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Report From The Campus

By LLOYD STONE

At the suggestion of President Starcher a faculty lecture series was started on the campus this fall. These lectures give faculty members an opportunity to share their scholarly achievements with students, alumni, friends and other faculty members.

The 1954-55 series of lectures was planned to include an interesting variety of topics from five different areas of the University's offerings.

On October 26, Dr. Richard Beck spoke on the subject "From the Viking Ships to Kon-Tiki." Alumni are invited to share in the following programs:

Wednesday, December 1st—
"The Challenge of Education" by Dr. Erich Selke.

Thursday, February 24, 1955—
"Don't Go to the Ant" by Dr. George C. Wheeler.

Thursday, March 31, 1955—
"Philosophy of Law" by Dean Olaf Thormodsgard.

Wednesday, July 6, 1955—
"The Evolution of Some Ideas & Theories in Chemistry" by Dr. Ernest D. Coon.

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Four University students accompanied by Dr. Dorothy Lipp, Dean of Women, will assist in providing entertainment, enlightenment and education for the 140 University alumni expected to gather at Camelback Inn November 19, 20, and 21. Students selected by a faculty-alumni committee include:

James Hanson, Lake City, Minn.; Tom Sullivan, Lisbon, N. D.; Delores Paulson, Bismarck, N. D. and Marilyn Simonson, Medina, N. D.

Enroute to Phoenix these students will serve as good will ambassadors for the University by contacting other state universities, calling on alumni and visiting business establishments.

At the reunion the students will discuss with alumni the

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Chosen as student representatives to the University Alumni Reunion at Camelback Inn, starting November 18, are, left to right: James Hanson of Lake City, Minn., Delores Paulson of Bismarck, Thomas Sullivan of Lisbon and Marilyn Simons of Medina. Accompanying them on their educational and public relations tour will be Dr. Dorothy J. Lipp, dean of women, who is shown here at her desk.

Organization Grows Rapidly In 8 Years

Ted Blanding, ex 1923, of Santa Ana, Calif., executive secretary of Toastmasters International, is credited with the organization's tremendous growth in the past eight years during which he has been secretary.

Toastmaster International is an educational organization, concerned primarily with communication skills and leadership training. Eight years ago it had 250 clubs. To

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Many Attend 37th Annual Homecoming

Hundreds of University alumni and friends returned to the campus to help celebrate the thirty-seventh annual Homecoming, an event climaxed by the football team's 40-7 defeat of the N.D.A.C. Bison.

Following is a partial list of out-of-town alumni who registered for the two-day series of events:

Grace Hilleboe Sorlie, 1914, Bismarck; Dorothy Jarman, 1954, Larimore; J. William Peterson, 1954, Mandan; Rowland J. Nelson, 1950, Finley;

Edith Goldammer Zimmer, 1945, Lakota; James Berg, 1954, Churchs Ferry; W. R. Byrne, 1952, Bowman; Orin Hermundstad, 1952, Parshall; Francis Schammel, 1952, Kenmare; Clarence V. Bateman, 1920, Wahpeton; Hattie Bentzin Bateman, 1920, Wahpeton; Leo DePlazes, 1927, Devils Lake; Creighton Overmoen, 1953, Parshall; Charles E. Movius, 1922, Rockford, Ill.; Jean Dryden Movius, 1921, Rockford, Ill.

H. G. Lykken, 1905, Minne-

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News Briefs of University Alumni

Births

Lt. and Mrs. Berdell P. Brevig, 1952 (Beverlee Lee, 1953) became the parents of a daughter, Leah Elaine, on September 28. The Brevigs live in Greenville, S. C., near Donaldson Air Force Base.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gerus (Barbara Buckingham, 1952) are the parents of a baby girl, Wendie Ann, born September 24 at Tidioute, Pa. Gerus is a consultant engineer.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Blanding, ex 1920, Santa Ana, Calif., became the grandparents of twin girls on September 30.

Dr. and Mrs. Richard L. Miner (Murlyn Rodger, 1943) of Wellesley Hills, Mass., announced the arrival of a son, Richard Leroy Rodger Miner, on August 14, 1954.

Genevieve B. Wild, 1954, and Orville M. Eidem Jr., 1953, were married at Milton, N. D. They are living at Manhattan, Kansas, near Fort Riley, where Eidem is stationed with the Army.

Deaths

Donald D. Bolyard, ex 1913, of Minneapolis died August 14. He is survived by his widow.

