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1955-'57 Budget Requests Announced

Southern Illinois University now is the fourth largest institution of higher learning in the state, SIU President D. W. Morris stated in presenting an analysis of Southern's budget requests for 1955-1957.

President Morris said Southern ranks fourth after the University of Illinois at Urbana, 16,897; Northwestern University, 8,822; and the University of Chicago, 4,688.

Morris observed that Southern's present enrollment is unique in that it already is some 12 years in advance of the best "outside" predictions, having jumped more than 52 percent within the 1953-'55 biennium. Evidence indicates, he said, that the full-time total for 1955 will be 5,500 and 6,500 in 1956.

A budget request for $16,500,000 for educational operations for the 1955-’57 biennium was approved by the SIU Board of Trustees, based upon this increased enrollment.

"Large enrollment for its own sake has not been and is not one of our objectives," said President Morris, "but our program is geared to providing quality education and practical area service in an area classified economically as 'depressed'. We hope education is one of the answers. If unprecedented numbers of young people are flocking to Southern, we cannot turn them away unless a lack of funds offers no alternative. With an exceptionally high enrollment we are in this biennium greatly handicapped by lack of funds."

For building and other capital improvements for the biennium beginning next July 1 the board approved a budget request of $35,704,000. Projects given highest priority rating were eleven buildings totaling $30,060,000 and $1,255,000 for site improvements and completion of the Life Science building and the new library.

New buildings given priority were: Agricultural Building Group, Dormitories, Men's Physical Education and Community Center, Home Economics Building Group, College of Education, Commerce (general classrooms), Power Plant Addition and Central Incinerator, Administration, Health Unit, Student Union, Communications, and Industrial Education building.

Other requests were for the acquisition of land, for the remodeling and rehabilitation of old permanent structures, for the conversion of temporary buildings into classrooms and offices, for long standing deficiencies such as a fire alarm system, food storage facilities, revamped sanitary sewer system and for other needed campus improvements resulting from the growth of the University.

Improvements to be asked for the Vocational-Technical Institute total $455,000; for Little Grassy Lake camp development, $100,000; for farm buildings, $150,000 and for architects' fees, $850,000.

Ear-marked for salary increases to academic and non-academic personnel is $1,393,000 of the budget request for educational operation. The amount asked for includes funds needed to supplement the present number of faculty members and to convert present emergency appointments to continuing appointments. With few exceptions, there have been no faculty salary increases at Southern during the 1953-'55 biennium because of the heavy pressure of students and the necessity for using all available funds for extra staff.

President Morris stated that the amount asked for increases is in line with the resolution adopted last July by the state's Joint Council on Higher Education. The resolution stated that the "urgent need for salary adjustments" has grown out of the following facts: 1) Salaries in Illinois colleges and universities have fallen behind those of comparable institutions in other states; 2) Illinois colleges are falling behind competitively in the retention and recruitment of qualified staff; 3) The status of the teacher has suffered in comparison with other professions; and 4) Salary levels have not kept pace with increases in the cost of living.

Lack of funds has been so acute during this period, Morris said, that SIU has been "losing good teachers and failing to get some we would like to have."

Other items in the "asking" budget approved by the Board of Trustees are: for contractual services, $1,230,000; for equipment, $1,350,000; travel, $275,000; commodities, $900,000; office supplies, $235,000; employer retirement contributions, $160,000; awards and grants, $100,-205; refunds, $10,000; and contingency, $570,000.

Addressing the alumni of Southern, Robert Odaniell, alumni director, has called attention to the opportunity now presented to alumni to assist the University in its request for an increased budget for the 1955-’57 biennium. Odaniell said, "Though the alumni publications, club meetings and other alumni functions, we have endeavored to keep you informed of the University's problems and progress. Having attended Southern, you and I are certainly aware of the lack of adequate facilities to accommodate the present student body let alone the tremendous influx of students that will definitely be coming next year and the years following. I urge each of you to contact your area legislators and impress on them the needs of Southern."
Plains Started on Student Union Bldg.

An architectural firm will soon be employed to make a preliminary study for a Student Union Building, according to J. Clark Davis, director of the Office of Student Affairs. The SIU Student Council has authorized Edward V. Miles, business manager and fiscal officer of the Student Union building fund, to contract for the study.

Planning of the proposed building will await the study of the architects. The planning committee will include representatives from the student affairs office, architectural service office, president’s office, alumni, and six students.

Miles reported that, as of October 31, there was $8,356 in the Student Union building fund. This amount was made up largely from student activity fees. The student body voted last year to raise the activity fee $1 per term for each student with this amount to be used for the union building fund. The increase in fee was first collected the spring term of 1954.

