



## Administration



# The President





# A Lofty Purpose Shared

They give to the young in their  
impressionable years the bond of  
a lofty purpose shared, of a great  
corporate life whose links will not  
be loosed until they die. — John Masefield

It is appropriate that the 1960 Meletean has taken "Building" as its theme. In the sense of physical expansion, 1960 has marked the first full year of operation of the H. T. Hagestad Student Center and will see the completion of the R. A. Karges Physical Education and Recreation Center and the E. J. Prucha Residence Hall.

But while recent years have witnessed great physical expansion, the College has been "building" in a much more important and much more lasting way since its beginning in 1874. John Masefield was referring to institutions of higher learning when he spoke of "the bond of a lofty purpose shared." And since the beginning of its existence the College at River Falls has inspired young people with this sense of purpose. It has graduated young men and women who, though now living in every state in the union and in several foreign countries, have institutional bonds "whose links will not be loosed until they die."

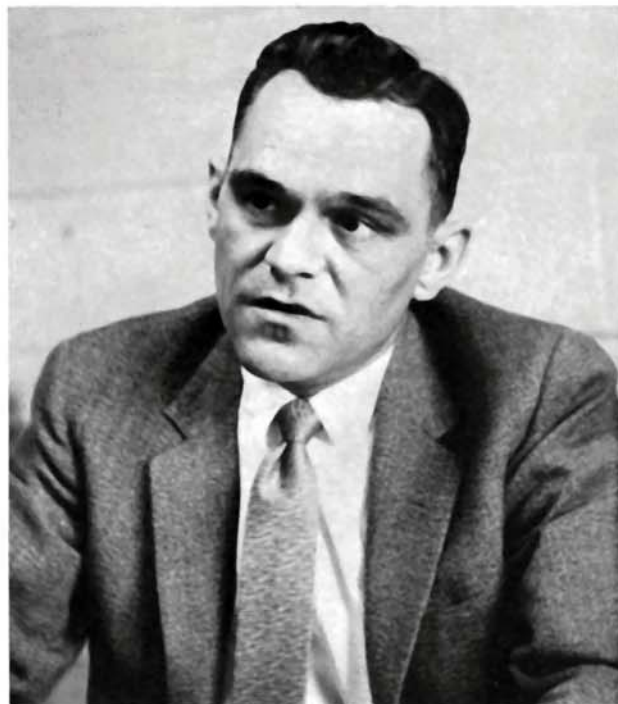
The success or failure of River Falls' future building program in this latter sense is in your hands and in the hands of students who will follow you. For the essence of an educational institution is in its students and alumni. You are its product and its reason for existence. You are its influence and the basis of its reputation.

The College is proud of the record of its alumni and believes that the quality of education it offers and the advances it makes will rest secure in its present student body and its 1960 graduating class — that its purposes will continue to be your purposes.





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**Neil Barron**  
Chief Engineer

## In Memoriam

*Life must go on,  
And the dead be forgotten;  
Life must go on,  
Though good men die.*  
—Edna St. Vincent Millay

Two retired Deans whose memories are perpetuated on the River Falls campus and two freshmen died during the 1959-60 academic year. They were Miss Irma Hathorn, Dean of Women from 1920 to 1948, Dr. Charles G. Stratton, Dean of Men from 1930 to 1947, Dave Engler of Waukesha, and James Hicks of Hastings.

Hathorn Hall and Hathorn Cottage, both named for the former Dean of Women, are the realization of a dream Miss Hathorn held for many years of residence halls for women students at the college. A concern for the welfare of "her girls" and for the social and academic life of the campus was characteristic of Miss Hathorn. When the new dormitory was opened, she contributed a number of books to the Hathorn Hall library. Only a few months before her death she donated a fireplace and picnic tables for an area back of the women's residence hall.

Few areas of the world have been untouched by the influence of Dean Stratton who, during World War II, brought a touch of River Falls to former students on every front through his famous newsletters. Corresponding with as many as 400 men at a time, the Dean gathered bits of news from his GI's and, when the war was over, compiled his "Servicemen's Edition" of **The Meletean**. It was dedicated to those who lost their lives in the conflict. Stratton Hall was named in his honor.

Dave Engler, who was attending River Falls on a scholarship, was killed during spring quarter in an auto-truck collision. He was graduated from Waukesha High School in 1959. Active in athletics, he was a member of the freshman basketball team and the inter-collegiate tennis team.

A 21-year old navy veteran who enrolled at the College in the fall quarter, James Hicks died in an auto accident. He was graduated from Hastings High School in 1956. An outstanding athlete, he had served as co-captain of his high school football team and captain of the wrestling team.



# Special Events







# Student Choice FF Blacks Blue Golds out





Three leading "organization men"

**1959 HOMECOMING** at River Falls was a weekend of tense competition and spontaneous activity, a time for poised acceptance of victory and defeat, a festival of fire, fight, and frolic. Our three leading "organization men," Gerald Marlette, Bob Vermillion, and Ken Zahorski, pooled their intelligence and efficiency to schedule the many and varied activities. We knew in a glance and hello that the queen candidates possessed beauty and charm. Their sponsors campaigned with vigor and enthusiasm. The campus clowns entertained us with riotous skits and antics. Coach "Fran" turned orator for his pep talk and the bandmaster gripped a drumstick to emphasize the tempo of the day.

