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Augustana Male Quartet Gives 75 Concerts in Tour

Travels Through East; Visits Many Places of Historic Interest.

The Augustana male quartet returned to Augustana after completing a successful 8,000 mile tour through the eastern states where the troupe of musicians appeared in more than 75 concerts. The culmination of the tour of the east marks the completion of three years of intensive activity on the part of this group.

Howard Pearce, '27, first tenor, Arnold Serenius, '26, first bass and manager, Carl Nelson, '26, second bass, and Martin Johnston, '27, second tenor and director, made up the quartet's personnel. Iverne Dowie, 14 years old, blind-boy violinist and student in the conservatory, and Elwood Kraft, '27, graduate pianist of the Augustana conservatory of music, were assisting artists.

The journey over the mountains to the coast was made in a Paige touring car with a winter inclosure. The baggage of the troupe was cared for in a commodious steel trunk upon which was emblazoned in bold letters the name of Augustana.

Quartet Boosts Augie.

The programs given this past summer were very similar to those of previous seasons. Both the sacred and secular concerts were used, and at intermissions either Serenius or Johnston gave a short speech which boosted Augie as well as the Christian educational work of our synodical institutions of learning. Comments of this phase of the work were very favorable. Dr. Peter Froeberg, former president of Upsala college, expressed his delight over the high class of entertainment rendered and the splendid representation that was Augie's in this group of young artists.

Wherever the quartet appeared they were met by large and appreciative audiences. Perhaps the largest was that which gathered in the First Lutheran church in Jamestown, N. Y.

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JEROME MILLER TO HEAD JUNIOR CLASS

Jerome Miller of Davenport, Ia., hard-hitting backfield man on Augie's grid team for the past two seasons, was elected president of the junior class at its initial meeting in the college chapel last Friday morning. Jerry has taken a prominent part in school activities during the last two years.

Glen Seidel of Rankin, Ill., was accorded the vice-presidency. Dorothy Youngberg of Essex, Ia., was elected secretary and Chester Lundberg of Lynn Center, Ill., treasurer.

CLASS OF '27 ELECTS LUNDHOLM PRESIDENT

Harold Lundholm of Gowrie, Ia., was elected president of the senior class at its organization meeting in the college chapel Friday morning.

Other officers were named as follows:

Vice-president—Mildred Selander, Gowrie, Ia.

Secretary—Elvera Engdahl, Titusville, Pa.

Treasurer—Clarence Barnes, Julesburg, Colo.

Students' Council member—Benton Holm, Leroy, Mich.

QUAD-CITY STUDENTS MORE THAN HALF OF TOTAL ENROLLMENT

521 Students Enrolled to Date; 87 More Men Than Women.

More than 50 per cent of this year's students are from the quad-cities, according to a report from the president's office. Of the 266 quad-city students, new and old, Rock Island representatives head the list with 115 names. Contributing to the total of local students are 80 from Moline, 55 from Davenport, and 16 from East Moline.

The enrollment of men students as against that of women students, is unusually heavy this year compared to other years. Of the 294 male students, 133 are registered here for the first time, and 102 of the 227 co-eds are new.

Augustana college registration figures through Wednesday show a total enrolment of 521 students, an increase of 20 over the 1925 figures of the same date. Of the total number of students enrolled, 235 are new students as against 208 last year.

Class of '16 Presents \$150 to Endowment Building Fund

Annual Alumni Banquet, Held June 1, Attended by 400 People.

Approval of the \$1,500,000 endowment and building campaign fund to be waged in the fall of 1927 was registered by the class of '16 at its tenth anniversary by presenting \$150 for the fund to President G. A. Andreen. This money was the surplus of the 1916 Rockety-I.

More than 400 alumni, faculty members, and friends of Augustana college attended the annual banquet given by the Augustana Alumni association in the college gymnasium the evening of June 1. The 59 members of the 1926 graduating class of the college, and members of the semi-

NEW MAN TO HEAD PIANO DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATORY

Comes to Augie With Much Experience as Soloist and Accompanist.

Guy Webster of Chicago, a pianist of experience and renown, has been engaged by the board of directors as head of the piano department in the conservatory to fill the place left vacant by Grady Cox.

Mr. Webster has recently returned from two years' study in Europe under celebrated teachers in London and Paris, among them the master Tobias Matthay of London.

Mr. Webster received training in this country at the Detroit Conservatory of Music under Louise Cragg. After serving in the war, he returned to Chicago and accepted an appointment on the staff of the U. S. Veterans' Bureau of Music. While in this position, he devoted himself to perfecting his musical knowledge further under musicians in Chicago and New York.

As a soloist, Mr. Webster is one of the best of our American pianists. While in Europe, he made several successful appearances in London and Paris. In addition to his accomplishments as a soloist, Mr. Webster is an able organist and accompanist.

