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Myra Foundation donates to band, Oxford funds

The University of North Dakota Foundation has received $45,000 from the Myra Foundation to be used for the UND Marching Band and for the Oxford House Restoration Project.

Ed Gillig, a Grand Forks attorney and president of the Myra Foundation, noted that John Myra was a member of an early marching band in Emerado, N.D., and thus the expenditure of monies for the marching band project would be a worthy one.

"John Myra, founder of the Myra Foundation, had a special interest in music and was himself a member of the uniformed marching band of the city of Emerado, N.D.," Gillig said. "In view of John Myra's special interest in this activity, the trustees of Myra Foundation believe it is fitting and proper that the Foundation contribute in a meaningful way to the support of a marching band at UND."

The $20,000 earmarked for the Marching Band brings the total of pledges and contributions received to more than $50,000, the goal established to provide start-up costs for the band, according to Ed Christenson, chairman of the fund drive. Christenson, president of Grand Forks Federal Savings and Loan Association, headed a committee of 20 Grand Forks/East Grand Forks businessmen and women in this total community effort.

The money will be used to purchase uniforms, percussion and brass instruments, and to reconstruct facilities for storage of the uniforms and equipment. The 70-member band will consist of 64 instrumentalists, five flag bearers and a drum major, Christenson said.

UND President Thomas Clifford said the University has committed support for the director's salary and other on-going expenses. Mike Blake, a faculty member in the Department of Music and currently director of the University's Jazz Ensemble, has been named director of the Marching Band. A local committee has been working with Blake on the design of the uniforms.

John Myra was a member of the Emerado (N.D.) Marching Band in 1892.

Ed Gillig (left), Bonnie Sobolik and Ed Christenson (right) examine sample uniforms for the UND Marching Band. Gillig is president of the Myra Foundation, which donated $20,000 toward the fund drive. Christenson headed the drive for the UND Foundation.

Much of the success of the Marching Band fund drive has been due to the personal efforts of Ed Christenson, Earl Strinden, executive vice president of the UND Foundation and Alumni Association, stressed. He added, "This generous contribution for the Marching Band Fund assures the success of this drive. We look forward with anticipation to seeing a fine musical marching unit perform in the fall of 1980."

As for the Oxford House restoration, Strinden said, "We feel the restoration of Oxford House is a very significant happening at the University of North Dakota. This elegant old home of the early days at UND will stand as a testimony to the great tradition of this University. As the home of the Alumni Association and Foundation, it will give an identification which will be increasingly important in years to come."

The $25,000 gift from the Myra Foundation for Oxford House brings the total that foundation has granted to the Oxford project to $75,000. In addition, $100,000 has been allocated by the North Dakota State Legislature to make the building accessible to the handicapped; $75,000 has been added from the estate of UND alumnus Ira Frendburg, '10, and $37,000 has been donated by the Campbell Family Foundation.

Strinden mentioned that all of this money is usable for matching funds for federal grants from the U.S. Department of the Interior heritage, conservation and recreation service. The department has already approved $185,000 for expenditures. The former president's residence was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973, thus qualifying it for matching federal funds for restoration.

Interior renovation, which is phase II of the restoration project, is under way at present, with completion scheduled by October 1980. Innes Construction Company of Grand Forks is doing the renovation. Phase III, which includes wall coverings, furnishings, woodwork, carpeting and similar items, will be tackled shortly. The Alumni Associaton plans to form a committee in the near future to work on the details of the furnishings.

In making the award for Oxford House Gillig said, "The Myra Foundation is pleased to offer this continued support of the restoration of Oxford House. This third grant in recent years brings our total contribution to $75,000 for this worthy project, and we are looking forward to the completion of Oxford House on the University of North Dakota campus."

Meiers establish endowed scholarship

A $10,000 endowed scholarship with the University of North Dakota Foundation has been established in memory of Lynn Meier, by his parents, Ben and Clara Meier of Bismarck, N.D. The endowment, to be known as the Lynn Meier Memorial Scholarship, was formed by the sale of a gift of land donated to the University by the Meiers.

The scholarship will be presented to a third-year student in the UND School of Medicine, with special consideration given to scholastic achievement, high moral character, need and potential achievement within the medical profession. The recipient(s) will be selected by the medical school awards committee, and depending on the income from the endowment, one or more awards may be given each year.

This fund remains separate from the Lynn Meier Memorial Award in Hemotology, created by Meier's classmates after his death in 1974. When that scholarship, established by members of the 1973 medical school graduating class including Kathy Wood, Betty Styrvoky, Larry Stetzner and Roger Sundling, was created, the University received a letter stating: "Lynn Meier's fight against leukemia ended one week ago today on Feb. 4, 1974. In order that Lynn's courage and love of medicine not be forgotten, we have decided to establish a Memorial Scholarship Fund at UND in Lynn's name on behalf of our graduating class. A portion of this fund will go each year to an outstanding UND student in the field of hematology."

Ben and Clara Meier present a $10,000 endowed scholarship to UND medical school dean Tom Johnson (right) in memory of their son Lynn.

In accepting the gift of land from Ben and Clara Meier, Earl Strinden, executive vice president of the UND Foundation and Alumni Association, said, "Ben Meier has long been recognized as one of North Dakota's very dedicated, able and respected elected officials. Ben and Clara have, for many years, been close and special friends of the University of North Dakota and to all of higher education.

"This generous gift in memory of their son will help many deserving young North Dakota citizens to attain their goals of a quality medical education at the University of North Dakota."

Ben Meier, a native of Napoleon, N.D., has served as Secretary of State since 1954. He is also state crusade chairman of the American Cancer Society, a position he has maintained since 1969.

Mrs. Meier is a school teacher in Bismarck, and their son Bernard, '74, works at the Mandan (N.D.) Security Bank.

Sioux advance to NCAA tourney

The University of North Dakota hockey team secured its chance to compete at the NCAA tournament at Providence, R.I., by defeating the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame, 10-4 and 7-4, in games played March 14 and 15 in Grand Forks.

The Fighting Sioux delighted 10,000 fans at the UND arena, and came through the rugged Notre Dame series with only minor bumps and bruises.

North Dakota was the number one west seed as it won its two WCHA post-season total goal series from Michigan State and Notre Dame. UND met Dartmouth in the first game of the NCAA tournament at the Providence Civic Center. Northern Michigan and Cornell are the other teams in the tournament.

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Report from campus

By Earl Strinden Alumni Assoc. Executive V-P

Congratulations Sioux

Congratulations to Coach Gino Gasparini, his assistant coaches and the members of the Fighting Sioux Hockey Team on another outstanding season! I'm sure there are those who will argue with me on this personal observation, but I do believe this year's Fighting Sioux Hockey Team is the most explosive and best ever to play for this great University.

Mel Duncan

This issue of the Alumni Review includes feature articles about two members of our UND alumni family — Mel Duncan and Ralph Engelstad. Mel, a Grand Forks native, had the unique experience of dealing with the governments of the eastern European countries when he served as corporate director of Union Carbide Europe.

While living in Europe, Mel wrote a prize-winning essay titled "Our Indivisible Freedoms." His thoughts regarding the benefits the free-market system has provided for the American people during our 200-year history, received wide publicity and was distributed by his company, Union Carbide.

In explaining what motivated him to put his thoughts about America on paper, Mel said, "Seeing the way of life under the planned economy systems made me realize how fortunate we are to live in this great nation." Just in case you missed seeing Mel's excellent essay, here are some excerpts. If you are interested in receiving a copy of the entire 1,000 word essay please drop me a note.

"Freedom is the most essential element of human satisfaction. More wars have been fought and personal sacrifices made in the quest for freedom than for any other cause. But freedom is indivisible. Freedom to own, to buy, to sell according to one's own desires and abilities is the essence of the free market system and is inseparable from other great freedoms, such as speech, religion, and movement, as ingredients of human satisfaction. To ask what benefits the free market system has provided to the American people is, therefore, to ask the more fundamental queston, 'What are the benefits of freedom?'

"Freedom sustains the spirit. . . Freedom motivates. . . Freedom breeds ingenuity. . . Freedom is hope. . . Freedom nurtures compassion. . . .

"These are but a few of the many benefits our freedoms, of which the free market system is a vital and indivisible part, have provided for the American people during our 200-year history."

Ralph Engelstad

If you should happen to be traveling to Las Vegas, make sure you stop in at the Imperial Palace. Members of our alumni family are achieving in virtually every field of endeavor. I don't know of another UND alum, however, who is the owner and the proprietor of a major hotel and casino on the famous "Las Vegas Strip."

My wife, Jan, and I had an opportunity to visit with Ralph and Betty just a couple of weeks ago. The Imperial Palace stands as a great accomplishment for Ralph. We are hoping to schedule, sometime in the near future, a UND Alumni Reunion weekend at the Imperial Palace.

Reunions

Springtime is alumni reunion time around the nation! It is great fun to meet and visit with our alumni at these gatherings. If you have an opportunity to attend, please do. I know you will find it a most enjoyable evening.

Alumni Days

Alumni Days 1980 will be held May 21, 22, and 23. This is a nice time to visit the campus. This issue of the Review carries the details about Alumni Days '80. Please plan to be back with us.

Return to U for Alumni Days

The class presidents from 1930 and 1940 are heading special committees to contact classmates about attending 40- and 50-year reunions at Alumni Days this year, May 21-23 on the University of North Dakota campus.

Oscar Buttedahl, '30 of Santa Rosa, Calif., and Dorothea (Stinson) Checkley, '40 of Seattle, Wash., are notifying their friends and classmates of the festivities planned for the three-day event.

Among the activities planned are the traditional reunion mixer/get reacquainted steak fry, where a microphone is passed among all of those attending to find out the latest tidbits regarding everyone's activities. This event is always among the best attended, and in past years, alumni have reminisced long into the night after meeting old friends and finding new ones.

Other special activities will include a special piano recital by UND First Lady Florence Clifford in the lovely Chester Fritz Auditorium, followed by class-picture taking.

Several Sioux Awards, the highest honor presented to an alumnus or alumna of the Universiy of North Dakota by the UND Alumni Associaton, will be presented at the Sioux Awards banquet Thursday evening.

Those attending Alumni Days will also have an opportunity to get reacquainted with the campus, as bus tours of the campus will be available. Activities will officially conclude with a reunion farewell buffet on Friday.

The Wilkerson housing complex will again be the site for many Alumni Days events.

A complete package of activities including tours, refreshments and tickets to all banquets and luncheons is available for $35 per person.

Contact the Alumni Office now (an advertisement appears elsewhere in this issue with the address) if you plan to return for Alumni Days 1980 and relive springtime on the University of North Dakota campus.

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Minneapolis, Minn.

Saturday, April 12, 1980, at the North Oaks Golf Club, 54 East Oaks Road, St. Paul, Minn. Social hour (cash bar) will begin at 6:30 p.m. with dinner ($8.50 per person) served at 7:30 p.m. For reservations and information contact Warren and JoAnne Bridston Hedlin, 39 Nord Circle, St. Paul, MN 55110. Telephone: (612) 483-1398.

Milwaukee, Wis.

Saturday, April 19, 1980, at Layton Place, 4305 West Layton Avenue (I-894 and Loomis Road), Milwaukee, Wis. Social hour (cash bar) will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a steak dinner ($10.25 per person) served at 8 p.m. A local committee headed by Sharie Miller Behling, '62 will handle arrangements. Other committee members include: Audrey Overby Ryerson, '49 (#414-543-0110), LaVerne Brownfield Hanson, '41 (#414-332-2502) and Jerry Anstett, '49 (#414-762-7851). For reservations and information contact Sharie Behling, 5311 Robin Drive, Greendale, WI 53129; (#414-421-5888) or (#414-421-8794).

San Diego, Calif.

Friday, April 25, 1980, at The Reuben E. Lee, 880 East Harbor Island Drive, San Diego, Calif. Social hour (cash bar) will begin at 6:30 p.m. with dinner ($12.50 per person) served at 7:30 p.m. For reservations and information, contact Dean Goetz, 603 North Highway 101, Solana Beach, CA 92075. Telephone: (714) 481-8844.

Los Angeles, Calif.

Saturday, April 26, 1980, at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, Music Center, 135 North Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif. Social hour (cash bar) will begin at 6:30 p.m. with dinner ($19.50 per person) served at 7:30 p.m. followed by dancing at 9 p.m. A local committee is in charge of arrangements led by Marv and Rita Hopewell, 2361 Faust Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90815, (213) 430-4830. Other committee members include: Barry and Delores Brenno, (213) 377-5420) Dave and Carolyn Fantz, (213) 330-1145; and Ken and Peggy Zuckerman, (213) 377-9855.

