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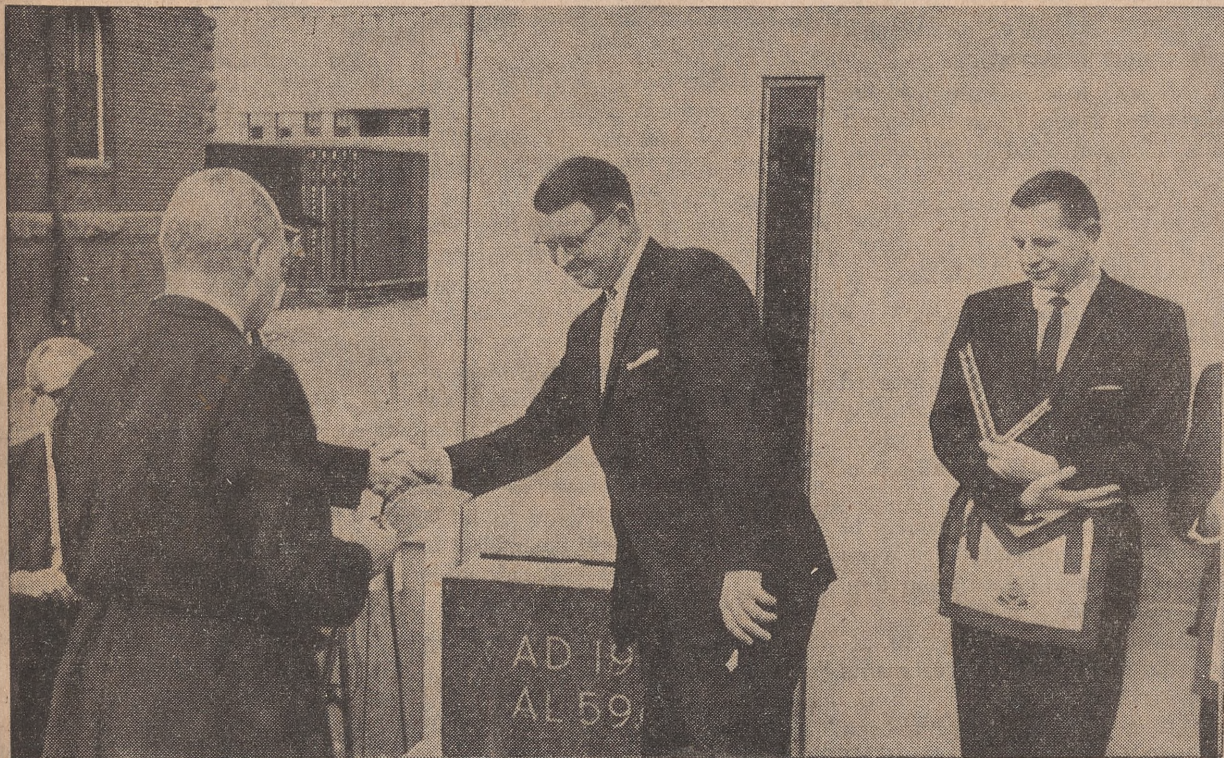
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University Shifts From Brawn to Brain Inaugurating 4-Year Honors Program



PRESIDENT CHARLES J. ARMSTRONG gets set to join the list of dignitaries spreading cement on the cornerstone of the Noble H. Getchell library. Nearby stands a Mason with a square ready to check the specifications of the stone. When everybody was done, a regular mason finished the job. The ceremonies were held Sunday afternoon in front of the student union.

Mortar Spread, Stone Laid For Million-Dollar Getchell Library

By DOUG BUCHANAN, Managing Editor

Amid Masonic pomp and circumstance, the multi-million dollar Noble H. Getchell library was dedicated on the Reno campus Sunday before a sparse crowd.

Dr. Charles E. Fleming, former member of the University faculty, gave the dedication address as a cornerstone was laid in the new \$2.8 million building.

Fleming called the cornerstone-laying an "occasion of imposing significance," and called the library the "most important building on the campus of the University of Nevada."

The ceremonies were conducted by the Nevada Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

Grand Master Stanley Sundeen, a student at Nevada 30 years ago, presided.

Million Dollar Library

The library so far has cost the state nearly \$2.8 million dollars. The 1959 session of the state legislature kicked off construction with a \$2,572,912 appropriation.