Principals, Freshmen, Officials Confer

Area high school principals visited Southern campus November 16 to participate in discussions with university freshmen and college personnel.

The conference was designed to mutually benefit the principals and University officials. The principals learned from former seniors the shortcomings and strong points in their high school training programs. University officials were given opinions on the shortcomings and strong points of their freshman program.

Among the principals attending were: John E. Skinner, ’36, Albion; Paul Houghton, ex ’35, Anna-Jonesboro; Herbert Mundell, ’32, Benton; Daniel Cox, ’49, Carterville; Lloyd S. Henson, ex ’36, Centralia; Orland Kelley, ’37, Christopher; Bert Casper, ’37 Cobden; B. Floyd Smir, ’36, Fairfield; C. R. Gardens, ’41, Galatia; Raymond Foster, ’46, Harrisburg; Eugene Eckert, ’23, Herrin; Carl Planinc, ’50, Johnston City; William Bundy, ’29, Marion; Maurice Clark, ’38, Metropolis; Roland Keene, ’34, Pinckneyville; Ted Morgan, ex ’46, Sesser; John R. Warren, ’53, Sparta; Gene Goforth, ’33, Campbell Hill; L. Goebel Patton, ’38, West Frankfort; and Ianthus Krutsinger, ’23, Zeigler.

Lawson Resigns As Education Dean

The resignation of Douglas E. Lawson as dean of the College of Education was accepted at a recent meeting of the SIU Board of Trustees. Dean Lawson, in submitting his resignation, expressed a desire to return to full-time teaching and research in the department of education.

The Board in honoring Dean Lawson’s request stated, “It is with regret that we acquiesce . . . for he has done a remarkable job of strengthening the program . . . since assuming the deanship in the summer of 1948.

Lawson, who holds a doctorate from the University of Chicago, is a member of nearly 20 learned professional organizations. He is listed in Who’s Who in America, Who’s Who in Education and Leaders in Education. He is the author of some 70 publications on education and has served as lecturer and consultant at numerous colleges and universities.

Fount G. Warren, chairman of the education department, has been named acting dean of the College of Education. His appointment is effective with the beginning of the winter term.

Research Station To Be Established

A Southern Illinois Cooperative Research Center, to be devoted to soils and crop research and demonstration, is being established at Carbondale.

Plans for the research station were announced by M. B. Russell, head of the University of Illinois Department of Agronomy, and W. E. Keepper, acting director of the SIU Division of Rural Studies. Studies will be conducted at the station to develop acceptable varieties of field and forage crops with emphasis on their adaptability to Southern Illinois.

The agronomy station is the result of be operated jointly by SIU and the University of Illinois Agricultural Experiment Station. E. F. Sullivan, Southern agronomist, will be superintendent of the new station.

The agronomy station is the result of more than nine months of study by Southern and the University of Illinois. It is the second major cooperative research center operated jointly by the two schools. They joined efforts in 1951 to activate at SIU the Illinois Horticultural Experiment Station for fruit research and demonstration work.
Franklin County
Alumni Elect Officers

Mrs. Clyde Boughers (Irene Boughers), '42, was elected president of the Franklin county alumni club at the first fall meeting in West Frankfort on Nov. 4. Mrs. Boughers is a resident of West Frankfort.

Other officers elected were: Mrs. William Hanson (Mabel Stearns), '20, Ziegler, vice president, and Miss June Phillips, '46, Benton, secretary-treasurer.

1. Clark Davis, director of the Office of Student Affairs and Dean of Men, and Miss Patricia Bruce, SIU sophomore, shared the speaking platform. Miss Bruce related her experiences as representative of Illinois in the “Miss America” contest in Atlantic City.

Washington, D. C.
Alumni Club Meets

The Washington, D. C., alumni club is reported to have met Nov. 20 for the purpose of electing officers.

The alumni were guest of the Elks Club at a dance following the business meeting.

Identity of the new officers was not known at press time; however, they will be reported later. Kenneth Medley, '47, is retiring president.

Morris To Address
Miami, Fla. Alumni

Alumni living in and near Miami, Fla., will hold a dinner meeting on December 9 at 8 p.m. The meeting place will be Betty's Restaurant, 1440 Biscayne Blvd., Miami.

SIU President D. W. Morris will address the meeting.

Reservations may be made by contacting John M. Biair, 7425 S. W. 34 Terrace, Miami, on or before December 6.

New York City
Alumni To Meet

New York City alumni have planned a meeting for December 3 at International House, Riverside Drive, NYC.

SIU President D. W. Morris will briefly address the group. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Anthony Puleo (Helen Crouch), ex 48, at 189-11, 118th Street, St. Albans, New York.