Denver, Colo.

Friday, May 2, 1980, at the American Legion Club #1, Leyden Chiles Wickersham Post, 4500 East Alameda Avenue, Denver, Colo. Social hour (cash bar) will begin at 6:30 p.m. with dinner ($8 per peson) served at 7:30 p.m. 1979-80 officers are Dr. Robert Krumholz, president, (303) 779-0974 and Mrs. Marilyn Brundin Wickham, secretary/treasurer, (303) 755-0210. For reservations contact Marilyn Wickham, 2932 South Wabash Circle, Denver, CO 80231.

Bavarian Holiday

UND alumni and friends will spend eight days, seven nights in the Bavarian Alps from Sept. 18-26, 1980. See the famous Oberammergau Passion Play and enjoy sightseeing in one of the most beautiful regions in Europe. UND Alumni Tours is offering two options, both including round trip airfare from Minneapolis. Option 1 ($899 per person double occupancy) puts you into a tourist style inn at the Bavarian village of Inzell, and provides free use of a rental car and two meals a day. Option 2 ($1,039 per person, double occupancy) features a private motorcoach tour, lodging at superior tourist hotels, with breakfast and dinner provided daily. Both options include tickets to the Passion Play. Write today for further information, and then make your reservations: UND Alumni Tours, Box 8157, University Station, Grand Forks, ND 58202.

University twins celebrate 75th birthday

One of the great legends at the University of North Dakota is that Lynn J. Frazier, a member of the Class of 1903 who later became governor and U.S. senator, was such a loyal alumnus that he named his twin daughters in honor of UND.

Unlike many legends, this one happens to be true. The twins, "Unie" Frazier Church and "Versie" Frazier Gaines, recently notified UND that they had observed their 75th birthday in Pompano Beach, Fla.

According to the sisters, the story about their names has often been mistold. One inaccurate version, for example, states that Frazier, who was captain of the football team, made the name choice in celebration of a UND victory over the then-agricultural college at Fargo. Actually, the twins say, they were not born until the year after Frazier graduated from UND. The football anecdote originated when Frazier returned to campus sometime later to lead the alumni team in a defeat of the varsity squad. Frazier received the game ball, and was told "to take the ball home to the University twins."

One of the founders of the Non-Partisan League, Frazier enjoyed a long political and government career. During an era when North Dakota politics was dominated by such graduates of the University of North Dakota as William Lemke, William Langer, and others, Frazier became the first UND alumnus to be elected governor (1916) and U.S. Senator (1922). He died in 1947.

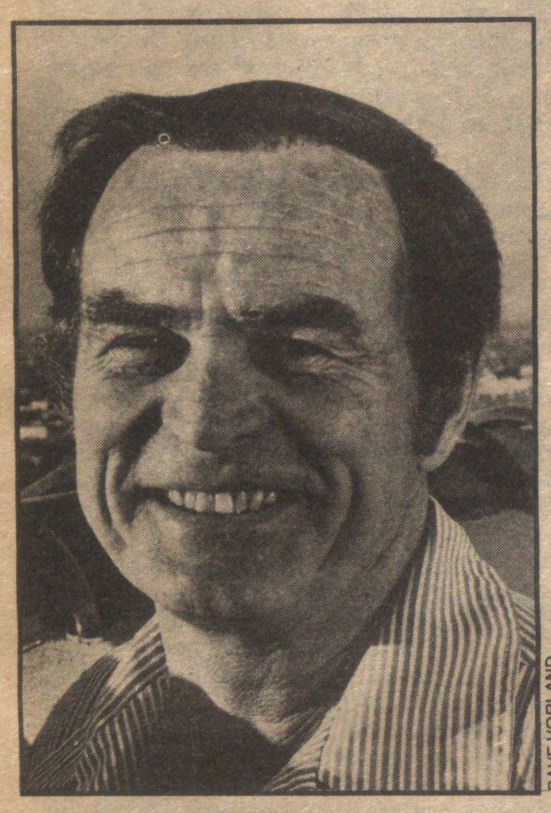
Unie (Frazier) Church, right, and Versie (Frazier) Gaines, left.

Engelstad excels as entrepreneur

By DAVE VORLAND

During his University of North Dakota student days, Ralph Engelstad excelled as a goalie on the Sioux hockey team — a position requiring quick reflexes, concentration, and more than a little luck.

Today Engelstad, '54, runs a vast business enterprise from a penthouse office on the 20th floor of his Imperial Palace, the newest luxury resort hotel/casino on the Las Vegas Strip. When asked how he got there, Engelstad points to a framed inscription displayed



DAVE VORLAND

Engelstad pauses a moment on the terrace of his new penthouse apartment on the 20th floor of the Imperial Palace.

prominently on a wall near his desk: **"The harder I work, the luckier I get.."**

That philosophy held Engelstad in good stead when he was blocking pucks in the Old Winter Sports Building during the days when Sioux hockey had just gone big time. It also enabled him to parlay a $2,500 loan into a diversified business empire which in addition to the Imperial Palace includes extensive land holdings in the Sun Belt states, 300 warehouses and office buildings, nine supermarkets, six light fixture stores, and other investments.

Engelstad's face brightens when he thinks of his friend Al Holmquist of Valley Bank and Trust Company in Grand Forks, who was willing 26 years ago to take a chance on a young UND business graduate. Engelstad had worked as a carpenter during his student days, so he used the loan to begin a contracting company in Grand Forks. Because of his hard work and a bit of luck, the company was successful and eventually produced the capital and credit for large scale business endeavors in the future. In appreciation for Holmquist's confidence in him, Engelstad has maintained his personal account ever since at the Valley Bank.

Engelstad, who grew up in Thief River Falls, Minn. (his wife, Betty (Stocker), is from East Grand Forks), decided to move to Las Vegas in 1960. At the time, he said, business was slow nationwide, and Las Vegas was one of the few cities enjoying a booming economy. And although he has since broadened his business activities to locations that range from Florida to Hawaii, he still finds Las Vegas as a convenient base of operations.

He continued in the contracting business during his first years away from North Dakota, Engelstad says, constructing more than a thousand houses in Nevada and California, and completing many large projects for the military. He also dabbled in land investments, one of which — a seemingly obsolete airport property — turned to pure gold in 1967 when Howard Hughes bought him out for a multi-million-dollar figure.

It was shortly thereafter that Engelstad entered the Las Vegas hotel business, investing first in a 176-unit motel. He received headlines in North Dakota when he donated to UND eight oil paintings valued at $40,000 which had been part of the motel's original decor.

The Imperial Palace was born in 1971 when Engelstad purchased a small and admittedly rundown motel on the Strip then known as the Flamingo Capri. The location, in the middle of a cluster of the best known Strip hotels such as the Sands, the Flamingo Hilton and Caesar's Palace, appealed to Engelstad, and he set to work to make the most of the opportunity.

Today the most ancient part of the Imperial Palace complex is five years old. Engelstad served as his own general contractor on the building project. The hotel now operates 900 rooms (ranging up to $850 per night), soon to be expanded to 1,200 rooms when the east tower is opened. The 40,000 square foot casino offers all the games of chance, including poker and $50,000 keno. The complex includes five restaurants, a 70-shop mall (the largest concentration in Las Vegas), 30,000 square feet of meeting rooms, a main exhibit hall containing 22,500 square feet of space, a swimming pool featuring a two-story waterfall, two all-weather tennis courts, and a 1,200-car covered parking facility (the largest in Nevada). A 1,200-seat show theatre will open in June to feature lavish production extravaganzas.

As its name suggests, the Imperial Palace attempts to reflect what the hotel's promotion department terms the "charm, beauty and gracious hospitality of the Far East."

The Oriental theme is carried throughout from the uniforms (parking attendants, bellmen, front desk clerks, casino cage personnel, waiters, bartenders, pit clerks in Gis; cocktail waitresses and keno runners in short silk brocade kimonos; and dealers in mandarin-necked shirts with embroidered Imperial Palace monograms) to the room appointments and the 18 giant wind-chime chandeliers and 30 ferocious dragons which curl around the beams over the casino.

Although he has delegated the day-to-day management of the Imperial Palace to his brother Richard, it is clear the image of the hotel/casino and its positioning in the Las Vegas market have been decided by Ralph Engelstad.

After the sensory overload wears off, the first-time Las Vegas visitor notes that the hotels and casinos attract rather specific clienteles, ranging from a tawdry group of people at one end of the spectrum to the super-rich social elite at the other. The Imperial Palace, without being snobbish, draws from the middle and upper ends of the spectrum. In the words of Engelstad's publicist, the hotel was "created on the premise that each guest deserves to be treated like an emperor or empress."

The Imperial Palace operation is unique in Las Vegas on two scores.

First, it is the only major hotel/casino which is individually owned. Most of the big operations are owned by corporations which have been attracted by the obvious business potential of gambling (last year, Nevada's 21 largest publicly owned casinos grossed $1.6 billion in total, with a 14.5 percent operating profit). Engelstad says he receives at least one corporate offer a month to buy the Imperial Palace — the last one for $110 million.

Second, the Imperial Palace is one of the few hotels in town which is non-union. His 1,000 employees all seem happy with working conditions and compensation, a blessing to a hotel in a town which is plagued by strikes and other labor-management unpleasantness.

Part of Imperial Palace's high employee morale is attributed by Engelstad to his selectivity in hiring. He looks for honest people (crucial in a business that deals in cash) who don't mind working. The applicants who are hired give the Imperial Palace the friendly atmosphere which Engelstad says North Dakotans and Minnesotans take for granted in their home states, but often notice missing when they travel.

Engelstad smiles when he is asked whether he gambles in his casino.

The answer is, of course, yes. Ralph Engelstad is the "house," that unseen presence the Blackjack player, slot machine addict, and other gamblers pit themselves against. He often loses (a single individual took $58,000 from one of his craps tables the night before the Alumni Review interview), but over the long run Engelstad enjoys a slight advantage. It isn't much of an edge — a couple of percentage points or so on the millions of dollars which flow in and out of the casino daily — but it's enough to pay the bills and, if things go right, compensate him with a profit.

But other than serving as the "house" to the patrons of the Imperial Palace casino, Engelstad says he limits his gambling to the risk-taking involved in his business enterprises.

He also finds it easy to resist the temptations of the "show biz" world. The big name entertainers who are synonymous with Las Vegas are no more and no less to him than potential employees.

What does he do to relax?

"Sleep," he says laughingly.

Engelstad admits he is among the membership of that fraternity of people who find life's greatest satisfaction in long hours of challenging work. And, although he enjoys some personal interests such as gun collecting, his life normally involves eight to twelve hours a day of managing his business, six or seven days a week.