Construction got underway in early 1960, and the building is set to be occupied before the end of 1961.

Furnishing of the structure is still a trouble point, however, between the board of regents and the state purchasing office. The office awarded a contract for furnishings to Armarko Office Supply Co. of Reno last week, and the regents protested the move.

They said the contracts for furnishings did not measure up to specifications, and favored the advice of an expert in the matter.

Anyway, when all the noise is over, the new library will get down to the daily grind of taking care of the student body. And it can do a better job than the old Clark Memorial Library, which seated only ten percent of the students and housed less than 40 percent of the school's books.

The new building has a square foot total of 91,125 and can take care of a staggering 1,400 students. It has conference rooms, study areas, administrative offices, and typing rooms.

The unique Lester D. Summer-

field room will house special collections.

Meanwhile, the old library will start to replace Morrill Hall as the site of University administration offices. Some will be shifted there when the move to the new library is completed.

Morrill hall, in fact, once had the library inside of it back around the turn of the century. The first library building on campus is still in use as the headquarters of the journalism department.

Getchell

The new building is named for an imposing figure in Nevada mining, politics, and economics. He was Noble H. Getchell, who died early in 1960 about a month after construction began on the building bearing his name.

Getchell, a California native, graduated from the University of Washington, although he later got an honorary doctor of mining economics degree from Nevada.

He began his Nevada mining career in 1920, and later headed the Getchell Mine, the world's second largest gold producer.

He was a bank director, state senator, Republican national committee member, and president pro tempore of the state senate.

He died at the age of 85.

Ceremonies

Cornerstone laying ceremonies started with the traditional pro-

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Over 100 Frosh to Sign for Honors

With a look to the future bachelor degrees with honors, the University of Nevada is inaugurating an honors program of studies, keeping pace with colleges and universities all over the nation in providing superior opportunities for outstanding students.

The honors program is mainly aimed at the incoming freshman class, but it is possible for a sophomore to graduate with honors in 1964.

Greek Rush Up, 146 Men Join Friday

Nevada's eight fraternities brought in one of the largest total pledge classes in the past years this fall.

Out of more than 170 men signed up for a new-style rush, 146 signed pledge cards last Friday in the education auditorium.

Alpha Tau Omega was the top-heavy leader in numbers pledged with 47 new men. Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Nu trailed a ways back with 34 and 31 pledges respectively.

Lambda Chi Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon battled it out for the number four position, with Lambda Chi taking the spot; 18 men pledged Lambda Chi, while the Sig Eps took a 14-man pledge class.

Taking less than 10 men were Phi Sigma Kappa, Theta Chi and Chi Sigma. Seven men pledged Phi Sig, three went Theta Chi, and two joined Chi Sigma.

This year's rush differed from that of past years because it was held before registration. Dick Warner, Inter-Fraternity council rush chairman, called it one of the best rush periods in Nevada fraternity history.

"From all indications, the pre-rush system worked very well and will probably be used in the future," said Warner.

A complete listing of new pledges and their affiliations will be given in the next issue of the Sagebrush.

Sales Start Sept. 13 For Discount Cards

In addition to giving students cut rates for various services, discount cards this year will have a second feature as profits on the sale of the cards will go into a special fund to be donated to University students.

For many years, student discount cards have been handled by an outside firm. This year, the ASUN has taken over sale of the cards at the price of \$1.

Students purchasing discount cards on registration day will get special rates at Rissones service station, Sierra Laundry, Riverside Flower shop, and Beatty's Varsity cleaners.

From ACT scores and grade point averages, approximately 120 freshmen and 35 sophomores have been listed as prospective honors students by the University committee on honors studies.

Dr. Robert T. Roelofs, chairman of the honors committee, said of the program, "Through careful selection of students whose high school and college performances indicate better-than-average abilities, we hope to develop a select group of highly-specialized, highly-trained students, whose work will be carried on within the framework of the University."

The basic objective of the University honors program is not more work but better work. For this reason, only students whose predicted or ascertained performance in academic work is B or better are being encouraged to undertake honors studies.

Students entering the honors program beginning this fall will work closely with their advisors and will be encouraged to take as many honors courses as their schedules will permit. To register for an honors course, a student must first obtain permission from his advisor and then from the course instructor.

Included in the current honors program are several types of honors studies for the various courses being offered this fall.

