member of the Kenosha Little Theatre. While at the University she was active in Delta Zeta sorority.

**Lt. Shelley Lashkowitz, 1951**, is located in Korea with the Eighth Army. At present he is public information officer for the transportation corps in the Eighth Army.

**James A. Power, 1950**, is finishing his work in optometry at Memphis, Tenn., in June. He plans to locate in the Northwest. He and Mrs. Power (**Phyllis Kjerstad, 1951**) have a daughter, Paula, born in December.

**Mrs. James Mooney (Muriel Kjerstad) 1937**, has been teaching at the New York State School for the Blind at Batavia, N. Y. The Mooneys have a baby boy, born May 9.

**Norman A. Lee, 1941**, is supervisor in the Sales Department of the Mason Shoe Manufacturing Co., Chippewa Falls, Wis., where he has been employed for the past eight years. He is married and has a daughter and a son.

**Mrs. Henry J. Schoeffler (Gwen Bruce) ex 1920**, died at Maywood, Ill. Her father, **Andrew A. Bruce**, at one time was dean of the law school at the University and later was chief justice of the Supreme Court of North Dakota. Mr. Schoeffler survives.

**Lilah Mae Ochs of East Dayton, Ohio** was married in February to **Lynn Orris Stutrud, 1949**, of Tunbridge, N. D. The couple are at home in Dayton.

**Second Lt. Alan B. Warcup, ex 1951**, was commissioned recently and received his Air Force pilot's wings. He is stationed at Vance Air Force Base at Enid, Okla.

**Lt. Col. Vern E. Johnson, ex 1936**, is now at Camp Pickett, Va., participating in the Army's fifth annual logistical support maneuver. Colonel Johnson has been stationed at Camp Gordon, Ga. His wife lives in Augusta, Ga.

Receiving advanced degrees at commencement exercises at the University of Minnesota March 19 were **Myron E. Fahy, 1947**, who received a master of arts degree and **Gordon M. Mork, 1931**, who received a doctor of philosophy degree.

**Lt. Amos Hanson, ex 1947**, is serving with Fighter Squadron 124 aboard the attack carrier USS Oriskany where he was recently recommended for the Air Medal after successfully completing 20 missions over enemy lines.

**Charles N. Glaab, 1951**, of Williston, has been awarded the Frank White scholarship in history, valued at \$400, at the University of Missouri. Glaab received his master's degree from the University in 1952 and is now a graduate student in history at the Missouri institution.

**Donna Marie Fulsaa, ex 1949**, was married in March to Oscar Waxvik Jr. of Grand Forks. The couple are living in Grand Forks. Mrs. Waxvik is on the nursing staff at Deaconess Hospital.

**L. J. McKinnon, 1944**, has resigned as superintendent of the high school in Fisher, Minn., after heading that school for the past eight years. He has accepted an appointment as principal of the senior high school at Warren, Minn.

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Life Members—O. B. Burtness, John Hancock.



# News Notes of University Alumni

**Prof. Ray E. French**, who once headed the University of North Dakota journalism department, is retiring as head of the University of Southern California journalism department.

French came to UND in the middle of 1920 and left in 1927 to establish that department at Southern California.

While at UND French taught several students who have made notable names for themselves in this field, such as Edward K. Thompson, then of St. Thomas, now managing editor of Life magazine; Leslie Ehrhardt, Washington correspondent; Herman Ehrhardt, **Hamilton**, now a Los Angeles magazine editor; Gerald Movius, **Enderlin**, now a Washington writer; and Glenn Parsons, now a news writer in West Germany.

French was the honored guest May 30 at a banquet in the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, where 350 reservations had been made by former students of his department.

**Robert James White**, ex 1903, died recently at his home in Martinez, Calif. Mr. White served as assistant superintendent of schools on Contra Costa county for 26 years until his retirement in 1947. He is survived by his wife, a daughter, three sons and a sister.

**Liv A. Eid**, ex 1952, was married in East Grand Forks on her parents' 28th anniversary to **Loran D. Volland** of Grand Forks. They are at home in Park Village in Grand Forks. Volland is attending the University and his wife is employed as a receptionist.