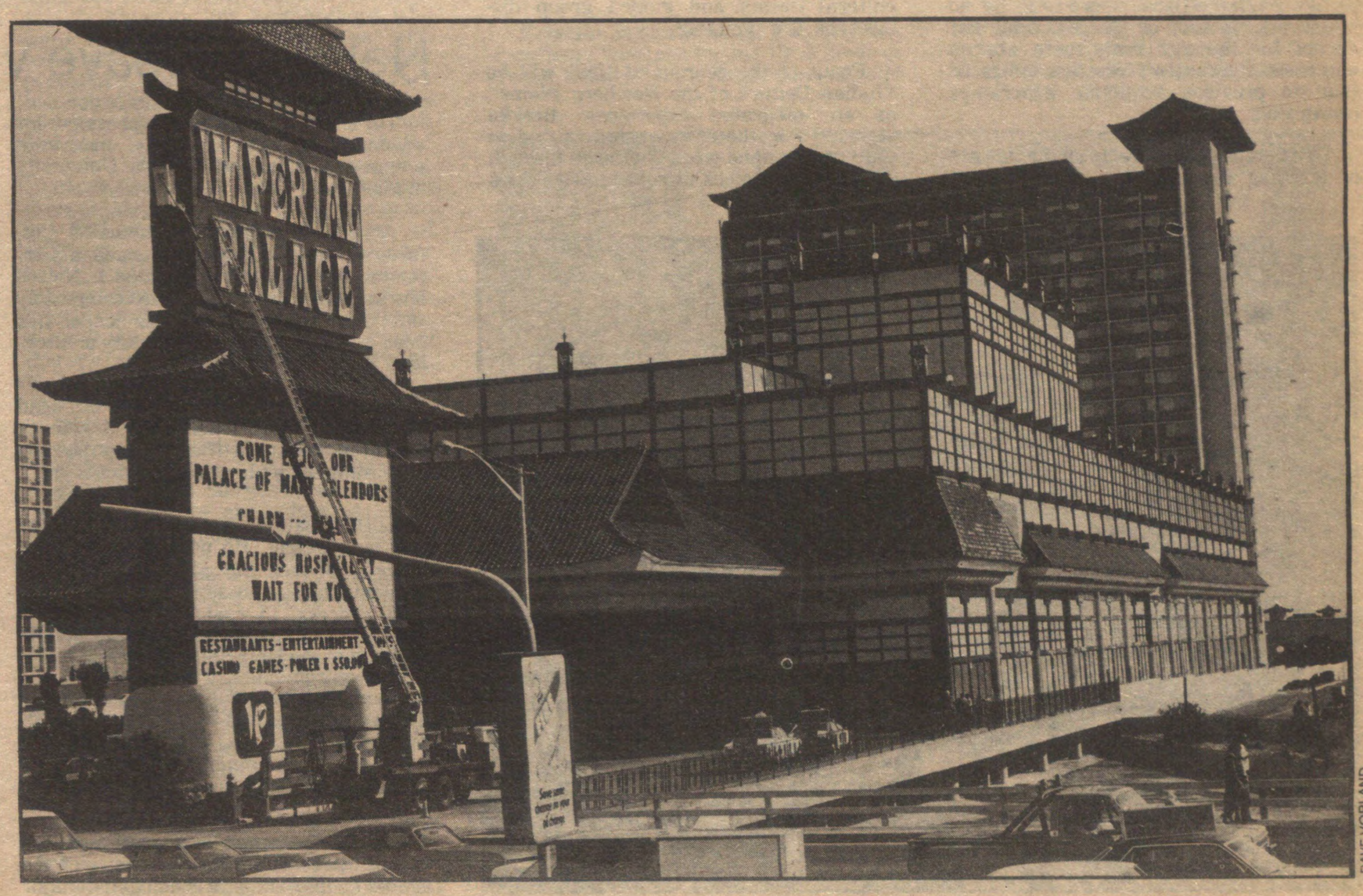
However, Engelstad does admit to one sign of slowing down. He and his wife Betty are completing a 4,500-square foot, one-bedroom penthouse on the 20th floor of the Imperial Palace. Because of the growth of Las Vegas, commuting to work now requires two hours a day for Ralph. Betty, who is active in community affairs, also expects to find the new location more convenient.

Whether living down the hall from his office will reduce rather than increase the amount of time Ralph spends on business, however, is a possibility which brings expressions of disbelief from his business associates.

Friends who wish to write Engelstad can reach him in care of the Imperial Palace, 3535 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Las Vegas, NV 89109.

DAVE VORLAND

Ralph Engelstad believes hard work prepares a business for good luck.



DAVE VORLAND

The Imperial Palace on the Strip — the only major hotel/casino in Las Vegas still owned by a private individual rather than a corporation. The owner is Ralph Engelstad, '54.

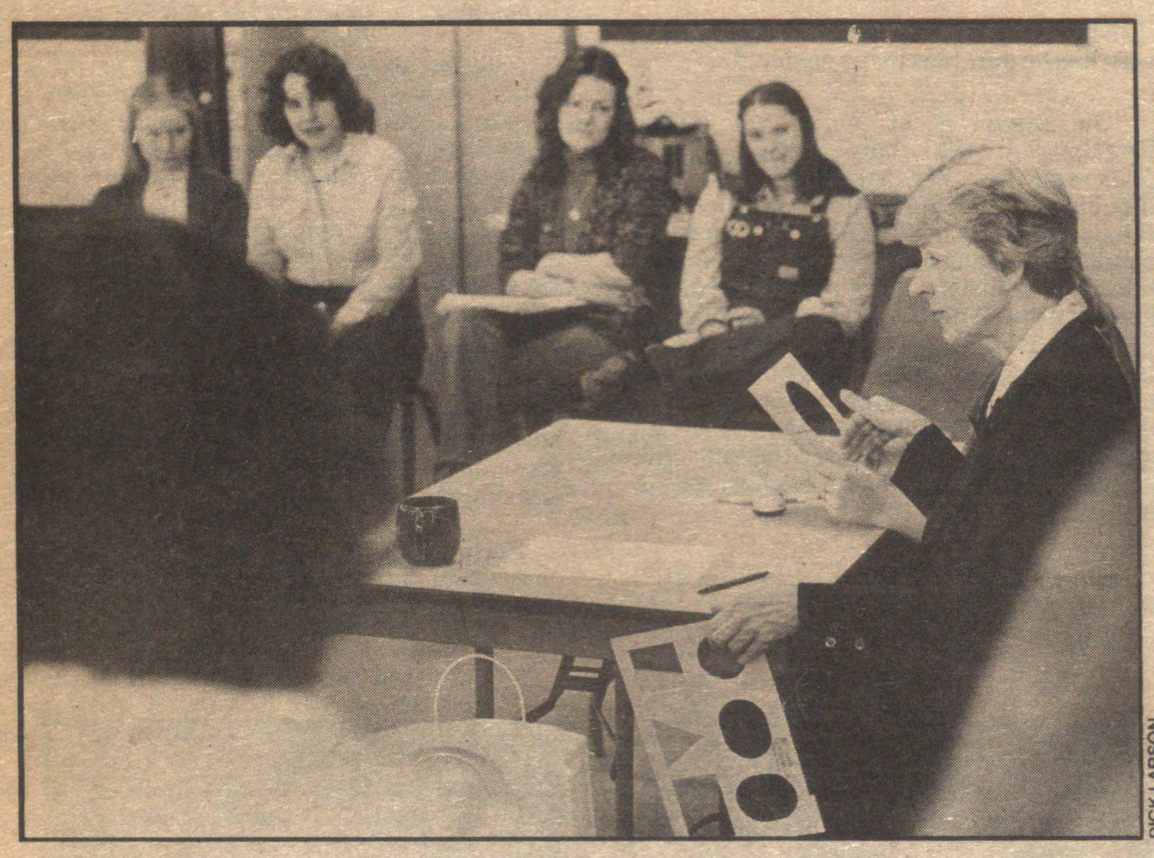
Occupational therapy is gaining identity

By COLLEEN HAGEN MORIN

There were only four students in the Department of Occupational Therapy when Ione Olson came to UND in 1954, — and Ione was the only faculty member. Today, she and Ruth M. Peterson, recently honored at UND's Founders Day upon the occasion of their retirement, are part of a full-time teaching staff of five supplemented by three part-time instructors within the occupational therapy department at UND.

In addition to an increase in students, there has been an expanding awareness of occupational therapy throughout the University, the community, and in the health care fields in general. According to Olson, as the possibilities for growth in OT are increasing, there is also a growing concern among the people involved in the field regarding a definition of the concepts and theories involved in the practice, and of the profession itself.

"Many people think of occupational therapy as merely arts and crafts skills," Peterson explained. "In actual practice, occupational therapists are concerned with a handicapped person's ability to function in three specific areas: work, play and self-care. To achieve such function, therapists utilize a wide variety of activities, including some arts and crafts used therapeutically.



DICK LARSON

Ruth Peterson received an outstanding teacher award in 1972 for her effectiveness as an instructor.

"Some persons think we teach job skills," Peterson continued. "What we really do is help people learn or re-learn functions which are basic to performing job skills. We are concerned with fundamental skills such as grasp-release, coordination, and the ability to make well-directed, purposeful movements. We also provide activities which will build the stamina and endurance necessary in any job situation."

According to the American Occupational Therapy Association, occupational therapy is defined as "a health profession whose primary purpose is assisting individuals to achieve or maintain their capacities to function in daily living activities at a level which allows as much independence as possible.

"Occupation here refers to those activities and tasks which each individual must perform as determined by age and role in the family and community, including self-care activities (eating, dressing, personal hygiene, grooming, and handling objects), work activities (related to school, home management, and employment), and play/leisure (games, sports, hobbies, and social activities).

"Because all activities in daily life require, to some degree or other, the ability to use one's body to think, understand, and learn, and to relate to others in an appropriate way, the occupational therapist must have knowledge and understanding of these components of functioning and how they are involved in the performance of daily life tasks. Thus the therapist must be able to analyze daily living performance tasks and determine what is required to successfully carry out these tasks.

"Occupational therapy services may be provided in the home, hospital, rehabilitation center, outpatient clinic, special school setting, nursing home, or work environment. The occupational therapist is educated in professional programs accredited by the American Occupational Therapy Association and the American Medical Association."

"Because the general public is very confused about 'what is occupational therapy' and 'what is physical therapy,' I suppose we'll almost always be selling our profession," Olson observed. "It's even hard to explain that we're in different colleges here on campus. OT is in the College for Human Resources Development, and PT is in the School of Medicine.

"I think occupational therapy has become more specific," Olson continued, "and we're trying to define our concepts and theories more specifically. More research is going on so that we can prove some of these things rather than just stating them in theory."

According to Olson, an increase in the publication of textbooks backs up her opinions.

Peterson explained that sometimes therapists work with children or older people who don't have jobs to go back to or their "job" may be attending a school for the first time. Because of these possibilities, many OT students are finding themselves working in school systems and learning disabilities or geriatrics centers.

Peterson said she has been surprised by how many students have been interested in working with older persons. She feels that a practical experience in geriatrics may have had an influence. Each student spent 27 hours in a center where they planned and implemented activities for two groups of residents. One incorporated activities stimulating movement, thinking and fun; the other was a remotivation group to improve awareness and to stimulate response among its members. "It was amazing how many students came away rather excited about the fact that these older persons were real people."

More recently, students have shown an

Elderhostel offers learning experience to over 60ers

University of North Dakota alumni will have an opportunity to relive their college experiences through a special program for persons aged 60 and older called "Elderhostel."

Dr. Beverly Brekke, a professor of special education in the UND Center for Teaching and Learning, is the North Dakota coordinator of the Elderhostel program, and she describes it this way: "Elderhostel is a one-week program, from July 13-19, 1980, of residential continuing education for persons who have a desire to explore new ideas and meet new people, young and old."

She explained that there will be no homework, exams or grades, and that except for the age limit there are no entrance requirements. She also indicated that no previous academic experience is required.

"The emphasis is clearly on the fine art of learning for personal gratification," she emphasized. "Elderhostel is a total living/learning experience."

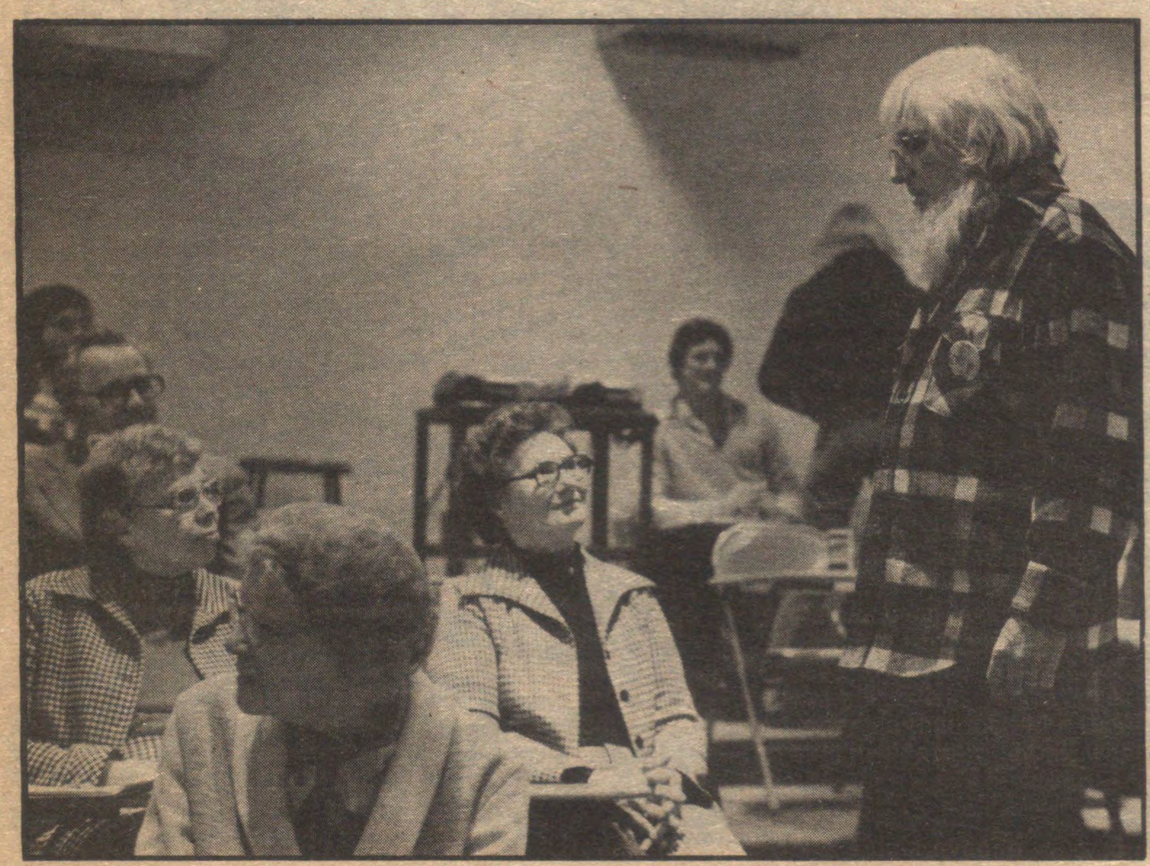
Brekke said "hostelers" will live in college dormitories from Sunday through Saturday morning. During the week, participants will be able to enroll in from one to three specially designed courses, each course meeting 1½ to 2 hours per day.

