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Here is your 1945 Brown and Gold. We have tried to make it a symbol, a reflection of you and your school as you were from November, '44 to June, '45 . . . Although we know it's not a complete record, we hope that it may serve to bring back the tempo, the feeling, the particular flavor which set this year at Western apart from all others . . . We feel, too, that only you and the dreams, thoughts, memories, which come to you each time you open it will make this annual complete . . . Yes, we worked hard on it — but always with the knowledge that our efforts, though not perfect by any means, would be appreciated . . . It's your book — enjoy it, have your friends and profs autograph it, laugh, twenty years from now, at what we wore and sang and said — for that's the fun of looking back . . . Also, perhaps when you look at your friends, profs, favorite campus scenes, you'll recapture some of the dreams, the ideals you indulged in while here and you'll know that those ideals are true and right and worthwhile.

The Staff

BUY MORE BONDS

STICK WITH ME TO THE FINISH
DEDICATION . . . .

This yearbook is dedicated to the Western fellows who are not here — to those who fight and work so that they may return — and to those who can never return . . . We feel deeply indebted to these men and can only hope that they may know our thoughts . . . Every time we look at the flag flying high and free over the Hilltop, every time we watch a blue star on their service flag turn into a gold one, every time we get letters from them or see their names in the Herald or Gazette, we can't help but feel that they are the true Western — that we're only fighting a holding action here until the day they come back . . . We have tried to keep this small section of their world as normal as possible — tried to retain the things we believe they want kept — to improve where improvements were needed — yet we know that they have done the sacrificing . . . And we know for a certainty that these fellows, upon returning, will make Western a happier Western — the world a better world.

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Forty-five ... a queer year at Western—normal yet not normal—signs of peace yet signs of war. Remember the scintillation, the uncertainty of newspaper headlines? One day we won the war, the next day we were pushed back. Remember too the return of a few vets to campus ... rumors of more V-12's ... marines moving out of Spindler ... gals moving back in ... shortages of men cigarettes, meat. The "wide-eyedness" of new freshmen ... the big snow that fell one November night and remained 'til spring ... wind that swooped up the hill and rattled the whole Science building ... the cellophane coating the campus wore one winter morning ... Ski tracks on the hills ... Miss Tam's woolly headscarf, Mr. Garnau's cap with ear-flaps ... The routine of classes and books in a topsy-turvy world ... the comfort of pillars, hills, friends, ideas that stayed as the

Peace Bids? Not Yet. FDR Says Invasion

MILITARY EXPERTS SAY:

Next 3 Weeks to Decide Length of Europe's War

Killed in Pacific Area

Losses Even Heavier Are Predicted In Future

were ... the clear notes of "colors" blown every day at 8 and 5 ... the "hup, dew, tre, haw" of marching platoons ... the sight of white caps bobbing along Oakland drive like double rows of marshmallows ... the Navy's own brand of whistles — its "casualness" with coeds ... its turned-up peacoat collars and watch caps on snowy days ... And remember the way we felt like laughing, shouting, crying and praying all at once when the news of liberated war prisoners came trickling through. ... Also — the sinking feeling of telegrams and long-distance 'phone calls. Christmas time and the "Belgian bulge," Iwo Jima, Okinawa ... digging deeper for that extra war bond ...
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midnight bull sessions over "can't we do something to help" ... anxious study of Wac and Cadet Nurse pamphlets ... The great exodus from Spindler and off-campus houses to sailor-evacuated Walwood ... Archie's candid observations in the Herald ... Spring elections "rejuvenated" with manpower ... riotous tweeds and plaid the fellows sported after stowing away khaki and blue ... Wedding rings that kept appearing 'til they were as common as frat pins ... rumors of N.R.O.T.C.'s next year — rumors of no Navy at all next year ... Smiles of the administration as it issued four "final" notices as to semesters or trimesters next fall ... President's Roosevelt's death ... the San Francisco conference ... "Western" marines and Navy men coming back with their bars and gold braid before tours of duty in unPacific waters and islands ... Our "few days of spring" when all the gobs and gals who'd been merely "going together" suddenly fell in love ... warm evenings at the Lib ... stopping on the way home to swing in the Training school playground ... the heavy scent of the first campus lilacs ... music drifting through an open Ad building window ... The special hope of Easter this year ... the "footsteps of the messengers of peace" ... false alarms of peace ... tension in classrooms and newspapers and on the radio ... and finally — the biggest, the best, the most wonderful news of the year, of many years — V-E Day.
GERMANY'S
WAR IN EU

Allies Victorious
After Once Being
At Brink of Defeat

Collapse of Germany Foreshadowed Last
July by Officers' Attempt to Kill Hitler,
Full History of Great War Reveals.

By CARL C. CRANMER, Associated Press Staff Writer

Germany's dream of world conquest has come to a
shattering end with the collapse of the Reich which Adolf
Hitler boasted was to endure a thousand years.

Ended is the European phase of the second great war of
the century, a war which is estimated to have cost close to
$1,000,000,000,000 (one trillion) in money and the lives of
more than 6,000,000 men.

The collapse of Germany was foreshadowed last July
20 when an attempt was made to kill Hitler and seize power
by what the dictator said was a small clique of "foolish,
criminally stupid" German officers.

Sign of Approaching Defeat

This revolt among Hitler's entourage, coming almost
exactly a year after the sorry lackey Benito Mussolini had
been broken in Italy; the rapid advances of Russian armies
in the east, the drive of Allied armies in Italy, and the
amazing success of the most difficult amphibious invasion in
history, the invasion of Normandy, all suggested that the
German army was approaching a debacle.

At the start, the war looked to the world, grossly un-
derating German preparations, like the throw of a mad
adventurer.

It turned out that the Allies snatched victory only...
SURRENDERS;
EUROPE ENDS

Nazi Chief of Staff Signs Terms in Headquarters of Gen. Eisenhower at Reims

Greatest European Conflict in History Ends After Five Years, Eight Months and Six Days; Wild Joy in London, New York Is Tempered Only by Realization Victory over Japan Yet to Be Won

By The Associated Press

LONDON - The greatest European war in history ended today with the unconditional surrender of Germany.

The surrender of the Reich to the Western Allies and Russia was made at Gen. Eisenhower's little red schoolhouse headquarters at Reims, France, by Col. Gen. Gustaf Jodl, chief of staff for the German army.

This was announced officially after German broadcasts told the German people that Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz had ordered the capitulation of all fighting forces, and called off the U-boat war.

40,000,000 Casualties

Joy at the news was tempered only by the realization that the war against Japan remains to be resolved, with
MAKE WAY

Bell bottom trousers and coats of navy blue at Western this year meant sailors in the chem and physics labs, sailors in the math classes, sailors in the Union, at the bus stops, on the campus — sailors everywhere. Although allegiance was to the Navy, they became part of Western life, too — a peculiar combination of college and military life became theirs. They were expected to follow orders, to march, to drill, to live up to Navy tradition, to learn facts and skills that would one day make them better Naval officers. Yet at the same time, they were expected to enter into college life — to capture that certain something which books, professors, sports, social functions — all that spells college — gives. This was Western’s job — to give them ideas, appreciations, attitudes, something to think about in the days ahead.

So they studied and danced, marched and sang, laughed at Doc Henry’s jokes, crammed for Mr. Blair’s tests, flirted with the coeds. Some of them loved it; some of them hated it. Most of them felt, at times, that studying was a waste of time when their buddies were seeing...
FOR NAVY...

action, when the war was moving closer and closer to Japan. They made cracks about the "Battle of Kalamazoo" and the "men behind the Wacs and Waves." But they stuck it out and they realized that college and Navy were preparing them for their inevitable roles "in the thick of it." When some of the marines who lived last year in Spindler Hall were killed in action on Iwo Jima, when some of Vandercrooks' former V-12's were wounded while with the Fleet — sailors and students, too, came to the sober knowledge that college Navy units were, after all, pretty important.

We had fun with the Navy. Friendships and engagements and marriages, for that matter, resulted from the association of bluejackets and Western coeds. Many of the fellows have told us they think Western's tops and that they will come back to study here under the G.I. Bill of Rights. One of them, Tom Hill, has already returned and became this spring the Student Council's first male president since 1942.

Best of luck, you fellows who pull out of Kalamazoo this June and October! And remember that, though you were half Navy and half college while here, Western liked you and considers you Bronchoites with the best of 'em!
Off Duty by Warren Tabott

You see me on the buses and in the shows with my peacoat and flat-hat. You don't know me personally, but have you ever thought about me as I passed you on the street—about what I look like and of what I think? Chances are that, if you knew me, you wouldn't find me much different from the boy who delivered your paper before he grew from his high-school sweater to a blue or khaki jacket. My joys and sorrows, hopes and ambitions are pretty much the same as his.

My business here is to learn and prepare—to become worthy of the stripes I hope some day to wear on my sleeve. But my work and studies aren't what I'll remember about this place in days to come. I'll remember Western and Kalamazoo for the part they played in my fun—my off-duty moments. I'll remember the people I met who became a part of my life—the guys I lived and studied with, the girls I met and dated and joked with, the teacher who helped me over study troubles, and the woman who gave me a lift downtown and told me about her son in the service. I'll remember the little unimportant things that might seem a little silly to you—Vandercook at night shining like a glittering Christmas tree...the laughter and confusion of the Soda Bar above the excited blare of the juke-box...the hurried last-minute check before quarters inspection...the long walk up the stairs to the hill after a strength test...a coke in the campus store on a seething summer day...the low lights and bright music of the campus dances...the shout of my name at mail call...the boisterous and crowded bus ride back to the barracks after night liberty...the extra warmth and softness my sack seemed to gain right after reveille...the elated preparation for Saturday night liberty...the unhurried peace of a Sunday afternoon.

These things, insignificant as they sound, give my life here a human vibrance that I'll remember in the future, look back to with a warm feeling, not untinged with regret that these things are gone, now only a thing of the past—part of my cherished memories.
THE NAVY LOOKS AT WESTERN

The following letter was received from a former marine trainee who was stationed at Western until last October when the marine unit left. He is now at Quantico, Va., where he and a number of other "Western marines" are completing their officer's training.

Marines Leave W. M. C.

It always seemed odd — living in a "barracks" where the sign over the door said "Hall for Women" — but marching down Oakland drive that October day, it seemed as if we were leaving "home."

The fates of war had been good to us, and the other 500-marines who were fortunate enough to receive V-12 training at Western, but now those days were over and time had come for us to leave for "new duty."

Through the sixteen months during which we had been part of W.M.C.'s war training program, we had come to enjoy our "Kazoo duty." Though we griped — not seldom — about many things, we enjoyed ourselves much more than we ever dared let on.

As we marched the seemingly short distance to the depot, we thought not so much about the tough road ahead of us, but let our minds linger on memories of our days in Kalamazoo. And as our train headed East we all stood at the windows with but one thought in mind — "I wonder how long it will be before I ever see these sights again?"

Now, ask any marine about this and he'll laugh it off — saying it's a lot of a term not used for publication, but sit in on any of the sessions when two "buddies of W.M.C. days" meet and you'll find but one topic of conversation — "The good old days in Kalamazoo."

We like to feel that Western was as proud of our unit as we were to be members of it.

Times have moved on since that October day. The route from Kalamazoo to Parris Island to Camp Lejeune to Quantico and then to combat duty has become well covered by the footsteps of Western's marines and to all those posts have gone "Western's marines" there'll forever be a lasting memory of days gone by when we lived in a "Hall for Women."

Pfc. Richard Hodgson, U.S.M.C.

This story is the result of the combined journalistic efforts of Dick King, V-12 trainee who served as battalion commander of the unit at Western last semester, and Don Scott, the present commander. King is now at Midshipmen's school at Princeton university and Scott will leave Western this month for his naval officer's training.

