

# Park Tracks

By ROLLAN MELTON

—Though I disagree with what you say, I would defend to the death, your right to say it.

—Voltaire

## Gentlemen of the Jury:

It should be the duty of every person interested in the controversy here at the university to make queries and arrive at his verdict on the situation. He should not shout, but ought to find out. If these interested persons will talk to faculty members, as was suggested by our administrative head three weeks ago, they may be in a position to arrive at their own conclusions.

During interviews the past week with scores of students, faculty, and downtown peoples these questions came up. A few were answered. Some may never be answered.

Can students be told that a vital question, "academic freedom," is none of their business? Can a student or a faculty member work effectively if he is afraid? Is it possible for experienced educators to suggest group faculty study of certain problems, only to be told that "to pool ignorance is to get nothing but ignorance"?

Do qualified instructors have cause to wonder when the tenure and pay increases they were entitled to on the basis of department consideration, fail to materialize? Is it a healthy academic atmosphere when faculty colleagues who have worked together side by side for years now no longer speak to one another?

From the information obtained from these queries, which were suggested by the administrative head, the following principle is found to be the essence of the whole Stout-Richardson controversy:

The primary issue at the upcoming hearing (May 25, a Monday, 10 a.m. in the education auditorium) will not be to determine the moral and professional standing of the defendant, nor whether he has been insubordinate, or whether he is guilty of subversive action. Rather, it will be to learn if he, as a citizen, can exercise the right of free expression as other Americans do.

The author of this column has been commended by various persons for the essay of last issue concerning the Stout-Richardson thing. And too, he has been roundly criticized and branded as a radical, an agitator, and as "one meddling in affairs which are none of his concern."

The author welcomes these comments and interprets them as evidence that so long as people can still offer such criticism, can still voice their opinions on vital matters, can still defend without suppression the ideas they believe in, they are exercising the very rights which have caused one among us to be threatened with dismissal.

It has been argued by Stout supporters—and they have every right to argue, for the Constitution guarantees it—that the trouble at the university can be compared to dissension within a company, or coach-player trouble on an athletic team, or a riff between an employer and a lumberjack in a logging camp.

But, is it possible to make a valid comparison of the situation with anything other than a similar situation at another university?

The following are the authoritative views of a nationally known educator, Dr Monroe E. Deutsch, taken from his "Let There Be Light On Academic Freedom." Dr Deutsch was a commencement speaker at this university in 1951:

"Professors are not employees of the university, but members of it. The right attitude of service in the manifold demands of the university cannot be obtained or expected from men uncertain of their tenure; neither can freedom of thought, research, or expression, especially in subjects traversed by the daily thought of the community . . . If the teacher is hampered, whose idea does he teach? Those of the regents? Of the president? Or of the legislature? But science does not follow the election returns. Within the range of the teacher's special equipment and knowledge, not as oracle at large nor as bearing an arbitrary license but in the name of his science he must be free to teach. Otherwise the university is an imitation and a sham.

"It is not as a professor he speaks or should speak, but merely as an American keenly interested in the well-being of his nation. Provided he is honest on this point, the professor should be as free as any other citizen to speak his views. And, like other citizens, he will find his protection against those who wish to silence him in that powerful document—The Constitution of the United States.

"This greatest of human achievements (a university) will weaken and perish if it is deprived of freedom. The air of freedom must blow; without it the university cannot exist. An alma mater bound and fettered could never be a nourishing mother. And there is no nobler cause than to stand in her defense."

Professors on the campus of Illinois, California, and Stanford, recognizing the danger of limiting academic freedom, have rallied to give the defendant moral support. But a newspaper editor has said that this situation should not be the concern of the faculty of these other universities. Yet, if someone were to tell this newspaperman what he could or could not print, every journalist who is worthy of the title, would rally to support him and freedom of the press.

Freedom of the press and freedom of speech boil down to the same thing . . . They are separated only by a semicolon.

If Dr Frank Richardson is guilty, then his sin has been allegiance to academic freedom. And without that freedom, how can educators seek out the truth and pass it on to each succeeding generation?

## Educator, author will speak to faculty, history students

Dr Werner Richter, distinguished educator and scholar, will speak to faculty members and history students at two lectures May 12.

Dr Richter, a native of Germany, became an American citizen during the second world war and then returned to his homeland to become the rector of the University of Bonn in 1951.

### Meeting

He plans to speak to the faculty on higher education in Germany. This meeting will be at 4 p.m. in Mackay science hall. History classes will gather to hear him that morning.

### Lectured

Dr Richter's tour of western universities is being sponsored by the University of Oregon. He previously lectured at the universities of Oxford, Cambridge and Edinburgh at the request of the British government.

Fleeing from the Nazis, he toured

the United States, lecturing at California, Wisconsin and Yale.

He was educated in theology, philosophy and literature at the universities of Berlin, Marberg and Basle. The 64-year-old doctor holds five honorary degrees from German universities.

The internationally known educator is the author of Re-educating Germany and Goethe and the State.

## Chuck holes filled in UN parking lot

Miss Mildred Swift of the home economics department made a few pungent remarks to Carl Horn recently after soaking her foot in a chuck hole full of water in the faculty parking lot next to the journalism building. So this week Carl Horn, superintendent of buildings and grounds, had a truckload of gravel spread over the parking lot.

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## Seniors gussy up in finery for ball

In best bib and tucker the seniors, juniors, guests and their dates will dance and celebrate next Friday at the annual senior ball. For the first time in three years the fete will be held at the Riverside hotel's Redwood room. The Mapes hotel formerly was the location for the ball.

There is no charge for the dance, contrary to the usual Nevada dance tradition. Ed Gomes' six-piece band will play for the dancers. A soft-drink bar will provide thirst-quenching drinks.