Dr. James D. Walker, 1906, died at the age of 73 of a heart attack on July 15 at City Hospital, Los Angeles, where he had been on the staff for 26 years. He is survived by his widow, Carlisle, three children, and six grandchildren.

Information has been received that **Ole Christianson, Jr., 1915,** died in a hunting accident. He had been an engineer in the Dept. of Public Works in the city of St. Paul for 38 years. He is survived by his wife and one son.

Eugene J. Schulte, 1938, died recently in Miles City, Mont., at the age of 38. He had been in the dairy business in the Miles City vicinity since 1944. He is survived by his widow, the former Mary Murray, and four sons.

Alfred L. Letich, 1931, died of a heart attack recently at Fergus Falls, Minn., where he had been athletic director at the high school. When he attended the University, Letich was an all-conference basketball player on teams coached by his brother, the late Clem Letich.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Daniel J. Donahue (**Irene Martineau, ex 1934**) on October 28 in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Irene Mares Boyde, last survivor of the class of 1889, died November 1, at the age of 91, in Jamestown, N. D., where she had been living with her daughter, Mrs. Carl Johnson. Mrs. Boyde returned to the University in 1948 for the graduation of her grandniece, Barbara Ann Smith, and in 1951 for the graduation of her grandson, Boyd Johnson. She spoke at alumni gatherings both times.

Dr. Hjørleifur T. Kristjanson, 1903, a former assistant professor of bacteriology and pathology at the University medical school, died September 19 as the result of a stroke in Milwaukee. Dr. Kristjanson, 78, was on the staff of the Milwaukee County veteran's administration hospital at the time of his death. He is survived by his widow, Marion, and two daughters.

Weddings

Gene M. Crain, 1953, and Mervin D. Henning, were married on September 5 in Arvella. They are living in Gainesville, Fla., where Henning is attending graduate school at the University of Florida.

Cyril D. Page, ex 1948, was recently married to Patricia Winter of Milwaukee. They are living in Milwaukee, where Page is working for the Chase Bag Co., as a representative for Northern Illinois and western Wisconsin.

Alice M. Johnston, 1933, recently became Mrs. J. Kendall Kipp and lives in Bismarck, N. D. Her husband, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, is an economist with the Bureau of Reclamation and Alice is employed by the same bureau as an Administrative Assistant.

William L. Backer, 1950, was married recently to Lorraine Shreve VanRees of Freeport, N. Y. The Backers live in Stratford, Conn., where he is connected with the General Electric Co.

Marjorie McLean, 1952, and John Kruger, 1951, were married at Gilby, N. D. The Krugers are at home in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Irene J. Konig, 1954 and Kenneth J. Schumacker, 1953, were married July 1 in Grand Forks. Schumacker is employed by a consulting engineering firm in Grand Forks.

Paul J. Storsteen, 1953, was married to Evelyn Kolstad of Crosby. Storsteen is a partner in the firm of Rutherford & Storsteen, Public Accountants, in Crosby, where the couple will live.

Married July 4 in Columbus, N. D., were **Constance Diane Miller, 1953,** and Robert B. Thompson. They will make their home in Stillwater, where Thompson is engaged in a hardware business and the bride is a member of the nursing staff at Lakeview Hospital.

Verle M. Johnson, 1951, and Ralph D. Mienas, 1952, were married recently in Grand Forks and now live in Williston. Mienas is employed in the Minot Division of International Harvester Co.

Charles R. Petty, 1952, and Norma Heinle of Hebron were married last summer. They are living in Dallas, Texas, where Petty is a senior at Southwestern Medical School at the University of Texas.

Elsie Anderson, 1953, and James Anderson, 1954, were married recently in Grand Forks. They are living in Grand until the bridegroom enters service.

Vows were exchanged by Elizabeth Ann Stocker and **Ralph L. Engelstad, 1954,** in East Grand Forks recently.

The day following her graduation on June 5, **Ruth Eileen Nelson, 1954,** married Willard Pedersen of Northwood.

Marlys Swanson, 1952, and William Mahler, 1954, were married at Stephen, Minn.

Phyllis Gillespie, 1954 and Matt J. Ehlen, 1952, were married in Grand Forks. They are living in New Orleans, La., where Ehlen is in his junior year in the Tulane University School of Medicine.

Married this summer at Devils Lake were **Richard C. Samdahl, 1954 and Joyce Ann Miller, ex 1953.**

Kathryn Donovan, 1951, and John T. Traynor, 1949, exchanged vows at Langdon, N. D. The Traynors are at home in Devils Lake, where John is associated with his father in the practice of law.

