

# College Adds 80 Acres to Farm; Will Increase Crops, Livestock

Eighty acres of farm land will be added to the college farm in the near future when negotiations now underway in Madison are completed, it was announced this week by John M. May, head of the college agriculture department.

"This will give the college a more efficient farm unit and allow us to carry on an even better training program for agriculture teachers with the addition of sheep and beef cattle," Mr. May said.

At present the college has nearly 90 acres of tillable crop land and nearly 40 acres of pasture land. The additional 80 acres contains about 72 acres of tillable crop land and the remainder is pasture.

The college now maintains a herd of 30 milch cows and 30 young cattle. In addition the farm raises about 60 hogs a year and 300 hens.

"Because of limited acreage, we've had to buy quite a bit of feed," Mr. May said. "This additional crop land will make the farm more nearly self-sufficient."

The new land is part of the Pedersen farm. It adjoins the present college farm on the east side.

Purchase is being made by the Wisconsin State College Building Corporation.

## RFSC MAKES PLANS FOR 'HIGH SCHOOL DAY'

High school seniors interested in attending college this fall have been invited to the River Falls State College annual "Go to College Day" April 15. The purpose of the day is to permit students to see college classes in session and extra-curricula activities at first hand. Students also will be given an opportunity to confer with specialists in various fields of study and advised as to the best means of attaining their vocational goals. An interesting program has been set up for the student's entertainment and also a dance and coke hour at the end of the day in Hathorn Hall.

Appearing as representatives of various extra-curricula activities will be the Folk Singers, a drama quartet, the Dixieland Band, and members of the Dance Theatre group.

Playing at the dance will be the Toonful Tutors, faculty orchestra.

This is the third annual "Go to College Day" sponsored by the college.

## Johnson Fairchild Will Lecture On 'Geographical Illiteracy'

On Thursday, April 16, at 10:00 a. m., Johnson E. Fairchild will lecture on the subject of "Geographical Illiteracy", at an all-school assembly in North Hall. Mr. Fairchild has been a student, educator, government servant and author.

Currently he is head of the Department of Social Philosophy at Cooper Union Forum, and he organizes and moderates the fam-



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ous Copper Union Forums in the Great Hall there. Earlier in life

## Music Festival April 10 Features Soloists, Groups

The solo-ensemble division of the annual Spring Music Festival will be held at RFSC on April 10. This first session will include vocal soloists and various instrumental solos, as well as small ensembles.

The participants will be divided into various groups (piano solos, clarinet trios, etc.), which will meet in at least seven different places throughout North and South Halls, including both gymnasiums, the auditorium, and the Little Theatre.

Over 300 soloists and more than 450 members of small ensemble groups will participate. These more than 750 students will be from at least 16 different high schools. Those schools now registered for the festival are: Ellsworth, Glenwood City, River Falls, Spring Valley, Hammond, Somerset, Maiden Rock, Pepin, Amery, Plum City, Arkansaw, St. Croix Falls, Prescott, New Richmond, Baldwin and Milltown.

This year's judges are Mr. Paul Erickson, St. Peter, Minn.; Mr. Gail Sperry, Edina, Minn.; Mr. Thomas Nee, Hamline University, and Mr. James McKonky, University of Minnesota.

This solo-ensemble festival is the preliminary to the big festival on May 2, when the choirs and bands from the various schools perform.

## Freshmen Favor 'Free Farm Frolic'

A "Free Farm Frolic" will be put on by River Falls freshmen this year as their annual party.

It will be held in the North Hall gym April 9 from 7:30 p. m. to 10:45 p. m. The affair will be a "hard time party" and include free refreshments, a carnival, a floor show, and dancing to the music of Dean Kasser's Dance band.

Colleen Ryan is chairman of the party committee which includes Marcene Wiebusch, Doug Young, Carol Marson, Jenny Sue Garnett, Marilyn Murphy, Frank Enders, and Buelah Falkofske.

Fairchild was an instructor at Hunter College and the first male dean of the largest of all girls' schools.

Before the beginning of World War II, Fairchild served as chief research analyst for the Military Intelligence Corps. During that war he was on active duty with the U. S. Air Corps in the China Burma India Theatre, where he increased his intimate knowledge of the Far East and its peoples.

Fairchild is co-author of the book "American Possessions in the Caribbean", and has written many papers on geography. He is editor of the forthcoming "Looking Ahead in Education," and "Fear and Anxiety". His other "Educational Firsts" include the first radio classroom in geography and the first "tape network" on educational programs for independent radio stations.

As evidenced in his vast experience in many various phases of life and studies Mr. Fairchild has enough superior background and knowledge to present his famous lecture, "Geographical Illiteracy", with greatest authority.

Johnson E. Fairchild's appearance is made possible through the University of Minnesota Concert and Lecture Service.

