

Dramatist To Highlight Conference

Barrett H. Clark, widely known throughout dramatic circles as a director, writer, and educator, will be the main speaker at the Northwest Drama Conference to be held at the University Feb. 9 to 11.

Clark's address will highlight the closing session of the conference which is meeting for the third consecutive year at Oregon. This year the conference will be held in conjunction with the University Open House, dedicating Carson Hall, the new Music Building and the University Theater.

'WINTERSET'

"Winterset," the Theater's first 1949-50 production, will be presented to the delegates, who will also be able to attend the regular presentation of "Thunder Rock."

Clark, now executive director of the Dramatists Play Service of New York, has spent many years gathering information concerning the dramatic field. Much of his knowledge has been presented in his books of criticism, stage history, and biography. In addition he has written many editorial and biographical prefaces for the works of other writers. His criticisms and articles have appeared in various New York and London newspapers and magazines.

BEGAN CAREER EARLY

He has also contributed his services to many dramatic organizations throughout the country, since he first began his career in 1912 when he appeared with Mrs. Fiske, early-day actress.

Clark now has in preparation a twenty-volume work on hitherto unpublished plays, entitled "American Play Texts."

AWS to Limit Major Offices For Women

Effective with the next elections of women's organizations, no University woman can hold more than one major office at one time.

This ruling was made by the Associated Women Students Council at its last meeting. Recommendation for the move was given by the AWS Activity Board, an organization designed to coordinate women's activities.

Offices coming under the new ruling will include AWS president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, sergeant-at-arms, and reporter.

YWCA president, first and second vice presidents. Women's Athletic Association president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer; presidents of Kwama, Phi Theta Upsilon, and Mortar Board, the three women's service honoraries; and house presidents.

Purpose of the ruling is to prevent the overburdening of a few women and to distribute major offices among a larger number of capable students.

Dads to Choose Hostess From Wives of Students

Needed: beautiful and hospitable wives for the Dads' Day Hostess contest.

Only qualifications are that they be wives of students and that pictures of them be put in an envelope at the Emerald quonset by 3:30 Friday.

Plain black and white pictures, with name, address, and phone on the back are called for, according to Dick Lee, special events chairman for Dads' Day, which is Jan. 28.

For the first time this year, dads will elect the hostess from among three finalists to be chosen by a board of students and faculty members. Pictures of the finalists by Kennell-Ellis will be displayed at registration booths in Johnson Hall, and the Eugene and Osburn Hotels, where dads will vote when they register.

The Dads' Day hostess will be introduced during half-time of the Oregon-Washington game Saturday night.

Winter Term Registration Ends With 5,581 Students Enrolled

A total of 5,581 students enrolled for winter term classes in the University, a breakdown of registration figures compiled by the Registrar's Office reveals.

This number is 3.5 per cent less than last year's, when 5,782 students registered.

With 1,689 women and 3,892 men registering, the ratio proves to be approximately 2.3 men to each woman student. Last year there were 2.37 men to every woman, with totals of 4,066 and 1,716, respectively.

Class enrollment figures show the sophomores to be in the lead, with 1,700. The seniors have 1,362 and freshmen, 1,192. Least enrollment is noted in the junior class, with a total of only 532. Graduate school lists show 575 registered.

The College of Liberal Arts has an enrollment of 2,651. The history department, with 118 registered, claims the most students, while psychology, 112, runs a close second. English, sociology, and biology are also high.

Among other schools in the University, the School of Business Administration has the highest enrollment, with 1,304 registered. Following in order are:

Architecture and allied arts, 606; law, 296; health and physical education, 226; music, 192; education, 168; and journalism, 102.

Veterans attending school under Public Law 346 total 1,779. Public Law 16 has 139 and 64 are obtaining Oregon state aid.

Silver Thaw Here Reported Unlikely

Eugene is apparently out of danger of a severe silver thaw the Weather Bureau reported last night.

Forecasters said the temperature is steadily increasing with a high of 42 predicted for Thursday.

"There's still a possibility of a silver thaw but I think we are out of the clutches now," a forecaster said.

Eugene had a light silver thaw last night when freezing rains coated the snow with ice measuring a half inch in spots. Portland and Astoria got the worst of the weather with an inch thick coating of ice covering the ground in those areas.

Rules Released For Dad's Day Sign Competition

Rules for this year's Dads' Day sign contest were released Wednesday by decorations chairman Nancy Kuhnhausen. A trophy will be presented to the winning living organization.

Signs will be put up in front of each campus living group with a "Welcome Dad" theme. This year special emphasis may be placed on the "Oregon Dad—Man of the Half-Century" slogan for the weekend.

Rules follow:

1. Sign cost must not exceed \$10.
2. Judging will take place Friday afternoon, Jan. 27.
3. Signs must be two-dimensional and may not have movable parts.

