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## ELECTION SLATED FOR THURSDAY

### Track, Diamond Teams Compete This Week

STORY ON PAGE FOUR

### Bristol, Bibelheimer Only Candidates For Presidential Post

NDAC students will go to the polls in the annual spring election Thursday to elect student board and commission members. Sixty candidates had filed before last Tuesday's deadline for the nineteen posts open in NDAC student government.

Featured in the balloting in addition to regular office vacancies are: (1) Initial election of representatives to the Student Union Board of Directors to succeed the four seniors who have served by appointment since the Union was incorporated early this year; (2) An opinion poll on the Bison year-book question (see story elsewhere in this issue); and (3) A presidential "election" to determine local popularity of aspirants to the highest national office, coincident with similar polls on campuses throughout the country.

Voting places, open from 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Thursday, will be set up in Festival hall and in the center hallway of the main floor of Science hall. Three election judges will serve all day at each of the polls. All regularly registered students are eligible to vote on all candidates and issues by presenting their activity tickets to secure ballots.

Offices to be filled are Presidency of the student commission; Commissioner of Military affairs; one freshman and one junior each to the Athletic Control, Campus affairs, Finance, Music, Public programs, and Publications Boards; one sophomore to the Board of Campus affairs to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Pat Lee; and one freshman, one sophomore, and two juniors to the Board of Directors of the Student Union. Those who have filed for office are listed below:

- President of the Student Commission**  
Paul Bibelheimer  
Fred Bristol
- Commissioner of Military affairs**  
Ronald E. Moir  
Robert Woods
- College Board of Athletic Control**  
Freshman  
Ralph Christensen  
LaVern Freeh
- Junior  
Jim Johnston
- Board of Campus Affairs**  
Freshman  
Mary Ann Fossay  
Jack Kruger  
Sallyjane Lindemann  
Mary Severson  
Dolores Sorlie  
Gordon Tollerud

- Sophomore  
Bob Lowe  
Mary Ranney  
Margaret Rulon  
Nick Vujovich

- Junior  
Beverly Marchand  
Nancy Nilles  
Randy Peterson  
Anne Stegner  
James Stine  
Joyce Tindall

- Board of Finance**  
Freshman  
Elaine Gast  
Nancy Sorkness

- Junior  
James Dawson  
Donna Litherland  
Robert M. Nasset  
Anita Quick  
Douglas S. Smith  
Ruth Watson

- Board of Music**  
Freshman  
Virginia Borderud  
Roberta Hartwell  
Russell McCalley  
Wayne Mensing

- Junior  
Dean Amsden  
Merlin E. Rudrud
- Board of Public Programs**

- Freshman  
Peggy Critchfield  
Zoe Nelson  
Harold Sandvig

- Junior  
Jerry Bolmeier  
Jean Hoverson  
Lota Junge

- Board of Publications**  
Freshman  
James H. Anderson  
Rosemarie Lohse  
Donald L. Miller  
Jaan Nydahl  
Jane Shea

- Junior  
Marvelle Bovaird  
Lester R. DeKrey  
Polly Edlund  
Ardyce Toohey

- Student Union Board of Directors**  
Freshman  
Walter Biggs  
Robert Runice  
Russell P. Wischow
- Sophomore  
LeRoy Loder  
Frank Noice
- Junior  
Al Golberg  
Melvin Kirkeide  
Carl Lee

### Vote Getters And Oats Getter



PROBABLY THE MOST contented animal in the world (excepting Elsie—see Ed Graber, page 2) is this docile dobbie who is being clustered around by candidates for the queen's crown at the annual Saddle and Sirloin sponsored Barn Dance.

The princesses who held down the old top rail in last week's issue and who were able to hobble over for this week's shot are, (left to right) Sally Jane Lindemann, Kappa Alpha Theta; Dora Jo Dyste, Ceres Hall; Mary Ranney, Gamma Phi Beta; Dorothy Abrahamson, Dakota Hall; Joan Nydahl, Kappa Kappa Gamma; Mary Jane Low, Independent Students Association; Marion Brunzman, Phi Mu; Ellen Johnson, Alpha Gamma Delta; and, holding Homer (that's the horse) so he doesn't trot off and spoil the picture is, Beryl Jean Schwarz, Kappa Delta.

(Photo by Ray Erwin)

- INFO FOR THURSDAY VOTERS**
1. Bring current activity ticket.
  2. Vote in Science or Festival.
  3. Polls open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m.
  4. Voters may vote for all offices.
  5. Vote for one name only in each class except for two Student Union juniors.



LOOKING AT THEMSELVES looking at a picture of themselves looking at themselves looking at a picture of themselves are big wheels (thems wagon-wheels pahdnuh) of the annual Saddle and Sirloin sponsored Barn Dance which will gallop under way at 9 in the Field House tonight.

Lookers doing the looking and their respective functions in the annual Hay-gira to the festivities at the Field House are, (left to right) Lawrence Johnson, decorations; Al Golberg, ticket sales; Ray Schnell, manager; Mel Kirkeide, president of Saddle and Sirloin; and Don Wischow, publicity.

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# Barn Dance Voting To Be Held At 10:30

## Dancing Set From 9 To 1 At Field House

Doors (Barn, that is) for the annual Saddle and Sirloin Barn dance swing open tonight at 9 o'clock at the Field house as the campus aggie-clads shuffle the straw to the tunes of Paul Thonn and his campus Statesmen.

Main feature of the event, the vote for Barn dance queen, will take place at 10:30 and by 11:30 the hay-mow royalty will reign.

All ballots, which will otherwise be known as tickets, must be in the ballot box by 10:30 in order to be counted. Candidates for the queenship are Ellen Johnson of Alpha Gamma Delta, Mary Ranney of Gamma Phi Beta, Dora Jo Dyste of Ceres hall, Dorothy Abrahamson of Dakota hall, Marion Brunsmann of Phi Mu, Sally Jane Lindemann, Kappa Alpha Theta, Joan Nydahl of Kappa Kappa Gam, Mary Jane Low of the Independent Student's association and Beryl Jean Schwarz of Kappa Delta.

Dance officials emphasized the fact that barn-yard garb is in order. Jeans and gingham will be the new look for a day.

Honored guests for the event will be Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Longwell, Dean and Mrs. Charles Sevrinson, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Buchanan and Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Walster. Chaperones are Mr. and Mrs. Burl Winchester and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Stern.

## Hinkle Heads Spring Sing

John Hinkle will be the general chairman for the 1948 Alpha Phi Omega Spring Sing, which will be held in Festival hall, May 19.

Hinkle, who is from Fargo, will head arrangements for the annual battle of the vocal chords as a representative of Alpha Phi Omega, national scout service fraternity.

Cups will be again awarded to the best fraternity and sorority singing groups. Already entered are each of the fraternities and sororities and the Lutheran Student association.

## Guidon Initiates Nine New Members

Nine girls were initiated into Guidon, auxiliary to Scabbard and Blade honorary military fraternity in ceremonies held last week.

The group was honored at a dinner at Arnold's. In an election held there, Donna Jean Neller-moe was named president of the group. Shirley Prince was elected vice-president, Gloria Aas, secretary, Joyce Gackle, historian and Dorothy Wicklander, treasurer.

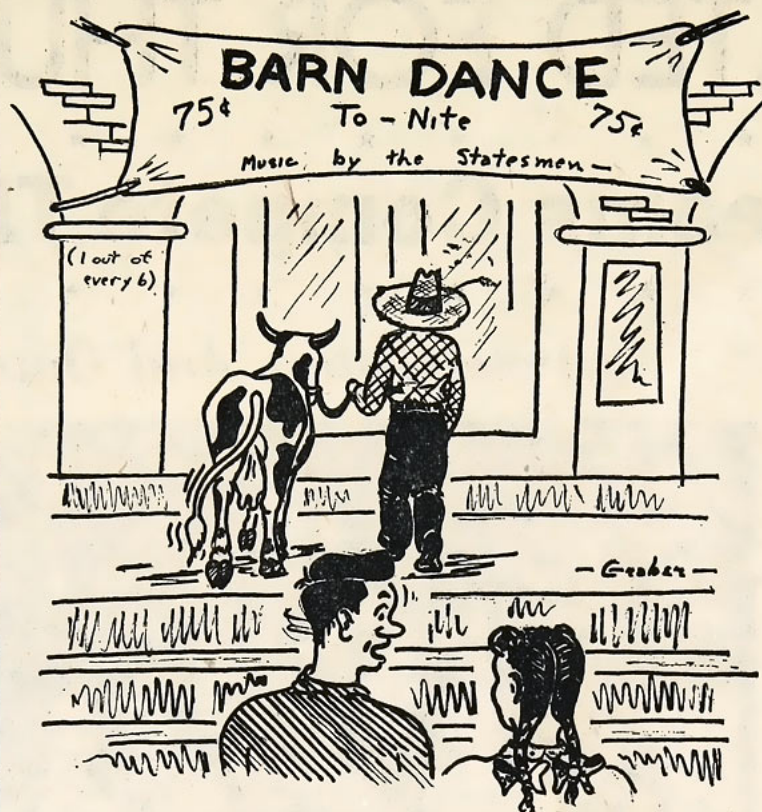
Initiates include Marvel Bovaird, Mary Jane Low, Joan Herigstad, Meta Lou Sheffield, Donna Litherland, Ardyce Toohey, Beverly Marchand, Joan Zimmerman and Ann Stegner.