**Jack B. Stewart**, 1929, has been selected as one of the "nation's most successful resort operators" and is featured in the April issue of "Southern Hotel Journal." Stewart is manager of the Camelback Inn at Phoenix, Ariz., where UND reunions are held each December.

Two Williston attorneys have formed a law partnership—**Telmar Rolfstad**, 1943, and **La Vern Neff**, 1952. Rolfstad has practiced law in Williston since 1946 and has been Williams County states attorney since 1950. Neff was appointed assistant states attorney in January.



Pictured here is a group of University of North Dakota graduates who visited recently with Dr. Min Hin Li, 1920, at his home in Honolulu. Left to right: Dr. Li; Judge Millard White, 1920, formerly of Park River, N. D.; Dr. L. O. Simenstad, 1921, formerly of Grand Forks and now practicing medicine and surgery at Osceola, Wis.; Frank Duggan, 1921, formerly of Grand Forks, now with the U. S. Army claims department; and Joseph Skorpen, 1920, formerly of Valley City, N. D., now treasurer of the University of Hawaii at Honolulu. This picture was taken when Dr. and Mrs. Simenstad visited Hawaii recently. Mrs. Simenstad is the former Agnes Berget of Warren, Minn.

**Robert A. Ronne**, 1950, has received his doctor of medicine degree from the University of Illinois college of medicine. He began his internship April 1 in California.

**Era Bell Thompson**, ex 1927, who is managing editor of the magazine EBONY, left Chicago recently to begin a journey to Africa and Europe. She will write a book on Africa and will spend a month in Northern Italy before returning home.

**Charles E. Greeley**, 1937, is chairman of the Washington Section of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and is also an activity Vice-chairman of the Washington Section of the Society of Automotive Engineers. Greeley is an associate professor of mechanical engineering at George Washington University, Washington, D. C.

## • Clifford

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Clifford belongs include the American Institute of Accountants, the North Dakota C.P.A. Society, American Bar Association, American Institute of Management, Beta Alpha Psi, Beta Gamma Sigma, Phi Eta Sigma, Blue Key, Kappa Sigma, Knights of Columbus and the American Judicature Society. He is listed in Who's Who in America.

Dean Clifford is married and has two children.

Remember the date! Camelback Inn Reunion, December 11-12-13. For those who can't make the reunion in December, an invitation is extended at the same rates for January 8-9-10.

## Honorary Law Group Names 3

The three University students having the highest average of the 1953 law school were elected to membership in the North Dakota Order of the Coif, honorary law society.

They are Jim R. Carrigan of Grand Forks, John G. Mutchler of Wimbledon and William E. Porter of Langdon. The group elected James Morris, chief justice of North Dakota, as honorary member and named Ronald Davies of Grand Forks and Paul Matthews of law, as "faculty" members of the order.

**ATTEND COMMENCEMENT!**



## Circle October 9-10 Dates!

### TO ALL FORMER UND FOOTBALL LETTERMEN

Eugene, Ore.

Make a big red circle around October 9 and 10, 1953 on your calendar. This is the date of the 1953 University of North Dakota Homecoming, which is going to be one of the biggest ever staged.

One feature is the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the 1928 Football Team which was the first team to win the Conference Championship. It was C. A. (Jack) West's first of many championship teams of that era which gained nationwide recognition. Jack West will be on hand to replay some of the thrillers with you.

Jack Stewart of Camelback Inn fame, who as publicity man for UND athletic teams of some 25 years ago was mightier with the pen than the boys

were with the pigskin, states that he and Mrs. Stewart are planning to attend.

Here in Oregon we are used to hearing about big things done in California, so I was not surprised to hear from Paul Boyd, a star back on the '28 team, that 25 or 30 fellows are chartering a plane for the trip to North Dakota next fall.

Glenn Jarrett, sophomore halfback of the '28 team and later All-American, is now Athletic Director of UND and extends an official invitation to all former football lettermen to a luncheon. The details will be given you later.

Director of Alumni Relations Lloyd Stone is co-ordinating all efforts to make this an enjoyable reunion for all former players and an inspiration for the present players to do their best in the game that day.

Sincerely,

Willis B. Shepard, 1929.

