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Financial Stress May Halt Growth Of University

Southern Illinois University officials at press time were considering changes in the operational program of the university following a conference with Gov. William Stratton on April 19.

The SIU officials thanked Gov. Stratton for his increased budget recommendations in behalf of the school but, at the same time, they took under study ways of limiting enrollments and services in as many as seven established University departments studied before arriving at a decision,” Wham announced.

During the current biennium, President Morris pointed out, crippling economies have been enforced, classrooms overcrowded, and teachers overloaded to take care of a 52 per cent enrollment gain which has occurred at all undergraduate and graduate levels. Conservative estimates by the Registrar’s Office predict 1000 more students in September and a total of 6500 by 1956. Even if the number of freshmen is restricted to the fall 1954 level for the next two years, SIU will have a general enrollment gain of some 1100 students during the biennium because more and more students are remaining in school for the entire four years and for graduate work.

Maintenance of past standards of education necessitate the “difficult choice of placing a ceiling on the number of students who may register or reducing a whole series of University activities,” according to Morris.

In addition to considering other plans for training teachers now doing their internship at the University School and perhaps dispensing with the summer school which served 2235 students last year, the University is considering the possibilities of eliminating or altering its entire adult education, extension, Vocational-Technical Institute, and community development programs.

President Morris emphasized that these measures would not be enough singly to make ends meet through the biennium.

At present, the University School is Southern’s chief facility for training teachers and demonstrating educational techniques. It enrolls 424 grade and high school students. The rapidly growing Vocational-Technical Institute offers terminal programs in trades and business, aimed at improving economic levels in Southern Illinois.

If the SIU summer sessions are closed for the next two years, many thousands of students, among them grade and high school teachers taking advanced courses, would not be able to earn their degrees on schedule.

The community development department, organized in September, 1953, to help Southern Illinois towns help themselves, has been working in five communities and has requests for assistance from many others. Extension courses are now taught in more than 30 area towns and adult education courses in more than 40 communities.

As Alumni Director, J. Robert Odanrell urges each of you to lend your full support to your alma mater at this most critical time. Any help which you may be willing to offer in speaking or writing to your legislators will be greatly appreciated. Southern is your University and it is dependent upon your support.

SPRINGFIELD CLUB SETS DATE

Springfield area alumni will hold their annual dinner meeting in the Capitol Airport Flight Room at 6:30 p.m. (D.S.T.) on Saturday, May 14.

Reservations must be made before May 11, with Raymond Ellis, ex ’46, 2448 South 9th St., Springfield.

Peoria Club To Meet

Mrs. Wilbur Heren (Eva Randolph), ex ’38, president, has announced that the Peoria Area Alumni Club will meet at 7 p.m. (D.S.T.) on May 21. The meeting will be a dinner at the Wigwam, on the campus of Bradley University.

Reservations will be accepted to May 15. Write to Mrs. Heren, 2701 W. Forrest Hill, Peoria.
**Alumni Reunion Day Program Announced**

You will receive very soon through the mail your invitation to participate in the festivities at the Southern Illinois University Alumni Reunion Day on June 11.

The following program has been tentatively scheduled (more details will be sent with your personal invitation):

1. **10 a.m.** Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting
2. **11 a.m.** SIU Foundation Board of Directors Meeting
3. **12 Noon** Alumni Association Board of Directors, Foundation Board of Directors and Legislative Council Luncheon
4. **2 p.m.** General Convocation Program: The Honorable William G. Stratton, Governor, State of Illinois
5. **3 p.m.** Cornerstone Laying Program at the Library Building Alumni Association Legislative Council meeting: University School Auditorium
6. **3:30-5:30** Alumni Class Reunions for all Graduating Classes ending in '5 and '0: Student Union Building
7. **6:30** Alumni Banquet: Buffet style, Campus lawn (Men's Gym in case of rain)

Reservations for the banquet and for overnight accommodations at Woody Hall ($2.25 per person per night) may be made through the Alumni Service office.

Campus tours will be conducted for alumni throughout the day. Cars will leave from the campus flagpole. Plan now to attend!

**SIU And Michigan Cooperate In Program**

W. E. Keeper, acting director of the SIU Division of Rural Studies, has announced that a cooperative plan of study, leading to a bachelor of science degree in agricultural education, will be available to students at the University of Michigan, has been worked out between the U. of M. and Southern.

The new program, available at the beginning of the 1955 fall term, leads to a degree in agronomy and to certification in agriculture education. Under the plan students may complete two years of work in basic agriculture and transfer to the University of Michigan School of Natural Resources, Ann Arbor, for the final two years of specialization without loss of credit.

