

MSC Holds 48th Commencement

Seniors To Receive Diplomas

Rev. Wampler Delivers Invocation; Renne Addresses Class

Cumulation of four years' work will be reached by about 108 students Monday, May 29, when Commencement exercises are held at the gymnasium for Montana State College's Class of 1944. The procession will start at ten-thirty o'clock Monday morning.

The program consists of the grand march accompanied by the college orchestra. This is followed by an invocation delivered by the Reverend Walter C. Wampler. Josephine Lampen, soloist, and Mona Marquette, at the second piano, will play the "First Movement Concerto No. 5," by Beethoven. Charge to the class will be given by President R. R. Renne; Ralph Challender, bass-baritone, will sing "The Song of the Mountains." Main event of the ceremony is the presentation of the candidates for the degrees by the deans, followed by the conferring of the degrees by Chancellor Ernest O. Melby. The program will close with the recessional, accompanied by the orchestra.

Fallon And Talcott Are Praised

The 1944 Montanan will be distributed to students on Women's Day. The annual this year is the same size as that of last year, but the number of pages has been cut down to some extent. Gloria Fallon and Helen Talcott received a letter from Al Salisbury, the engraver for the Montanan, which read, in part, as follows:

"Several days ago we shipped the last of the plates for the 1944 Montanan and now that that is done I want to drop the "tough guy" role that I have been playing and tell you both that you have done a magnificent job. I am sure that no editor or business manager in history published an annual under more adverse conditions than you two have, and I think that no future staff will ever face such problems again, so I want to heartily congratulate you both for having worked it out the way you did. The book itself is going to be very fine. I know that, because I have seen its plan and have seen the pictures and I feel sure that the students of Montana State will recognize the kind of a job that you have done."

The outlook for next year is considerably improved at least so far as our ability to produce a yearbook is concerned."

Even with the war time limitations, the Montanan has not suffered any decrease in quality and the new edition promises to uphold the standards of previous Montanans.

NOTICE

The 1944 Montanans will be distributed Saturday morning, May 27, on the lawn by Hamilton Hall, if the weather permits, or in the Union, if it does not. Everyone is to call for his then.

NOTICE

Remember to go to the Senior Assembly on May 26, at 11 a. m.

Tradition Again Marks Day

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Wilhelm Speaks May 27

Returns from Pennsylvania; Graduate Art Department Where Received Award

Emery Completes Plans For Woman's Day Program; Ceremony To Be Impressive

Jayne Tuttle Wilhelm returns this year to give the address on Women's Day. Her life since graduation from Montana State College in 1939 certainly justifies her being chosen as the five-year speaker from that class. At the time of her graduation from the Art Department, she was awarded the Parson's Scholarship for a year's study abroad; however, due to the turmoil in Europe at that time, she studied in the New York School of Design.

She then did free-lance art work mainly in advertising; and the airbrush Christmas cards are well known. Until she was married in April, 1943, she taught in the high school at Plainfield, New Jersey. This year she has been supervisor of art work in the Friend's School in Germantown, Pennsylvania.

In college she made a splendid record for herself. As a sophomore she was a Spur; she was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi, historian of Mortar Board, president and historian of Delta Phi Delta, vice president of Spartans, member of the High School Week Committee for three years, managing editor of the Montana Exponent in her senior year and a reporter the first three years, member of the Art Club, section editor of the Montanan Staff, and a charter member of the Gridiron Club. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity.

Melby Speaks To Seniors For Service

The Baccalaureate service for this year will be held in the Gymnasium on Sunday, May 28, at 3:30 P. M. Chancellor Ernest O. Melby will deliver the sermon.

The order of service will be as follows: Processional, Grand March, Tours, College Orchestra; Invocation, The Reverend Donald Skinner; Hymn, "Come Thou Almighty King," congregation; Prayer, the Reverend Harvey C. Hartling; First Movement Concerto in A Minor, Schuman with Josephine Lampen, soloist, and Mona Marquette at 2nd piano; Announcement, President R. R. Renne; "The Lord is My Light" Allisten, sung by Ralph Challender, bass-baritone with Josephine Lampen, accompanist; Baccalaureate Sermon, "Spiritual Values in Our Democracy," Chancellor Ernest O. Melby; Benediction, Reverend Donald Skinner; Recessional: Grand March, Tours, played by the college orchestra.