Archie Graham, ex 1947, was married recently in Bellevue, Wash., to Miss Mary Schlagen. They are residing in Renton, Wash.

Milton P. Mandt, 1948, and Dee Henning of Shaker Heights, Ohio, were married in Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Mrs. Mandt is a graduate of Miami (Ohio) University and a former Conover model. Mandt is located in Cleveland as a special agent with the FBI.

Ruth Amanda Kirby, 1951, became the bride of James M. Williams of Helena, Mont., in Grand Forks. Williams is employed by the Montana Health Department in Helena. Before her marriage, Mrs. Williams was employed in the Veterans Hospital there.

Marion Olson, 1951, became the bride of Kayle Becker recently. The couple will live in Sauk Centre, Minn., where both teach in the high school.

Joan D. Shide, ex 1953 was married recently to Robert Jenstead at Larimore. They will make their home in Larimore.

Anna Burkhardtmeier, ex 1953, was wed recently to Thomas A. Sander of Towner. For the past year the bride has been employed in Washington, D. C. Sander, a graduate of Temple University in Philadelphia, is associated in that city with the New York Life Insurance Co.

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News Notes of University Alumni

Dr. Robert E. Sletten, 1951, is engaged in general practice in Cut Bank, Mont.

Merle Dennis Nelson, 1952, is a social worker with the old age security program in a county welfare department at Modesto, Calif.

Elsie Ann Brown, 1948, who is a research editor with Time Magazine, New York City, spent her vacation in Grand Forks and at the family cottage at Maple Lake.

Benjamin J. Cecka, 1929, Bayside, N. Y., this year celebrates his 25th anniversary with the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the U.S. He supervises accounting in the accident and health section of the controller's department at the home office in Manhattan.

Robert F. Sather, 1954, has accepted a position with the Armstrong Cork Co., and has entered the firm's floor division sales training program.

W. Kendall Johnson Jr., ex 1951, is stationed with the U. S. Navy in Manila. He will complete his four-year enlistment next January.

Maj. Raymond W. Sando, ex 1948, was severely injured in a parachute drop at Fort Benning, Ga. He reports that he is still on crutches but hopes to throw them away soon.

Gilbert Check, ex 1934, is stationed in Frankfort, Germany. He expects to be joined there soon by his wife, who is now at the family home in Williston.

Correspondence from **Lt. Col. O. V. Bergren, 1940**, reveals that he and several other UND alumni will be in the 1st Marine Division in Korea during the late summer of 1954. They include **Col. Stuart M. Charlesworth, 1936**, **Col. Robert Baud, 1936**, **Col. Donn J. Robertson, 1938** and **Lt. Col. Truman Lyford, 1941**.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Forest, 1950, (Ardis Johnson, 1949) live in Newgulf, Texas, where he is a chemist with Texas Gulf Sulphur Co. They have a son, 6, and twin daughters, 2.

Jim Gustafson, 1949, accepted the post as head football coach at the Detroit Lakes, Minn., high school. He held a similar position at Mahanomen High School last year. Gustafson is married and the father of two children.



Retired University of North Dakota President John C. West was an "unofficial" greeter as graduates and former students returned to the campus for the 37th annual Homecoming. Pictured are (left to right) Dr. Dorothy Lipp, University dean of women, West and former U students Robert Kerian, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., Dorothy Bauer, Jamestown, both class of 1954, Robert S. Smith, New York City, class of 1942, and Henry T. Edgerton, Shullsbury, Wis., class of 1912.

Loran Hendrickson, 1943, was promoted to the rank of major in the U. S. Army Reserves recently.

Gordon R. Husband, 1935, has been promoted to assistant manager of T.B.A. sales for Continental Oil Co., at Butte, Mont. Formerly district sales manager, Husband will concentrate his marketing experience on tire, battery, and accessory sales in the Butte division. He has been with Conoco since 1946.

Pvt. Jon Haaven, ex 1954, was recently in Grand Forks to spend his furlough with his family after finishing infantry training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., with a unit of the Sixth Armored Division. He reported to Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md.

Thomas P. Gillett, 1953, was graduated from the American Institute for Foreign Trade at Thunderbird Field, Phoenix, Ariz.

Mrs. Theodore Ahnger, (Betty L. Merchant, 1941) reports that she, her husband, Dr. T. C. Ahnger and their three youngsters have moved from Marengo to Spring Valley, Ill.

