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TRADITION SHATTERED



BOB FLORIAN, BOB CALLAN AND THE NURSES
... campus will be swarming with co-eds in fall.

Girls To Shatter 110-Yr. Tradition

A hundred and ten years of tradition were broken at Santa Clara last night.

In a surprise announcement, the Very Rev. Patrick Donohoe, S.J., officially put women on the Bronco campus.

Beginning next semester, the oldest all-men university west of the Mississippi will go co-educational.

The women will be admitted to all departments.

But boarding facilities will remain exclusively for men, according to the President.

PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT

In a press interview with the Santa Clara last night, Fr. Donohoe cited as reason for the move "terrific pressure on Santa Clara."

"A lot of people since 1956 have asked us about it. Two years ago our board of trustees strongly recommended it. We took a national survey.

"One third of the Jesuit colleges in the United States are co-ed."

NATIONAL TREND

The President cited what he called "a national trend."

The admission of women makes SCU the first Catholic co-educational institution of higher learning in California.

Admission of women will not involve any departure from present University admission standards, said Fr. Donohoe. "We'll take them on our terms," he told Santa Clara reporters.

How many women will apply? "It is already late in the spring, and many young women made their choice for next year. Dayton started with 31 women. Now they have over 700."

The President also blamed a University deficit of from 115 to 120 thousand dollars. "Even a hundred girls would relieve the budget," he said.

"Women will bring on new needs. They will cost money. But they will add tuition."

According to Fr. Donohoe, the \$200 hike in tuition will remain for the beginning of next year.

"If you are going to maintain salaries at competition, you have to have students," asserted the President. "Our upper division courses have an average of under 15 students. They could be twice as big."

For the first time, San Jose State has had to turn down students. These students are under "a terrific press for a place to go," said Fr. Donohoe.

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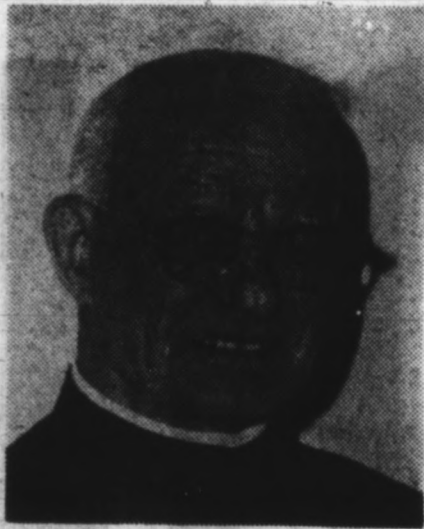
Big Move Explained...

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The move, according to the President, was as a public service.

Official action was taken more than one year ago to finalize the co-educational plans. "It's been on the verge ever since. We didn't know whether it would be yes or no."

No transfers will be taken from Catholic women's colleges,



FR. GIANERA

... the end

said Fr. Donohoe. The ban was included in SC's co-educational policy to protect College of Holy Name; College of Notre Dame, Belmont; Lone Mountain College for Women, and Dominican College.

TRADITION?

What about the tradition of an all-male institution?

"We can do both: have a select men's school and include women," stated the President.

"Our honors program in the process of formation will take care of the needs of the advanced student.

"There will be strong feeling among many of us, about this advent of women. They will have an impact on the men.

"I hope it does away with the egg throwing."

The Rev. William Gianera, S.J., "Mr. Santa Clara," former president and presently assistant to the president, declined comment, other than: "Mr. Santa Clara ended tonight."

Fr. Gianera has gone on record as entirely against co-education at Santa Clara.

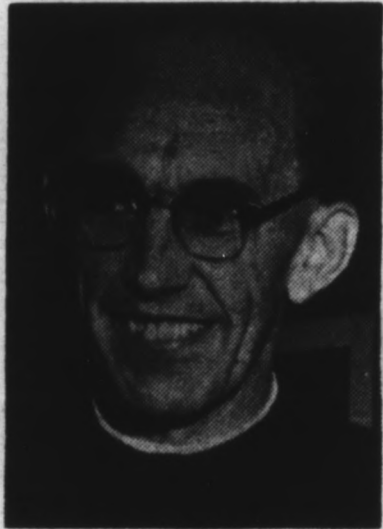
SCU's president expects no tidal wave of women. Nor does he expect disciplinary problems.

"I don't know about their (women's) mores," admitted Fr. Donohoe, "I don't know what you do—throw them out, I guess. But I don't think there'll be any trouble."

Fr. Donohoe termed co-education as progress.

"There is no virtue in age, or tradition itself. There is no virtue in an exclusive school for men for that reason.

"Catholic lives involve two sexes."



FR. DONOHOE

... the forward look

Girl Prexies 'Shocked' At New SC Competition

Reactions to the news of Santa Clara's abandoning their solitary masculine status were not confined to the University campus. Student Body presidents at some of our neighboring girl's institutions had varied comments when

Lautze 'Very Happy' Over Girls At SC

In a telephone interview the last night, Richard Lautze, '39, national president of the Santa Clara Alumni Association, called co-education at the University "a better service to the community."

"As far as I am concerned," said Lautze, "I am very happy. I have four daughters."

Lautze, a resident of San Carlos, admitted that SCU's alumni association has helped the very Rev. Patrick Donohoe, S.J., president of the University, formulate the co-educational move.

The move has been on alumni agendas for the better part of two years, said Lautze.

Speaking on behalf of the University's alumni association, he stated: "We have to recognize this as a necessary change." He cited as reason for the drastic and surprise change in policy, the

contacted by The Santa Clara last night.

