

# The Spectrum



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## Oscar Levant To Present Piano Concert At Festival



Oscar Levant will present a "Program of Piano Music With Comments" March 24 at Festival hall.

Oscar Levant, pianist and music personality, co-starred with Gene Kelly in "An American in Paris", will make a personal appearance at Festival hall on March 24. This concert is a special attraction so students will not be admitted on activity tickets.

When Levant walks out on the stage and sits down at the piano not a person in the audience will know what he is going to play. At least not for sure.

This unconventional master has announced that he will play some Bach and Beethoven and also some Gershwin and Lecuona, some Brahms and perhaps some Shostakovitch. He lists his numbers to suit the mood of the audience and himself with "a-sides" appropriate to the moment.

His dual role as musician and wit has brought Levant motion picture fame in recent seasons. He appeared in "Rhapsody in Blue", the story of his friend, George Gershwin. He was also seen in "The Barkleys of Broadway", "Humoresque", "Rhythm on the River", "Romance in High C" and "Kiss the Boys Goodbye."

Levant, the piano star of "Who Said That", "Information Please" and other radio and TV programs, is also a composer. He has written two string quartets, a piano concerto, a nocturne for symphony orchestra, the musical score for two films and several works for piano which have been recorded by Columbia Master works.

Levant has had a fling at writing too. His "A Smattering of Ignorance" is among the bestsellers.

The cameras of the movie world terrify the Pittsburgh pianist, wit, author and raconteur, and the microphone has never ceased to be a source of fright.

But put Levant before an audience—he is completely at his ease. This is truly a paradox, for the screen or radio star usually fears his public en masse.

## Students Can Hear Bison-Huron Game Tonight At Festival

The game to be played at Huron, S. D. between the Huron Teachers College and the NDAC Bison tonight will be broadcast by special telephone hook-up to Festival hall. Game time is 8 p. m.

Tonight's game is being financed by Blue Key fraternity. No admission will be charged.

Arrangements are underway for broadcast of the games to be played in the NAIB tournament in Kansas City in the event of a win by the Bison this weekend. Financial backing will be shared by several campus organizations for the broadcasts from Kansas City.

## Blue Key Holds Initiation Ceremonies, Banquet For 16 NDAC Campus Leaders

Blue Key, national honorary service fraternity, initiated 16 new members last night at a banquet at the Gardner hotel. The following men were initiated.

Ardis Bunker was president of Alpha Tau Omega. He is a member of Interfraternity council, the varsity basketball team, and Army ROTC.

John Dean belongs to the Agronomy club, Interfraternity council and Alpha Tau Omega. Robert Greuel was commission of finance on the Student Commission and is a member of Alpha Tau Omega.

Oscar Husa was president of Alpha Gamma Rho and is a member of Alpha Zeta and Saddle and Sirloin club. Jose Iranzo is president of Atelier Chat Noir and plays on the varsity tennis team.

Marlowe Jensen is a member of Alpha Gamma Rho for which he is secretary and was social chairman. Jensen is assistant director of the 1952 Brevities, active in LCT plays and belongs to the Edwin Booth club.

Richard Kloubec is business manager of the Spectrum, plays on the hockey team and track team, is a member of Theta Chi fraternity and the Board of Campus Affairs. He was vice-president of Alpha Phi Omega and treasurer of the Lettermen's club.

Robert Kramer was chairman of the 1950-51 Engineer's Ball and an executive officer of AF ROTC. He is a member of Sigma Phi Delta. Gordon Maire is president of Sigma Phi Delta fraternity. He belongs to the Rahjahs and AF ROTC.

Donald Morton belongs to Kappa Sigma Chi. Dale Poppel plays varsity basketball and belongs to the Sigma Phi Delta fraternity. Monte Piper is a member of Theta Chi, Rahjah club and AF ROTC.

Richard Sander belongs to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, serves in AF ROTC and plays varsity football. Robert Velure was house manager of Alpha Gamma Rho and is vice-president of Saddle and Sirloin.

