

PBK, Sigma Xi Elect Forty-Seven Scholars

Forty-seven top scholars have been elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic society and Sigma Xi, national honorary scientific research society.

New members were introduced at the societies' annual joint banquet Tuesday night.

Elected to membership in both groups were Gary Bannister, Richard Christensen, Michael Derieg, Charles Gibson and Mrs. Marilee Nyquist Gray.

Other new members are: Mrs. Jane Laese Becker, Mrs. Bonnie Bronder, James Carson, Mrs. Thelma Thomson Cox, Suzanne Good, John Gourlay, Robert Haag, Florence Haslem, Robert Hawke, Cynthia Henderson, Virginia Laun, Sharon Mangold, Mrs. Marianne Hansen Means, Roma Miller, Roger Newman, Allen Overcash, Ellen Pickett, Mrs. Nancy Pailing Rodgers, Barbara Schmekker, Charles Smith, Mrs. Charlene Pierce Travis, Fred Van Vleck, Eleanor von Bergen, Carrie West and John Westmore.

Other new associate members of Sigma Xi are Marvin Coffey, Wallis Cramond, James Eagen, Ralph Floral, Lowell Hummel, Gary Koberstein, Russell Lang, Bruce Maunder, James Rogers, Darrel Schindler, Dennis Sousek, John Toman, Irven Wagner, Joyce Walla, Jack Wier, Charles Wright and Dale Wurst.

Bannister, Rogers, Carson, Haag, Miss Laun and Westmore are now attending the College of Medicine in Omaha.

Three of the new members — Koberstein, Van Vleck and Koberstein — were graduated from the University in February.

P. C. Sylvester-Bradley, lecturer in geology at Sheffield University in England, told those attend-



Sigma Xi Selects 21

Associate members of Sigma Xi, national honorary scientific research society, are left to right, front row, Gary Bannister, Michael Derieg, Charles Gibson, Richard Christensen, Dick Coffey.

Second row, Irven Wagner, Darrel Schindler, Joyce Walla, James Eagen, Ralph Floral, Jack Wier.

Third row, Russell Lang, James Rogers, Dale Wurst, John Toman, Wallis Cramond, Bruce Maunder, Charles Wright, Lowell Hummel.



New PBK's Revealed

Pictured above are top scholars at the University who were elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic society.

Left to right, front row are Mrs. Thelma Cox, Roma Miller, Mrs. Marianne Means, Suzanne Good, Sharon Mangold, Cynthia Henderson and Francis Pickett.

Second row, Carrie West, Mrs. Charlene Travis, Eleanor von Bergen, Mrs. Bonnie Bronder, Barbara Schmekker, Florence Haslam, Mrs. Nancy Rogers and Mrs. Jane Becker.

ing the dinner that "the physical conditions obtaining on the earth are many times duplicated through the universe."

"There is some evidence," he said, "that life originated some 800 million years ago and by a rapid 'explosive' evolutionary pattern gave rise to all presently known phyla within 200 million years."

Sylvester-Bradley, a guest lecturer at Kansas University said that since the stimulus of a sim-

ilar environment produces convergent and analogous structures, it is possible to predict what form life will take on many other planets having a similar environment.

Also honored at the banquet were those students elected to Phi Beta Kappa during the first semester. They are: Howard Kopas, Marvin Friedman, Mrs. Margaret Elliott Ashida, Mrs. Cathryn Olds, kee Rochman, Ann Yeakley and Mrs. Shirley Rosenberg.



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Charities:

AUF To Hold Area Meeting

Representatives from nine states will attend a conference for campus community chests to be held at the University May 11 and 12.

The event, sponsored by the All University Fund, is the first of its kind to be held in this area and has been undertaken at the suggestion of World University Service. According to WUS, an international student relief organization, AUF

maintains one of the better organizational programs in the Midwest area and is the leader in contributions on the University level.

The purpose of the meeting is to coordinate the organization's efforts and to provide for the pooling of ideas on the subjects of solicitation, publicity, education, administration and the philosophy of charity.

