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Willis Swartz Dies; On Faculty 35 Years

Dean Willis G. Swartz, a member of the Southern Illinois University faculty for 35 years, died November 6 at his home. He was 63.

His death brought comments from many people, among them President Delyte W. Morris: "Hundreds of colleagues and thousands of students will continue to honor him for his mastery of the field of government, his keen wit, his high standards, and his broad understanding.

Dean Swartz came to the Carbondale campus in 1930 as chairman of the Department of Government. He served as chairman of the Graduate Council from 1943 to 1950 and was dean of the Graduate School from 1950 to 1963.

He directed the foreign student program from its beginning in 1947 and was foreign student adviser. From 1963 to 1964 he was dean of International Students.

A native of Burlington, Iowa, Dean Swartz was granted a leave in 1964 to study accreditation of teachers colleges in Washington, D.C. He is co-author with John R. Mayor of the book Accreditation in Teacher Education, published this year. He also published many articles in educational journals and was author of the book American Governmental Problems.

Dean Swartz received his bachelor’s, master’s, and doctor’s degrees from the University of Iowa. He taught at Sterling College in Kansas, at Oregon State College, and was a visiting professor at the University of Illinois.

Active in Rotary International work, he served as district governor in 1957 and 1958.

He leaves his wife, Helen; daughters, Mrs. Charles E. Dicerman (Barbara Swartz, ex ’57), Downers Grove, and Cynthia Swartz ’55, M.S. ’58, Chicago; a brother, Glenn Swartz, Iowa City, Iowa; and four grandchildren.

The Willis G. Swartz College Scholarship Fund has been established in his memory and is being administered by Mrs. Swartz and the First Presbyterian Church of Carbondale, of which he was a member. Contributions may be mailed to the church.

Vacation College Program Planned

Would you like to go back to college for a week and enjoy a vacation along with it?

A vacation college program, which would be held during one week of the Alumni Family Vacation Camp next summer, is being considered by two committees of the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

The Continuing Education Committee and the Camping Committee are attempting to determine the degree of interest among alumni in such a program.

Everett E. Miller ’39, chairman of the committee on continuing education, and Mrs. Harold Dycus (Jane Curry ’57, M.A. ’58), chairman of the committee on camping, said preliminary plans are for the college program to take place either the second or third week of camp and to include classes half of each day. Regular camping activities would be included during the rest of each day.

The curriculum, they said, could be determined by campers and might be in one subject area or include a variety of subjects such as great books, art, semantics, philosophy, international relations, or perhaps a combination of courses in family affairs—income tax, insurance, investments, budgets, etc.

Of course, the children would be supervised during the day by qualified counselors, which would give parents the opportunity to concentrate on the college program.

The ninth annual Family Vacation Camp will be held for four weeks, August 7 through September 3, at Little Grassy Facilities near Carbondale. Prices are expected to be the same as last year. For the vacation college week, a modest additional charge would be required as a tuition fee.

The Alumni Office will send a camping brochure to all alumni early in the spring. Mr. Miller and Mrs. Dycus have asked alumni who would be interested in attending a vacation college and who have ideas about a curriculum to write to the Alumni Office, Carbondale.

We need to know what interest there might be in the vacation college by January 15 so it could be included in our planning.
Awards Nominations Due February 15

Alumni Achievement Awards, presented annually to outstanding SIU alumni and former students, will be given this year on June 11, Alumni Day and the 70th anniversary of the founding of the Alumni Association.

Each year the Alumni Association honors alumni who have been recognized for accomplishments in the business and professional fields or for service to the University, the Alumni Association, or both.

Those persons eligible for awards are graduates or former students, with the exception of the present faculty, members of the Board of Trustees, and the current Alumni Association president.

Members of the Alumni Association, University academic deans, and department chairmen are eligible to make nominations.

The deadline for nominations is February 15. Nominations should be sent to Robert Odaniell, SIU Alumni Office, Carbondale.

Members should nominate candidates by sending in as complete a biographical sketch of them as possible, including specific details as to the reason for nomination.