Wayne Walders is president of the Toastmaster's club, a member of Alpha Tau Omega, executive officer of Pershing Rifles, and plays intramural sports. Darrell Schroeder is past president of Theta Chi, a member of Saddle and Sirloin, AF ROTC squadron commander and Interfraternity council president.

Men chosen for membership in Blue Key must have attained a certain scholastic average, shown leadership ability and served the college. Willingness to serve, caution in discharging duties and allegiance to God, country and college are responsibilities of Blue Key members.

## Board Relates Dates For Engineers' Exams

The North Dakota State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers announces that examinations for Professional Engineer and for Engineer-in-Training will be given in Fargo, Bismarck, Minot and Grand Forks.

The Professional Engineer examination will be given April 4 and 5 from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.. The Engineer-in-Training examination will be given April 4 from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. In Fargo examinations will be held at the Engineering building at the NDAC.

## Broadcast Next Thursday Features AC

NDAC will be featured on the second of a series of 12 documentaries on "The Northwest and You" broadcast by KFGO. The radio show about the history of NDAC will be broadcast next Thursday at 9:30 p. m.

The program will consist of interviews of NDAC faculty and students by Jim Shirek of KFGO. Participants in the show will be President Hultz, Professor Stallings, Dean Walster, Dean Giesecke, Casey Finnegan, L. R. Waldron, Captain Rilling, Captain Augis, Ken Ward, Bob Schnell and Betty Lou Danielson.

## Model Man To Receive Trophy Tonight



One of these NDAC students will be selected Model Man tonight by a board of faculty women. Standing are Tom Monteth, Kappa Psi; Ken Ward, Alpha Gamma Rho; Tom Peterson, Sigma Phi Delta; and Eugene Ruppert, Kappa Sigma Chi. Sitting are Darrell Bjornson, Alpha Tau Omega; Art Wichmann, Sigma Chi; Charles Finnegan, Theta Chi; and Jim Hitter, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

This year the winner of the Model Man contest sponsored by the Interfraternity council will be presented with a traveling trophy. Darrel Schroeder, president of the council, will make the presentation at the Interfraternity Ball tonight.

This semi-formal dance will be held at the Moohead Armory. Music by George Schoen and his orchestra will begin at 9:30. The ball will commemorate the 176th anniversary of Greek societies.

Committee chairmen for the ball are: John Dean, tickets; Tom Peterson, decorations; Jim McManus and Ed Boerth, concessions.

## Tau Beta Pi Takes Nine New Members

Tau Beta Pi, national engineering fraternity, will initiate nine NDAC students tonight at 6:30 at the Gardner Hotel. Bob Post, president of the organization, will conduct the ceremony.

Men to be initiated are Enrico Crosino, Arch-Sr; Russell Ellingson, CE-Jr; Lorrain Peters, ME-Jr; Dononvan Nickel, Arch-E-Sr; Edward Schmidt, EE-Sr; Leo Wanzek, CE-Sr; Albert Mahrer, ME-Sr; John Babinaki, AgE-Jr.

Basic requirements for membership to Tau Beta Pi are high scholastic average, character and achievement. The NDAC group was organized in 1931 as Tau Delta Pi. In 1949 it received its charter from the national fraternity.

## Blood Clinic In Fargo

The second Fargo Blood Donors' clinic will be held at the Elks' club from March 10 to 15. Armed forces' officials report that blood is still badly needed. Students and staff members at NDAC are urged to give donations. Pledge blanks may be obtained at Dean Severson's office.



Adventures of Olaf...

Hultz Shows School Spirit, Says Olaf Stocking Treatment Keeps Runs Away

Dear Pa, Haven't had time to write you since you were down here for the "Ewe Series", but I have quite a few things I would like to tell you now so guess it's about time for a letter. I didn't get to get up to Upstate Normal for the last half of the series but I suppose you have received the news that we won both games.

We have a blame good team, and they surely come through for us in the tight spots. I have never seen a school so proud of their team in a long time. The president of the college dismissed school for the whole day on Monday, and I heard that he had one of the downtown business clubs singing the "Yellow

Social Spy...

Interfraternity Ball Set For Tonight At Armory KD's Announce Pinning

by Loretta Brown We finally got our Monday off—another day for rest and leisure! Ha-just another day to catch up on term reports, huh?