Greeks Hold
Housing Conference

A critical eye was turned on Greek housing, with emphasis on its improvement, at a Greek housing conference on the campus Nov. 5 and 6. Participating in the discussions were sorority and fraternity national office representatives, the Greek housing committee, University officials, and alumni.

Purpose of the conference was to discuss the future needs, site planning, and financing of a new Greek housing program, and improvement of present housing of Greek organizations. Discussion topics included: Our Problems and Needs as Seen by the Housing Committee, Our Problems as Seen by an Adviser and Our Problems as Seen by an Alumnus. Participating in these discussion groups were students Roger Aydt, Dahlgren; Robert Wagner, Belleville; Katherine Feirich, Carbondale; and Helen Collins, West Frankfort. Alumnus Royger Spear, '48; Robert Etheridge, assistant Dean of Men; Elizabeth Greenleaf, Supervisor of Student Activities; Maude Stewart, associate professor of guidance and special education and Pi Kappa Sigma sponsor; and SIU President D. W. Morris.

John S. Rendleman, legal counsel, Paul Isbell, director of Auxiliary Enterprises, and SIU Vice-President George H. Hand discussed the requirements for Financing Fraternity and Sorority Housing.

Architectural and Preliminary Site Planning for Sorority and Fraternity Cooperative Housing was discussed by Charles Pulley, John Lonergan and Willard C. Hart, all of the University Architectural Service.

Harry L. Wells, former controller of Northern Illinois University, spoke on the Pros and Cons of Cooperative Building Plans.

The conference was concluded with a dinner speech by I. Clark Davis, director of the Office of Student Affairs and Dean of Men, who presented a conference summary and plan for action.

CAMP TOTALS GIVEN

A SIU tally has revealed that area children received an aggregate of nearly 20,000 days of camping at Little Grassy Lake last summer.

Nearly 12,000 of the camping days were at the SIU school camp program that provided five consecutive camping periods.

Basketball Season
Starts December 4

With a keen eye on the opening of the 1954-55 basketball season against Millikin Dec. 4, Southern's cage coach Lynn Holder is hustling 40 candidates through full scrimmage activities.

Holder will begin his ninth year at Southern with seven lettermen back from last year's team which tied for second in the IAC.

Capt. Gib Kurtz, East St. Louis senior, and Jack Morgan, junior from Carbondale, head the list of returnees. Rounding out the monogram winners are Dick Blythe, Gary, Ind., junior; Gordon Lembert, Marion sophomore; Wayman Holder, sophomore from Carbondale; Bill Woods, sophomore from Lawrenceville; Pete Baggett, Marion junior; and Gene Tabacchi, Auburn junior.

Preliminary reports on freshman tackled "looking good" tags on several outstanding candidates. High on Coach Holder's prospective varsity list are: Larry Whitlock, Mt. Vernon; Julian Dahcke, Effingham; Gordon Cozzad, Carbondale; Bob Hilgendorf, San Jose, Ill.; Jerry Loomis, Potosi, Mo.; Herb Barenfenger, Vandalia; Joe Upchurch, Galatia.

John Hammonds, Alton; Howard Decker, Mattoon; Roger Jensen, Carlyle; Morton Lichtenstein, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ron Huey, Sparta; Wayne Zimmer, Chester; Sam Duane; Galatia; Norman Thomas, Cairo, and Ron Culbreth, Carrier Mills.

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Job Opportunities

- A large shoe company in the midwest is looking for a Time Study Engineer. Age limit is 22-30. Salary is $280 per month while in training.
- An Illinois telephone company will be on campus February 24 to interview candidates for positions as accountants and management trainees.
- A large town in central Illinois has openings now in kindergarten, grades 1, 2, 5, and library. Salary schedule $3300-$5300 for Bachelor's Degree, $3500-$5500 for Master's Degree.
- Positions in grades 3, 4 and 5 and Speech Correction are open in January in a town in Michigan. Salary $3350 to $5850.
- A suburb in the Chicago area has primary and kindergarten openings now, salary $3300-$3900 for Bachelor's Degree and $3600 to $4200 for Master's Degree.
- A prominent company in Ohio is now hiring for positions as Analytical Chemists, Office Methods Engineers, Packaging Engineers, Laboratory Room Foreman and Job Study Engineers. Salary $370 to $412 a month.
- A town in Madison county is in need of a high school English teacher. Salary $3504 up.
- A town in Champaign county has an Industrial Arts position open in the high school. Salary is $3000 up.
- A high school in Cook county wants to hire a Guidance instructor starting January 1, 1955.
- There is a Home Economics position open immediately in a large high school near St. Louis. Salary open.
- An accountant firm in a city in central Illinois is looking for accountants to work immediately.
- An engine company in Indiana is wanting to employ Sales Engineers, Mechanical Engineers, Materials Control personnel, Office Management personnel, and Production Engineers.
- A town in extreme northern Illinois has an eighth grade position open now. $3200 for Bachelor's Degree and $3450 for Master's Degree.
- A boys' P. E. and assistant coaching job is open now in Knox county. This position includes swimming instruction.
- A high school in South Dakota is looking for a teacher of Indian girls.

