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TIPPY SMITH WAS NAMED QUEEN OF THE 1959 MACKAY DAY celebration and was crowned by Keith Kellison Mackay Day chairman at the assembly last night. The 21-year-old co-ed represents Artemisia - Manzanita and will reign throughout the weekend at festivities in honor of the University's benefactors. Miss Smith, a psychology major, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander P. Smith of Las Vegas. She was selected for Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities and has been a member of the women's upperclass committee, Sagens, Cap and Scroll, senior class committee and the Student Union board. She was also selected for Phi Kappa Phi.

## Mackay Generous to Nevada

In 1904, just thirty years after the University of Nevada began its struggle for growth, it emerged suddenly from its pioneer period of hardship through the generosity of the wife and son of one of Nevada's great pioneers, John W. Mackay.

The gifts of the Mackay family could not have been more appropriate or timely as they brought world wide recognition to the university.

The Mackay gifts, which totaled over two million dollars, began in 1904 when funds to build a new school of mines were given to Nevada.

In 1907 a statue of John Mackay was erected in front of the new Mackay school of mines. In the

same year funds which provided for Mackay stadium, the Mackay athletic training building, and maintenance of the Mackay quadrangle were given to the university of the Mackay family.

In 1912 an endowment which yielded \$6,000 a year to be used to benefit the Mackay school of Mines was presented to the board of regents by Mrs. Mackay and her son, Clarence.

In 1919 Mackay stadium was enlarged to its present size and the athletic training quarters were refurbished.

In 1925 a gift of \$18,000 a year for five years was initiated to maintain the Mackay school of Mines, and a year later Clarence Mackay gave \$100,000 to be used

in the expansion of the mines building and perfecting equipment.

Eight thousand dollars was given to the mine department for the start of a museum and library. The result of this start may be seen in the mining building museum and library today.

The Mackay school of Science was completed in 1930 and presented to the University in honor of John Mackay. The building was erected at a cost of \$415,000 to Clarence Mackay.

Clarence Mackay's final gift, two years before his death, was made in 1936 when he purchased 26 acres of land north of the Nevada campus and presented it to the university to enlarge its grounds.

## Controversy Flares Over Ruling Given On Writein Issue

By WARREN LERUDE

A social controversy was sparked on campus this week and then exploded into an open political war with AWS President Carol Gardenswartz and the AWS council opposing a group of independent men students living in Hartman and Lincoln halls.

The political issue which brought blasts from independent students as well as fraternity men was a ruling by the AWS council that any write-in votes in the Mackay Day Queen election would be held invalid.

### Comic Rodeo To Be Staged This Afternoon at Farm

Skill and daring will be displayed this afternoon at the Aggie Comic Rodeo. More than 70 contestants will compete in burro races, wild cow milking contest, a pig chase, wild cow riding and other events.

The Rodeo begins at 1:30 p. m. at the University of Nevada Main Station Farm on the Hidden Valley road.

Leanna Noble will be crowned Aggie Rodeo Queen. She was judged on the basis of 50 percent horsemanship, 30 percent appearance, and 20 percent personality. Dr. Danial Cassard and Bill Cody were the judges.

A joint effort by the Aggie club and the newly-formed Rodeo club brings the Mackay Day celebration its third Aggie Comic Rodeo. Both clubs have put in three months of hard work building the rodeo arena to have it ready in time for the rodeo.

Besides eight closed events for fraternities and sororities, there will be two open events, barrel racing and "pick-up-and-ride."

Winners will be announced at tonight's Aggie dance at Horsemans Park. The dance opens at 9 p. m. to the music of the Sageriders from Fallon.

Seven trophies will be awarded, one for wild cow riding, one each to the fraternity and sorority with the highest number of points earned at the rodeo, one each to the fraternity and sorority with the largest attendance at the dance, and one to each of the winners of the two open events.

A prize to be given at the rodeo before the dance will be a case of a popular beverage to the person who in a free for all special contest, catches a cow and removes a bell from between its horns.

There are four events for women and four events for men. Women's events include a burro race, a pig race, a ribbon chase and a boot scramble. The men's events are a burro race, wild cow riding, a calf scramble, and wild cow milking. There will be four places in all competitions; first place, five points; second place, three points; third place, two points; and fourth place, one point.

Miss Gardenswartz said that the council's ruling was based on the arguments that a write-in candidate does not fulfill the requirements for a Mackay Day Queen candidate. The requirements, she stated, are: (1) the Candidate must be nominated by a woman's living group; (2) she must be a senior; (3) the candidate and her campaign manager must submit their names to the AWS.

"A write-in candidate would not fulfill these requirements," Miss Gardenswartz said.

The original small group of protesting men students snowballed into a larger group. They maintained that a democratic principle of voting had been violated by the AWS council in ruling write-in votes invalid.

The men students argued that, as they had no part in nominating the Queen candidates, they should be able to vote for whom they please.

When asked if she felt the AWS ruling was undemocratic, Miss Gardenswartz refused to comment.

At the polls yesterday a self-styled vigilante committee lobbied

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## Song Teams Are Day's Highlight

The climax of many hours of practice for the song teams comes tomorrow at noon when the singers will compete for trophies at the Mackay Day luncheon. About 750 students and guests are expected at the luncheon in the new gymnasium. Two prominent Reno men will be speaking at the occasion.

Reverend Howard C. Bushing will give the benediction and invocation. Pete Echeverria, state senator and Reno attorney, will be the featured speaker. His talk will be on the "Spirit of John Mackay."

Mrs. Irving Berlin, daughter of John Mackay, is to be one of the distinguished guests. Other benefactors and honored guests will be present.

The Mackay Day queen will be introduced, and she will introduce the song teams. Each living group on campus represented by a song team has chosen a theme. The costumes and songs are related to the chosen theme.

Fried chicken, potato salad, rolls, carrot and celery sticks, and brownies will be on the Saturday luncheon menu.

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Editor, Sagebrush April 29, 1959  
Dear Sir,

We wish that you publish the enclosed letter and our reply there-to.

To bring the students up-to-date on the facts, the following may be stated:

Mackay Day Queens were nominated by the women's living groups. We, the men living in men's quarters on the campus, and considered independents, felt, that as long as we do the voting, we should vote for whomsoever we desired, and if we wanted a "Queen" of our own, to write in a candidate. We had a precedent for this procedure when Don Travis was elected as ASUN President by a write-in vote in the Spring of 1957. As late as Monday, April 27th, we were informed by the Secretary of the AWS that "in all likelihood a write-in vote was legal." Now, as the letter shows, one day before the election, we were notified that any write-in vote was illegal. We leave it to the students to judge for themselves "the logic" behind the reasoning of the letter.

We believe that under the democratic process (and surely students of a university should be in the vanguard), in any kind of election, the ones who vote should not be coerced in voting for a slate of candidates not of their choosing, by any sort of rules or regulations. If the voters (men in this case) do not nominate the candidates and want one of their own, they should have the right of writing in their own, they should have the right of writing in their candidate. By the arbitrary rules of the AWS Council, the men students, whenever they may be situated, are precluded from doing so. Under the present rules the men students either have to vote only for those that are nominated, or not vote at all.

We invite the AWS President, Miss Carol Gardenswartz, or anyone else connected with the Council that arrived at the decision stated in the letter, to explain the reasons behind their decision; this, too, is in the democratic vein. It will be interesting if (1) this is done, and (2) if the reasons are adequate.

Sincerely yours,  
LINCOLN HALL STUDENTS  
HARTMAN HALL STUDENTS

MR. STAN TERRELL, President April 29, 1959  
Lincoln Hall Association  
University Station  
Reno, Nevada  
Dear Mr. Terrel:

The AWS Council is pleased to know that the men of Lincoln and Hartman Halls are interested in the Mackay Day Queen contest. We feel that in all fairness to you we should advise you that in the spring of 1956 the ASUN Senate delegated to the Associated Women Students the responsibility for conducting all queen contests on this campus.

In the fall of 1956 the AWS Council drew up the following regulations for the nomination and campaign procedures for queen candidates.