The courses are informal and non-credit, she said, but are designed to introduce new ideas, new fields of inquiry, and new possibilities into the lives of inquisitive and enterprising older learners. Outside the classroom, both free time and planned activities such as field trips, cultural events and guided group discussions, are available.

Focus of the courses at UND will be "Indian Culture of the Northern Plains" as an integrated experience. Brekke stated, "For those interested in Indian Culture, a unique week is offered through the eyes and voices of selected Old Ones from among Indian people." She said that along with the Indian studies faculty, lecture-discussion seminars will be conducted to portray a way of life different from what the white world knows.

Three courses will be offered at UND: ritual and ceremony, arts and artifacts, and Indian studies. Ritual and ceremony will deal with dramatizations of many legends and stories, with musical interpretations by major drummers and dancers of the Sioux people. Indian values and customs will be translated through sessions with the Old Ones sharing pipe making, bead work, native foods and other traditions in the arts and artifacts course. Indian studies will focus on the history and contemporary issues of the Northern Plains Indians.

Alumni interested in participating in the Elderhostel program are invited to contact Dr. Beverly Brekke at the Center for Teaching and Learning at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND 58202, phone (701) 777-2511. There will be a cost of $130 per participant, and registration will begin in April.



DUANE SWEEP

Marty Knowlton, founder of the Elderhostel program, spoke about the program at the University of North Dakota recently.

Nelson to leave v-p post

Dr. Conny E. Nelson, vice president for academic affairs at UND, has been nominated as chancellor of the University of Michigan-Flint.

According to President Thomas J. Clifford, Nelson, 47, has announced his intention to resign effective June 1. Nelson has been vice president at UND since July 1976. His confirmation as chancellor has been confirmed by the University of Michigan Board of Regents.

As chancellor at Flint, Nelson will head one of three institutions in the University of Michigan system. The Flint campus has an enrollment of about 4,000 students.

Clifford said he accepted the resignation with regret. He pointed to Nelson's leadership over the past four years in implementing an in-depth academic planning process, in creating an Office of Research and Program Development, in revising of the University general graduation requirements, in reorganizing the academic administration to enhance the decision-making and budgeting responsibilities of the deans, and in formulating the faculty development proposal recently funded by the Bush Foundation.

The vice president for academic affairs is the president's chief adviser in academic matters, and is delegated major responsibility for University curriculum, academic policies, faculty appointments, and academic budgeting. Reporting to him are 11 deans and the heads of nine academic support departments, such as the Chester Fritz Library.

Clifford said an extensive search effort to replace Nelson would be announced soon.

Nelson holds a Ph.D. in English and comparative literature from the University of Washington. Previous to joining UND he was assistant vice president for academic affairs at the University of Nebraska.

Conny Nelson

2 retiring professors led the way at UND

DICK LARSON

Ione Olson has taught many of the arts and crafts skills courses at UND, but now the emphasis in occupational therapy is getting away from arts and crafts activities.

increasing interest for working with children. Many work in a general pediatrics program or a school for crippled children, but there are more and more therapists functioning in school systems, often with learning disabled youngsters.

Peterson also noted that many things have changed since she first became involved in the OT program at UND. "Group techniques, perceptual-motor concepts, movement patterns, and concepts dealing with learning disabilities, have been introduced into classes. Currently we are incorporating craft activities into the theory classes. Therapeutic use of the activity is taught along with the skill aspects."

"Much of the treatment of physical disabilities has been based on what we know about anatomy and nervous systems and muscle functions," Peterson explained, "and as new things are learned in that field, our treatment techniques will change also." As a result, the field is growing and changing.

Olson is excited about the growth the department has seen in her 26 years at UND. "Look where we've gone now," she points out. "Of course we can only take 30 students maximum because of some of the lab courses and because there are only a limited number of field placements for our students to gain practical experience."

Students desiring to enter occupational therapy at UND must make written application during their sophomore year, with acceptance being on a competitive basis, admitting 30 juniors. Completion of the program must include six months of field work — three in physical disabilities and three in psychiatry — in a clinic, school, rehab center or mental health center. Students may also do optional field work assignments in pediatrics, geriatrics, learning disabilities, mental retardation, or whatever interests them specifically.

While many college graduates are currently facing a tight job market, those graduating in occupational therapy have a variety of positions to choose from. According to Dr. Amy Lind, chairwoman of the Department of Occupational Therapy at UND, there are currently more jobs in occupational therapy than can be filled. She said that if a graduate wants to work, he or she should have no trouble finding a position.

Specific jobs in specific cities may not be available as they once were, but as Peterson pointed out, if students want jobs, there are a great number of choices including both cities and smaller towns. She said that a few years ago most graduates wanted to locate either in California or "the cities" (Minneapolis/St. Paul), but now more graduates are choosing to work in more rural areas. Many accept positions in UND's tri-state area.

The possibilities for growth are still increasing, Olson added, particularly in the areas of mainstreaming the handicapped into the general school system and in work with the mentally handicapped of all ages. With more and more therapists working in community settings, other job possibilities become available.

Very few occupational therapists have taken another option, that of becoming involved in private practice. In fact, Olson says, she knows of only one occupational therapist in the entire state of North Dakota who is in a private practice. But as the understanding of occupational therapy becomes more widespread and more of the public recognizes the benefits offered through the practice, opportunities seem to be increasing for OT's to move into the added area of private practice.

A native of Glenwood, Minn., Olson started her career with the University in 1954 as an assistant professor of occupational therapy. She has taught courses in psychosocial dysfunction and therapeutic activities. She says her choice of occupational therapy probably stemmed from childhood recollections of two individuals living in her neighborhood who were invalids, whose difficulties with various aspects of daily life impressed her profoundly. Because both of her sisters are in medical-related fields, she said, she also had an added tendency to move in that direction.

Olson received her occupational therapy education in a certificate program at Milwaukee-Downer College of Milwaukee, Wis., and she earned her bachelor's degree in occupational therapy through the University of North Dakota. She has worked in Veteran's Hospitals, including serving as chief of occupational therapy at the Vets Hospital in Fargo, N.D.

One of the three therapists who were founders of the North Dakota Occupational Therapy Association, Olson has held every association office. She has served as North Dakota's delegate and alternate to the American Occupational Therapy Association, and is currently the editor of the state association's monthly newsletter. Olson was the initiator of Recovery, Incorporated and she is a charter member of the Voluntary Action Center, both located in Grand Forks. From 1963-65, she served as acting chairwoman for the Department of Occupational Therapy at UND. She received a March of Dimes scholarship for graduate study at the University of Nebraska-Omaha, for 1962-63.

A member of numerous professional groups, Olson is also a member of the Institute of Gerontology Medicine, and she currently serves on the advisory board of community education in East Grand Forks, Minn. She and her husband Ivan live in East Grand Forks. They have two sons, their youngest, Glen is currently enrolled as a freshman at UND.

Olson has been working for 30 years, so she says there are all sorts of things tucked away that she wants to start digging out when she retires this spring. Her first project, she says, "is to find out if my house has square corners instead of round."

An avid antique buff, Olson has a particular penchant for chairs and she has a number of them waiting to be refinished, repaired or recaned. She warned that attending auction sales is somewhat of an occupational hazard since many of the local OT's meet at various auctions each summer.

Olson is anticipating becoming a grandmother for the second time this spring, and she expects that the rocking chair she received from UND as her retirement gift will be especially handy for the new family member. Her retirement plans also include gardening, more involvement in community groups, and a chance for the first vacation with her husband in many years.

Peterson began working as a staff occupational therapist for the UND Medical Center Rehabilitation Hospital in 1959, and was promoted to chief occupational therapist in 1960. In 1965, she transferred to the University of Washington to accept a teaching position, then returned to UND in 1967 as an assistant professor of occupational therapy. She was promoted to associate professor in 1973.

She has taught physical disabilities courses with emphasis on developmental and neurological deficits for 13 years. She served as field-work coordinator at the University from 1967 to 1977. UND acknowledged her contributions to the academic program by awarding her the Standard Oil of Indiana Outstanding Teacher Award in 1972.

She initiated the University's chapter of Phi Theta Epsilon, occupational therapy honor society, and has served as the group's adviser for 10 years. Peterson received her bachelor's degree from Mayville (N. D.) State College and her occupational therapy education in a certificate program at the University of Puget Sound. She earned a master of education degree from the University of North Dakota in 1965.

Peterson is a member of the World Federation of Occupational Therapists and the American Occupational Therapy Association. She has also served as president of the Red River District of the Occupational Therapy Association.

She said that she made up her mind to retire in somewhat of a hurry, so her plans for retirement as such, are rather indefinite. Over spring break she visited a retirement village in Florida, but has decided that she isn't quite ready for that setting yet. Instead, Peterson's plans include painting, doing some batik, travel, writing, playing the piano and trying some of the things she has never had time to do. "Basically, I'm going to learn how to loaf," Peterson remarked."

Peterson's choice of occupational therapy for a career came about following the death of her husband.

Instead of pursuing her previous career as a public school music teacher, she decided to become an occupational therapist. The variety, creativity, and challenges in the field have proven to be as satisfying as she anticipated.

Ione Olson and Ruth M. Peterson will be honored at a retirement reception on April 26, at the UND Memorial Union's Dakota Lounge. The reception, scheduled for 1-4 p.m., is being sponsored by the UND chapter of Pi Theta Epsilon, occupational therapy honor society. The reception will enable present and former students, colleagues and friends to congratulate Peterson and Olson on their long service to the University and to the profession.

Those planning to attend the reception are asked to inform Theodore Peterson, O.T.S., Occupational Therapy Department, UND, Grand Forks, ND 58202.

DICK LARSON

Hand activities continue to be an important part of occupational therapy. Here, Olson watches while a student works on a project.

Stroke treatment helps victims to help themselves

By JOHN VANVIG
Rehab Hospital Information Specialist

Occupational therapist Barb Haugen wheels a new patient up to a mirror at the University of North Dakota's Medical Center Rehabilitation Hospital and sets the patient a seemingly simple task.

"Can you take off your sweater, Marie?" Haugen asks, smiling encouragement.

Marie Dale of Park River, N.D., has been taking off her own sweaters for most of her 61 years. But now, shortly after a stroke has severely weakened her right arm and leg and greatly hampered her ability to communicate, the routine act of removing a sweater seems almost too much for the determined Dale.

"You have to be patient," Haugen consoles her, "because it takes time."

It does, indeed, take time. A stroke patient may spend months or years recovering the use of limbs or language, as treatment begun at the hospital continues at home.

But the patience pays off: Researchers have found that nearly seven of 10 stroke victims placed on comprehensive rehabilitation programs will become completely or almost completely independent.

Strokes, frequently associated with advanced age, can happen to anyone; scientists have linked a number of conditions — high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity and certain heart and blood vessel diseases — to the incidence of stroke.

The fundamental causes of strokes are known; the effects, however, are as diverse and unpredictable as people themselves:

—An aneurism, or sac of blood formed at a weak spot in an artery wall, bursts in a young man's brain; the resulting hemorrhage damages a portion of the brain and the man is left suddenly with only half his normal field of vision, one side of his body numb and paralyzed;

—A blood clot forms within the hardened walls of an artery in an elderly woman's neck, blocking the supply of blood to a small part of her brain; now the cherished conversations of her grandchildren (and anyone else around her) seem only gibberish and she cannot recognize nor tell the use of the knitting needles she once used so skillfully;

—Circulating blood carries an embolism, or clot, from a middle-aged man's heart into his brain, where the clot lodges in a tiny artery and cuts off the flow of blood to one area of the brain; he can still hear and understand everything said around him, but he cannot speak, "locked in" by the aphasia that robs him of his vocabulary.