Honors sections of standard courses may be taken in English 101, political science 101, and economics 201.

In a second category, additional quality work in standard courses may earn honors credits. The example this fall is geology 101. Honors students taking this course will do work beyond the normal amount required by the instructor.

Special reading programs and research projects are a third means of earning honors credits this fall. Courses listed by the committee for this type of honors studies include philosophy 499, and English courses 495, 496, 497, and 498.

Individual instruction in music may be taken as a fourth type of honors study.

Physics 203 is an example of a course open to freshmen students for advanced placement as a fifth type of study in the honors program. This general physics course for engineering students may be taken by a superior freshman during his first University semester.

Foreign language courses in French, German, and Spanish may

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Limelighters Here Dec. 13 In TUB Show

Continuing to provide programs of entertainment and information, the Jot Travis student union is opening the 1961-62 year with a list of excellent events.

Highlighting the first semester will be a TUB-sponsored address by Eugene Burdick, co-author of "The Ugly American." Burdick's talk is scheduled for Oct. 5.

The Limelighters, San Francisco songsters who are threatening the popularity of the Kingston Trio, will appear on campus Dec. 13, according to Dave Short, student union board president.

The TUB will continue to sponsor stereo concerts in the dining commons weekly on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Sunday movies, starting at 7 p. m. in the education auditorium, round out the student union program. The first movie will be "Seven Year Itch," to be seen Sept. 24, followed by "Man in the Gray Flannel Suit" Oct. 1.

Short announces there will be seven vacancies on the student union board as of Oct. 1. Nominations for replacements may be made in room 112 of the TUB before that date.



GOVERNOR SAWYER SAYS that Lake Tahoe's natural beauty is fast being spoiled, but the freshmen who flocked to the lake for last weekend's Treknic won't agree. A chance shot (above) caught a glimpse of some of the lake terrain, a new Nevada feature as the men-to-women ratio continues to drop. These two figures in the 1961 enrollment statistics are waiting for the ratio to start appreciating them.—Sagebrush Photo.

Wolf Pack - Airmen to Clash; Redlands Opens Year Sept. 23

The University of Nevada's football team will warm up for their season opener, on Sept. 23 at Redlands university, with a full-dress scrimmage against McClellan AFB at Mackay Stadium Thursday evening, Sept. 14, under the lights. There will be no charge for this early season preview.

About 50 candidates have been practicing with the team since workouts began on Sept. 1. These include members of last season's squad, junior college transfers and a few specially invited freshmen, according to head coach Dick Trachok.

After the game against Redlands, the Wolf Pack will tackle Portland State in the first home game of the season on September 30. Other home games on Nevada's schedule include contests with

Chico State, California Aggies, Cal Poly of Pomona (Homecoming) and Colorado State.

Besides Redlands, the Silver and Blue will meet San Francisco State, Sacramento State and Humboldt State in games away from home.

Coach Trachok will be assisted this year by Dick Dankworth, Floyd Edsall and Bill Ireland.

... Honors Program

(Continued from Front Page) also be taken through the advanced placement method this fall. Students who have completed two years of a foreign language in high school with high grades and one semester of additional college work in the same language, or students with one year of college foreign language with high grades may elect 300 courses in that language with the permission of the department chairman.

In addition to these types of honors studies, courses numbered 500 or above when taken for undergraduate credit may earn honors points.

Honors points are awarded on the basis of not more than one point for each credit hour of honors work in courses numbered below 500, and not more than two points for each credit hour of honors work in courses numbered 500 or above.

For a student to meet the University requirements of graduation with honors he must complete all requirements in the college program he has selected, attain a B average in all college work as well as in his field of concentration, successfully complete honors studies providing a total of 24 honors points, and successfully complete an oral and/or written examination during his final year of study.

A student must maintain a grade of B to receive honors points for the various courses. Although students are encouraged to start their program of honors studies in their freshman and sophomore years, formal application for the honors program is not made by a student until his junior year. A grade point average of B must be maintained to remain in the program.

According to Dr. Roelofs, future plans for the expansion of the honors program will include special honors courses for which there will not be regular course equivalents.

Dr. Roelofs explains that the honors committee plans to expand this new program of study each semester by adding more courses available for honors credit leading to eventual honors graduation within departments, in addition to the English department.