2nd Lt. Lonard L. Pfeffer, ex 1952, recently completed the Aircraft Observer School training to receive a commission at James Connely Air Force Base, Waco, Texas.

Weddings

Merrill Wood, 1950, was married recently in Bellevue, Wash., to Mona M. Fischer. Mrs. Wood is a graduate of the University of Oregon and before her marriage was an instructor in nursing. The couple will live in Seattle.

Ramon D. Walsh, ex 1953, and Carol Marie Nettleton were married in Grand Forks recently.

2nd Lt. Carl A. Wild, Jr., ex 1952, recently received his wings at the Williams Air Force Base Jet Fighter School at Chandler, Ariz.

Olaf S. Helland, 1952, received a degree of Master of Automotive Engineering with the 22nd graduating class of the Chrysler Institute of Engineering, Detroit.

Donna Jane Weinrebe, ex 1938, and **Ned E. White, ex 1947**, have enrolled as members of the June, 1955, class of the American Institute for Foreign Trade at Thunderbird Field, Phoenix, Ariz.

George O. N. Lodoen, 1926, has been promoted to the rank of Brigadier General, U. S. Army. He has been in the regular Army since graduation from the University and is stationed at the Pentagon, Washington, D. C.

Mabel S. Davis, 1918, resigned her position with the YWCA in Kaeche, Hawaiian Islands, September 1. She will remain in Honolulu, where she has taken an apartment and will extend her vacation to enjoy the beauties of the other islands and see more of Hawaiian life. Recently she attended the Surgical Convention of the Pacific and heard Madame Pandit.

Joseph E. Bossoletti, 1951, who has been an electronic scientist at the U. S. Navy Electronics Laboratory, San Diego, Calif., for the past three years, has recently been transferred and promoted to the position of supervisory electronic engineer at the U. S. Naval Air Missile Test Center, Point Mugu, Calif. Bossoletti, his wife and three children reside at Oxnard, Calif.

Pvt. Wayne Hartson, ex 1953, spent a 25-day leave with his parents in Grand Forks, recently prior to going overseas. He took his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

John R. Modisett, 1953, has been promoted to first lieutenant in the Air Force. He is assigned to the Wing Headquarters Squadron and has been in Europe since July, 1953. His wife, Barbara, has joined him there. They live near Luxembourg.

● Homecoming

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apolis, Minn.; Robert S. Smith, 1943, Linden, N. J.; Kenneth D. Graham, M.D., 1922, Aberdeen, Wash.; Robert O. Dietz, 1946, Wahpeton; Clifford Worner, 1939, Wahpeton; Mrs. Dayle V. Dietz, Wahpeton; Marlen Hoverson, 1954, Manvel; E. G. Olmstead, 1944, Milwaukee; Mrs. Floyd A. Webb, Williston; Marvin L. Mahlum, 1950, Anchorage, Alaska; Henry H. Koehnlein, 1937, Grand Forks; Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kelly (Sybil Baker), 1918, Devils Lake; Mr. and Mrs. George Soule, 1921, Fargo; F. J. Kloster, 1931, Fergus Falls, Minn.

Marjorie Graham Kloster, 1931, Fergus Falls, Minn.; Frank V. Kent, 1931, Falls Church, Va.; Henry K. Edger-ton, 1914, Shullsburg, Wisc.; Mildred Eidsness, 1954, Minot; Doris Bauer, 1954, Eldridge; John C. West, 1926, Grand Forks; Robert J. Kerian, 1954, Rolla, Mo.; Elain Stoffel Kerian, 1954, Rolla, Mo.; Alex C. Burr, Jamestown; John H. Lunseth, 1944, Milwaukee, Wisc.; P. R. Armen, Jr., 1938, Fargo; Erwin Johnson, 1954, Bottineau; Lyle Johnson, 1953, Bottineau; Maynard Timboe, 1953, Fargo; Murray Page, 1950, Bottineau; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Zwick, Valley City; Margaret Louise Cashel Phelan, 1941, Grafton; Ralph B. Newman, 1939, Fergus Falls, Minn.; C. A. Powell, 1929, Riverdale.

Harold Serumgard, 1927, Devils Lake; Helen Fox Serumgard, 1922, Devils Lake; Jean McKay Fair, 1941, Minto; Robert Fair, 1954, Minto; Eugene Shaw, 1950, Wadena, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. H. D. McGuinness, (Ruth Swanson), 1929, Fessenden; Berieith Johnson Miller, 1927, Wahpeton; Herbert H. Miller, M.D., 1928, Wahpeton; Mrs. Gordon Brown, Enderlin; Dr. and Mrs. J. N. O'Keefe, Williston; Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Odney, (Ann Margaret Mulroy), 1948, Fargo.

