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SOUTHERN TO HAVE NEW HOUSING UNITS

Plans and specifications are complete for new student-housing projects at Southern. In December the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency approved SIU's application for three million dollars for the projects.

Half of the loan is for accommodations for 160 families, to be built in ten-apartment units one-half mile south of the main campus, just east of Route 51. These apartments will be primarily for married students.

The other half will be used for construction of 15 dormitories, each to house 45 unmarried students. The houses of residence will be of frame construction, trimmed with stone, and will be situated at the west edge of Thompson Lake, south of Carbondale. They will

have kitchen and dining facilities and quarters for a housemother or supervisor.

SIU will add approximately one million dollars from its capital appropriations fund to supplement the Federal loan. Bids for contracts could not be let

until after approval of the SIU Board of Trustees which met January 30, just after press time. Construction is scheduled to begin in the spring.

Six residence halls, each housing 120 students, were completed last year on the north edge of the campus lake.

Altgeld to be Remodeled

Southern's second-oldest building, Altgeld Hall, is going to be remodeled. The \$200,000 project is to get underway this month and is to be completed next August.

Plans call for the entire building, with the exception of the museum, to be air-conditioned. The first floor will in-

clude a 30 x 50 foot choir rehearsal room, theory and general classroom, combination listening room and lounge, departmental offices and new rest rooms.

Practice rooms and studios will be on the second floor and all will be sound-proof. The third floor, used for piano practice, will also be renovated.



Architect's view of family housing development at Southern

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM YOUR ALUMNI PRESIDENT

One out of three grads of Southern is a dues-paying alumni member. This is good! And it's getting better right along. I congratulate you and thank you for your continued and increasing support.

Your progressive interest has made an ever-widening alumni program possible. For example, we are holding an Alumni Club Officer Workshop on the campus February 22. This is for all local alumni club officers and is designed to help bring about more and better local groups. If you have no club in your area, let us know and we'll help organize one.

Another inauguration this year is the Alumni Achievement Award. Here is an opportunity for you to nominate a candidate for recognition of "outstanding service to the University and/or the Association" and one for "outstanding achievement in his business, profession or other field." Nominations are now open (deadline is March 15) and we invite your help in this important project. Several nominations have already been received, but we know there are many others who should be considered for these awards.

Another exciting innovation and example of alumni service and activity was announced in the December Bulletin. I refer to the Alumni Family Camping Program. This should really develop into a fine service to you vacation camping lovers. You'll want to make your reservations soon to get in our first camp. Reservations are necessarily limited. A number have already been received. Make yours today.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP AVAILABLE. We call your attention to the availability of Life Memberships. At present we have 64 life members, with 196 additional who are making installment payments. Also, there are eight enrolled in the new Life Membership plan. These memberships are advantageous because they are economical since they are considerably cheaper than the sum total of annual dues over an average span. Life Memberships are important

LIFE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please enroll me as a Life Member of the SIU Alumni Association. I have checked below how I wish to handle payment and am enclosing a check to cover amount indicated. (Minimum annual installment is \$10.)

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| \$100.00 Paid in Full | \$ 20.00 Annual Installment |
| \$ 10.00 Annual Installment | \$ 25.00 Annual Installment |
| \$ 15.00 Annual Installment | \$ 50.00 Annual Installment |

Please enroll us in a Family Life Membership (husband and wife both alumni). We have checked below how we wish to handle payment and enclose a check to cover amount indicated. (Minimum annual installment is \$12.50.)

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| \$125.00 Paid in Full | |
| \$ 12.50 Annual Installment | \$ 37.50 Annual Installment |
| \$ 25.00 Annual Installment | \$ 62.60 Annual Installment |

Name Class

Address

to your Association because the money collected from them is placed in an endowment fund rather than in our general operating fund and draws interest for the Association. Installment purchase of Life Memberships can be arranged at your convenience. (See subscription blank above.) Special recognition is given life members. Your Alumni Association has become of age these past few years and is on a solid foundation for growth, so it's just good business to get "on the bandwagon." Fill out the application and mail it at once. The increased activity of the Alumni Association is an expression of confidence in you and in Southern's future. Your Life Membership is a tangible method of saying, "I'm with you all the way!"

An important item you won't want to forget! Another election for class representatives to the Legislative Council is coming up. This year the classes ending in an odd number will be voting. It is through these Legislative Council

representatives that your class has a voice in the affairs of the Association, so be sure to vote. If you are not a paid member, we encourage you to join so that you too can have an active part in the SIU Alumni Association and its operation.

