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Kise Commons



Dedication Program

Moorhead State College
Moorhead, Minnesota

July 10, 1963



Dedication Ceremony

July 10, 1963 — 3:00 p.m.
Central Hall, Kise Commons

JOSEPH KISE

Dr. Joseph Kise graduated from the Cottonwood, Minnesota, high school, and from St. Olaf College in 1916. His first teaching positions were in St. James, Minnesota, and Council Bluffs, Iowa. He then became superintendent at Good Thunder, Minnesota, and later, supervising instructor in the Owatonna, Minnesota, junior and senior high schools.

After beginning graduate work at the University of Minnesota, he came to Moorhead State College in 1923, where he served until July, 1961. Dr. Kise was married in 1925 to Miss Agnes Jorgenson. Mrs. Kise took her degree at Moorhead, had further study at the Juilliard School of Music, and is teacher of voice in the Concordia Conservatory in Fargo.

In 1938 Dr. Kise received his doctorate from Harvard University, his dissertation being written on the constitutional doctrines of Harlan Fiske Stone. Chief Justice Stone invited Dr. and Mrs. Kise to a reception in Washington at the time the dissertation was completed.

The minutes of the State College Board for May 8, 1961, contained the following resolution:

“Dr. Joseph Kise, Dean of Liberal Arts and Chairman of the Social Studies Department at Moorhead State College, who has served the college in an outstanding manner since 1923 as Dean of Men, professor of political science and history, and in various other capacities, will retire this summer.

“Dean Kise brought great honor to the college, the state college system, and all levels of education in the state because of his leadership as State Commander of the American Legion in 1940, President of the Minnesota Education Association in 1955, Acting President of Moorhead State College in 1957, and as the author of numerous articles, textbooks, and pamphlets.

“In recognition of his valuable contribution to and conscientious work in behalf of Moorhead State College beyond the call of duty, the Minnesota State College Board, upon the recommendation of the president and the faculty of Moorhead State College, resolves to confer upon Dr. Joseph Kise the title of ‘Dean Emeritus’ of the college he has served so long and faithfully.”

- Presiding Dr. John M. Jenkins
Director of Special Services
- Introduction of Honor Guests
- The Importance of Kise Commons in Student Life
..... Dr. Maynard Reynolds
Professor of Educational Psychology
University of Minnesota, and Former
President of the Student Commission
- Response for the Student Body Mr. James Jasken
President, Student Commission
- Presentation of Key to Kise Commons Mr. Norman H. Nelson
Resident Director
- Presentation of Plaques Mr. Larry C. Sewall
President, Owls Fraternity
- Response Dr. Joseph Kise
Dean Emeritus
- Acceptance of Kise Commons Dr. John J. Neumaier
President, Moorhead State College

ALUMNI SOCIAL HOUR
July 10, 1963 — 5:00 p.m.
Top of the Mart, F-M Hotel

DEDICATION — ALUMNI BANQUET
July 10, 1963 — 6:00 p.m.
Top of the Mart, F-M Hotel

- Presiding Dr. John J. Neumaier
President, Moorhead State College
- Invocation Dr. Clarence A. Glasrud
Professor and Chairman, English Department
- Introduction of Honor Guests
- Welcome Mr. Roger Haire
President, Alumni Association
- Prospects President-Elect
Alumni Association
- Remarks on Kise Commons Dr. Marlowè Wegner
Professor and Chairman, Industrial Arts Department
- Response Dr. Joseph Kise
Dean Emeritus
- Address Dr. Byron D. Murray
Professor of English and Director of Graduate Studies

ALMA MATER

Where flows the river, through prairies to the frozen north
Builted our fathers a school to stand through years to be,
That from her portals her sons and daughters might go forth
Throughout the nation till the truth be spread that sets
men free.

Hail, hail, to our college,
To the Moorhead State College.
Hearts filled with the knowledge
Of her strength and her faith for all.
Hail, hail, Alma Mater,
Answering ever to her country's call
Pledge we heart and mind and soul to her we love —

Our Alma Mater