We did a quick change from bermudas and slacks to heels and ties Friday night for the coronation ceremony. Emcee Jerry Moore took band in hand to bring down the house, and the pros complemented the mood with their Russian skit. The sparkle of Queen Shirley's eyes vied with that of her crown as our favorite barbershop quartet, The Hut Four, serenaded her. Then students, alumni, faculty, and friends huddled around a gigantic bonfire to sing and cheer their queen and team.

Queen candidates possessed beauty and charm





Sponsors campaigned with vigor



Campus clowns

Coach "Fran" turned orator







The sparkle of Queen Shirley's eyes

Bandmaster gripped a drumstick



Emcee Jerry Moore took band in hand



Nearly everyone awoke in time for Saturday morning's parade of floats and clowns. Cheerleaders shouted en masse from a convertible as students waved their pom-poms from the sidelines. Queen Shirley welcomed the alumni at the game and expressed the mutual desire for a "Bluegold-Blackout." Coach "Fran" looked tense. The "Big Red" fought hard, but the scoreboard tallied a Falcon defeat.

We spent the late afternoon greeting old friends at coffee hours, and some even managed to sneak a nap before an evening of dining and dancing. As the orchestra played "Good-night Ladies," students left the decorated gymnasium to return to their rooms with tired feet and happy hearts and fond memories.



The pros complemented the mood

Our favorite barbership quartet





Parade of floats

Shirley welcomed the alumni

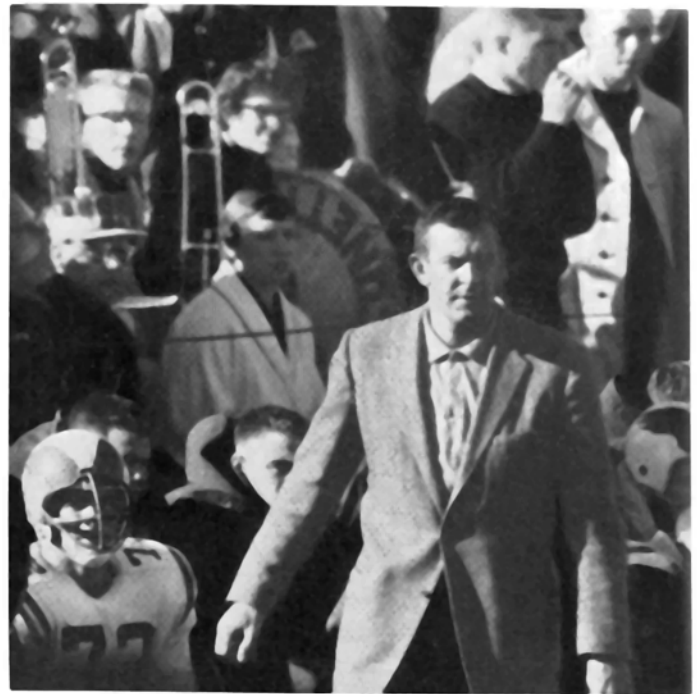


Cheerleaders shouted en masse





The scoreboard tallied a Falcon defeat



Coach "Fran" looked tense

The "Big Red" fought hard



**WINTER CARNIVAL, 1960**, turned students into snowmen, and the abundant snow gave us added cause for celebration. The three leading ladies, Barbara Brickner, Rae Buchholz, and Karen Engebret, promised us a weekend of "cool" fun, and few who participated were disappointed.

The six king candidates were enthusiastic and their sponsors used grassroots tactics to encourage voting. The smoothest politicians were the Vets, whose candidate, Ed Pronschinske, was chosen to reign over the festivities. Mysteries invaded the campus. Who was the man behind that bristly beard? How did "Ske" (Pronschinske had too many letters) get on the water tower?

A cold cupid perched on a red heart was the winning snow sculpture constructed by the Newman Club. From his vantage point on the corner of Third and Cascade, he reminded fellows to take their girls to the Winter Carnival dance in the new Student Center.

Cars packed with students, skis, and saucers streamed to Ski-Mac for Friday's activities. Cold feet in wet wool socks were warmed on the hearth; term paper worries were brushed aside as the "old favorites" were sung among friends to the crisp notes of a "uke." Cold faces enshrouded in parkas were obvious badges of student courage and enthusiasm.

Some arose early Saturday morning to bowl in the mixed-doubles tournament and string crepe paper for the midway that afternoon. Others spent a lazy day preparing for the climaxing basketball game and dance.



Three leading ladies



King candidates were enthusiastic



Grassroots politics



Bristly beards



Ed Pronschinske was chosen to reign





Cold cupid



Mixed-doubles tournament



Cold faces

**FOUNDATION WEEK**, sponsored by the Student Foundation Committee, enabled students to contribute to the college building program. Buttons bearing the slogan, "Trim the Gym," were donned by both students and faculty members. Proceeds from the festival were to pay for the bleachers in the new physical education building.

Highlight of the week came with the midway and auction in South Hall Gym. Colorful organization booths offered games from penny-pitching to pie tossing for only a thin dime. The success of a booth selling used books shocked many faculty members as well as the sponsoring organization.

At the auction River Falls' Mayor Spike Hoffman, a professional auctioneer, sold homemade cakes, car washes, and canoe trips for "big" money. Ed Schlumpf and Bill Dougherty, student auctioneers, added humor to the event. After the last pizza pie was sold, foundation committee members tallied up the in-take to find that the week had been an outstanding success.



Ed Schlumpf . . . added humor



The last pizza pie was sold