

Waring Group Features Hums, Changes Of Pitch

"The beginning of it all," according to Fred Waring, "was the family group singing around the piano during my childhood."

Since then, Waring has developed a 4-piece amateur band into a world-famous musical group which has been known for 35 years as the Pennsylvanians.

From the Drum and Bugle Corps of Tyrone, Pennsylvania, sprang the beginnings of the

Pennsylvanians. Known first as the "Banjazzra," Waring's small band played at local parties and school functions. "We may not have been good," Waring reminisces, "but we were loud."

Graduating to college and two new names, the Snap Orchestra and Waring's Pencil Sharpeners, the group continued to function, playing mainly for fraternity parties. It was during college that "Sleep," the first arrangement in the Fred Waring Music Library, was made. Since then, "Sleep" has become a tradition and is played at the close of every performance.

After two years, the Waring troupe—enlarged to 10 men who could play 40 instruments—made their theater debut and bid farewell to college. In those days, bands in movie houses were a novelty, and one which could not only play but clown and sing too was an immediate sensation. From then on, fame came rapidly; and the glee club and orchestra expanded, entering the field of radio and, recently, television.

Today Fred Waring Enterprises means more than just the Pennsylvanians. It's a big business—the creation and training of choral groups, a music publishing firm specializing in choral arrangements, a choral workshop which shares the Waring techniques with choral directors across the nation, and a music magazine. Free counsel is always offered to schools and colleges on musical problems. The Music Library contains 6,000 Waring arrangements.

Waring inventor "push-button tuning" for his radio shows, and has written more than 2 dozen college songs for American colleges and universities.

Unusual arrangements, startling phrasing, long hums, sudden changes of volume and tempo and become musical trade-marks of the Waring troupe. On a trans-continental concert tour, the Pennsylvanians will present a three-hour concert, featuring these trade-marks, in the Coliseum Tuesday, March 3, at 8 p.m.

Tickets are being sold in booths in the Union and Ag Union lobbies. A special raised student section ticket costs \$1.50, and other tickets range from \$1 to \$3.

RED CROSS

Committee Interviews Set Feb. 26

Interviews for Red Cross committees will be held Thursday from 5 to 6 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

Committee positions open are: blood recruitment committee whose duty is to fill the monthly 75 pint quota for the University; orphanage committee, which plans parties, entertainment and games for each orphanage in Lincoln.

The penitentiary committee plans entertainment and sports events to take to the state penitentiary; special activities handles the spring banquet, Christmas caroling and other special events and the water safety committee teaches children who have polio to swim. The instructors must have a life saving badge to participate on this committee.

Handicraft committee, makes useful articles for hospitals, orphanages and banquet decorations; publicity committee handles all kinds of publicity for Red Cross; entertainment committee, plans shows to go to Veterans Hospitals, mental hospitals, orphanages and orthopedic; gray ladies committee, in which specially trained girls assist nurses at mental hospitals. The Red Cross trains the coeds and they are required to have free afternoons. Vets hospital committee, who take entertainment to vets, such as jokes, singing, cards and disc jockey shows.

Girls are required to have a 5 average and boys a 4.5 average. Applicants may sign for an interview time and position desired on the desk in the RCCU office. Filings close Wednesday at 5 p.m. Applicants will be interviewed by old and new executive officers.

Joyce Johnson heads the new cabinet. Other officers are: Connie Gordon, vice president; Shirley Murphy, secretary and Marvin Stromer, treasurer.

Lynn Trank's Paintings Exhibited At Art Show

Lynn Trank, former University art faculty member, is exhibiting 26 paintings in Miller and Paine's auditorium.

Trank is now teaching at Eastern Illinois State College at Charleston. He is remembered here for his drawings and etchings.

He spent a year in Mexico recently and his paintings reflect his stay there. All the familiar elements of the Mexican scenery are apparent in the pictures. Such things as colored mountains, rich fruits and flowers, birds, cathedrals and cacti are present.

The showing continues through Saturday.

Eighty NU Film Society Memberships Available

Eighty memberships in the University Film Society sponsored by the Union and YMCA are still available.

This is the Society's second year of bringing films to Lincoln which are not usually shown at the local theaters.

In 1952, three films were shown. This year six programs are planned, because the films last year were so well received, the Society stated.

Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., "All Quiet on the Western Front," one of the earliest sound films and war picture, will be shown. Lew Ayres and Louis Wolheim star in this 1930 screen adaptation of Eric Maria Remarque's World War I novel.

On Wednesday, March 11, Cur-

Ceres Club Offers \$50

Ceres Club of the University College of Agriculture is offering a \$50 scholarship for meritorious effort in school life as well as scholastic attainments to a girl registered in Ag College.

Candidates may secure application blanks at the office of Miss Margaret M. Cunnell, instructor in Home Economics. The applications must be mailed to Mrs. G. T. Webster, 1110 Idylwild Dr., by March 9.

Any girl registered in the College who will have sufficient hours to graduate in June of 1954 or at the end of summer school in 1954 is eligible under these conditions:

She must have earned at least one-third of her credit hours in the Home Economics course at the University.

She must have a scholastic average of not less than 3.5.

She must be wholly or partly self-supporting.

Before applying, candidates are requested to give the Registrar's Office permission to send grades to the address of Mrs. Webster.

Applicants must also mail in two letters from references who will testify as to need and character.

Those applying will meet with the committee for personal interviews in the Home Economics building from 2 to 4 p.m. March 13.

Mailman Retires



UNIVERSITY MAILMAN . . . Postman Alfred R. Skinner delivers mail to professors J. M. Reinhardt (seated) J. O. Hertzler and Lane W. Lancaster. Mr. Skinner recently retired from his mail delivery job after 23 years of service.

Journey Of Over 30,000 Miles Ends; Campus Postman For 32 Years Retires

Administration office workers will soon see a stranger carrying mail to them.

The man who has carried University mail since 1930 and has walked more than 30,000 miles on the campus is retiring. Alfred R. Skinner, dean of the three U.S. mail carriers who serve the downtown campus, decided to end his journey because "My legs aren't up to climbing stairs to let me do this job right."

Postman Skinner hasn't confined his job to just carrying mail. "You can't walk around a University as long as I have without having some of it rub off on you. I've left more than 75 tons of mail at University offices but I've picked up the equivalent of a college education," he said.

Many times he has paused in his campus rounds to hear professors discuss their subjects and views on economics, history or psychology.

Students also met the campus mailman. Skinner said he often saw students on vacation trips. "I was crossing on the ferry at San Francisco," he recalls, "and a young fellow stepped up and said, 'You're the University mailman!'"

Skinner says that, on the whole, professors "are a swell bunch of people." His judgment is from a social standpoint as well as officially.

Faculty members have considered the celebration of Skinner's birthday as one of their social functions for six years. Skinner once remarked that his birthday

came in January. A worker in one of the offices on his route told him he should have a party.

The mailman took the suggestion seriously and invited about 50 campus acquaintances. Skinner's birthday party has been an annual event since then.

The retiring postman began his University mail carrying career for the University in 1930.

Skinner remarked that the University's mail has increased greatly in the last 13 years. The

chancellor's office, office of admissions, the purchasing agent and the Extension office are a University mailman's "best customers."

Skinner says he isn't actually retiring. "I'll have a chance to do the repair work in my workshop that I've been trying to get to for the past ten years," he said. "I've promised about a hundred profs I'd fix something for them and when that's done, I'll fix things for other people."

Debut Scheduled Soon For 'Bounceable Car'

By MARIANNE HANSEN Staff Writer

The only "bounceable car" on the campus — probably in Nebraska — is about to make its debut.

Bob Snyder, a sophomore in engineering, is hoping to have the new car ready in two weeks.

Equipped with a fiber-glass body, his car will take hard bumps and bounce back into shape. The fiber-glass, which is a type of plastic cloth, is a good invention for women drivers, Snyder feels. When hit extremely hard, the body will rip, but may be quickly repaired by putting on another layer of fiber-glass and coating it with resin and paint.

Working since last summer in Fairbury on the project, Snyder built the car frame himself. He got the idea for the novel car

body from a magazine and had it shipped from California. The body takes considerable time to complete, because he must lay on a layer of cloth, then a layer of paint, and repeat this process until the body coating is 1/4-inch thick.