The KD's caught up on their candy eating Monday night with Gayle Quam passing candy in honor of her pinning to Rod Sette, Sigma Shi from UND, and Janice Radcliffe announcing her pinning to Leonard Dalzell, AGR.

On Wednesday the SAE's entertained the Gamma Phi's from 5 to 8 at the chapter house. Also on Wednesday the Sigma Chi's were royally entertained by the KD's from 4 to 6 at the chapter house.

Tonight the Moorhead Armory will be the scene of the annual interfraternity ball and the selection of the new Model Man.

Tomorrow the new Sweetheart of Sigma Chi will be announced at a party in the Frederick Martin Hotel.

Tomorrow night the Theta's will entertain their dates at their term party at 9 o'clock.

On Sunday the AC chorus and band will give its concert at 4 in Festival Hall.

Little Man On Campus

by Bibler



"Oh-by-the-way, I got your papers graded last week—if I could just think to bring them."

Student Describes National Pie Contest, Expense-Paid Trip

Although Margaret Goven, NDAC sophomore, didn't walk off with the grand prize in the recent national cherry pie bake-off, she reports that she did have a wonderful expense-paid trip to Chicago. Margaret represented North Dakota in the national bake-off.

In describing her trip Margaret said that all the contestants were given uniforms of yellow and white polka dots, plastic pinafords, dutch caps and cherry necklaces. For three hours the contestants worked under hot bright spot lights while chaperons and visitors watched in the balcony.

The grand ballroom of the Hotel Morrison was turned into a giant kitchen said Margaret. 48 electric ranges were arranged in a large semi-circle. The national winner and four regional champions were privileged to keep their stoves.

At the girls noon luncheon cherry tarts were served for desert when they were all tired of looking at cherries. Each participant was given a hatchet shaped pin to show that they were now members of the Hatchet club. Members of the club consist of girls who have competed in the annual cherry pie contest.

After the contest the girls relaxed at a banquet in the Roosevelt room of the hotel. To end the experience the contestants went to "South Pacific". Late that evening Margaret took a plane home.

"It was interesting to meet and talk with girls from different states. It snowed while I was in Chicago and one of the girls from the South saw her first snow fall. I think the most friendly people I met were from the Midwest," says Margaret. Margaret says that it was hard to come back to school but she also says the fresh air of Fargo is wonderful after Chicago's smokey atmosphere.

Phi Mu's To Hold Open House Sunday

Phi Mu sorority will climax their centennial celebration with an open house next Sunday from 2 to 4 p. m.

For the past few weeks the Phi Mu's have been redecorating the chapter house and preparing for the 100th anniversary. On March 4 they celebrated their Founder's Day at a banquet at the Graver hotel. A special anniversary program was given and the new officers were presented.

Phi Mu fraternity was founded on March 4, 1852 as Wesleyan college in Macon, Georgia. Phi Mu became national in 1904 and joined the National Panhellenic council in 1911. Since that time Phi Mu has grown to a membership of 69 chapters with over 25,000 members.

Phi Mu is the second oldest sorority in the world. The Zeta Iota chapter of Phi Mu on this campus was founded in 1932. It now includes a chapter membership of 35.

The national centennial celebration will end in June with a national convention at the mother college. Clara Bell Wright Wilson, 95 years old, will be honored at this convention. She is the oldest living Phi Mu.

A professor at the University of Oklahoma has come up with a reliable test of student boredom. It's called the "Wiggle Meter." Wires are strung along on the backs of chairs; and every time a student yawns, stretches or wiggles, the impulse is recorded on a graph.

Behind The Scenes...



Ken Ward, business manager of the 1952 Bison Brevities takes time out from counting his money. (Photo by Spectrum Photographer, Walt Junkin.)

Ken Ward Praises Brevities Trophies; Blue Key Allots More Money To Acts

by Dorothy Morrow

With a bond for \$5000, Ken Ward is loaded with money to buy incidentals for the 1952 Bison Brevities. Ken points out that unfortunately the \$5000 is not a sum he can use to pay for next quarters tuition.