**SELECTION**

1. Candidates are to be nominated by the women's living groups.
2. Candidates shall be nominated on the basis of the following class standing:
  - a) Homecoming Queen — Freshman
  - b) Military Ball Queen — Sophomore
  - c) Junior Prom Queen — Junior
  - d) Mackay Day Queen — Senior
3. Names of the candidates, campaign managers, and alternate campaign managers must be turned in to the AWS office the week before the election.

**CONTEST**

1. Pictures will be taken as soon as possible after the selections are made. These will be taken at Christensen's Studio and will be limited to two 8x10 glossy prints and three wallet-size glossy prints — all in appropriate costume. Pictures will be posted on campus two weeks before the election. They will be picked up at Christensen's by the AWS Queen Manager.
2. Each campaign manager is to submit a brief news story about her candidate to the AWS Queen Manager for publication in the University and downtown papers.
3. Arrangements will be made for the contestants to eat one meal at each fraternity house.

There will be no campaigning other than eating at the fraternity houses once on the date arranged, and other events which may be arranged for by the AWS Queen Manager. Once the schedule is arranged there will be no changes.

Considering the above approved regulations which were formulated in 1956, the AWS Council agreed, as of Wednesday, April 29, 1959, that to write in the name of a candidate would be considered illegal.

Sincerely yours,  
CAROL GARDENSWARTZ  
AWS President

cc: Hartman Hall  
STUDENTS OF THE U OF N:  
Quote letter.

The AWS Council took this action on the basis of the authority granted them by the ASUN Senate to supervise all queen contests. If there are members of the student body who feel that there are better methods of organizing these queen contests, the proper way to see these new methods effected is to bring the matter to the AWS Council and/or the ASUN Senate.

CAROL GARDENSWARTZ

## Public Forum

April 29, 1959

Dear Mr. Lerude:

First of all, let me congratulate you on your new appointment as editor of the Sagebrush. It seems that all new editors must start their careers by writing editorials concerning the Upperclass Committee. The following comments are in response to your editorial of Friday, April 24, 1959.

You stated in your editorial, "The Mackay Day celebration is a tradition at the University and it is a fine thing. It is too bad that it will have to be marred again this year with such a poor demonstration as that which the Upperclass Committee plans to conduct." It is hard for me to understand how you can criticize this committee before knowing the activities we had planned. As you have seen on campus these past few days, the Kangaroo Court has replaced the lalings. This is handled in the same manner as the Fourth of July activities in downtown Reno.

I feel that the Upperclass Committee has contributed its small part to boost school spirit during Mackay Day. As for the few students who dislike and criticize such activities, I think they will find that the Mens Upperclass Committee will not "Pick" on them. Because as in past years we have found it doesn't pay to bother with them. The older students,

who can reminisce back a few years, I think, will find that the committee has not troubled the few students who did not wish to be troubled.

I would like to call your attention to the fact that, THE MENS UPPERCLASS COMMITTEE HAS NOT THROWN ANY STUDENT IN MANZANITA LAKE IN THE LAST THREE YEARS DURING MACKAY DAY. If any one was laked during that time, it was not through the organized efforts of that committee.

In closing I would like to wish you success in your new career as editor of the Sagebrush, but I hope you do not abuse the privilege of your editorials in the future by writing misleading information.

FRED CARLSON  
Chairman of Mens Upperclass

The editorial written concerning the proposed activities of the upperclass committee was not misleading nor was it criticism of activities which the writer knew nothing about. The writer was told by Keith Kellison, Mackay Day chairman, that the Men's upperclass committee would begin throwing any student without a beard or a valid excuse in the lake on Monday. He further said that if progress was not started

on a beard on Tuesday the student would be again thrown in the lake, as he would on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The writer was told by Clay Darrow that the upperclass committee would stage a series of strikes by finding men students without beards and throwing them in the lake. These two sources were considered reliable by the writer. Also, the Kangaroo Court, it was told to the writer, was to be used for women students not in costume, not for men students without beards. Each year some student is tossed in the lake during Mackay Day. The phrase in the editorial stating "again this year," does not imply that the upperclass committee was responsible in the past. Concerning the upperclass committee playing a small part in boosting school spirit, the writer of the editorial does not consider the infringement on the rights of an individual to be synonymous with school spirit. Had Dean Basta not put the upperclass committee on the carpet and informed them that they would be responsible for their laking activities, this writer wonders just how many individuals would have been floundering about in Manzanita. My sincere thanks for your congratulations and you needn't worry about this writer's editorials being misleading.

—WL

**SAGEBRUSH EDITOR:**

From: Carol Gardenswartz  
To: the men of the University.  
Subject: Mackay Day queen election.

Says Miss Gardenswartz: "The AWS council agreed, as of Wednesday, April 29, 1959, that to write in the name of a candidate would be considered illegal."

Illegal, hell!  
The council seems to have forgotten the right of the individual voter in any election — the simple right to vote for the qualified person of his choice, whether that person is listed on the ballot or not. It's hard to say what prompted this particular statement from the council, but it most certainly was not a desire to affirm basic democratic ideas.

Our AWS council had but one question to answer when it met last Wednesday — one that could only be answered with a "yes". That question is: does the individual male student have the right to vote for the girl he wants, and have that vote counted?

Apparently he doesn't have that right.

Defenders of the council's decision will bring up side issues. They will rationalize. But there are no side issues and there can be no rationalization.

Can there be any defense for a statement that says that the men of the University must accept the slate of candidates handed to them? For a statement that says no man will be allowed to vote for

the senior coed of his choice unless she happens to be named on the ballot?

This year, as in all years, the women's living groups have come up with a good list of candidates. But this year, as in all years, there are some men who have found more acceptable queen possibilities outside the ranks of the "official" candidates. Is this minority not to be allowed to voice its opinion?

The council has the legal right to announce and to enforce this edict. It was given control of all school queen contests by the ASUN senate in 1956. But does it have the moral right?

There's nothing like democracy in action.

DON GRAYDON

## Graydon Elected SDX President

Donald W. Graydon was elected the twelfth president of the undergraduate chapter of Sigma Delta Chi earlier this week. The new slate of officers includes Owen T. Vaught, vice-president; Richard W. Madsen, secretary; Robert D. Ryan, treasurer; and Charles R. Thomas, historian.

Sigma Delta Chi is the professional journalistic fraternity. An international organization of 16,000 members, its undergraduate chapters work closely with professional members throughout the world.

Outgoing officers are Dewey M. Berscheid, president; David H. Cutler, vice-president; Robert L. Brown, secretary; Owen T. Vaught, treasurer; and William T. Devereux, historian.

Professor A. L. Higginbotham, chairman of the journalism department, is advisor to the group. Keiste Janulis, associate professor in journalism, serves as ceremonial chairman.

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# Sundowners Hold 'Mystic' Initiation; In Trouble With John Law, As Usual

The biannual elections of the campus good fellowship organization were in full swing by 7 a. m. yesterday, approximately ten hours after they had been scheduled to begin.

It seems the honorable members of the Sundowners had trouble finding a suitable place for their mystic rites in past years. This year they thought they had found the perfect place, an old airplane hangar at an abandoned airport west of Reno.

"Nothing around for miles" explained one of the members. "We started our traditional bonfire, began serving the traditional refreshments, and before too long, the traditional intruders were upon us

—three fire engines, four sheriff's cars, and three patrol cars."

The fire department put out the fire, and the police told everyone to leave, so everyone did — for a while.

After picking the Sundowners out of the old hangar for the second time, the police said that road blocks would be set up at the city limits. The anti-sobriety group then adjourned to the sand dunes and voted in four potential members, Edward ("Tardo") Allison, Fred Carlson, Tom Nicora, and Dean Smith. They will attempt to go through the "drink" and money bumming" initiation which starts tonight and ends sometime tomorrow morning.



MACKAY DAY DANCE AND LUNCHEON CHAIRMEN from left to right are Patsy Lewis, Joyce Stevens, Lorilee Smith, and Barbara Swart. Misses Lewis and Smith are in charge of the Saturday-night dance, and Misses Stevens and Swart are handling arrangements for the luncheon, at which the song teams will perform.