**MUSIC FESTIVAL HAS CAST OF 3000**

The sixth annual Southern Illinois Music Festival will be presented at SIU on May 7 at 7:30 p.m. in McAndrew stadium.

More than 2600 grade and high school musicians and singers will participate in the massed bands and choruses which are a part of the Festival presentation, according to Floyd V. Wakeland, associate professor of music and Festival director.

Other groups appearing on the program include nearly 200 Maypole dancers from schools in Carbondale, Murphysboro, Marion and Carterville, the Olney high school precision marching band and the Singing Squadron of SIU's Air Force ROTC detachment.

Frank E. Trobaugh, West Frankfort attorney, and his two daughters will share top billing as "Honored Musician" and guest soloists. Guest soloists are musicians who have their roots in the Southern Illinois area but have achieved wider recognition for their musical talents.

Trobaugh brought recognition to the area through his choral activities and was largely responsible for the program sets. Frosh and Upperclassmen music societies, and the Southern Illinois University Auditorium.

Mrs. Joan Trobaugh Snider now lives in Atlanta. She was first harpist with the St. Louis Philharmonic Orchestra and played with four other major American symphony orchestras. She has given recitals in New York's Town Hall and Carnegie Hall.

During the day, before the evening Festival performance, singers, musicians and baton twirlers will audition in the Southern Illinois Music Festival sponsored by Chicago Tribune Charities, Inc. Baton artists and the outstanding musician of the district contest will also participate in the Music Festival program.

**Dedication On May 6**

The annual statewide meeting of the Illinois Academy of Science will be held at Southern May 5 to 7 for the first time since 1938.

The 48th annual session will feature lectures by Paul B. Sears, president-elect of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and Laurence Snyder, geneticist and dean of the Graduate School at the University of Oklahoma.

Dedication of Southern's new Life Science building will be held in conjunction with the meeting. Dr. Sears will deliver the dedication lecture "Man and Nature in the Modern World" at 10:45 a.m., May 6, in the Life Science auditorium. This will be followed with a reception by President D. W. Morris and Mrs. Morris in the new building from 3 to 5 p.m. Dr. Snyder will deliver the traditional public research lecture, "The Principles of Human Heredity and Their Modern Applications," at 8 p.m. in the University School auditorium.

Scientific papers will be presented by members of the academy throughout the meeting. Some 500 high school students are expected to compete in exhibits of the Junior Academy of Science.

Garrett W. Thiessen of Monmouth College, state president of the Academy, will address the several hundred delegates expected, following an address of welcome by President Morris.

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DELTA SIGS NAME NEW SPONSOR

Mrs. Ellis Mitchell (Betty Lou Hill), '49, was recently chosen a sponsor of Alpha Delta chapter of Delta Sigma Epsilon social sorority. Mrs. Mitchell replaces Miss Emma Bowyer, who asked to be relieved as sponsor. Miss Hilda Stein, associate professor of zoology, shares sponsorship of the sorority.

Mrs. Mitchell, an instructor in the English department at Southern, was an active member of the Delta Sigs from 1945 to '49. She holds a B. S. in Ed. and M. A. degrees from SIU.

Mrs. Mitchell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy C. Hill, 706 N. Buchanan St., Benton, Ill.

Cosmic Ray Research Agreement Announced

Cosmic ray researchers at Southern, headed by Dr. Otis B. Young, have made a cooperative research agreement with scientists of White Sands Proving Grounds, a part of the Ordnance Corps, U. S. Army.

The agreement calls for exchange of information and results, and exchange of photographic plates which have been exposed at high altitudes to record cosmic ray tracks. The cosmic ray program at Southern started in 1953.

Anthropological Session

A summer anthropological field session will be held in the Cache River valley June 20-August 12, according to Dr. J. Charles Kelley, SIU Museum director.

Field work will be devoted to archaeological surface observations and to excavating selected sites. Prime consideration will be given to studying the archaeological evidences of the Archaic culture and its environmental relationships.

300 RESPOND TO CAMPAIGN

The Alumni Service office buzzed with activity as a result of your response to the first mailing in your association’s dues promotion campaign. Some 300 of you sent in dues to have your names added to the growing list of Alumni Association members.

You who haven’t joined will receive a second appeal through the mails very soon. Don’t disappoint us! Dues are $2.00 per year or $3.00 per year for husband and wife memberships.

Summer Geography Tour Announced

The fifth annual Southern Illinois University geography summer field course, covering scenic and industrial regions of the northern United States and south central Canada, has been announced by Dr. Floyd F. Cunningham, tour director.

Persons participating in the field course will leave the SIU campus August 13 and return September 2, traveling 3800 miles by chartered bus. Cunningham said the course cost of $170 will include a registration fee, tuition, study materials, transportation, lodging, and insurance. Food and other incidentals will be additional.