The "man-with-the-money" directs the financial acts of the annual Brevities show. Ken defines his job as "Everything that no one else wants to do," but that's said with a smile.

"I work in cooperation with the other members of the Brevities staff. For example, the ticket manager and I see that the tickets get printed and distributed. Another thing I do is to meet the people down town. For instance: The Jaycees were planning to bring the Broadway show "Brigadoon" to Fargo but the dates open were too near the dates set for the Brevities so "Brigadoon" was canceled."

With his facts and figures before him this big, busy businessman tells us that Blue Key is spending more this year per act. Last year \$100 was spent on each 15 minute act.

This year the amount has been raised to \$150. Every group can use the money as they wish. Blue

YWCA Committee Nominates Officers

Officers slate for YWCA have been set up by the nominating committee. All ballots must be in by today. The following students have been nominated.

President, Florence Geizler and Dorothy Pederson; vice president, Bonni Pederson and Phyllis Wyum; secretary, Dorothy Wyum and Jane Preuss; treasurer, Barbara Crank and JoAnne Samson.

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Key also writes checks to the musicians. This year Fred Heffner will direct the productions' orchestra.

Ken says that he was born with "one foot in the soil". His vocational choice indicates that he doesn't intend to take the foot out, at least not altogether. After graduation next December and after a session in flight school Ken will be an agricultural engineer.

Although Ken is a very conscientious worker he doesn't over do it. The Alpha Gamma Rho boys often see him playing cards in the game room and occasionally he enrolls in a downtown social course.

According to Osabrock's native son, trophies this year should be even more highly desirable than former awards. "The designs have never been sold before, they're brand new. The winning production trophy has a large blue stone rectangle framed by a wooden backing. In front of the blue stone standing on a wood base is the gold victory figure. The ticket trophy is a stand supporting a gold wing.

Besides being the financial boss of the variety show Ken's leadership is shown by his list of activities. First off is his position as commander of the AF ROTC, next in line is Pershing Rifles commander. Down the line is AGR reporter and commissioner of Military Affairs on the Student Commission.

Ken is a member of Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity, Alpha Zeta, honorary agricultural group, and the Engineering Council. As if this wasn't enough to keep time occupied he is president of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

If Ken's career as business manager is as successful as his other roles, Brevities will make more money this year than in 1951. "The more money made by Brevities the more money comes back into the school.

Some of the uses of the Brevities profit are the radio-phonograph in the library, the three scholarships given to the highest ranking freshman, outstanding junior and, this year, an outstanding high school senior showing promise in athletics who plans to attend NDAC.

If you know Ken Ward, you know a guy who has faith in people and whose actions carry out this belief. Ken has his serious side but he also enjoys a good laugh, especially if the joke is about his habit of lighting cigarettes with dollar bills.

Sig's To Choose Sweetheart



The "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" will be chosen from among these three NDAC women at the annual Sigma Chi Sweetheart Ball tomorrow night at the Frederick-Martin Hotel. The sweetheart candidates, left to right, are Margery Johnston, member of Gamma Phi Beta; Beverly Ewald, Kappa Alpha Theta; and Carole Kirkus, Phi Mu.

The formal affair will include a smorgasbord at 7 p. m. in the Top of the Mart followed by dancing with the Fargoans' music. Chaperons will be Mr. and Mrs. Alfred H. Parrott and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hasbergen, Jr. A special guest will be Dr. W. C. Hunter. Arthur Wichmann of Fargo is in charge of the general arrangements.

Inter-American Group Sets Up Secretariat For News Exchange

At the recent Inter-American Student Congress held at Rio de Janeiro the representatives of the students of 17 countries in this hemisphere set up a secretariat to facilitate the exchange of information among students of the Americas.

Representatives from the following countries attended: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Columbia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, United States and Uruguay.

The United States National Student Association delegation was composed of Bill Dentzer, president of USNSA, Avera Ingram, international vice-president, Helen Jean Rogers, Catholic University in Washington, Barry Farber, University of North Carolina, and Herbert Wright, University of Chicago.