Eskil Randolph, former instructor in piano at Augustana, is doing advanced work in piano in Philadelphia.

COLLEGE OFFICE HOURS CHANGED TO MEET NEED

Increased volume of business, which has made it necessary for the office force to have more time to prepare for and check up the day's work, has brought about a change in the hours of the college business office. The office is now open from 9 a. m. to 12 noon and from 1 to 4 p. m.

nary graduating class were guests of honor at the event.

The Augustana college band played a program before the dinner. Musical numbers were also contributed by the Augustana male quartet and the Oriole chorus.

An interesting coincidence occurred at the reunion of the classes of '16 and '21. At graduation both classes numbered thirty-nine, and at this reunion each had ten members present. The ten members of the class of '21 traveled an aggregate mileage of 1,750.

Prof. Albert F. Schersten was elected president, and Prof. O. L. Nordstrom, secretary. In the afternoon the alumni lost 3 to 2 in the annual alumni-varsity baseball game.

Eight Hard Battles Carded for Viking Football Eleven

Grid Schedule

Sept. 25—St. Bede's college at Rock Island.
Oct. 2—Knox at Galesburg.
Oct. 9—Open.
Oct. 16—Illinois Wesleyan at Rock Island.
Oct. 23—Macomb State Teachers at Macomb.
Oct. 30—Monmouth at Rock Island (Home coming.)
Nov. 6—North Central at Rock Island.
Nov. 13—James Millikin at Decatur.
Nov. 20—Mt. Morris at Mt. Morris.

Augie Opens Season on Home Lot Sept. 25 Against St. Bede's.

Seven conference and one non-conference tilts have been carded for the 1926 football season by Director of Athletics A. V. Swedberg. The Vikings will blast the lid off the current season Sept. 25 when the strong St. Bede's college eleven of Peru invades Rock Island for the first grid battle ever waged against the Blue and Gold.

Not much is known on the strength of the Bedans this year, but reports emanating from the northern Illinois school have it that 1926 will be a big grid year for St. Bede's.

Play Knox Oct. 2.

The second and probably one of the biggest games of the year will be played at Galesburg Oct. 2 with the Knox eleven. Norse grid enthusiasts will probably recall the famous Knox-Augustana game at Ericsson field last year when the Siwash, with the fleet "Bill" Senn as the big attraction, managed to score a close victory over the Lutheran's after Coach Peterson's boys had fought one of the greatest battles ever witnessed on the local grid. Coach John Van Liew will have a hard time to fill the big gap in the Siwash backfield caused by the graduation of Senn and unless Lady Luck smiles again on the Knox aggregation, the Augie's should gain revenge for the defeat suffered last season.

Open Date Oct. 9.

The only open date on the card is Oct. 9. As far as it is known, no contest will be booked as Coach Peterson wants to give his warriors plenty of rest after the stiff Knox battle before encountering the highly-touted Illinois

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AUGIE STUDENTS WILL BE TRAINED FOR GREAT WORK

Augustana students will have an opportunity to volunteer for interesting work in the library lecture room at 7 o'clock this evening when Swedish Tercenary representatives, Dr. Amandus Johnson of Philadelphia and Dr. Julius Lincoln of Chicago, will be here to solicit and train four-minute speakers for Tercenary work.

Raising funds to complete the John Morton Memorial building in Philadelphia is the immediate work before the national committee of Swedish-Americans, who are already laying plans for a giant celebration in 1938, the three hundredth anniversary of the first landing of Swedes in America.

SURVEYS MADE ON SITE APPROVED BY SYNOD FOR DORM

Decision Ends Discussion; to Cost \$175,000; Work to Begin This Winter.

The ladies' dormitory building will be erected on the north side of Seventh avenue, almost directly across the street from the Denkmann Memorial Library.

The final selection of a site for the new building ends a three-year discussion between the college board of directors and the executives of the Woman's Missionary society in regard to a suitable location.

The plans for this building are being prepared by the architectural firm of Perkins, Fellows and Hamilton of Chicago. These will be submitted to the board of directors this fall. The preliminary plans call for a structure, which will accommodate from 100 to 200 girls at a cost not to exceed \$175,000.

The funds that have been gathered by the women within the Augustana synod for this purpose are to be turned over to the board of directors so that the construction of this building can begin this winter without delay.

The action of the board of directors in engaging architects and the appointment of the building committee was in accordance with the decision made at the annual meeting in June of the Augustana synod in Philadelphia, where the board was authorized to proceed with the erection of a women's dormitory.

SCHOOL PURCHASES 450 NEW HYMNALS

Four hundred new hymnals have been placed in the college chapel and fifty in the seminary chapel. Manager Johnson asks that these books be left in the chapels as he plans to place the old hymnals in the Brotherhood building and History room.

Use of the new hymnals was begun Tuesday morning.