Dramatics Club Active on Campus; Initiates Nine

The new initiates of Alpha Pi Omega are Jean Stethlik, Gale Ueland, Phyllis Taber, Althea Maris, Betty Joe Pruitt, Marcy Kranz, Shirley Touhy Mahan, Peggy Boller and Neil Mikkelsen.

Alpha Psi Omega came on the campus in 1930 when two local dramatic clubs, Tormentors and Looters, combined into one and petitioned national for a charter. The chapter was active for five years.

Then, because of the depression, the members voted the chapter inactive. This year the members voted to have an active chapter again.

A formal initiation was held in the little theater, Friday night at eight o'clock. Mr. Hansen and Mr. Starmer officiated at the initiation and it was most impressive. Both Mr. Hansen and Mr. Starmer are members of Alpha Psi Omega.

NOTICE

There are many articles in the Lost and Found department in the Student Book Store and students are asked to go and call for any which they might claim.



Jayne Tuttle Wilhelm

Many Present Awards To Recipients

Mortar Board Officers And New Spurs Topped

The traditional procession of black robed seniors and white clad women of Montana State College will mark the beginning of the Woman's Day Program scheduled for Saturday, May 27. The solemn, impressive line formed at the Student Union Building will slowly wend its way past Hamilton Hall, down to Herrick Hall, up Hello Walk by Montana Hall to the Gymnasium.

The group will assemble at the Student Union Building by 12:50, at which time three short speeches will be made by the president of Spurs, Betty Germraad; president of Mortar Board, Betty Settle; and president of Associated Women Students, Helen Rae McDermott.

A fanfare from the Army Air Corps band will signal the beginning of the procession to be led by the president of Spurs, Betty Germraad, followed by the Spurs, the people who will be on the stage: the five year speaker, Jane Tuttle Wilhelm; the previous five year speaker, Betty Ross Carlson; Dean Harrison, Mrs. Renne, Mrs. Davis, Miss Hart, honor women: women who have graduated with honors from MSC and have returned for Women's Day; Alpha Lambda Delta, Masters' Degree, president of AWS, president of Mortar Board, Retiring Mortar Board, Senior roll checker, Marjorie Lasich; and the seniors, all of whom will be in single file.

Following in double file will be president-elect of A. W. S., Virginia Howell; and Women's day chairman, Jeanne Emery; new Mortar Board members; junior roll checker, Billie Buchman, and partner; juniors; sophomore roll checker, Margaret Birkeland, and partner; sophomores; freshman roll checker, Myrtle Jean Farris, and partner; and freshmen.

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Seniors Sponsor Last Assembly

The senior assembly will be held on Friday, May 26, at 11 o'clock in the gymnasium. At this time the new Senate members will be installed.

A talent program is being organized including student, faculty and air corps performances. Cecil Hess is chairman of the committee in charge.

NOTICE

There will be a vocal recital Wednesday evening, May 24, in the engineering auditorium at 8 o'clock, given by Lucille Westlake, soprano. She will be accompanied by Ralph Challender. Miss Westlake, a senior, is a pupil of Mrs. Elizabeth Johansson.

Ecton, Renne Give Information To Seniors At Interesting Forum

At the Senior Forum on the subject "Get Acquainted With Your School" held Thursday, May 11, Senator Ecton and President Renne presented many interesting facts concerning Montana State College and its operation. About forty interested students attended the meeting. In addition to these, were Mr. John P. Fabrick, member of the Montana Educational Commission, Mr. W. W. Spain, member of the local board, and Mr. Robert Dunn, state representative.

President Renne, in the first talk presented various statistics concerning the operation of Montana State College. Among other things he pointed out that at the present time M. S. C. ranks next to the lowest of the twenty land-grant colleges as to the amount of money spent per student. Other things that he explained were how the taxes are raised for the support of the college, how much the state appropriates for higher education and how it is spent, etc. Another interesting fact that was brought to the attention of those present was that only about one-fourth of the expense of operating Montana State College was for instruction, the balance being spent for the extension work, the

experiment station, operation of physical plant and miscellaneous items.

Senator Ecton followed with a story of how the appropriations were made in the state legislature. He felt that the greatest asset the college could have would be an informed and interested alumni in the state. He said that this would be the largest factor in getting future "bond-issues" and millage levies passed by the people of the state.

Both the speakers left the impression that we were on the brink of a tremendous growth in our higher educational system. There will be several handicaps that must be overcome in the path such as some additional buildings, but that bridge would be crossed as we came to it.

A lively discussion followed the remarks of the speakers.