### FOUND

Silver and black fountain pen. Has been turned into Spectrum office and may be claimed there.

## Off Hand

By Ed Graber



"I see Jim waited 'til the last minute to get a date again."

## First Student Union Election Marks Thursday Balloting

An important step in the progress of the Student union will take place Thursday when student representatives to the union board will be elected for the first time. Student representation on the board thus far has been delegated to four seniors who had done preliminary work in connection with incorporating the union, according to Bob Runice of the Memorial Student union publicity committee.

## NDAC Student Gets Cornell Assistantship

Lois Nelson, a senior home economics student who is majoring in clothing and textiles, has been selected for a graduate assistantship in teaching at Cornell University. She will begin work in September of 1948, as an instructor in the department of clothing and textiles.

The assistantship permits half-time graduate work in the College of Home Economics. Miss Nelson plans to take her master's degree in clothing and textiles and to prepare herself for college teaching in that work.

## ROTC Battalion To Fete Faculty

The entire complement of the NDAC Military Department will pass in review before members of the Quarter Century club next Tuesday at 4:30 on the library lawn.

The review, which will honor members of the NDAC faculty with 25 years of service, is open to the public.

Four students will be elected to the directors' board to serve throughout their college career. The student membership of the corporate board includes one sophomore, one junior, and two seniors. This will mean that one freshman and one junior will be chosen next year.

At the last meeting of the corporation, the board went on record favoring selection of student directors who are highly interested in the student union project and qualified to contribute to the success of the vast work ahead.

When the nomination period had closed Tuesday four applications had been received. They include Melvin Kirkeide, Carl A. Lee, Russel Wischow, and Bob Runice.

Interim students who have served since the corporation was formed in January are Jim Wilkinson, Daly King, Delores Barker and Lyle Nelson.

## Leroy Johnson Heads NDAC 4-H

LeRoy Johnson of Valley City was named president of the NDAC college 4-H club at a monthly meeting of the club last Thursday. In the same election Adeline Perkins of Wilton was elected to the post of vice-president.

Others officers named include: secretary, Shirley Holcomb, Laverne; treasurer, George Daniels, Crary; members at large, Kenneth Maetzold, Crary, and Lee Palmer, Devils Lake; social chairmen, Victor Legler, Jamestown, and Mary Kummeth, Cogswell; and Kenneth Olson, Plaza, publicity chairman.

At the meeting Shirley Holcomb, newly-elected secretary, delivered a report of the state 4-H institute.

## Mert Jones Entry Wins Pep Club Name Contest

Declared winner in the recent pep club naming contest Wednesday was Mert Jones, sophomore in engineering. Jones' suggestion, the "Rahjahs", was the name chosen from nearly two hundred entries.

A trophy will be awarded Jones through courtesy of the Student commission at the next meeting of the club.

Honorable mention was given Laverne Louick and Curtis Chambers for their entries, the "Plainsmen" and the "Hell Cats".

The club is composed of thirty-six men students, three each from the eight fraternities, Traylor city, Independent students, the Coops, and the Men's dorm. Bob Owens and Al Golberg are temporary chairman and secretary and Dr. O. O. Churchill is faculty advisor. Next meeting of the Rahjahs will be Wednesday evening at 6:30 in the college Y.

## Publication Finances In Red

By JIM WILKINSON

If present trends continue campus publications will wind up the school year more than a thousand dollars in the red, was an announcement from the Board of Publications this week. The drastic revision or curtailment of both Spectrum and Bison next year seems certain unless some way is found to meet rising costs of printing and engraving.

Both publications are financed by the student five-dollar activity

fee of which the Spectrum's share is fifty cents and the Bison's, \$1.40. The Spectrum fails to meet costs by eighty dollars a week at present. This year's Bison will come to about six dollars a copy, a figure far above the \$4.20 (for three terms) which the yearbook now receives from the activity fee. According to a Board spokesman, the Bison and Spectrum cannot continue in their present form with their present allotment. The question now before the Board is: What is to be done about next year?

Here is the situation as summed up this week.

Reallocating the present five-dollar fee does not appear possible. Although Bison and Spectrum shares of the fee were considerably higher before the war than are now being allotted, other organizations have since taken up the difference. Unless more funds are available to the Board next year, the Spectrum will be cut to four pages and even then it may not quite meet expenses. Several possibilities were open to the Bison, however. Next Thursday's election ballot will carry five questions submitted by the Board to determine students' wishes in regard to future yearbooks. They are:

1. Do you want a Bison next year, 1949?
2. Are you in favor of the quarterly magazine form as a 1949 Bison?
3. Would you pay the necessary assessment in addition to student fees which would have to be collected to cover the higher cost of a 1949 Bison?
4. Would you favor a Bison in 1950 covering the two-year period 1948-1950, with moneys from student fees next year to be added to the 1950 fund?
5. Would you approve a Bison of about one-half the quality and size to fit the budget?

Meanwhile the student commission has requested the college administration to raise the student activity fee from five to seven dollars and to allot part of the increase to the Board of Publications. If approved by the administration, the proposal would then have to be acted upon by the State Board of Higher Education. It was understood that an increase in funds equivalent to two dollars additional from the student activity fee would constitute a bare minimum to continue the Spectrum and Bison in their present form.

## Blue Key Gets Seven Men

NDAC chapter of Blue Key, national honor fraternity initiated seven junior and senior men recently. Initiates include Allen W. Golberg, Horace; Ernest E. Johnson, Fargo; James W. Johnston, Forest River; Paul Kornberg, Fargo; Dale L. McLeod, Erie; and Donald F. Wischow, Sentinel Butte. William C. Anderson, Fargo, accepted into membership a year ago but unable to attend initiation ceremonies at that time was also one of the group.

Blue Key is composed of third and fourth year men whose service to the campus and the college is recognized by membership in the organization.

## Indies Plan Steak Fry For Annual Picnic

Bill Keithan, president of the Independent Student's association, announced last week that the independent group will hold its annual spring picnic this year on May 23.

This year's all-day shindig, which will be held at Buffalo park, will be in the form of a steak fry.

Keithan, who recently was named to head the independent group to succeed Roland Timian, also announced the schedule for future ISA meetings.

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## Local Youth For Christ Group Schedules Saturday Rally

Four Youth for Christ International leaders will take part in the Master-rally planned by the local Youth for Christ committee Saturday night. The program will be held in Festival hall and will begin at 7:30 p. m.

The speaker will be Leland Skinner, director of Youth for Christ in the Philippines. During the war, Mr. Skinner was a chaplain and while stationed in the Islands was instrumental in organizing many Saturday night youth rallies there. He and his family will soon return to continue the youth work there.

Cliff Barrows, who will have charge of the song service, has just come from a six month's tour in Great Britain and the Continent where thousands of youth attended rallies in the major cities of Europe. Mr. Barrows is a former tennis champion and an artist on the trombone.

Also present for the musical service will be Phil and Louis Palermo who are just back from four month's youth work in Italy. While there they organized some 30 youth for Christ rallies and were given time on the Italian radio to play, sing and speak. Since their return to America they have been featured in such cities as Chicago and Minneapolis.

A mixed chorus choir composed of Fargo and Moorhead young people will be under the direction of Ex-chaplain Richard M. Brown. A social time for youth is planned in the Fargo YMCA gymnasium following the rally in Festival hall.

The local committee of Youth for Christ International is composed of pastors and laymen from several Fargo-Moorhead churches. Young and old are invited to attend the rally and several city officials of the two cities have endorsed the movement and will speak briefly at the rally Saturday night.

## State Homemakers Club To Meet Here; Tryota Will Host FHA Group May 14-15

The third State Convention of the North Dakota Association of the Future Homemakers of America will be held at the North Dakota Agricultural college campus on May 14 and 15. With 65 local chapters of F.H.A. sending delegates to

the convention, over 200 high school girls and their advisers are expected to be in attendance.

The Future Homemakers of America is an organization of high school girls enrolled in Home Economics, and while it is only three

years old as yet, there is a National membership of over 217,000 girls. North Dakota has 2,251 girls in F.H.A., with a local adviser for each chapter and chapter mothers in some chapters.

