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Arthur E. Morgan To Speak
At Commencement Exercises

Speaker at Southern’s 78th annual commencement on Sunday, June 7, will be Arthur Ernest Morgan, civil engineer, educator and president of Community Service, Inc., in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

Morgan, author of a number of books on engineering and on small community development, has held several important government offices, including the chairmanship of the Tennessee Valley Authority from 1933 to 1938 and temporary head of the Conciliation and Arbitration Board in negotiations between U. S. Steel and the CIO in 1950.

Beginning his career as a civil engineer in St. Cloud, Minn., he rose to become president of his own firm and supervising engineer in charge of designing reclamation works in the southern states. In 1920 he became president of Antioch College, a position he held for 16 years. He has been president of Community Service, Inc., since 1941.

A Commencement Day reception will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the home of President D. W. Morris for seniors, parents, faculty, alumni and friends of SIU.

Commencement exercises are scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

Guest Speaker Named

A Southern alumnus, J. LESTER BUFORD, 1924-2, E-1928, of Mt. Vernon, will present the main address at the SIU Alumni Banquet Saturday, June 6.

Buford has been Superintendent of Schools in Mt. Vernon for the past 16 years, and prior to that was associated with schools at Johnston City, Eldorado, Galatia, Carbondale, West Frankfort, and Cypress.

After completing his bachelor’s degree at Southern, Buford took his master’s at the University of Michigan. He has also been awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws from McKendree College.

He and his wife, DOROTHY DRAPER, 1926-2, have three children—Dick and Phil, both in service, and Barbara, at home.

The banquet will begin at 6:30 p.m., and will be held outdoors in front of the men’s gymnasium. In case of rain, it will be held in the gym. The program will also include the presentation of life membership certificates in the Alumni association and election of association officers for the coming year.

Class reunions for alumni who were graduated in years ending with “3” and “8” will take place at the Student Union building, from 4 to 6 p.m. Also scheduled for 4 p.m. is a reception for Gov. and Mrs. Stratton and the Board of Trustees at President Morris’s home.

Coinciding with alumni events will be cornerstone-laying ceremonies for two new buildings on campus. Gov. Stratton will lay the cornerstone for a $1,500,000 Life Science building and a $2,000,000 women’s dormitory. Woody Hall, both of which will be ready for use next fall.

Dr. Carl C. Lindegren, chairman of the microbiology department at Southern, will talk on “The Future of the Life Science in Southern Illinois” at the ceremonies at the new science building, beginning at 2:45 p.m. Dr. William Bailey, professor of botany and emeritus chairman of the SIU botany department, will speak on “Pioneers in Biology in Southern Illinois.”

At Woody Hall, at 3:30 p.m., Mrs. Roscoe Pulliam, SIU supervisor of off-campus housing, will address the assembly on “Student Housing in Retrospect,” and Pat Lamont, student from West Frankfort, will talk on “Residence Halls.”
To All Alumni:

In a few more days we will all be together again for alumni reunions and a full schedule of activities.

Those of you who have been away for more than a year will be surprised at the many additions and improvements that have been made at Southern in your absence. The new training building, nearly-completed Woody Hall for girls, and the new Life Science building all add credence to the role of our school as a full university.

However new and strange the university's external appearance may seem to you, rest assured that its basic beliefs and principles are still the same. With all its many changes, Southern has not had a change of heart. It still has the same sense of dedication to the cause of higher education, a feeling of humbleness in the face of the responsibilities it must shoulder, and a continuing pride in its alumni and their achievements.

On the day after Alumni Day, this year's seniors will join our ranks. Through our Alumni Day gatherings we have the opportunity of showing them that their feeling of belonging to the university need not be diminished after graduation but augmented by participation in alumni activities.

William Carruthers,
Alumni Association President

Our Alumni Clubs

Four alumni clubs combined business with pleasure during the months of April and May and met to enjoy good food and good company.

Washington, D.C.'s alumni clan gathered Saturday, April 18, for a dinner meeting at the U.S. Naval Gunfactory Officers' club. Cocktails at 7:30 p.m. were followed by dinner at 8 p.m. Club President, MIKE TRBOVICH, 1942, M-1947, was in charge of the affair, which approximately 78 persons attended.