Judy Buonaccorsi, at Notre Dame Belmont, said she was, "Quite surprised. In fact, I'm floored. I don't think that Santa Clara should have gone co-ed. We tend to think of it as a strictly masculine institution."

At Dominican, Joan MacDonald was suspicious. It took some doing to convince her that this story was not in the class of Martian invasions.

Once convinced, Miss MacDonald thought that the news was, "Fine. Wonderful."

Mary Moriarity, Student Body president at Lone Mountain was not available for comment. However, Nancy Sullivan, a local power had some favorable statements.

"I am very surprised. Shocked, even. If I were a freshmen or sophomore instead of a senior, I might even consider switching to Santa Clara."

financial state of the University. AVOID DUPLICATION

"But primarily," said Lautze, "the change is to avoid unnecessary duplication of facilities between Catholic men and women schools."

The alumni president lauded the University board of directors for their action.

"I think we should be very pleased with co-education," he asserted.

Kerr, Willet Differ:

Student Leaders Divided On Arrival of 'Bronkettes'

Opinions among the student leaders regarding the co-ed arrival are mixed. ASUSC Prexy Jerry Kerr said "Progress has to be served. I realize that at this time the student protests are vehement. However, upon reflection I think the people will see the reasons behind it. The University has to move forward, and this is a necessary step."

The ASUSC Vice President was not in accord with Kerr. The fiery leader had this to say:

TRADITION SUCCUMBED

"The once proud tradition of Santa Clara has succumbed to the inevitable. Men of Santa Clara must meet the tradition with calculated foresight. Santa Clara, with or without women, will remain a great institution. However, I am proud to say that I attended the Santa Clara that was, the Santa Clara that was part of the famous tradition."

Kerr and Willet were asked how the Bronkettes would figure into student activities.

Kerr said "I don't think there will be a great influx at once, since there will not be that many women at first. They will not assume positions of leadership in campus organizations for some time. This too, will probably be inevitable, but I feel quite some time away."

Ed Pera, ASUSC recording secretary, was not at all in favor of the move.

"I never thought I'd have to see the day come, said Pera; shaking his head, "but if the school has to do it for economic reasons, it has to do it."

"DON'T LIKE IT"

"Personally I don't like it at all. I think it will detract from the spirit of the school, from the Santa Clara image. Tradition is important here and I think the reason that most of the fellows came here was the tradition of Santa Clara spirit. This tradition will be destroyed now."

The three leaders were asked if they thought the female influx would cause any present students to leave the University. Kerr and Willet said that "no one will leave." Pera said "I don't think anyone will quit, for they think too much of the school. But I feel sorry for the freshmen and sophomores. They're going to have to go through this long period of co-education for their years here and they won't like it. There will be a long period of adjustment and I hope it will be a peaceful one."

"I hate to see the old tradition of Santa Clara broken, said ASUSC treasurer Tony Souza, "for better or worse, but I still hate to see it happen."

It could be a trying year for next year's ASUSC officers.

First Co-ed Applicant

After the first shock wave over Santa Clara going co-ed had washed over the campus, another wave broke upon our shores.

This was the wave of reaction.

Riding the crest of this wave, was the following telegram, received about 8:30 p.m., Tuesday evening. It was from one of the University regents, in Phoenix, Arizona.

"President of the University of Santa Clara:

"Congratulations Please accept Martha Patricia O'Malley's application for first co-ed.

"James C. O'Malley"

EDITORIAL

End of an Era

At 5:30 last evening 110 years of the finest tradition of any school in this country was shattered. At 5:30 last evening the University administration announced that girls will be accepted into all departments of the University beginning next Fall. At 5:30 last evening the old Santa Clara tradition died.

The staff of *The Santa Clara* regrets that the administration has been forced to make this decision. We feel that men's colleges have a flavor of distinction about them that is most difficult to achieve in a coeducational institution.

But the fact remains that the decision has been made. It is true that the old Santa Clara tradition died last night. Now it is up to us to build a new tradition. Santa Clara students don't settle for the mediocre. Santa Clara students won't rest again until this University earns a reputation as the best coeducational university in the country.

P.A.C.

ESSKAY

IT IS ONE A.M. WEDNESDAY MORNING AND TWO OTHER ace reporters and myself are sitting around the printer's awaiting the first slug of type to emerge from the linotype machine.

It is one a.m. mid-term week, and Santa Clara has gone co-ed. I could indulge in wailing and weeping and gnashing of teeth, but this would not be too beneficial. Instead, I'd like to try to project what will happen with the advent of real life girls as official members of the student body.

There will be a few changes in courses offered. It is being rumored that next semester Father Fagothy will be teaching Home Economics. A division of this will be titled "Philosophy of the Kitchen," using such deep, scholarly tomes as Betty Crocker's Cookbook.

In the College of Business, there will be a couple of new marketing courses offered. Shopping "A" is a remedial subject that deals with the fundamentals of basket pushing, tomato squeezing, and cereal prize selection.

The advanced stages of this course will be Supermarketing, exposing the neophyte with high speed aisles, and change making registers.

The College of Engineering will have to prepare to meet the ladies also. They are preparing such courses as Fundamentals of Washing Machine Repair, and Basic Vacuum cleaning.

Returning our prognostications to the College of Arts and Science, the Psychology Department will have to re-arrange some of their sections. Abnormal Psychology of the Television Watching Child will undoubtedly be a starter.

AND HOW WILL THE NEWCOMERS ENTER INTO THE student organizations? Think of a few years from now with the first woman ASUSC President. She will give speeches urging us to support the Bronco women's volleyball team. NCAA regionals that year, of course.

Finally, I hate to think of it, but *The Santa Clara* eventually may have a female editor...Rue the day of lace borders and pink ink. I'm humbly resigned to it.

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