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# Debaters to Leave for Nationals Friday



River Falls forensics students and their coach will leave Friday for the national Pi Kappa Delta convention at Kalamazoo, Michigan. From right to left are Royal Fraedrich, Margaret Helmer, Bill Schoenwetter, Coach Marion Hawkins, Dick Granum, and Heather Dopkins.

## Miss Hawkins to Be Women's Division Debate Chairman

Five RFSC forensic students, Heather Dopkins, Margaret Helmer, Royal Fraedrich, Dick Granum, and Bill Schoenwetter, and their coach, Miss Marion Hawkins, will leave Friday for the national convention of Pi Kappa Delta at Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Miss Hawkins will be the chairman of the women's debate division at the national debate tournament and serve on the national tournament committee. The tournament will last from April 5-9 and be held at Kalamazoo College.

The River Falls students will represent the Wisconsin Delta chapter of Pi Kappa Delta. They are entered as follows:

Women's division, debate, eight rounds: Heather Dopkins and Margaret Helmer. Men's division, debate, eight rounds: Royal Fraedrich and Bill Schoenwetter. Original oratory, four rounds: Margaret Helmer, whose oration will be "Above the Law", and Dick Granum, who will speak on "To Sin by Silence".

### Unique Discussion Round

Discussion, five rounds: Margaret Helmer and Royal Fraedrich. The fifth round in discussion is unique in that the finalists present speeches of advocacy and decide on solutions at a general assembly at which all the people at the convention are present. The discussion topic is: "How can we as a nation best combat the threat" (Continued on Next Page)

## Senate Outlines New Method Of Nominating Candidates

A new method of electing RFSC students to the Student Senate has been devised by the Senate and will be presented to the advisory council meeting on April 8 by Student Senate President Ken Nehmer.

Each campus organization will be asked to think seriously about sponsoring a candidate for the Student Senate. These candidates are to be nominated at the all-school assembly on April 17 which has been called for that purpose. Four of the nominated candidates will be elected when the student body votes for senators on April 23.

"The Senate itself will not nominate any students this year," said Margery Deans, Senate Secretary. "We feel more interest in the people running for the Senate will be created if the organizations have the responsibility of the nominations."

Three of the four Senate members who will return to River Falls next year must also be elected to the Senate, according to an amendment added to its constitution two years ago. The four returning Senators whose names will be on the ballot are Miss Deans, Bob Strain, John Oedsma, and Jenny Sue Garnett. The other four members of the Senate will be the 1953-54 class presidents, bringing the total to 11.

"Organizations do not have to back someone for the Senate," emphasized Miss Deans, "Perhaps some of them may wish to go together on their nominations. There must also be five people

seconding each nomination at the April 17 assembly. When all the organizations have done their nominating we will permit nominations at large to be made."

The Senate decided to have its annual election of members early this year so that newly elected members could meet with the present members for a month to learn about the functions and policies of the Student Senate.



Newest club on campus is the "Hoedown Club", which meets every other Friday evening in the Hathorn Hall recreation room to practice square and folk dancing.

## KAAA TO FEATURE WYMAN, KNAAK

"Meet the Authors" is the subject of today's radio program sponsored by the college over Radio Station KAAA, Red Wing, from 1:30 to 2:00 p. m.

Miss Nancy Knaak, resident counselor at the dorm whose first volume of poetry, "Clouds of Time," has just been published, will be interviewed by Donna Jones, senior. Dr. Walker D. Wyman, head of the history department and author of "California Emigrant Letters" and other works, will be interviewed by Gayle Moen, freshman.

Next Wednesday's program over KAAA put on by RFSC will be an operetta, "Hansel and Gretel", produced by the A. C. E. I.

## Vacation Begins Today

Easter vacation arrives on campus at 5 p.m. today, April 1. Classes will resume at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, April 7.

## Hoedowners 'Swing Their Partners' In Square Dance Sessions at Dorm

"Swing, swing, everybody swing, swing your partner, pretty little thing—"

The twangy voice of Dr. Bill Solley rings out over the mike in Hathorn Hall recreation room as about forty college kids follow his calling—some expertly and some hesitantly—as they dance the "Texas Star", the "Birdie in a Cage", or some other square dance.

These are the Hoedowners—a bunch of college kids who like square dancing so well and want to learn more about it that they formed the "Hoedown Club" of the River Falls campus a couple of weeks ago. They plan to meet every second and fourth Friday of the month at 8:00 p. m. at the dorm.

Electing officers at their session last Friday the Hoedowners picked Dick Buck, junior, as president, Beverly Rasmussen, freshman, as vice president, and Dick Seekamp, sophomore, as secretary-treasurer. Dr. Solley who calls the squares,

will be the adviser to the group.