Acting Alumni Director Bob Odaniell came all the way from Carbondale to be a guest speaker and chose as his topic, "The Alumni Association." Accompanying him was Dr. William J. Tudor, SIU Associate Director of Area Services, who spoke briefly on recent developments at the University.

Special guests were Congressman and Mrs. C. W. "Runt" Bishop.

During the business meeting, members discussed the establishment of a scholarship fund, and plans were made to study the proposal.

Chicago alumni clubbers and guests, 106 persons in all, held their annual spring meeting Friday, May 8, at the dining room of the Art Institute. Following a mixer at 6:30 p.m. and a 7 o'clock banquet, Dr. Willis G. Swartz, Dean of Southern's Graduate School, was introduced as principal speaker of the evening.

Also on the program were Miss HANNAH MORGAN, 1932, who presented vocal selections, and Bob Odaniell, who spoke briefly on Alumni Day activities June 6.

New club officers were elected during the business meeting, presided over by RUSSELL DEASON, 1934, outgoing president. GENE WALKER, 1938, vice-president; Mrs. HAZEL PERRY RUSSELL, 1938, secretary; and Miss TRUDY TROESKEN, 1950, treasurer.

Peoria was the site of the Peoria area alumni dinner meeting Saturday, May 9, 6:30 p.m., at Reed's Dining Room.

New club officers were chosen, with Mrs. IRENE AYRE BAUDER, E-1940, as president; Mrs. Thomas R. Dirksen, (MILDRED NEVILLE) 1927-2, vice-president; and Mrs. Wendell Faulkner, (EVA RANDOLPH) ex-1938, secretary.

RALPH NORTON, 1942, is the retiring president.

Springfield area alumni met Wednesday, May 13, at the Washington Park Pavilion, at 7 p.m., DST, with 20 persons present.

Bob Odaniell, as guest speaker, discussed "The Alumni Association and You."

CARL F. ROLANDO, 1946, M-1951, outgoing president, had charge of the election of officers for the coming year. New president is RAY TERRELL, 1948; ROY J. HARRIS, 1948, vice-president; Mrs. Aubrey Holmes, (RUBY SIMMONS) 1920-2, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs.
FLORINE SCHLUETER Jones, ex-1946, corresponding secretary.

Tentative plans were made for a picnic this summer.

At St. Louis, Mo., club members are busy planning an old-fashioned Box Social for Sunday, June 7.

Box lunches will be auctioned off by CARL McINTIRE, 1941, and all proceeds will be set aside for a scholarship to SIU. Election of officers will be held during the meeting. CHARLES BROCKETT, 1949, is chairman of the nominations committee.

Dr. WILLIAM McGINNIS, ex-1937, and wife, MARGARET CISNE McGinnis, 1938, are in charge of arrangements for the social.

Begin Navy Reserve Unit

A naval reserve volunteer unit was started last month at Southern, offering navy veterans opportunity to earn full accredited service.

Area reservists interested in continuing their affiliation with the Navy will be able to continue their naval studies while accruing promotional and retirement points.

Lt. Cmdr. Russell M. Bollinger, a Carbondale reserve officer who negotiated plans for the unit with the University’s Area Services Division, said the program would also enable officer and enlisted reservists to qualify for summer cruises.

He said membership in the unit does not entail any obligation, and veterans participating may resign whenever they wish. The unit will meet twice monthly to hold training drills conducted by naval officers and petty officers.

Bids For New Library Due June 9

Bids for construction of a new library building at Southern Illinois University are being called for not later than 2:30 p.m. (CST) June 9 at which time there will be a public opening of bids, according to Charles M. Pulley, Architectural Service director.

Plans for study have been obtained by 16 contracting firms. The plans are available from the SIU Architectural Service; Burnham and Hammond, associate architects, Chicago; and F. W. Dodge company, St. Louis and Chicago.

