

Ambulance Bought With Part of '56 Class Gift

An ambulance for the University Hospital was the 1956 class gift from the graduating seniors.

Dr. Herbert R. Glenn, director of the University Health Service, estimated that the cost of a new ambulance would be between \$7000 and \$8000. The remainder of the \$9500 gift will be contributed for furnishings for the Helen Eakin Eisenhower Memorial All-Faith Chapel.

Grad School Emphasizes Research

The Graduate School was organized at the University in 1922.

Dr. Harold K. Schilling is dean of the Graduate School and Dr. Henry W. Kner is assistant dean.

The faculty of the Graduate School consists of the president of the University, the deans of the various colleges, the University Examiner, the Librarian, the heads of departments, and those members of the instructional staff who have been authorized by the proper agencies of the Graduate School to offer graduate courses and supervise research leading to theses. It controls all academic matters pertaining to the Graduate School, subject to review by the University Senate.

On Separate Level

Graduate work at the University is not an extension of undergraduate work. It operates at a definitely higher level, demands scholarship of a high order, and emphasizes research and creativity. It involves a minimum of formal requirements and regulations, and a maximum of student initiative and responsibility.

The Graduate Student Council is a student organization that is separate from the Graduate School. The purposes of the Council are to unify the graduate students, promote their social and cultural welfare, and help to solve their non-academic problems.

Mazurkewicz Is President

Present officers are Joseph Mazurkewicz, president, James Boodley, vice president, Nancy Gruber, secretary, and Charles Chevalier, treasurer.

The Graduate Student Council plans to sponsor four dances and several coffee hours during the coming term.

Red squirrels voluntarily swim streams and lakes, including such waters as Lake George and the broadest parts of Lake Champlain.

Money for the class gift is taken from student fees and is accumulated for eight semesters. During the past few years, classes have appropriated between \$4000 to \$10,000 for class gifts.

In the 1st years of its existence, the University has never owned an ambulance. A campus patrol wagon has been used for emergency cases, but Dr. Glenn said it is not adequate.

When the ambulance is purchased, it will be housed in the garage that is being constructed as part of the new wing to the Hospital.

May Operate Round-the-Clock

Dr. Glenn said that tentative plans for the ambulance would provide for 24-hour operation. During the day, it would be driven by a hospital maintenance man, and at night, by a campus patrolman.

Plans for a class gift are decided upon by members of the senior class sometime in April through suggestion boxes strategically placed around campus. Seniors vote upon the suggestions when they call for their copies of LaVie.

The tradition of donating a class gift has been maintained at the University since 1861 when the graduating class donated memorial tablets that were eventually placed on the memorial gate at the east end of campus, a gift of the classes of 1917 and 1918.

Many Gifts Well Known

Many of the class gifts have actually been in the form of physical presentations to the University. Some of the better known ones include the benches on campus from the class of 1900, the drinking fountain at the Old Willow Tree, from the class of 1914, the memorial gate at the front entrance of campus from the class of 1916, and the Westminster Chimes in the tower of Old Main from the class of 1937.

One of the most famous landmarks on campus was a class gift. The Lion Shrine was a presentation from the class of 1940. In the same general vicinity, the scoreboard on Beaver Field was a gift from members of the class of 1926.

Class gifts have been "stepping

stones" of progress for the expansion of University building and facilities. It was the class of 1945 that first set aside funds for the construction of a student union building. These plans were realized with the dedication of the Hetzel Union Building in February, 1955.

Som traditional gifts have been the donation of Class Ivy which was placed on several administrative buildings by the classes of 1908 through 1912.

Several classes have perpetuated their names with the donation of money for loan funds, scholarship funds, and memorial funds.

Old Main is 'Favorite'

Old Main seems to be a favorite for class gifts. In 1904, the graduating class presented the clock in the tower as a senior gift, and the class of 1913 class was the terrace.

Two thousand dollars was set aside by the class of 1949 to be allocated for a student book store.

The rest of the money was handed over to the University to be kept until enough money was raised for a student press. Because this suggestion was unfeasible as all students printing is done by commercial printers, the money will be used to obtain AM facilities for campus radio station WDFM, in conjunction with several other class donations.

Gifts from the classes of 1953, 1954 and 1955 have been used for furnishings in the All-Faith Chapel such as in the chancel, meditation chapel, pews, and nave.

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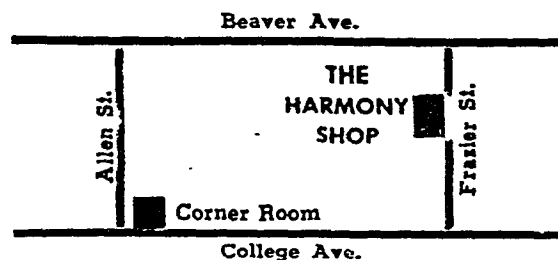
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