Tryota, the College Home Economics Club, acts as hostess to the visiting high school girls, and will assist with registration, tours of the campus, and the banquet, which will be on Friday evening, May 14. The State Officers of F.H.A. are: President, Carol Jean Smith, Mohall, N. D.; Vice-President, Gladys Zimbrick, Anamoose; Secretary, Francile Austin, Hettinger; Treasurer, Marie Kalvoda, Mandan; Historian, Ellen Malinski, Jamestown; Parliamentarian, Lois Gaukler, Lidgerwood; Public Relations chairman, Kathleen Johnson, Devils Lake; Recreation Chairman, Darlene Schoenberger, Casselton; Music Chairman, Constance Dean, LaMoure; Project Chairman, Lenore Bilden, Northwood.

Christine Finlayson, State Supervisor of Home Economics Education, is State Adviser; and Helen Anderson, Homemaking Instructor, Dickinson, is Co-Adviser.

### ROTC Drill Schedule Announced

Special drills and class reviews will be held by the Military Department for all cadets on May 5, 7, 12, and 14, it was announced today by Lt. Col. Balke.

Drills will start at 4 and will terminate at 5:45 p. m. Uniforms will be required for drills occurring on Wednesday, but not be needed for drills falling on Friday.

The purpose of the special drills is to prepare for the annual Federal Inspection, which will be held May 17, and to prepare the Corps for an attempt to securing the "Superior Unit Award" which has been won annually by the NDAC Corps of Cadets since 1924.

## NDAC Committee Studies Missouri River Development

A Faculty Committee on the Missouri Basin Development has recently been appointed by President Longwell to keep faculty and student body informed about the progress and problems in harnessing the Missouri River for water, power and land development in North Dakota.

Under the chairmanship of Dean Walster, the Committee arranged for Governor Aandahl to open a series of lectures and discussions on February 17, 1948 when he presented the board outline of the Pick-Sloan Plan and the Inter-Agency approach at a general student and faculty Convocation. On April 29, Mr. Quentin N. Burdick of the North Dakota Farmers Union presented the proposal for a Missouri Valley Authority at general Convocation.

During the remainder of the academic year, the Committee is planning to arrange for the following lectures and discussion meetings: Dean Walster on the basic provisions in the laws governing present development work; Mr. W. P. Sebens of the Greater North Dakota Association to show and discuss a film on the Garrison Dam Project; Mr. Bruce Johnson, Bureau of Reclamation engineer, on proposed irrigation development, and Col. Seybold of the Army Corps of Engineers on power development, navigation and flood control.

In addition to these campus-wide meetings, the Committee is arranging for smaller study group sessions for faculty members in various fields of research, extension and teaching to take up important technical problems of research and education in greater details. The first of these technical conferences was held on February 24 with Mr. Elmer Starch, Secretary of the Great Plains Agricultural Advisory Council, and Mr. Gladwin Young, U. S. Department of Agriculture Representative on the Inter-Agency Committee.

The membership of the faculty Committee represents the six Schools of the College, the Agricultural Experiment Station and the Extension Service, and consists of Dean H. L. Walster, Chairman, Dr. C. O. Clagett, Director, E. J. Haslerud, Prof. Lucille Horton, Prof. K. Kuhn, Dr. Clifton E. Miller, Prof. J. A. Oakey, Prof. R. Ottersen, and Dr. Rainer Schickele.

### Best To Speak To Architects

Donald Best, a representative of the United States Gypsum company will speak to the Atlier Chat Noir club at 7:30 Tuesday in room 33 of the Engineering building. Best will discuss various phases of architectural materials.

At the same meeting plans will also be discussed for reactivating Kappa Tau Delta, architect's honorary local.

Gene Gjerstad will be in charge of refreshments for the occasion.

## Sorlie Elected To Inter-Frat Prexy Position

Don Sorlie, president of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, was elected to head the Interfraternity council during the next year at a dinner meeting at the Sigma Chi house this week. He succeeds Lloyd Hillier as president. Other officers are: Jim Carlson, Kappa Sigma Chi, vice president; Jim Stine, Alpha Gamma Rho, secretary; Charles Bertel, Sigma Chi, treasurer; and Ellsworth Hendrickson, Alpha Tau Omega, reporter.

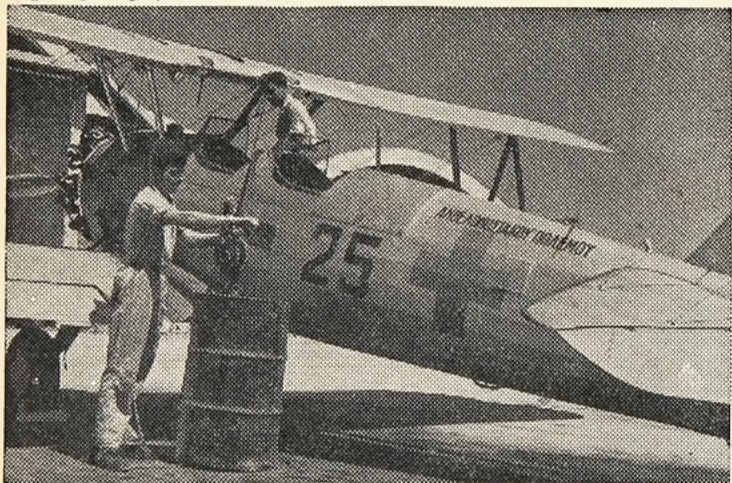
### Phi Mu, Sigma Phi Delta Get New Members

One fraternity and one sorority made announcement of recently initiated actives last week. Seven men entered Sigma Phi Delta, honorary service fraternity, and seven women became members of Phi Mu sorority.

SIGMA PHI DELTA Jim Blomquist, Knute Welfald, Lou Lien, Dick Rogness, Pete Silsand, Aaron Gruebele, and Doug Kinsals.

PHI MU Rosemand Rausch, Marjorie Summerdorf, Maybelle Hembross, Mary Du Lea, Pat Woodworth, Doris Durban and Jo Ann Brunsvold.

### Spraying for Health



DDT, the powerful insecticide, is loaded aboard a plane at an airport in Greece before a spraying mission over a swampy mosquito breeding ground. The spraying program, which cuts the malaria-bearing mosquito population, was set up with the aid of a mission sent by the Interim Commission of the World Health Organization.

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# Bliss Named Successor To Hollingsworth

## Paulsen's Pencil---

By JOHN PAULSEN

### Once More

North Dakota Agricultural college has a football coach. The appointment of Howard Bliss as head man Monday gave the AC its third football tutor in less than two months.

Bliss, considered a darkhorse possibility for the post just after Stan Kostka's resignation, was somewhat by-passed by North Dakota AC gridiron followers who looked for Ernie Gates, then Buck Starbeck, and finally Lloyd Hollingsworth to get the post.

Gates apparently never was under very serious consideration. Starbeck was set up at Iowa Teachers College far more successfully than he could be here, and Hollingsworth decided that the unavailability of the physical education directorship to be open to him would force him to decline.

Thus, the appointment goes to young Howard Bliss—a newcomer to North Dakota coaching ranks. The New Herd tutor has coached here only a year, having come to Valley City Teachers College last fall from Miami University at Oxford, Ohio where he was associated with the athletic department of McGuffey School.

Like his predecessor—Hollingsworth—Bliss holds a master's degree in physical education. He got it from Purdue university where he studied and played for four years. The new Herd skipper has also taken work towards a doctor's degree at Michigan. Thus it appears that the new Bison coach—at least on paper—should be well versed in the theories of football, having studied and played under Noble Kizer and Mal Edwards at Purdue and taken work under Fritz Crisler and his staff at Michigan. Crisler's Michigan staff is generally considered among the most outstanding in the nation.

### It's Interesting

to note that Bliss's movement since graduation from Purdue has always been up. From Montpelier, Ohio, high school where he was head coach, he went to the assistant coach position at Finley college, Finley, Ohio, and from there to the head duties at McGuffey school.

It's also noteworthy that like Hollingsworth, Bliss too served in service—serving four years with the Field Artillery. He was discharged a captain in 1946.

Bliss hasn't achieved the recogni-

### TO MEET

Coach E. E. Kaiser, coach of the NDAC track, golf and tennis teams, has asked that all men interested in tennis meet with with him in his office Monday at 4.

tion of either Starbeck or Hollingsworth. But he's proved one thing. That's he's a young coach with an ambition to advance in the coaching game. At Valley City, observers had nothing but highest praise for the former Purdue athlete.

He isn't stepping into an enviable position. The material for next fall doesn't—at least right now—look too promising. But Bliss wants to make good. He appears to know plenty about the game and he's made a lot of connections in his short tenure here in North Dakota that might well do him considerable good in the future.