Pulley says his office hopes to be able to make a recommendation on an acceptable bid to the June 12 meeting of the SIU Board of Trustees. There will be one prime contractor for the job.

Bids call for completion of the exterior structure according to the original plans. However, the foreseeable allocation of funds for the building will permit only partial completion of the interior, Pulley said. The extent of interior completion is governed by the available funds and the amount of contractors’ bids.

REGISTRAR MOVES TO NEW QUARTERS

May 5 was moving day for the Registrar’s office, which was transferred “lock, stock and barrel” from Altgeld Hall to the altered barracks three buildings south of the cafeteria on Thompson street. Also included in the move were the Advance Registration center and the General Admissions office.

In place of the rather cramped quarters formerly occupied by Registrar personnel the barracks contains a large lobby, a large well-lighted general office and two smaller private offices.

Pulliam Fund Started

Mrs. Mabel Pulliam recently presented the University scholarship and loans committee a check for $536.30 in behalf of the Roscoe Pulliam Memorial Agency fund.

According to Mrs. Alice Rector, executive secretary of the committee, the gift will be used for a scholarship fund to be known as the Roscoe Pulliam Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The late Mr. Pulliam was president of Southern from 1935 until his death in March, 1944. Formerly superintendent of schools at Harrisburg, President Pulliam achieved a limited university status for SIU during his term of office and did much to enhance Southern’s prestige, both locally and nationally.

His wife, Mrs. Pulliam, is supervisor of housing in the Office of Student Affairs.

Purpose of the scholarship fund will be to promote leadership and scholarship in Southern Illinois. Anyone who wishes to add to the gift may give any amount he sees fit. The number of scholarships to be made available depends on the total amount of gifts.

The original Pulliam Memorial Agency Fund consisted of $1,500 given by alumni at the time of Mr. Pulliam’s death. A part of the fund was used to purchase a painting of the late president, which was placed in Shryock auditorium in what was formerly the president’s office.

Those wishing to make a contribution to the scholarship fund have been asked to send it to Bob Odaniell, Acting Alumni Director, or Dean I. Clark Davis, chairman of the scholarships and loans committee.
Dr. Floyd F. Cunningham, chairman of the SIU geography and geology department, has been awarded a Fulbright lectureship in human geography at Cairo, Egypt, for the 1953-54 academic year, according to Dr. Willis G. Swartz, SIU graduate school dean and Fulbright adviser.

Dr. Cunningham will be on sabbatical leave from Southern and will divide his teaching time at Cairo between the American University and the Abrahim Pasha University.

He has been on the university faculty since 1947, is a graduate of Illinois Normal, and received his master's and doctor's degrees from Clark University, Worcester, Mass. He came to Southern after 18 years as head of the geography department at Florence, Ala., State Teachers College.

SIU To Conduct Summer Workshops

Workshop courses in art education and elementary science will be offered to area teachers and undergraduate students during the SIU summer session.

The art workshop will run for eight weeks, beginning June 15 and ending August 7. Seven members of the art department staff will give lectures in various art fields and lead round-table discussions. There will also be two visiting faculty members, Olga Schubkegel, art supervisor at Hammond, Ind., schools and Catherine Choy, pottery department chairman at Sophie Necomb college, Tulane University.

Students may receive eight hours of college credit by attending the workshop. Enrollment will be limited, and those interested should apply immediately to Burnett Shryock, art chairman.

A second summer workshop course is being offered in elementary science. This course will be conducted as a two-session workshop from June 15 through July 10. Four credit hours will be given students attending morning and afternoon sessions for two weeks (June 15-26) or four weeks of afternoon sessions (June 15-July 10).

Requests for further information concerning advance registration for this course may be directed to Dr. Clyde Brown, University school science supervisor, or Dean Willis G. Swartz, of the SIU graduate school.

SCHOLARS RECEIVE HONORS DAY AWARDS

Twenty-six Southern Illinois University students received scholarships and special awards in the annual Honors Day convocation held Thursday, May 21, in Shryock auditorium.

At the same time, 110 undergraduates were honored at the convocation ceremony for maintaining grade point averages of 4.25 or more.

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