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HOUSTOUN WARING

For Newspaper Hall of Fame

The U. S. Department of State in 1951 featured Waring in a $30,000 film, "Small Town Editor," which is still being shown in 20 languages in 83 countries.

Top News Award

The Montana Kaimin won first place in the 1958 national Sigma Delta Chi news writing contest, competing with student newspapers from more than 100 colleges and universities.

Carl Hilliard, journalism senior from Bridger and SDX president, accepted the award for the Kaimin at the fraternity's 49th national convention in San Diego, Calif.

Second place went to the Miami (Fla.) Hurricane, and third to the Minnesota Daily of the University of Minnesota. Honorable mention was given to the Boston University News and the Marquette University Tribune.

The Kaimin's award was based on four stories published during the controversy last spring between MSU President Carl McFarland and the State Board of Education. Two of the stories were written by Kaimin Editor Ted Hulbert, Cut Bank junior, and two by Frank Crepeau, now a graduate student at the University of Wisconsin.

Three front pages showing the development of one of the stories during a three-hour period on May 6 also were submitted to the judges. That issue of the Kaimin, according to available records, is the only one in the paper's 60-year history to have gone through three editions.

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With Grads of the 30s

Kaimin Editor and Associate in '39 Continue to Move Ahead on 'Time'

William Forbis '39 has been promoted from associate editor to senior editor of "Time" magazine.

Philip Payne '39 was transferred early this year from Buenos Aires to the Rome bureau of "Time", where he wrote the cover story on Pope John XXIII in the Nov. 10 issue of "Time". Forbis was editor and Payne was associate editor of the Kaimin in 1939.

Mary A. Wilson (Mrs. Fremont W.) '31 became executive secretary of the Western Montana Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society in Missoula last summer.

Fred J. Steiner '32, editor of West Coast Sailors since 1951, was named editor of the Marine Firemen and the Stewards News, giving him a circulation which includes every major port in the world.

Dorothy Rochon Powers '43 told why she thinks "the sky's the limit to women who aspire to challenging jobs," and Elaine Forbis '43 says "fame and fortune seem to have passed me by," but she enjoys life as a housewife on Balboa Island off Southern California.

Robert D. Warden '27, executive editor of the Great Falls Tribune, is a commander in the Naval Reserve. He supplied the J-School with a portrait of his father, O. S. Warden, for the Montana Newspaper Hall of Fame display.

Emily Thraillkill White (Mrs. Stroller) '26 says "fame and fortune seem to have passed me by," but she enjoys life as a housewife on Balboa Island off Southern California.

'Prof' Housman Now Living in Maryland

Dr. R. L. Housman, writing in the Missouri Journalism Alumni News, reports he is free lanceing and re-doing a novel on frontier life in Montana.

"Prof" Housman received the first Ph.D. in journalism from Missouri in 1934. He was on the MSU journalism faculty from 1925 to 1943 except for a year's leave of absence, and served as executive head from 1936 to 1941. He now lives in Rockville, Md.

Theta Sig Matrix Magazine Features Three MSU Grads

Three J-School grad alums were featured in the May-June issue of Theta Sigma Phi's Matrix.

Dorothy Rochon Powers '43 told why she thinks "the sky's the limit for women reporters," and Elaine Almos '55 and Norma Beatty '57 were part of a panel making suggestions to women who aspire to challenging journalistic jobs.
The Time of the GI

Most Grads of 40s Staying Close To Typewriters as Years Go By

Eileen L. Lommasson (Mrs. T. E.) '49 manages "to keep fairly busy working in and around the journalism field," wrote a brochure for her husband's new instrument manufacturing company, is active in the Albuquerque (N.M.) Journal.

Evelyn Mayer King (Mrs. Coleman E.) '43 represented Missoula in the international speech contest in Seattle as part of the International Toastmistress convention. She earlier had won the Northern Region contest in Banff, becoming the first Missoula Toastmistress to earn a place in the international contest.

Verna Green Smith (Mrs. Alfred N.) '40, publicity director and English teacher in the Ritenour School District of St. Louis County, Mo., has held top Theta Sigma Phi posts there and nationally, and served as publicity chairman of the White House Conference on Education in St. Louis this year. She is working on a master's degree at Washington University in St. Louis.

George O'Connell '47 is director of the Dartmouth College News Service in Hanover, N. H.

Marion Badgley Osborne (Mrs. Jack) '47 is in Long Beach, Calif., where her husband (MSU '49) is an accountant for Petrolane Gas. They lived in Cut Bank and Billings before heading west.

Madge Scott van Adelsberg (Mrs. Stephen B.) '40, describes herself as a "happy mother and homemaker" for one daughter and helping out at her husband's doctor office. She also is doing free lance manuscript editing.

J. J. Wuerthner Jr. '49, manager of community activities for General Electric in Syracuse, N. Y., is working on a book about businessmen and public affairs. A program he developed and supervised was awarded a Citizenship Achievement Award by the American Heritage Foundation in June.

Norman G. Warsinske Jr. '49 received a B.A. in art from the University of Washington in June and is a sculptor-interior designer in Seattle. He recently completed a large wall sculpture for the lobby of the Georgia Hotel in Vancouver, B. C.

Donald H. Weston '49 reports having a great and rewarding time on a one-year CBS News and Public Affairs Fellowship at Columbia University in New York. He went to Chicago to receive the Radio-Television News Directors Assn. award for distinguished achievement in public affairs reporting, which he and J-School senior Ron Richards won for Station KGO.

