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## \$15,000,000 Goal for Morningside College Endowment

Frank Johnson, Chairman of the Wills and Estates Committee at Morningside College, has said: "The private college which will be strong and vital twenty years hence is that college which is acting now to strengthen its endowment program." The goal at Morningside is an endowment fund of \$15,000,000 by 1980.

State universities in Iowa now receive an annual subsidy from tax support, in addition to amounts paid by students, of approximately \$1,200 per student. An endowment fund of \$15,000,000 at Morningside will provide a subsidy of approximately \$400 per student per year. This will enable Morningside College to compete for the best instructors, keep tuition charges low, and provide an excellent program.

One method now being used at Morningside in seeking to provide security for the future of the college is to ask friends of the college to place Morningside in their wills, or to set up trusts in favor of the college.

Last year Morningside began an intensive program of cultivation under the skilled guidance of the Kennedy-Sinclair Company. This firm has been for many years one of the most reliable sources of training for trust officers, and is well known in banking circles. Three college staff members, Mr. Miles Tommeraasen, Mr. A. W. Buckingham, and Mr. Louis Croston, have taken the training program.

A very informative bulletin that concerns estate planning and the benefits to an individual of "putting his house in order" in a way which

most benefits his own family and interests is mailed each quarter to a limited mailing list. This booklet—"The Economy of Giving"—shows the individual how he can, through financial planning, make his gift to education in a manner that will not jeopardize his own or his family's future welfare.

The Wills and Estates Program is a service of Morningside College which seeks to show the individual the value in planning his estate so that his family will receive the greatest benefits. An individual is motivated to plan his estate, to set his financial house in order, by a desire to protect his family. Because of the income tax structure in our country, education gifts, if carefully integrated with a modern estate plan, will give a person more spendable income during his lifetime and will enable him to provide greater financial protection for his family in the future. A coordination of a charitable bequest with a sound estate plan is important.

It is of course the hope behind the program that after an individual has seen the value of putting his will or estate in order, he will see his way clear to include Morningside in his plan.

The response thus far has been enthusiastic. Many persons have commented that they did not realize what great benefits there are in careful estate planning. Since the program was initiated, we have been informed of 49 wills in which Morningside College is named. These represent a total of \$691,000 which has been designated specifically for the college.

# Honors

An honors study committee has worked throughout the academic year considering various types of honor programs.

Their proposal placed before the faculty in the first meeting of April, states several purposes for students involved in a program:

1. Correlation and interrelationships of knowledge
2. Acquaintance with the "classics" or great books
3. Reading in depth
4. Closer student-teacher relationships among academically talented students.

The structure of the Honors program can be outlined briefly as follows:

## Selection:

Since the program is designed to meet the interests of highly talented students who wish to do serious study the program will include a minimum number of high achievement students on an elective basis. The present proposal provides for the twenty top students in each of the four classes of freshman, sophomore, junior and senior to be invited to participate.

## Courses:

Each group of students would participate in a seminar with one hour credit each semester. It is proposed that the honors seminars start in 1963 with the freshman and senior classes. Eventually, there will be an honors study group for each of the four classes.

## Staff:

The honors study groups will be taught by four teams of three faculty members each with a total of twelve faculty people teaching. Each instructor will be involved in one course each semester. Dr. Joseph Uemura will be the coordinator for the entire honors program.

## Credit:

Only a passing or failing mark would be given under the existing proposal. Honors credit at graduation would be given on the number of interdepartmental honors courses taken and passed above the minimum 124 hours required for graduation.

## Content:

Four major topics, Man, Nature, God, and Beauty, will be studied chronologically from the Greek culture to the present time.

## Departmental Honors:

In addition to the general honors program the committee on honors study proposes to liberalize the existing structure for honors study in departmental areas.

The proposal is to encourage students with a B average (3.0) or above in their major department and a cumulative of (2.5) C+ or above to take comprehensive examinations in their major field of concentration. Previously, departmental honors were open only to students with a (3.0) B cumulative in all college work. The new proposal will be advantageous to the "late-bloomers" and the talented student in one department who may not have an exceptional college record.