Really rate in '58!

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THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME

by Bill Hollada, '51

"Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home," might well be the motto of the SIU winter athletic teams, which went through the first seven weeks of their seasons without losing at home.

The basketball team must be the best believers in the above motto as the Saluki cagers lost seven of their first eight games on the road, but meanwhile were compiling a perfect 3-0 record at home, scoring easy wins over Missouri Mines, Northern Illinois and Illinois Wesleyan.

"It's just tough to win on the road," said Coach Lynn Holder. (Nationwide statistics support Holder's contention as almost all teams win far more games at home than on the road. In high school, the won-lost difference at home and away is not nearly so great, seeming to point to long college trips and lack of any support from the stands as possible major factors.)

Beginning February 6, Southern's basketball team will average a home game every four days, as the cagers play six home games in 24 days, plus three games away during that period.

SIU hopes to keep its home win streak going and even out a 4-8 record posted during the first half of the season. Forward Larry Whitlock, 6-5, Mount Vernon, who injured his knee in early January, hopes to return to the lineup the first of the month but was anticipating a tough time getting back his old position as replacement Tom McGreal, 6-6 freshman from Rantoul, scored 54 points—an average of 18 points per game—in his first three games as a regular.

Wrestling-Gymnastics

Southern's wrestling team got off to the best start of any of the winter sports, besting Great Lakes, Eastern Illinois and Illinois Normal in its first three meets.

Featuring a well-rounded squad,

Southern's wrestling team, headed by Coach Bob Franz, has several tough meets ahead, with the Wheaton tournament and dual meets with Indiana University and Northern Illinois, the league favorite.

The gymnastic team, which has most of its action in February, won a 10-team Indianapolis invitational meet in early December. Remaining home meets include Ball State, February 8, and the IAC championship meet, March 8. Four Big Ten teams, Illinois, Northwestern, Indiana and Wisconsin, are on the schedule.

The swimming team has lost only one meet, despite the loss of ten men—several of them top-notch swimmers—because of grades and injuries.

Sports Briefs

Having trouble telling twins apart? Don't worry. Even the twins do.

After a news picture was taken of SIU's gymnastic twins, Deon and Leon McClerren of Benton, the twins were asked to indicate which was which.

"That's me," said Deon, pointing to a figure on the right. "No," objected Leon, "that's me."

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A driving lesson by SIU junior-varsity coach, Gib Kurtz, East St. Louis, put him on crutches for a few days. At the time of his injury, Kurtz was demonstrating how to "drive" for the basket. He drove at full speed for the basket and at the last minute tried to fake forward Seymour Bryson, Quincy, who was guarding him. There were tangled feet and two figures on the floor, with Kurtz getting the worst end of the collision.

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West German All-Star Exhibition

Despite snow and ice, about 1,000 persons turned out to give an enthusiastic

response to the West German All-Star gymnastic exhibition at SIU January 21.

A 14-member troupe composed of both men and women (mostly in their twenties) gave various demonstrations on side and long horse, high bar, parallel bars and rings, in addition to performing German dances and exercises.

The West German team is making a tour of the United States, appearing in Chicago, St. Louis, Louisville, Cleveland and New York.

The appearance at Carbondale was sponsored by the SIU Athletic Department.

FEBRUARY ATHLETIC EVENTS ON SOUTHERN CAMPUS

Feb. 6 Basketball, Eastern Illinois, 8:15 P.M.

Feb. 7 Swimming, Loyola University, 4:00 P.M.

Feb. 8 Wrestling, Ritenour YMCA, 2:00 P.M.

Feb. 8 Gymnastics, Ball State, 7:30 P.M.

Feb. 14 Basketball, Illinois Normal, 8:15 P.M.

Feb. 15 Basketball, Western Illinois, 8:15 P.M.

Feb. 22 Wrestling, Great Lakes, 2 P.M.

Feb. 22 Basketball, Indiana State, 8:15 P.M.

Feb. 28 Basketball, Central Michigan, 8:15 P.M.

COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULED

An SIU coffee will be held Monday afternoon, February 24, from four to six at the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis. The coffee hour is being sponsored by Southern's Placement Service and Alumni Office and is being held in connection with the American Association of School Administrators' convention.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

A Southern Illinois industry needs a quality control technician with a major in mathematics. Salary, \$1.85 per hour.

A large high school in Cook County has openings next year in all fields. Starting salary, \$4445.

A representative from Racine, Wis., will be on campus February 21 to interview elementary and high school teachers.