Herbert C. Watts Jr. '40 announces he was appointed Honorary Consul for Panama, which should not take too much time from his duties as editor of the Havre Daily News.

William F. Stevens '41 is the new publisher of the Flathead Courier in Polson. Bill is advertising director and vice president of Treasure State Industries, which bought the paper from Mildred Murphy in October. He will continue to live in Billings.

Ray Loman '49, editor and publisher of the Ronan Pioneer, was elected to the state legislature on the Republican ticket.

Mike A. Dudik '48 has resigned as golf professional at the Great Falls city course to take a similar position at the Clarkston Golf and Country Club in Clarkston, Wash., on Jan. 1.


MIEA Meet Draws Large Attendance

More than 350 students and publications advisers attended a three-day fall meeting of the Montana Interscholastic Editorial Assn. Oct. 9-11 in the Journalism Bldg.

The journalism staff presented a tightly-packed program which filled the time of the high school students from Thursday morning until Saturday noon. MIEA has held a two-day annual meeting in recent years.

Asst. Prof. Richard A. Garver, MIEA adviser, was in charge of arrangements.

Noel D. Furlong of Flathead County High School, a 1951 MSU journalism graduate, was awarded a Gold Key as adviser of the year.
Graduates of 50s in Varied Journalism Posts

Beverly Praetz Pietryga (Mrs. L. A.) '54 in Holt, Mich., is public relations director for the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission for Ingham, Eaton and Clinton Counties.

Bill Stellmon '51 is managing editor of the Morgan County Herald at Fort Morgan, Colo. He moved there last March from Cut Bank, where he had been news editor of the Pioneer Press.

Joseph Renders '50 now has four children and is still on the copy desk of the Great Falls Tribune. He also brought Marianne Hodgskiss Waye (Mrs. Don) '51 of Great Falls back into our “found” file.

Stan Ronnie '51 is handling publications and teaching social studies in the Aberdeen, Wash., High School and twice this year has substituted as editor of the North Idaho Daily Press in Wallace. He also made an extended tour of Central America, making a total of 25 countries he has visited.

Audrey Olson Thorsrud (Mrs. Garfield M.) '52 was a welcome visitor to the J-School while on a vacation trip from Falls Church, Va.

Barbara Mellott Tidyman (Mrs. Thomas C.) '56 filled in for three weeks this summer as society editor of the Missoulian for Gertrude Bassett '29.

Mary C. Verploegen '50 returned to her job as columnist and staff writer for the Honolulu Star-Bulletin after six weeks this summer in Montana and the Midwest.

M. Jean Herbert Winthers (Mrs. John R.) '56 brings us up to date: Returned from Ketchikan, Alaska, in December, 1956, after serving as associate editor and advertising manager for the Alaska Sportsman magazine, married, has been working in the Seeley Lake postoffice and now is clerk of schools in Seeley Lake.

Lawrence F. Wilkinson '53 is representative of the nutritional and pharmaceutical division of Mead Johnson & Co. of Evansville, Ind.

Charles A. Thompson '55, first lieutenant in the Army, was at White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico where his platoon fired a Corporal missile for Project Ampo.

Burton (Buck) Warren '51, technical writer for Rocketdyne, Division of North American Aviation in Canoga Park, Calif., says it is an “extremely interesting and fairly new field of journalism with a bright future. J-School grads should look into job possibilities.”

Daniel R. Zenk '55, in Wildflecken, Germany, will wind up a three-year Army tour in Europe next April and has received a permanent appointment as first lieutenant. Brian Edward was born June 5.

W. Keith Wuerthner '56 is an operations clerk in the Seneca, N.Y., Ordnance Depot. He expects to be out of the Army and back on the staff of the Butte Post in April.

William J. Walker '51 was elected Missoula County Sheriff on the Republican ticket in the November elections.

Don Zupan '52 is pounding out sports stories for the Billings Gazette.

Jerry Hayes '57 dropped in for a J-School visit while on leave from duty on the largest carrier in the Pacific fleet, the USS Ranger. He plans to return to the J-School when he is separated from the Navy in March.


Joy East Ghigleri (Mrs. John P.) '53, reports “another fine yield in the land of fine wines”—Joelle Marie, born Aug. 3 in Orleans, France—to go along with a previous crop, Aubrie Gale, now almost 2.

Henry P. Pratt '52 was promoted to personnel assistant in the National Park Service at Yellowstone Park. He says he is planning on a career in the government service, for which “MSU and the School of Journalism provided a good background.”

Gary Sorensen '57 was married to Julean Shuck of Butte in Ellicott City, Md., Aug. 30. Gary is in the 35th Artillery Brigade (AD) at Fort Meade, Md., and edits the unit's monthly Washington-Baltimore Guardian.

Helen Lenhart Martin (Mrs. Richard O.) '53 reports a son, Matthew James, born June 22, joining Deborah, age 15 months. Husband Dick is now a reporter for the Salt Lake Tribune.

Bill Sanders '57 formerly director of radio-television at South Dakota State College, joined the staff of Station KPRB in Redmond, Ore.

Ray Moholt '55 started work as a desk man on the Anchorage (Alaska) Daily Times in July.

Ross M. Hagen '52, his wife, Jackie, and three sons are now in Georgia. He was transferred to the Atlanta bureau of the Associated Press from Denver.

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