### Bliss Knows

the situation. Bison followers were convinced of the worthiness of Hollingsworth. They're skeptical of the chances of the school's obtaining a man as satisfactory as the quick-come-quick-go Gustavus tutor. Bliss is reportedly anxious indeed to erase that skepticism.

If Bliss is to be successful here, then a number of things must be done. In the first place, the school is going to have to lure and keep more and better players than they've had this past year. It's too early to tell whether steps in this direction have been taken. However, Finnegan and his department were put out indeed when North Dakota university gobbled off most of the high priced North Dakota talent last year. It's reported that steps are being taken to prevent a repetition.

Then too, there must be more cooperation within and without of the athletic department. The dissension which tore apart most Bison athletic teams mustn't be allowed to creep in again.

Bliss and the rest of the staff must also be accorded more support from all sources than Bison coaches last year did. In this respect, it's interesting to note that several downtown businessmen have been conducting extensive attempts towards setting jobs up for a good share of next year's athletes in downtown Fargo.

It's apparent, too, that there must be no dictating of athletic policy from without of the athletic department. Concerted attempts were made this past year from various places to dictate to Kostka, Chalky Reed, and Finnegan. The results proved disastrous. The case of Hollingsworth is partial proof of that.

All in all, Bliss is moving into a setup that isn't especially good. But, it's one in which the opportunity for correction and improvement is immense. It appears that Bliss is just the man to handle such a picture.

## Track Meet Scheduled Here Saturday

Five track teams will compete in a home track meet Saturday on the NDAC track. Squads slated to enter Saturday's meet are NDAC, Concordia, UND, MSTC and Wahpeton Science.

Preliminary runoffs for the event will be held at 10 in the morning and finals will be held at 1:15.

In the Aberdeen Relays in which the Bison thinclad squad entered, the Herd placed one man, Norris Johnson. Johnson tied for first place in the high jump, getting up 11 feet 11 inches.

## Lettermen Club To Reactivate

All varsity letterman who are interested in reactivating the Letterman's Club on this campus are invited to attend a meeting which will be held next Tuesday May 4 at four o'clock in room 319 of Science hall. All letterman are requested to be there so that plans for election of officers can be made out. Men eligible for the Letterman's Club must have won a varsity letter in either Football, Basketball, Track, Baseball or Golf.

## Herd Baseballers Play at 4 Today

Frank Bishop will be on the mound for the NDAC Bison baseballers tonight at 4 as the Herd meets the MSTC squad on the NDAC field. Bishop will team with Bob Heer to make up the starting battery.

Bison Coach Stan Kostka also named Bob Ray, Herd third-baseman to lead off in the batting order. Others in their batting order are Bill Gallagher at short, Jim Noonan in center, Ed Boe in right, Art Bredahl in left, Paul Grabarbewitch at second; Marv Schafer at first; Heer and Bishop.

Tuesday Bison fans will be treated to a doubleheader. At 2 Concordia and Mayville will play and at 4 NDAC and Mayville will square off.

### INTRAMURAL MEETING

There will be an Intramural Athletic board meeting Monday, May 3, 1948. All representatives are requested to be present because a new constitution for the intramural athletics will be brought up for discussion and adoption.

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Intramural Board

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## Valley City Coach Expected Here For Several Practices

Howard Bliss, football coach at Valley City Teachers college, has taken the job vacated by Lloyd Hollingsworth last week as football coach at NDAC. Bliss was in Fargo yesterday for his first look at his Herd charges.

The appointment is effective July 1, 1948, but Bliss indicated he would be in Fargo during spring football workouts, now being held on the AC campus under the direction of line coach C. P. Reed.

A graduate of Purdue, 1939, Bliss played quarterback on Purdue machines coached by Noble Kizer and Mal Elward. He holds a master's degree in physical education from Purdue and has taken work toward his doctorate at the university of Michigan.

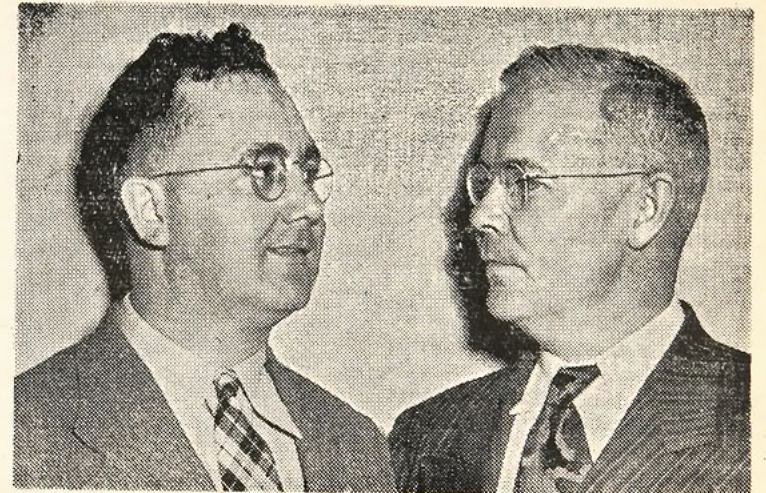
Following his graduation, he was football and basketball coach at Montpelier, Ohio, high school. In 1941 he moved into college circles, serving as assistant coach at Finley college, Ohio, for one year.

His army service was from 1942 until 1946, as battery commander in the Field artillery. He was discharged as captain.

From 1946 until 1947 he was athletic director at the McGuffey school, Miami university, Oxford, Ohio. During his one year at the Valley City inter-collegiate conference championship, first for the school in 20 years. Bliss was named coach of the year in the United Press poll last season.

Bliss is married and has one son, seven. His home is in Farmville, Virginia.

## Mr. Bliss Of NDAC



THE LATEST THING in football coaches at NDAC, Howard Bliss, left, gets his first look at NDAC prexy, Dr. John H. Longwell after the announcement of Bliss' appointment last week. Bliss, who spent last year as grid coach at Valley City Teachers college, succeeds Lloyd Hollingsworth who succeeded Stan Kostka who coached the team last year.

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### SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Alpha Gamma Rho vs. Kappa Psi NW 4:30 Monday  
Aggie Midgets vs. Theta Chi I SW 4:30 Monday  
Coop House vs. Sigma Chi SW 4:30 Tuesday  
Sigma Phi Delta vs. Independents NW 4:30 Tuesday  
Commissary Cook vs. Theta Chi II SE 6:30 Tuesday  
Men's Dorm vs. Kappa Psi SW 6:30 Tuesday  
Kappa Sigs vs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon NW 6:30 Tuesday  
AGR vs. Cooks SW 4:30 Wednesday  
Kappa Sigs vs. Coop NW 4:30 Wednesday  
Theta Chi I vs. Sigs NW 6:30 Wednesday  
Dorm Independents vs. ATO SE 6:30 Wednesday  
SPD vs. Theta Chi II SW 6:30 Wednesday  
Sigs vs. SAE SW 4:30 Thursday  
YMCA vs. ISA NW 4:30 Thursday  
Men's Dorm vs. SPD SW 6:30 Thursday  
AGR vs. YMCA NW 6:30 Thursday  
ATO vs. Sigs SE 6:30 Thursday

## Federal Jobs Offered - -

Miss Rena B. Smith, Director, Eighth U. S. Civil Service Region announced today that applications are now being accepted for probational appointment to Substitute Clerk and Substitute Carrier positions in the Post Office at Fargo, North Dakota. The basic rate of pay is \$1.04 per hour.

Applicants must be citizens of or owe allegiance to the United States. The age limits are 18 to 50, except for veterans and persons in the Federal Service who are War Service Indefinite employees.

In order to qualify applicants must pass a written test, which requires about 3 hours time. Interested persons should ask for further information and obtain proper application forms from the Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, Post Office Building, Fargo, North Dakota, or from the Eighth U. S. Civil Service Regional Office, Post Office and Customhouse Building, Saint Paul 1, Minnesota.

Applications must be received in the Eighth U. S. Civil Service Regional Office not later than the close of business on May 4, 1948 in order to be admitted to the examination.

## Final WSSF Tally Comes To \$429.11

A final tally this week of World Student Service Fund receipts from all NDAC sources revealed a total of \$429.11 collected during the 1948 campaign, according to Arne Lochen, chairman of the local drive. The figure is down more than \$125 from last year's contribution, Lochen said.

The WSSF campaign was under the sponsorship of the Intra-State Student Action Committee whose members are appointed by the Student commission. Recently reorganized ISSAC's president and secretary are Dan Stine and Margaret Anderson. Other committee members are Lochen, Wallace Sweeney, and James Wilkinson.