From the names submitted for the awards, a committee of five persons, appointed by the University and Alumni Association presidents and the Association executive director, will make the final selection.

Since the Achievement Awards program started, 37 alumni have been honored.

Evansville Basketball Trip January 19

The Jackson County SIU Alumni Club will sponsor chartered buses for a trip to Evansville, Ind., January 19 for the basketball game between the Salukis and the Aces.

Fare will be $6.50 per person and will include transportation, the game ticket, and a box supper.

The buses will leave from the Carbondale Elks Club at 5:00 P.M.

David Kenney '47, M.S. '48, president of the Jackson County Alumni Club, said 90 seats will be available and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Tickets are being sold through the Alumni Office, Carbondale. Orders should be directed to Jay King '51, field representative.

Speaker for June Commencement Dies

Carter Davidson, commencement speaker on the Carbondale campus in June, died October 20 in Washington, D.C., at the age of 60.

He was president of the Association of American Colleges and was co-author of a number of books.

During the commencement program, Dr. Davidson was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. He also received an honorary life membership in the SIU Alumni Association.
WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULE

BASKETBALL

December 2  Northeast Missouri State
4 At State College of Iowa
6 At University of Iowa
10 University of Chattanooga
17 University of Nevada
18 San Diego State College
20 Wichita State University
January 8 At Washington University
10 Kentucky Wesleyan College
14 At Arizona State University
15 At University of Arizona
19 At Evansville College
22 Tennessee State University
27 University of Richmond
29 At Ball State Teachers College
31 Central Missouri State
February 2  Southwest Missouri State
3 Oglesby University
7 At Tennessee State University
10 Puerta Rico Olympians
15 At Kentucky Wesleyan College
19 At Indiana State College
22 At Oklahoma State University
26 Evansville College
March 1 At Wichita State University

GYMNASTICS

December 3-4 Midwest Open at Chicago
11 Iowa USGF Invitational at Iowa City
26-30 USGF Eastern Clinic at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
January 15 At Iowa State
22 At Memphis State
28 Mankato State
February 5 Arizona and University of Illinois at Circle Branch in Chicago
11 At Indiana State
18 At University of Colorado
19 At Air Force Academy
25 At Northeast Louisiana State
26 At Louisiana State University
28 At Wichita State University

WRESTLING

December 4 Illinois Invitational at Champaign
11 Quadrangular meet at Bloomsburg, Pa.
27-28 Midland Open at LaGrange, Ill.
January 8 Miami of Ohio
14-15 Oklahoma State Invitational at Stillwater, Okla.
27 Central Missouri State
February 1 Oklahoma State
5 Hazel Park Invitational at Detroit, Mich.
11-12 Arizona State Invitational at Phoenix, Ariz.
18 At Iowa State
26 At Moorehead State
March 3 At Indiana State
19 Quadrangular meet at State College of Iowa

SWIMMING

December 10 At Evansville
18-Jan. 3 Collegiate Clinic at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
January 8 Oklahoma
15 At Nebraska
22 Cincinnati
29 At North Central College
February 12 At Iowa State
18 Indiana
25-26 Southern Collegiates at Athens, Ga.

Sports at Southern

By Fred Huff

Needing only fractional improvement over a year ago in order to wind up as national college-division champion, Southern's basketball team is set for a long campaign highlighted by games with defending titlist Evansville, Iowa of the Big Ten, Big Eight Conference champion Oklahoma State, the Missouri Valley's reigning king, Wichita State, and western powers Arizona and Arizona State.

Coach Jack Hartman's veteran-dominated squad, which flashed mid-season form in an early 72-50 win over the finest freshman group ever assembled here, will have every opportunity in the first month of the 1965-66 season to gain national recognition.

After opening against Northeast Missouri State, the Salukis invade Iowa for a pair of games, including a December 6 engagement with the Hawkeyes who are considered top contenders for a conference crown this season. Games with Chattanooga, Nevada, San Diego State, and Wichita State complete SIU's December schedule.