The itinerary will include visits to Cleveland, O.; Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and Rochester, N. Y.; Ottawa, Fort William, and Winnipeg, Canada; Duluth and Minneapolis, Minn.; and Chicago.

Those who have had a beginning college course in geography, or its equivalent, may obtain five quarter hours of undergraduate or graduate college credit by fulfilling certain requirements. If the maximum enrollment of 35 has not been reserved by June 1, the tour will be opened to others without credit. Persons interested may contact Cunningham.

Chairman of the SIU geography and geology development, Cunningham has conducted tours to various parts of North America as well as in Europe, Asia, and Africa. The 1955 summer trip is in lieu of a proposed European tour which has been postponed until the summer of 1956, he said.

SUMMER SESSION OPENS JUNE 20

More than 500 courses, including eight summer workshops and two field courses, will be offered when Southern’s eight-week summer session opens June 20.

Advance registration will be conducted through May 28 for 499 regular courses, plus field courses in anthropology and geography, and workshops in art, education, foreign language, and guidance and special education.

Summer bulletins with schedules are now available at the office of the Registrar.

The summer session, with class days of six 75-minute periods each, will close August 12. Final examinations will be held August 11 and 12, and commencement August 12.

DEFEAT ILLINOIS

Southern’s baseball squad played the role of giant-killer on Apr. 14 when they tagged an 8-7 defeat on the University of Illinois.

The game marked the first appearance of an Illini baseball team on Southern’s diamond. The Illini defeated Southern last year at Illinois.

Inexpensive infielding figure heavily in the victory, with Illinois committing five miscues, three in the fourth inning. Southern scored six runs in the fourth frame to take a commanding lead.

Illinois didn’t seem too impressed by Southern’s big lead, and after scoring one run in the sixth, the Illini dropped bases all over the field, scoring six runs and tying the score in the seventh.

Ron Ayers relieved starting pitcher Bob Meyer, senior from Belleville, Ill., and the little freshman from Arcola, Ill., stopped the Illini cold for the last two innings.

Southern finally salvaged the game in the last inning, but not without some help from the Illini. Southern loaded the bases on three singles, and a wild pitch gave the Salukis the winning run.

The victory was the seventh in 10 games, and since then Southern has added wins over Evansville College and Wheaton College.

DINNER SET FOR CHICAGO ALUMNI

The annual meeting of the Chicago Area Alumni Club has been set for Friday, May 27.

Dinner will be served at 6 p. m. (D.S.T.) at the Chicago Art Institute. N. L. Lovellette, '32, club president, will preside over the program.

Chicago area alumni will receive their invitations, with more program details, within a few days.

MISSOURI ALUMNI CLUB TO MEET

Missouri alumni of Southern will meet May 14, according to M. Paul Mosely, ex-'39, president of the Missouri Alumni Club.

A dinner meeting has been planned for 7:30 p. m. at the Raleigh House, 8027 Forsythe Ave., Clayton.

Carl McIntire, '41, well known radio and TV personality, will serve as master of ceremonies for the program.

Several of Southern’s faculty are expected to attend, J. Robert Odaniell, alumni director, said.
Job Opportunities

• A town in northern Illinois has an American History, Economics (and some coaching) position open for next year. There is also a Shorthand position open. Salary $4000. High School.

• A large paint company in the St. Louis area needs trainees for sales work and branch managers.

• A far northern town in Illinois has openings in the high school for English, World History and English combination, Spanish and English, Physics and Geometry, and Industrial Arts and Driver Training. Salary is $3500-$5100 for Bachelor's Degree, $3800 to $5600 for Master's.

• A number of elementary vacancies exist in several mid-central counties in Illinois, kindergarten through 6th grades. Salaries range from $3000 to $3650.

• A suburb of Chicago has openings in the elementary grades, 3rd through 5th, and also an Art position and a Music position. Salary ranges from $3600 to $5400 for Bachelor's and $3800 to $5800 for Master's.

• A rubber company in Indiana is in need of a Chemist for work in the plastic coated fabrics field.

• Draftsmen and Designers are needed in a tool company in a city in northern Illinois.

• The American Red Cross is again recruiting for Recreational personnel and Secretaries, women only. Salaries range from $216 to $255 a month.

• A private academy in northern Illinois is looking for two male teachers to fill an English and Social Studies position and a Mathematics and Science position. Salary $3200 to $5700. Positions are in Junior High.

• A large town in McLean county has openings in Junior High in Vocal Music, Girls' P. E., Typing and General Business, and Social Science and English.

• Several vacancies exist in Southern Illinois for Adjusters with a credit corporation. The salary is $250 a month plus expenses.

