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## Dr. Longwell Inaugurated In Ceremony

Before assembled delegates from 30 institutions of higher learning in Festival hall Wednesday afternoon Dr. John Harwood Longwell was formally inaugurated as the seventh president of North Dakota Agricultural college.

Following the inauguration Dr. and Mrs. Longwell and approximately 300 guests were entertained at a banquet in Ceres hall, presided over by Elliott Hardaway, college librarian. Later, they were honored with a reception in the Ceres hall parlors.

Principal speaker at the afternoon ceremony was Dr. John L. Hundley of the University of North Dakota, a former classmate of Doctor Longwell at the University of Missouri. At the banquet Dr. Clyde L. Bailey, dean and director of the department of agriculture, University of Minnesota, delivered the main address.

Delivering the charge to the new president was A. S. Marshall of Forbes, N. D., president of the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education

Dr. Longwell, in his inaugural address, Science and Our Democracy, discussed the importance of science in the world today and the compatibility of democracy and science.

The president also traced the history of the founding and developing of NDAC and its experiment station under the federal land grant bill. Besides pointing out specific contributions and advantages of this and other land grant schools to the state and country, he emphasized the role that agriculture and experimentation play in the national economic welfare.

Among the official delegates from outside the Fargo-Moorhead area were John Knauf of James-town, representing the University of Michigan; Dr. John L. Hundley, Grand Forks, University of Missouri; Dr. Clyde Bailey, Minneapolis, University of Minnesota; Dr. H. J. Stafseth, East Lansing.

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## Thespians Take A Breather



After a rehearsal this week on the Little Country theater production, *State of the Union*, members of the cast gathered in the Lincoln Log Cabin of the theater for a few moments' communal relaxation. Shown at the cabin's ancient organ is Adelaide Dinwoodie. Around the organ, left to right, are Kenneth Mick, Billy Anderson, Fred Dickens and Ruth Wilhan.

## Initial Theater Production Set To Open November 12

"*State of the Union*", a political satire, initial offering of the Little Country Theater for the current season, will be presented at 8:15 p. m. on November 12, 13, and 14.

A Pulitzer prize winner in 1946, the play was written by Russell Crouse and Howard Lindsay, who authored the famous "Life With Father". The play concerns itself with the efforts of the Republican party to nominate a presidential candidate for the 1948 campaign. Miss Constance West is directing the production.

Members of the cast include Fred Dickens as Grant Matthews; Ruth Wilhan as Mary Matthews; Kenneth Mick as James Conover; Bill Anderson as Spike MacManus; Adelaide Dinwoodie as Kay Thorndyke; Edith Gelder as Norah; Richard Meyers as Stevens; Richard V. Olson as the bell-

boy; Marvin Garske as the waiter; Cal Fercho as Sam Parish; Charles Dickens as Swenson; Robert Schreiner as Judge Jefferson Davis Alexander, Dorothy Webb as Mrs. Alexander; Dolores Martinson as Jenny; Mary Linda Roseau as Mrs. Draper; Gerald Bolmeier as William Hardy; and Robert Barckley as Senator Lauterback.

The technical crew includes stage manager, Don Viets; assistant director, JoAnn Zimmerman; properties, Shirley Nelson, Hope Neugebauer, Marion Barnes and Joe Olson; costuming, Marilyn Collette and Patricia Heller; publicity, Mayo Kucera, Chadwick Coombs, Ambrose Netzer, Lota Junge and Carolyn Fossay; makeup, Lillian Larson, Barbara Hammer and Al Foss; tickets, Howard Mohler, Helen Beauchamp, Richard Iverson and Dorothy McConn.

## Action Group Opens Drive For Support

### Vote Today

Polls close at 5:00 p.m. this afternoon in the first student elections of the year.

All class officers are to be elected in addition to assistant commissioner of finance on the student commission, senior member of the board of publications and junior member of the board of athletic control.

Elections are held in the registrar's office in Old Main.

## Phi Kappa Phi Selects Ten

Dr. E. A. Helgeson, president of the NDAC chapter, announced Wednesday the selection of 10 seniors to membership in Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary scholastic fraternity.