"We plan to have a regular old-fashioned 'Hoe Down' with the whole school invited soon," said President Buck. "We'll use the North Hall gym and perhaps get a caller in from the Twin Cities. We're also going to do some old-time folk dancing. And we can certainly use more members."

After Cokes and their election of officers last Friday, the Hoedowners went back to do some serious dancing. Dr. Solley patiently explained the steps of each (Continued on Next Page)

## Debaters' Trip

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Extemporaneous speaking, four rounds: Heather Hopkins and Bill Schoenwetter. The topic for extemporaneous speaking is "Expansion of Federal Power".

"We leave for Kalamazoo by car on Friday morning," said Miss Hawkins. "We'll stop overnight in Chicago and arrive at the college on Saturday. The convention opens Sunday evening with Easter services at which a nationally known speaker will talk and the new Pi Kappa Delta chapters will be received into the fraternity."

### Banquet Ends Tournament

Among the activities going on at the tournament will be receptions, luncheons, formal and informal dances, and "Province Night", a talent show. On Thursday, April 9, the outstanding speakers in all the divisions will be awarded certificates at a formal banquet. The River Falls team will return home the following day.

"Preparation for the Kalamazoo tournament has been in high gear for several weeks," said Miss Hawkins. "The debaters have spoken before several college classes and several alumni who once debated for River Falls have come in to help."

## Hoedowners

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new dance, and in a few minutes the four squares of eight fellows and girls each were doing a pretty good job of following the caller's routine. It made a pleasant sight, watching the dancers go faster and faster through the sometimes intricate steps, the girls in bright cotton skirts and boys in jeans.

"That's the end of this ol' square. Swing your partner to a big soft chair."

## Dates Set for Intramural Table Tennis, Volleyball

On Thursday evening April 26, the Intramural Table Tennis tournament will begin. The first and second rounds will be played that evening in Hathorn Hall. The finals will be played on Thursday evening, April 23. At this time arrangements will be made for a doubles tournament.

Twelve teams have been entered in the two intramural volleyball leagues. Members may be added to teams at the athletic office any time before the starting date of April 8. A maximum roster may be carried by each team.

Volleyball games will be played by the leagues on April 8, 9, 12, 14, and 15. The teams in the "A" league are: Seven Plus One, Wildcats, Volliers, All Stars, Seldom Inn, and Ambitious Six. Teams in the "B" league are Four Flats, Mad Chemists, Seven Engineers, Dead Dogs, Jumping Jacks, and Lucky Seven.

Also included in the indoor sports will be badminton. All entries are requested to turn their names into Dr. Solley on or before April 10. This sport will be played between 3 and 5 in the afternoon. Arrangements will be made later as to what days the action will take place.

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## Kappa Delta Pi To Admit Thirteen

Kappa Delta Pi, the national education society on campus, will initiate 13 new members April 18, at 7:30 in the Social Room.

Kappa Delta Pi is open to juniors and seniors who are in the upper quarter of their class. One of the prime objectives of this organization is to promote pride in the teaching profession. Miss Vera Moss, a Kappa Delta Pi member, will be the speaker of the evening.

The members to be initiated are Betty Wiskerchen, Marge Deans, Anton Sendelbach, Allan Nelson, Kenneth Ames, Valores Hanson, Ethel Newburg, Raymond Moore, Roger Knieff, Rita Ruemmele, Bob Gueldner, Juliann Ryan and Marvin Fait.

## Clymer Co-authors Article

Dr. Ted Clymer, instructor in the fifth grade at the campus school is the co-author with G. L. Bond of an article, "Interrelationship of the S. R. A. Primary Mental Abilities, Other Mental Characteristics and Reading Ability." The article will be published soon in the Journal of Education.

### Notice

All boys interested in track are to report to the Athletic Office on April 7, at 3:00 p.m. All those students interested in track are requested to work out on their own during Easter Vacation.

Students absent from classes on either today or next Tuesday will lose one credit in every course missed, unless excused by the Deans.

## Alpha Psi Initiates Three

Harlan Siebrecht, Robert Anderson, and Halbert Belt were initiated as members of Alpha Psi Omega, national honorary dramatics fraternity, by the River Falls chapter on Wednesday, March 25, in the Social Room.

Alpha Psi Omega is the largest honorary fraternity in the nation. There are 12 people in the River Falls chapter. Students are accepted into the organization after earning the required number of points given for acting, technical work, and student directing.

The fraternity will hold another initiation for new members on May 24, President Donna Sammons announces.

### Falls Theatre

April 7-8-9  
"TAXI"

April 10-11  
"JACK McCALL,  
DESPERADO"

April 12-13  
"APRIL IN PARIS"

April 14-15-16  
"LAST OF THE  
COMMANCHES"

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