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# THE ALUMNI NEWS

FORT HAYS KANSAS STATE COLLEGE \* HAYS, KANSAS

## W. Settles Is Elected

O. Warren Settles, high school principal at Junction City, is the new president-elect of the Fort Hays State College Alumni Assn., and Mrs. Mary Larson, Hays, is vice-president.

Results of the recent election by mail were announced at the homecoming dinner, and the winners were introduced shortly before they assumed their duties in the first official meeting of the association's new year.

Dr. E. Dean Bray, Minneapolis physician, moved up to the presidency, replacing Carl Sperry, St. Francis superintendent of schools.

Settles, heading the Gold ticket, won over Robert F. Blum, Oakley insurance salesman. Mrs. Larson ran on the Black ticket, winning over Mrs. Ralph Haneke, Great Bend teacher and housewife.

Settles was president of his college senior class in 1947, captain of the basketball team and an all-conference center. He is a past president of the Kansas Assn. of Secondary School Principals and is on the board of directors of the Kansas High School Activities Assn.

Mrs. Larson is the former Mary Thompson, '56. She has been a Girl Scout executive in Jefferson City, Mo., and Hays and is active in politics, church work and as the mother of two preschool youngsters.

## Library Set To Move; Will Retain 'Forsyth'



**GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS** — Dr. Dean Bray, new president of the Alumni Assn., gets right into the thick of business with Mrs. Elvira Dubach, office secretary for the association.

With the outside work on the new library nearing completion, Fort Hays Staters are anticipating moving into the new \$1½ million structure during spring vacation.

The library will provide three times the floor space of the present structure and will use the open stack plan. Marc Campbell, chairman of the division of library science, sees this as a distinct advantage with people not wasting time standing in line to check out materials at a desk.

Other advantages the new library will offer include a more accessible means of finding materials, more space between book stacks, a slot for returning materials when the library is closed and an area for student typing.

The two-story structure, located directly south of the present library, has a basement area which is not being finished at present, but will be included in the expansion program when a third floor is added a few years hence.

The name "Forsyth" will be retained by the library, since all books and materials are so marked, Campbell said. The present structure will be remodeled and renamed when it becomes an administration building.

## College Leader Asks 'Who Needs What?'

**Editor's note:** This editorial is reprinted from the Nov. 17 issue of the State College Leader and was written by members of the paper's editorial staff as the concluding article in a series explaining the current efforts to secure both a field house and health, physical education and recreation (HPER) building, or some combination which would fulfill the need.

During the past month the Leader has conducted interviews with legislators, students, faculty and city leaders in an effort to determine support for, and feasibility of, constructing a civic center to be built and used jointly by the city of Hays and FHS.

Sen. Keith Sebelius plans to introduce legislation that would allocate money for this purpose. He believes the cooperative effort would be the most realistic way to get the job done.

Basketball Coach Chuck Brehm said that at present his teams often have trouble getting in a full week's practice because the coliseum facilities are used by many other groups. From the standpoint of Artists and Lectures scheduling Dr. Bill Jellison, dean of men, thinks "the civic center is a fine proposal."

Some think that the present tax situation would cause a big vote of "no" as far as citizens of Hays are concerned. But several faculty members say that they would be willing to take the increase in taxes for something as necessary and worthwhile as the civic center.

The Leader would like to review some facts stated in earlier issues: Sheridan Coliseum is inadequate because it will seat only 1,800 for basketball and a maximum of 2,500 for an A&L program. Locker rooms, showers and equipment space are grossly inadequate, not to mention office space for faculty members.

Construction of the proposed HPER building at this time would be like going to a barber after all the hair has fallen out.

Talk of possibly expanding the CIC makes a civic center even more feasible in every respect.

Waiting until the 1970's will just make the \$1 million cost today \$1.5 million tomorrow.

Certainly the college needs more science, busi-

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## **Wanted: an Angel Museum Needs A New Home**

What's going to happen to the Fort Hays State museum?

When library holdings are moved across the street to the new structure sometime next spring, the museum will not move. So say the college administrators.

For "the time being" the museum will stay in its present quarters on the first floor of the present library building.

But plans are being finalized for the remodeling of that structure into an administration building, and the next home of the museum is a matter of conjecture.

A proposal has been made to move all museum holdings to the third floor of the present library building. Myrl Walker, director of museums, and those opposed to such a move cite the cost of rebuilding display cases, the difficulty of moving the large items up two flights of stairs and the cost involved.