### Hours

Senior women will have senior hours, and junior women will receive the privilege of 2 o'clock, as authorized by the dean of women's office.

Invitations have been sent to President and Mrs Minard W. Stout, Dean and Mrs William D. Carlson and Dean Elaine Mobley.

The incoming senior class manager, George Schindler, has been sent an invitation to be a special guest. Present senior class manager is Elwin Pulsipher who next week will announce details about the senior picnic, breakfast and banquet.

## Whiskers finished with flying razors

By WILLIAM EATON

With the completion of beard check last Friday, the bushy boys were off and running for brush and blade. Most of the sufferers had eliminated the hairy camouflage in time for the Saturday night dance and even the proudest cave men yielded to the urge to shine by Monday morning.

SAE house copped honors for the best percentage of men with beards and first place for the fullest beard went to Leonard Harrison. Jim Costa owned the blackest foliage, Reg DePaoli the reddest and Silvo Santana, brave soul, had the best-trimmed. Dean Carlson gave special awards to the Byington twins for the best pair of beards and to Proc Hug for the best try. Proc got a trophy and a box of mascara.

Now that the itchy business is over, some nifty two-tone effects are left in the wake of the razors. The upper half of the face, in several cases, bears a healthy tan while the lower half appears at last in the sunlight with a color like the inside of yesterday's breakfast biscuits.

The skin that once lurked beneath layers of hair, is soft enough to warrant a full-page cosmetic spread in the Ladies Home Journal, but the return to the razor routine will have it hardened to the durability of a blow-out patch in short order. It means getting up earlier in the morning to plow under the newly liberated stubble, but it is certain to be a welcome relief.

## Tour of Bee planned by journalism srs

A day in Sacramento is being planned by the journalism department for senior journalism students. On May 14, they will tour the famed Sacramento Bee newspaper plant and possibly the Sutter Fort museum and the Crocker museum.

Professor A. L. Higginbotham and Keiste Janulis will drive, and, time permitting, the students will see the press in action at the Nevada legislature.

The 16 students will include some juniors, those from the news editing class and the law of the press class, plus a few others.

## Queen will make awards to best of 100 entries in Aggie horse show

The seventh annual Aggie horse show will get underway tomorrow afternoon at the Reno rodeo grounds. Sponsored by the Aggie club, the two-day event has a program which includes approximately one hundred entries in 23 classes.

Five university coeds will compete for the title of queen of the Aggie show during tomorrow's events. The university misses, Margery Andrews, Rita La Voy, Alice Melendy, Marlena Neddenriep and Rosie Strohovitz, will be judged on their horsemanship performance.

Announcement of the 1953 Aggie horse show queen will be made at Sunday's show. Presentation of the trophies and ribbons will be made by the queen and her attendants.

### Stake race

Bill Cockrell, chairman for the show, announced the girls' stake race as one of the feature events of the show. Both college and high school girls will compete in the race. Another attraction will be the Churchill Junior Riders from Fallon.

The schedule of classes entered in the show are halter classes for Arabian, palomino and quarter horses; fine harness and gaited classes; cutting and stock horse classes and

junior and senior trail horse classes.

Dick Reid, last year's chairman for the Aggie show, will be one of the announcers for tomorrow's show.

### MARTHA FEE

Martha Fee will replace Alice Melendy as the Gamma Phi candidate for Aggie queen. Martha is a freshman from California.

Alice was unable to compete in the contest due to a bad leg.



Five campus fillies running for queen of the Aggie horse show this weekend. Left to right: Rosie Strachowitz, Rita LaVoy, Alice Melendy, Marjorie Andrews and Marlena Neddenriep.

## Big Bonanza sums up 3 days' fun for racers, singers, dancers, drillers

From the crowning of Bev Myles as Big Bonanza queen at last Thursday's assembly to the services held last Sunday before the Mackay statue, Big Bonanza was a big success. Benefactor's day saw an obstacle race starting at Manzanita with teams from each fraternity participating. Theta Chi was victorious.

At the luncheon, John C. Kinnear pulled the surprise of the weekend with his donation on behalf of Kenecott Copper company of \$30,000 to the Mackay school of mines. Guests at the luncheon were entertained by song teams from the various fraternities and sororities. Tri-Delt was awarded the cup for the best sorority song team and SAE for the best fraternity team.

### Bond

Following the luncheon, entertainment was furnished by the university band which played numerous selections on the lawn in front of Lincoln hall. The engineering contest began shortly after the concert. Civil engineers, Bob Stimel, Bud Longfield and Ken Austin won the surveying contest. The electrical engineers won the slide rule. Civil engineer Jack Crowl won the drilling and riveting, and Dave

Storm of the Mackay school of mines won the mucking.

All college Exhibit day featured exhibits by various departments on campus. The journalism department captured the prize for the best display. An hour's break in the exhibiting allowed spectators a chance to attend the Bonanza bar-b-cue behind the temporaries near the tennis courts.

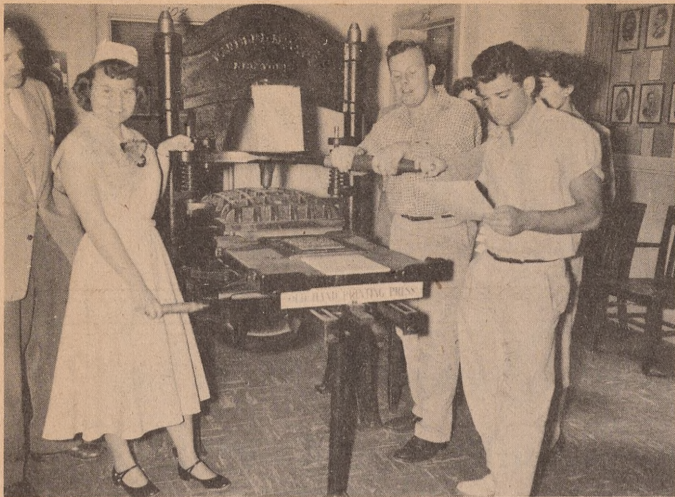
### Dance

Climaxing the social aspects of the weekend, the Bonanza dance held in the Fable room of the Mapes hotel. Featuring western costumes, the dance lasted from nine to twelve. During the evening, prizes were awarded for the best beards, and outstanding song teams.