Farewell to College Joys

We who are leaving Western for duty, first at midshipmen's school, and then with the fighting fleets of the Navy, wish to extend a hearty, "Well done!" to the college faculty and student body, and to our officers and ship's company for their share in the task now completed.

Here at Western we young men from every section of our great nation, united under the able direction of the faculty and staff to work diligently in preparation for the rigors of our duties as naval officers. It was not an easy task; many of us long ago laid aside our books to serve with the Navy at far-flung outposts and with the sea-going fleets, while to others, the new mysteries of naval discipline and etiquette were indeed baffling. But with the cooperation of Western and the navy, our job has been a pleasant experience, long to be remembered.

With the full facilities of Western's educational system at our disposal, we were able to combine the difficult acquisition of physics, navigation, and calculus, with the memorable pleasures of college life.

Patience was the watchword of our instructors as we trainees struggled through many courses that were new and different, or that involved principle long ago forgotten by us.

Our liberty and recreation hours were filled with dances, plays, concerts, football, basketball, and baseball games, and we entered whole-heartedly into these enjoyable social and athletic events.

Our efforts, however, were not all directed toward mental proficiency and personal amusement. A very important part of our naval program was that of physical fitness. Able and strict instruction by the faculty and navy specialists in swimming, boxing, wrestling, cross-country, and the ever-present calisthenics, quickly toughened our bodies and sharpened our reflexes for the difficult duties ahead.

Within our own trainee organization, we have worked hard to keep our barracks the clean, efficient, modern dormitories that they are. Our weekly drills and reviews lent a martial appearance to the campus, and further steeped us in naval tradition.

With the greatest part of our task yet to be done, we leave with confidence, certain that we are well-trained in mind and body. The lessons here learned, the inspiration, leadership, and devotion to duty displayed by faculty and staff alike, will be with us wherever we go. We have enjoyed our tour of duty at Western and know that those who follow will benefit, as have we, by the friendly spirit which is the keynote of the cooperative relationship between the Navy, the faculty and the students of Western.

Apprentice Seamen Richard King
and Donald Scott, U.S.N.
Sophisticated coeds but they can’t part from “Elyfunt”, can they? ... Ach! Those wild, wild wimmin! ...

Daily scene — the P. and O. hoisting itself over the Hill with a growl, a roar, and a long hard pull ...

Bull session over the eternal subject — Men! ... Who wants to hurry on those lazy summer days? ...

Spindler gals Christmas carol for the Vandercook gobs ...

Funnies, fags, and femmes — must be Sunday afternoon in the second floor smoker ... Mac and Mr. Meyers talk it over in the S.B. ... Wartime substitute for a heavy date — food!
Dr. Moore and the Missus pose in Cupid's Corner . . . Ali Babble Babble Greenwall and Carlotta LaCarta Bender read ze fortunes at the W.S.S.F. carnival . . . Nope, not Plymouth Rock, just Mr. Waldo's rock . . . One of last summer's gyrines sharpens up his personal knife for future use in the S. Pacific . . . Now we see why sailors love windy days on campus! . . . Mmmm, gals, sunburns, and idle hours on the dock — essentials to any houseparty!

Cosy cramming by the Lib fireplace on a chilly day . . . A famous English prof's famous shirt — and Carl Sandburg wanted one just like it! . . . "W" for Western by the navy band . . .
LOOKING BACK...

1945 at Western... Remember the fads and fashions and songs and dances and expressions of this year? We still jitterbugged and danced the "Gull Lake Gallop," but slow, starry-eyed waltzes held sway, too... We had fun with the Navy-learning its "South Dakota Hop," "Detroit Del-fois," and shall we say "Trainees' Tromp"...

Western will long remember the popularity of "The Trolley Song" since it seemed especially apropos to our own Believe-it-or-not-featured trolley. Notice No. 12's worn metal on the S.B. juke box's marquee at left...

And speaking of the S.B., the strains of T. Dorsey's "Swing High," B. Goodman's "Jam Session," Hamp's "Boggie Woggie," and Bing's "Ac Cent 'Chu Ate the Positive" will be forever associated for us Bronchoites with that smoke-filled, noisy, sailor and coed-infested mecca, The Soda Bar... In spite of the war most of our old traditions, pledging, Saturday night dances, open houses, and teas, occupied the "let down your hair" part of the school week... However, Women's League open houses substituted for former Men's Union get-togethers, farewell cruises replaced frat formals, and girl "doe" lines took the place of fellow "stag" lines. Vet pins won over "W's," wings occupied the frat pin's traditional place, and navy blues outnumbered flashy sport coats and coverts... Sloppy coed fashions remained; glamour togs being reserved for week-ends...

Engraved sterling hair clasps decorated the coiffures of most coeds... saddle shoes came back... pea-coats, official or otherwise, were worn by the Navy and the Navy's girls... Comfort came first with jeans, plaid shirts, sweatshirts, and pigtails ending with stubby ribbons or colorful flowers... "A Good Man Nowadays Is Hard to Find," "Rum and Coca-Cola," "I'll Walk Alone," and "I'm a Little on the Lonely Side," expressed our sentiments beautifully... We called floors "decks," meals "chow," and loved to say "Roger," "Hit the Sack"; we proclaimed "One Meatball" Spindler's cafeteria's official slogan... We ploughed through the snow in stadium boots or donned angora-topped anklets as beau-catchers... We wrote reams of V-mail, studied hard, and dreamed of when "Johnny Comes Marching Home."
LOOKING AHEAD...

This picture will be remembered as the frontispiece of the 1940 Brown and Gold. Then, as now, it symbolized normal college life. The students in it have long since left Western — to teach, to start families, to fight, to die in war. We believe that they typify what we are looking ahead to — normal peaceful college life, a balanced proportion of fellows and girls — real happiness — good times. We are confident that these things will return.

We're looking ahead, too, to an unprecedented expansion of our campus and to the new Western Michigan college. Big things are in Western's future; new additions and improvements of present buildings will be made and a broad building program for the new campus on the Arcadia golf course grounds will be put into effect as soon as materials and man-power are available. Immediate additions include plans for an enlarged Union building with a new and roomier location for the Soda Bar, a girls' recreation room, and facilities for college guests; a new training school and high school; several new dormitories; and a chapel. Long-range plans envision an auditorium, fine arts building, science building, and a student activities building.

During these war years a definite need has been felt for a chapel on Western's campus. A fund for that purpose has been established to which the families and friends of Western service men and women who have died in the service of their country have contributed. Other individuals and organizations have also given generously to the fund.

The chapel is to be one of the first buildings erected and will set the theme and color scheme for the remainder of the proposed campus. Its architecture will be modern, reflecting a youthful, functional spirit.

As the Brown and Gold goes to press, the architect's designs for the chapel involve a general facade as in the sketch below and include altars for Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish students, a seating capacity of 350 people, a bell tower connected to the main building by a pergola, and a garden to surround the whole chapel. In addition to the main door, entrances from the garden to the two altars are proposed.

We who are at Western now will probably have left by the time the chapel and other buildings which are to form a nucleus for the new college campus are erected; but we look forward to it with a sincere feeling of pride. We can only hope that the "Western Way" — the spirit, the traditions, the attitude, which we and those before us have developed here will carry over to the new school and that that spirit will increase and grow more powerful as the school grows.
What is Western? Some say a rather small white-columned group of buildings situated high on the hills of a mid-western town... others say it's friendliness—saying "Hi!" to everyone on campus... others—an acquaintance with books, men, ideas... Some say it's a song, or a prof, or a friend... We strongly suspect it's a combination of all... We know Western's not perfect—it has all the faults of a democracy—but somehow we feel that a spirit has been captured here—an attitude that sets this school apart from all others—an idea that makes it exactly what America is... Western owes that spirit to its sons and daughters for it is through them that it lives... Yesterday's Westernites are gone—here are today's...
Dr. Paul V. Sangren, president of Western Michigan college, typifies the progressive, democratic and hard-working spirit that is Western. Since he became president in 1936 he has used "development" as his key objective and it has been through his efforts that Western has grown in size and influence. The college, now recognized as one of the nation's outstanding teacher-training institutions, has been added to in the realms of enrollment, buildings, land and curricula. Dr. Sangren has seen to it, however, that Western retains the ideals of democracy and friendliness envisioned for it by its first president, Dwight B. Waldo.

Dr. Sangren is a man with ideas. He has brought to Western a new system of directed teaching, a graduate division, and various departmental workshops as well as the Walwood union and residence, Health and Personnel building, Spindler Hall, the Little Theater, Waldo stadium and baseball park, Vandercook Hall, and the Mechanical Trades building.

Although Dr. Sangren's program is filled with trips to Lansing, Washington and New York and his day is a busy one of conferences, meetings, and plans for Western's future, he is always willing to see faculty members or students and to help them solve their problems or listen to their suggestions. His ability to get things done plus his friendliness and cooperation is admired and respected by everyone who comes in contact with him.
REGISTRAR

Mr. John C. Hoekje, the registrar, is very busy with administrative duties dealing with scholarship tests, various requisitions, and many questions which only he can answer. He is always ready to assist students who need help and is always ready with a word of encouragement to students having worthwhile suggestions and plans.

DIRECTOR OF PLACEMENT

Dr. Lofton V. Burge, director of the training schools and placement bureau and principal of the campus Training school, is well-known to every student teacher at Western. He aids in securing future teaching jobs and gives needed advice concerning teaching problems and first year teaching experiences.

GUIDANCE DIRECTOR

The director of Student Personnel and Guidance, Dr. George H. Hilliard, has, with his counselling staff, developed a system for acquainting the students of Western with what is expected of them and how they can attain these standards. Because of this work, many students avoid the "trials and tribulations" of a freshman and obtain guidance and advice throughout their college careers.
GRADUATE DIRECTOR

Dr. Elmer H. Wilds, director of the Graduate division and summer sessions, helps graduate students who wish to work on their Masters' degrees and he also directs the entire administrative work during the summer sessions. In addition to this work he plans assemblies, special programs, and other social entertainment.

DEAN OF WOMEN

Mrs. Bertha S. Davis, dean of women, is personally interested in the welfare of every woman student on campus. She gives guidance to all girl students asking for such advice and thus helps eliminate difficulties and errors troubling Western coeds. For the past few years she has been counselor for social affairs and head of the social committee, and has given her utmost attention to these affairs on campus.

DEAN OF MEN

Mr. Ray C. Pellett, dean of men, has again this year assisted in the Navy program by giving counseling assistance and other problem help. Although he has continued his V-12 program teaching, thus doubling his prewar work, he still has time to hear those “excuses” for absences and has the final word on their validity. His work in guiding the “Joe Colleges” on campus has furthered smoother sailing in program planning, course dropping, and difficulty settling.
Since July, 1943, the work of the Mathematics department has been devoted almost entirely to teaching required mathematical analysis and navigation to Western’s V-12 students. To meet this enlarged enrollment, four new teachers were added to the department staff: Miss Ella Lausman, Mr. Clifford Walcott, Mr. Walter Thorsberg, and Dr. William Halnon who had formerly taught at Western.

The Mathematics department is headed by Dr. John P. Everett who is to retire at the end of the spring trimester. He has completed thirty-nine years of service in the field of education, thirty-one of which have been spent at Western.

In addition to the V-12 courses, advanced calculus, differential equations, mathematics of finance, commercial and teaching of mathematics courses were offered this year. This selection is somewhat limited compared to what it has been in former years; however, when Western returns to a peacetime program, the Mathematics department hopes to include in its curriculum not only the courses which it offered formerly, but also a group of new courses designed to meet needs in the postwar world.