## '32 Grad Makes Mark

Lambert M. Huppeler, a 1932 University of North Dakota graduate, will resign as general agent of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Co. in New York City to become a vice president of the company.

Huppeler became associated with the Equitable Society in 1932, first as an agent in the Syracuse agency and later as district manager. In 1935 he was made agency supervisor in New York City for the Connecticut Mutual and two years later was named associate agency manager in Binghamton, N. Y., for the National Life of Vermont.

### Receives Promotion

He joined the home office staff of the Massachusetts Mutual as agency assistant in 1938, and was appointed assistant director of agencies in 1941 and superintendent of agencies in 1947.

In his 10 years with this latter company he revised its training course, organized and directed its home office review schools, and organized and managed its pension trust department. During that period he became a recognized expert on pension trust plans and business insurance.

### Named General Agent

He joined the New England Mutual in 1948 as agency man-

ager of the former New York Dawson agency and was appointed general agent on Jan. 3, 1949. Under his management the agency has established several all-time sales records within the company. Its total of \$22,229,315 of paid new business in 1952 is the largest amount ever sold by any agency of the company in one year. Its new business for January of this year, amounting to \$3,354,949, is the most ever sold by one agency in one month.

### Record Established

The Huppeler agency has completed 32 consecutive months of sales in excess of \$1 million and is now approaching a \$2 million a month average.

Huppeler is a popular speaker on insurance and a frequent contributor of articles to the insurance trade press. He is a director of the Life Underwriters Association of New York City and a member of the Life Managers Association, the New York City CLU Chapter, the Midtown Group, and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Richard Enger of Roseau has been named manager of the 1954 Flickertail Follies.

### ● Commerce

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the national honorary scholarship fraternity in accounting, maintains Zeta chapter at the University. Delta Sigma Pi, national commerce professional fraternity, also has a chapter on the campus. These fraternities perform valuable services in the preparation of students for business careers.

In 1951 the entire curricula of the School of Commerce was re-organized. This curricula provides for a core of courses that is required of every student in business administration. It covers the broad divisions of business such as control, production, finance, and distribution. These courses give the graduate a solid background in business administration, in addition to the specialization and professional courses that he takes in the field of his particular interest.

The School of Commerce is an accredited member of the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business, the national accrediting association for schools of commerce and business administration. Since its formation in 1924 the School has enjoyed a steady and continuous growth and all trends indicate that this will continue in the future.

The faculty is young, energetic and well qualified. The courses and programs of study offered have kept abreast with current business developments. The constant demand by industry and business for commerce school graduates bears this out. Through the activities of the faculty members, department heads and the director of placement at the University, each graduate has ample opportunity to secure a job in his chosen field.

The program of business training has 30 years of experience behind it. Nearly 1,800 men and women have graduated from the School of Commerce and have made an excellent record in business and civic life. Many of them are now outstanding leaders in North Dakota and in the nation.

### ● Commencement

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plained, "some of the younger group may wish to pay their respects to their elders."

### Plan Panel Discussion

Following the two smorgasbords and programs, the entire Alumni group will meet in the Student Union ballroom at 7 p.m. for the annual meeting, which will feature a panel discussion on "The University's Contribution to the Development of North Dakota Resources."

Panel speakers will include Dr. William Koenker, head of the University Economics department; Dr. Wilson Laird, state geologist and head of the University Geology department; Bruce Johnson of Bismarck, representing the federal bureau of reclamation and Dr. John Hancock.

### Association to Meet

The annual business meeting of the Alumni Association will be held following the panel discussion and the President's reception will close the first day's events.

Graduation exercises at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 9 in the Fieldhouse will climax the two-day Commencement program. Dr. Albert H. Gillson, president of the University of Manitoba, will deliver the Commencement address.

## Artificial Ice Plant Assured

Artificial ice in the University Winter Sports building has been assured by fall.

Approval of a \$1 per semester activity fee increase to provide funds to finance the necessary bond issue was given by the board of higher education.

Estimates for necessary funds range from a minimum of \$68,000 up, depending on the extent of remodeling the athletic board deems wise to carry out.

**ATTEND COMMENCEMENT!**