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## Free Coffee, Coke At Student N Den; From Surplus Fund

Students are even more thankful for Friday now that they are getting free coffee and cokes at the Student Union building to celebrate "TGIF" day.

Free cokes and coffee, as much as one can drink, are available at the Student Union snack bar every Friday morning from 9:30 - 10:30, and Friday afternoon from 1:30 until 4:30.

Two weeks ago 950 cokes and cups of coffee were given away, and one week ago 800 students had free drinks.

This program will continue until the end of the school year, said Robert L. Kersey, director of Student Union building.

"It will provide a social time for students and return part of the Student Union building's profits back to the students, since the building is for the students."

## OLD FASHIONED 'MELLERDRAMMER' PRESENTED LAST NITE AND TONITE

After a tremendous overture by "Orvie" Fleming and his "Muscatel Marauders", the first scene of "Only an Orphan Girl" opened last night to the gentle strains of "There's No Place Like Home."

The cast, led by "The Villain," Don Wilhoite, got itself into some funny predicaments which, what with tear-jerking and ham acting, brought great response from the audience.

Don, able as an evil-hearted villain, brought hisses and boos from the onlookers as he blinked across the stage, sneering and plotting diabolical ways to cheat the pure-hearted orphan girl, Nellie, out of her inheritance of a million dollars. Nellie was played by Trudy Caddel.

The story takes place at the farm of Swem Perkins (Dean Kapsalis), and revolves about the usual plot of the villain to marry the farmer's daughter.

Hilarious scenes follow in the villain's attempt to get the money, involving all sorts of rustic characters and a couple of city types.

There is of course, the scene in which the villain gets control of the mortgage on the farm, giving him the advantage over Nellie, enabling him to use the threat of eviction to force her to marry him.

At this point, the plot is complicated by the appearance of the villain's wife, threatening exposure of the villain as an already married man.

Nellie's secret lover, a clean-cut farm lad played by Doug Smith, tries to thwart the villain in his evil attempts. Doug does a very convincing job as an idealistic, clean-minded, plow-boy type. His works valiantly to save the farm, while striving heroically to avoid the passes made at him by the villain's wife, Ethel (Vickie Roberts).

The whole affair winds up in the sawmill with the villain trying to do away with the rest of the characters. This scene is extremely funny, with the buzz-saw buzzing madly away, as Nellie, tied to the rig, inches slowly towards certain doom. Swem Perkins, Ethel Rutherford, the Villain, Nellie, Dick Perkins and Amos Appleby all are involved in hilarious attempts to save Nellie. Nellie, of course, almost splits. There is plenty of struggling over the lever which operates the saw, and almost everyone in the scene is knocked over the head at least once.

Others in the cast are Renee Robertson as Mrs. Perkins, Dennis O'Connor as Amos Appleby, and Rickey Gobeli as Lucy.

Each of the four acts was directed by a different student from Prof. Asher Wilson's directing class, Act I by Jim DePriest, Act 2 by Tom Hallam, Act 3 by Mickey McBride, and the last act by Bruce Rossman.

Scenery is by R. R. Byloff, lighting by Dick McConaughy. Betty Concannon does the make-up.

"The Muscatel Marauders" are led by Orville Fleming, with Bob Pearson on trumpet, Fred Dugger, tuba; Gene Isaef, trombone; Gus Griffin, piano; and Art Vaughn, drums.

Second and final performance of the play is tonight at 7 p. m. in the auditorium of the education building. The beard shaving contest will be held between acts.

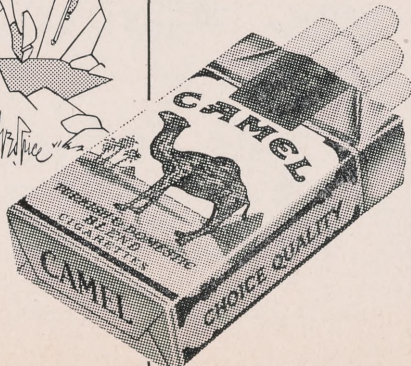
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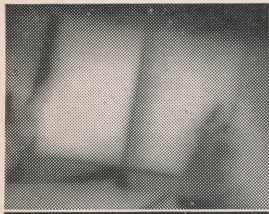
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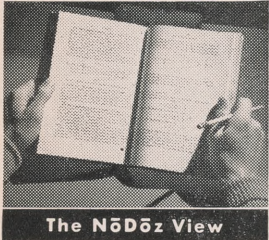
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## WRA Installation And Spaghetti Feed

Four Women's Recreation association officers were installed at a WRA spaghetti dinner recently. Individual and group awards were given to outstanding women in various recreational fields and in the physical education department.

Two hundred ninety-six persons attended the dinner.

Jean Raker was installed as president; Barbara Williams, vice president; Alice Urrutia, secretary; and Dorothy Ricketts, treasurer.

Delta Delta Delta received the trophy for volleyball; Pi Beta Phi, bowling; Artemisia-Manzanita association, basketball.

Mary Ann Tonini was awarded the badminton trophy; Barbara Foltz, Kathy Baily, Marlene Belli, Sharon Wilkerson received individual trophies for bowling.

The volleyball plaque went to the Theta house, and Artemisia-Manzinita association received plaques for basketball and softball.

Women with 250 points in activities got WRA pennants. Those with 500 points got bronze plastic trophies and those with 850 points got address books. Five women received membership in Gothic N for having 1000 points or more.

Deanna Munk, Mary Ann Tonini, Sally Holmes, and Evelyn Ames got lifetime passes to all athletic events of the University of Nevada along with their memberships.

Although Betty Edmundson had 1600 points she did not get a lifetime pass because the award is for seniors only. Betty is only a junior. She is a member of Gothic N, having the most points of any woman at the University.

Mrs. Russell, head of the Physical education department, presented Sally Holmes with a Gothic N blanket. She was judged by her scholastic ability, sportsmanship and leadership. Sally is the first girl to be awarded the blanket in several years.

## Stalemate

by Richard Morris

Nevada became the 50th state in which international chess master George Koltanowski has given a simultaneous exhibition on last Monday night when, in an event sponsored by the Jot Travis Student Union, Koltanowski played 25 people simultaneously, winning 20, drawing 4, and losing only to state champion Laverl Kimpton. He drew with two U. of N. students: Phil McGee and graduate student Sherman Thessa, and with Reno Chess Club members Ted Pathakis and Dr. John Sandee.

This was followed by a blindfold exhibition in which world blindfold champion Koltanowski



KOLTANOWSKI, as he plays "blindfolded" this week in the Jot Travis Student Union.

played two games simultaneously and won both. This in turn was followed by a lecture on world championship chess.

Unlike many other masters, Koltanowski offers a draw if a drawn position is reached, rather than continuing the game in the hope that his opponent will make a mistake. (Which is very likely.) He always assumes that his opponent will make the best moves.

If non-chessplayers Bill Adams, Bob Kersey, and Don Rasmussen lost sleep because they stayed until 1 a. m. when the event was over, they helped bring it on themselves.

Chess maxim for today: If you continually lose chess games to another player, then, the next time you see that the game is hopelessly lost, concede defeat by sweeping away the pieces and breaking the board over your opponent's head. You won't be troubled by losses much longer.

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## Sundowners Are Recruiting New Members; Tryouts Held in Reno

by Don Graydon

The Sundowners are at it again. On May 1, a shabbily-dressed, grimy bunch of young men will be turned loose on downtown Reno. Their mission: to bum straight shots. Their reward: membership in the Sundowners, the University's unique "good fellowship" club.

Tryouts were held this afternoon. They continue next Friday at Virginia Lake. Jerry Cahill, Sundowner prexy, says the tryouts are simply proving grounds for prospective members. Men who prove their mettle at the tryouts, and are 21 years old, will take part in the initiation ceremonies.

Modern Sundowners are building an impressive record. They

## Newman Members To Chico Meeting

Twenty students from the University of Nevada Newman Club journeyed to Chico, Calif., last weekend to attend the annual convention of the Central Pacific Province of the National Newman Club Federation. The Nevadans joined the members of some 21 other Newman Clubs of Northern California in the 3 day affair.