Under the leadership of Mr. Harper C. Maybee and Mr. George E. Amos Western’s Music department has enjoyed another successful year. The orchestra and choirs combined efforts with the Speech department this year to present a grand-scale Christmas program. In May, all the music organizations again joined in the presentation of a music festival.

At the end of the winter trimester, Mr. Amos resigned as head of the instrumental department. Mrs. George Hilliard took over his duties as director of both the highschool and college orchestras. Howard Barlow, warrant officer and director of the Fort Custer band, was chosen to take charge of Western’s band for the spring trimester but was succeeded by Master Srgt. Phillip Proud, also of Fort Custer.

In addition to the regular music courses offered this year, Mr. Maybee organized a new non-credit course in the leadership of informal group singing.
The Department of Psychology, under the leadership of Dr. Theodore Henry, offers a variety of courses in general, applied and clinical psychology. In clinical psychology, taught by Mr. Homer Carter, who is director of the Psycho-Educational clinic, studies are made of pupils presenting psycho-educational problems, such as behavior difficulties, deficiencies in reading, and educational and social maladjustment. The work of the course involves individual case studies, home visits, interviewing, conferences, and laboratory and clinical procedure.

The newest addition to the department staff is Miss Dorothy McGinnis, who is the assistant in the Psycho-Educational clinic.

In the past both Dr. Henry and Mr. Carter have contributed widely to education and psychology periodicals. This year Mr. Carter published “Introduction to Learning and Adjustment” and contributed an article to the Papers of the Michigan Academy.

The newest addition to the department staff is Miss Dorothy McGinnis, who is the assistant in the Psycho-Educational clinic.

Miss Marion Spear, who founded the school at the hospital in 1922, is its present director. She is a graduate of the Massachusetts School of Art, a registered therapist, and is Michigan’s representative to the house of delegates of the American Occupational Therapy association. She has written three books and several magazine articles on occupational therapy.

Mrs. Jane Thomas, a graduate of Western and of the Kalamazoo School of Occupational Therapy, assists Miss Spear. Mrs. Thomas is secretary of the State O. T. association and of the Kalamazoo School Alumni association.

The formation of the School of Occupational Therapy on the campus was a relatively easy matter since it was merely moved in November, 1944, from the Kalamazoo State hospital to the college’s temporary building.

The Department of Home Economics trains students not only in the art of home-making, but also prepares them to qualify as teachers of vocational home economics in Michigan under the provisions of the state and federal acts on vocational education. In addition to the courses required for those who specialize in home economics, the department offers several courses open as electives to all students. Among the most popular of those offered this year were marriage and family relationships, home furnishings, and personal and social problems.

One of the more interesting requirements for majors in home economics is the course, home management practice. During this course, the girls live in family-size groups in a practice house on campus. While there, the girls put into practical use the various aspects of homemaking that they have learned in their preceding courses.
GEOLOGY and GEOGRAPHY

The Department of Geology and Geography, under the leadership of Dr. William Berry, prepares students to teach in this field. Courses are also offered for those who are going into the field of meteorology.

In keeping with Western's wartime program a course in the military uses of maps and aeronautographs has been added to the curriculum.

All the members of this department have done extensive studying and writing. During the past year Dr. Berry collaborated on a map of population distribution for the Encyclopaedia Britannica Atlas which appeared in January, 1945. He has also contributed articles to periodicals published in England and Scotland as well as the United States.

Miss Lucia Harrison and Miss Marguerite Logan are co-authors of the text, *Elements of Geography* which they use in beginning geography classes. Each of them has also collaborated in writing other geography texts.

WOMEN'S PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The war has created changes not only in the Men's physical education curriculum at Western, but has also brought out the importance of exercise, calisthenics and physical fitness in Women's physical education. Under the leadership of Miss Crystal Warner, the department aims to provide a recreational program for every girl on campus. Outside of regular class periods and intramural athletics dormitory, house and sorority basketball teams have been organized and competition in them has been keen.

Miss Sally McRoberts, who received her education in the field of dancing at the Hanya Holm School of Dance, taught groups this year in folk, tap, modern, and social dancing, and her classes played a large role in the evening program for which all the classes in the department combined to present to the students and public. Other features of the program were tumbling, marching, mass calisthenics and military drills. The program, the first of its kind that the department has presented, was well received and holds promise of becoming a Western tradition.

RURAL EDUCATION

The Department of Rural Education at Western was the first of its kind in the United States and was established primarily to provide teachers trained to cope with the special problems that the rural school presents. A two-year curriculum is provided for those who do not teach in grades above the eighth.

Dr. William Robinson, the department head, and Miss Anna Evans offer courses in rural sociology, economics, and education. Special summer courses are available for teachers already in the field to help re-orient them with more recent educational concepts.

The Hurd school and the Portage Rural Agricultural school provide directed teaching facilities for those enrolled in the department.
The English department, possibly more than any other, is responsible for the "metamorphosis" which takes place in college students. Its members aim at bringing out the half-hidden ideas of the typical college freshman, try to give him new ideas and attitudes and teach him to express those ideas and attitudes in clear-cut form and good style. The department accomplishes this through its freshman and advanced rhetoric courses plus its general background courses in prose and poetry and the personalities and enthusiasm of the instructors themselves.

Western was fortunate this year in having two new members added to the English department. They were: Mrs. Virginia Chase Perkins, author of the book The American Home and sister of Mary Ellen Chase, writer and a favorite of Western's Adult Education program, and Mr. John Thompson, who both took time off from their graduate studies at the University of Michigan to teach six freshmen rhetoric classes here.

In addition to their teaching positions on campus, most of the English instructors are writers and speakers in their specialties. Many have published books, articles, stories and poems in past years; some are engaged in literary production at the present time or are working on further degrees. Credit should be given, too, to those who claim no writing or speaking talents but who, by their daily teaching, help to develop those talents in their students.

The Foreign Language department offers courses in Latin, French, German and Spanish which are designed to provide reading, writing and speaking skills in those languages.

The department functioned under a new chairman this year, when Miss Mathilde Steckleberg took over the duties of Miss Elizabeth Zimmerman who retired last year.

The newest addition to the department staff is Mr. Herman Rothfuss who was studying for his doctorate at the University of Minnesota before he came to Western. He is a native of Germany and came to this country in 1925.

The Foreign Language department can easily claim to be the most traveled department on campus. Miss Marion Tamin came to this country as an exchange student from France in 1918. Both Miss Myrtle Windsor and Dr. Francis Noble have traveled widely in France. Miss Eunice Kraft studied at the American Academy at Rome, and Miss Steckleberg has studied in several universities in Germany. Mr. Harry Greenwall has traveled in South America, the Scandinavian countries, the Orient and Hawaii.
That Western's Social Science department is concerned with the changing demands of world conditions on education is evidenced by its willingness to supplant its regular history, sociology, economics and political science courses with such new courses as a survey of comparative economic systems, economics of reconstruction, and origins of the present war. These courses have aimed, as have the traditional ones in the field, to give the student a thorough background and understanding of the important problems facing the world today and to lead him to see the solution of some of them.

One of the college's most interesting instructors was added to the Social Science department this year. He is Dr. Robert Friedmann, a native of Vienna, Austria, who came to the United States in 1940. Dr. Friedmann graduated from the University of Vienna and taught in the Gymnasia there and also studied and taught at Yale and Goshen college before coming to Western.

Another newcomer to the department is Dr. Margaret B. MacMillan, who happens to be the daughter of Western's Dr. Smith Burnham, head of the history department for a number of years, and the niece of Dr. Ernest Burnham who organized the Rural Education department here. Dr. MacMillan has taught history at Western for the past three trimesters.

Although they're rather modest concerning their achievements, the other members of the department have found time this year, in spite of their extra teaching loads, to add to their impressive list of books and articles published, lectures given, and studies made. The school is justly proud of them and what they are accomplishing.

Western's Chemistry department serves a variety of functions in preparing students to teach highschool chemistry and in giving the basic courses necessary for those going into specialized fields, graduate work, medicine, dentistry, or engineering. It also gives vocational chemistry to medical technologists and laboratory technicians, and special chemistry courses for home economics students and Bronson nurses. More recently the Chemistry department has taught Navy students the chemistry of engineering materials course required in their V-12 program.

An additional function of the Chemistry department is to furnish chemicals and chemical information to the Health Service and other departments on campus.

The department is headed by Dr. Gerald Osborn who was honored this year by being appointed consultant in teaching of physical science to the West Virginia state board of education.
**ART**

One of the most active departments on Western's campus is the Art department. Although its staff has been reduced by the war, it still offers a large variety of courses in design, painting, and modeling.

The department is headed by Miss Lydia Siedschlag who is largely responsible for planning the interior decoration of Western's newer buildings. One of her special projects this year has been redecorating the new president's home on campus.

During the year Mr. John Kemper published an article titled "Marionettes" in the "School Arts" magazine. He also exhibited paintings in the Kalamazoo Artists Exhibition and in the Michigan Artists Exhibition at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Miss Hazel Paden, who is a member of the National Association of Women Artists, exhibited her water color paintings in New York this year.

**PUBLICITY**

The Publicity department can claim partial responsibility for the growth of Western in recent years. Theirs is a combination publicity and public relations job, for they write all the articles about Western for outside press associations and the pamphlets for the school. Miss Blanche Draper has served twenty-seven years, and Mr. Homer Dunham sixteen in this busy department.

**BUSINESS EDUCATION**

Western's Business Education department, an outgrowth of the previous Commerce department, has expanded rapidly in the last few years. Its faculty personnel has been increased to six members to accommodate the students who are majoring in this field. The newest addition to the staff is Mr. Paul Kircher who took his undergraduate work at the University of New Mexico.

This year the department has arranged a four-year degree course in secretarial administration for majors in office training and a curriculum for the training of coordinators and teachers of cooperative business education for Michigan high school vocational departments.

Dr. Hanna, who is on leave of absence from the department, is now the commanding officer of the Depauw University V-12 unit as well as the Navy units at the University of Indiana and the University Medical School.

Mr. Glen C. Rice has been elected president of the Michigan Vocational Education Association.
MEN'S PHYSICAL EDUCATION

One of the major tasks of Western's Men's Physical Education department this year has been to work in close cooperation with the Navy and its officers in training the V-12 unit stationed here. Much emphasis has been placed on the importance of physical fitness, strength, and "ability to take it," and training has included "p.t." with its strength and endurance tests, calisthenics, marching and swimming. Some of these policies have carried over to the civilian physical education courses.

The department also provides and supervises intramural and intercollegiate athletics for those students wishing to participate.

Mr. Judson Hyames, director of athletics, has announced plans for an extensive postwar expansion program. Included in these is a large field house to be built in Kanley park which will contain a new basketball floor and seating space for 8,000 spectators, a 220-yard indoor track, and a full indoor diamond for early baseball practice. In the space around the field house will be football and baseball fields, tennis and badminton courts, and an archery range. Plans are also being drawn up for a 75-foot, six-lane swimming pool in the Men's gym where the baseball pit is now housed.

ALUMNI SECRETARY

Mr. Carl Cooper, secretary of Western's Alumni Association, has the important work of maintaining contact with and friendly relations between Western and its ever-growing number of alumni. As a part of this work, Mr. Cooper edits the Western Michigan News magazine which is published and sent to the alumni four times a year.

PHYSICS

Since July 1943, the Physics department has been engaged almost exclusively in training of Navy V-12 and Marine trainees. During this period the average enrollment was 500 students. To meet this situation, Mr. Grover Baker, Mr. Jacob DeWitt, Mr. Albert Munk, and Mr. Milton Sizer were added to the department faculty.