Three principles lie back of the University of Nevada honors program. First, students do better work if they are stimulated by other bright students. In addition to being brought together in honors sections and accelerated classes, a special room in the Getchell library will be available for honors students to meet together.

Secondly, the committee feels students do better work with special attention. For this reason the honors classes will generally be small, limited to about 15 students. Other courses, such as music classes, are tutorial.

Third, students do better work if they are encouraged to do individual work such as special reading programs and individual research projects.

In addition to Dr. Roelofs, members of the University honors studies committee include Dr. Harold N. Brown, Dr. Robert E. Clute, Dr. Willem Houwink, Dr. Charlton G. Laid, Prof. Robert B. McKee, and Dr. Robert N. Tompson. This committee was appointed by University President Charles J. Armstrong during the summer, but the honors program has been under study during the past year.

The committee started working on the program in the fall, reported to the faculty in January, and the program was approved by the faculty and the administration in May.

Although the program is well under way, the committee will continue to explore every possible means of expanding the program to make it as near University-wide as is feasible.

Frosh Travel To Stateline For Treknic

Over twice as many freshmen than the figure for last year gathered on the shores of Lake Tahoe Saturday for the second annual "treknic," one of the several orientation week activities.

Approximately 570 new students made the trip this year, compared to 260 for last year.

Accompanying the large group were members of Blue Key and Sagens who informed the freshmen on various campus traditions. Swimming, volleyball, a barbecue and dancing were other activities during the day spent on the 4-H campgrounds at Stateline.

The dance at Tahoe replaced the Icebreaker dance in the student union, formerly held during orientation week.

Saturday Dance On SAE Courts

Tennis courts will be converted into a dance floor this Saturday night when Sigma Alpha Epsilon sponsors an outdoor all-school dance.

Dancing on the tennis courts in back of the fraternity house on Evans avenue will last from 9 p. m. to midnight.

All students are invited to attend this free dance. Refreshments will be served.

The tennis court dance has been the traditional opening dance of the school year when it was replaced in recent years by the student union sponsored Ice Breaker dance.

Girls Push Spirit

Furthering school spirit at football games, with the aid of a large group of freshmen women is a new project of Sagers, underclassmen's service organization.

According to Sagers President Don Heath, a pep club will be formed by members of the service organization and interested freshmen women.

Marilyn Madsen is in charge of organizing the women who will join the Sagers on the 50-yard line during football games. Approximately one hundred seats have been reserved for the group on the middle line.

Members of the cheering section may bring dates or come stag, Heath said.

The idea for the pep club was formulated by Heath, ASUN President Baul Bible, and AWS President Bev Roberson.

Blue Key Men Kick Off Drive To Dredge Manzanita Lake

Manzanita Lake will get a face lifting sometime in 1962 as a campaign by Blue Key progresses to have the body of water dredged and refilled.

A goal of nine thousand dollars has been set to cover the cost of having the lake cleaned. Kick-off date for donations from students will be this Wednesday, registration day.

Blue Key, upperclassmen's service organization, is sponsoring the campaign as a service project to help beautify the campus. Bob Blair is overall chairman of the project.

In addition to donations from present students of the University, special brochures on the lake-dredging project will be sent to alumni and other interested persons.

Bids to contractors will be open Feb. 1, 1962.

The University of Nevada's board of regents recently termed the Blue Key campaign one of the best student projects in many years.

'Big Wigs' to Tahoe For Annual Meet

With an overall theme of "Directions," student government officials and other campus leaders will discuss the coming school year during leadership conference Sept. 16 and 17 at Lake Tahoe.

The group leaves Saturday afternoon for the conference at the 4-H camp at Stateline and will hear an address by University President Charles J. Armstrong that evening. Also meeting that day will be committees on Homecoming, Mackay Day, Winter Carnival, elections, public relations, assemblies and awards.

Topics for discussion groups at the 1962 leadership conference are foreign student relations, student union, campus spirit and traditions, peace corps and other overseas programs, and academic standards.

ASUN budgets will be read Sunday and the group will return to Reno that evening.

First regular issue of the Sagebrush will appear on Campus Tuesday, Sept. 19.

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People spreading cement on the stone included State Senator Fred Settlemeyer; Archie Grant, board of regents chairman; Dr. Charles J. Armstrong, president of the University; Silas Ross, former chairman and Gene Empey, state planning board chairman.