Four Nevadans received honors at the closing banquet. Nancy Petrini was elected to the Province Council as Third Vice Chairman. Maureen Duffy became a member of the same policy making group as the Chairman of Region One. Admitted to membership in the John Henry Newman Honorary Society were Virginia Pucci and Fred Annand. This latter group is a National Honorary Society, the members of which have done outstanding work in Newman Clubs. Rev. LeoMcFadden, Chaplain of the Nevada Newman Club, became the Chaplain of the Central Pacific Province for the coming year.

In addition to all this, the Nevada Club was cited as one of the outstanding clubs in the province for the last year. Thus, in the past five years the local unit has received recognition on four occasions for its yearly program.

In addition to the convention, held at Richardson Springs, were the Most Rev. Joseph McGucken, Bishop of Sacramento; Rev. George Garratt, National Chaplain from the University of Minnesota; Jim Birdu, National President from LSU; and Jack Markel, former National President from Long Beach State.

Those making the trip were: Joann Maestas, Sue Farnhum, Marilyn Nelson, Kathy Annand, Nancy Petrini, Barbara Galeppi, Barbara Quilici, Josie Pucineeli, Alice Urrutia, Maureen Duffy, Tom Grady, Virginia Pucci, Ken Emanuel, Madalyn Saibini, Phil Hebert, Rich Williams, Jeanille Haggerty, Bob Lemon and Rev. Leo McFadden.

were put on conduct probation after their antics last Homecoming Day. They sponsor weekly "picnics". They wear little black hats on campus every Friday. They steal chickens to meet initiation requirements.

Survivors of the May 1 initiation will be tapped for \$15. This will give them their Sundowner pin and hat, plus membership in the much-discussed, much-cussed, beer-loving society that dates back to 1921.

The Sundowner movement originated in that year when some U. of N. men summed train rides to a California football game. These campus hobos organized, and for several years "riding the rails" was part of the initiation requirement. "Good fellowship" was their goal, and they found it in private, off-campus steak fries, beer-busts, wienie roasts.

The Sundowners put out some top-notch alumni. John Gottardi, foreign language prof, was one of the early members. Chet Scranton, P. E. instructor, recalls that "in my day they were intellectuals."

"They had me reciting Latin", he said, referring to the Sundowners' old ritual, written in Latin. Dean Sam Basta served a term as president in 1935.

The Sundowners of today are not the Sundowners of the '20s and '30s. Subtle changes in the character of the group were made year by year. According to the 1927 Artemisia, the Sundowners were a "men's social club to promote good fellowship". The 1932 yearbook reported that "it's activities consist of numerous outings in the surrounding foothills."

The Sundowners in 1943, said Artemisia, were "all-around good fellows who are adept at catching chickens . . . members really live up to their purpose, which is to have a good time." Then in 1957: "the organization chooses its members for social qualities, and has been in existence since prohibition."

### Straying

Today's Sundowners are accused of straying from the path blazed by the club's founders. Early Sundowners kept their activities primarily off-campus, and to themselves. They did what they wanted, and they could not be criticized.

Nowadays, the boys come out in force on campus every Friday. Instead of having private parties for the "good fellowship" between members desired by the founders, they open the doors to everybody and his thirsty brother. The Sundowners are in a rather precarious position at the University because, says Dean Basta, they are an "unrecognized" campus group. When the whole student body gets involved with the group, the Sundowners are wide-open for criticism.

President Cahill calls for a return to the "good old days". Cahill says he wants to place the emphasis more on off-campus, within-the-club functions. This would relieve the Sundowners of responsibility for the antics of non-Sundowners. And it would bring the club closer to the standards of the first Sundowners.

Logically, this would mean the end of the public Friday afternoon "picnics", the levi formals, the Friday black hats — all recent innovations. The first levi formal was held in 1953. A certain M. Klimaszewski appeared in the 1950 Artemisia wearing the first of the modern Sundowner hats.

But Cahill isn't advocating such drastic reforms — at least not yet. The black-hatted horde can be expected to brighten up the campus for a long time yet.

The Sundowners are still at it.



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But class list for each professor will be complete the day after registration, and later, six copies

of final grades for each student, with the grade points averaged, will be spewed out in all directions in record time.

A manual prepared for Nevada by San Francisco State College patterned after the system used there, will be used to set up a working system for registration. All data must be coded and punch-

ed on to cards before the system can be put into use.

Registration will be the largest single user of the IBM, but the university payroll department will use it also.

Research data from various departments has been put on cards and processed by IBM in the past year.

### COLLEGE WOMEN NEEDED AS COUNSELORS AT CAMP FIRE GIRLS GALENA CREEK CAMP

College women are needed as counselors for the summer camp of the local council of Campfire Girls. The four week camping session will run from July 1 to July 28.

The camp is at Galena creek, 17 miles southwest of Reno on the

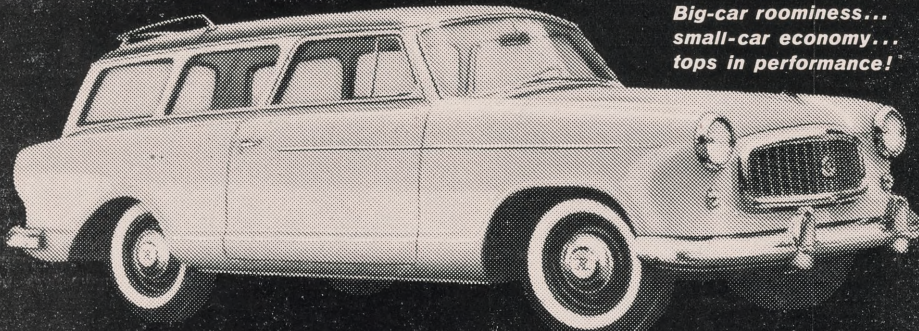
Mt. Rose road. Salary for the session is \$70 plus food and lodging. Women students interested in counseling should contact Dr. Robert McQueen of the psychology department, in room 203 of the Education building.



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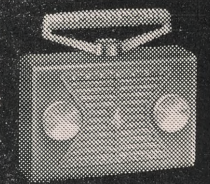
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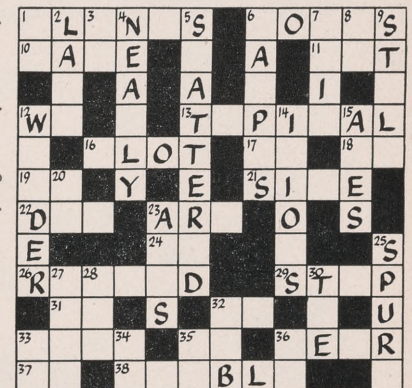
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#### CLUES ACROSS:

- These may indicate that a nation is prepared to wage war in the air.
- Some college students.
- When at . . . , Light up an Oasis.
- Sinking ship deserter.
- Plural pronoun.
- One expects . . . discussions in a sociology class.
- A student's careless . . . might annoy a short-story instructor.
- Initials of Uruguay and Denmark.
- Germanium (Chem.)
- Nova Scotia (Abbr.)
- It probably would count when you pick a horse to bet on.
- Sometimes a girl on a date must . . . into her pocketbook to help pay the tab.
- The muscle-builder's . . . may fascinate a poorly developed man.
- Chemical Engineer (Abbr.)
- Campers will probably be . . . by a forest fire.
- When starting a trip, tourists usually look forward to the first . . .
- At home.
- Literate in Arts (Abbr.)
- Familiar for faculty member.
- Associate in Arts (Abbr.)
- One could appear quite harmless at times.
- Reverse the first part of "L&M".
- What will soon appear in a bombed-out city.

