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Bike Riders In Gear for Furlough

Bikes, bucks and barbecue are only a few of the ingredients for the second Fort Hays Furlough to be held April 23-24.

The weekend of fun, organized last year to raise funds for scholarships, will feature a 10-mile women's bicycle race on Friday and a 30-mile men's ride on Saturday at the state park. The men's race, which last year extended over 50 miles, has been shortened for riders' safety.

Eldon Palmberg, Palco junior, has been named chairman of the student steering committee for the event. Mrs. Elaine Hubbard of the college Endowment Assn. office is staff coordinator and Kent Collier, executive-secretary of the Endowment Assn., is faculty adviser.

The tentative schedule of events is:
- Friday—barbecue, women's bicycle race, intersquad football game with a Greek chariot race at halftime, and a varsity dance.
- Saturday—coffee for the bicycle teams and sponsors, men's bicycle race, parachute exhibition by the Fort Hays Sky Divers Club, auction of bicycles and a musical variety show by the college's division of music.

New to the agenda this year will be the crowning of a Furlough queen and the auction of bicycles used in the races.

Student members of the steering committee are Kay Holt, Liberal, assistant chairman; Connie Cusick, Minneola, secretary; Mary Lou Booth, La Crosse; Ken Conklin, Abilene; Jim Coulson, Hays; Dudley Fryman, Rossville; David Ingersoll, Claflin; Martin Kay, Hays; Darnell Keller, Oakley; Mike Leas, Hays; Jack Loesch, Protection; Gary Miller, Kensington; and Bob Ochs, La Crosse.

Males for Agnew Hall

Agnew Hall will echo to male voices and heavier footsteps next year. It will be converted to a residence hall for single men in September, providing campus housing for 171 more men.

The change will coincide with completion of a new wing for 286 women in McIndoes Hall.

On-campus housing for men will increase to 468 with the switch. Wiest Hall now houses 126 men and McGrath 171.

Coming Attraction:

New Library on the Way

Construction on the college's new $1 1/2 million library probably will begin early this summer.

Rep. Bob Dole informed college officials March 30 that Fort Hays State's application for $500,000 from the Higher Educational Facilities Act had been approved, giving the green light to plans for the library. The $500,000 will be added to a $1 million appropriation from the Kansas Legislature.

Woods and Starr, Hays architects, say their final plans will be completed about May 1. Bids probably will be let early this summer and construction can begin shortly after, said Walter Keating, college business manager.

The limestone-exterior building will contain 105,398 square feet in two floors and a basement, contrasting with the present Forsyth Library which contains 28,929 square feet of usable library space, excluding the museum and classrooms.

To be located south of the present building, the new library will be designed for the later addition of a third floor. Its design will incorporate the "open stack" plan with seating in the stack areas.

Other features will include individual student study areas, film library, documents room and special collection areas. The structure will be completely air conditioned.

The present library will be remodeled for a classroom-office building when books are moved to the new structure.

Wanted: Beauties With Brains

College men want glamour AND personality in the women they date, and many want brains, too. Women want looks and personality in their dates, but when it comes to marriage they want understanding.

At least, this is what a survey at Fort Hays State found.

Ninetyeight coeds—42 freshman, 23 sophomores, 22 juniors and 11 seniors—were questioned by the State College Leader. In considering a date, 46 women said personality is important and 45 mentioned appearance. Good manners was cited by 27 coeds.

But in looking for a husband, 50 women listed understanding, 30 mentioned personality and 20 cited similar religious convictions. Appearance, favored by 45 coeds in their date choice, was listed by only seven women as an important factor in matrimony.

The 103 men surveyed—27 freshmen, 28 sophomores, 33 juniors and 15 seniors—put appearance at the top of their list in choosing dates. Seventy-seven mentioned appearance, 73 listed personality and 24 voted for intelligence.

Personality has the edge for the men when it comes to picking a wife. Sixtytwo listed personality as important; 59 cited appearance and 30 mentioned intelligence. Eleven far-sighted men also said homemaking ability is vital.