An examination has been announced for filling vacancies in the Rural Electrification Administration in the positions of Field Representative (Loan Applications and Electrical Utility Management), Rural Electrification Engineer, Home Economist (Electrical), and Inspector (Poles). Applications for the examination are being accepted by the Executive Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners for the Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Center, Beltsville, Maryland.

Starting salaries for these positions range from \$3,397 to \$4,902. The positions of Home Economist (Electrical) and Rural Electrification Engineer are located in Washington, D. C., and throughout the United States; the other positions are in the field service, located throughout the country.

No written test is required. To qualify, applicants for all positions except that of Inspector (Poles) must have had appropriate college study or experience or a combination of the two, plus appropriate professional or technical experience. Public speaking ability is required for the Field Representative jobs. For Inspector (Poles) positions, applicants must have had experience in preservation treatment and inspection of heavy timber products, including piles for marine work or poles for line construction. At least 1 year of the experience must have been in inspecting treated poles or piles. College study may be substituted for a part of this experience. Detailed information about the requirements of all the positions is given in Announcement No. 4-69-1 (48).

Announcements and application forms may be secured from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C., from the Civil Service regional offices, or from most first-and second-class post offices. Applications will be accepted from the Executive Secretary of the Board of Examiners at the above address until further notice.

## Representative Of J. C. Penney Expected Here

A representative of the national office of the J. C. Penney corporation will be on the campus May 7 from 1:30 to 5 p.m. to conduct interviews for NDAC students interested in entering the organization.

The Penney's representative will make the interviews in the college personnel office, which is now located in Festival hall. And though particular interest will be given to men in economics, commerce and pre-business administration, any person who graduates in June may apply.

Purpose of the interview is to seek out men who will graduate in June and who seek full-time employment with the Penney firm.

## Miss Browning Heads Kappa Epsilon Group

At a meeting held April 21, Evangeline Browning was named president of Iota chapter of Kappa Epsilon, women's pharmaceutical honorary. Others officers named at the meeting were Annabelle Schmidt, vice-president; Doris Geyer, secretary; Rosamond Raush, treasurer; Madon Ollenburger, historian and chaplain; Actives initiated the same day include Rosamond Raush, Jane Sand, and Carol Weber

## U. S. Petroleum May Last About 17 Years

America's petroleum reserves will last from 12 to 17 years, while her coal supply is good for 3,000 years, according to C. O. Anderson, associate professor mechanical engineering at NDAC, who returned recently from a Chicago power conference.

The need for development of a synthetic industry using coal reserves was stressed at the conference, which was sponsored by the Illinois institute of technology, with the cooperation of technical schools in Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin

North Dakota's lignite deposits are included in the figure of 3,000 years, Anderson said, and would develop of a synthetic fuel inform a raw material in any industry for the nation.

## Zweber To MC Pharmacy Dance

Norb Zweber will be master of ceremonies tonight at the Gardner hotel Town hall as the NDAC pharmacy club holds its annual dinner dance beginning at 6:30. General chairman for the event will be Evangeline Browning.

Others on committees include, decorations, Jane Sands; programs, Rex Askerooth; tickets, Jimmy Anderson, Wayne Wolf, Glenn Brown and Marty Trett; and publicity, Beverly Kristjanson.

Wurlitzer and his juke-box boys will handle musical chores.

## Tom Conlon Named To Dickinson Post

Dickinson, N. D., — Thomas J. Conlon has been appointed assistant agronomist at the Branch Experiment Station here to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Ralph W. Smith, who held the position of agronomist for 33 years.

Conlon, a native North Dakotan, completed work at the North Dakota Agricultural college in December, 1947, specializing in agronomy. He is a member of Alpha Zeta, honorary agricultural fraternity. He spent two summers in field work in agronomy at the local station.

During the war Conlon served with the 387th Infantry in the 97th Division in the European and Asiatic-Pacific Theaters of operation, and later served with the 8th Army Headquarters in the Army of Occupation Japan. After three and a half years of service he was discharged in 1946 holding the rank of Captain.

## Herbst Offers Scholarship

An annual scholarship award of \$100.00 is made by Robert Herbst in memory of his Mother, to a junior home economics student majoring in clothing and textiles. The choice is made on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership, and financial need. This award is announced in the spring quarter of the junior year. It is to be paid in three installments at the beginning of each quarter in the senior year.

## WSSF Group Seeks U. S. Correspondents

Included in the program of the World Student Service fund is an interchange of student addresses between countries of stricken Europe and the United States. In the December issue of the WSSF bulletin, it was pointed out that little response has been received from American students interested in the plan.

Another appeal has been issued by the WSSF bulletin, which seeks to secure names of U. S. students who would be willing to correspond with youths of Europe and Germany in particular.

Anyone interested in the program can be included in the list of correspondents by writing to Kenneth Grinling, 13 Rue Calvin, Geneva. Included in this letter should be a list of languages understood and written.

## Scabbard and Blade Has New Entrance Rules

New regulations concerning membership in M company, 3rd regiment of Scabbard and Blade, honorary military fraternity have been drawn up.

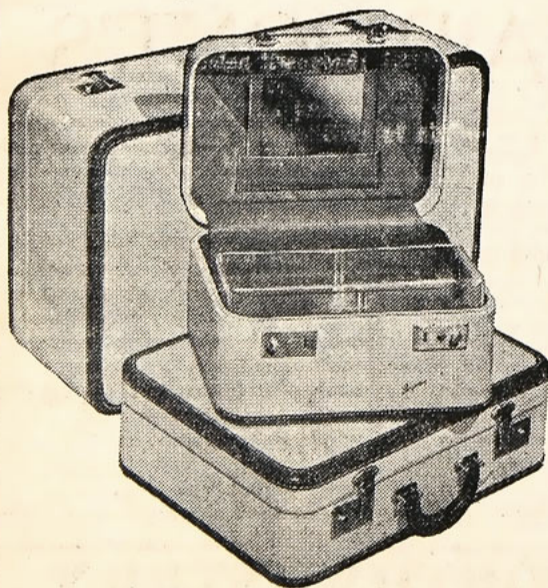
Requirements for membership now consist of (1) An overall scholastic average of not less than 1.00. (2) An overall average in Military Science of not less than 2.00. (3) Favorable vote by 2/3 of the Company, and (4) Concurrence of the professor of military science and tactics.

## AVC TO HOLD MEETING

A meeting of the Fargo Chapter of the American Veterans Committee will be held Tuesday night May fourth, at 8:00 o'clock at the CIO hall in Moorhead. Speakers will be present to open a discussion on the newly adopted AVC national progressive platform; there will, in addition, be an election of Chapter officers. Veterans and interested persons are cordially invited.

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## A Matter Of Finance

For one serious minute let's take a look at the financial situation as it exists at NDAC today. We are living in an inflated world where prices are doubled and more from the prices of pre-war and immediate post-war days and yet we maintain our same student fee and expect from it more than we could possibly obtain.

It doesn't take a financial wizard to perceive that something must give and we have arrived at the point where the giving must take place.

Let us take as an example the student publications. We are maintaining two all-school publications the weekly Spectrum and the yearly Bison. Both are being produced in a badly misshaped price field and stand to lose money a good deal of money from the past year.

Bluntly if either are to continue, more money must be allocated to the use of the publications. And since it is equally as hard to find money to support the other campus activities, such an increase to the publications fund could only come from an increase above the present activity fee.

In next week's election, NDAC students will have the opportunity of deciding on what they choose to do with the yearly Bison. In making that choice, it must be remembered that under present allocations, the Bison cannot be produced next year and if it is to be produced, some adjustment will have to be made to see that more funds are channelled to its use.

One of the more serious aspects of this election will be this choice on the Bison because it will be the first opportunity for NDAC students to vote recognition to the inflation.

## A Bliss-ful Setup

Despite the many charges levelled at NDAC and Fargo by some persons that this is the graveyard of coaches, we're sure that Howard Bliss, latest in the NDAC coaches parade, will find that he will get as fair a deal here as he could have gotten any place else.

Fargo and NDAC are not wrong in wanting a winning football team. Extra-legal methods employed by some "reputable" persons in this city have made an unfortunate situation but as a whole Fargo is not much different than any other city and Bliss can be assured of that.

We're not well-enough acquainted with the abilities of the new mentor to hazard any statement of what to expect from him, but we do know NDAC and Fargo well-enough to say that if Bliss wants and expects a fair deal in his post, he'll get it here.

## Letter to the Editor

The members of the International Relations Club wish to take this opportunity to express their appreciation for the cooperation they received in their recent drive for CARE contributions. The club did not give extensive publicity to the drive, because they felt that the cause was worthy enough to act as its own publicity. Fifty-five (55) letters were sent to all social and honorary fraternities, clubs, religious organizations, as well as other groups on the campus. The Spectrum printed a letter to the editor, which served as the only other means of publicity. The following organizations sent contributions to CARE through the International Relations Club and are listed in order of their receipt by the chairman for CARE.