#### CLUES DOWN:

- The beginning and end of pleasure.
- A rural . . . can be inviting to a vacationist.
- Second and third letters of OASIS.
- When one is . . . packed, it could be exasperating to remember a few articles that should be included.
- It would pay to be careful when glass is . . .
- Grounds to relax on with a mild CHESTERFIELD.
- Author . . . Ambler.
- District Attorney (Abbr.)
- A . . . from Paris should please the average woman.
- An inveterate traveler will . . . about distant lands.
- . . . are hard to study.
- Stone, Bronze and Iron . . .
- How Mexicans say, "Yes".
- All L&M cigarettes are " . . . high" in smoking pleasure.
- May be a decisive factor in winning a horse race.
- Initials of Oglethorpe, Iona, Rutgers and Emerson.
- United Nations Organization (Abbr.)
- Golf mound.
- Colloquial for place where the finest tobaccos are tested for L&M.
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# Nevada Freshmen Were Not Favored By Framers of ASUN Constitution

by Don Graydon

The authors of the ASUN constitution didn't like freshmen. In fact, they probably hated them.

In the land of the free, the University of Nevada stands as a dehydrated oasis of intolerance to new freshmen. Those little men running around the campus in September wearing blue and white beanies aren't modeling new Sunday hats. They are freshmen. Freshmen caught in the fist of a cruel, unsympathetic constitution.

Witness a portion of Section 2, Article III, of the University by-laws: "All freshman men students of the university are required to wear on the university campus from dawn until sunset during

their entire first semester on the campus the regulation 'Frosh Dink' (blue and white cap)." The same regulation applies to female freshmen concerning silver and blue hair ribbons.

Another part reads: "All first-year men and women students of the University of Nevada are required to carry from dawn until sunset on the university campus, for the entire first semester . . . one copy of the current official ASUN student handbook." This remarkable constitution also orders the freshmen to keep the Block "N" on Peavine Mountain painted.

In their vision, the constitutional framers didn't forget the other classes in the school. "Underclassmen", it says, "shall not use the front steps of Morrill Hall." What happens when Morrill Hall is torn down? Probably a constitutional amendment.

"All men students will grow beards for Mackay Day," reports part 7 of Section 2. The Gillette people wouldn't like that.

### Off the Grass

Another part says that "No Nevadan, regardless of class standing, shall cut campus." No doubt a law pushed through by the Carl Horn delegation.

Why did the authors of this document stop here? Many other ideas for constitutional by-laws suggest themselves to the progressive mind. Why not a law reading: "No Nevadan, regardless of sex, shall think of anything but school work from dawn until sunset Mondays through Fridays. Seniors, in their last semester, may think of girls between classes."

Or one reading: "Underclassmen shall not breathe from dawn until sunset on days that the Student Senate or Court meets. Sophomores may breathe from noon until 2 p. m. on days that the Student Court convenes."

The authors of the ASUN constitution didn't like anybody.

# Nevada Field Day Plans Are Made

A tentative program has been announced for a southern Nevada Experiment Station field day under the auspices of the Max C. Fleischmann College of Agriculture, University of Nevada. It will be held May 12, in Clark county.

Ferren Bunker, Clark county extension agent, program chairman, said several authorities from the University will be heard during the day. Those scheduled to take part in the program include: Dean James E. Adams; Charles E. Fleming, associate director of experiment station; Dr. Oliver Smith, research agronomist; Dr. Howard Cords, E. H. Jensen, department of agronomy; Dr. Walter B. Dye, research chemist; Dr. Joseph Stein, dairy specialist; and Dr. Dan Cassard and William Behrens, department of animal husbandry.

Joe: "Milk is a great bone builder, so I drink lots of it."

Moe: "Yeah, and you've got the head to prove it."

# Women's Living Groups Hold Open Houses

Women's living groups open houses ended the first day of Mackay day celebrations last night. Four sorority houses and Manzanita hall were opened for the public after the melodrama and beard judging.

Pi Beta Phi had their house decorated in an "Old Fashioned Gardens" theme. Dancing and refreshments completed their arrangements.

Kappa Alpha Theta welcomed guests to a western saloon setting. The women wore Mackay day costumes. Live music was furnished for dancing and punch and cookies were doled out in generous amounts.

An old fashioned "Delta Palace" awaited those who stepped inside the Tri Delt house. Popcorn and soft drinks were served over the bar in the saloon setting. The Swinging Shepherds, a campus music group, provided music.

Gamma Phi Beta provided The Escorts, a musical quartet from Hawthorne, for dancing. Refreshments and much small talk completed the evening.

A springtime air was found in Manzanita hall. A maypole stood in the living room and live flowers completed the setting. The open house was sponsored jointly by the Artemisia-Manzanita Association.

Large crowds gathered at all houses during the evening. Festivities ended abruptly at 11 p. m.

# Many Openings For Skilled Men At Army Ordnance Installations

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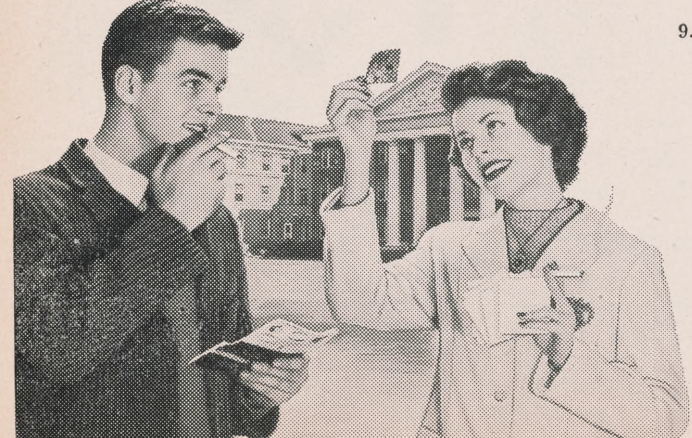
- 1. Which would you consider more essential to a happy marriage: (A) the mates' similarity in ages and backgrounds, or (B) their intelligence and adaptability?  A  B
- 2. Which of these two famous men would you most prefer to be like: (A) King Midas, or (B) Ludwig van Beethoven?  A  B
- 3. If neither party's candidate in an election was satisfactory to you, would you (A) not vote, or (B) vote for the "lesser of two evils"?  A  B
- 4. If your performance in a group effort was being unjustly criticized, would you (A) settle the score directly with your critic, or (B) ignore it and let the group decide its merits?  A  B
- 5. Do you believe that the meeting with your future mate is primarily a matter of (A) geography, or (B) fate?  A  B
- 6. If you were to come unexpectedly into a sizable sum of money, would you (A) bank or invest it and spend only the income, or (B) take a year off to travel around the world?  A  B
- 7. Do you think the saying "It never rains, but it pours" is (A) generally untrue, or (B) invariably true?  A  B
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## Science Fair Set For Tomorrow

Poisonous spiders and snakes, a crystal radio, a study of air pollution in the Reno area, a photoelectric relay system, and a study of the human heart are included among the 85 exhibits that are expected to be shown tomorrow at Nevada's first statewide science fair.

The fair will be open to the public free of charge in the old gym from 11 a. m. until 10 p. m. The University of Nevada chapter of Sigma Pi Sigma, national physics honor society, is sponsoring the fair.

Cash awards or certificates will be given to persons presenting winning exhibits. Awards will be made in physics, chemistry, earth sciences and biological sciences. Cash prizes will be offered from money donated by local business groups.

High schools and junior high schools in the northern part of Nevada will enter exhibits. The fair was open to schools throughout Nevada. Reno high school is presenting 14 displays. Reno's Northside junior high is entering 22, and Billingshurst junior high, also in Reno, is entering eight. Bishop Manogue high school is presenting five exhibits.

Students from Lovelock junior high are offering 22 exhibits. Pershing county high school will show seven. Elko high is bringing five or six displays. One exhibit is entered from Wells, Nevada, and one is coming from Smith, Nevada.

Judging will take place tomorrow at 10 a. m. Judges are Howard B. Blodgett, dean of the college of engineering, Dr. Loring R. Williams, chairman of the department of chemistry, John S. Winston, associate professor of metallurgy, and Dr. Fred Ryser Jr., assistant professor of biology.

Judging will be on the basis of the amount of original investigation, work, and thought that went into the exhibit. Winners will be announced in the old gym at 7 p. m. tomorrow.

Sigma Pi Sigma will sell programs at the fair. These will include listings of all displays. No admission price will be charged. Sigma Pi Sigma is planning to pay for the cost of the fair through sale of programs and sale of cokes. No entrance fee is being charged those who enter exhibits in the fair.