A steering committee with Sally Carter and Beverly Buck as co-chairmen is planning the effort. Other members of the committee are Jeanne Elliott, Beth Keenan and Sam Jensen.

Students attending the seminar will represent Kansas, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Iowa, Wyoming, Missouri, Minnesota, Colorado and Nebraska.

The seminar will begin May 11 with a dinner in the Union following registration of representatives. William Alloway, World University Service representative, has been invited to speak following the dinner.

The morning and afternoon of May 12 will be devoted to group discussion meetings at which Rex Knowles, AUF advisor, will speak.

Wendell Brown, representing United Cerebral Palsy, will speak at a lunch meeting May 12, and John Hermann of the Nebraska Heart Association will speak at dinner that evening.

Goddess:

Queen Election Thursday

Voting for the Goddess of Agriculture will be held Thursday from noon until 5 p.m. in the Ag Union, according to Al Trenkle, manager of the Farmers Fair Board.

The Goddess will be selected from among the senior women in Ag College having at least a 5.5 cumulative average and majoring in Home Economics.

All undergraduate students in the College of Agriculture are eligible to vote. The winner will be announced during the Farmers Fair, May 11-12.

A large variety of entertainment and events has been scheduled for this year's Farmers Fair, Trenkle said. They include a rodeo, a barbecue, and the Dairy Royal Livestock Show during the afternoon and evening of May 11. The festivities will resume the following morning with the Block and Bridle Showmanship Contest, the Quarter Horse Show, a kid's animal show, a pie eating contest, a horse shoe contest, a boot race, a sack race, a slipper kick, and many other events.

In the afternoon, a rodeo will again be held followed by the annual Cotton and Denim Dance in the evening. Couples traditionally wear levis and cotton dresses to this event.

Jimmy Phillips and his orchestra will furnish music for the dance and the Goddess of Agriculture, Whisker King, and rodeo winners will be announced during the intermission.



Athletes To Visit

Dan Towler, left, a professional football player with the Los Angeles Rams, and Jack Robinson, right, an All-American basketball player with Baylor University and a member of the

1948 Olympic basketball team, will be guest speakers at a dinner April 24 for University athletes to discuss next fall's meeting of the Fellowship of Christian athletes here.



(Nebraska Photo) BAXTER

Convocation:

Baxter To Speak Thursday

Dr. Frank Baxter, Professor of English at the University of Southern California and a noted lecturer on Shakespeare, will be the featured speaker at the annual honors convocation Tuesday.

All classes will be dismissed at 10 a.m. until noon Tuesday to allow students to attend the convocation.

Honored will be those students who are in the upper three percent of their classes or have been continuously on the honor roll. Also being honored are students who are being awarded prizes or scholarships.

The University Foundation will present \$1000 awards to two distinguished teachers. One award will be made to the outstanding teacher in the science and technical field, and another in the field of humanities and social studies.

Past winners of the teacher's award were Prof. Lane Lancaster in 1954, and Prof. Thomas Goodding and Prof. Clifford Hicks in 1955. Chancellor Clifford Hardin selects the winners from those educators nominated by the deans of the different colleges.

Dr. Baxter is best known for his work in educational television. His "Now and Then" series on which he read and discussed the worlds great literature and his two semester "Shakespeare on TV" which was the first course to be taught over TV for academic credit, have received national acclaim. The "Shakespeare on TV" course won fourteen awards including a Sylvania award and an "Emmy" presented by the television academy.

"Life" magazine selected Dr. Baxter as one of the eight most popular professors in the country. He was also named one of the five "Speakers-of-the-Year" in 1954 by Tau Kappa Alpha, national forensic honor society.

Baxter received his M.A. from the University of Pennsylvania and his Doctorate from the University of Cambridge, England.

TICKET SALE BEGINS

Tickets are now on sale for the Kosmet Klub Spring show. According to Bill Bedwell, All KK members are selling tickets.