The eight women and two men named were:

Lillian Nydahl, home economics  
June Stotlar, home economics  
Nancy Headsten, pharmacy  
Helen Hawkins, chemistry  
Thomas Evans, chemistry  
Norma Jean Steinmeyer, AAS  
Janice Bergeson, home econom.  
Evelyn Thurnau, home economics  
Arnold Stockstad, agriculture  
Dorothy Bader, education

Dr. A. D. Whedon, A. G. Hill and Dr. W. C. Hunter served on the nominating committee.

Phi Kappa Phi elects members each term on the basis of scholarship and character. Fall nominees are selected primarily for scholastic standing, while winter and spring initiates are chosen on the basis of activities as well as scholarship.

Officers are Dr. E. A. Helgeson, president; Miss Minnie Anderson, vice-president; Dr. J. A. Munro, secretary-treasurer, and Prof. O. A. Stevens, journal correspondent.

## State Unit Formed On Campus Seeking Funds For Lobbying

NDAC delegates of the Intra-State Student Action committee launched a slogan contest Monday as the first step in a program to promote interest in its state-wide educational improvement program.

A membership drive will begin Monday, culminating with a convocation and dance the following Friday.

Any campus organization may compete for the trophy or equivalent cash award being offered by submitting one or more slogans, the committee announced. Entries, however, must be in the college dean of men's office in a sealed envelope by 4:30 Tuesday.

Basing their decisions on brevity, clarity and aptness of thought, the judges will select the six best slogans entered. These will be voted upon at the ISSAC-sponsored dance, the Slogan Skip, Saturday in the field house.

ISSAC state president, Walter Birkelo of Valley City State Teachers college, will be the main speaker at convocation Friday in Festival hall.

Delegates who attended the Minot meeting of the ISSAC Oct. 13-14 will report.

Fargo will play host to publicity chairmen from the schools in the eastern part of the state Saturday. Ames Skolness of NDAC, state publicity chairman, with these delegates, will compile a booklet about the action committee's work, resolutions and plans to be distributed prior to convening of the state legislature in January.

A ticket booth at the dance will give students another opportunity to secure membership tickets in the Intra-State Student Action committee if they have not done so during the concentrated drive Nov. 11-15.

Funds from the dance and membership tickets will be added to the committee's state treasury to further a publicity campaign and sponsor a lobby to the state legislature.

Ames Skolness will complete details for the convocation, while Al Foss will handle dance arrangements. Grace Swigart and Jeanne Wallerius direct publicity, with Tom Challoner in charge of poster publicity.

The Intra-State Student Action committee was formed in Fargo last June when delegates from the nine institutions of higher learning in North Dakota met, following a local meeting of NDAC students dissatisfied with educational conditions on this campus. Members resolved to work for higher appropriations for state schools as well as more favorable teaching conditions.

## Seek Business Aide

Students with previous experience in newspaper advertising who are interested in applying for the post of assistant business manager of the *Spectrum* are asked to contact Betty Sue Armstrong in Room 123, Science, after 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays.

## Plan Revival Of Little Int'l Livestock Show

Headed for revival during the winter term following a five-year lapse is the Little International Livestock show, sponsored by the Saddle and Sirlain club.

Percy McLean and Donald Scholts, majors in animal husbandry, were elected manager and assistant manager, respectively, at a meeting of the club October 29.

In past years, this show featured such activities as the showing of all classes of livestock and poultry, exhibits of grain crops, coed milking contests and the Fargo dog show.

Definite plans will be formulated at the next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 13.

### ADD GRADUATE COURSES

Added to the pharmacy curriculum this year is graduate work in pharmaceutical chemistry, pharmacognosy, and pharmacy.

## this week on the campus

### FU Host To President

President John H. Longwell was a guest of the college Farmers Union local last Thursday evening at the YMCA. President Longwell, in a brief talk, stressed the need for more facilities to care for a continually growing student body at NDAC.

### MSF Holds Seminars

The Methodist student foundation met on Sunday, November 3, at 6:00 p.m. at the First Methodist church. Supper was served at that time and was followed by three discussion groups. The first was "Friendship and Marriage," conducted by Reverend R. G. Hohn; the second, "Psychology and Religion," led by Carl Schmidt, and the third, "The Message of Jesus," conducted by Reverend Lloyd White. The discussion groups will continue for six weeks.