Also, they declare, the inaccessibility of a third-floor museum would discourage the thousands of visitors who come to Hays annually to study and enjoy the geological, natural history and history museums.

What's needed obviously, is a permanent home for the Fort Hays State College museums. Developed over a period of nearly half a century, largely through the efforts of George F. Sternberg and his associates, the museums have won national recognition for the college and Western Kansas.

The state does not wish to use tax money to provide space for non-academic functions at state colleges and universities. The museum needs an "angel" or perhaps a whole chorus of angels to meet its emergency.

## **Wooster Dinner Is Postponed**

The annual Wooster Fund Dinner, originally scheduled for Nov. 28 has been postponed to Jan. 30.

The annual fund-raising dinner event has set a cumulative goal of \$25,000 to be reached this year and will announce changes in plans for future dinners.

Guests at the January affair will hear Harry Reasoner, CBS newscaster, who will be on campus as an Artists and Lectures presentation.

## **Warmth of Homecoming Defies Wintry Blast**

It was a REAL homecoming, any alumni who returned to the campus for the annual event Oct. 15 will agree. And uncounted hundreds returned to the campus that weekend.

Despite a bitter cold wind with snow and unseasonably disagreeable weather in Western Kansas, thousands of students, alumni, visitors and Hays residents turned out.

It was a good day, after all. The sun came out, the wind subsided, the parade was colorful and long with the usual quota of high school bands. Ingenious floats depicted the theme of Great Books and the campus favorites—the homecoming queen and her court—added glamor.

Naomi Sheets, Las Vegas, Nev., senior, reigned throughout the day as queen. Her selection was announced at the bonfire-pep rally Friday night and her first official appearance was at the tug-of-war Saturday morning.

The freshmen won the event, taking nearly four minutes to pull the sophomores into the icy waters of Big Creek.

In the parade and at her coronation at halftime of the football game, Miss Sheets was attended by four finalists in the queen competition: Pam Engleman, Hill City; Judi Sipe, Denver; Phyllis Weigel and Judy Marcotte, Hays.

Alpha Kappa Lambda won sweepstakes honors with the float "Mutiny on the Bounty," and other winners were Sigma Phi Epsilon and Delta Sigma Phi for the men's division, Sigma Sigma Sigma and McMindes Hall for the women's division and Newman Club in the open division.

A crowd estimated at more than 8,000 watched the Tigers earn a hard-won 7-0 victory over Washburn University to climax the festivities.

Don Lakin, four-year track and four-year cross country letterman, received the Paul (Busch) Gross Award as the outstanding athlete of 1965-66.

Late afternoon and evening entertain-

ment included open house at Greek houses and a round of parties and special events. Then the homecoming dinner and the dance wrapped up the annual event.

A table of "old-timers" of the Class of 1916 celebrated their 50th anniversary of college graduation. Among those were Mrs. Maude Cline of Geneseo who graduated in 1916, then returned to earn a degree in 1923, and Mrs. Velma Olson of Miami, Fla., who "stopped off to attend homecoming" on her way to Australia. She hadn't been back to the campus since she graduated.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Leighton, Topeka; Jess Gatewood, James Start, Albert Whisnant and Miss Irma Law, all of Hays, were other 50-year-class visitors.

Recognition for coming the greatest distance for homecoming went to Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Tedesco, '41, Lake Mahopac, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Portenier, '31, Las Vegas, Nev.; and Mrs. Olson.

Classes of 1921, 1926, 1931, 1936, 1941, 1946, 1951, 1956 and 1961 also held reunions.

Alumni noted many changes on the campus—the buildings, crowded conditions, a general "busyness," numerous new faces on the faculty and the absence of familiar ones—and they mentioned the absence of freshman "beanies" and other traditions they remembered, but mostly they agreed it was good to get back for homecoming.

## **Hastings Gets Grant**

Mrs. Corazon R. Hastings, an assistant professor of chemistry at Fort Hays State College, has received a \$2,000 grant from the National Science Foundation for research during the next two years.

Mrs. Hastings' research is in the field of physical inorganic chemistry.



PRESIDENT-ELECT O. Warren Settles, left, Mrs. Mary Larson, newly-elected vice-president of the Alumni Assn., and her husband Edward visited about their new responsibilities following the homecoming dinner.