International Relations Club	\$60
Theta Chi .....	10
Gamma Phi Beta .....	10
Phi Mu .....	10
Kappa Alpha Theta .....	10
Men's Residence .....	10
Sigma Phi Delta .....	10
Independent Student association	10
Kappa Sigma Chi .....	10
Sunrise Lodge A.F. & A.M.	10
Senior Staff .....	20
Total .....	\$170

Due to many inquires as to when the contributions final dead line would be, the final mailing date is set at May 4. The contributions are being mailed to the CARE headquarters on Tuesday, May 4. If for some reason your contributions have not reached me as yet or if the letter has been overlooked, please arrange to have your contributions reach me by Tuesday, May 4. I personally wish to thank all the organizations that cooperated in this drive.

If you would like to hear from the people receiving your package, please let me know. Indicate the individual to whom the contribution is directed. A request is being made that the names of all recipients of contributions from NDAC be sent to the club, and they will be available to anyone desiring such information.

Sincerely yours,  
Chanis Faye Ware

## Poisonalities

### IN THE NOOSE

By PAT O'LEARY

Barn Dance time is here again, and with it the intensified campaigns for queen which will make the forthcoming national presidential hubub look very ill. For one thing, you'd never see Truman or Dewey, or somebody, reclining on a bale of hay in a photo stuck all over.

If this current publicity stomping gets any worse than it has in the past, little women can be expected to be running around the streets stamping the names of these butter and egg girls on peoples foreheads. One climax in this eager railroad-ing was about three years ago when the KDs thoroughly painted a likely automobile found on campus with voting slogans made of water paint. When the stuff was revealed to have oxidized the paint and left a permanent mark, they were faced with the prospect of running the same girl for every barn dance for the next four years. The marks finally faded away, somewhat, with age, though, and the promoters were able to start anew the next year.

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One of the most confusing aspects of this barn dance queen-racket took place in the Engineering building. Above the ballot box for the Men's Pep Organization naming was a very nice photo and "Vote For", of one of the coed princesses. As a result, under "Name Your Men's Pep Organization", two bridge and truss men were found writing "Sally Jane Lindemann" strictly in earnest.

This new Pep club, in its christening, will have to wade through a lot of other ballots, some of which will be a little more off the beaten track, but good for a laugh. One of the best-worst to be entered was: "The Kellogg Club We Make Pep". Others ranged from bad to great. The outcome, anyway, should be a razmatazz monicker which will stand out.

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Another movement to raise the name of our college from one of theoretical specialization to more representative terminology is finally underway. This time they're trying to make it North Dakota College of Agriculture and Mechanics, or, N. D. A&M for short. For the good of the institution, every student here should support this cause. Opposition might somewhat hinge on the old rivalry between the schools of Engineering at the University of N. Dak. and ours. University students, their faculty and their alumni in the legislature would rather have theirs the leading Engineering School in the state, and the stressing of ours would only more strongly implant it here.

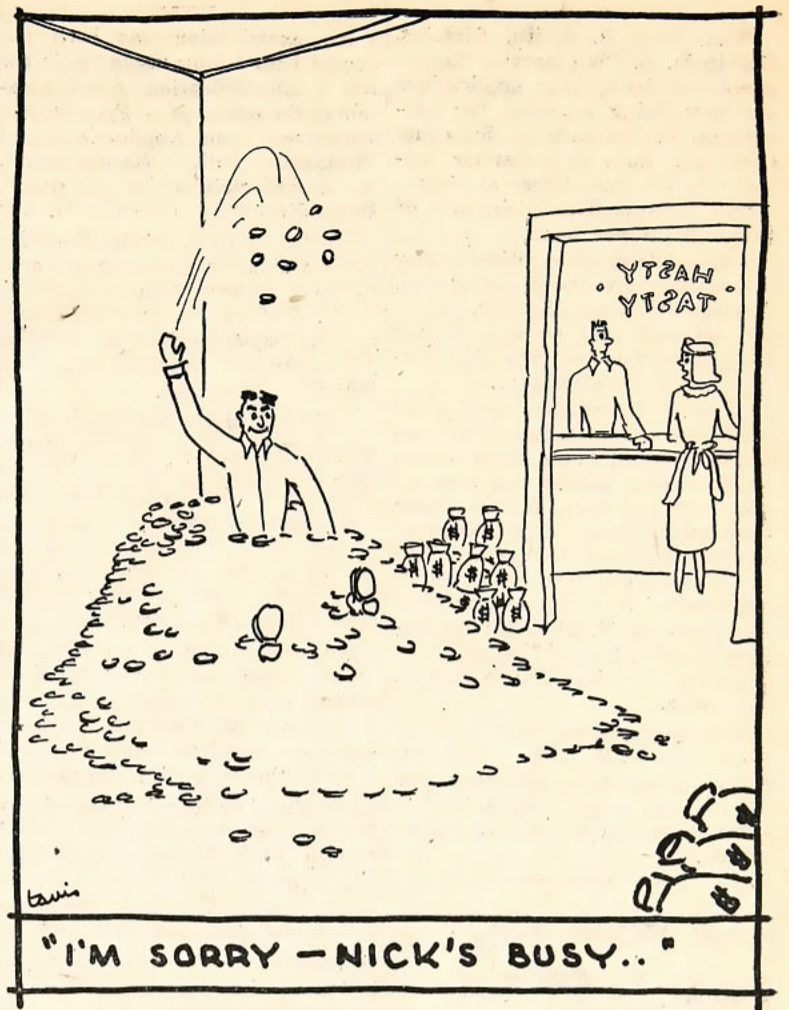
The other factor hinges on the way in which the change has been presented in the past—that is, that the students are ashamed of cows and the perennial jokes about the breeze from the north, and "kicking it off your feet before you go anywhere". All that is nothing more than fun, but the way which the name NDAC misrepresents our institution is not.

## Staff And Note Plan Open Musical Programs

The Staff and Note club of NDAC has its purpose for the spring term the presentation of open musicals. In the program presented last week Dick Iverson, Joan Zimmerman, Blair Smallwood and Dwain Belcher participated.

Gordon Berg also spoke on his trip to Washington, D. C. and Barbara Belcher gave research on the Beethoven symphonies with recordings of the fifth, seventh and ninth symphonies. In May Mrs. E. L. Olsen will review the Minneapolis opera series and sing opera arias.

## The Tavis Touch



"I'M SORRY - NICK'S BUSY.."

## De Krey's 3rd Place Essay--

(Warren DeKrey won third place in the recent conservation essay contest. His essay is printed in its entirety here.)

### SOIL EROSION

By W. WARREN DE KREY

A certain man had a fine horse that was his pride and his wealth. One morning he got up early to go out to the stable, and he found it empty. The horse had been stolen. He stayed awake many nights after that thinking what a fool he had been not to put a good stout lock on the stable door. It would have cost only a few dollars and saved his most prized possession. He resolved that he would give better protection to the next horse he had, but he knew that he would never get one as good as the one he lost.

The United States has been like that about its soil. Within a comparatively short time, water and wind have flayed the skin off the unprotected earth, causing widespread destruction, and we have been forced to realize that this is the result of decades of neglect. The effort to relieve economic depression for farmers has also forced attention on the soil. In the old Roman Empire, all roads led to Rome. In agriculture all roads lead to the soil, from which farmers make their livelihood.

Soil erosion, defined, is a vastly accelerated process brought about by human interference with the normal equilibrium between soil building and soil removal. And in the United States erosion is an increasingly serious problem. According to a recent reconnaissance survey of all the land in the United States, agriculture and non-agriculture;

1. On 37%—700,500,000 acres—of the total land area, mostly flat, gently undulating, or forested, erosion has been slight; less than one-fourth of the original surface soil has been lost.

2. 41%—775,600,000—erosion has been moderate; from one-fourth to three-fourths of the original surface soil has been lost.

3. 12%—225,000,000 acres—erosion has been severe; more than three-fourths of the original surface soil has been lost.

4. Three percent—57,200,000 acres—of the land has by now been essentially destroyed for tillage.

5. About 7%—144,700,000—consist of mesas, canyons, scabland,

bandlands, and rough mountain land.

Of the present crop land of the United States about 61% is either subject to continued erosion or is of such poor quality as not to return a satisfactory income to farmers. Only about 39% of the present crop land area can be safely cultivated, but some crop land that is not now in cultivation could be safely cultivated. Adding this to the 39% totals a little less than half of the present crop land area is safe for farming. A summarization of these figures gives one a very good indication as to how carefully we will have to guard our soils from now on.