The Physics department functioned under new leadership this year when Dr. Paul Rood took over the duties of department head to replace Mr. Fox who retired at the end of last year.

Since the Navy program has been installed the variety of courses offered by the department has been somewhat limited. However, this year, in addition to the military physics courses, astronomy, photography, and household physics were given.
In cooperation with the Navy program, the Industrial Arts department has provided the engineering drawing and descriptive geometry courses required for all of the V-12 students at Western. The enrollment in this department increased from thirty to one hundred and ninety-six students and the teaching staff was expanded accordingly when Mr. Henry Beukema and Mr. Jacob Panse were added to the department.

In addition to the great amount of work its new courses involved the department, under the leadership of Mr. Marion Sherwood, has continued to teach a full curriculum in woodwork, printing, drawing and metal work. Special courses are offered also for art and occupational therapy students.

Vocational training was one of the last fields to be recognized as an important part of the college curriculum. Here at Western, Industrial Arts is proving to be one of the most popular and beneficial courses of study and its importance has been realized more than ever since the war began.

DEANS’ ASSISTANTS

Miss Carrie Storie and Miss Margaret Feather serve as assistants to the deans of women and men and have charge of excusing absences, issuing guest slips for dances, helping students find suitable living quarters and work as well as the clerical work of the offices. Both of them acted as counsellors at Spindler Hall the fall trimester but upon the return of Walwood residence to the coeds Miss Storie assumed the role of housemother of Walwood. Through their work Miss Storie and Miss Feather meet and come to know every student at Western and have a number of opportunities for guidance and counselling work.

BIOLOGY

The Department of Biology has one of the largest enrollments of any department at Western. In addition to regular Western students, the nurses in training at Bronson Hospital take courses in biology, anatomy and physiology.

The department is headed by Dr. Leslie Kenoyer who worked this year on a revised edition of his textbook, General Biology.

Mr. Frank Hinds spent last spring trimester working on a study of the cedar waxwing, his thesis for his doctorate. This year he offered a new course in cytology, which is a study of cells and tissues.

The newest addition to the department is Mr. Raymond Deur, who took Mr. Leonard Wenier’s place as biology teacher for the high school. Mr. Wenier is on leave of absence for further study.
Although Western is more than a teacher-training college, it is in the field of education that it is best known. Western’s Education department contains a number of outstanding teachers and administrators. Most of them have published books and contribute regularly to leading educational journals, and have attracted attention in their teacher-training positions. One of the most used texts of the history of education was written by Dr. Elmer Wilds.

The department is headed by Dr. George Hilliard who also serves as director of student personnel and guidance.

VOCATIONAL AVIATION MECHANICS

Elmer Weaver

One department at Western which has attracted a great deal of attention since the beginning of the war is that of Vocational Education. Most students have been conscious of the department’s single-engined airplane which has been "parked" outside the Industrial Arts building for the last two years and are conscious, too, that a great deal of activity important to the war effort has been going on in the building.

Mr. Elmer Weaver, who directs the department, has been influential in organizing and carrying out its 84-hour week of industrial training program for new war workers. A two-year course in aviation mechanics is also offered.

SPEECH

Laura Shaw Marie Marwick Anna Lindbloom

Western’s Speech department has helped put it on the "collegiate map." Debating, public speaking and forensics are directed by Mr. Albert Becker and Miss Anna Lindbloom who have developed a number of outstanding debate teams and speakers. Miss Laura V. Shaw, chairman of the department, offers courses in fundamentals of speech, interpretive reading, acting, make-up, and play production. She is one of Western’s most widely travelled instructors and has studied drama and speech both in Europe and in the Orient.

Western’s speech correction clinic, under the direction of Dr. Charles Van Riper who is assisted by Mr. Frank Robinson, has been noted as one of the most unique of its type. Students from all over the United States and parts of Canada have come to have their speech defects corrected or improved here or to receive training as speech correctionists.

Mr. Wallace Garneau, a graduate of Western, has charge of courses in radio speech and script writing and has produced a number of radio programs over WKZO.

Miss Matie Marwick, newest addition to the department, has offered courses in fundamentals of speech this year.
LIBRARY

Western's library, supervised by Miss Anna French, who is aided by both assistant librarians and student helpers, is frequented daily by nearly every student on campus and is a popular place "to meet a book." A collection of 60,000 books, many periodicals and newspapers are available to faculty and students plus a valuable group of art books received from the Carnegie foundation which are of interest to Western's many art "majors." The spacious reading room, open to students every day of the week, accommodates 300 people and provides a quiet studious atmosphere.

Standing: Hazel Cleveland, Phoebe Lumaree, Paul Randall, Edith Clark.
Seated: Anna French, Mary Harvey.

TEXT BOOK LIBRARY

The Education Service library affords for students in the education department a collection of up-to-date school text books, professional books and magazines useful in their work in directed teaching. This library is housed in the Health and Personnel Building and is under the charge of Mrs. Winifred McFee.

DORMS-UNION LIBRARY

The work of supervising and maintaining the Union Building and the dormitories is under the charge of Mr. Cornelius MacDonald. "Mac," as everyone on campus calls him, knows most of the students at Western and is interested in them and their affairs.

HEALTH SERVICE

Although many of its facilities and much of its time is now taken up with duties as a "sick bay" for Western's V-12 trainees, the Health Service has endeavored to continue its policies of guarding student health.

Student medical and dental examinations and conferences, treatment of emergencies and diagnostic tests were offered by the Service this year as always. In addition, the mobile X-ray unit from the State Health department was brought to the campus and gave free X-ray examinations for detecting tuberculosis.

Miss Ellis Walker is the head of the Health Service and is assisted by a staff of nurses, physicians, and student helpers.
PAW PAW TRAINING SCHOOL

Leona Adolf  Pearl Baxter  Kenneth Bordine  Alice Eikenberg  Bryan Emert

Matilda Gaume  Clarence Hackney  Arlene Hollinger  Eliner Jentges  Lois Kraeger

Lester Lindquist  Elizabeth McQuigg  Louise Myers  Helen Nelson  Reynold Oas

Marion Spaulding  Clella Stufft  Helen Roth  Almon Vedder
Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Sangren enjoy Christmas breakfast with Spindler gals . . . Mr. Cain starts off our study of faculty derbies — his is the dapper type . . . Dr. Butler must be camera shy — note closed eyes . . . Mrs. Tyler poses by Spindler Hall . . . Dr. Hilliard and his conservative, businessman’s topper . . . Ah, that modish bit of fur adorns Dr. Meyers’ pepit chapeau . . . Mr. Yntema grins beneath his wide-brimmed sporty number . . . ”Docs” Hilliard and Burge adjourn to the Soda Bar for afternoon coffee . . . Mr. Ackley and Mr. Eldridge polish up that drill . . . Mr. Hinds shows off his dimple and jaunty brim . . . Snappy, that new collegiate headgear Mr. Slusser sports these days!
As graduation day approaches for the class of ’45, its members can’t help looking back over their four years on the Hilltop, remembering some of the events and people they’ve known. Realizing that they were the only students on campus this year with memories of normal college life, they have tried in their friendships with underclassmen and in their various activities to keep alive Western’s old traditions.

Among their memories are the whirl of parties, games and dances of that first year at college, the shock of Pearl Harbor, the first efforts at civilian defense and Red Cross work, and the calling of the army and navy college reserves. They remember the empty feeling of classrooms and campus scenes with few or no men, and then the sight of marines mustering outside of Spindler, the “snap” of Saturday morning regimental reviews, the brightness of “whites” after a winter of “blues.” They recall, too, the erection of the Little Theater, life both in and out of dormitories as the Navy required, the revision of the college’s administration, the plans for Western’s postwar expansion program, and the day of final peace in Europe.

To reunite the Senior class in its last year before leaving Western, its members participated in such activities as an informal dinner-theater party, a senior tea at the new presidential residence, and the traditional “Swing-out,” “Honors Convocation,” faculty reception for seniors, and baccalaureate.

Many thanks are due Dr. William Brown and Mr. Herbert Slusser for their help as class sponsors. They, along with many other faculty members and college friends, have contributed greatly to the store of Western memories which 1945’s seniors take with them as they follow the path of other graduates—over the Hilltop.
Martha Adams  
Battle Creek  
Home Economics

Frances Aungst  
Plainwell  
Physical Education

Ruth Bangerter  
Adrian  
Early Elementary

Mildred Allen  
Benton Harbor  
General Degree

Grey Austin  
Kalamazoo  
Business Education

Ray Barber  
Schoolcraft  
Industrial Arts

Barbara Bartlett  
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Occupational Therapy

Geraldine Billings  
Port Huron  
Speech Correction

Shirley Ann Boekeloo  
Kalamazoo  
Early Elementary

Gladys Bennett  
Fremont  
Rural Education

Beth Bird  
Cedar Springs  
Home Economics

Betty Borgman  
Grand Rapids  
General Degree

Jeanette Bouwens  
Kalamazoo  
Early Elementary

E. Joyce Bridges  
Grand Rapids  
Physical Education

Eunice Bryan  
Kalamazoo  
Pre-Professional

Ethel Bowman  
Fremont  
Home Economics

Jane Brown  
Paw Paw  
Early Elementary

Kathleen Carter  
Grand Rapids  
Early Elementary

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Battle Creek  
Occupational Therapy  

Anne Clark  
Kalamazoo  
Business Education  

Doris Cordier  
Chicago, Ill.  
Home Economics  

Catherine Christoff  
Rapid River  
Home Economics  

Louis Clouse  
Hastings  
Home Economics  

Margaret Cortright  
Bellevue  
Secondary Education  

Connie Crandall  
Kalamazoo  
General Degree  

Ruby Davidson  
Three Oaks  
Secondary Education  

Margaret DeForest  
Schoolcraft  
Early Elementary  

Eleanor Crapple  
Kalamazoo  
Secondary Education  

Alyce Decker  
Chicago, Ill.  
Occupational Therapy  

Margaret DeLaRue  
Mt. Clemens  
Occupational Therapy  

Marjorie DeYoung  
Grand Rapids  
Early Elementary  

Robert Dresser  
Detroit  
Physical Education  

Maribel DuBois  
Grand Rapids  
Later Elementary  

Gertrude Ditmar  
Grand Rapids  
Secondary Education  

Goldie Dribben  
Grand Rapids  
Later Elementary  

Elaine Egolf  
Muskegon  
Secondary Education  

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Muskegon Heights
Business Education

Joan Erway
Hastings
Home Economics

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Grand Haven
Secondary Education

Margaret Foster
Cadillac
Early Elementary

Robert Eubank
Kalamazoo
Secondary Education

Claire Flynn
Three Oaks
Early Elementary

Yvonne Fisher
Grand Haven
Secondary Education

Margaret Foster
Cadillac
Early Elementary

Roberta Eubank
Kalamazoo
Secondary Education

Gene Frazier
Kalamazoo
Physical Education

Marie Garnett
Morley
Early Elementary

Betty Gold
Eau Claire
Early Elementary

Louise Fuller
Kalamazoo
Music

Helene Geisler
Watervliet
Early Elementary

Rose Graham
Bear Lake
Later Elementary

Margaret Hadjisky
Birmingham
Occupational Therapy

Donna Hamstra
Grand Rapids
Pre-Professional

Rosemary Herrmann
Grand Rapids
Early Elementary

Aldamae Hammond
Grand Rapids
Early Elementary

Jean Hastings
Hastings
Home Economics

Lois Hervey
South Haven
Early Elementary

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St. Joseph
Muskegon Heights
Early Elementary