Sunday featured benediction services in front of John Mackay's statue, with Dr Effie Mona Mack as guest speaker. Dr Mack spoke on the history of John Mackay.

### CAMERA

Anyone who lost a camera at the Big Bonanza luncheon please contact Carl Horn in Morrill hall. He picked it up there Friday afternoon.



Winning arts and science exhibit during Big Bonanza was the journalism department's presentation. Gathered around the old printing press are Romaie Roth, Rollan Melton and Dave Traitel.

## Journalism winner of exhibit prize

The journalism department, chemistry department and the Mackay school of mines were the winners in annual all-college exhibits last Saturday.

The journalism display which was first in the social science division consisted of a teletype in operation, an antique press, the Neil Van Sooy journalism library, a movie concerning the start of freedom of the press in the United States, a demonstration of using the printing press by students, some of the best United Press news pictures of the year and proposed blue print and artist sketch of the new ASUN building.

The natural science division was won by the chemistry department. It had a display of titanium and

other special exhibits.

A trip through a mine was portrayed in the Mackay school of mines exhibit which won the engineering division. The door was built into a mine portal. Inside the visitors went into the fire-assay lab, flotation mill, and the geology and metalurgy labs. At each exhibit there was a student who explained the displays.

All the departments in the four colleges had exhibits. Chairmen of the exhibits were Dave Towner and Bev Myles.

Joseph Abbott, sportsman, raconteur, world-traveler and outstanding jerk, can be viewed on campus at any time.

## Campus cutter gay with new mower

By LARRY TANNER

The only man at the university who gets paid to cut campus is happy now. Louis C. Rood, campus grass cutter, has a new lawn mower.

Purchased a few weeks ago, the new orange mower is a big improvement over the old one used on the upper campus. I had a terrible time with the old one, Louie said recently. Just last year it broke down and had to be overhauled.

Louis Rood, one of the six or seven Louies on the janitorial staff, is a short, tanned man with bright eyes and a soft voice. He has been seen mowing the campus lawn five days a week for the past two years. He moved here from New York with his wife in 1951 for his health and has made this his permanent home.

Lipstick, clothes hangers, bottle caps and rocks are a few of the objects picked up in a day's work by Mr. Rood. I don't mind the bot-

tle caps so much, he said, but the bottle openers sure foul up the mower. Louie says that he can just about tell where every party on the campus grounds has been held by the evidences that show up in his mower.

The new mower, along with the old mower which will be used as a spare, is kept in a small garage in back of the agriculture building. Here is where Louie's day ends when he puts his mower away, lights his pipe, and stretches his tired back.

The work is really nice here, Louie said, smiling. Everybody is nice to you and the whole place is peaceful. Yes, he continued, after working here three years I guess I know every bump and dip on the campus.

## Many social mixers flood spring season

It is social time with the sororities and fraternities around campus now.

The Sigma Nus entertained the Pi Phis Wednesday night at their house and the ATOs did likewise for the Tri-Delts.

The Tri-Delts will also have a baseball social with the Theta Chis Saturday morning at 10:30.

The Lambda Chis have planned a social with a haunted house theme for the Pi Phis next Wednesday. They also have the same planned for Artemisia hall in the near future.

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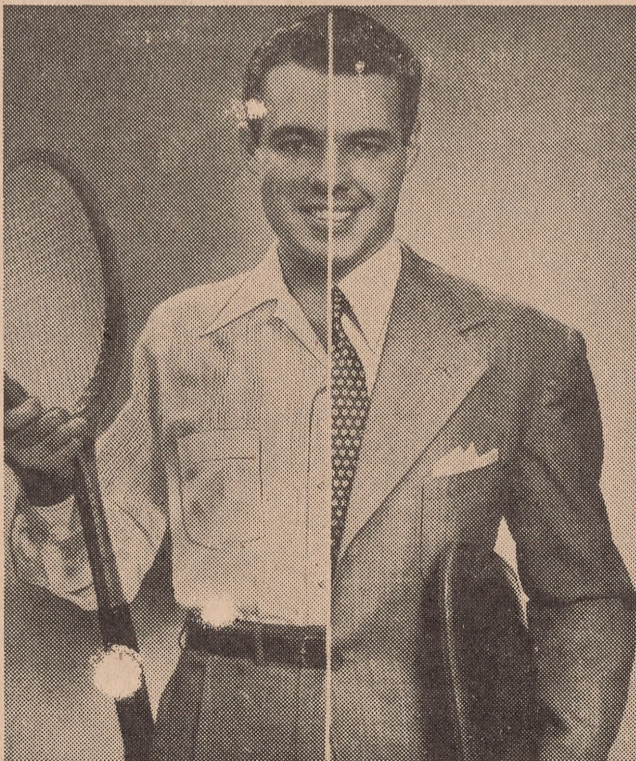
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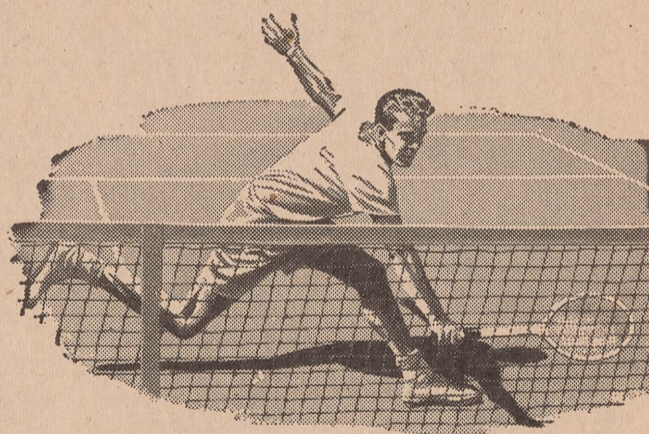
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Broadway has nothing on us dept: Starting with the melodrama, The People's Lawyer, the Big Bonanza got off to a whooping fine start. Most significant was the fact that the audience had as much fun as the actors themselves. From the rolling coke bottles, cracking of the potato chip bags, whistles, boos and hisses of the audience to the comments, etc., of Don Thompson and his orchestra, everyone had a good time. The melodrama, olios, and can-can girls were well received and from all comments—let's have a repeat performance next year.