One element common to all the above situations is common to all stroke cases: an interference in the supply of blood to some portion of the brain. But just as no two persons' effects from or reactions to a stroke are the same, treatment aimed at helping each patient achieve independence must also be personalized, tailored to meet the special needs of each individual.

A facility such as the Rehab Hospital can design just the sort of individualized program of comprehensive treatment required to meet those special needs, resulting in an "excellent prognosis" for many of the stroke patients referred to the Rehab, according to Dr. Donald F. Barcome, the hospital's medical director.

The Rehab's specially trained rehabilitation staff, he said, will form a multidisciplinary team to set up a specific treatment plan for the patients. Exercises will be used to strengthen muscles affected by the stroke, special training activities will help restore the patient's ability to handle day-to-day tasks, and language therapy will improve the patient's communication skills.

The work will be hard, Barcome said. But he added that the rewards will be worth the effort: For example, arms and legs can become strong and useful again, helping the patient toward independence and thus bolstering the self-respect threatened by the occurrence of stroke.

But before the plan can be developed, many aspects of the patient's previous and current conditions must be examined.

Jack Carroll, director of the Rehab's communication disorders department, listed just a few of the many factors that can affect a stroke patient's rehabilitation:

"A lot depends on the patient's level of impairment, cooperation, general health both before and after the stroke, education, former occupation, family support, availability of treatment resources in the community and length of time before therapy starts after the stroke."

Furthermore, the treatment must be augmented by a carefully planned program of family counseling to prepare family members to meet and cope with the varied needs of the patient.

"We treat the family as much as we do the patient," Carroll said. "We have to."

Often, he said, this means confronting a spouse, son or daughter with the realities of the patient's condition and potentials. And in most cases, "treating the family" also must include training in the techniques needed for the patient's home care.

The Rehab's director of nursing, Mary Ensrude, said her staff views such training as "part of our obligation." The husband or wife, or the child still at home, must be taught the techniques the patient will use to get out of bed, move around, maintain a bowel and bladder program and tend to personal hygiene when he or she leaves the hospital.

But, Ensrude added, there is a fine line between caring for a loved one after a stroke and helping too much.

"We must reinforce to the family that they're not doing the patient any good by overcaring," she said, explaining that exercise and work are valuable physical and psychological therapy for the stroke patient. "Every time they use their muscles they're gaining strength."

Psychologists working with the patient's family also stress the importance of not crossing the fine line. The patient's self-esteem will skyrocket when he or she finds the strength and ability to handle personal or household tasks independently, they say.

They also point out, however, that the family members need some time for themselves as well. Too much time spent caring too much for the patient not only will hamper his or her drive to become independent, but it also may seriously deplete the family's emotional resources, the psychologists caution.

Thus, stroke treatment at the Rehab is two-pronged: The family must be taught and counseled how to deal with the new situation, and the patient must be taught how to do as much as possible on his or her own.

For Marie Dale, therapy began at the Rehab about two weeks after she suffered her stroke, with several sessions spent on evaluating her language problem and physical abilities, including range of movement and sensitivity to touch.

Prior to treatment, physical therapist Robyn Nelson used a variety of exercises and evaluations to determine Dale's ability to move her affected right arm and leg, her awareness of where her limbs were located in relation to her body and the status of skin sensation.

Haugen, the occupational therapist, meanwhile analyzed Dale's ability to handle basic tasks such as dressing, eating and grooming. Bev O'Shea, a speech and language pathologist at the Rehab, evaluated the extent of Dale's language problems.

These three therapists, however, were only part of the team that then undertook Dale's treatment. The group also included a rehab nurse, a dietitian, a psychologist and a social worker, as well as other therapists as needed, and all were under the direction of Dr. J. S. Midmore, one of the Rehab's physiatrists.

As a physiatrist, or doctor specializing in physical medicine and rehabilitation, Midmore worked with the other team members to form a plan focusing on the woman's strengths and abilities.

"We deal primarily with what the patient has," he said, "not with what they've lost."

Another Rehab physiatrist, Dr. Roger W. Davis, agreed. Davis pointed to statistics showing a decrease in the incidence of stroke in the general population and a growing ability to return stroke patients to near or full independence.

"The incidence of stroke is going down, while our ability to help these people is going up," Davis said. "A greater percentage of stroke patients walk and talk and care for themselves and return to their own homes when they're treated in a comprehensive rehabilitation center."

The positive attitude also must be instilled in the patient's family, according to Rehab treatment team members, so that the patient will continue to recover at home after leaving the hospital. It was for this reason that the Rehab's psychology and social services department recently formed a group for stroke patient's families.

The group helps relatives of stroke patients prepare for the patient's new needs as well as offering the support and encouragement of others in the same situation. A similar group for stroke patients themselves is expected to be formed soon.

All of these programs, services and approaches are designed to help the patient meet the world as capable as possible on the new terms imposed by a stroke. But the time spent at the Medical Center Rehabilitation Hospital is just the beginning of a long process of recovery.

The average length of stay for a stroke patient at the Rehab is 32 days — about a month of learning and hard work. But the teaching and treatment lay a groundwork for an on-going process of increasing ability and self-esteem, as the patient comes to learn that a stroke need not be the setback he or she once thought it was.

After that, the Rehab will follow through with a home therapy plan, assistance in locating professional treatment help in the patient's home community and periodic checks on the patient's progress.

Then it becomes the patient's turn — and the family's. The Rehab will continue to offer help and information, but the patient and the family must carry rehabilitation into each day-to-day activity.

The Dales know this now, and Thelmer Dale is confident his wife will accept the work and accomplish her independence.

"She's got strong determination," he said. "Once she starts something, she finishes it."

Marie Dale, for one, is obviously equal to stroke's challenge.

photos by John Vanvig

Tamra Goehner, a physical therapy aide, works with Mrs. Dale on gait training.

Dr. J. S. Midmore, one of the Rehab's physiatrists, discusses stroke treatment with Mrs. Dale in the hospital's physical therapy gymnasium.

Barb Haugen, left, an occupational therapist at the Rehab, exercises with Marie Dale shortly after Dale was admitted to the hospital for stroke treatment.

Adaptive equipment eases one's rehabilitation

For most people, stirring a pot is a pretty simple task. Most people have the use of both hands.

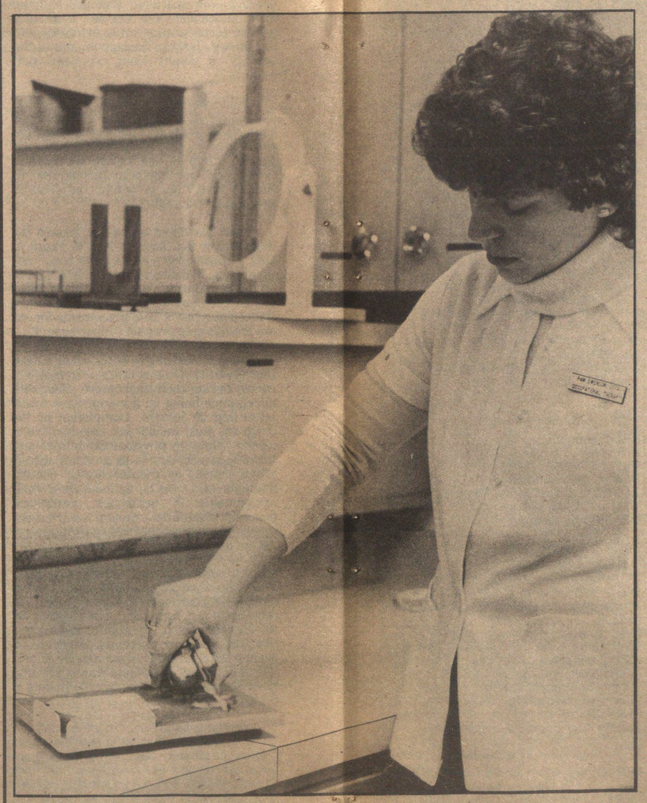
But for some people — like many stroke victims, amputees or persons with arthritis — the use of two hands is a luxury they may have to learn to live without.

And that's what adaptive devices are all about. These tools have been developed to allow the one-handed cook to stir a pot without having it slide off the burner, to secure a bowl while he or she mixes the contents and then hold it at an angle while pouring batter or to do just about anything any other cook can do.

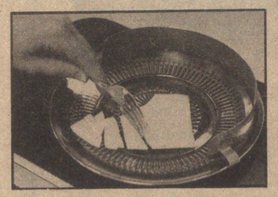
The occupational therapy department of the Medical Center Rehabilitation Hospital at the University of North Dakota is full of these inventive devices: specially mounted graters for peeling vegetables, gripper pads that hold a plate securely in one spot and other slick tricks for helping one-handed people work more efficiently and easily in the kitchen.

The idea behind the special kitchen, according to Pam Swenson, a member of the hospital's occupational therapy staff who is responsible for training on the adaptive devices, is to show how a little ingenuity can turn a major problem into a simple task.

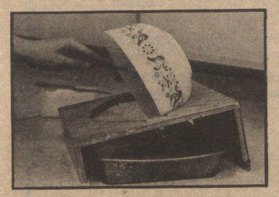
"What we're trying to do is to show how a little inventiveness can make possible something that seemed impossible because of a disability," she said. "This whole kitchen is designed to help people become more independent."



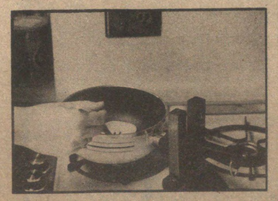
Pam Swenson, who trains patients in the adaptive kitchen at the Medical Center Rehabilitation Hospital, shows how a potato is peeled using only one hand. Other adaptive cooking devices can be seen on the shelf beside her.



This plate rests on a dycem pad, which grips both the table and the plate to reduce sliding. The detachable rim eases the task of pushing food onto the fork, and a cutting edge on the fork allows one utensil to do the work of two.



Mixing batter would be difficult without this bowl holder, which holds the bowl in place while the contents are stirred and then keeps the bowl at an angle for pouring the mix into a pan.



The pot holder keeps a pot from turning or sliding on a burner while food is stirred.

S.I.D. shares Sioux spring sports scoop

By LEE BOHNET
Sports Information Director

Sioux spring teams are now preparing in earnest for their seasons and, as usual, are awaiting the advent of warm weather to really get their acts together.

Take baseball coach Harold (Pinky) Kraft for instance. Pinky, who will be coaching his 25th Sioux team, began working with his pitchers and catchers indoors in mid-January and the balance of his 40-man team in mid-February. He needs to get outdoors since the team begins an eight-game swing into Kentucky and Missouri March 31. The team has 28 games scheduled, 10 at home.

About half of the **baseball** team will be freshmen and sophomores, but Kraft doesn't term this a building year. "We have only two seniors, but a good nucleus of returning veterans," he explains.

He says he'll have good depth in the field and in the catching corps, and his outfield will be primarily new men with good speed. "Defensively, and we always look at pitching when we talk defense, we should be okay. What this team needs is game experience," Kraft added.

Co-captain Howard Swanson is a solid pitcher and his other hurlers have shown good improvement plus he has a couple of outstanding freshmen hurlers. The other Co-captain is infielder-outfielder David Mayer.

Women's softball coach Pat Warcup has 25 candidates with more expected later. She says pitching and catching are weak spots, but defensively the Sioux softballers should be strong. "If our hitting comes around we could have a good year. We have 11 letterwinners returning," Warcup said. UND also returns its leading hitter of a year ago, Ruth Mechanic, who batted .360.

Sioux **men's golf** coach Louie Bogan, who directed the Sioux to their 11th North Central Conference championship last fall, will have five lettermen this spring including Captain Mike Sipe. Bogan and the team now are awaiting possible selection to the NCAA Division II national tournament as conference champion last spring. But 16 other schools in NCAA District Five (the Dakotas, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri and Oklahoma) are in competition for the two berths available. The golfers will play several matches this spring.

Women's golf coach Pat Mauch returns her entire team of last fall. Marsha Gibb and Karen Morgan are the letterwinners, with Marsha winning the third place in the AIAW regionals last fall.

Men's and women's **tennis** coach Tom Wynne looks for both teams to do well this spring. The men, for example, could be stronger than a year ago when they won the first Sioux North Central Conference title in 42 years. "We have strong new players plus three lettermen back," he says. UND will play 18 matches this spring, five at home, in addition to hosting the NCC tourney again May 2-3.