Next let us take a look at the importance of soil. Through the ages soil erosion has exerted a tremendous influence on the course of civilization. History is largely a record of human struggle to wrest the land from nature, because man relies for sustenance on the products of the soil. The great cultural systems that have made their mark in world history have been built upon agriculture, though their subsequent expansion in industry or trade may have seemed to overshadow their rural beginnings. In the past nations have risen and fallen accordingly as they have taken care of the soil used in agriculture.

Most people will agree that the broad underlying purpose guiding the use of the soil resources should be to maintain the highest possible standard of living for the people of the United States. This includes secure farm homes, adequate and stable incomes for farm people, and a continuous and abundant supply of farm products for all of the people. This possibly has been the situation in most cases on farms in the past five or six years, but in the thirties the conditions were almost entirely reversed. Farm people had no means of an income because prices were low and their land was, in many localities, blowing away. Great widespread dust storms swept across the nation from the midwestern states to the eastern seacoast, the nation's capitol from and far out over the ocean. Millions and millions of tons of rich top soil were blown away beyond reclamation, and behind was left the bare subsoil and large sand dunes that covered roads, fences, machinery; even some buildings

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## Socially Yours

By POLLY EDHLUND

Grab your partner and promenade—left and right and round and round you go, young gents up and ladies back, whirl your partner to and fro—whoop-dedo-de-dum-dum-de-da-da-de. Yup! it's the barn dance to-night—so hop into your jeans and pinafores, scrape off yore shoes and hobble on over to the Barn Dance. It starts at nine, so get the milking done early.

Fraternities cornered the pledging market this week. Sigma Chi's new pledges are: Jerry Kavanaugh of Leeds, and Dick Schoen of Ortonville. SAEs: Jack Werre, Gerald Overboe, Leroy Schwager, Robert McNulty, Bill Desmond, and Charles Bishop. AGRs: Philip Moomaw, Robert Gee, and Herbert Thornberg. Sigma Phi Deltas: Bert Olso, Bob Sheffield, Bob Anderson, Buzz Barr, Eddie Kovnovsky, and Al Driesner.

High-up new low-downs at the SAE house are new pledge officers: Marsh Moore, president; Vic Henning, vice-president; Marvin Daggett, secretary-treasurer.

Pins and diamonds balance in the scale this week—two of each Chuck Onstad shined up his White Cross of Sigma Chi and gave it to Dolores Severson. Dick Gase added a touch of smoke to the Sigma Phi Delta house in the form of cigars last Monday night. Reason—cuz his pin had found its way to Ina Nelson of Dakota Hall.

Gloria Aas had an extra special beam last Friday—not only a beam but also an added twinkle—a diamond from Don Novaria of Sigma Chi. Also diamond totting is Mary Kay Sullivan—this gal is engaged to Bill Johnson.

Sweeties at the Theta House. You bet-it was Marvella Bovaird and Mererith Sorlie passing them. Footing the candy bills were Dixon Best and Vic Horn

Tipping tea cups and crunching caviar at the various sorority and frat houses this week were—with the Phi Mu's—Roy Johnson, Dick Hanson and Ray Erwin; with the Gamma Phi's—Bob Owens, Mert Jones, Paul Kornberg, Steve Reimers and Bill Toussaint; with the Kappa Alpha Theta's, Miss Anderson, Miss Leeby, Miss Horton and Phyllis Eastman; with the Kappa Kappa Gamma's—Dean and Mrs. Severson; with the Sigs—Paul Baldwin, Butch Rue, Bob Withnell, Dewey Lemm, and Kenny Lemm; with the KD's—Bea Nugaard, Bev Patara, and Miss Helen Twogood; with the Kappa Psi's was James Brady. Mr. Brady told the juniors and seniors about the possibilities for future work in the Walgreen

Drug Line. Mr. Brady is an alum of Kappa Psi fraternity.

Old times were talked over at the Kappa Psi house last week. This all came to pass when Steve Sleigh of Beach, North Dakota stopped by for a visit. Steve is a Chapter member of the fraternity.

Picnics are still raging fast and furiously. The schedule for last Thursday included the entertaining of the Sigs by the Gamma Phis, and the getting-together of the Alpha Gammas Rho and Delta.

A bit of turnabout on the part of the Kappa Kappa Gamma gals. Twarnt the pledges, but the seniors that skipped out Monday night to delve into juicy, porkchops for dinner.

Taking a turn at typewriter-tapping and Chapmanizing are the SAEs. They're going to publish the Shield, SAE alum magazine. Bill Chambers is the big dog on the staff.

Miss Emily Dakin, played a bit of hookey from the book-store duties when she spent ten days in New York at a National Association of College Stores convention. Miss Dakin was entertained by several AC alums—Mr. and Mrs. Vergari, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wilson, and Bohn Lindemann.

The contest is over and the pin-up is named. It's the Theta Chi pin-up gal and she now sports the title of "Joy" (the Joy-Boys Joy that is) which was submitted by the Kappas. A lawn party will be the setting for the presentation of a trophy to the Kappa winners.

The Kappa Alpha Theta welcome mat will be dusted off for all you people next Sunday. It's an open house. Time? 3 to 5.

Bob Christiansen is now chalking up the minutes at Sigma Phi Delta meetings. He is sliding into Art Saver's office. Art has left our green campus to work for Boeing Aircraft.

Have you seen the new dish at the Theta Chi house? Really nice! Not just one but a whole 'set of them—white with red trimming. These dishes are a gift from their Mother's Club.

Breakfasting, lunching, and dining with their national inspect. or was honored at a tea Thursday at which representatives from all sororities were present.

Hats off to Bob Owens for starting the new pep club. Real good idea—don't you think?

Ed Graber just got a big fat letter from our old pal Inga Tortvedt. She added a little note that you should all remember—"one out of six"—

Well-nuff said.

## The Spectator

Bulls-Eye

By BOB SCHREINER

The barn dance is here again, comparatively absent this spring is the hard fought campaign for queen. Last year it resembled a city election, but this time it looks like no one's arm will be broken from being twisted. The barn dance last spring was without a doubt one of the most enjoyable school parties of the year, so we advise you all to get your old clothes and get with it. Also vote for Ed Graber for barn-dance king. (adv.)

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Sigma Chis will be electing a new sweetheart soon. Rumors indicate that after they make their final choice, no less than Peggy Lee, the famous singer and former Fargoan, will sing the sweetheart of Sigma Chi over her network broadcast in honor of the new Gamma Tau sweetheart.

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STUDENT PRAYER: God, take care of my little girl . . . I can't afford it!

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Congratulations to Bob Owens and certain other people for their leadership in organizing the new Pep club. Although the Theta Chis have been doing a fine job for campus spirit with their clowns and band at football and basketball games, it's long been common knowledge that student athletic support is weak. And that's one of the things this new Pep club hopes to revive. If each organization would support athletic events only a fraction as much as the joy boys the problem would be licked.

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Infamous last words—"How did you know we wuz collich gals?"

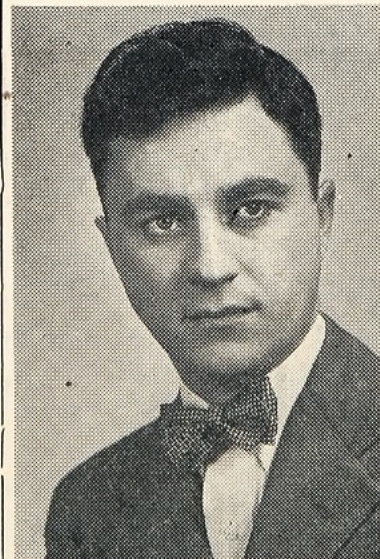
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The people who make Camels are certainly generous. A few weeks ago at the bookstore Camel representatives (after hearing many of us often don't have funds for the machine at the Hasty) gave a package of their cigarettes to everyone who entered the door. We understand they do this at other colleges too. No wonder they can claim more college students smoke Camels than any other cigarette!

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Some girls go to college to learn things they never do—others to do things they never learn.

## Kappa Psi Prexy



JAMES ANDERSON, junior, in pharmacy from Aberdeen, S. D., has been named new president of the Kappa Psi pharmacy professional fraternity. Anderson, who succeeds Norbert Zweber, is a member of Blue Key and the Gold Star band. Other officers named at the same election include Don Spoonheim, vice-president; Oliver Warner, secretary; Sheldon Clay, treasurer and house manager; Harold Zweber, historian; Roy Anderson, chaplain; Glen Brown, social activities; Richard Bieber, sports activities; and Herman Olig, pledge trainer.