Snyder's car is built similar to a Jaguar, supported on a '49 Ford frame and equipped with a '51 Chrysler V-8 engine. The red roadster has bucket seats—complete with plastic seat covers—for two people. Its maximum speed is expected to be 160 miles per hour.

There are only about 50 of these plastic car bodies in the U.S. A relatively new invention, they are found mostly in California, where they are manufactured. Although light-weight and comparatively cheap, they have not become wide-spread because they take too long to assemble.

Yearly Debate, Discussion Conference Scheduled

Nearly 35 University students will compete in the 13th annual Debate and Discussion Conference this weekend on the University campus.

The annual speech event draws colleges and universities from a number of states to compete in five speech events: debate, discussion, oratory, extemporaneous speaking and radio broadcasting.

The University will have the following 10 team combinations participating in debate:

Dale Johnson and Wayne Johnson, Jack Rogers and Paul Laase, Ken Philbrick and Dave Gradwohl, Paul Means and Charles Klasek, Marv Friedman and Homer Kennison, Bob Raasch and Don Rosenberg, Charles Kiffin and Don Overholt, Norman Alexander and Russell Gutting, Allen Overcash and Jerry Igou and Joan Krueger and Doris Carlson.

Entered in discussion will be the following 27 students: Chuck Peetersen, Mitzie Mayer, Jerry Roe, Joan Hanson, Lloyd Graf, Bob Ficke, Julia Parrish, Jack Ingamells, Frank Carver, Allan Meyer, Maureen King, Wayne Johnson, Dale Johnson, Norman Alexander, Russell Gutting, Allen Overcash, Jerry Igou, Charles Kiffin, Don Overholt, Bob Raasch, Don Rosenberg, Marv Friedman, Homer Kennison, Ken Philbrick, Dave Gradwohl, Doris Carlson and Joan Krueger.

John Barrett and Bob Wells will represent the University in radio broadcasting and Jack Rogers and Dale Johnson, in oratory. Entries in the extemporaneous speaking event will be Paul Laase and Wayne Johnson.

The annual contest, which begins Friday and ends Saturday, is

sponsored by the Department of Speech. Donald Olson, Bruce Kendall and Donald Kline are in charge.

Names of participating schools will be announced later. Quality ratings and decisions will be given in the four rounds of debate. In individual events and in discussion, quality ratings will be given.

The final round of discussion will be a parliamentary session Saturday noon following the luncheon in the Union ballroom.

March 2 Date Set For Speech



C. Brandon Rimmer

"Can a Reasonable Man Believe in Jesus Christ as the Son of God," will be discussed by C. Brandon Rimmer Mar. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in Love Library Auditorium.

Rimmer has been lecturing throughout the United States for the past seven years on various secular and religious subjects.

Rimmer served as a Captain in the Air Force and participated in action during the African and Italian campaigns, winning the Distinguished Flying Cross.

He received his B.A. in philosophy from the University of Southern California in 1951, and is currently studying at the Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California.

Conference To Feature Address By Gov. Crosby

The 22nd annual conference and short-course of the Nebraska Water Well Drillers Association will be held in the University campus Thursday and Friday, Feb. 26-27.

Approximately 200 members of the association, the oldest active organization of its kind in the nation, will attend the conference, which is being held in cooperation with the University's Division of Conservation and Survey.

Gov. Robert Crosby will speak at a dinner at the Lincoln Hotel Thursday evening.

Other speakers will include Prof. Clifford M. Hicks, and John F. Schunk, both of the University, and Charles Hedges of Lincoln.

Blood Quota Rises; Donations Needed

The University blood quota has been raised from 30 to 75 pints for this month.

Students are still urgently needed as donors for the Bloodmobile visit Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 23-24.

Shirley Murphy, blood recruiting chairman, explained that the group scheduled for this month is unable to fulfill the college quota. She stressed that blood will be distributed equally between polo and defense.

Anyone wishing to donate should call the Lancaster County Red Cross Chapter, phone 2-5988, for an appointment. The Bloodmobile will be located at the Scottish Rite Temple, 15th & L streets.

Senior Check

All students who expect to receive associate, baccalaureate or advanced degrees or any teaching certificate at the end of the current semester are reminded to apply for these degrees at the Senior Checking Office, Room 5, Administration Building, by March 1, 1953. Office hours are 9-4 daily and 10-12 on Saturday.

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