All members of the women's tennis team, which went 6-2 last fall, return this spring, according to Wynne. He has scheduled 10 dual meets, four at home, plus regional competition for them.

After an abbreviated indoor **track** season, men's track coach Frank Zazula and his charges eagerly await the outdoor season. Zazula has a good-sized squad working daily, but needs warm outdoor weather to get maximum performances. Among Zazula's top performers is freshman polevaulter Brian Quern, who placed second in the NCC indoor meet with a vault of 14 feet, one and a half inches.

Second-year **women's track** coach Peg Seeling also has a good squad working daily, but it is a squad not blessed with great depth. Coach Seeling has seven letterwinners returning. The women tracksters will compete in five invitational meets this spring plus the AIAW regionals at Des Moines, Iowa.

Grand Forks area alumni wishing to get a sneak preview of the 1980 Sioux football squad are invited to attend a special varsity-alumni football game at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3 at Memorial Stadium.

Alumni of the 1960s and '70s will show their skills of yesteryear, according to coach Pat Behrns, against varsity players. It will be an opportunity to renew acquaintances and visit with former UND athletes.

A smoker will kick-off activities on Friday, May 2, followed by the game Saturday and a banquet Saturday evening.

Anyone wishing more details about the game should contact UND head football coach Pat Behrns at the UND Memorial Stadium, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND 58202 phone (701) 777-4191.

Hockey players reunite

A dozen members of the 1958-59 UND national championship hockey team returned to the campus recently, as guests of the UND athletic department.

The 1959 champions, winners of UND's first national championship, saw the Sioux clinch their second consecutive WCHA crown, maintaining possession of the MacNaughton Cup. During their stay, members of the early team were presented plaques commemorating their winning UND's first major national championship. They were also feted at a dinner and introduced to the crowd.

Co-chairmen of the 1958-59 hockey team reunion were Julian Brunetta of Fort Frances, Ont., and Bob Peabody of East Grand Forks, Minn. Dr. Robert May of Wayzata, Minn., who coached the 1959 team, gave inspirational talks at the several functions attended by team members.

Team members returning included Brunetta; Ted Kotyk of Brainerd, Minn.; Guy LaFrance of Bloomington, Minn.; Bart Larson of Edina, Minn.; Ralph Lyndon of Winnipeg, Man.; Art Miller of St. Paul, Minn.; Reg Morelli of Minot, N.D.; Tom Neil of Regina, Sask.; Stan Paschke of Scranton, N.D.; Peabody; Joe Poole of Anoka, Minn.; and Steve Thullner of Winnipeg, Man.

Special guests included retired UND ice-maker Al Purpur of Grand Forks; team physician Dr. James Leigh of Grand Forks; former local broadcaster Bill Rendell of Roseau, Minn.; former Grand Forks Herald sports editor Jim Hansen; and UND's first All-American hockey player John Noah of Fargo, N.D.

1980 UND Alumni Days

Relive springtime on the campus

Even if you're not a member of the Classes of 1930 and 1940, which will be holding 50-year and 40-year reunions during Alumni Days on May 21-23, why not plan to attend this great event? Plenty of activities are planned that will be of interest to alumni of every age. The atmosphere is informal, the enthusiasm contagious. Here's what some recent Alumni Days participants said about their return to the campus.

Kate Eddie: "I was a bit apprehensive about going because 50 years definitely takes its toll. However, it turned out to be such fun and so satisfying for us both that we won't hesitate to get to the hundredth!"

Bob Wagner: "I must say we were excellently treated from the moment we arrived. Your courtesy staff certainly gave us a hearty welcome. It made us feel we were a SOMEBODY. The accommodations were excellent and so was the food."

Janice Ann Kolberg: "I want to tell you how much I enjoyed the days I spent on campus. I came as a stranger and wasn't exactly sure what to expect, but I had a great time. I can understand a little more now why my dad has such fond memories of UND."

Arnold Kirkness: "We had a good time. We enjoyed staying in the dorm suite. The convenience of being right there at practically all events was just great."

Neva Hydle MacMaster: "From the warm welcome with our personalized nametags, through the banquets and coffee hours with fresh floral centerpieces, tour of the campus, reception at the President's house and ending with the morning concert and picture taking, the arrangements showed careful planning."

Thelma Kellesvig Hooper: "The loving concern, the food, the service, the programs were of the best. I have a deeper feeling of kinship for my Alma Mater. Thank you again."

Dick Jarvis: "The planning, courtesies, and cordial warmth and friendship generated EVERYWHERE is a joy to remember, leaving a lasting glow."

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1980 UND Alumni Days

Sports scores

Hockey

UND 5-6 Minnesota 3-2
UND 5-4 Michigan 2-3 (OT)
UND 8-4 Wisconsin 1-3
UND 8-5 Michigan State 1-3*
*First Round WCHA Playoffs
North Dakota's 5-3 win vs. Michigan State, March 8, gave the Fighting Sioux 18 victories at home. (This breaks a school record, the old record was 17 in 1978-79 and 1957-58.) North Dakota is 27-8-1 overall as of March 10, 1980.

Basketball

UND 67 Augustana (S.D.) 64
UND 57 South Dakota State 57 (9-5 NCC, 3rd place)
UND 69 South Dakota 62#
UND 55 NDSU 75+
UND 79 Western Illinois 102*
UND 57 Stonehill (Mass.) 70*
#Hosted NCC First-round game (Feb. 19, 1980)
+At NCC Semi-finals, Fargo, N.D. (Feb. 21, 1980)
*At NCAA North Central Region, Brookings, S.D. (Feb. 28-29, 1980)
UND finished season 18-12.

Women's Basketball

UND 62 Mary (N.D.) College 58
UND 80 St. Cloud State 64
UND 71 NDSU 75 (OT)*
UND 93 U of Manitoba 75
*At NDAIAW Division II Playoff, Fargo, N.D. (Feb. 22, 1980)
UND finished season 19-8.

Women's Gymnastics

UND 92.85 NDSU 91.65 (NDAIAW Division II Championship, Feb. 20, 1980)
UND 71.50 U of Iowa 132.65 South Dakota State 104.15 (Feb. 23, 1980 at Brookings, S.D.)
Becky Roesler, sophomore of Bismarck, N.D. and Laurie Boelz, senior of Fargo, N.D., competed in the Region VI AIAW Championships, March 7-8 at St. Peter, Minn. Both made it to the finals of the floor exercise event. Roesler was 9th and Boelz was 11th in the All-Around competition among 24 competitors.

Women's Swimming

Bette Birkeland, freshman of Williston, N.D., Cindi Dietz, junior of Grand Forks, and Megg Uthus, senior of Minot, N.D., all won top honors in the Region VI AIAW Championships at Vermillion, S.D., Feb. 28-March 1. UND placed 8th of 11 teams with 89 points.

Mel Duncan, '43

Consultant comments on career, country, college

By COLLEEN HAGEN MORIN

"Becoming part of the people connection," said 1979 Sioux Award winner Mel W. Duncan, "by promoting people to people contact with the population of other countries, is one of the best things we can do to develop an understanding abroad of our own country."

In his address to those attending the Homecoming '79 Kick-off luncheon, Duncan, '43, who is currently involved in the development of his own international marketing consulting firm, Export Programs Inc. (EXPRO), said, "If there's any such thing as typical Americans, they are us in the Midwest, and we need to be seen as representatives around the world."

Duncan has a unique basis for his observations, having spent the last 32 years in a variety of international management positions with Union Carbide Corporation. His most recent positions were vice president-international for chemicals and plastics, 1965-70; regional director-northeast Asia, headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, 1970-74, and corporate director-eastern Europe and managing director-

JERRY OLSON

Duncan spoke to marketing students about the basic principles of marketing, during his visit to campus in October.

Mel Duncan

Union Carbide Austria, headquartered in Vienna, Austria, 1974-78.

Reflecting on how he made the move from graduating in chemistry at UND to his career in marketing with Union Carbide, Duncan explained, "When I was going to school here, my every intention was to get my advanced degree in chemistry and become a great researcher. Along came the war, I went off to the Navy and during those four years my aspirations became redirected.

"Being out in the world a little more, rather than being confined to a laboratory, seemed to suit my particular makeup so I decided to use my technical degree more in the area of technical sales."

Just as he was about to be discharged from the Navy, Duncan interviewed with a number of large companies. He says that he literally picked Union Carbide because they offered the best training program even though the salary they offered was not the very best. "I thought in that point in my career, training was more important to me than money," Duncan observed. "Union Carbide gave me the training I needed in their products and their business methods."

Very obviously, Duncan provided Union Carbide with the professionalism it needed. He started out as a technical salesman, worked his way up through the industry, and in 13 years transferred to the international department as sales manager of chemicals. While with Union Carbide, Duncan lived for four years in Tokyo, Japan, and four years in Vienna, Austria, giving him a unique opportunity to observe trade and economics both within the U.S. and without.

Commenting on the problems, directions and challenges facing the U.S. with regard to international trade and marketing, Duncan said, "In the future opportunities are very good. We're seeing an adjustment in the value of the dollar, some people think an overadjustment, but at least a welcome adjustment.

"By now in most developed countries of the world, labor and production costs have caught up with, and in some cases exceeded the production costs in this country. Cheap labor used to make it hard for us to compete in the world market with our high wages and production costs, but now if we have any problems to worry about it is the lag in the productivity rate of our industry.

"There's still a great demand for American products in almost any country I can think of," Duncan said. "From a sophisticated country like Japan to a less sophisticated country like the Soviet Union, American products still are coveted, — they are still a prestige item. There is a desire for American products, anything from cigarettes to blue jeans. If an American label is on it, it sells."

Through his newly formed company, Export Programs Inc. (EXPRO), Duncan hopes to put together a small client group of companies who would like to begin exporting or export more effectively. For a company that doesn't want to get into international marketing in-depth enough to hire a full-time export manager, Duncan, with his 32 years of experience with a multi-national corporation, would in effect function for them on a contract basis as their export manager.

Although his experience has been chemicals, batteries, gasses and the like, while speaking to a UND marketing class, Duncan said that principles for the marketing of any product are basically the same. "The people you contact and the distribution channels may be different, but it doesn't matter if it's Bibles or bubblegum, the basic steps are pretty much the same."

Back to UND for the first time in "25 or 30 years," Duncan said that his walks through the campus jarred many nostalgic memories. "Down in the basement of Budge Hall there used to be a little lunch counter," Duncan remembered, "we'd rush through lunch so that we could fit in a little game of pool or pingpong before the next class. That's probably commonplace now with a place like the student union, but it was kind of a focal point of activity.

"College has to be a combination of study and fun," Duncan said, "and my fun came with the University band, which I played in for four years. John Howard was the band director at the time, and every spring he'd put together a 10-day band trip. Two busloads full of boys and girls and their instruments would travel to Chicago, playing concerts along the way in Minneapolis, Wisconsin, etc."

For Duncan, in terms of fun, he said that those were the highlights. But in terms of academic work, studying under the names that people here "remember very dearly," he mentioned Dr. George A. Abbott and Dr. David Ernest Coon. Dr. Abbott lived to be 98 years old, and he corresponded with Duncan until about a year before his death in 1972. Dr. Abbott was the chairman of the chemistry department at UND from 1910 until 1947, and he taught at UND until 1954. Dr. Coon and Dr. Ben Gustafson were the only surviving members of the chemical faculty that taught while Duncan was a student. Coon taught from 1922 until 1960, and was the department chairman 1957-60. He and Gustafson were both present at the Sioux Awards Banquet to observe the presentation of the award to their former student.

Commenting on his achievements, Duncan said, "With rare exceptions, I don't think that success of any kind is comprised of a single outstanding achievement. For the normal person, it's a composite of a job well done over a period of time.

"I believe that it was what we experienced just in the educational environment at UND that inspired us with the work ethic," Duncan stated. "Dedication, perserverance, loyalty, — this sort of thing are characteristics which are pretty important to success in any aspect of life."

While on the University campus, Duncan noted that the most important thing that he'd observed while here was the "climate" at UND, which he said is and always has been conducive toward the work ethic. "I'm very impressed with the student body that I've seen here today," Duncan observed. "Isn't it great to see young people that look like this today, and obviously are intent on what they're doing."

That dedication and work ethic was obviously instilled deeply within Duncan, and during our Bicentennial year he wrote an award winning essay titled "Our Indivisible Freedoms" for a competition sponsored by the National Association of Manufacturers. Writing while he was working full-time in eastern Europe, Duncan said that seeing the way of life under a 'planned economy' system made him realize how fortunate we are to have our system in the United States.