### Sorority Rushees Meet

All sorority rushees are being asked to attend a special meeting Monday from 7 to 7:30 p.m. in Festival hall which has been called by the college Panhellenic council.

Questionnaires will be distributed as part of a campus rushing survey being conducted here and at the University of Minnesota. Chairman of the survey committee at NDAC is Adelaide Dinwoodie.

### Chosen FU Directors

George Keiffer and John Maher, delegates from NDAC Farmers' Union local, were appointed to the board of directors of the North Central league of campus cooperatives at the league's meeting in Madison, Wis., last week.

Calvin Martin, LeRoy Johnson and Joe Olson were other NDAC students attending.

### Schanke To Address LSA

Andreas Schanke, one of the leaders of the Norwegian underground during the war, will be guest speaker at a luncheon sponsored by the Lutheran Students' association in the college YMCA dining room at noon Tuesday, November 12.

### IRC Studies UNO Veto

International Relations club will meet to discuss UNO and the Veto Tuesday evening at 8 in the Fire-side room of the YMCA.

Membership in IRC, which is part of a nation-wide organization, is open to any NDAC student who wishes to attend its bi-weekly discussions. The club president, Tom Wolfe, announced that new members may offer their suggestions for discussion topics and speakers to be presented this year, since the program is open.

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EDITORIAL OBSERVATIONS

Objective

Buildings Alone Not Enough

Going to college can become an awfully unpleasant business if one so chooses. Imagine study as a chore, and it immediately will become a chore. "There is nothing either good or bad," said Hamlet, "but thinking makes it so."

Last spring students on the NDAC campus organized to express their dissatisfaction with the college about them. What they sought, they said, was an "enlightened" college program. From their complaints many actions have stemmed. Requests are being made for more buildings and increased general appropriations. New instructors have been employed, and various changes have been made, some of them, at least, a result of the students' uprising. But the students themselves—is it possible that they, too, have a part to play?

A member of the college faculty addressed a letter to The Spectrum recently in which he outlined certain positive steps he thought should be taken by members of the student body if the college actually is to effect the regeneration that is sought. At the top of his list he wrote, "Try to get as much out of courses as possible, to find something worthwhile in courses which seem unattractive."

No one, in all probability, studies completely for the fun of it. No real student, furthermore, is likely to attend college simply because doing so gives him pleasure. Like most anything that is worthwhile a certain amount of work is involved in the business of acquiring an education. The odiousness of that work, however, should decrease in direct proportion to the effort applied. Eventually, the true student should find his work becoming, as in the Buddhist quest for enlightenment, an "effortless effort."

One's pursuit of knowledge should pass beyond the immediate sphere of college courses, it would seem. It is hardly thinkable that one could entertain a true desire for knowledge on a part-time basis.

Discussing reading, but thinking in terms of man's thinking processes, Henry Thoreau in his Walden wrote, "Reading, in a high sense, is not that which lulls us as a luxury and suffers the nobler faculties to sleep the while, but what we have to stand on tiptoe to read and devote our most alert and wakeful hours to."

It is in just such a rebirth of individual effort and interest that the main hope for an "enlightened" college program lies.

Sophomore Production Takes Honors In LCT Play Contest

By FRED NELSON

NDAC's student theatrical season opened Tuesday evening with the presentation of the twenty-eighth annual one-act play contest, the sophomore play, The Man in the Bowler Hat, winning first prize as the best production.

Although presented with less than a week's practice, the performances were fair enough on the whole. Bob Barkley turned in by far the best acting job of the night as the timidly adventurous husband in the sophomore production. Three feminine participants of the contest were very close for best actress honors with Alice Walla, who played Barkley's wife, and Shirley Wood, doting mother in the freshman presentation, getting a first place tie. In your reporter's humble opinion, Audrey Remme in the title role of Rosalie, the junior play, turned in at least as good a performance as either of the judges' choices with her tearful interpretation of the downtrodden maid.