Then when everyone of note had spread cement, a man in levis and a work shirt came out and finished the job, spreading the remaining cement and pushing the stone into its place. Then he re-took his seat on the stand with suited and aproned dignitaries.

Dr. Fleming, a former chairman of the University's department of range management and noted agricultural expert, delivered the address.

He outlined the history of cornerstone-laying for a crowd that numbered around 200. A light rain

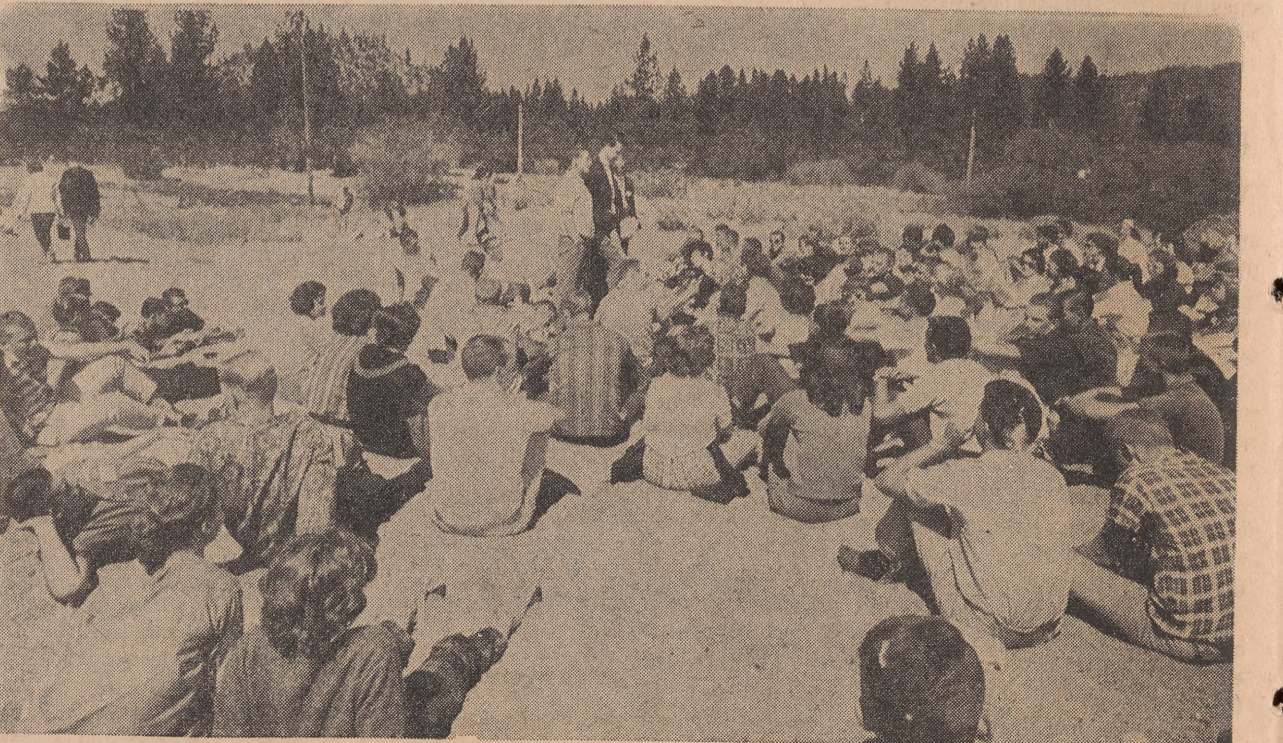
tried to interrupt his speech, but didn't. It let up, and then refrained from falling hard until everyone was safely inside the student union for the reception.

Fleming called cornerstone-laying an expression of man's desire to transmit parts of his time to those of future generations.

He said that the strength of our institution and the future of the republic depends on the provisions made in constitutions years ago.

He quoted Samuel Doten, who wrote a history of the University. Doten said: "The truth is that the members of the constitutional convention of the state of Nevada made better provisions for education than could at that time be found in any other state with the possible exception of Michigan."

The University started in Elko in 1874 with a two-member faculty. It got its first president in the late 1880's.



BOB BACKUS AND ANDY MACKENZIE showed up at the Lake Tahoe Treknic Saturday to inform the new freshmen of campus traditions. The Treknic was an all-day affair designed to acquaint the students with the University and the surrounding area. When the day's work was done, the troops held a dance, then headed for home on buses.