SOUTHERN SKETCHES

Col. Alexander R. MacMillan, commander of Southern AFROTC, visited the campus of Washington University on Nov. 10 to discuss current problems in the Air Force Reserve Officers training program. Ferris Randall, assistant director of libraries for technical services, was appointed editor of the ILA Record, official organ of the Illinois Library Association, at the association's 58th annual conference in Springfield. Annemarie Krause, associate professor of geography and geology, will be in charge of the annual meeting of the Council of the Illinois State Academy of Science at Southern May 6-7. Miss Krause is second vice president of the organization. Mary Noel Barron, assistant professor of business administration, appeared on the program of the southern chapter of the Illinois Society of Certified Public Accountants in Herrin on Nov. 6. The following faculty members have been promoted from the rank of instructor to assistant professor: Troy Edwards, University School; Lura Evans, women's physical education; Floyd E. Krubeck, industrial education and Mrs. Bonnie Lockwood, Division of Technical and Adult Education. Harry B. Bauernfiend, supervisor of this Division of Technical and Adult Education, has been appointed assistant dean for adult education in the Division of Technical and Adult Education. Paul J. Lougeay, ex '46, became an instructor this fall in the Division of Technical and Adult Education. Lawrence Voss, assistant professor of speech, is the new second vice president of the Illinois Speech Association. John Pruis, assistant professor at University School, is the new business manager of Speech News, publication of the Illinois Speech Association. Otis B. Young, director of the atomic and capacitor research at Southern, attended the annual meeting of the American Physics Society in New York recently. Charles D. Neal, director of teacher training, served as a consultant and guest speaker at the conference of Ohio Professors of Educational Administration held recently at Ohio State University. Harold E. Briggs, chairman of this department, has an article entitled “Early Entertainment and Amusements in Cairo, 1848-1858” in the Illinois State Historical Journal. Vera L. Peacock, chairman of the foreign language department, presented a paper at a meeting of the Illinois Modern Language Teachers Association in Urbana on Nov. 6. Eight other members of the department attended the meeting. A two-page illustrated article on the SIU program for helping school boards become more efficient appeared in the November issue of the Rotarians magazine. Entitled “A Bell Rings for the School Board,” the article explains a project started by Woodson W. Fishback, associate professor of education, about two years ago to give school board members on-the-job training. Mrs. Edith S. Krappe, associate professor of English, is the new president of the Illinois Folklore Society. Other officers elected at the fall meeting on campus on Nov. 12 are: Harold E. Briggs, chairman of the history department, vice president, and William D. Simeone, assistant professor of English, re-elected secretary-treasurer. William Freeburg, director of outdoor education and Mrs. Opal Stevens, lecturer in women's physical education, appeared on the program of the Illinois Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation meeting recently in Peoria. Richard W. Poston, director of Community Services, together with Alice Beardslee, Van Seagraves, Berlis Jones, field representatives, and Ed Habes, lecturer in Information Service, appeared on the program of the annual convention of the Adult Education Association, held in Chicago Nov. 7-9. Joseph P. Vaughan and William L. Portz, assistant professors in agriculture, and E. F. Sullivan, superintendent of the Southern Illinois Cooperative Agronomy Research Station, attended a meeting of the American Society of Agronomy in St. Paul, Minn., on Nov. 8-11. Portz presented a paper. Robert S. Burger, lecturer in journalism, attended the annual Midwest Conference of Industrial Editors in St. Louis on Nov. 5. He was accompanied by several journalism students. Scott W. Hinners, instructor in agriculture, was on the program planning committee for the annual joint convention of the Illinois Feed Association and the Illinois Poultry Improvement Association, held in Springfield on Nov. 3-4. SIU President D. W. Morris addressed the dinner meeting on Nov. 3. Carl C Lindgren, director of the Biological Research Laboratory, and Ernest E. Shultz, research assistant, are co-authors of an article appearing in the Journal of Genetics. Lindgren, together with Mrs. Lindgren and Maurice Ogur, associate professor, prepared an article published in the Journal of Bacteriology. Eileen Quigley, chairman of the home economics department, led a discussion panel at a recent meeting at Allerton Park of the heads of home economics departments of the colleges and universities of Illinois. J. Charles Kelley, professor of anthropology and director of the museum, addressed the student body of Knox College recently. His topic was “The Next Civilization: the Anthropologists' Contribution.”