It is also possible to buy tickets in the Union and at Walt's Music Store.

Prices for Tickets are \$1.10, \$1.50 and \$1.80. The show, "Kias Me Kate", a musical comedy featuring Cecilia TeSelle and Melvin Davidson will be presented April 19, 20, and 21 at the Nebraska Theater.

Towler, Robinson:

Athletes To Speak At NU

Dan Towler, fullback for the Los Angeles Rams, and Jack Robinson, All-American basketball player from Baylor, will be the featured speakers at a supper for university athletes April 24.

The supper is planned to promote the first summer conference for college and high school athletes and coaches, to be held August 19-23 at Estes Park, Colo. It is also to build interest in next fall's Fellowship of Christian Athletes meeting to be held here in October.

The fall meeting is being planned to replace the spring meeting which was cancelled because it conflicted with Spring vacation. Expected at next fall's conference are top athletes Otto Graham, Al-

vin Dark, Robin Roberts, Doak Walker and Bob Richards.

Dr. Rex Knowles, pastor of the Presbyterian student house, is a charter member of the FCA and he covered the Denver Convention for the University. He stated "This is a very significant group of people and I feel that they are doing a tremendous job throughout the conference. Dr. Knowles is a former professional basketball player.

Bill Orwig, director of athletics, said, "This is a fine project and something that should gain strength both here and on campuses everywhere."

Towler and Robinson are also expected to attend a breakfast April 25 to discuss the plans for the fall meeting.

Outstanding Service:

Westbrook To Make Last Appearance With NU Singers In Spring Concert

The University Singers concert April 17 will mark the last appearance of Dr. Arthur Westbrook with a University chorus.

Dr. Westbrook, a University tradition, has given his students much more than an appreciation and an education in music, according to a student who has worked with him for five years.

"Doctor has often spoken to the



(Nebraska Photo) WESTBROOK

Singers about philosophical and spiritual matters and his opinions are valued by students," he said.

Students feel almost a sort of "awe, veneration and deep respect" for Dr. Westbrook, according to a sophomore student who has worked with him for two years.

Dr. Westbrook inspires in his students a great desire to learn as much as possible, said another student; who has participated in Singers for four years.

Dr. Westbrook is too modest and unassuming to realize the great influence he has over his students, and the amount of help, academic and otherwise he has given them, she said.

His wisdom and valuable experience are a constant inspiration, she added.

Dr. Westbrook, who has been with the University 17 years, said he felt that extra time spent with students was "only part of the business that is entirely in the realm of normal activities."

"One of the most rewarding things in my teaching career is seeing students go out to teach and having their training show up when their students come to the University," he said.

It is also gratifying when a student goes on in the field of professional music as performers, he said.

In reference to his students, Dr. Westbrook said he felt that all students had ability and are really quite genuine people with more than average talent.

Dr. Westbrook said he unfailingly found enthusiasm and an eagerness to learn among students. "My stay here has been most rewarding," he said. On his favorite subject of good music, Dr. Westbrook said he enjoyed a great

Senate Okays Exam Period

Exams To Take Eight Days

The Faculty Senate Tuesday approved the adoption of an eight-day examination period and heard a report upon a recent action taken by the Board of Regents concerning academic tenure and privilege.

The by-laws of the Board of Regents, which have been vague on the subject of academic tenure and privilege, have been clarified in accordance with the recommendations of the American Association of University Professors.

The old by-laws provision stated that "in all cases involving termination of services to the Uni-

versity by one who has acquired academic tenure the Chancellor shall submit all pertinent facts relating thereto to the Senate Committee on Academic Privilege and receive its recommendations."

Professor Cohen, chairman of the Senate Committee on Academic Privilege, explained that this old provision does not actually give this committee any legal power in cases of this sort. The new recommendation concerning academic privilege and tenure was presented to the Chancellor by the committee and was then adopted by the Board of Regents. It was written into the new edition of the Regents Bylaws which became effective Jan. 7, 1956. It stated specifically in section E-7-D that such persons will be informed in writing of the charges against him, that he will be accorded a full hearing by the Senate Committee and that the findings of the Committee will be presented to Board of Regents for appropriate action.

