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FISHERMAN'S WHARF NEW TO SPRING FESTIVAL

"Fisherman's Wharf," a dance with floorshow entertainment, will be one of the features of this year's Spring Festival, according to Lowell Odaniel, general chairman.

The Festival will begin Thursday night, May 1, with an all-school rally and bonfire celebration. Friday night will be the gala "Fisherman's Wharf," and Saturday will feature the Spring Festival parade. Southern's Midway will open Saturday afternoon with acts, concessions, and sideshows, sponsored by campus organizations.

Miss Southern will make her debut at the formal dance, Saturday night. The band has been chosen for the dance, but will not be announced until a later date. Fellows will be happy to know that even though the dance will be formal, there will be no corsages.

TRUSTEES APPROVE SALARY INCREASE

The SIU Board of Trustees have voted an across-the-board salary increase of three percent, effective March 1, for faculty-administrative staff on continuing appointments. Consideration was given to possible additional increases in order to further adjust faculty-administrative staff salaries.

Approved faculty appointments include: Arthur J. Gould, director of the Washington State College journalism department, as visiting professor of journalism during the summer term; Kent U. Moore, acting librarian at Kenyon College, as instructor in the SIU library; Prof. Walter B. Carver, professor emeritus, Cornell University, reappointed as visiting lecturer in mathematics; Rachel C. Wilkes, assistant librarian, Centralia Junior College, as lecturer in library service; and John J. Pruis, recently appointed assistant professor at University School for teacher training, effective in September, also was appointed to teach during the summer term.

JORDAN WINDS UP

48-YEAR TEACHING CAREER


Jordan has been on Southern's faculty since 1948, coming as an assistant professor of education from 27 years as superintendent of the Centralia city schools.

As a former governor of District 149, Rotary International (1945-46), Jordan was instrumental in establishing a district Rotary scholarship for bringing Latin American students to Southern's campus to promote better understanding through educational and social contacts. As a 1937 delegate to the Rotary International convention at Nice, France, Jordan toured northern and western Africa, England, and western Europe.

Although tempted to "sit down for an eon or two," he plans to spend his retirement doing a little writing, lecturing, traveling, gardening, and a lot of church and community work to pay his "civic and celestial rent."

Seven To Be Named To Alumni Board

Seven members of the SIU Alumni Association Board and three members of the SIU Foundation Board will be elected at the annual Alumni Banquet on June 7, according to Lowell E. Roberts, Association president.

The Association officers, President Roberts, Vice President William Carruthers, and Secretary Mrs. Elizabeth Lewis, who serve as ex-officio members of the Alumni Board, and Directors Paul B. Chance, W. G. Cisne, John Leonard East and William F. Price have completed their terms of office.

Alumni serving on the Foundation Board whose terms are up this year are Dr. Richard Browne, W. W. Vandeveer, and East.

Nominations for association officers and members of the two boards will be made by the Alumni Board at its morning meeting on June 7 or by petition at or before the annual meeting of the Board. Nominating Petitions must have at least five signatures.

Meeting time for the Association Board has been moved up to 9 o'clock Saturday morning, June 7.

Special reunion classes 1882, 1887, 1892, 1897, 1902, 1907, 1912, 1917, 1922, 1927, 1932, 1937, 1942, and 1947, will all meet in the Gymnasium during the afternoon.

HANDWORK ARTISTS INVITED TO CRAFT FAIR

Tentative plans have been made for a spring "Craft Fair," sponsored by the Southern Illinois Handicraft Association.

Original hand work artists are invited to participate in the one-day event. Further information may be obtained by writing to Mrs. Frances Huff, SIU, Carbondale.
Who Elects The Alumni President?

How many alumni actually know how the association officers are chosen? Certainly few of the recent graduates can tell you and probably the nostalgic oldtimers are a bit hazy as to procedures.

Articles IV and V of the Alumni Association constitution provides for a governing body called the Board of Directors consisting of twelve directors and four ex-officio members, the Association officers and the Director of Alumni Services.