The headquarters of the organization will be Havana, Cuba, and sponsored by the Federation Estudiantil Universitaria, the Cuban student union. The control of the secretariat is in the hands of the Executive Committee consisting of Costa Rica, Cuba, Honduras and Panama.

Enrollment Increases At Navy Officer's Training School From 300 To 1300

Some 1300 college graduates are going through Navy Officer training program at Newport, R. I. this winter. Opened last June with an enrollment of 300, the Navy's only Officer Candidate school is now turning out more officers than the Naval Academy and all the NROTC's combined. The enrollment will reach 2100 by October.

Two courses of instruction are offered at the school. One, for graduates with higher training in electronics, economics, architecture, and the various fields of engineering, takes two months to indoctrinate students for commissions as specialists.

The great majority of officer candidates, however, train four months for commissions as ensigns in the "general line," receiving instruction in the basic sea-going skills. Nearly all the graduates of the longer course are given sea duty assignments following graduation and a ten day leave.

A firm grasp of the fundamentals of mathematics is helpful at the Newport school, but an easy familiarity with higher mathematics is far from necessary. Only recently the Navy abandoned a policy requiring high school or college

trigonometry courses of all applicants.

While undergoing training, all officer candidates are in an enlisted status. Those coming straight from civilian life, as two-thirds of them do, receive the rate OCSR (Officer Candidate, Seaman Recruit).

Students seem agreed that a highlight of the OCS curriculum is the weekly liberty, granted from noon Saturday until 7 p. m. Sunday. Nearly the entire roster of candidates breaks away at this time to flood the small, historic city of Newport, and nearby Providence, or to board trains for Boston and New York.

College students may apply for the Officer Candidate School anytime within six months prior to graduation. Applications may be made to, or detailed information on the school received from, any Navy Recruiting Station or Office of Naval Officer Procurement.

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# AF ROTC Juniors To Attend Camp

All senior AF ROTC cadets who will have completed the advanced military courses and the institutional requirements for their Bachelor of Science degrees this June are not required to attend summer camps. Instead, those receiving reserve or regular commissions this spring are expected to go on active duty soon after graduation.

However, about 70 advanced AF ROTC juniors will be required to attend summer camp, according to word received from 10th Air Force Headquarters by Lt. Col. Robert E. Phillips, PAS&T.

The directive read in part: "All students who have completed Air Science III by the end of the school year terminating in May-June, 1952, will be required to attend summer camp.

"However, where justification is provided, Commanding Generals of ConAC air forces may authorize individual advance course students to attend camp prior to their completion of Air Science III. Students pursuing accelerated programs in which attendance at institutional summer sessions is required may be deferred from attending forthcoming summer camps."

Camps will be of four week duration instead of the usual six weeks, and are scheduled to open June 23. Camps will be non-specialized, with formal classroom training held to a minimum.

Students who will have sufficient time between the closing of school and the opening date of camps to permit their spending seven days at home may be ordered, at their option, to camp from their home address. Students will receive six cents per mile for traveling expenses to and from the camps. Students living in excess of 700 miles from their school may be ordered to the camp nearest their home.

# Engineers Visit School

The following mechanical engineering graduates were recent visitors at the mechanical engineering department: Stanley Herlick, 1949; Phillip Brua, 1949; and Stephen Sigurdson, 1951.

Herlick is employed by Northwest Airlines in Minneapolis and Brua works for the state highway department at Bismarck. Sigurdson resides in Pembina.

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# Former Geology Students Tell Of Driving 'Mud Trucks', Scouting Oil Wells

Letters telling about recent geology graduates have been received from the geology department. George Strother, 1949, now in Rawlins, Wyoming, is in charge of a 'mud truck.' Mud trucks are used in oil well drilling to analyze the mud that is necessary in drilling a satisfactory well and in determining the possibilities of oil and gas.

Since his release from the army Donald Springer has been working for the American Smelting and Refining company at a New Jersey mine.

Rolf Varland, a 1950 graduate, is located in the Panhandle of Oklahoma.

Mr. William Humphreys was a recent visitor of the geology department. He joined the Petty Geophysical company in South Dakota last year and has been in Saskatchewan for the last eight months.

Another former graduate is scouting for oil wells in South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan.

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