Shades of Big Bonanza dept: In spite of everything, the campus stayed fairly sober this year. The Sundowners, however, in true style, did themselves proud and even managed to have several members end up in the local jug. But then, that's to be expected. Funniest character on campus Friday was Jeff Lobaugh complete with serape in case the night winds were particularly fierce and he had to sleep in the park.

More about the Big Bonanza dept: What happened to the Sundowners' auxiliary tryouts this time? Also, who swiped the SAE's trophy for having the most beards?

Congratulations to Bev Myles who reigned over the weekend. Of course, it can be told now that the Gamma Phis had an omen that she would win. Those gals made the crown and even tried it on Bev's head before the crowning.

Hearts and flowers dept: Two presidents became Mr and Mrs this past weekend. They are Ruth Moore, Tri-Delt and AWS pres and Jim Eliades, Lambda Chi and last year's ASUN prexy. Engaged is Jackie Frazee, KAT, and Nick Lusch, Sigma Nu. Also engaged are Delores Wadsworth and Pete Horlacher of BYU. Pinned over the weekend were Gene Garriott of the Theta Chi clan and Vanna Grant, Theta and now a student at San

Jose state. Ruth Gaiser, Pi Phi, and Herb Holman, SAE, also joined pinning ranks as did Joan Blake, Gamma Phi, and Gil Anderson, also an SAE. Which brings to my mind that the Gamma Phis have three Joans pinned to SAEs. Well, Well, Well.

Social agenda dept: This Saturday the Lambda Chis are holding a dinner dance at Lawton's. The Artemisia association is having a formal dance at the same place Friday and on like night the Pi Phis are holding a dinner dance at the Circle R.B. Get our your glad rags, doll, we're going to have a ball.

YWCA is holding a We missed the boat—Y? rally in the Y room Wednesday. The time is noon and everyone is invited.

Turn around, men, it's great to

see you back dept: Returned to home ground after six weeks on the ranges of Nevada teaching agriculture are Dick Reid, Jim Hettinger, Ken Yenter, Squeak Pulsipher, and Glenn Hardy. All the boys except Squeak and Glenn were back on campus in time for part of the past weekend celebration.

That's 30 for now. I'll see you this weekend at the Aggie horse show Saturday and Sunday. It should be great.

**TOUR COMSTOCK**

Starting the afternoon with a tour through the historic, once fabulously wealthy Old Comstock mine, the members of the Future Teachers of America group gathered for an outing.

They traveled down Geiger grade to hold their first picnic at that scenic spot last Thursday.

**Artemisia hall holds first spring dance**

Starting the series of spring formal, Artemisia hall will hold theirs tonight at Lawton's. The dance, which will be held from 9 until 12 p.m. will feature music by Nickalico's band.

Guests will be Mrs Belle Drew, Mrs James Naismith, Dean Elaine Mobley, Dr and Mrs E. R. Larson and Dr and Mrs. Lon McGirk.


Mystery of the week: Who cut Sue Sutton's hair?

**Ag students wind up tour of high school teaching**

Five agriculture majors have returned from a six-week teaching program in four rural high schools throughout the state.

The vocational agriculture courses were taught by the students after they completed six weeks of concentrated courses at the university.

The student agriculture teachers included: Jim Hettinger, Fernley; Elwin Pulsipher, Bunkerville; Glen Hardy, Bunkerville; Dick Reid, Fallon; and Ken Yenter, Yerington.



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## A BAD NAME

If the dispute between President Stout and the five professors, and Richardson particularly, has done nothing else, it has caused an undue amount of bad publicity for the University of Nevada.

Attornies, writs, charges published in the state's newspapers, faculty dissension and dissatisfaction certainly are not indicative of a well-run, coordinated university. Nor is a situation where the head of the university is battling his own educators over who is going to be the administrative head, who is going to determine standards of entrance requirements and who is going to set academic standards suggestive of an institution devoted, first and foremost, to the business of giving a good many students an education.

Both time and energy, as well as a good name, are being thrown away, irregardless of the Nevada taxpayer. We, the taxpayers, are not paying a president and professors to quibble among themselves. We are paying them to administer an institution capable of giving a sound education to Nevada's students.

Furthermore, this unfavorable attention given the university certainly is not going to attract professors of any caliber in the future.

Besides deterring good teachers from the institution, this public quarrel will turn away prospective students, who will naturally attend a university of good national standing.

Until the university can sensibly, soundly and quietly settle its own quarrels, it cannot expect either respect or admiration.