To be an officer or a member of the board, a person must have completed one term’s residence at Southern, be nominated by the Board of Directors or by a petition signed by five Association members, and then receive a majority vote at the annual Association business meeting held at the Alumni Banquet.

Several members feel that too few pick the officers and the directors and a new elective system should be devised. In answer to their request, retiring President W. W. Vandeveer appointed a committee to consider the possibility of changing the method. At this writing the committee has not met.

Possible changes to be studied are to use a mail ballot to be sent to all members thereby giving everyone the privilege of naming the officers and directors. A mail ballot would tend to shorten the business session, a further argument presented by advocates of voting by mail.

Whether all alumni or only paid-up association members have the right to vote is another question that has been raised.

Further suggestion is to make the vice presidency an automatic step to the presidency. Added opportunity to become familiar with the presidential duties before taking over the reins is the chief advantage to this change.

Nomination of candidates a year in advance or at the fall meeting would give the Alumni editor a chance to give campaign sketches in the Alumnus acquainting the alumni with their future officers. With 13,000 alums scattered throughout the world, it is now impossible for us to know personally all the candidates and the Alumnus could do a great deal in publicizing the nominees.

Dr. Robert Browne, Dean of Summer Session and Extension, University of Illinois, Urbana, is chairman of the committee to study changes, so if you have further suggestions, send them to him, or to Association President Lowell Roberts, 55 E. Washington, Chicago.

Those wishing to have their views published in the Alumnus, should write to Maxine Blackman, SIU, editor of the Southern Alumnus.

MEMBERSHIP BLANK

I would like to become a member of the S.I.U. Alumni Association.

☐ Enclosed find $2.00 for one year.

☐ Enclosed find $50.00 for life membership or $5.00 for first installment on life membership

Signed ____________________________

(name)

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(street address)

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(city) (state)

(Clip out and mail to the SIU Alumni Association, Carbondale.)

Club News

Picnics, potlucks and dinners highlight the agenda for spring alumni meetings as three new clubs are welcomed in the association.

Perry county, Washington D. C. area, and Evansville area were all organized in March.

Several alums, who had expressed an interest in organizing a group in Perry county, held an organizational meeting at the DuQuoin high school on March 21.

On March 29, alums in the national capitol and surrounding area met at the Elks club, 915 H St., N.W. University President D. W. Morris welcomed the new group. After the dinner meeting, the alums were guests at the Elks annual Jackson Day dance.

Two evenings later the Evansville area Southerners got together at the McCurdy Alumni Union building on the Evansville College campus, and officially joined the growing list of SIU alumni clubs.

Crossville grade school was the scene of a gala potluck dinner as oldtimers in White county held their annual get-together on March 28. We will have their new slate of officers in the next edition of the Southern Alumnus, and we hope some informal pictures of the potluck.

Two clubs are scheduled to meet in April. Franklin county clubbers will hold a dinner and fun fest at Twin Oaks Lodge, Lake Benton at 6:30 p.m. on April 7. President Morris will join the group, and bring them up-to-date on the latest happenings on the University campus.

According to corresponding secretary, Mrs. Mary Lou (McNeil) Harris, Springfield area alums will be dining at the Washington Park Pavilion at 6:45 p.m. on April 17.

May 9 has been set aside as meeting time for the Chicago area group at the Art Institute. Tom Newton, club president, will send further details.

Wyona Smith of Steeleville and Mrs. Barbara Ames VonBehren of Mt. Vernon have been selected as editors-in-chief of the Obelisk and the Egyptian, respectively.
School Administrators Hold Alum Breakfast

Thirty-two faculty and alumni of Southern attended an alumni breakfast held during the recent American Association of School Administrators meeting in St. Louis.

University President D. W. Morris and Mrs. Ruth G. Cook, SIU Board member, greeted the group. Douglas E. Lawson, dean of the College of Education, was presiding host, and Stewart Williams, IEA field representative, led the singing.