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LETTER TO THE STUDENTS

With this issue, the 49th year of publication for the Montana Exponent draws to a close. Perhaps the most outstanding difficulty this year was the shortage of funds, but by increasing advertising and selling subscriptions, the year's financial report balances better than was expected.

Plans are being made for a 50th year of publication at the present time and Billie Buchman, editor-elect, is ready and well-qualified to do the job.

At this time, a congratulating hand goes to all of the staff members who have contributed much time, energy, and thought to their assignments and work this year. The only thanks they ever receive is to see their story in print and their name on the masthead. In previous years, keys were given but are no longer, because of the shortage of funds.

Their jobs were well done, and in many cases, they probably deserve the keys more than many who have them now. Their reward will have to be one they feel within themselves—that they were giving so that those who read this publication might be well informed, and interested.

Many thanks go to those who subscribed to the paper and to our advertisers, for their loyal support.

Thanks also go to you students for the privilege of editing your paper during this school year.

Peg Moore

YOU ASKED FOR IT

A question asked several times on the campus this spring, by both faculty and students, was: what does the Student Senate do or what has it done this year?

Few students have ever realized there was a governing student body until they were Sophomores; then, they heard of it, decided to run for office, as they also heard the meetings were fun and they planned on a picnic in the spring.

It is no wonder that many believe it is just on the campus for the name. This year, the Senate has again tried to erase that idea and looking back now, perhaps they made a good start. This was made possible by the splendid cooperation and help of President R. R. Renne, when at almost any time he gave the students their choice and voice in regard to a matter.

Perhaps the Senate's biggest accomplishment was backing a good many "school spirit" affairs. As there are fewer organizations functioning now, it leaves more for the few remaining: Spurs, Fangs, AWS, Mortar Board, as the main ones.

And, now you might say, what were some of these affairs? The student assemblies were probably the outstanding projects. Painting the "M" again was sponsored by the ing project. Painting the "M" again was sponsored by the Senate, and other items.

In a more serious line of thought, the Senate was confronted with some wartime problems: only a few of the members were back and new appointments had to be made, eight in all. There was a money shortage in many departments and there had to be planning for reapportionment of funds. Budgets were studied and comparisons of other school finances, in regard to publications, were made.

The body made an effort to combine students and army groups into one and to ease the feelings of many students. The Union Board was asked to explain the Union's use and this was another contribution—for the education of those who complained.

The Social Board made a study of the social affair privileges of both military and civilians. The Senate also cooperated and approved.

These are a few and there are others which might be mentioned. There is more to be done, however, and this is left as a challenge to next year's group. The Senate is destined on "the road of repair" and perhaps this will show you that they did accomplish a certain amount of good.

Spurs Give Out With Black List of Freshman Women

Twice every year, it has been the duty of the freshmen to make the huge "M" up there on the mountain side sparkle with a new coat of whitewash. Then, came the war. No gas, no lime, not much of anything—except school spirit. And how thankful we should be that there are some who still believe in keeping alive the traditions of the campus, until once more those who are now gone will be back again to make "M" day one of the biggest events for the entire year. And those disinterested persons—what about them? Well, here are their names:

Margaret Allison, Gladys Anderson, Betty Bartlett, Lois Jean Brose, Francis Burgess, Ann Christensen, Lorraine Cox, Joan Davison, Ellen Davis, Donaldine Dawes, Nadene DeWayne, Virginia Draper.

Norma Gilham, Irene Gillette, Audrey Hagel, Leone Hale, Ruth Harlan, Grace Hesselgesser, Winifred Kelley, Patricia King, Lillian Kosianich, Josephine Lampen, Jean Lenham.

Erna Marks, Nina Lee Norman, Ohta Hiroshi, Betty Mae Oliver, Margaret Powers, Betty Pruitt, Marjorie Sauderson, Norma Shennum, Anna Jeanne Sockness, Alice Jean Sutton, Lois Jean Trask.

Catherine Van der Pas, Frances Varela, Anne Walton, Barbara Jo Wilson, Ruth Wilson, Shirley Ann Wilson, Martha Wright.

And may we say a hearty "thanks" to all those upperclassmen who also slaved away so diligently with the freshmen. It's things like that that make us feel that life is really and truly worth living.