## NDU "Pot-Shot" Artist Scores "Clean" Miss

By WALLACE ANDERSON

In the April 23 issue of the Dakota Student, edited by the glacier-dodgers up north, at the U of North Dakota, a Miss Carol Leifur ventured to attack the editorial policy of the Spectrum (April 16 issue, A Word About the Brevities) in this fashion:

"Panty-waist editorial . . . timidly ventured to chastise acts in the Bison Brevities . . . meekly proceeded to cluck his tongue at the tone of humor . . . Evidently their show wasn't audited by a cautious faculty delegation."

Writing under a remarkably accurate title, "Pot Shots", (pottier shots are not to be found) Miss Leifur proceeded to chastise the Spectrum for its "panty-waist" editorial policy. The pot-shot that the writer attempted in this specific case reminds me of a far-removed relative of mine who, through some strange quirk of ballistics, never fired a rifle but that the projectile went back over his shoulder, crippling and scaring the hell out of people standing behind him. While I used to consider this character as the world's worst shot, I now find that, compared to Miss Leifur,

he is the world's second worst shot. Firstly, Miss Leifur was obviously unacquainted with the NDAC situation when she undertook the criticism. She could not know if the gags in question were of the "Who was that woman—" type or of the "A travelling salesman was" variety.

Secondly, the situation did not call for an editorial that would differ in any way from the one presented. It called for a diplomatic, tactful, and considerate editorial that had regard for the feelings of the persons and organizations involved.

Thirdly, a scrutiny of Miss Leifur's column brings one to the same conclusion and quotation that a University student included in his protest to the erratic "pot-shooter", viz., "when a humor column runs low on wit, dig up some dirt."

It goes without saying that Miss Leifur's few feeble volleys of bird-shot into the Spectrum camp will be given totally as much consideration as the influx of summer mosquitoes. Should Miss Leifur care to enter into more verbal parrying, the welcome mat is out.

## American Magazine Says U.S. Only 6 Inches From Starvation

Through reckless dissipation of its topsoil, the United States today is only "a bare six inches from starvation" and must adopt more far-reaching conservation methods, Fred Bailey, agricultural and food production authority, declares in the May American Magazine.

"Our national welfare, our ability to feed and clothe ourselves, depend upon prompt and vigorous action at once," says Bailey who is a member of the 11-man committee created by Congress to work with the Secretary of Agriculture in promoting research into farm production and marketing. "If voluntary methods do not succeed, Congress should act promptly and decisively to make compliance with sound soil-conservation practices mandatory."

In an effort to determine the extent of erosion, tests taken in New Orleans have shown, according to Bailey, that the topsoil equivalent of one \$10,000 midwestern farm washes down the Mississippi every 30 minutes.

"In normal times, an American family with a \$2,000-a-year income needs three acres per person to

maintain its standard of living. If every acre suitable to crop production were put into use, we'd have some 466,000,000 acres in crops, or 31/5 acres per person."

Granting that this acreage was maintained at the present capacity for production, Bailey says that owing to population increases that 1/5 margin of safety it offers would have disappeared by about 1960. "By 1970," he adds, "at the present rate of population increase, we would have only 24/5 acres per person, 1/5 of an acre less than needed for only a fair standard of living."

The first need, as Bailey sees it, is for a sound program of balanced agriculture, including emphasis on family-owned and operated farms because "farmers who own their land take better care of it, as a rule, than do tenants."

"Congress should pass a well-rounded program for federal, state, county, and farmer co-operation in conserving the soil," he states, "We need more education to convince farmers that soil conservation is a sound investment, and more technical advice to show them how to do it."

## Conservation Contest Essay (Cont. from page 6)

were almost buried. Can this happen again we ask? And the answer is yes.

Because of the recent war, all land that would grow crops was plowed up, and with the current rainy seasons large crops were raised but very little has been done to prevent another dust bowl in the next few years if the weather should turn dry. No other process or combination of processes is so destructive of valuable soil and its nutritive constituents as erosion. By comparison the removal of plant food constituents by cropping and grazing is relatively small. However more important than the plant food nutrients is the loss of the soil itself which takes approximately one thousand years to restore one inch.

Lack of knowledge has been termed the largest cause of soil erosion, and economic and social limitation came second. Early pioneers knew very little about soil. They had been taught that to get land to farm one must chop down the trees and burn them with the rest of the vegetative growth. If the land should erode, the next thing to do was to move farther west. Then later on when good land became scarce, settlers were forced to try to make a living on sub-

marginal land. This led to erosion and waste of many thousands of acres which might have been saved with the proper methods of farming. The high cost of land has caused some farmers to farm poor land because of financial inability to purchase high priced land. In other instances the farmer had to rent, and the lack of personal interest in many cases led to ruination of the land.

Good soil management is the answer to our problem of erosion. By this we mean suitable tillage, maintaining the supply of organic matter in the soil, and using mechanical measures to control erosion where rotation contour farming are some of the main tools of a good manager. He will also keep in contact with the county agent, soil conservation service, and acquaint himself with the latest reports from the agricultural research agencies. By thus educating the farmers we can save our soil which is the basis of our present standard of living in the United States. A stable, healthy and vigorous civilization demands proper adjustment of men to the soil, and opportunities for them to make this adjustment. That is why the soil problem is so important in the United States.

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**NDAC Church News**

"God's Expectation of the Church Today" was the topic of the sermon delivered Sunday morning at Grace Lutheran church by Rev. R. W. Hahn, Executive Secretary of the Lutheran Student Service Commission, Chicago, Illinois. Preceding the service Professor Edgar J. Otto, Professor of English at Concordia college, St. Paul, led the Bible discussion based on Romans 1, 1-16, "Paul's Conception of Service".

Climax of the day's program, which included worship, discussion, and fellowship, was the seven o'clock banquet in Town Hall, Gardner Hotel. Robert Sheffield (NDAC), president of Alpha Kappa chapter, welcomed the guests and introduced the toastmaster, Rev. Hahn. Professor Otto spoke on "An Exemplary Layman in Ancient Babylon", a topic in keeping with the conference theme, "The Good Lutheran Layman". Mr. Lawrence Gidmark of Fargo led the group singing.

Honored guests included Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Longwell (NDAC); Dr. J. N. Brown and Dr. M. F. Anderson (Concordia College Moorhead); Pastor and Mrs. E. E. Hansen (Moorhead); Mrs. A. H. Grumm (Fargo); Pastor and Mrs. L. J. Mehl (Grand Forks); Mr. Harold Meyer (Minot); Mr. Perry Hemphill (Fargo); faculty sponsor of Alpha Kappa chapter on the NDAC campus; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fiechtner (Fargo) and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Radig (Wahpeton). Mr. Fiechtner and Mr. Radig are president and treasurer, respectively, of the North Dakota-Manitoba District Lutheran Layman's League while Mrs. Fiechtner is treasurer of the District Lutheran Women's League. The L.L.L. and L.W.M.L. helped finance the conference.

Don Zander (Concordia) was Master of Ceremonies for the mock radio program presented by members of Alpha Kappa chapter and Mr. Ed Ferber of Fargo. Chapter members participating in the banquet program were Paul Grabarke-witz, Bonnie Boldt, Virginia Rick, Fred Buelow, Ronald Nelson, and Kenneth Maetzold (all of NDAC), Herman Radig and Carl Zander (Concordia). Verla Grumm of Fargo was accompanist for the program.

**METHODISTS**  
 A full evening of entertainment is scheduled for the Methodist Student foundation next Sunday, beginning with a supper at 6. Singing and stunts will follow from

5:30 to 7; worship from 7 to 7:30; and discussion from 7:30 to 8.

Following the discussion, a movie "Jane Eyre" will be shown along with musical shorts and comedies.

Dates for exchange Sundays with Grand Forks has been changed. The Fargo group will go to Grand Forks for the May 16 program and the Grand Forks group will come to Fargo May 23.

**LSA**

Lutheran Students will near the final discussion on "The Role of Lutherans in the World Council of Churches" on Sunday at 5:15. Rev. C. A. Almer will speak on "The Federal Council of Churches." Supper and recreation will follow the main program.

**SPECIAL**

Seniors of the Lutheran Students association will be the honored guests at a banquet to be held in Elim Lutheran Church April 30 at 5:30. The theme will be "A Christian Finds Self Through Service".

Rev. O. Proehl, pastor for students at the University of North Dakota, will be the main speaker. He will speak on "Love in the Third Dimension." The program will also include musical numbers and a reading of the class will and prophecy.

Glenn Dehlin and Joyce Cunningham are in charge of arrangements. Dinner will be served by the Elim Ladies Aid and tickets are \$1.10.

**BREVITIES' HANGOVER**

Charles Dickens, Bison Brevities director, announces that properties, costumes, and personal belongings left over from the Brevities should be picked up on Monday at 4:30 by the various organizations who own the articles.

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