• There are opportunities for Radications in Alaska with an electrical company. The salary is $137.50 (and overtime) a week.

• A prominent magazine is looking for Subscription Service Trainees, women. The positions are in the Chicago area.

• The Y.W.C.A. in a southern Illinois town is looking for a Health Education Director (woman). Must have swimming program. Salary is $3400 to $3600.

SOUTHERN SKETCHES

Jack McCrary, Louis Petroff and Clarence Jeffery, all of the sociology department, attended a meeting of the Association of American Sociologists at Allerton Park April 2 and 3. John J. Pruis, speech supervisor at University School, addressed a meeting of the Southern Speech Association in Memphis, Tenn., on April 8. Jules Dubar, instructor of geology and geography, conducted a group of geology students on a field study in the Ripley, Miss., region over April 8, 9 and 10. R. A. Scott, Kenneth Van Lente, Robert Van Atta, R. F. Trimble, and Elbert Hadley, all of the chemistry department, recently attended a meeting of the American Chemical Society in Cincinnati.

Harold M. Kaplan, physical departmental chairman, is author of a paper appearing in the April issue of the American Journal of Veterinary Research. Charles L. Foote, associate professor of zoology, and Anita Zorzioli, assistant professor of physics, attended the annual meeting of the Tissue Culture Association, Histological Society and American Association of Anatomists in Philadelphia April 4-9. Milton F. Sullivan and Robert A. Wiggs of the art department attended the biennial conference of the National Art Education Association in Cleveland April 12-16.

Robert Faner, Raymond S. Rainbow and Frances Barbour, all of the English department, criticized poetry submitted by St. Louis area poets in a contest sponsored by the St. Louis AAUW on April 17. As members of the planning committee for Southern's new Student Union building, Charles M. Pulley, University architect, J. Robert Odaniel, Alumni Service, Paul W. Isbell, Auxiliary Enterprises and Elizabeth Greenleaf, supervisor of student activities, visited newly constructed student unions on college campuses in Indiana, Ohio and Tennessee during the spring vacation. Claude Coleman, associate professor of English, was the recipient of the first Egyptian "Faculty Service Award." The award will be given annually by the college newspaper. Selection, based on service to students, popularity with faculty and students, and professional standing, was made by the Sphinx Club. Maude A. Stewart and Elizabeth B. McKay of the guidance and special education department attended a meeting of the Illinois Commission on Children and Youth in Springfield on April 18. Both are members of special committees. J. Charles Kelley, museum director, will appear on the program of a forthcoming archaeological seminar in Santa Fe, N. M.

Floyd F. Cunningham, geography and geology departmental chairman, and Robert A. Harper, associate professor of geography, presented papers at the annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers in Memphis, Tenn., April 11-14. Sina Mott, associate professor at University School, was a discussion leader at the annual conference on teaching elementary and secondary mathematics held recently at Illinois State Normal University. Helen Zimmerman, associate professor, and Edward Shea, chairman of the men's P. E. department, conducted students on a tour of elementary, junior and senior high schools in University City, Mo., recently. Purpose of the tour was to observe good physical education programs in action. J. Cary Davis, professor of foreign language, began a five-month sabbatical leave on April 1. Accompanied by his family, Davis will spend most of the leave in Mexico City and surrounding areas.

Roswell D. Merrick, assistant dean of the College of Education, was recently elected vice president of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. William Tudor, associate director of Area Services, and J. S. McCrary, sociology instructor, recently addressed a workshop of the East St. Louis Social Planning Council. Mildred Schrotherger, dean of women, and Janet Brackenridge, Woody Hall resident counsellor, attended the convention of the National Association of Deans of Women in Chicago April 1-4.

Maude Stewart, Ivan Russell and Neal Phelps, all of the guidance and special education department, attended the meeting of the American Personnel and Guidance Association in Chicago April 3-6. Eugene Fitzpatrick, assistant professor of guidance and special education, William Westberg, professor of psychology, and student, John J. McCarthy, are co-authors of four articles published recently in the Journal of Personnel Psychology. Harves Hale, associate professor of business administration, is the newly elected treasurer of the Illinois Business Education Association. Roye R. Bryant, director of the Placement Service, was recently named chairman of the committee on evaluation of placement services for the Midwest College Placement Association.

Ernest J. Simon, dean of the Division of Technical and Adult Education, recently attended the Central Regional Conference on Trades and Industry, U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare held in Detroit. Mrs. Evelyn Rieke, assistant professor at University School, has been re-elected editor of the state newsletter of the Junior Classical Society. Margaret Kaeiser, associate professor of botany, has been named a collaborator with the U. S. Forst Products Laboratory, Madison, Wis.