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UNION DRIVE OPENS TODAY

Campaign To Be Climaxed By Victory Dance Friday

Goal Of $21,000 Has Been Set For Campus Drive, Pledges To Be Payable Over Six Semesters

By Bob Anderson

This morning we officially opened our campaign for the Memorial Union Building, and we have proposed as our goal $21,000. The first step toward reaching our goal is to understand the necessity of such a building on the Orono Campus. The original campaign was started by the Alumni Association. The students at Orono realized, as we will next year, that such a building is necessary in order that we may receive the full benefit of our college situation. The enthusiasm and the promotion of the campaign held among the students at Orono netted an average of more than $20.00 per student or $94,000.

It is important that we realize now that we are helping to build a Memorial Union Building when we look forward to using during our college life. Are we going to sit back and let time pass, so that we will not be able to get full benefit from this building? The time of decision is here. This building will be of great benefit to you, both as a student and as an alumnus in the coming years. The need for this building is drastic. Without this building we will have to restrict our activities to a minimum. Shall we let this happen? We all realize that such activities and facilities are a necessary part of our college life. We realize that some of us have not had the opportunity to show ourselves appreciative and forward-looking by going over the top in this the first tangible opportunity to show our true spirit.

By Mark Shedd

The Union Building Fund Committee wishes to extend a hearty THANKS to those men who have given the campaign its first shove to help it gain momentum. The gifts thus far have not been large; however, if each man on the Brunswick Campus will share the same enthusiasm these men have shown toward making this campaign a success, we cannot help but surpass the goal of $21,000. A total of $3192 (at midnight, 1 May '47) has been pledged by ninety-seven donors. Without consultation with Dr. Thordike, we venture to divide the larger by the smaller — the answer being an average of $32.50 plus. This may not seem too impressive, but take into consideration that a number of pledges must have exceeded the average to maintain such an average. A ninety dollar contribution was neither uncommon nor unexpected.

The University at Orono is looking with special interest, as are alumni throughout the country, to the results of the campaign here. The prestige of the Brunswick Campus has unquestionably been enhanced by its scholastic superiority, by its athletic supremacy, and its reputation in general. Should we not further improve our standing by showing ourselves appreciative and forward-looking by going over the top in this the first tangible opportunity to show our true spirit?

THE STUDENT UNION COMMITTEE


Photo by Robbins

15% IN ... 85% TO GO

By Mark Shedd

The Union Drive opens today by no means a quick drive alone. Under the leadership of Raymond Fogler the drive, the nation, and a divided have been into two geographical areas with the alumni as chairman of area. In the fall of '45 the first i-faculty group for plans the Union was appointed by Jen Husk. With the fall of the new committee was appointing in new points of view. New suggestions were taken consideration so that the might be of the most Union and as a memorial; alumni now prominent in architectural and construction gave willingly of advice. Maine alumni thought the country was to offer suggestions, and students at Orono who perhaps more than any need of the Union put their hearts into the project.

building will be a com-

all the best features of union. There will be a cafe- is dining room, a snack bar, rooms, bowling alleys, off- er alumni and student cre- ations, meeting rooms, etc. and above all the Mem-

Ruytu 24-28 the campaign held at Orono with $30,000 as goal and $94,007 the last 24 hours. 240 persons in students and most of the stimulus pledged $30,000 in preliminary gifts. hundred and thirty-nine women and men of their services freely and gladly.

March 28, the Alumni drive and introduction of immediate year throughout the nation. M. men thousands of miles came to our campus, and as eagerly.

Raymond Fogler opens on our. Let's show Orono and alumni that we are conscious of the necessity and the value of a Student Union.

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