In case the Board action is at variance with the Committee recommendation, the reason for the action must be presented in a written opinion, copies of which will be made available to the parties concerned.

This action gives the Committee considerably more power in such cases and brings the Regents by-laws into accordance with the standards of the AAUP.

The Senate also adopted the policy of an eight-day final examination period to become effective with the academic year 1956-57. The Council approved the action last semester.

"The action will not alter the starting or ending days of classes, nor disrupt in general the present pattern of the examination schedule," the Liaison Committee, who presented the recommendation, stated.

This means that students will generally not be scheduled to take more than two examinations in one day, that common examinations will be accompanied in schedule and that rotation of examination periods will be continued.

In order to do this, there will be no reading periods prior to the examination periods. The first day of examinations will be devoted to freshman English. The only night examinations will be that of the NROTC.

The Senate felt that with these changes, the final examination periods can be accommodated in eight days with no greater difficulties than are now encountered in the nine or ten day period.

The committee on scholarships also reported that 373 University scholarships totaling \$3,393.67 have been awarded. This is an increase of approximately \$4000 over last year. Of the grants given, a total of \$30,000 was given to upperclassmen, \$3,200 to foreign students, \$3500 to incoming freshman and \$6000 to donor scholarships.

Chancellor Hardin stressed that this amount was actually only a small per centage of the total scholarships awarded; that the specific colleges and private donors are not included in this amount.

Eleven high schools in the Omaha, Lincoln, Fremont, and Beatrice area will participate in high school debate this Saturday.

There will be four rounds, two in the morning, starting at 9:30 a.m., and two in the afternoon. Members of Delta Sigma Rho and the debate squad will serve as judges.

Outside World:

Peace Tour Starts

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U. N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold reached Cairo Tuesday to pursue his peace mission tour of the Middle East.

Continuing bloodshed in southern Israel and along the Egyptian held Gaza Strip was reported even as Hammarskjold and Gen. E. L. Burns, chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, arrived on the scene.

Emille Bustini, a Lebanese government official, told reporters earlier he would ask Hammarskjold "to get the United Nations to implement its own 1947-48 resolutions" on Palestine. These called for internationalization of Jerusalem, which Israel claims as its capital, and for repatriation or compensation for 900,000 Arab refugees forced out of Palestine.

Troops Available

In connection with the Middle East Situation, House GOP Leader Martin (Mass.) said no request for authority to send U.S. troops is contemplated "at this time."

Secretary of State Dulles and 14 key congressional leaders Tuesday discussed the grave Middle East events while news reports told of bloody fighting between Israeli and Egyptian troops.

Eisenhower left virtually no doubt he would ask Congress for authority to use troops in the Middle East if the United Nations voted to quell aggression there. He also pledged U.S. support "in the fullest measure" for Hammarskjold's peace mission.

'56 Alert Scheduled

A nationwide war drill to rehearse what might happen in a nuclear assault on 76 American cities, named "Operation Alert 1956," will be held July 20-25.

President Eisenhower, the armed forces and the Canadian government will participate, the Office of Defense Mobilization announced. The operation will be a combined civil defense and government-evacuation exercise. The procedure will be similar to last year's evacuation of skeletonized federal agencies to secret relocation sites.

Reassembling Begins

Experts have begun reassembling parts of the B-47 jet bomber which exploded and crashed Friday south of Ceresco.

Lincoln Air Force Base officials said the entire plane will be pieced together in an attempt to learn the cause of the mid-air explosion. Trucks began moving shattered fragments of the B-47 back to the base Tuesday.

Investigators are concerned over the unsuccessful attempts to locate the main entrance door to the bomber. Officials have not discounted the possibility parts of the plane may have fallen to the ground before the explosion occurred.