This expanded program in honors work and the new phases of an honors program indicate significant attention to academic excellence. It is expected that this increased emphasis on honors may help to attract some of the finest high school students in the country. It will provide opportunities for work at the highest levels and inter-action with other students of superior academic ability.

## The Commons

The Commons, which was officially opened during Homecoming last fall, has become the center not only for student activities but also for events of various civic organizations that are concerned with education.

On May 23, the Sioux City Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual spring dinner at the Commons honoring the top 5% of the senior classes from the public and parochial high schools in Sioux City. This yearly event is sponsored by the Education Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

More than 100 representatives from 37 colleges attended a conference on teacher education in liberal arts colleges held at the Commons April 18-20. The conference was sponsored by the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education.

Earlier in the year, the Commons provided the facilities for a Student Financial Aid Conference, which was attended by representatives from colleges throughout the midwest. Among the local civic groups which have used the Commons is the Sioux City chapter of the American Association of University Women.

## Spring Sports

Spring sports activity is in full swing, with competition in baseball, track, tennis, and golf. In addition, spring football practice occupied the month of April for Maroon gridgers. Coach Halford ended the drills with a squad game May 2.

The Maroon Chiefs baseball team won four of their first five contests in April, defeating Dana, Wayne, and Westmar. North Central Conference baseball action began for the Chiefs April 23 against Augustana. Ten conference games are included in the complete 23-game schedule. Don Protxter, head baseball coach, is assisted this year by Dick Weikert.

The track squad began a busy three months of competition March 1, which will continue until May 30. Highlights in the schedule include the Sioux City Relays, May 3; the Redman Relays at Indianola, May 4, and the North Central Conference meet, May 17-18. Coach Bud Brockman has only two seniors, both lettermen, on this year's squad.

Walter Benjamin's tennis team headed into action April 18 against Augustana, with five matches on tap before the conference meet in Sioux City, May 17.

The Morningside golfers also took on Augustana April 18 in their initial outing. Prospects were excellent for a fine showing this spring, as three veterans led the squad into a seven-match slate.

## Morningside Rates High in Who's Who in America

A recent study conducted by the editors of Who's Who in America shows that Morningside College ranks favorably among the nation's institutions of higher learning with regard to the number of graduates listed in the publication.

According to the survey, Morningside, one of the youngest colleges in Iowa in years of operation, has 67 graduates listed in Who's Who in America. This places the college in the 94th percentile among the more than 1200 private higher educational institutions in the United States, taking size into consideration.

Morningside ranks 43rd among the country's 700 private, coeducational, liberal arts colleges, which places her in the 94th percentile rank.



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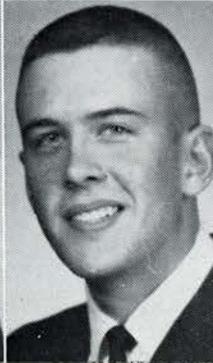
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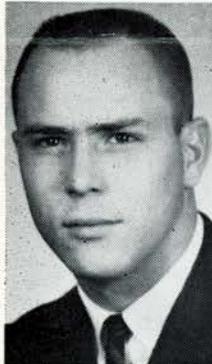
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## International Student Program Expanding

The International Student Program at Morningside continues to expand. Since the early 1900's, students from other lands have been in evidence on the Morningside campus. Now, in 1963, Morningside is the home of 43 students representing 15 different countries. These individuals are playing a vital role in the life of the college by bringing their cultures and influences to bear on their fellow Morningside students.

Twenty-five of the forty-three international students are from the

continent of Africa, with 17 from Southern Rhodesia alone. Other nations represented at Morningside are: Angola, Bolivia, Congo, Formosa, Greece, Hong Kong, Iran, Kenya, Korea, Morocco, Panama, Peru, Turkey, and Venezuela.