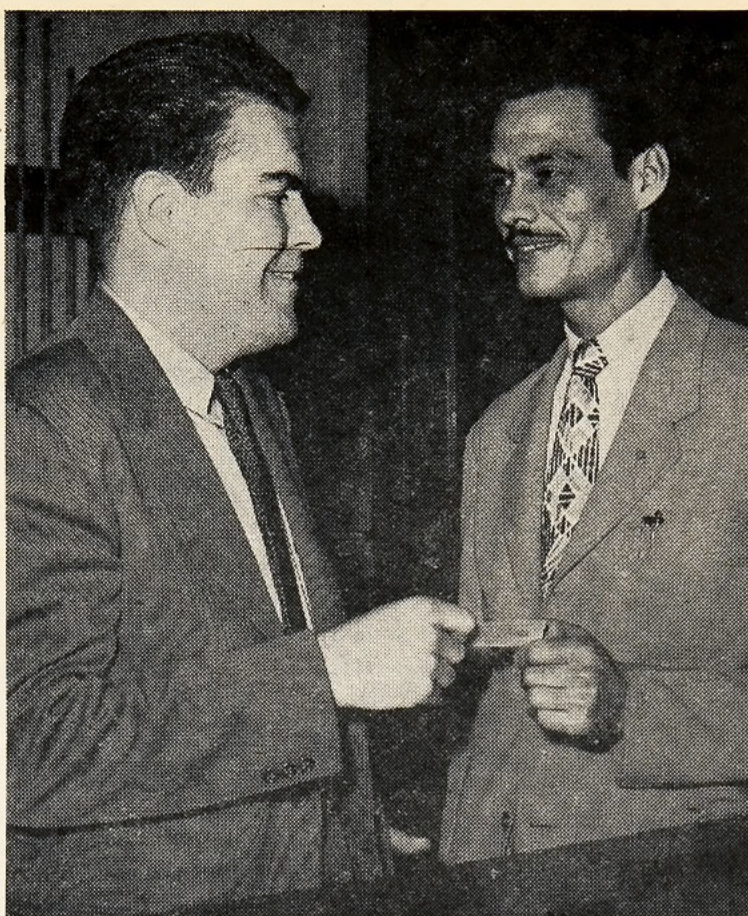
Spectators at the play got their 25 cents worth without the free coffee and doughnuts, but even with the short practice period some of the plays should have been better than they were. The freshman

play was a slow starter with too much static dialogue and a pair of so-called lover's embraces between Jane Vogel and Lester Styne that would make a polar bear shiver. Bob Schreiner, who did a good job otherwise, fumbled a line but picked it up fast in the prizewinner, while Barbara Hammer, who put "glasses on the plates" instead of on the table in the junior play, laughed at her own mistake. Note to Miss Hammer: if you do make mistakes, ignore them; so will everybody else.

Girls Must Talk, and they certainly did, was the senior effort and somewhat of a mystery to me if to no one else. The dialogue was all right; the girls posing as window mannequins did a good job holding difficult positions, but it still lacked a certain quality, conflict. Not necessarily is physical conflict meant, but a clash of personalities.

It seems that the most pressing problem in the production was an open zipper; that doesn't seem to be enough to build a play around, but someone did. There was an undercurrent of mannequin psychology around the whole affair, but I agree with the words of one of the actresses. I wish they'd been in bathing suits too.

Puerto Rican Signs Up



No one, it seems, was able to escape the impact of the recent campus YMCA membership drive. Shown above receiving his card from YMCA general secretary Vernon Hathaway, left, is Manuel Serrano, veteran student from Puerto Rico.

Serrano, Puerto Rico Student, Goes For Dancing, Basketball

"Half the people in New York are Puerto Ricans, and the other half are continentals," is the startling observation of Manuel Serrano, Puerto Rican student in mechanical engineering who stopped in America's largest city before coming on to Fargo this fall.

Serrano enrolled at NDAC this term under the U. S. government's G.I. bill of rights after 3½ years in the U. S. army. He went to Puerto Rico to be separated from service and to visit at home before returning to the mainland for schooling.

Serrano's unique observation on New York's population is, of course nothing more than an impression resulting from the fact that he met many of his countrymen while visiting there.