Someone will be at each exhibit to explain it and answer the questions of visitors.

For the past three weeks, the science fair has been publicized on KOLO-TV's afternoon show, "Party-line Theater". Last Monday, students from Northside junior high showed some of their exhibits on television.

On May 20, Jim Kees, executive director of the fair, appeared on the show with a Reno school girl who showed some poisonous spiders that she will display at the fair. Kees and John Darrah, Sigma Pi Sigma president, were on TV on April 13 and gave a brief explanation of the fair.

Dr. George Barnes, associate professor of physics, is faculty advisor. Students working on the fair are Kees, Darrah and Ed Wishart, in charge of registration of entrants, Ed Wagner, classification of exhibits and Paul Freedman, judging. Other students helping with the project are Leroy Wentz, Jerry Gaines, Bill Dennett and Tom Duffy.

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RELAXIN' at the Pi Phi's annual spring formal, held at Lawton's resort last weekend, are Pat Fitzgerald and Jeff Blake. A large number of couples attended the formal which carried the theme "Fantasy in Pink." After dinner and a goodly supply of "refreshments," the couples danced to the modern music of the Don Porter band.

—Marie White photo



CROWNED KING of the Pi Phi's spring formal was Ron Wilson of Sigma Nu. He is pictured above dancing with Barbara Ruark (not his date, we think). Dancing followed a formal evening of dinner and refreshments, music supplied by the Don Porter band.

—Marie White photo

## Mackay Day Dance To Be At Riverside

A big question in many minds at the annual Mackay Day dance tomorrow will be, can the police officer assigned to guard the Riverside swimming pool swim?

Last year, one sharply dressed officer, not to mention one western dressed student, found himself testing the pale blue waters of the pool.

This year the Mackay Day dance will again be held at the Riverside hotel in the Garden room. The Swinging Shepherds'

band will play from 9 til midnight. Patsy Lewis and Lorelee Smith, co-chairman, said that the decorations will have an old-fashioned park theme. Park benches, lampposts, and gardens of real flowers surrounded by picket fences will be a part of the decorations. Even a carriage will be strategically located to heighten the effect.

Song team, best women's costume, and attendance trophies will be awarded at the dance.

## Presidents of High Schools Meet Here

Thirty-five to forty Nevada high school student body presidents and presidents-elect registered here yesterday for a three-day conference to discuss problems each of them faces in student activities at their schools.

Richard Bryan, ASUN president, spoke to the students yesterday afternoon in the Education auditorium just after registration.

Tonight Dan Sobrio, newly elected ASUN president, will speak to the group at a dinner at the Circle R B Lodge.

University president Charles J. Armstrong will talk to the students tomorrow morning. After Armstrong's talk, the conference will close with the students attending the Mackay Day luncheon.

Helping in conference work have been Varelle Estes, Dudley Cate, Gary Bullis, and Gustav ("Steve") Heyer.

The high school students have been staying in fraternity houses and Manzanita and Artemisia halls.

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**Annual Inspection Held for Nevada ROTC Unit**

Lt. Col. Charles E. Ronan was in charge of the annual inspection team which visited the ROTC unit at the University of California at Davis early this week.

Assisting Colonel Ronan in the inspection were Lt. Col. J. J. D'Enbeau and Captain J. L. Tabor, of Headquarters XV United States Army Corps (Reserve); and Major J. Cleary, University of California at Berkeley.

The inspection took place on the 27th and 28th of April.



NOTED NOVELIST Walter Van Tilburg Clark spoke last weekend to members of the Nevada Council of Teachers of English and Foreign Languages. Clark, son of Walter E. Clark, former president of the University of Nevada, gave a reading and analysis of Henry James' "The Real Thing." —Dondero photo

**Carl Horn Plans July Retirement**

Carl M. Horn, superintendent of buildings and grounds, who has seen students come and go from the University of Nevada for the past fifty years, will retire July 1 of this year.

Carl is one of the few Nevadans who can remember the Nevada campus in 1909, the year he started work at the University. There were only six buildings on the "hill" at that time, and the rest was made up of alfalfa fields where students could feed their horses, says Carl.

The buildings which remain from this era are Lincoln hall, Manzanita hall, Mackay School of Mines, and ancient Morrill and Stewart halls.

Carl came from Germany in 1908 and in 1909 he arrived in Reno where he got his first and only steady job in America, which was at the University.

"It seems like yesterday," said Carl, "when I arrived in Reno with two dollars in my pocket. I would have had six dollars, but when my train stopped in Pueblo, Colorado, I was fascinated by this thing they called a fountain pen, and I spent four dollars for one."

Carl struggled to learn English for years, and was helped by his brother, who was a student at the University at the time. Carl gave a large portion of his small wage to help his brother through school.

When Carl began work at the University, he earned a unique distinction as his first job was to mow the Mackay quad for the first time.

Horn was soon in charge of campus plumbing problems and getting \$65 for his sixty-hour week. He lived at Lincoln hall, where the board was \$15 and the room \$6 a month.

Carl remembers well when he and other patrons of the old "rams pasture," as Lincoln hall was then called, dunked the rowdy elements of the living dormitory. The dunking was done in cold water and the victim had to blow sixteen bubbles before his head was allowed to emerge from the icy water. "Sometimes they would come out quite purple," Horn said.

One of the most difficult things for Horn to get used to in America was the lack of good beer. He finally got used to missing the good beer, and doesn't drink any beer at all, to this day.

"As the good old days flew by," said Horn, "the campus continued to grow and Manzanita lake was constructed, and the tram which now crosses the lake was built."

In 1947 Carl M. Horn was made superintendent of buildings and grounds of the University by the school's board of regents.

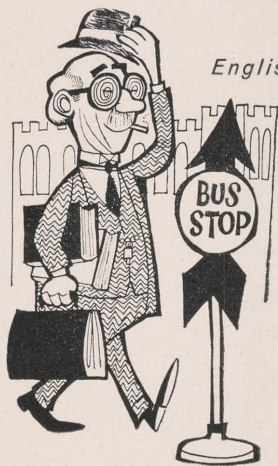
Last year Carl received a seldom conferred award, when he became an honorary member of Sun-downers, a campus brotherhood fraternity.

"My life has been a happy one," says Horn, "in summing up his life. "I have managed to make a good honest living and put a little money in the bank to enjoy my retirement," he said.

Carl is going to move into a new home in Reno when he retires. After he gets settled he plans to travel around the West "a little bit."

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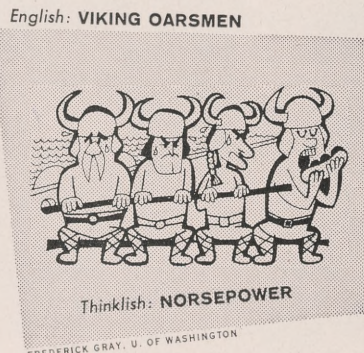
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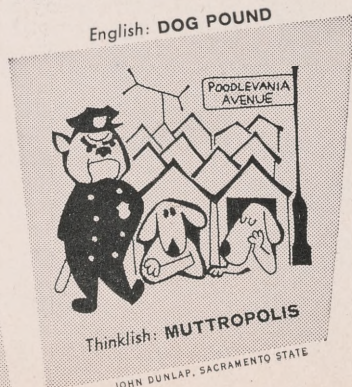
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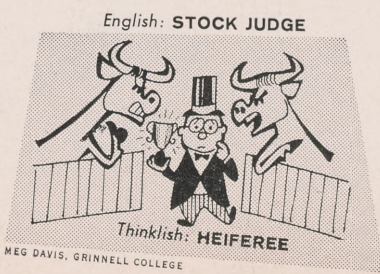
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## Ellen Mackay Berlin, Granddaughter Of John Mackay, To Be Honored Here

Author Ellin Mackay Berlin, granddaughter of Comstock bonanza figure John W. Mackay, will be honored with the degree of Doctor of Letters at the University of Nevada tomorrow.