Among those present were: Rove R. Bryan, '30, director of Placements, SIU; Arthur Chitty, '37, county superintendent, Johnson county; Mrs. Cook, '21 and '40; W. R. Etherton, assistant county superintendent, Cook county; Woodson W. Fishback, department of education, SIU.


Charles D. Neal, Director, Training, SIU; James O'Malley, '35, Illiana Teachers' Agency, Champaign; Victor Randolph, '35, department of education, SIU; Troy L. Stearns, '28, head of education department, Michigan State College; George T. Wilkins, '37, county superintendent, Madison county; Stewart Williams, '29.

Clyde V. Winkler, '29, superintendent city schools, Carbondale; George B. Calhoun, '29 and '36, superintendent of schools, Elmwood Park; Leslie L. Chisholm, '21 and '29, professor of education, University of Nebraska; Edward J. Zeiler, '32, acting superintendent, Whitefish Bay, Wis.; Robert L. Samuels, '47, Barrington; Russell G. Shaver, '52, Madison; Paul V. Fegley, '35, community unit superintendent, Amboy; James A. Belt, '43, Moline.


ROUTE 51 TO BE RE-LOCATED

Yellowstone National Park has nothing on Southern! Soon tourists will be taken through our campus instead of around it. Preliminary construction work is underway on a relocation of Route 51 through the campus.

According to the highway department, there will be 1.48 miles of new paving, beginning at the intersection of Illinois and Grand avenues, extending parallel with the Illinois Central railroad along the east edge of the present campus through the University's old football field and between the railroad and the University's new heating plant, moving in a gentle curve through University farm area. The new road will join the present highway south of the city reservoir road.

Greek Week Set For May 12-17

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SERVICE TO SOUTHERN WINNER Al Trtanj, of Madison, receives congratualtions from Theta Xi fraternity brother, Joe Harding of Chicago. Watches are given annually to the junior or senior boy and girl who have contributed extra-curricular services to the University.

DOLORES HAMP received the Service to Southern award for women. She is shown admiring her new watch.
TOUR THE COUNTRY
FOR COLLEGE CREDIT

Enroll at Southern and see the country! A 22-day tour through 14 states, conducted by the Department of Geography and Geology, will be offered at the close of the summer school term.

Beginning August 9, the tour will cover eastern and southeastern points of interest, emphasizing agricultural and industrial geography. Leaving Carbondale, the group will first go to Washington, D. C., via Louisville and Cincinnati, to attend sessions of the International Geographical Congress, Aug. 13-15.

Open to juniors, seniors, and graduate students who have had introductory courses in college geography, the course offers five quarter hours of credit. A fee of $160 covers registration, bus transportation, lodging, study materials, and tuition. Persons interested in the course may write at once to Dr. Floyd Cunningham, chairman of the Department of Geography and Geology, who will conduct the trip.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 5—Track, Western, here.
Baseball, Arkansas State, there.
April 8—Track, Cape Girardeau, there.
Baseball, Washington University, here.
April 9—Tennis, Elmhurst, here.
April 11—Good Friday Holiday.
Baseball, Western, here.
Golf, Beloit, here.
Tennis, Beloit, here.
April 12—SIU and Illinois State Junior Academy of Science Field Day.
Tennis, Illinois Normal, here.
April 15—Baseball, Millikin, here.
April 16—Tennis and Golf, Missouri School of Mines, there.
April 18—Baseball, Central Michigan, here.
Golf, Illinois Normal, here.
April 19—Track, Missouri School of Mines, here.
Tennis, Eastern, there.
April 20—Track, S. E. Missouri, here.
Baseball, Michigan Normal, there.

THETA XI VARIETY SHOW WINNERS are shown in the act. Outstanding individual act was the demonstration on "How to Sing," given by Delores Blondi of Benton as music professor Tom Sloan of W. Frankfort gives the instructions. Leah Bradley Simms of Murphysboro accompanied the vocal 'orgy' with a piano 'orgy.'

On the right, Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity novelty tumblers, Ray Si-ville of Hoopes-tone and Emil Kass of Chicago won first place for organizations.