Alberta Hocker
Lawton
Secondary Education

Betty Hunt
Kalamazoo
Owosso
Industrial Arts

Shirley Hicks
Barbara Holmes
Kalamaazoo
Early Elementary

Edward Huntoon
Muskegon Harbor
Early Elementary

George Hyde
Delton
Secondary Education

Virginia Jackson
Kalamazoo
Occupational Therapy

Marion Johnson
Muskegon
General Degree

Angeline Janiak
Carol Johnson
Grand Rapids
Battle Creek
Later Elementary
Early Elementary

Gladys Jones
Battle Creek
Early Elementary

Marianne Julius
New York City, N. Y.
Secondary Education

Alice Kelly
Chicago, Ill.
Secondary Education

Helen Klatte
Kalamazoo
Art

Enid Karsten
Thomas Kenmotsu
Evart
McGeehee, Ark.
Secondary Education
General Degree

Wilma Ladyman
Sherwood
Home Economics

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Marian Mulder  
Holland  
Secondary Education

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Grand Rapids  
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Joplin, Mo.  
Occupational Therapy

Phyllis Newton  
Kalamazoo  
Occupational Therapy

Mary Olds  
Lawrence  
Secondary Education

Florence Oman  
Kalamazoo  
Rural Education

Marian Parker  
Decatur  
Home Economics

Margaret Parrott  
Ludington  
Physical Education

Dorcas Paddock  
Milan  
Early Elementary

Genevieve Parks  
Port Austin  
Physical Education

Marjorie Peck  
Birmingham  
Early Elementary

Virginia Plummer  
Niles  
Home Economics

Marjorie Reesor  
Woodlind  
Home Economics

Helen Rhodes  
Kalamazoo  
General Degree

Ruth Preston  
Benton Harbor  
General Degree

Dorothy Rensentrue  
Three Rivers  
Early Elementary

Anna Belle Rich  
Lansing  
General Degree

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Manistique
Early Elementary

Jean Schneider
Gobies
Pre-Professional

Elfriede Schnoor
Paw Paw
Early Elementary

Mildred Russell
St. Joseph
Secondary Education

Norma Schneider
Grand Rapids
Early Elementary

Ruth Schnoor
Paw Paw
Secondary Education

Betty Schultz
Kalamazoo
Business Education

Geraldine Scranton
Paw Paw
Home Economics

Betty L. Smith
Woodland
Secondary Education

Helen Schultz
Benton Harbor
General Degree

Bette Silverthorn
Dowagiac
Music

Jean Smith
Comstock
Physical Education

Shirley Spaulding
Berrien Springs
Music

Marian Sprik
Plainwell
Pre-Professional

Adele Swenson
Holland
Business Education

Katherine Sprecken
Muskegon Heights
Early Elementary

Doris Stewart
Ekhart, Ind.
Secondary Education

Ruth Tangerstrom
Manistique
Early Elementary
Charlotte Taylor  
Kalamazoo  
Occupational Therapy
Ruth Tillstrom  
Benton Harbor  
Secondary Education
Florence Troy  
Grand Rapids  
Secondary Education
Florence Thwaites  
Grand Rapids  
Early Elementary
Eula Tottingham  
Stanton  
Secondary Education
Jein Truckenmilles  
Centreville  
Business Education
Ralph Tweedy  
Fulton  
General Degree
Thelma VandenBerg  
Kalamazoo  
Early Elementary
Elva Van Haitsma  
Grand Rapids  
Secondary Education
Lorraine Van Beukering  
Grand Haven  
Secondary Education
Inez Vanderpyle  
Whitehall  
Early Elementary
Eloise Van Vulpen  
Muskegon  
Pre-Professional
Cleo Rutgers Venhuisen  
Holland  
General Degree
Barbara Vyn Felt  
Grand Rapids  
Early Elementary
Charlotte Walker  
Niles  
Secondary Education
Doris Vogel  
Grand Haven  
Business Education
Dorothy Wagner  
Kalamazoo  
Physical Education
Corrine Walsh  
Grand Rapids  
Early Elementary

SENIORS...
Miriam Walstad
Kalamazoo
Occupational Therapy

Jacqueline Webber
Detroit
Early Elementary

Dorothy Watson
Lawrence
Home Economics

Irene Wieman
Shelby
Early Elementary

Donna Williams
Sparta
Home Economics

Frances Williams
Detroit
Special Education

Mary Ellen Wood
Plainwell
Home Economics

Jeanne Lavender
Saint Cloud, Minn.
Occupational Therapy

... SENIORS
Although the junior class had to allow some of the traditional activities to pass by again this year, the class spirit was maintained.

With the return of many veterans and the V-12 trainees it was possible for the junior class to sponsor the annual J-Hop in the spring. "Stairway to the Stairs" was the theme and Dexter Lamb provided the music. Pat Fritz and A/S Robert Huber were co-chairmen assisted by the following committee chairmen: orchestra and entertainment, Suzanne Michen; decorations, Barbara Kane; publicity, Joan Mills; guests, Lois Soloman; refreshments, Margery Dawe; tickets, Alvin Vanderslick; programs, Mary Eldridge.

As future seniors, the members of the junior class are leaving their many traditional activities to the future classes who will, in postwar years, again participate actively in parades, pep rallies, bonfires, and homecoming events.
Carolyn Adams
Sherwood

Jacqueline Anderson
Kalamazoo

Carlene Bagnall
Battle Creek

Ellen Addington
Detroit

Marie Babinec
Shelby

Carolyn Bamborough
Kalamazoo

Betty Bentley
Battle Creek

Madge Blair
Jackson

Evelyn Boettcher
Benton Harbor

Bernette Bergeron
Muskegon

Rosemary Blanchard
Grand Rapids

Evelyn Botrger
Crystal Falls

Freda Brandt
Flint

Irene Brozovich
Grand Rapids

Geraldine Carley
Kalamazoo

Dorothy Brown
Grand Rapids

Kathryn Buehler
Chicago, Ill.

Marguerite Champion
White Cloud

...Juniors
James Clark
Rockford

Margery Dawe
Pontiac

Joan Dodd
Niles

Mary Ellen Dodd
Battle Creek

Leola Eichholtz
Three Rivers

Betty Eshouse
Kalamazoo

Ellen Farthing
Kalamazoo

Katherine Frans
Muskegon

Barbara French
Kalamazoo

Patricia Fritz
Monroe

Jean Gillett
Shelbyville

Lucille French
Union City

Merrie Geldhof
Grand Rapids

Ruth Greenman
Farmington

Juniors...
June Griffith
Muskegon

Pauline Hacker
Leonidas

Ellen Hamill
Grass Lake

Ida Harfert
New Troy

Freda Harris
Holland

Eleanor Hall
Kalamazoo

Marjorie Hill
Hastings

Margaret Hiscutt
Newaygo

Barbara Kane
Niles

Shirley Hill
Benton Harbor

Jean Humphries
Pontiac

Erald Kelley
Sturgis

Dorothea Kolch
Highland Park

Ruth Kunkel
Gobies

Mary Kyger
Holland

Elizabeth Kools
Holland

Virgil Kwast
Eau Claire

Betty Lixvar
Benton Harbor

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Betty Loewe  
Kalamazoo

Marion Lower  
Schoolcraft

Suzanne Michen  
Fennville

Jeannette Loode  
Kalamazoo

Mavis Martinson  
Elk Rapids

Mary Milliman  
Rockford

Joan Mills  
South Bend, Ind

Jean Morrison  
Williamsburg

Julie Oberdorfer  
Iron River

Grace Mohney  
Lawton

Jane Oberdorfer  
Iron River

Jean Pyle  
Zeeland

Anna Radwanski  
Hamtramck

Dorothy Rogers  
Niles

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Battle Creek

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The sophomore class in the fall first concerned itself with nominations, petitions, campaigns and the other business of elections. Results this year indicated normality was returning — one male representative was included on the sophomore slate of officers as against last year's female monopoly.

Student Council representatives were: Eleanor Proud, Betty Earl, Jerome Bigelow.

Thus far the class of 1947 has been a true war-time class. As freshmen last year its members found college life not all as it was famed to be. Marines and bluejackets occupied the girls' and men's dorms while most of their classes, save mathematics or science, were a matter of women only. They missed many of Western's traditions — homecoming, frat parties and formals, in fact, they only knew such things existed by hearing the reminiscences of upper-classmen.

Somehow, however, even in abnormal circumstances, these freshmen caught the spirit that is Western and they returned this year determined to show pride and loyalty in their school and to re-instate some of the true 'soph spirit' which they felt was lacking.

This they did — initiating several class activities of which a spring picnic captured much attention. The activity spotlight was shared, too, with the sophomores' cooperation with the freshmen in a freshmen-sophomore reception.

Indeed the ball was started rolling back toward normality this year by these '47'ers.
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The freshmen class of 1945 entered Western in November with high hopes of success in the year ahead.

Despite the fact that many of the social activities were curtailed because of the war, the class succeeded in maintaining its spirit and interest in school affairs. Many of the active freshmen were initiated into various fraternities, sororities and clubs on campus.

The annual freshmen-sophomore dance was held on March 17 after being omitted for the past three years. Entitled the "Shamrock Shuffle," it had St. Patrick's Day as its theme.

As the year's activities came to a close, the freshmen class looked eagerly forward to the future peace-time world when normal college life could be resumed.
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COMMANDING OFFICER

Lieutenant Senior Grade Ernest W. Carl, commanding officer of the V-12 unit at Western for the past two trimesters, has, in addition to directing the naval training program, participated in college affairs and has done much to foster friendly relations between the Navy and Western's faculty and students. Both Lieutenant Carl and Lieutenant V. W. Snyder, executive officer, and their wives have become part of Western's faculty and have taken active parts in teas, dances and similar social functions on campus, as did their predecessors.

Lieutenant Carl was the first Navy man on Western's campus, coming as he did in the spring of 1943 to make arrangements for the V-5 and V-12 units which were stationed here in July, 1943. He has been with the Navy since that time and assumed his present role as captain of "The Good Ship Western Michigan" at the beginning of the fall trimester.

SHIP'S COMPANY

First row, l. to r.: Lieut. R. L. Dana, medical officer; Lieut. E. W. Carl, commanding officer; Lieut. V. W. Snyder, executive officer.
Second row: Charles E. Kirks, Sp. (A) third class; Forbes C. White, Y., second class; Harold V. Solberg, Ph. M., third class; David D. Davian, Ph. M., second class.
Third row: Harvey VanPelt, Ph. M., first class; James A. Grivett, Sk., first class; Harold D. Jones, A.S.; Rudolph E. Peterson, Sp. (A), first class; Howard L. Fitch, CY. (T)
In changing from its peacetime role as a normal midwestern college to its wartime duties as one of the nation's Naval training centers, Western Michigan college has demonstrated its flexibility, its forward-driving policies and its willingness to help the war effort in the way for which it is best fitted—education.

Although the college has never deviated from its main purpose, the training of teachers, leaders and thoughtful citizens, Western has devoted many faculty members, classrooms, dormitories, and articles of equipment solely to the training of the Navy V-12 and V-5 units stationed here. This it was proud to do although it entailed many changes in curriculum and administration as well as extra hours of teaching and office work. Since the summer of 1942 its faculty members have had no vacations and because of the trimester plan we as students have given up Christmas, Thanksgiving and spring vacations. We have also loaned the Navy our dormitories, the Union cafeteria, the swimming pool, and our athletic facilities. We've been glad to do this, however, and the Navy has given us something in return. We've made many lasting friendships with them; they have served Western well on the gridiron, basketball court, and baseball diamond; and they have cooperated as far as time allowed, in our extra-curricular and social activities.

The knowledge that we've helped to train some 2,300 Navy and marine officers gives us at Western a tremendous sense of satisfaction. Most of the 350 V-5's who went through Western's training program are now Navy air corps flyers in the South Pacific and are using perfected spins, turns and rolls which last year were only clumsy first efforts at the Kalamazoo Municipal airport.