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Guests at the AOPi house recently were Mrs. Theodore Carlson, Director of the northeast district, Ruth Albert from Ekalaka, Marion Boyle, Spokane, and Joan Lowney of Butte. Those leaving the afore mentioned house this weekend Elaine Guth and Billie Lou Sweet . . . The Kappa Deltas had as guests this weekend . . . Mrs. F. F. Matsen of Butte, Helen Nettick of Dillon, Mrs. George Hansen, Mrs. Walter Clark and Lt. Charlie Clark . . . Ruth Harlan spent the weekend at her home in Columbus . . . guests at the Alpha Gamma Delta house were Mr. and Mrs. Wallace of Great Falls . . . At the Pi Phi house Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Marquette and Mrs. Heinrich from Deer Lodge . . . The Chi o's whirled around the lounge of the Union last Saturday for their spring party . . . guests were Dr. and Mrs. Renne, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Peterson, Miss Hart, Mrs. Paisley and Mrs. Crooks.

And speaking of parties — the Pi Phi's gave their annual Gardenia Party at the house Saturday night following a banquet in the Union. The house was decorated with a thousand gardenias.

The SAE's gave their spring party at Karsts on Sunday! Guess that's the spirit. And another

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Staff Writes Appreciation

The following letter was sent to the senior class of 1944:

"On behalf of Montana State College Library we wish to extend our sincere thanks to the Class for their generous gift which makes possible the purchase of the New York Times Index. This Index is a most valuable reference tool and the volumes which cover the war years will serve an especially useful purpose.

"This Library will make every effort to continue the subscription to this Index which will be a constant aid to faculty members and to students, not only now but as long as the Library continues its work.

"The bound volumes are printed on special rag paper which means that they will stand long years of use. In them will be pasted a statement to the effect that they are the gift of the Class to the Library and a placard will be placed on top of the index table.

"Since the Library serves the whole campus, and since a new library is first on the post-war building program, we hope that other classes may make similar valuable contributions which will add to its usefulness throughout the coming years."

The Montana State College Staff
Lois Payson, Librarian.

party, was the one given for Ray Lewis '45, by the Sigma Chi's a week ago.

Bonnie Gallaway was a visitor at the Co-op house last week, and Joyce Kiel was accepted and sworn into the WAVES at Helena last weekend.

Homeward bound from the Alpha Gamma Delta house this past weekend were Margie Lee Johannson, Barbara Hanley and Doris Skarda. A tea in honor of all graduating senior women was held at the AGD house Sunday.

Mighty pretty serenade that the Pi Phi's gave Tuesday night. Guests on Tuesday were Mrs. Irene Carlson and Gloria Fallon. After the Panhellenic banquet on Wednesday evening, a special farewell ceremony was given at the house in honor of the graduating seniors. Each senior was presented with a traditional gift.

With the end of the quarter and the school year just about up, there hasn't been much time for those specialties we used to have spring quarter. But don't we wish those old spring parties were in the whirl again? We'll make up for it, just you wait and see.

Spartanians Elect Officers, Members

Catherine Cowan was elected the new president of Spartanians Saturday, May 13, at the PE cabin where initiation of fifteen new members took place. Lu Clydesdale was elected vice-president, Ruth Pease, secretary-treasurer, and Cecelia Olson, the historian.

The new initiates of Spartanians are Catherine Cowan, Barbara Hanley, Ruth Pease, Cecelia Olson, Lucille Clydesdale, Lois Steere, Marquerite Kittams, Winifred McDermott, Doris Skarda, Roberta Morley, Jean Romine, Mary Jane Peterson, Harriet Schug, Dorothy Setter, and Shirley Swan.

NOTICE

A group of young vocalists, pupils of Mrs. Elizabeth Johannson, will appear in recital at 8 p. m., Friday evening, May 26, in the lounge room of the Student Union building. The pupils are Ellen Davis, Shirley Ann Wilson, Mildred Balzhizer, Kathleen Klinger, Marjorie Wampler, Ralph Challenger, Lucille Westlake and Ann Hansen. The singers will be assisted by Josephine Lampen and Harriet Lohr-Olson, pianists; and Helen Jean Finch, cellist.

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CLUB ELECTS

Thursday noon, May 11, members of the Secretarial Club gathered to elect officers for the ensuing year. Jeanne Poirier was elected president and Jean Romine vice-president. Plans for next year were discussed.

PHI SIGMA ELECTS

In a recent Phi Sigma meeting the following people were elected to office: Margaret Hollenbeck, president, Beryl Garrison, vice-president, Dorothy Christiansen, secretary, Annabel Cornue, treasurer, and Marjorie Haymond, historian.