Honolulu, T.H., lists teaching positions open on the elementary, junior high and senior high levels. These positions are for the 1958-59 school year. Salary \$3120 up.

A hospital in a Coles County city needs medical technologists.

In the fall of 1958 a well-known university in New Jersey will have a number of faculty positions open in its School of Education. Salary, \$5700 up.

Opportunities are available for persons interested in YWCA work in the state of New York. Positions open are for executive director, director of health and physical education and program director.

The personnel director for the Carlsbad, N.M., public schools will be on campus February 12 to talk with anyone interested in teaching in that area. Positions are open on all levels.

Professional workers are needed by the Girl Scouts of America. A personnel adviser from the national field staff will be on campus April 8 for interviews with anyone interested in this profession.

A radio station in a city in Kentucky has listed an opening for an announcer or newscaster and writer. Salary approximately \$65.00 per week.

An Illinois agency for the Aid of Retarded Children will have an opening for a director of workshop activity. The candidate should be a man with industrial arts training. Master's or Ph.D. degree preferred. Salary, \$5000 up.

An industry in Fort Wayne, Ind., has listed a vacancy for personnel director and a vacancy for an advertising department assistant.

For further information, write Placement Service at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

SOUTHERN SKETCHES



Dr. Lindegren

Dr. Carl C. Lindegren, professor of microbiology and in charge of the biological research laboratory at Southern, will receive the Pasteur Award February 28 at a dinner in Chicago. The award, top midwestern honor open to bacteriologists, will be presented by the Society of Illinois Bacteriologists. Lindegren, first winner from Southern Illinois since inauguration of the award in 1948, was selected for his outstanding work in bacteriology, mycology and genetics. Internationally known as an authority on yeasts and as a geneticist,

Dr. Lindegren is author of *The Yeast Cell: Its Genetics and Cytology*, an outstanding book in its field. He has presented his research findings to scientific societies both here and abroad. He was the first to discover that yeast cells have sex and can be cross-bred. It was Dr. Lindegren who was responsible for obtaining an Army reassignment for Pvt. Ernest Shult, a former SIU student and outstanding mathematician. Shult was transferred from clerical duties at Fort Lee, Va., to the Weapons Research Division of the Army Chemical Center . . .

Another SIU scientist, Dr. O. B. Young, has accepted the appointment as state Civil Defense radiological officer to assist in forming a statewide "Survival Plan" for defense against atomic or H-bomb attack. Filling the post on a half-time basis, he will be assisted, on a full-time basis, by James L. Harbison, '37. After graduation from SIU, where he majored in physics, Harbison went to the University of Illinois to earn his master's degree. He has been employed at Scott Air Force Base in electronics work. Headquarters for Young and Harbison will be at SIU. Dr. Young is professor of physics and director of atomic and capacitor research . . .

The U.S. Public Health Service has granted \$21,000 to Dr. I. L. Sheckmeister, associate professor of microbiology, to conduct a two-year investigation of what happens in the mouth and intestinal tract of animals exposed to radiation. Dr. Sheckmeister and others believe that normally harmless bacteria contribute to the death of irradiated animals. Sheckmeister joined the staff at SIU last fall after seven years with Washington University. For five years he worked under Atomic Energy Commission grants to determine why immunity of animals to certain disease-bearing germs and other microbes is impaired after exposure to radiation.

In the past five years, the size of Southern's staff payroll has become almost four times as large as it was in 1953 when the monthly payroll was around \$240,000. At that time there were 725 full-time and 600 part-time employees. Figures now show roughly \$800,000 paid to 1633 full-time staff members and \$96,000 to 1682 part-time employees . . .

Our University Press is one of 15 publishers with a winning entry in the 1957 Midwestern Books Competition held at the University of Kentucky Libraries in Lexington. SIU's winning entry was *Shakspeare's Love's Labor's Won* by T. W. Baldwin . . .

The newly created Township Government Problems Commission, a standing body established at the last General Assembly, has appointed Dr. Irving Howards as its secretary to help coordinate a full-scale study of township government in Illinois. Howards is assistant professor of government at SIU. He is also secretary-treasurer for the Illinois Civic Exchange, an organization of 43 state agencies devoted to a continuing "report to the people" on important state issues. A clearing house for public information on state and local legislation, the Exchange includes members of many social and political complexions. A staff member of the Illinois Institute for Government and Public Affairs before coming to Southern this year, Howards has served as the organization's secretary-treasurer for the past two years.