During the war Serrano taught various mechanical courses to Spanish-speaking trainees in a special training camp near New Orleans. It was there that he confirmed his own interest in mechanical engineering.

So far this term Serrano hasn't had a chance to indulge in another interest, dancing. His favorite Latin dance steps are the rumba, samba, bolero (a slow rumba) and tango. He'll probably review them on a trip to New Orleans this Christmas and at home next summer. To keep in shape now, however, he works out playing

basketball in the college field house. In Puerto Rico he was captain of his home-town basketball team.

Of his home-town Manuel said, "It's one of the smallest," and he made a small circle with olive-skinned thumb and forefinger. Although this sand-lot city does boast one theater, it is planning on establishing another—evidence, perhaps, of Puerto Rico's new ways. The new ways also placed some of the country's huge sugar and tobacco plantations in native hands, after long American feudal dominance, and the first native governor has just taken office in this American possession. Serrano approves and comments, "He (the new governor) has a good idea of the people—both the workmen and the high positioned."

Most of the population works in the dominant industries, but, like Manuel's father and brother, they operate independent produce farms as well. Picturesque Spanish-style architecture lends the Puerto Rican landscape a flavor of the former Castilian reign, contrasting with the modern North American influence.

Manuel has studied English since beginning school and intends to continue in his future home, the United States. His decision to stay in this country is probably expressed in these words: "I like it here very much—the college, the teachers and the peoples."

Annual Spinster Skip Scheduled Nov. 22

The Spinster Skip, annual dance in which the girls foot the bill, will be held Friday, November 22, in the field house with the Kenny-Ross orchestra supplying the music.

A limited supply of tickets will be placed on sale shortly by members of Senior Staff, sponsors of the affair.

Socially Yours

By JEANNE

Sadie Hawkins day looms darkly over NDAC's social calendar, with gals sprinting from class to class and fellas searching wildly for illogical hiding places or superlative excuses for ineligibility.

Turnabout, however, is the ATO Sadie Hawkins party at the chapter house Saturday night.

Also extending invitations are the Alpha Gamma Rhos to the Kappas, the Sigs to the Gamma Phis and the KD's to all students except rushees to a KD dinner Friday from 5-8 p.m. in the chapter rooms. To introduce their new combination radio and record player, SAE's will hold open house Wednesday with Warren Torgerson in charge. Gamma Phis will be potluck guests of alumna Georgia Burt Monday.

Feting pledges next Saturday in Festival hall are the Sigs, while the ATO's will present their new pledge class Sunday from 3-5 p.m.

In the hearts and flowers department, we find Darlene Thompson displaying an ATO pin with Harvey Stubsjohn's initials on it. Loreen Leebly offered Sig Bob Davenport's chocolates at the POP house Monday; nuptials will be November 29. Gamma Phis are anticipating a visit from alum Darlene Jones, complete with a diamond from Kenny Jones, former Theta Chi.

Kappa Sig addition: Jerry Hainbeck plus Harlen Wallum plus Steve Sleight equals three new pledges.

Gamma Phis will initiate Meta Lou Sheffield Sunday, while SAE acquired six new actives last Sunday. Initiates are Kenneth Edmonds, Frank McKim, Karl Kere-luck, Roy Simons, Dale Nudell and Osborne Grothe.

Tucking a napkin under their chins with the respective Greeks Monday were Delores Anderson Brandt, Jo Anne McElroy and Mary Jane Shurr, K. D.; Miss Mathilda Thompson, Janice Berge-son, Lillian Nydahl and Caroline Bohrer, KKG; Miss Frank Lamb, Gwen Lee Solien, Mary Hilleboe Colman, Frank Biever Ford, Jocelyn Birch and Patty Mock, Gamma Phi; Dr. Gordon Johnsgaard, Kappa Sigs.

Bob Pile, Douglas Fortney, Joe Dordoll, Clinton Johannsen and Dick Hanson left calling cards at the AGR house last week.

Kirk Bellows and Ralph Johnson will represent the AC chapter at the national AGR convention at the Edgewater Beach hotel, Chicago, December 4-6. Gamma Phis will celebrate Founders' day Wednesday; they also report 100 per cent YWCA membership. No coffee at the Alpha Gam rooms tomorrow.

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