Donald Sperling, 1950, Riverdale; Dorothy Bateman Sperling, 1949, Riverdale; Joyce Martin Mattson, 1921, New Rockford; Edgar P. Mattson, 1920, New Rockford; Winnie Gilmour Kack, 1933, Dickinson; Lee J. Neste, 1952, Park River; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Breeding, Powers Lake; Dale Gunderson, 1954, Enderlin; Walter G. Klick, 1924, Hebron;



Dr. Elmer Ellis, 1925, (above) is serving as acting President of the University of Missouri until June 30, 1955. He retains the titles of Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and Professor of History.

C. M. Brown, Cooperstown; T. A. Sauler, 1934, Hazen; Stella Hilleboe Mann, 1915, Bismarck

● Blanding

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day it has become one of the largest adult education organizations in the country operating through a central unit, with 1,465 clubs located all over the world. Toastmasters ranks fourth with service club organizations.

Blanding has a wide acquaintanceship throughout the country, having participated in governmental affairs with the state department and other branches of the federal government.

Derby Emerson, 1953, has been stationed at Todd A.E.F., Fairbanks, Alaska, since last December. Mrs. Emerson, son John, and the most recent addition to the family, daughter Leigh Ann, born August 12, 1954, have joined him there.

Ole Arnegard, 1896, recently celebrated his 85th birthday anniversary. He and Mrs. Arnegard live in Bremerton, Wash., near a daughter.

John M. Borgerson, 1937, has joined the staff at Northern Montana College, Havre, as associate professor of science and mathematics.

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importance of the University Development Fund scholarship program. They will speak for the student body in thanking the alumni for making possible the construction of the Student Union building, the artificial ice plant and the swimming pool and for their excellent support in contributing to the scholarship fund.

Cost of the trip for the University delegation is being paid by Jack Stewart, University alumnus and owner of Camelback Inn.

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The new Education Building is now being used by the Music Department. For the first time in more than 50 years, the halls of Wesley College do not echo the voices of University students who have received their vocal training there. An agreement completed with the University last year brought about the transfer of the music offerings of Wesley College to the University campus.

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An alumni reception honoring President and Mrs. George W. Starcher was held in the Student Union during Homecoming week-end. In the receiving line were President and Mrs. Starcher, M. Beatrice Johnstone, Henry Lykken, of the Alumni Association, and James Hanson, Student Homecoming Chairman.

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Dean Daryle Keefer, head of the graduate school, has been named director of the University Summer Session. Last summer the total University enrollment was 939. Of this number 486 were graduate students.

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Current enrollment at the University is 2,632. Of this number 1887 are men and 745 are women students; 557 veterans are enrolled this semester; 497 of these are Korean veterans and 260 are World War II veterans.

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Students of the University are in the process of organizing a varsity swimming team.

Practices are being held in the new pool four times a week. It is expected that competitive swimming meets will be scheduled with colleges and universities in this area after the first of the year. More than 1,000 students are now receiving instruction in swimming in the new pool each week.

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Thirty-six hockey players have been issued suits for the coming season. Practice on the new artificial ice plant started October 25th. Coach "Fido" Purpur is again coaching the pucksters and prospects are promising for a good team.

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Plans are underway to schedule an alumni banquet in the Twin Cities, either January 7 or 8 at the time of the UND-Minnesota hockey series according to Dewey Balch, President of the Alumni group there.

Balch, a vice president of General Mills, is planning to attend the Camelback Reunion this year. He has agreed to serve as toastmaster at the annual banquet there on November 20. He is taking over from Ed O'Connor, who has performed the honors during the past four years.

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A UND Alumni luncheon in Fargo, N. D., October 21 afforded an opportunity for 150 UND Alumni to meet and hear our new president, Dr. George Starcher. Gordon Aamoth, 1936, served as master of ceremonies. James Onstad, ex 1937, and George Soule, 1921, were in charge of arrangements. Dr. Dorothy Lipp, new Dean of Women, was introduced and spoke briefly.

ATHLETIC AWARDS

Cal Hallada, Grand Forks, and Warner Brand, Bismarck, won top athletic awards at the annual University of North Dakota Honors Day program. Halada, representing football, was given the Martin Ruud Memorial Award. Brand received the Henry Havig scholarship as the ranking junior athlete, based on basketball and scholarship.