RC

## Letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

Recently there appeared in Life magazine an encouraging article on Hamilton college—encouraging in the sense that it gives evidence that at least one American institution is trying to remain true to the real aim of education: the proper development of the intellect.

This conception of education is, I believe, basic to the dispute between President Stout and certain of Nevada's professors. Dr Stout apparently represents that growing group of believers in the "utilitarian" aims of "education," while some of the faculty favor, in general, the ideas of Hamilton college. It is easy to see what will happen to the moral and intellectual bases upon which America was founded, if utilitarians is allowed to become the fundamental principle of our "universities."

A most important question in education today is: Are we to cultivate intelligence, or "know-how"—thinkers, or technicians? Shall schools enrich the mind, or the purse? Of course, we should keep in mind the necessary distinctions implied by the terms "technical school" and "institution of higher learning."

As for the maintenance of standards, democratic mediocrity has no rightful place in any university worthy of the name.

Sincerely,  
R. BEAMISH.

Dear Editor:

Do you know what a Mexican army is? It's all generals, no privates, no corporals . . . just generals.

And who's responsible? Obviously, no one. And that's exactly what is

wrong with Dr Frank Richardson. His criticism of the university, the president and his policies are perhaps not unwarranted. No man is perfect. But, irregardless of all other factors, Dr Stout is the president, he is responsible. For the sake of the unity of this university, he must be upheld in his decisions.

By the very fact that this institution hired him to handle its affairs and set its policies, it endorsed him, recognized his integrity, both moral and intellectual.

Dr Richardson's freedom of expression is not being taken from him. Neither is it being curbed. He has every right to speak, but no power to act administratively. That is reserved to the president and the board of regents.

In the academic field, Dr Richardson has the right and power to speak and act . . . for this field he knows. You say he is a valuable man. Yes, but he loses his value when he becomes so infused with a desire to rule, that he loses his sense of proportions.

Dr Richardson would do well to consider things objectively.

LEAH GREGORY

Dear Editor:

Now that the Big Bonanza weekend is over I want to express to the student body of the university my thanks for the cooperation and participation during the weekend. My reward and the reward of those who worked on the committee is the satisfaction of having done something for the University of Nevada, and the participation of the students proved to us that our work did accomplish something.

Once again I would like to express my personal thanks to all those who worked so hard to make the Big Bonanza a success. My

thanks go to all those who worked on exhibits, to the song teams, to Dean Mobley and Dean Carlson, to the staff at the president's office and to many others. Chiefly my thanks go to the hard-working people who formed the Big Bonanza committee.

It has been a privilege to serve the University of Nevada as Big Bonanza chairman, and I am sure that the rest of the committee feels as I do. It was well worth the time and effort.

Sincerely,

MILTON SHARP,  
Past chairman of Big Bonanza.

## Illinois petition condemns actions

At least 27 University of Illinois faculty members, by means of a petition circulated there, have joined the prof dismissal dispute. Illinois has 4,139 faculty members and an enrollment of 22,311.

Arthur E. Bestor jr, U of I history professor, last week came to the defense of Dr Frank Richardson, who is in trouble with the regents partly because he circulated reprints of an article by Bestor.

The principles of academic freedom are at stake, contends Bestor in a letter he mailed to Dr Richardson.

### Support

Believing that Richardson would receive wholehearted support from fellow teachers on other campuses, Bestor has circulated a petition upholding the Nevada professor's position. Previous protests against the proposed dismissal were lodged by faculty members at Cal and Stanford universities.

A dismissal hearing will be conducted by the regents in Dr Richardson's case May 25. He is the only one of the five professors, branded as troublemakers, recently, who has not been returned to good standing.

The article under fire, written by Bestor and circulated by Richardson, was critical of a trend toward elimination of so-called scholastic discipline subjects for public school curricula.

### Amazed

I never expected to see the day when, on this side of the Iron Curtain, a man who is devoting his life to teaching could be denied the right to express his views on educational policy, Bestor's letter stated.

The administration of this university has paid close attention to the discussions on educational policy in which members of the faculty have engaged, he continued. They have given every indication that they believe the debate to be a healthful thing, and there has never been the slightest hint of intervention looking towards limiting

## Block N awarded to 37 in 3 sports

Athletic awards for the season of 1953 for university students were one of the major discussion topics at the last meeting of the Block N society. The members approved of awards in skiing, boxing and basketball for the following students.

Skiing: William Bulkeley, John Cowley, Ronald Myers, Allan Ramsey and Don Thompson.

Boxing: Douglas Byington, John Cobb, William Griggs, Elwood Haggerty, Ed Hollingsworth, James Jeffers, Sam Macias, Tom Massey, Duane Moore and Dal Byington, mgr.

Basketball: Merton Baxter, William Cooper, Reggie DePaoli, Douglas Douglass, John Legarza, Roger Murdock, Ray Pastorino, Dave Storm, Dan Vidovich, Robert Wilcox and Bruce Fabbri, mgr.

Freshman basketball: Donald McGhie, Jake Longero, John Bigleari, Harry Summerfield, Roger Trunday, Gail Munk, Robert Jones, Ray Walker, Duane Kerns, John Jepson and Edward Pesout, mgr.

To receive an award, athletes are first recommended by the coach and the recommendations are approved by the head of the athletic department, the Block N society and the senate executive committee.

The Block N is an honorary or the freedom of discussion.

Stating that he had published articles of educational trends in several magazines including The Scientific Monthly, The American Scholar, and had read papers on the subject before learned societies, before county teachers' associations

We do not pretend to judge all the issues in the case but we believe that certain principles set forth publicly by President Stout in his case are utterly untenable, and we are convinced that should these principles be made the basis for dismissal of Prof Richardson, irreparable damage would be done to the standing of the University of Nevada.