President Charles J. Armstrong has announced that the ceremony will take place during the traditional Mackay Day celebration on the Reno campus. The degree will be conferred at the base of the

statute of John Mackay, the bearded prospector who became one of Virginia City's early-day bonanza kings. The Mackay family was the University of Nevada's first major benefactor.

Ellin Mackay Berlin, wife of composer Irving Berlin, is a well-known author of such books as "Land I Have Chosen," "Lace Curtain," and "Silver Platter," the latter an intimate biography of her grandmother, Marie Hungerford.

The convocation ceremony will take place immediately before the Mackay Day luncheon. Mrs. Berlin will be presented to President Armstrong by Dr. Effie Mona Mack, author-historian and biographer of Mark Twain.

Mrs. Berlin is the sister of Mrs. Robert Z. Hawkins of Reno and John W. Mackay of Long Island. Her parents were Clarence Hungerford Mackay and Katherine Duer, through whom a number of gifts were made to the University of Nevada in its early years.

Her writing career began with articles for such national magazines as Ladies Home Journal, Saturday Evening Post, Vogue and New Yorker. "Land I Have Chosen," her first book, was published in 1944. In 1948, "Lace Curtain" appeared, and her latest book, "Silver Platter" was published in 1957. This latter work, a biography of her grandmother, Marie Hungerford Mackay, won reviewers' praise as an exclusive chronicle of American life.

Much of the book is given to the years that Mrs. Mackay lived in Virginia City. In her research for this work, Mrs. Berlin visited many parts of the west and foreign countries to trace details of her grandmother's life.

## Seniors May Be Freed Of Taking Final Exams

Wheels are turning in the process to exempt seniors from final examinations.

The Academic committee, in a recent meeting, unanimously passed a motion that "each dean, to the fullest extent practicable, encourage departments to explore carefully the possibility of a comprehensive examination or paper for seniors, to be administered or completed approximately one month prior to commencement, in courses in the student's major field."

It was requested that the deans report any plans made by their colleges to the Academic committee.

James Santini, senior class president and spearhead of the movement to make the change, says that the action is just starting.

"Next year's seniors and juniors must take up the cause and continue efforts for improvement. Many colleges have some system similar to the one we are proposing."

Carol Crisler and Bernard Mergen, members of the Senior class committee, have been instrumental in bringing the matter to the discussion stage, Santini says, and Dean William R. Wood has also aided considerably.

If the program is accepted, instructors would have the option of allowing some seniors to write a paper or take a comprehensive examination in lieu of a final exam in each class.

"Our proposal is definitely making advances," said Santini, "however, anything definite will probably not go into effect until next year at the earliest."

## Life of John Mackay Was Colorful And Exciting in Early Nevada Days

By Ed Allison

Have you stopped to talk to John Mackay lately? He can be seen standing at the end of the University of Nevada squad, one hand resting slightly on his pick and the other holding a piece of ore, and he is looking toward his mountains by Virginia city.

If you can get his attention he will tell you about his life, and how he made his fortune when the big "Bonanza" was struck in 1873.

He will tell you he was born in Dublin, Ireland on November 28, 1831.

"My parents brought me to New York nine years later when I learned the shipbuilding trade," says John.

"While working in New York I got "gold fever" real badly so I pulled up stakes and went to San

Francisco," he said.

He told me how he bought a pick and shovel and started out searching for gold, and in July of 1859 he and his partner James O'Brien packed their equipment and carried it on their backs across the Sierras to join the gold hunt in Washoe, Nevada.

He had many disappointments during his early days in Nevada. He gradually worked his way from laborer to superintendent of the Hale and Norcross mine near Virginia city. In less than ten years he had become partners with James C. Fair by buying half interest in the "Consolidated Virginia and California."

Mackay paused a moment as he told me about his beloved wife whom he married shortly after buying interest in the CVC.

He and his partner had sunk \$200,000 in their mine. They had been following a small seam of gold, and then finally the vein widened to 15 feet. "During the year of 1873," said John Mackay, "we were working in one of the greatest deposits of silver and gold the world has ever known."

Mackay said that the "Bonanza," as the strike was called, yielded over one hundred million dollars.

He told me how he laid a cable across the Atlantic connecting two continents and supplemented it with a telegraph service.

"After the birth of my two sons we moved to Europe and travelled a lot," said John Mackay.

He told me painfully of his eldest son's death and with this he looked back toward his hills by Virginia City.

I could not get his attention again but perhaps next year he will finish his story for me.

## Biology Group Has Exhibit in Lounge

Ape and human skulls, insects and human fetuses are all included in the current biology club display in the Student Union lounge.

The display is lodged in glass cases just inside the main entrance to the lounge, near the doors to the student store.

The biology club plans to change the exhibit each week, in order to present as many botanical, zoological and geological objects as possible. The first exhibit was set up on April 13, and included primitive insects and the four-foot long femur, or upper-leg bone, of a mammoth. The bone from the mammoth was discovered by Dr. Ira LaRivers near Gerlach, Nevada.

Bill Adams and Noel Parkhurst are in charge of presenting the weekly exhibits.

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# First Annual Nevada High School Decathlon Scheduled Late in May

The first annual invitational High School Decathlon will be staged by University of Nevada in Mackay stadium on May 22, according to Dr. G. A. Broten, chairman of health, physical education and athletics.

Invitations are being sent to all Nevada high schools to enter their outstanding track stars in the six-event decathlon to be di-

rected by Nevada's head track coach Dick Dankworth.

Events will consist of either the pole vault or high jump depending upon the choice of the competitors, the broad jump, the shot put, 100-yard dash, 120-yard low hurdles, and the 880-yard run.

The Decathlon has been sanctioned by the High School Interscholastic League of Nevada and competition will be governed by the rules of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States.

Deadline for entries is Friday, May 8.

In addition to Coach Dankworth who serves as Decathlon director, the committee is composed of Glenn J. Lawlor, director of athletics; Dr. G. A. Broten, chairman of health, physical education, and athletics; Dean Sam Basta, dean of student affairs; Dr. Morris Beasley, chairman of the mathematics department; and J. E. Martie, professor of physical education.

# Budget Provides for Equipment Man

A full-time equipment man may be named within several weeks.

Equipment maintenance, purchasing, issuing, and reports will fall into the job duties.

The athletic department may hire a professional trainer next year. This would aid the athletes and coaches considerably, however there is no allowance in the present budget for such a position.

# SPORTS

## Nevada Thinclads Completes Season With Home Meet

Tomorrow, the 'Pack will host San Francisco State in a dual meet at Mackay Stadium. And everyone is raring to go.

Saturday will be the last chance fans have to see the Nevadans in action at Mackay Stadium. On May 9, The Wolf Pack will compete in the Far West Conference finals at Davis. The National Collegiate Athletic Association regional meet will be held on May 23 at Chico, as will the NSAA finals on June 6.

There are no injuries and the whole team should be on hand for tomorrow's meet, which may well result in more records being broken. Events will start in the early afternoon.

## Top Coaches Are Secured To Head University of Nevada Coaching Clinic

The University of Nevada's sixth annual Coaching School June 15-19 will feature Iowa football coach Forest Evashevski and

Kansas State basketball mentor Tex Winter.

The five-day clinic on the Reno campus is again expected to draw university, junior college, high school and service team coaches from most western states. It will be under the direction of Dr. G. A. Broten, chairman of health, physical education, and athletics at the University of Nevada.

## McEachron to Quit Coaching Game

Gordon McEachron, head football and golf coach for the past four years, who will be replaced next year by Dick Trachok, present Reno high school coach, will enter the insurance business, it was learned this week.

McEachron resigned from his position at the University earlier this year. He will become an insurance agent in Apple Valley, California.

He was offered this position four years ago but elected to come to the University of Nevada instead. Upon his resignation he was again offered the position.

He will remain at the University until July 1, when his resignation becomes effective.

Forest Evashevski of Iowa will present the football coaching instruction and workshop. Evashevski coached the Hawkeyes to national stature, winning the Big Ten title twice in the last three years.

He is regarded as a master of the unexpected and stresses defenses that are both baffling and flexible.

