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J-School Shows
Enrollment Gain

Fall enrollment in the School of Journalism went up again this year with a total of 95 students in the undergraduate and graduate programs.

Ninety-one undergraduate majors and four graduate students are enrolled, compared with 90 undergraduates and two graduate students last year. In addition, the School of Journalism is administratively responsible for 28 radio-television majors, an increase of six over last year.

The total of students in the two programs went from 114 to 123.

Fall term registration for journalism was 24 freshmen, 20 sophomores, 24 juniors and 23 seniors. Undergraduates number 62 men and 29 women. According to statistics published in the Journalism Quarterly, the Montana J-school is one of the few in the nation which has increased its junior-senior enrollment in the past four years. MSU had 47 upperclass majors in the fall term of 1960, compared with 41 in 1956.

The University registered 3,760 students fall term, compared with 3,611 the preceding year.

Warden, Roe Given Political Fellowships

Richard D. Warden '57 and Teddy W. Roe '59 have been awarded congressional fellowships by the American Political Science Foundation.

They were among 17 selected from 150 candidates to work with members of Congress and the press for nine months in Washington, D. C.

Warden is state editor of the Great Falls Tribune. Roe worked for the Great Falls Leader and the Des Moines Register and Tribune before studying for a year in Argentina under an Inter-American Press Association grant.

Vic Reinemer Joins Sen. Metcalf's Staff

Vic Reinemer '48, Dean Stone Visiting Lecturer during fall term, has joined the staff of Sen. Lee Metcalf as executive secretary.

Shortly before leaving Missoula, Reinemer figured in a flurry of news reports that he was being considered for the post of Commissioner of Indian Affairs. No new development at press time.
Seniors Take Trip to Legislature

Eighteen journalism seniors, escorted by Dean Nathan B. Blumberg, went on a two-day investigative and interviewing visit to the state legislature early in February.


They also heard and participated in a liberal-conservative “discussion” with Sam Gilluly ’30, editor of the Chamber of Commerce’s weekly Montana Citizen, and Harry Billings ’33, editor of the People’s Voice. Naturally, Esther Hart Gilluly ’30 and Gretchen got in at least two cents worth.

The students were briefed on Associated Press bureau operations by Tom Maddox and saw, among others, AP’s Jack Zygmund ’53, UPI’s bureau chief, George Remington ’50, and UPI’s Pat Coverdale Scott ’47.

The students devoted almost the entire Feb. 7 issue of the Kaimin to reports of their findings. The Great Falls Tribune’s Montana Parade section and the Sunday Missoulian ran feature articles on the trip written by Judy McVey of Butte.

With Grads Afield...

The Twenties...

Guy Mooney, ’21, Missoulian-Sentinel editor, has been appointed the “Listening Post” representative in Montana for Newsweek magazine. He succeeds the late E. A. (Shorty) Dye of Helena.

The Thirties...

John B. Curtis ’33, featured in New Mexico Scene, Santa Fe weekly magazine, as “dean of the state’s wire service men,” was honored with a 25-year pin at a special ceremony. He also was presented with a scrapbook of greetings from former fellow workers on the AP now scattered to all parts of the world. John wrote Andy Cogswell from Santa Fe, where he lives with wife Mary and four children, that the family hopes to get to Montana soon for a vacation.

Celia Caffin Risen (Mrs. I. L.) ’35 is vice chairman of the public relations committee of the Cincinnati Teachers Assn. and second in command of “Accent,” official publication of the organization.

Robert O. Lodmell ’37, editor and publisher of the Daily Highlander in Lakes Wales, Fla., and The Sun of Florida, nationally circulated monthly newspaper, has been elected vice president of the Florida Daily Newspaper Assn.

The Forties...

Ralph A. Jackson ’40 is state supervisor of special applicant services of the Montana State Employment Service in Helena. Three children: Robert, 13; Sylvia, 11; Richard, 10.

William Stevens ’41, president of the graphic arts division of Treasure State Industries Inc., is in charge of three printing plants (Butte, Polson, Billings) and two advertising agencies (Butte, Billings), in addition to being publisher of the Flathead Courier in Polson and the new Bigfork Beacon.

Karma Johnson Lochrie (Mrs. Arthur J.) ’45, is overseas (with a New York APO) with her husband—a major—and three children, Jane, Karma D. and Jim.

Gerald T. Lester ’45, associate editor of the California Farmer in Daly City, sent a clipping reporting on a recent “ride into combat with California’s crack SAC bomber wing.” He also noted that he has never had more fun than the time Ole Bue and Andy Cogswell put him through the entire SDX initiation ceremony during World War II “and their choppings was appreciated.”