Dr Stout was out of state and unavailable for comment on Professor Bestor's petition and letter.

and before state college associations, he contends no responsible person in the education world, despite their vigorous replies to my arguments, has ever suggested that I did not have the right to speak and publish my opinions.

### Petition

The U. of I. petition, addressed to the board of regents, states that . . . we are alarmed by the threat to academic freedom and tenure which appears to be involved in the efforts of President Stout to secure dismissal of Professor Richardson. . . . organization for athletes who have earned the Block N award and who are accepted by the members. The Block N handles, aside from passing on athletic awards, the concessions at all athletic contests and supervises the traditional painting of the N twice a year.

Sundowners are reputed to have been banned from their usual Bonanza day breakfast at the sororities because of the upstreprou actions of their chickens.

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**MARRIED**

Ruth Moore and Lt Jim Eliades, student body president '52, were married Sunday afternoon at the First Methodist church in Winnemucca.

Ruth will graduate this June with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism. She is affiliated with Tri-Delta sorority and served as president of the associated women students this year.

Lt Eliades, a member of Lambda Chi, received his commission in the army upon graduation from the university last spring. Lt Eliades majored in electrical engineering. He is now stationed in San Francisco.

**Lambda Chi dinner dance at Lawton's**

Lawton's will be the scene of the Lambda Chi dinner dance tomorrow night. The Lambda Chis, their dates and their guests, will have their choice of steak or chicken for dinner.

The dinner-dance will take place from 8 until 12 p.m., with music by Darrel Cannon and his combo.

Mr and Mrs William Van Tassel and Mr and Mrs James McNabny will be guests. John Bruce Harris is chairman of the affair.

**Irish tunes, romantic ballad medleys win song team contest for Tri-Delt, SAE**

With gay Irish tunes and a romantic medley of Day and Night ballads the Tri-Delts and SAEs took first place as the winning sorority and fraternity in the Big Bonanza song team contest at the luncheon last Friday.

The Tri-Delt colleens carried out their Irish theme with colorful Gaelic costumes. The seven songsters wore green chintz skirts, white aprons, white peasant blouses and black cummerbunds.

The team members were Jo Anne Foster, Virginia Coleman, Jennilee Gibson, Nancy West, Marcia Malcolm, Patty Jefferson and Mary Moore. Helen Orr was their pianist. Helen accepted the gold cup at the dance on behalf of the song team.

**Dashing playboys**

White dinner jackets and black tuxes set the seven-man SAE song team off as dashing playboys as they ran through their selection of day and night songs.


This is the fourth time in five years that the SAEs have taken first place among fraternity song teams. Don Thompson is the only member of this year's team that will not be back to sing again next year.

Don directed the song team and members included Buzz Etcheto, Jerry Kizzia, Bob Cooper, Ken Duck,

Joe Moose and Larry Bangert. Verlita Johnson was their pianist. Bob Cooper accepted the gold cup on behalf of the team at the dance Saturday night.

Mimi Smith, as a member of the Bonanza committee, handled the contest.




  
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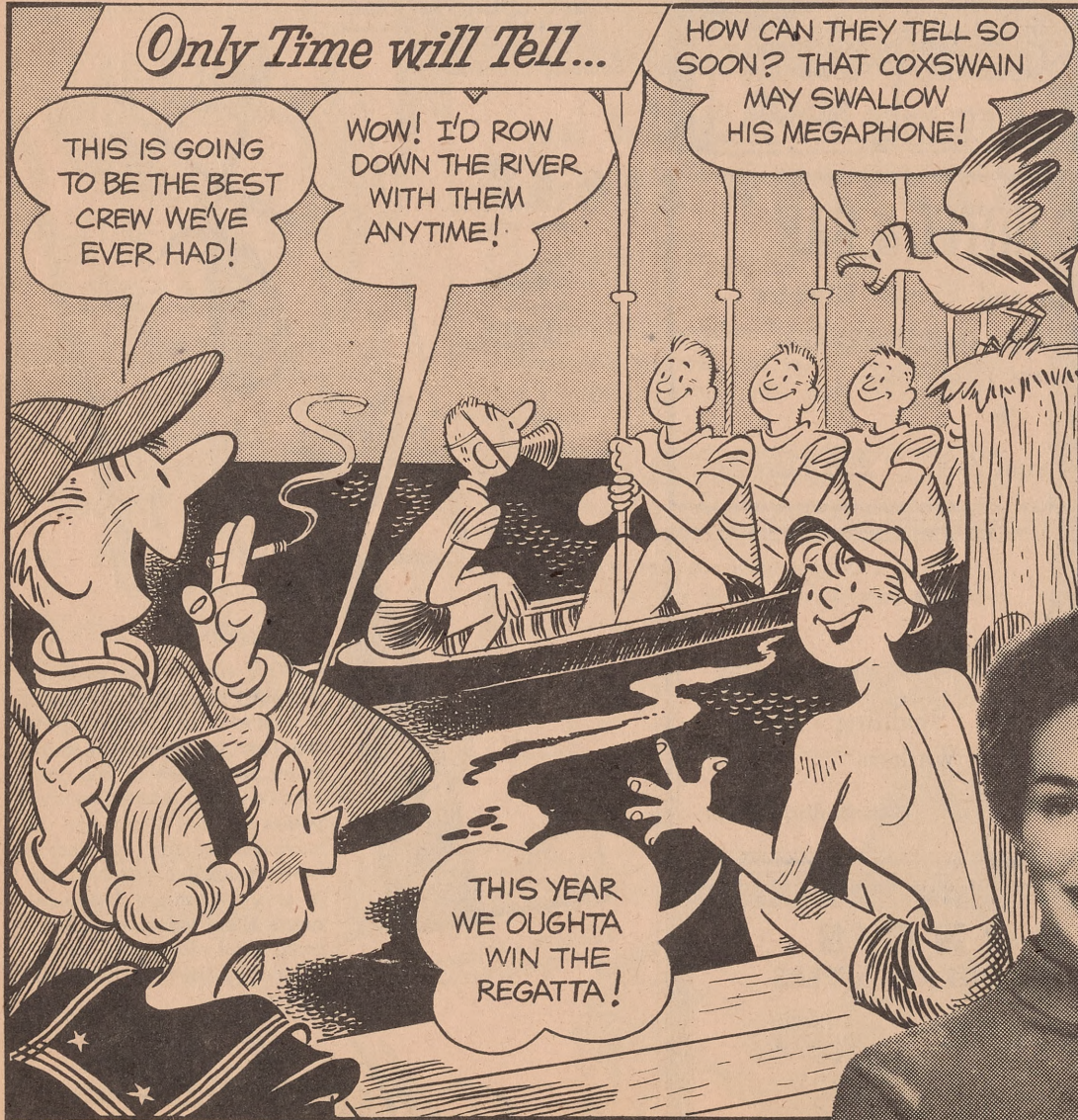
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### Initiation ceremonies, officer installation highlight next week's WRA activities