Basketball instruction will be given by Fred "Tex" Winter of Kansas State. With two conference crowns in three years and a 20-3 season record of winning basketball he was named Coach of the Year in 1958. Winter stresses fundamentals in basketball.

Kickapoo Logan, former professional team trainer, will give instruction in training methods and injury treatment.

Courses include lecture instruction and practical demonstration in football and basketball techniques, and training rules. Credit earned is equivalent to two college units.

Registration begins at 8 a. m. on June 15 in the campus gymnasium. Fees for the five-day session are \$20 for resident Nevada coaches and \$24 for non-residents.

Both lodging and dining facilities are available on the campus. For further information contact Dr. G. A. Broten, chairman of the departments of health, physical education, and athletics at the University of Nevada.

## Tennis Team Fails To Win

University of Nevada's tennis team is being aced out in its attempts for victory.

The netmen will enter play Sunday at 1 p. m. with the Reno tennis club. Nevadans have a 7 loss, no win record. Sunday matches will be played on club courts at the golf course. Nevada will enter 9 singles-men and 4 or 5 doubles teams.

Cal Aggies defeated Nevada 5-2 in matches at Chico on April 10. On the eleventh, Humboldt State narrowly won over the 'Pack, 4-3.

7-0 was the score when Sacramento State had finished with Nevada on April 17.

Chico State defeated the Blue and Silver 6-1 on the morning of April 18. That afternoon, San Francisco State gave Nevada its final trouncing of the day by winning 6-1.

And on April 25, Shasta College men served up a 7-2 win over the deflated Nevadans.

The Far Western conference champions will be held at Sacramento on May 8 and 9. Nevada Coach Bob Laughter will take four men to the matches. Two top men will enter the singles competition and Nevada will enter one team in the doubles meet.

The Wolfpack team is made up of nine men. They are, in order of their playing position, Pete Evezich, Jim Randall, John Brown, Ken Gray, Ed Petroni, Skip Setty, Hugh Montrose and Bill Bianci.

## PEM Elections

Karen Decker was elected president of PEM's recently. Included in the new slate of officers is Elizabeth Cox, vice-president; Joan Ruark, secretary; and Myrna Thompson, treasurer.



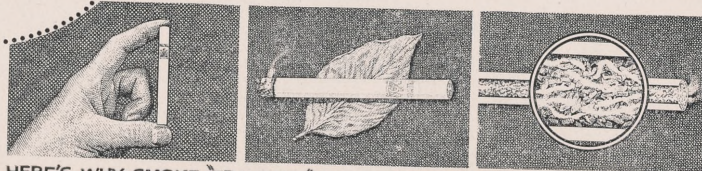
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### Complete ROTC Candidate Interviews

Interviewing of sophomore students for next year's Junior ROTC class has been completed, announced Lieutenant Colonel Charles E. Ronan. Announcement of those students selected will be made after the applicants complete physical examinations. The physicals are now being conducted at Stead Air Force base.



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**BEARDED KEITH KELLISON**, Mackay Day chairman, promises lots of action during the traditional University of Nevada celebration. Action will be hot and heavy with events taking place continuously.

### Artemisian-Manzanita Elects New Officers

New officers were elected by the Artemisia-Manzanita association recently. Elections on April 15 brought Betty Edmondson into the office of president, and Susan Keeley as the new A. W. S. representative. Elizabeth Cox is the vice president of Artemisia and Peggy Eriksen is the vice president of Manzanita.

Mary Ann Erb is the new secretary, and Tamara ("Tammy") Tenk is the assistant secretary. Margot Berney, the new treasurer, will be backed up by Bartis Nordloh as assistant treasurer. Social functions will be handled by Carole Warner, social chairman, and Sue Pinneo, assistant social chairman. Athletic functions will be handled by Norma Fenili, sports director.

## Beards and Costumes Order of Day As Committee Enforces Traditions

The campus reverted to the 1800's and to frontier justice today as women came out in century-old garb, men sported a variety of beards, and conventionally-dressed women and unbearded men faced the punishments dictated by University tradition.

The men's upper class committee, charged with the duty of upholding school tradition, slapped offending males into colonial-period stocks. Women who didn't look like they came straight out of a Currier and Ives print, faced the kangaroo court. They were locked in a wooden prison with silver-colored bars, and forced to sing or pay a fine to get out. Keith Kellison, Mackay Day general chairman, says that these fines will be applied toward the cost of financing the Mackay Day activities.

Men in the stocks are released after a short period for good behavior.

### More on Queens

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for the men's stand. Dressed appropriately for the Mackay Day celebration, the four-man committee wore western clothing and toted six-guns and shotguns. They stood near the polls and told voters that they had a democratic right to write in a candidate, and that this right was being violated by the AWS council.

Dean Elaine Mobley told the four western-attired lobbyists that they were creating a problem for the girls in charge of the election.

"You have had your fun," Dean Mobley told the lobbyists, "and it would be best if you left the girls alone."

When asked if she thought the AWS ruling was undemocratic, Dean Mobley also refused to comment. She said that the AWS was given the power by the ASUN senate to have complete charge of Queen elections. She said that if the men students or the total student-body were not pleased with the way the elections were being handled, an appeal should be made through proper channels.

In telling the four lobbyists this, she maintained that she was not implying that their actions at the polls were improper.

The four lobbyists were Frank Way, Alex Rynecki, Bob Neighbors, and Richard Yates.

Lobbyist Rynecki said Miss Gardenswartz was evading the issue when she refused to comment on the ruling of the council being democratic or undemocratic.

"You are a voting member of the council," Rynecki told Miss Gardenswartz in a mild row before a crowd of approximately twenty persons in the Jot Travis Student Union. "Why will you not state an opinion on the democratic implications of the ruling?"

Miss Gardenswartz replied, "If the student body is dissatisfied with the procedures of the elections they should appeal to the AWS council or the ASUN senate."

The stand of the lobbyists was that any male student should be able to vote for any female student he chooses.

Men who resist the committee automatically become nominees for a laking. Dean Sam Basta has ruled against throwing the beardless ones into the lake, but Kellison said earlier this week that a few men might be laked before the Mackay celebrations were over.

Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity had a higher percentage of beards among its members than any other men's campus living group. Ninety percent of the Sig Ep's had at least two week's growth of beard when the count was made last Monday evening by Kellison, and beard chairman Clay Darrow.

Other men's living groups, and the percentage of reported beard-cultivators among them, are: Alpha Tau Omega, 88%; Phi Sigma Kappa, 85 o/o; Lincoln hall 67 o/o; Lambda Chi Alpha, 64 o/o; Theta Chi, 38 o/o.

At tomorrow night's Mackay Day dance, awards will be given to the men's living group having the largest number of bearded members present, and to the women's living group with the most girls in costume.

Members of the four sororities and of Artemisia-Manzanita reported in at the student union to wearing costumes. At Sagebrush press time, it was not known which living group had the highest percentage of costumed members.

Beards were judged by local barbers at last night's assembly, and trophies were given for the blackest, reddest, thickest, and best-trimmed beards.

### MACKAY DAY HAS SERIOUS PURPOSE

The University of Nevada will honor its benefactors for the Gifts amounting to over two million dollars were donated to the university in memory of John W. Mackay. The statue of Mackay and the Mackay School of Mines were dedicated June 10, 1908 on Commencement Day. An estimated 10,000 attended the dedication, and Acting Governor D. S. Dickerson proclaimed the day a state holiday. After this first Mackay Day, students have observed the holiday annually except for an interruption during the war years.

The first gift to the university came at a time when it was badly in need of facilities for the school of mines. Other gifts from the Mackay family include the Mackay Stadium and the Mackay Science hall. The last gift was 26 acres of land on the north end of the campus in 1936.

### ROTC Men Sped Day Firing Marine Mortar

Sophomore students in ROTC spent an hour firing at a beer can during ROTC classes earlier this month.

The can was a target for the first mortar ever fired on the University of Nevada campus.

Miniature projectiles were fired from the weapon.

The exercise approximated actual range firing, and although the beer can was still standing at the end of the barrage, Captain Walter J. Ward, who supervised the firing, termed the field problem a success.

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