Judging will be based mainly on how well the sign carries out the Dads' Day theme, originality, simplicity, color, and general appearance.

Paint and paste experts should start planning signs for their houses right away, Miss Kuhnhausen advised.

Last year's contest winner was Delta Gamma. The DG sign welcomed Dad to an Old English inn.

Jr. Panhellenic Picks Leaders

Betty Jo Clack was elected president of Junior Panhellenic at its second organization meeting Tuesday night. Margaret Poven was chosen vice president and Andy Friedle is secretary-treasurer. Norma Hultgren is publicity chairman.

The members of Junior Panhellenic, the presidents of the sorority pledge classes on campus, discussed methods of obtaining finances. A committee for drawing up a constitution for the organization was chosen. Margaret Poven will head this committee. Beverly Hart, Molly Harbert, Ann Thayer, Mary Yost, and Ann Carson will assist Miss Poven.

Precedent Broken As Seniors Change Ball to Semi-Formal

Campus Opinion and Weather Responsible For 'Short Silks and Suits' Dance Decision

Short silks for women and suits for men—not formal dress as previously announced—will be worn for the Senior Ball, the committee announced last night. Flowers will NOT be in order.

After a survey of living organizations, and with the approval of the Dean of Women and the Student Union Board, senior class officers voted to depart from the traditional formality of the annual dance "in deference to campus opinion and prevailing weather conditions."

However the Weatherman may give the seniors a break. By Saturday night, the weather bureau said, there is a good possibility that the cold wave will be broken. Temperatures will be on the upswing from now on.

HENDERSON TO PLAY

"Golden Anniversary Ball" will be the theme of the Class of '50 dance, to be held from 8:45 to 12:45 Saturday night at McArthur Court. Skitch Henderson and his orchestra will play.

Radio station KERG will broadcast a live program, probably from 10 to 10:30 p.m., directly from the dance floor.

Dance decorations, under the direction of Chairman Mac Epley, will center around huge golden numerals "50" behind the gilded bandstand, and panels on seamless paper will depict highlights in the progress of civilization from 1900 to the present.

TURNOUT PREDICTED

Publicity chairman Ron Phillips expects a "big turnout" for the dance and hopes that it will be "one of the most successful of the Senior Balls."

Members of his committee include: Joan Zener, Diane Richards, Dolores Iverson, Mary Alice Baker, Kathy Kaddas, Barbara Clerin, Pat Rice, Alice Morrow, Jack Cady, and Karen Terry.

Tickets for the dance cost \$2.40 per couple and are now on sale in the Co-op and in men's living organizations. Some ducats will also be available at the door Saturday night.

KOAC Schedules Benchley Humor

Humor will be the keynote of today's "University Hour" over KOAC from 4 till 5.

The dry wit of Robert Benchley will be heard over "Time With the Authors," from 4 till 4:15. Dorothy Madden, junior in liberal arts, will read several of the late humorist's selections including one from his "Old Fashioned Christmas."

A 15 minute band concert will follow, under the direction of John Stehn, associate professor of music. The University band will play "On the Mall March" by Edwin Franko Goldman, the overture to "Orpheus" by Jacques Offenbach, and the "Toreador Song" from Bizet's opera, "Carmen." Philip Greene, junior in music will be soloist.

The Radio Workshop will shift the scene back to comedy with an adaptation of Clyde Fitch's drama, "The Truth." Produced for the first time in 1906, this play appeared to be one of Fitch's few failures. It was taken to Europe in a later effort to salvage something for the author's time and effort, and there enjoyed successful runs. "The Truth" subsequently returned to America to become a model for the efforts of later American playwrights.

Participating in the University production will be Janet Harris, Robert M. Roberts, Paul Wexler, and Lanor Lombard.

Next week, the Workshop adaptation of Ibsen's "Doll House" will be offered on the "Hour."

Students Warned Of Tree Danger

Due to stormy conditions the danger of tree limbs breaking on the campus has increased. Students are warned to be on the alert while passing under trees, by I. I. Wright, superintendent of the physical plant.

Wright stated that the University fuel supply is exceedingly low, and if a shipment doesn't arrive from Portland tonight there will not be sufficient heat for the buildings.

The possibility of power lines being down has also arisen. This will not affect the University's lines as they are encased in tunnels, but if lines fall elsewhere the power will be off here.

Wright Selected To Attend Meet

Dr. Gordon Wright, history professor at the University of Oregon, is one of three men selected from the western half of the country to attend a conference on "Modern France" at Princeton University, Feb. 1.

About 20 men from over the United States have been asked to attend the conference. Columbia, Yale, and Harvard Universities are helping Princeton in the affair.

Dr. Wright will prepare a paper "The Communist Party and the Peasantry" to discuss at the conference. The only man to attend from Oregon, he will be accompanied by a representative from the University of Washington and one from the University of Colorado.