Highlighting the WRA activities this week, will be the installation of newly elected officers and the initiation of new members, at the new gym on Tuesday, May 12 at 4:30 p.m.

Officers to be installed are: Barbara Gregory, president; Eileen Yureta, vice president; Charlyne Olson, secretary; and Marge Titus, treasurer.

Girls who took part in any one of the following activities will be initiated into WRA: basketball, tumbling, social dance, orchestra, recreational sports and bowling. A supper will be held in honor of the new initiates at the fire place on the girls' athletic field.

#### New applicants

Any girls who are interested in being the manager of a WRA activity are urged to get their petitions from Barbara Gregory.

Nevada was represented at the extramural league meeting COP in Stockton, California, on May 2 by Miss Mary Rulifson and Leanne Norton. At the meeting it was decided that the individual sports day will be held at the UN on April 24, 1954. Nevada was also designated the secretary school for the ensuing year.

Softball and tennis head the list of WRA activities that are in full swing, under the direction of Charlyne Olson and Helen Meder, respectively. Tennis is held on Monday and Wednesdays at 3:30, and softball is held at 4:30 Tuesday and Thursday.

### Victory over SJC puts record at 5:2

With a 6-1 victory over the visiting Sacramento junior college and a 1:8 loss against Sacramento state college the Nevada tennis team fixed this season's record on 5:2. The matches took place on the Wingfield park courts last weekend.

The win of the Nevada net men was their fifth in seven matches this season. Victories were won over the Cal Aggies 7:2, Chico state, 7:2 in Chico and 5:4 in Reno, Sacramento junior college, 6:1 and 5:2. Both losses have been to Sacramento state college by scores of 3-6 in Sacramento and 1-8 in Reno.

The first match of this weekend against Sacramento state college went completely to the Hornets with exception of one single, won by Bill Barrett who defeated Laverne Wilton 6-1, 6-2. The Hornet team was strengthened by its top player, Paul Willey, who is fourth in the national Canadian tennis list and who will probably represent Canada in

### Golfers end season with 3-2-1 record

The university golf team was close to a revenge for an earlier defeat, but finally ended up with a 10½-10½ tie match against the visiting Sacramento state college Hornets at the Washoe county golf course last weekend. The first match in Sacramento in April was lost to the Hornets with the score of 8½-12½.

#### Win two

The Nevada golfers now have a season's record of two wins, three losses, and one tie. The only match left will take place next weekend in Reno with the California aggies.

Two of the individual games were won by the Nevada team, two were lost and one ended in a tie. In the best-ball play, the Wolf Pack ended with 1-1 even.

#### The final results were:

Individual play: Dick Morrill, Nev, Ken Fry, SSC, 0-3; John Jepson, Nev, Joe Fernandez, SSC, 1½-1½; Jim Patterson, Nev, Don Deskschoff, SSC, 2½-1½; Bill Cooper, Nev, Tom Sekul, SSC, ½-2½; Bill Pelter, Nev, John Bohl, SSC, 3-0.

Best ball: Morrill and Jepson, Nev, Fry and Fernandez, SSC, 2-1; Patterson and Cooper, Nev, Deskschoff and Kekul, SSC, 1-2.

### Initiation luncheon held for 17 Sagens

Seventeen university women will be initiated into Sagens, women's honorary organization, at a luncheon May 9 at the Riverside.

Elected were Delta Delta Delta Barbara Van Meter, Marie Neilson, JoAnn Menu, Nancy West, and Marvella Chandler; Kappa Alpha

Theta Rosemary Cochran and Evelyn Nelson; Pi Beta Phi Jeanne Bruentli, Beverly Morris and Jacklyn McGowan.

Gamma Phi Beta Joan Blake, Barbara Darrah, Joan Love, Alice Melendy, and Diane Kridler; independents Jeanne Paulson and Teresa Herrera.

Requisites to join include upper-class standing, three extra curricular activities, and a high grade average.

this year's Davis cup matches.

At the second match, on Saturday morning, the Wolf Pack whipped Sacramento junior college Panthers 6:1, winning all singles matches and the first double. The only loss was the second double.