Duncan has shared his time and expertise as a member of many professional organizations, some of which include the American Chemical Society, the Society of Chemical Industry, International Committee of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the advisory panel of the Office of Technology Assessment of the United States Congress, and as the past director of the U.S.-Austrian Chamber of Commerce.

Duncan is part of a "UND family," and he said that and the fact that Grand Forks was his home is why he attended UND. His father, **C. F. Duncan,** graduated with a B.A. and M.A. in education from UND in 1931 and 1933, and went on to become an administrator in the Grand Forks school systems. His sister, **Delpha Darlene (Mrs. Roy Hamlin), '48,** graduated with a B.A. in art education and his brother **Deryl Charles,** attended UND for two years before going on to graduate from the University of Omaha, Neb.

Duncan lives in Hilton Head, S.C. with his wife, Dorothy. They have two children, Bradley DeWayne, who is attending the University of Wisconsin, and Mylah Denice, who is attending West Georgia State College.

An insight into Duncan the man, his dedication to his profession, and his belief in and loyalty for his nation is clear through the following excerpt from his prize-winning Bicentennial essay:

"Freedom is hope. Our economic system is unparalleled in history in the opportunities it affords every individual to rise from humble beginnings to great achievement. Our history is replete with examples from rail splitter to president, from slave to scientist, from penniless immigrant to successful industrialist."

Mel Duncan has believed in and lived what he wrote. He left UND to achieve and serve as an outstanding international business leader, and he returned to accept the University of North Dakota's highest honor, a Sioux Award.

News Notes

1920s

Inez C. Muir (Haugom), '26, spends her time traveling to other countries and when at home, she works with senior citizen projects and convalescent patients.

News briefs

Dr. Bruce C. Albright, associate professor of anatomy at the UND School of Medicine, has received a $110,000 research grant from the National Science Foundation, supporting a three-year project to examine the dorsal column nuclei, a sensory center in the brain which sends information about touch, joint, and muscle activity from the limbs to higher brain levels. According to Dr. Albright, examination of this sensory center will allow scientists to correlate more accurately the exact relationships in the nervous system, and it will also provide information which may help to explain why certain injuries of specific areas of the nervous system produce the loss of certain sensations and result in certain disfunctions.

Dr. John A. Duerre, professor of microbiology at the UND School of Medicine, was recently awarded a four-year research grant totaling $265,000 from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for a project examining the functions and role the brain plays in regard to learning, memory, or cell differentiation. Duerre's previous studies have shown that some of the compounds and synthesis processes in the brain may be associated with such neurological disorders as schizophrenia, certain arthritic diseases, and manic depression.

The UND School of Medicine recently received a gift of $6,300 in memory of Dr. John F. McKay, former Bowesmont, N.D., physician. The gift will be utilized for medical student grants. According to Dr. Tom M. Johnson, dean of the UND's medical school, an emergency grant program has been established for the McKay gift. "The expenses of medical education," said Dr. Johnson, "continue to increase. This resource will serve a special need for the UND medical students."

Eugene Warren Sussex, '29, has been retired for several years from his x-ray equipment business. He is married to **Norma (Thorn), '30,** and they live in Glendale, Mo.

1930s

Mary Lou Skinner Ross (Heaton), '35, serves as Southeastern consultant for the Association for Humanistic Gerontology. She resides in Atlanta, Ga.

Neal A. Weber, '30, '32, is active in Florida State University affairs as adjunct professor, and his wife **Jean (Jeffery), '34,** is active in University Women's Club organizations. They reside in Tallahassee.

1950s

Donald J. Sperling, '50, is in his 21st year of teaching civil engineering technology at the North Dakota State School of Science at Wahpeton, N.D. He lives in Fergus Falls, Minn.

Curtis Bod, '52, is retired and living in Tacoma, Wash.

Ralph Nienas, '52, was promoted to Fleet Sales Manager in North America for International Harvester Co. headquartered in Chicago, Ill. He is married to **Verle (Johnson), '51,** and they make their home in Naperville.

1960

Jay D. Myster, '60, '63, '70, the general attorney and corporate secretary for Otter Tail Power Company, was elected to the board of directors of the First National Bank in Fergus Falls, Minn., where he lives.

1961

Benny A. Graff, '61, '64, is the presiding district judge of the South Central District in North Dakota. He is married to **Patricia L. (Reed), '64.** She is statewide coordinator for the N.D. Displaced Homemaker Program. They reside in Bismarck.

G. W. Jerry Thibert, '61, was elected president of the Minnesota County Recorders Association. He has been county recorder and owner of Red Lake County Abstract Company for 10 years. He and his family live in Red Lake Falls.

1962

Betty Jane Nelson (Hurtt), '62, was chosen by the American Lutheran Church to be a parish evangelist for the National American Lutheran Church. She was elected as Denver Conference American Lutheran Church Women president, and has been a biblical dramatist for the past four years, writing and presenting one woman programs for churches, retreats, and conventions. She lives in Lakewood, Colo.

1963

Dr. Richard West Blaine, '63, is a dermatologist at Fargo Clinic, Fargo, N.D., where he lives with his family.

Victor James Thompson, '63, '64, works at the Boulder Medical Center, Boulder, Colo. He and his family reside in Boulder.

1964

Roland E. Barden, '64, was appointed head of the Department of Chemistry by the Trustees of the University of Wyoming. He is married to **Carolyn (Eliason), '64.** They live in Laramie.

1965

William Beeks, '65, was elected president of the North Dakota Aviation Association. He is a partner with his father in Central Flying Service of Washburn, N.D., where he lives.

Maxine Rasmussen (Konig) '65, '69, lives in Grand Forks and works as a specialist in family and marriage therapy.

1966

Douglas Paul Freiermuth, '66, coaches and teaches in the Baraboo School System, Baraboo, Wis., where he lives.

Paul David Linnell, '66, is senior auditor for the Federal Land Bank in Omaha, Neb. He lives in Omaha.

1967

Charles Robert Duncan, '67, is director of agencies for Great West Life Assurance Co., the 13th largest in the world. He is married to **Sherryl Jean (Anderson), '66.** They live in Denver, Colo.

Robert M. Rova, '67, was promoted to director of firmware and diagnostic development in the R and D Engineering organization of Northern Telecom Systems Corporation located in Ann Arbor, Mich. He is married to **Jennifer (Sette), '67.** They and their children live in Ann Arbor.

1968

Dr. Jerald W. Reinhardt, '68, '70, is an obstetrician-gynecologist with the Grand Forks Clinic, Ltd. He lives in Grand Forks.

Richard E. Johnson, '68, was named executive vice president of Guaranty State Bank of Robbinsdale, Minn. He is married to **Katheryn (Hanson), ex '68.** They reside in Minneapolis.

1969

Dr. William E. Scheidt, '69, is in general surgery with emphasis on hyperalimentation and gastric bypass surgery for morbid obesity. He lives in Prior Lake, Minn.

Clifford "Kip" Cranna Jr., '69, is a member of the management staff of the San Francisco Opera, working as the assistant business manager. He resides in San Francisco, Calif.

1970

Michael P. Henrick, '70, is a geologist with Canadian Occidental Petroleum. He lives in Okanagan Falls, B.C.

Dennis Edward Stelton, '70, is a Major in the U.S. Air Force stationed at Lackland A.F.B., San Antonio, Texas. He will be completing a two-year residency in general dentistry in June through a combined program at the University of Texas at Houston Health Center Dental Branch and the Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center, Lackland AFB.

1971

Michael O. McGuire, '71, was appointed district judge for the east-central North Dakota Judicial District. He was formerly Cass County Judge. He is married to **Linda (Lein), ex'70.** They and their children live in Fargo.

Dr. Michael Francis Slag, '71, '73, served as chief resident in internal medicine at the Minneapolis Veterans Administration Medical Center and is currently in the second year of fellowship training in endocrinology at the University of Minnesota and Veterans Hospitals. He lives in St. Paul.

1972

Thomas Eugene Dahlstrom, '72, is employed by Levin, Cooper, Spiegel & Company, a public accounting firm in Los Angeles, Calif. He and his wife, Linnea, reside in Long Beach.

Timothy James Moe, '72, is an engineer with Widseth, Smith, Noltwig & Association in Crookston, Minn. He and his wife live in Crookston.

Remember when

April 1930 — Alvin Austin was named editor-in-chief and Harold Billigmeier was named business manager of The Dakota Student.

April 1930 — Donald Farnham was granted the John M. Hancock Scholarship for excellence in science and Mark Scarff was given the Sigma Tau freshman award in the School of Engineering.

April 1930 — Pledged to Matrix, women's honorary journalistic fraternity, were Lorene Johnson, Anne Uglum, Katherine Breitwieser, Phyllis Robideaux, Elizabeth Stone and Mildred Falkanger.

April 1930 — Scabbard and Blade, national military fraternity, elected Phillip Rognlie, Thomas Ritchie, Russell Kramer, James Jacobson, Herbert Lux, Raymond Thompson, Donald Henderson, Raymond Giesselman, Lawrence Piper, Milton Moskau, Richard Blain and James Raabe to membership.

April 1930 — Receiving University letters for hockey were Ray Larson, Jack Adams, Byron Hendricks, James Cole, Glenn Lee, Gordon Martin, Charles Baker, Orville Hanson and Tom Barger.

April 1930 — Paul Yoder was valedictorian and Ronald Olsen was salutatorian of the class of 1930.

April 1940 — Camille Wachter was named UND's beauty queen in The Dakota Student-sponsored contest.

April 1940 — Al Raschick and Norman Leafe were named co-captains of the football team.

April 1940 — Elected to Blue Key were Grant Herreid, Earl Mundt, Art Severson, J. Allen, Paul Benson, Donald Dahl, Robert Duea and Robert Hammes.

April 1950 — The Saints won the Intramural basketball crown by defeating the Phi Delt All-Stars, 45-32. Members of the winning team were Ernest Gullerud, Hillis McKay, Bill Murray, Dale Johnson, Jerome Knapp, Arnold Mueller, Charles Fullhart, Ray Burgess and manager Jack Madsen.

April 1950 — Archie Monroe was named editor-in-chief of The Dakota Student and Elaine LeTourneau was named editor of the Dacotah yearbook.

April 1950 — Kent Alm won first place in the Merrifield oratorial contest. He spoke on "Understanding for Peace." Second-place winner was Mary Austin.

April 1960 — Members of the Flickertail Follies executive committee were Elois Blestrud, Willard Ketterling, Bill Pearce, Dave Strand, Larry Danielson and James Kertz. Advisers were Alvin Austin and Henry Tomasek.

April 1960 — Lynn Mahlum won a Fulbright scholarship for study at the University of Cologne, Germany.

April 1960 — Ben Bachmeier was named editor-in-chief of The Dakota Student and Mary Clair Mattson was named to edit the Dacotah annual.

April 1970 — Dave Gunther was appointed head basketball coach at UND.

April 1970 — Eric Sevareid, CBS newscaster, returned to his native state of North Dakota to receive an honorary law degree from UND and give the keynote address at an Honors Day convocation.

April 1970 — Sig Walters and Bob Tostenson apparently established a new North Dakota and Midwest underwater endurance record of nine hours and 30 minutes at the UND pool.

April 1970 — Chuck Haga was named to his second term as editor of The Dakota Student. Larry Martin was named business manager.

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News notes

1973

Jim P. Feltman, '73, works as a planning engineer for Western Electric Co. in Rolling Meadows. He lives in Cary.

1974

Margaret Ann Borkowski (Stromstad), '74, is a physical therapist for the public schools in Laramie, Wyo. Her husband **James, '75,** is the financial planner for the Laramie Energy Technology Center. They live in Laramie.

Myles Rovig, '74, is assistant vice president of American Federal Savings, Pueblo, Colo. He and his wife live in Woodland Park.

1975

Dale N. Elbert, '75, works as a North Dakota highway patrolman, stationed at Jamestown, N.D. His wife **Amy (Tallackson) '76,** is a registered physical therapist employed at Jamestown Hospital & High Acres Manor Nursing Home. They reside in Jamestown.

Rodney James Raasch, '75, is an addiction counselor in the youth program at the chemical dependency unit of the North Dakota State Hospital, Jamestown, N.D. He lives in Jamestown.

1976

Ronald J. Sailer, '76, is a loan officer at First Federal Savings & Loan, Bismarck, N.D. He is married to **Pamela Jean (Yutrzenka) '77,** the assistant to the nursing supervisor of North Dakota's Crippled Children's Services. They live in Bismarck.

Delano Henry Stein, '76, is an elementary principal and teaches sixth grade in Underwood, N.D., where he lives with his family.

