Annual Report of the Public Functions Committee, 1967-68

The Public Functions Committee has the responsibility of directing the preparation for the January and June Commencements.

The Committee recommends that every effort be made to locate an auditorium with greater seating capacity than that available in the Union Ballroom. Graduates are severely restricted as to the number of tickets they may have for distribution to their families. The Committee also recommends that the midyear Commencement be given greater stature by the granting of an Honorary Degree and/or providing for a Commencement speaker of national renown.

The June Commencement will continue the use of tent coverage for the athletic field on the day of Commencement. The tent will provide protection from rain and also from abnormally hot sun. It will make unnecessary the preparation of duplicate facilities.

It was recommended that the Committee give special attention to developing another campus location or a location adjoining the campus rather than transferring Commencement to the downtown area.

A word of appreciation should be included in this report acknowledging the fine cooperation and assistance received from the Office of the Secretary of the Faculty, the Office of the Registrar, the Alumni Association, the Instructional Communications Center, the University Bookstore, the Department of Music, the Physical Plant services, the Office of Campus Security, the Union, the University News Service, and the University Women's League.

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