Although "not completely satisfied" with their early performance, Hartman admitted he was pleased with progress shown in the first six weeks of training.

"We figure to be a shade weaker ofensively," Hartman said, "but we're hoping to have equally as fine defensive play as a year ago and perhaps improved rebounding will compensate for the loss of Joe Ramsey and Walt Frazier."

Ramsey, the club's number three scorer last season with 406 points, graduated while Frazier, a sophomore who ran into scholastic problems, was second in scoring with 410 behind George McNeil's 447 total.

McNeil will no doubt receive much of the opposition's attention this season which means his running mate, David Lee, will have to carry more of the offensive load as will centers Boyd O'Neal and Lloyd Stovall and forwards Ralph Johnson, Randy Goin, and Clarence Smith.

Tickets for home basketball games may be ordered from Mrs. Neoma Kinney at the SIU Ticket Office. Chair seats and padded bleachers are $2. All others are $1.50. Checks should accompany orders.

Detroit Alumni Elect Officers

Larry De Jarnett '62, M.S. '63, is the president of the Detroit SIU Alumni Club.

Other officers are Bob Vokac, ex '61, vice president; Robin Moore '64, secretary; Jim Oliver '49, treasurer; and Bob Chandler '52, M.S. '53, Ron Hay '63, and Bruce McClung '64, members of the board of directors.

The Detroit Club is the most recently organized of the SIU Alumni Clubs.
SOUTHERN SKETCHES

Instilled with the “Spirit of Christmas,” SIU students established Campaign SOC to raise $5,000 to send Christmas gifts to U.S. Servicemen in Viet Nam. Originating with Thompson Point residents, the drive spread rapidly across the campus and throughout the area. A talent show and a basketball game were among the enterprises which helped the students make Christmas a little happier for many men.

SIU has received gifts as well as sent them. A collection of 67 maps of the Mississippi River area dating from the 16th through the 19th Centuries were presented to Morris Library by Philip D. Sang of Chicago. Mrs. Otto Kerner, Illinois First Lady, donated her inaugural gown to the historic costumes collection of the School of Home Economics.

John Anderson on Council

John Anderson, executive director of the Communications Media Services Division at SIU, has been named to the Educational Council of 100, Inc. The 31-county organization is composed of educators and laymen who work for improved educational facilities and methods in Southern Illinois. A dual role greeted K. A. Brunner when he recently joined the faculty of SIU College of Education. He assists junior college districts, smoothing the way for their graduates to enroll for additional education, and works with a program preparing administrators and teachers for junior college posts. Dr. Brunner, who came to SIU from Washington, D.C., is the author of a 134-page special report on junior colleges made for the Missouri Commission on Higher Education.

1965 Directory Published

The SIU Small Business Institute’s 1965 Directory of Southern Illinois Manufacturers has been published and a limited number of copies are available at $4.00 each. Marriage Counseling: New Dimensions in the Art of Helping People is a 192-page book written by Donald L. Taylor of the SIU Social Sciences Division. The book, recently released, deals with cultural and social dimensions and offers practical direction to counselors in all fields. The Governor Henry Horner Memorial Center, the new Jewish Students Association center, opened in November at 803 South Washington St. It will be used for religious and social events.

Technology Moves Soon

With an engineering enrollment triple that predicted for 1965, the School of Technology will soon move into its new building complex. Julian H. Lauchner, technology dean, said part of the multi-structure complex will be occupied in a matter of weeks. There are 600 engineering students enrolled and Dr. Lauchner said he won’t be surprised if there are 3,000 in 1970. A 1961 study predicted an engineering enrollment of 200 this year and 500 in 1970.

Fall quarter enrollment at SIU brought about the return to classroom teaching of two top administrators. Helping to ease the instructional load are Charles D. Tenney, vice president for planning and review, and John S. Rendleman, vice president for business affairs. Despite their already hectic administrative schedules, Dr. Tenney teaches a freshman English class which meets at night, and Dr. Rendleman teaches a junior level course in Illinois government.