Here are the results in the match against Sacramento state college: Singles, Paul Willey, SSC, Bill Van Wagoner, N, 6-0, 6-2; Eldon Rowe, SSC, Jack Mackay, N, 8-6, 6-2; Leighton Case, SSC, Perry Loudon 6-2, 4-6, 6-3; Laverne Walton, SSC, Bill Barrett, N, 1-6, 2-6; Garland Shinn, SSC, Jim Anderson, N, 6-3, 6-4; Eugene Aguilar, SSC, Bob Lindsay, N, 13-11, 7-9, 6-4.

Doubles: Willey and Walton, SSC, Loudon and Mackey, N, 6-4, 9-7; Rowe and Case, SSC, Barrett and Van Wagoner, N, 6-0, 6-3; Aguilar and Shinn, SSC, Lindsay and Louwe, N, 6-2, 6-2.

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# Committees selected for new building but fund settlements still pending

Progress continues on the student union building with the appointment of a general committee by the student senate. The purpose of this committee is to handle all pertinent matters in regard to the project. The idea for this committee was acquired at the student union conference in Berkeley last month.

This committee will be representative of a student committee, an alumni committee and a faculty committee. Membership of the general committee will be composed of two students, one alumni, one faculty, the graduate manager, the dean of men and the dean of women. The general committee will act on suggestions from the other three committees.

First building action of the student union is pending on the outcome of the settlement of the Travis will. The exact amount of money available for building will not be known until the will has been probated. This year's legislature allotted money for the union on the condition that they would match whatever amount had been bequeathed by Travis. The legislature, however, will not put its money on the line until that from Travis has been received. This money does not become available until the will has been settled.

The legislature has allotted up to \$300,000 for matching purposes. The money is to be acquired through a bond issue, duration of which is not known at the present time.

Recently, word was received by W. T. Mathews, attorney general of the state, from the attorneys in

# All-nite initiation for Sundowners

Sundowner's initiation was held last Thursday, April 30. Twelve men took part in the initiation which lasted from 7 p.m. Thursday to 6 a.m. Friday morning. The organization initiated 10 men from fraternities and two independents.

The independents initiated were Jeff Lobaugh and Knute Pennington. The following frat men also took part in the initiation: Bill Brown and Dan Durbin, Phi Sigs; Doug and Dal Byington, Sigma Nu; John Flangas and Otto Schultz, ATO; Elwood Habberty, Bob Potter and Don Wilkerson, SAE; Earl Reimers, Lambda Chi.

The Sundowner's organization, as defined by the university catalog, is composed of men who are elected to membership because they have

exhibited the characteristics of good fellowship.

# Dedication of observatory will reveal plaque, scroll

Dedication ceremonies for the recently completed Blair astronomical observatory at the University of Nevada were held recently at the new observatory site.

The ceremonies opened with an invocation by the Rev John T. Ledger of Trinity Episcopal church. Mrs G. Bruce Blair, wife of Prof G. Bruce Blair, founder of the astronomical society of Nevada, whose gifts made the observatory possible,

spoke on the astronomical society in Nevada and of its founder.

Vernon Frazier, president of the astronomical society of Nevada, presented Dr M. Stout, university president, with a set of keys for the observatory.

Dr E. W. Harris, Dr Rader Thompson, Dr Morton J. Thorpe, Prof John T. Ryan and Carl E. Wells were some of the distinguished members of the forty persons attending the ceremonies.

Climaxing the ceremonies was the revealing of a bronze plaque and scroll on the walls of the observatory. The scroll was designed by Willis Church.

charge of settling the Travis estate, giving \$210,000 as the lowest estimate of funds expected from the will. As yet there is no definite date set when the settlement will be final. Upon receipt of the final decision regarding the settlement various committees will be ready to advance with final building plans.

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#### Chorus

The collaboration of the chorus with the band on the Era of Peace by Williams and Joshua, were particularly well applauded.

Handel's Water Music Suite in three parts and a contrasting type of piece, the March Modernistic by Michael Edwards, were popular with the listeners.

Four university trumpeters, Paul Fox, Raff McDonald, Tom Murie and Robert Pearson presented a fine quartet performance of The Trumpeters by Leidzen.

#### Tuba

An interesting tuba solo was by Fritz Hertlein who played Beelzebub by Catozzi.

Stirring band music included the opening selection Marco Poco, the Triumphal March from Aida, and Brass Pageantry. The familiar Stars and Stripes Forever concluded the

### Atomic Bennyhoff speaks at press club election meet

Robert Bennyhoff will speak to members of the press club about the job of a newspaper man covering the atomic blasts.

Bennyhoff, head of the United Press bureau in Reno, and a man who has seen perhaps more atomic blasts than any other person, will tell students of his experiences with the blasts.

At this May 13 meeting to be held at Artemisia hall at 7:30 p.m., the club will also elect new officers and plan for the annual breakfast.

The breakfast, held to initiate new members and officers, is tentatively scheduled for May 24, Sunday.

### 3 faculty members to retire July 1

Retirement of three faculty members, effective July 1, 1953, was approved by the board of regents. To be retired are Dr Milan J. Webster, professor of economics; Edith Ruebsam, associate professor of education and Jessie Pope, associate professor of economics.

Miss Ruebsam has been associated with the university for twenty-seven years, while conducting classes in kindergarten primary education, teachers' training and teacher supervision. Her philosophy of education has been to help the future educators believe in themselves so they could believe in their

pupils. She has been heard to say many times to her students, you are not teaching subjects, but children.

#### Has many degrees

Graduating from both St. Katharine's Episcopal school and Teachers Training school, Davenport, Iowa, Miss Ruebsam went on to receive degrees from Columbia and the University of California. She also attended summer schools at the Universities of Chicago, Columbia, Stanford and Northwestern. Besides her many years at Nevada, Miss Ruebsam has taught at numerous summer schools. For a while she was in charge of supervision of elementary teachers in the rural schools of Sonoma county, California.

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