1977

Karen Borlaug, '77, is an economist at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary in Washington, D.C. She lives in Arlington, Va.

Kurtwood Stone Hillman, '77, is a reservoir engineer with Texaco Inc., U.S. East in its offshore district office in Morgan City, La. His wife, **Diane (Sanderson, '77),** is also with Texaco as a production engineer. They live in Berwick.

William Albert Hofer, '77, works for Texaco as a geologist. His wife, **Betty Ann (Huschka, '78),** is an operating room nurse at Touro Infirmary, New Orleans, La., where they live.

Keven Jon Lunde, '77, farms near Cooperstown, N.D., where he lives.

Steven Clark Maier, N.D., '77, '79, is a resident physician with Iowa Methodist Medical Center, in Des Moines, Iowa, where he lives.

Arvid J. Mischke, '77, is employed by Franklin Supply Company in Williston, N.D., where he lives.

Karl J. Provost, '77, is assigned to MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., for duty as an F-4 aircraft pilot with a unit of the Tactical Air Command.

Randy G. Risch, '77, owns a construction firm, L.R.K. Construction, and is in business with two partners. He lives in Appleton, Minn.

Terry L. Soltvedt, '77, is a CPA with Charles Bailly and Company in Fargo, N.D. He is married to **Margo (Dagen), '75.** They and their two children live in Fargo.

1978

Jim Bunke, '78, received a million dollar sales award from Beech Aircraft Corporation for outstanding sales achievements in the Upper Midwest. He is a corporate aircraft salesman for Elliott Beechcraft, a Beech distributor in Minneapolis, Minn. He lives in Edina.

Kevin John Dunlevy, '78, is an administrative aide for Senator Nunn of Georgia. He lives in Arlington, Va.

Julie A. Ehlen, '78, is a registered occupational therapist with psychiatric services at the North Dakota State Hospital, Jamestown, N.D. She lives in Fargo.

Carmen Suzanne Fleener, '78, is an addiction counselor in the youth program at the chemical dependency unit of the North Dakota State Hospital, Jamestown, N.D. She lives in Jamestown.

Dennis James Isaacs, '78, works as a charter pilot and flight instructor for Willard Flying Service. He makes his home in Bellevue, Wash.

Daniel Joraanstad, '78, is employed by Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, N.J. He works as a college field representative out of Appleton, Wis., where he lives.

Lori Jo Kirschenmann, '78, attends Pacific University College of Optometry. She lives in Forest Grove, Ore.

Lori Kay Kopp, '78, works in the marketing and management business office at Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., Bismarck, N.D., where she lives.

Frederick James Lewis, '78, is a systems engineer for Hewlett Packard. He and his family live in San Jose, Calif.

Lee J. Ness, '78, attends Lewis and Clark Law School, and has accepted a summer internship in the tax department of Arthur Anderson & Co., Portland, Ore. He and his wife **Diane (Mathiason, '79),** live in Portland.

Brian Dale Quammen, '78, is director of speech and hearing at the Grafton State School. His wife **Patricia (Hagen, '77),** teaches third grade in Grand Forks public schools. They live in Grand Forks.

Pam R. Rodahl, '78, is a bank examiner for The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Calif. She lives in Sausalito.

Richard Arthur Sandvold, '78, works as a quality assurance engineer for Control Data Corporation in Redwood Falls, Minn. **Diane Marie (DeMars, '76),** his wife, teaches learning disabilities in Morton Public Schools in Redwood, where they live.

Candace Lou Schiermeister, '78, is a medical technologist employed at St. Paul Ramsey Medical Center, St. Paul, Minn. She lives in Minneapolis.

Lowell Joseph Schweigert, '78, coaches and teaches at Central Junior High, Wahpeton, N.D., where he lives.

1979

Jon Victor Bittner, '79, teaches social studies, and is assistant football and head hockey coach at Hallock Senior High, Hallock, Minn., where he lives.

William Ryan Boger, '79, serves as an electronic design engineer for Sperry Flight Systems in Phoenix, Ariz., where he and his wife **Lori (Anderson, '79),** live.

Robert C. Engelhorn, '79, works as an oil broker for Enterprise Oil & Gas. He lives in Bismarck, N.D.

Jane Ann Kopp, '79, substitute teaches in the Bismarck public school systems. She resides in Bismarck, N.D.

Camilla Lee Kvamme, '79, teaches in the Park River, N.D., school system. She lives in Park River.

Terrence Lizakowski, '79, teaches fourth grade and is head wrestling coach for a junior high school in Rockford, Ill. He is married to **Susan (Olafson), '79.** They live in Rockford.

Stefan Olafson, '79, has joined his father in the real estate sales business. He is also in charge of property management for the Olafson Real Estate and Management Service in Grand Forks, N.D. where he lives.

Mark S. Searle, '79, is a recreation consultant for the Province of Alberta's, Department of Recreation and Parks. He and his wife **Judy (Rosenbloom, '78),** reside in Edmonton, Alta., Canada.

Gregory A. Tucker, '79, works as an accountant for Mesa Petroleum in Amarillo, Texas, where he lives.

In memoriam

Dr. John W. Robinson, ex '99, Feb. 26, 1980, Garrison, N.D.

Mrs. Gertrude (O'Neill) Hanecy, ex '11, March 3, 1980, Fargo, N.D.

Joseph Austinson, '13, February 1980, Fertile, Minn.

Mrs. Esther (Lambe) Burchard, '19, Jan. 11, 1980, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Mrs. Bess (Beatty) Sherman, ex '17, Tenstrike, Minn.

Benjamin H. Stusrud, ex '21, Indianapolis, Ind.

James T. Cassell, ex '22, Feb. 21, 1980, Sacramento, Calif.

Beatrice L. Babler, ex '22, Grand Forks, N.D.

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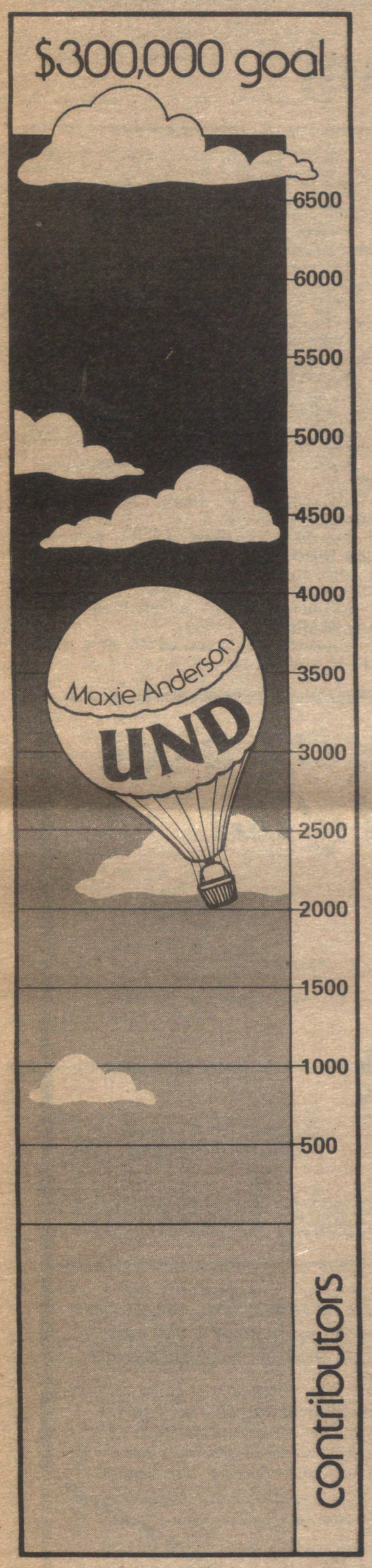

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Demetrius and Barbara Georgacas examine one of the more than three million listings that are the heart of the project.

U professor prepares 'Webster of Modern Greek'

By GLENN LEIER

After two decades of patient work, a University of North Dakota researcher is nearing completion on what may come to be regarded as a "Webster of modern Greek."

Dr. Demetrius Georgacas has been working to develop a truly modern Greek-English dictionary since 1960, when the project was initiated and first funded by the U.S. Office of Education.

Georgacas retired from the UND faculty in 1978 after 25 years of teaching. He is one of the few UND faculty members to have been honored by the State Board of Higher Education with the title of University Professor. The UND College of Arts and Sciences also recognized him with the title of Research Professor. Since retiring, he works full time on the dictionary project and also lectures occasionally.

When originally contracted, the result of the Greek-English dictionary project was envisioned to be a 50,000-word publication, with a completion date of 1964.

Early into the project, Georgacas concluded that what was really needed was a dictionary of much higher quality, a reference work never before available, not even in Greece.

"Present dictionaries," Georgacas stated, "are only copies of outdated editions. They may list only some meanings when there are actually many more."

The problem, however, is much more complicated than that, he added. There were two languages in existence, and the real language of the Greek people was never taught in schools, Georgacas explained.

He undertook the Greek-English dictionary project to build the archive material which, as an experienced lexicographer, he knew did not exist for the language of the Greek people. This language was adopted in Greek education as late as 1976.

The product of Georgacas' two decades of work will be a dictionary of 200,000 words, all culled from modern usage. Through painstaking research, material was excerpted from more than 700 volumes and stored in over 1,000 card file drawers.

Contained in these drawers are the 3½ million slips of paper that make up the heart of the project. These slips list words, pronunciations, various meanings and other information for the dictionary entries.

The information has been gathered over the years from books, magazines, short stories, novels, poems, songs, articles, journals and scholarly works. Georgacas' research has included many trips to Greece, where he was able to compile technical terms dealing with many specialized fields, ranging from athletics to science.

Georgacas said that about 20 percent of the data will be used by selecting the best representative phrases and passages from literary and other works of the modern Greek language.

Copy for an entry in the modern Greek-English dictionary

ἀνάτριχα /-'trixa/ adv (1) against the pile or grain, the wrong ⌒ way: ξυρίζομαι ~ (syn κόντρα)/ τό πρόβατο κουρεύεται ~ / βουρτσίζω τή γούνα ~ / χαϊδεύω τή γάτα ~ stroke the cat the wrong way (2) from down to up, up: πῆρα ~ τήν πλαγιά (Prevelakis)/ ~ τοῦ ποταμοῦ from its mouth toward its source/ ⌒ poem ὀμπρός, ~ τοῦ ποταμοῦ καιρός νά πάμε, ἀδέρφια (Kazantz Od 9.238) [fr the phr ἀνὰ τρίχα or der of MG ἀνάτριχος]

This will be the first modern dictionary of its kind, he said. The work will be valuable not only for scholars, linguists and specialists, but also for general users. Examples of usage to illustrate the word's meanings will make up the bulk of each entry. Samples of the work lie at present in 3,000 pages of dictionary copy typed on two IBM machines.

In short, this will be a reference work developed from scratch — a process that requires the labors of workers for many years and is financially costly.

For a project of this magnitude, time has been a particularly frustrating obstacle, Georgacas observed. Before retiring from teaching in 1978, he could only spend a few hours each day on the project in between his classroom responsibilities.

Funding has also been a constant struggle. Through the years he has managed to secure financial support from a variety of institutions, beginning with the Office of Education from 1960 to 1962. Other supporting groups have included the Guggenheim Foundation, the American Philosophical Society, the Ourani Foundation and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The National Endowment has been the largest supporter, awarding grants from 1967 to 1974. In October of 1978, the Endowment made a 21-month grant of $100,000 to Georgacas, bringing the total funding for the Greek-English dictionary project to more than $500,000.

In addition to the shortage of funds, one of the biggest problems has been trying to find qualified people to stay with the project. Georgacas tries to hire people from Greece because his assistants have to know their language well. This involves months of communication with officials and prospective assistants, travel to Greece, and unfortunately, the waste of precious time.

It is difficult to find the right people, and they often don't work with the project as long as he would like, Georgacas added. Most of these people, he explained, want to come to America to study or do other things.

Through the course of the entire project, Georgacas has been able to depend on the invaluable assistance of his wife, Barbara. She has worked with and without salary, depending upon whether sufficient funds were available.

The dictionary will be published in six installments, with the first expected to be published around the end of 1981 or early 1982, if funding is continued after the expiration date of the current grant, July 1980.

After the last installment is completed, in about 10 years, the complete archives will be placed at the Academy of Arts and Sciences in Athens, Greece, to constitute a Center for Research on the Modern Greek Language.

"As long as the project is funded, the work will continue to move steadily toward completion," Georgacas said. "I am in good health and can work long hours. It is my lifework, and I would like to see it completed. Dictionary work is also my entertainment."

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