James C. Gasser ’45, major in the Marine Corps, was awarded $100 and a George Washington Honor Medal as one of the first-place winners in the 1960 Freedoms Foundation Letter Writing Awards Program. He is working in the division of information at USMC headquarters and living in Springfield, Va.

Walter R. Larson ’49, editor and publisher of the Missoula County Times, moved his offices from West Front to 230 West Pine. Shortly afterwards he changed the format of the Times.

Ray M. Loman ’49, publisher of the Ronan Pioneer, was elected to the State Legislature for a second time and is one of the Republican stalwarts in the present session.

Eileen Lommasson (Mrs. Thomas E.) ’49 is still in Albuquerque with her husband and four children— Sandra, 11; Glenn, 9; Alan, 6; Peggy, 5. In addition to her Theta Sig (vice president) and MSU alumni (treasurer) activities, she handles publicity, editorial work and copy reading for various organizations and publications.
Fred Yu Returns to MSU After Asian Journey

"Yu is back."

Spoken, it sounds ungrammatical. But it's accurate.

Frederick T. C. Yu (or Teh-chi to those who can pronounce the name properly) returned from his around-the-world trip just in time for winter term registration. He made the journey to explore opinions of Asian communications leaders and to examine "some of the underpinnings of current Asian thinking about Asian politics, problems and relations."

His research project is financed by the Ford Foundation and administered by the Institute of International Education.

He left Missoula last summer and the trip took him to Japan, Korea, the Philippines, South Vietnam, Thailand, Burma and India. In each of the countries he conducted depth interviews with leading publishers, editors, commentators, writers and other opinion leaders.

"The study," as he describes it, "is not just a poll or an ordinary opinion survey." He adds:

"It is designed not merely to find out what the communications leaders think but also to understand why they think the way they do. It seeks to fathom their hidden images, innermost feelings, unexamined ideas, buried thoughts and deep-seated prejudices; it also attempts to discover the sources of all these."

But the trip, Fred has to admit, was not all academic research and no fun. Among his non-academic accomplishments: a glimpse of the geisha world in Tokyo and Kyoto (from the outside, he says); an excursion to the famous secret garden in Seoul (where he spent nearly two hours to find the secret of getting out); an order of hot-dog in Manila's most exclusive country club (where a membership card is worth enough to be regarded as security for a bank loan); a three-day rest in bed in Saigon (made possible by hospitable tropical virus); a lesson in Thai dance (which he can't do properly because of his stiff joints); a good try at winning about one dollar in Rangoon's Turf Club and a pilgrimage to India's famous Taj Mahal (he couldn't think of a better way to spend a Sunday). On his way from Seoul to Manila he managed to spend a weekend at Hong Kong where he visited his wife's family. Before he returned to the states, he played tourist in Paris and London in four days.

As far as Yu knows, he has no more travel plans in mind—at least not at the moment.

Montana Dailies Organize

The Montana Association of Daily Newspapers, made up of 14 dailies, has been organized.

The association was formed to bring publishers in the daily field into closer alliance to deal with problems not shared by weekly publishers.

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Montana State University journalism majors won two of four first-place awards in the 1960 Sigma Delta Chi national photography contest.

Bill Howell, senior from Jerseyville, Ill., won first place in the feature category with a photo of two hobos entitled "Tourists." Rolf Olson, senior from Clinton, Conn., and editor of the Kaimin, won top honors in sports photography with an MSU-South Dakota University basketball action shot called "Ooph!"

Mentor Ole Bue had special reason to rejoice at the success of his lads.

The awards were accepted by the MSU delegate to the national SDX convention in New York City, Gaylord Guenin, senior from Billings.

J-School Students Place High in Hearst Competition

John Schroeder, senior from Glasgow, won seventh place in the December news writing competition of the William Randolph Hearst Foundation Journalism Awards Program.

All 46 of the accredited schools and departments of journalism in the United States are participating in the program. A total of $29,800 in fellowships and grants will be presented to students and universities receiving the highest number of points at the end of the six months of competition.

Schroeder's story on Wild Horse Island in Flathead Lake appeared in the December 9 issue of the Kaimin.

In the November competition, Roy Cotter, junior from Sidney, placed 15th among entries submitted by the 46 schools and departments. Rolf Olson, senior from Clinton, Conn., was awarded 14th place in the editorials contest in January.