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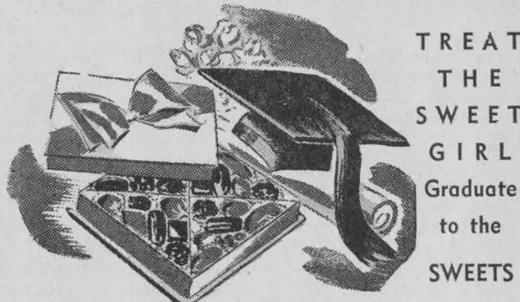
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President - Elect of A. W. S.

President-elect of A. W. S. for 1944-45 is Virginia Howell, Bozeman, Montana. In her sophomore year she was a Spur; she is Commissioner of Social Affairs on the Student Senate, a member of Phi Upsilon Omicron, home economics honorary, and of the High School Week Committee, a newly elected member of Mortar Board. She is a member of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity.

Past President of A. W. S.

Helen Rae McDermott, from Fairfield, Montana, is past president of A. W. S. As a Sophomore, she was a Spur; she has been on the Student Senate, A. W. S. Council, Home Economics Club Council, and is a member of Phi Upsilon Omicron, home economics honorary, and Mortar Board. She is a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority.

AWS Installs New Officers; Howell Addresses Assembly

The Associated Women Students of Montana State College, at their Women's Day Assembly Friday morning, witnessed the Installation of the officers of AWS for next year. Those installed were: President, Virginia Howell; Vice-President, Duane Austin; Secretary Barbara Bergen; Treasurer, Lily Stensland; Points chairman, Mary Embleton; Defense Chairman, Jane Matzke; and Historian, Jeanne Poirier.

Virginia Howell traced the history of Women's Day, from the first Assembly held in 1914 to the present time. In 1914 the women students of Montana State College held an assembly at which honors for women were announced, and made plans to have one of these each year near the end of Spring quarter.

On May 26, 1923, 200 Montana State women held their first professional—starting at Montana Hall and going to the Ag Building where the ties were broken by Dean Herrick and then progressing to the Gym for the Assembly. At these assemblies talks were given, musical selections were presented and after the assembly the College Girl's Athletic Association sponsored games in the Physical Education Department. Following this, teas were held in the Art Department which was then in Montana Hall and the Home Ec. Dept. in the Ag Building.

Since 1926 Spurrs have been in charge of Woman's Day. In 1929 the first Assembly to plan for Woman's Day was held and in 1930 the first Five Year Speaker, Laura Asbury, was chosen. And so out of a general assembly for all Women students first held in 1914 has developed Woman's Day—a day of ceremony, solemnity, and honor for the Women of Montana State College.

At the Woman's Day Assembly preceding Woman's Day each year the Woman's Day Chairman for the following year is chosen from the Sophomore class and Big-Little Sister Chairman, Co-chairman, and Captains are named. Suzanne Hinman, was named next year's Women's Day chairman. The big-little sister chairman is Margaret Linfield; co-chairman, Ruth Hoole; captains, Norma Muscavitch, Dorothy Asbury, Myrtle Jean Farris, Anna Jensen, Marian Lambberg, and Bea Grettenberg.

NOTICE

The blue and gold ribbons to be worn on Woman's Day will be sold by the Spurrs in the Union on Thurs. and Friday, May 25 and 26. They are one dollar and everyone must have them, except seniors.



Girls Plan Events for Home Ec Grads

Graduating seniors will be entertained at the Home Management House on Thursday, May 25, at a dessert. The senior prophecies will be read at this time.

On Sunday, May 28, a breakfast will be held for the Home Economics seniors in Herrick Hall at nine o'clock. The junior dietetics class is in charge with Alma Ryffel as chairman. There will be formal induction of the Home Economics graduates into the American Home Economic Association, a professional organization requiring a degree in Home Economics.

Pan-Hell Officers

At the annual Panhellenic banquet Wednesday, May 17 in the ballroom of the Student Union, Betty Ryder, Kappa Delta, was announced as the new president of the Panhellenic council succeeding Billie Buchman. Anna Marie Peoples, Chi Omega, succeeds Alpha Dowling as vice president, and Margaret Linfield, Alpha Omicron Pi will take the place of Rhoda Hoverson as secretary-treasurer. Officers are selected from sororities by the rotation system.

The new presidents of the sororities were also announced at

this time: Erys Smart, Pi Beta Phi; Gloria Fallon, Alpha Omicron Pi; Billie Buchman, Alpha Gamma Delta; Barbara Bergen, Chi Omega; and Harriet Schug, Kappa Delta.

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