Twenty-one of the Africans are attending Morningside under a joint program sponsored by the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church and the North Iowa Conference of the Methodist Church. One hundred and thirty-five churches in the North Iowa Conference contributed to the program last year. Many churches are sponsoring an individual student, while others are contributing to the

## ◆ Presidential Scholarships

The Board of Trustees set up this year, on an experimental basis, approximately ten new four-year scholarships, called the Presidential Scholarships. Each scholarship amounts to \$2,000, which is divided into four annual grants of \$500 each. It is to be given only to high school graduates who have shown outstanding academic, social and spiritual qualities during their high school program.

In national tests administered to all new Morningside students last fall, most of this group placed in the 98th or 99th percentile. All have been outstanding leaders in church and community activities.

total program. The North Iowa Conference is also sponsoring two students from Bolivia at Morningside this year.

A careful screening before coming to the United States showed that the students from Africa were among the best students in their home country. Many of the group are older than their fellow Morningsiders; they average between 28 and 32 years of age. Most of them were teachers in Africa and expect to return to continue in that profession. They have proven themselves to be strong academically at Morningside, and a good share of them have grade averages above a 3.0, which is better than B work. While many of them are majoring in the humanities, others are engaged in various academic areas. The African students are on an accelerated program, working to complete the regular four academic years in three, by using the recently established summer semester. This is their second year at Morningside.

Several of Morningside's international representatives participated in the college debate program this year, and two more are in the college choirs. Also, according to Mr. Fred Lee, the advisor to the international students, the students from other countries are the "mainstay" of the Controversy program, an informal discussion group which meets weekly to take up various important international and national topics.

The International Student Program is proving to be beneficial not only to the foreign students but also to the rest of Morningside's student body. Both groups contribute to the learning process which goes on constantly outside the classroom.



## LIBRARY GROWS

Morningside College has embarked upon a project to double the number of volumes in the college library by 1970.

Head Librarian Virgil Wynne states that proposed budget increases within the next eight years should be sufficient to double the number of books now on hand.

The portion of the 1962-63 library budget for new books totals \$17,500, which is an increase of \$6,300 over last year's book budget.

Last year the faculty members were asked to help compile a list of books that they felt were needed in the library. Five thousand dollars of this year's budget for new books is being spent for selections taken

from the faculty suggestions. Another survey was taken this year, and \$5,000 of next year's new book budget, which will again total \$17,500, will be used to purchase books included in the latest list of suggestions. Additional surveys will be conducted. One just completed involved checking lists of approved books from such organizations as the American Institute of Physics to determine which books are already in the Morningside library and which need to be secured.

In the school year 1964-65, the allotment for new books will be increased by an additional \$25,000. This increase will be continued until 1970, thus providing the funds necessary to double the number of volumes in the library.

## CAMPUS CALENDAR

MAY AND JUNE, 1963

- May 10 Honors chapel, 10 a. m., Allee Gymnasium  
Tennis and golf — Westmar, there  
Baseball — State College of Iowa, here  
Agora Mother-Daughter Banquet, 6:30 p. m., Commons
- May 11 Baseball — State College of Iowa, here
- May 13 Tennis and golf — South Dakota U., here
- May 15, 16, 17 Pre-registration in Allee Gymnasium
- May 17 Tennis and Golf — Conference meet, here  
Baseball — Conference play-offs
- May 23 Baseball — Westmar, here
- May 25 Dimmitt Hall Spring formal, 6:30 p. m.
- May 26-27 Operas: "The Medium" and "The Old Maid and the Thief" — 8 p. m., Klinger Forum.
- May 31 Reception for returning Alumni, 7:30 p. m.
- June 1 Class of 1913 Breakfast, President Palmer's Home, 8 a. m.  
Annual spring meeting of Morningside Board of Trustees, 9:30 a. m.  
Reunion Luncheon, 12:15  
Alumni Dinner, 6:30 p. m.
- June 2 Baccalaureate, 11:00 a. m. Grace Methodist Church  
Commencement, 4 p. m., Allee Gymnasium
- June 3-8 Final examinations
- June 15 Registration for first summer session
- June 17 Classes begin for first summer session



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