Approximately 750 marine V-12's who were at Western are now lieutenants or are receiving officer's training. Some, in fact, have shipped out for active duty. Some of them were killed on Iwo Jima and following invasions; several were wounded.

By July of this year, 1,650 Navy V-12's will have passed through Western. Most of these men go on to midshipmen's school or into the Navy reserve officer's training corps to become deck, engineer, supply, landing craft and such officers.

These fellows have come to Kalamazoo from all parts of the country and many have had active duty with the fleet. Some of them have found that Western offers what they want in a college and are planning to return as civilians.

In addition to increasing its facilities for teaching chemistry, physics, mathematics, engineering, navigation and similar technical subjects, Western's faculty has also taught these trainees military speech and English and Naval history, strategy and warfare. Courses have been modified to suit the needs of future officers and toward giving them a more complete understanding of the causes and objectives of the war.

Realizing too, that prospective officers, as any students, need and profit by the development of their whole personalities, the Navy and the faculty have endeavored to inject a bit of philosophy into their courses as well as to inculcate them with Western's ideals of democracy, friendliness, cooperation and sociality.

The future of the Navy at Western is unknown. The unit is to be continued throughout the summer but as yet it is undecided whether the school will be able to go back to the semester basis or whether the battalion will be moved, retained, lessened, or enlarged. As much as we look forward to the restoration of peacetime conditions on our campus, if the Navy feels further a training unit at Western is essential, we will again comply and do everything we can to aid in that program.
Company A, Platoon One


Company A, Platoon Two

Company B, Platoon One


Company B, Platoon Two


Company C, Platoon One

Company B, Platoon Three
Company C, Platoon Two

Company D, Platoon One
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Band

When ‘Mac’ and ‘Betty Coed’ and ‘Joe College’ look back over this year at Western their memories will, without a doubt, be interspersed by the smooth renditions of the V-12 band. Both at college or Navy dances and at those informal ‘jam sessions’ at the Union, the fellows in this organization have proven that playing ‘just for the fun of it’ can result in dance music to compete with any name band.

Last year Ken Welsh, a V-12 who had an excellent background in music, including work in the United States Navy band, organized and directed the V-12 band at Western. In addition to those duties he ‘hyped’ the rhythm section by a ‘driving beat’ on the bass.

When Ken left Western his spot in the rhythm section was taken over by Bob Angellotti who, with the other members of the section, John Porter with his consistent beat and flashing drum solos, and Jim Waldron with his piano stylings both on backgrounds and ad lib, created many long-to-be-remembered jive numbers.

Not to be outdone by this trio, the solos contributed by Bill Anderson on alto sax and Harvey Clark on tenor never failed to please at the amazing ‘scat’ singing of baritone man ‘Harpo’ Wilcox. A ‘rock-bottom’ foundation was supplied these individual stars by the rest of the sax section, Gordon Fessenden and George Seewald, on tenor and alto respectively.

The brass section boasted seven members at one time but since the end of last term Charles Brown and Carl Rossetti were replaced by Robert Campbell in the trumpet section. In spite of the fact that he had two large pairs of shoes to fill, Bob ‘delivered the goods.’

As for the rest of the trumpet section, Al Filbey’s lead, both hot and sweet, inspired the whole band as did Bob Barkman’s smooth and subtle or brilliant and ‘rocking’ creative solos. The trombone trio, George Hawkins, Dan Robbins, and Jerry Scott, completes this group and are well-known for ‘swaying all’ by their rhythmic interpretations of the ballads of the day.

In addition to backing the brass section George has taken over Kenny Welsh’s fronting position and has shown by his ability on his own instrument and in his arrangements that the band that he’s a true musician. Band members and students all agree that his contribution to their swing world ranks with that of the top-notchers in the field.
Western's philosophy concerning extra-curricular activities such as clubs, committees, organizations and social groups, is that these items play as important, if not more important, role in the education of college students as do books and lectures. Through taking part in these activities we learn how to work with others, how to respect the other person's viewpoint, and how to organize, direct and accomplish. We learn, too, to know more of Western's faculty and students and their ideas for cooperation with them is the keynote of these organizations. Western's clubs and social groups aren't exclusive; they emphasize equality; they demand toleration.
The Student Council of 1944-45 has overcome a period of uncertainty produced by war to complete a memorable year of service to both civilians and military students at Western. In addition to its regular duties, the council has carried out several new and successful activities under the leadership of president, Yvonne Fisher.

Some of the council's main activities this war year were to sponsor such drives as the Sixth and Seventh War Bond, Red Cross, and War Chest drives, and the World Student Service fund. Helen Curtis, in charge of the latter, planned and engineered the carnival-dance which climaxed the drive.

Cooperation between the military and civilian students resulted in a formal dance, "The Mistletoe Hop," in December, plus a series of Friday night dances which proved to be some of the year's most popular and successful events. The military representatives on council who helped with the plans were A/S Garry Passman, A/S Robert Huber, A/S Richard Fricton, and A/S Robert Frappier.

Other activities of council included the presentation of two assemblies, the first in November and the second, a variety show using student talent, in March.

Student dances were financed by the council and organized by the vice-president. Publications for the year were the "Western Way" booklet and the "Student Directory." During basketball season, council arranged to have a cheering section reserved for Western students.

In the spring, approximately twenty-five U.S.O. scrapbooks were filled by the members of the council at a special meeting.

A questionnaire was sent out to all Western students, in order to determine the activities in which each student participated. Data from this questionnaire was tabulated by council members and organized for further action.

Two new practices were inaugurated this year, the organization of a cabinet to meet and formulate the business before meetings, and a plan to start a student council scrapbook to be passed on from year to year.

The Student Council appreciates the help of the student body in carrying out its activities. Working on council has been a profitable and enjoyable experience. To next year's council — good luck and success!
Some informal shots snapped at the student-sailor sponsored Christmas formal, "The Mistletoe Hop." In addition to providing one of the season's most colorful dances, the formal offered an opportunity for close cooperation and exchange of ideas between council members and naval trainees.

Latest dance tunes were furnished by the navy band on campus, which also presented a few of its novelty numbers for the amusement of the students and guests.

Yvonne Fisher
President
Kay Stimson
Vice-President
Doris Sprinkle
Secretary
Mary Ann Zitney
Treasurer
Bond Queen-Western Style

Western has good reason to be proud of its Sixth War Loan Bond Queen for Vonnie Fisher, a peppy blue-eyed senior from Grand Haven, Mich., has devoted her four college years to the school and has given of her time, her energy and her varied abilities in serving it. As a leader in campus affairs, last year's secretary of Student Council and this year's president, Vonnie has helped to put into effect such ideas as the "Western Way" booklet for new students and has helped to formulate and pass on the spirit, the atmosphere that is Western.

Vonnie's charm and vitality, as well as her four years of leadership, have truly earned for her the title of "Queen — Western Style."

Religious Activities Committee

In response to a demand for some form of short weekly devotional service on campus, one of the major accomplishments of the Religious Activities Committee at Western this year has been the instigation of a series of "pre-chapel" services in the Union building during the Thursday noon hour. Prayers are offered and a faculty member, student, or Kalamazoo minister usually presents a short talk. It is hoped that these services will form the nucleus of a religious program which may be transferred to Western's new memorial chapel.

The committee is appointed by the Student Council and is made up of both military and civilian students as well as a faculty advisory committee composed of Dr. Gerald Osborn, Dr. William Berry, Mr. Frank Hinds, and Mr. William Cain. Dr. Lewis Batts is official adviser to the group.

The committee also had charge of the World Student Service Fund drive on campus, the college's observation of World Day of Prayer, Religious Emphasis Week, Lent and Holy Week.
Arista, an honor society of Senior women on campus, was organized in the spring of 1940. Its requirements for membership are based on scholarship, leadership, and service to the school.

Each year, new members have been selected from the outstanding women of the Junior class, and they are tapped at the annual Women's League June breakfast. The organization aims to become affiliated with the national Mortar Board at a future date.

This year, as in the past, Arista has taken over the administration of war work, providing help for the community centers, making cookies for the U.S.O., knitting for the French, and collecting magazines for the Fort Custer and Percy Jones hospitals.

Another activity of the year was the sponsoring of a chocolate honoring high scholarship sophomore women.

A new member, Shirley Ann Boekeloo, was initiated at a breakfast in the winter.

The sponsors for the year were Dr. Elda Baumann, Miss Eunice Kraft, and Dr. Frances Noble. The alumni secretary was Marlyn Van Soest and Margaret Parrott served as historian.
WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Margaret Parrott
President
Suzanne McKinnon
Vice-President
Jean Morrison
Secretary
Margaret Elenbaas
Treasurer

In spite of Western's apparent man shortage, Women's League carried on just as successfully this year as in the past.

Freshman "Daze" were made much more pleasant under the leadership of Shirleyann Boekeloo and Betty Earl whose program for helping freshmen become a part of the Hilltop proved to be one of the most successful plans of the year.

Gladys Jones took all honors as chairman of the formal which was held in February. The theme was "Valentine Ball" and judging from the crowd, Cupid was still around with his bow and arrow.

Women's League was very fortunate in having Virginia Chase Perkins, a member of the faculty, as guest speaker at its annual assembly. Mrs. Perkins is a well known novelist and lecturer and chose as her topic, "Bloomergirls." She very interestingly told of their contribution to the privileges that American women enjoy today and presented one of the most enjoyable assemblies of the year.

Open House was held every Thursday afternoon and drew considerable enthusiasm. Refreshments and dancing were the order of the day, with music furnished by the navy band or the "juke box."

Daughters entertained their mothers at the annual Mother's Day tea. Music and friendly gatherings characterized this gay function.

And last, but not least, came the June breakfast honoring senior women and outstanding freshmen. This traditional event was the highlight of the year, and carried with it all the cherished memories of former years.

All in all, Women's League had a year of many activities and forged ahead on a well-planned schedule under the capable and efficient leadership of Margaret Parrott, president, and the aid of the cabinet and faculty advisers, Mrs. Bertha Davis, Miss Carrie Stoeri, and Miss Sally MacRoberts, whose splendid cooperation and advising allied toward one goal — Success for Women's League in '43!
The Women's League chocolate is a Western tradition which has existed for many years. It is held in the Walwood ballroom each Christmas season, is a strictly dress-up affair and is resplendent with Christmas trimmings, carols, delicious hot chocolate, cakes, cookies, candies and nuts.

Another Women's League tradition — picking daisies for the June Breakfast daisy chain. Each year freshmen girls who achieved top-notch grades their first semester at Western rise with the sun and gather thousands of dew-drenched daisies and other wild flowers. These are then woven into a long chain which is carried by the formally-gowned girls on their parade around the campus, up the Horseshoe and to the Walwood ballroom and the breakfast.
The most popular service of the Western Michigan Herald, since its inauguration in 1943, has been the service of sending copies of the paper each week free to men or women in service who are former students or graduates of Western. This year the Herald file of addresses was greatly enlarged and the mailing staff, under the leadership of Wilma Ladyman and Mary Jane Cummings, sends Heralds to over 700 members of the armed forces.

Letters from all corners of the globe and every theatre of war have come expressing appreciation for the college news and the contact it brings with students and faculty still on campus.

Many freshmen offered their services to expand the editorial staff of four which returned in the fall, with the result that a total of fourteen reporters wrote news stories during the year.

Under the editorship of Betty Bentley, the feature page became one of the chief student interests. The weekly column "Platonic Plagiarism" satisfied the desire for an informal review of student and faculty activities, yet kept a better tone than the high school gossip column.

An entirely new sports staff ably handled the games and meets of WMC teams. Here the Navy lent a helping hand, for the editor, Dick Kishpaugh, was a naval veteran and the reporters were members of local V-12 unit.

Mary Ellen Dodd, though only a junior this year, demonstrated a remarkable ability in her position of editor-in-chief. She not only organized and trained a competent staff but also produced a number of outstanding editorials and news stories for Western and Western students. Much credit and many thanks are due her for her untiring energy and long hours spent on the publication.

Florence Marcelletti was an efficient business manager and with three helpers kept the finances straight.

The only major change in the Herald of the past year was the use of a lighter-weight stock in keeping with wartime shortages and regulations.

All the members of the staff have done their best to keep the Herald publications up to student expectations. Although the war has forced it, as well as many other college newspapers throughout the country, to reduce its size and scope, it is certain that victory will bring a resumption of former standards and progress in keeping with the expansion of the campus.
The Feature staff: Joyce Warner, Carol Ellinger, Bob Burgoyne, Pug Rentner, Mags Wolgamood, Gene Frazier, and Dick Kishpaugh (Sports editor) receive tips and suggestions from Feature Editor Betty Bentley.

Typists: Maribeth Bennett (ad. salesman), Margery Dawe, Mary Jane Cummings, Rosemary Claypool, Julia Bailey, Barbara Kane, Catherine Christoff, Janet Doering (bookkeeper). (These girls type 700 servicemen's addresses per week.)

The Mailing staff: Frank Velesz, Wilma Ladyman (circulation manager), Bob Westfall, Betty Lixvar, and Dixie Stafford wrap 1200 Heralds per week for mailing to Michigan high schools, servicemen, and those people on the subscription list.
Although the Brown and Gold’s theme song this year was "Nothing else can possibly happen to this yearbook," it seems it could and often did. In spite of the after-midnight hours, the plans, the worries, and the superb cooperation of all those connected with getting out the book, problems arose and we found that wartime restrictions as well as our own inadequacies often curtailed our high hopes for the '45 Brown and Gold. However, we worked hard and did as well as we could to reflect Western and its school life.

We tried to incorporate a few new ideas in the book — more color, more informality in photography and copy, the inclusion of the Navy and its role in the college. We tried, too, to depict a few of the outstanding features and personalities of Western’s faculty and to include as many snapshot panels as was possible.

One of our major problems — that of group and candid photography was solved through the hard work and infinite patience of the student photography staff. We’re indebted especially to Norm Williams, a Navy air corps veteran who spent hours on the book’s photography.

Janet Royal and Warren Talcott did the art work and advised on layouts. Lois Austin served as organization editor and sports were handled by Tom Krupa, Dick King, Will Caldwell and John Brunke — plus a little borrowed help from Dick Kishpaugh of the Herald.

Dick Hodgson, a marine who served on last year’s Brown and Gold, contributed a number of candid shots, some much-needed advice and the article on the marine’s leaving Western.

Dixie Lee Stafford, Janet Goodrich, Bev Waterbury, Lynn Mauer, Mary Eldridge and Kay Stimson composed the feature staff and did the majority of the filing, cutting, mounting, and checking and re-checking in addition to their regular assignments.

Helen Schultz capably managed the business of the publication and with the help of her ad staff, Shirley Ann Boekeloo, Jim Clark, Bob Burgoyne and Audrey Dennis, secured the ads which help make the book possible.

The editor expresses thanks to a number of people not on the staff — like Dottie Rensenhouse with her "Gosh, you look busy; let me help," and to her roommate for housing reams of copy, stacks of layouts and photography and for putting up with a "harassed editor." The student body, too, deserves thanks for their part in meeting photography and copy deadlines.

In spite of our headaches and pet peeves we had fun working on the book; we learned a great deal; and we hope you’ll enjoy and appreciate our efforts.
Mary Eldridge, Bob Burgoyne, A.S., John Brunke, and Helen Curtis watch while A. S. Warren Talcott and Janet Goodrich type out some last minute copy.

Lois Austin intently studies the dummy and Lynn Mauer and Kay Stimson search through the files for "that valuable picture."

A. S. Dick King shows Dixie Lee Stafford, Bev Waterbury, A.S. Will Caldwell and Shirley Ann Boekeloo how it's done.

The photography force. Norm Williams, Norm Wiseman, A.S. Bill Hough and A.S. Norm Foster, combines for some intricate work . . . Only what are the milk and coke bottles doing there???
Western's Players club aims both at providing opportunities for students interested in creative acting to express themselves and at providing outstanding theatre entertainment for the student body, faculty and townspeople. The club's productions last spring of "Murder in a Nunnery" and this June of "The Song of Bernadette" were in keeping with Players' standards for performances as were its shorter presentations such as the Nativity Scene which it did for the Christmas assembly in December.

In addition to regular meetings and teas during the fall trimester, the club made a number of radio broadcasts and recordings such as "The Ross Family, Incorporated" which was produced for the Michigan Parent-Teacher association.

Tryouts for pledging were held at the beginning of the spring trimester after Miss Laura V. Shaw, the group's sponsor, returned to campus following a trimester's absence. Pledging activities were then carried on by the club's twelve new members.

The lights burned long and late in the Little Theatre throughout the spring and early summer as Players, in conjunction with the acting and play production classes, started rehearsals for Jean and Walter Kerr's dramatization of Franz Werfel's "The Song of Bernadette." The simple yet sincere and moving tale of the peasant girl of Lourdes, France, who discovered the miraculous springs to which people still journey, provided material for the highest type of creative acting and presented both its actors and audiences with a long-to-be-remembered experience.
If it's true that a person who has once worked with grease paint, cold cream and liners can't get acting out of his blood then Players should be creating lives other than their own ages hence for they have many opportunities to cultivate the love of this theatre art. Here Jean Gillet prepares to make up Jean Morrison as an old woman, a young girl, a nun, a Biblical king—'most anything, in fact!'
Venetia: "Then if it was not the Baroness, it was you. You were always against me. I wasn't good enough for the Baron."

Ye Gods — It's the Reverend Mother. Quick — under the bed!

Inspector: "You see I don't believe in ghosts anymore than I believe in Fairies — I'm mainly interested in what was going on in the cemetery last night."

Mother Trevor: "How inevitable it all seems now."
The Beta Iota chapter of Kappa Delta Pi is organized on Western's campus as an honorary society for junior and senior education students. It aims at social programs and entertainment as well as educational activities and provides an opportunity for discussion and friendship.

To honor its five hundredth member, Kappa Delta Pi held a banquet at which a brief history of activities, the program for the year, and directory of members was presented. Initiates, members, and alumni enjoyed an address by Verle F. Coppens, Kappa chapter.

Other highlights in the year's program were the annual chocolate for freshmen who were honor students in their high schools, a guest chocolate entertaining education students of Nazareth and Kalamazoo colleges at which Dr. Theodore S. Henry, Alpha chapter, spoke, and the spring initiation at which Dr. Paul V. Sangren, Beta Iota chapter, discussed "Education Marches On."

Historian-reporter for the year was Lois Hervey and Dr. McKinley Robinson served as counsellor.
SIGMA TAU CHI

The honorary commerce fraternity, Sigma Tau Chi, was organized just a little over a year ago and is at the present time one of the largest and most active organizations on campus. Seventy students from the business education, secretarial, and retailing curricula plus four faculty members comprise this organization.

The purposes of Sigma Tau Chi, of which Western’s chapter is the first in the state of Michigan, are to promote scholarship and to develop closer coordination between college training and actual business experience. This is accomplished to a considerable extent by talks and demonstrations and through associations with men from well-known firms in Kalamazoo.

Also, the organization aims to aid in the placement of students both in the business field and teaching profession.

A calendar of events consisting of speakers, a Christmas party, bowling, machine demonstrations, and an annual banquet for the purpose of installing officers for the coming year, are only a few of the outstanding activities which provided interest and entertainment for the group.

Undoubtedly, the conclusion of the war will bring about a more rapid growth in this fraternity, and Sigma Tau Chi looks to the future with anticipation of successful years to come.
Margaret Elenbaas  
President

Marie VanHuis  
Vice-President

Jean Truckenmiller  
Secretary

Mary Ann Zitney  
Treasurer

Dorothy Rogers  
Statistician

First row, l. to r.: D. Jesson, A. Clark, M. Badgley, M. Cragan, C. Lymburner, G. Rou.

Pi Gamma Mu, the honorary fraternity in the field of social science, is limited to junior and senior students. To qualify for membership a student must have a "B" average and must have completed twenty hours in the social science field.

The aim of the fraternity is to try to stimulate the individual to look at social questions with a scientific attitude.

A discussion group led by Dr. Leonard Kercher and held at Dr. Floyd Moore's home, and a banquet in connection with spring initiation were the main activities of the year.

Dr. Moore and Mr. Otto Yntema were faculty sponsors and other officers were elected as follows: Torch Bearer, Roberta Eubank; Sergeant-at-Arms, Florence Oman.

Marie Van Huis
President
Enid Karsten
Vice-President
Ardelle McConnell
Secretary-Treasurer

First row, l. to r.: Dr. Moore, A. McConnell, M. Van Huis, E. Karston, Dr. Scott.
Kappa Rho Sigma, first organized by the Faculty Science club November 17, 1920, is the honor science society on Western's campus. When first organized, it was designated as Beta Delta Nu. The name was changed by the Science club in May, 1921, to Kappa Rho Sigma.

Students who are majors and minors in science or mathematics and have high scholastic attainment as well as strong character traits are eligible for membership. They are selected only by the unanimous vote of the Faculty Science club.
YWCA

First row, l. to r.: Jeanne Foster, Agopy Matheodakis, Melissa Melin.

Second row: Barbara McMillan, Margaret Schaeffer, Jane Covey, Jeanne Cynar, Leona Kraft.

Third row: E. Mills, Marian Parker, Elizabeth Kools, Alice Kelly, Muriel Hopkins, Evelyn Howe, Elaine Kalke.

Ruth Champlain, Pat Hougam and Alice Kelly pose in front of the Davis Room fireplace at the "Y's" Christmas worship service. Initiation of new members was conducted and a candlelight service, carols and refreshments were enjoyed by members and guests.
The Y. W. C. A. on Western's campus is one of the college's largest organizations and one which any girl enrolled in Western is eligible to join.

This year the "Y" took part in a number of interesting projects and activities, included among which were the annual Friendship breakfast held in the first Sunday of the school year to honor new freshmen and women transfer students to Western.

Other activities were a candlelight worship service and caroling party at Christmas time and meetings for service projects, discussions, guest speakers and social entertainments. Many "fun programs" were held in the Kalamazoo Y. W. C. A. building. At the organization's spring banquet next year's officers were elected. An annual spring picnic in honor of the seniors in the group ended a successful and busy year.
Le Cercle Français maintains a real bond between faculty members of the department and students interested in French. An air of informality is kept both at the monthly meetings and at the weekly French table at Spindler cafeteria. At both, a good opportunity is provided for practicing everyday French conversation in natural situations.

Various programs are arranged for the meetings. Some are traditional, such as the "grande fete de Noel," while at others speakers are presented or entertainment such as the presentation of French plays is provided by the members themselves.

At the "grande fete de Noel," held in the Davis room, traditional French Christmas carols were sung; Antoinette Varano read the Christmas story from a French Bible; and Mr. Foley again played le pere Noel.

The January meeting was highlighted by Madame Solodovnikov who recounted interesting incidents of her life and read some poetry to the group.

The big event of the year, the trip to Chicago, was carried on as in years past with dinner at a French restaurant and visits to places of interest connected with French culture highlighting the program.

The officers for this year were: Lorna Sibson, president; Janice Walker, vice-president; Kathleen Gilbert, secretary; Frances Karbadon, treasurer; Clara Richmond, publicity; and Naomi Taylor, refreshments.
Old members of Le Cercle Français look on while initiates perform a play at fall initiation. The play, as this picture denotes, was an informal one and all directions, dialogue, signs, etc., were carried out in as good French as the new members could produce.

Mr. Foley as "Pere Noel"

at the Christmas Party

First row, l. to r.: W. Brenner, P. Woodard, E. Wolf, A. Oas, J. Slapinski, B. Stevens, B. Earl.

Western's Mathematics club is organized for the benefit of students having an active interest in mathematics. This year the membership of the club was greatly increased by a group of enthusiastic freshmen.

The club held several meetings of a social nature during the year in order that its members and advisers might become better acquainted. At these meetings games, mathematical tricks, and refreshments were enjoyed by all. There were also several educational meetings and the spring banquet, a tradition of the club, was held.

Advisers for the year were Dr. Charles Butler and Mr. Harold Blair. Officers were: president, Margaret Courtright; vice-president, Elaine Kolke; secretary, Shirley Blalock; treasurer, Lucille French; publicity manager, Norman Wiseman.
The Natural Science club strives to provide opportunities for students interested in Nature lore to further their knowledge and appreciation of it through both lectures and discussions and field trips.

The main event of the year, the club’s trip to Chicago, included a tour of the Museum of Science and Industry, the Field Museum and the Shedd Aquarium.

Lectures of the year included a talk on prehistoric times by Dr. William J. Berry of the Geology department and one on conservation by Dr. Edwin B. Steen of the Biology department.

A number of field trips were made, one of which was a combination hike, weiner roast and lecture on astrology at the Climstock Reserve near Kalamazoo.

A Christmas party was enjoyed at the home of Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Kenoyer after which the club went Christmas caroling.

Dr. Steen and Mr. Julian Greenlee were sponsors of the year and officers were: Frances Karbadon, president; Flora Kubsch, vice-president; Betty Gold, secretary; Betty Lisvar, treasurer; Elfriede Schnoor, social chairman; and Marian Sprik, publicity chairman.
EARLY ELEMENTARY

Shirleyann Boekeloo
President
Kay Sprecken
Vice-President
Margery Dawe
Secretary
Mary Ellen Dodd
Treasurer

Joyce Timmer serves punch at the Early El Christmas party to Ruth Tangerstrom, Norma Schneider, Lois Hervey, Jean Case, Dorcas Paddock and Thelma Robertson.

Not all activity at Western Michigan college is seen in the classroom. A very important part of student life is to be found in the numerous clubs on campus. The Early Elementary club is one of the largest and most outstanding. It is divided into eight groups headed by junior and senior girls, each group being responsible for one meeting and for organizing service projects.

The activities of this year opened with a "get-acquainted-tea" for all students enrolled in the Elementary curriculum, providing an opportunity to contact prospective members.

Business and pleasure were combined at the first meeting. "The Early Elementary" magazine was presented in rhyme, living pictures and music and served to introduce the club’s various activities and slate of officers.

At Christmas time a dramatic presentation of children's poems, stories, and songs was not only very entertaining but also very helpful. Following tradition, a Christmas sale was held, the proceeds of which were used to buy a war bond, provide a Christmas basket for a needy family, and to help make a happy Christmas celebration in two community centers.

The January meeting was devoted to discussing New Year’s resolutions. Games, refreshments and Later Els were in order at the Valentine party, and Shadowgraphs made an interesting March meeting. Officers for 1945-46 were installed at the May Day banquet, and the year closed with the traditional June picnic.

Women’s League representative for the year was Gladys Jones, and group leaders were: Jean Case, Joyce Timmer, Dorcas Paddock, Ruth Tangerstrom, Thelma Robertson, Norma Schneider, Lois Hervey, and Jane Brown.
This year the Future Teachers of America chapter on Western's campus enjoyed its largest membership since its organization in 1938. The local chapter is named in honor of George H. Hilliard and aims at promoting interest and enrichment in the field of teaching.

Many outstanding speakers talked to the club's members this year at the monthly meetings. Mr. Carl Cooper, sponsor of the club, and Mrs. Cooper entertained the members in January with a dinner party at their home. The speaker for the February meeting was Dr. Hilliard, and the club held its March meeting at the new home of Dr. Sangren. A trip through the Parchment paper mill followed by a dinner in the Green Room of the Community House at Parchment characterized the April meeting. Max E. Kester, teacher of industrial arts at Central high school, presented an interesting talk and showed movies to the club in May and the final meeting of the year was held at Mr. Cooper's home at which time officers were elected for next year.

The Future Teachers of America is a national organization sponsored by the National Education association, and members of each chapter are automatically members of the National Education association as well as the Michigan Education association and are entitled to the journals of each.

The officers of the local chapter this year were: Alberta Hocker, president; Marjorie De Young, vice-president; Dorothy Miller, secretary; Shirleyann Boekeloo, treasurer; and Thelma Robertson, librarian.
The Later Elementary club is comprised of students who have as a common interest the problems and methods of teaching in the later elementary grades. It aims both at acquainting prospective teachers with such problems and methods and also at promoting friendship and entertainment.

This year during freshmen days, the club combined with the Early Elementary club to give a tea to welcome incoming freshmen interested in the elementary field. Other meetings consisted of speeches or presentations of books of interest to the club. At one meeting Miss Helen Master read "Windwagon Smith" by Wilbur Schramm.

Other events of interest of the year were the annual Christmas party at Miss Katherine Mason’s home and a sale of special Western Christmas cards.

Miss Katherine Mason and Miss Helen McCall were the club’s advisors for the year and helped the cabinet plan the program for the year.
If anyone besides Archie (of Western Michigan Herald fame) wondered about the rabbits which adorned the south wall of the spindler cafeteria in January, they were placed there by the Art club as a part of a new policy. Each month throughout the year the club placed there a reproduction of a selected painting along with diagrams emphasizing its merits as a work of art with the aim of stimulating an appreciation of true art among the students.

Membership in the Art club this year soared to the number of fifty as new members flocked to the first meeting. The new members expressed their sincerity by working on one of several suggested projects. These projects were placed on display at the formal initiation which served as the annual Christmas party.

Those interested in joining the Art club received their first glimpse of the club's friendli-
ness at a tea in November. They were formally accepted at the Christmas meeting, after which an ultra-modern Santa Claus distributed gifts.

Guest speakers of the year included Mr. Wallace Garneau and Mr. John Kemper of the faculty. Miss Doris Robinson, assistant window decorator at Gilmore’s department store, presented an informal lecture about the problems of window decoration and Miss Selma Anderson, former member of the art faculty, entertained the club at her home where flower arrangements were discussed. Mrs. Thelma Stoody, an Art club member, showed the group some slides made by her husband who is serving in the United States army in Ceylon. In May the club gave a dinner to honor Felix Payant, nationally known art educator and editor of Design magazine. The school year was closed by a farewell picnic.
COLLEGE CHOIR


Western’s choir is made up of navy men, civilians and coeds who simply like to get together and sing. Hard work, concentration and much practice is required of them in their productions of assembly programs, festivals and the like, but they accept the work which comes with the joy of creating beauty in sound and rhythm.

Although the college choir’s activities were limited this year because of a ruling that its V-12 members were not allowed to sing away from campus, the choir had an active year.

Under the direction of Mrs. Dorothea Sage Snyder, it provided the musical portions of college assemblies, and joined with the auxiliary choir and glee club to present a Christmas program and the annual spring musical festival. In February it presented a concert in the Little Theatre, at which time it gave renditions of Fred Waring’s arrangement of “The Battle Hymn of the Republic,” and Handel’s “Hallelujah” from “Judas Maccabaeus,” spirituals of the Negro, and contrasting spirituals of the white race. In the spring it participated in graduation exercises.

The choir this year totaled fifty-eight, being composed of civilian students and several members of the V-12 naval training program.

Mr. Harper Maybee supervised three small ensembles, the Western sextet, freshman trio and a varsity trio.

Four members of the choir, Ellen Addington, Margaret Baker, Grey Austin, and Jim Clark, achieved a considerable amount of fame as “The Imperial Four” in their own radio program of songs over WKZO and WOOD. Gladys Jones accompanied the quartet.
During the past year, the Women's Glee club, directed by Mrs. Dorothea Sage Snyder, successfully maintained the high standards upon which it has been based for many years. Although the club is composed of many music majors and minors, it is open to interested students who are able to meet certain requirements. This past year the glee club gave musical programs to several audiences and aided the musical development of its members.

Early in the year the club had its traditional initiation banquet. At Christmas time it provided carols for the Women's League chocolate; caroled at the homes of invalids, and adjourned to Mrs. Snyder's home for a Christmas party. On two different occasions the club presented joint programs with other musical organizations, once at Christmas and again for the spring festival.

The girls of the glee club also presented a spring concert which was under student direction, and gave one of a series of concerts for adult education sponsored by the Adult Education committee. In addition, they appeared for the Women's club at the Civic theatre, and sang for various assembly programs.

Officers of the year were: president, Gladys Jones; Margaret Baker, Grey Austin and Jim Clark, achieved Welles; treasurer, Carolyn Bamborough, and business manager, Jane Brown Freestone.
In past years, we have seen snappy brown and gold uniforms parading on Western’s football field, leading the famous homecoming parade, and practicing quarter-wheeling on Davis street. Today, the picture is considerably different. In place of Western’s traditional colors, navy blue dominates and “bell-bottom” trousers have replaced “straight-cuts.”

In spite of changed circumstances, however, Western has maintained a band with V-12 trainees filling the ranks of absent personnel. Harold Barlow, a Fort Custer warrant officer, assumed the leadership of the band upon the retirement of George E. Amos, former director, and was later replaced by Master Sgt. Phillip Proud, also of Fort Custer.

Joyce Hickman served as president of the band this year, Keith Burton as vice-president, Pat Hougom, secretary, and Apprentice Seamen George Hawkins and Al Horter as librarians.

The basketball season introduced a drum major and majorettes who displayed their twirling prowess between halves, aided by Western’s “pep” band.

As a traditional climax of ’45 activities, the band provided the music for the Senior Swing-out and graduation.
Although Western's drum majorettes, Betty Dahlgren, Marie Barry, and Helen Mikota, and its drum major, Richard Du Mouchel, turned in consistently good performances at home games this year, their twirling was outshone by that of Joyce Thomas, freshman high stepper who holds the national twirling championship title as well as 16 medals for her art.

Like most of the organizations on campus, the band endeavored and succeeded in maintaining its past reputation. Yet, its members and the student body also, are looking forward to that time when navy blue will do a "fade-out" and plumed drum majors once again can lead a marching unit of brown and gold across the gridiron.
Although seriously hampered by a much reduced membership, Western's orchestra remained an active organization this year. It took part in various collegiate events as well as the Training school's spring festival, and also served as an excellent advertising medium for the college by giving programs in schools of neighboring communities.

The orchestra is at present composed of approximately forty-five members, some of whom are from departments other than music. Several faculty members also play with the group.

The orchestral repertoire is gradually being increased to include some of the great symphonic masterpieces as well as numerous compositions of the lighter vein.

In war or peacetime, the orchestra accomplishes its purpose of providing an avenue of enjoyment for its members and entertainment for its audiences.

George E. Amos directed the orchestra and the officers were: president, A. O. Noxon, vice-president, Harold Rau, and secretary, Margaret Hartman.


Barto, M., Cello
Bennett, M. J., Violin
Bigelow, M., Violin
Billington, A., Violin
Button, K., Bass
Erbe, K., Trumpet
Ferguson, V., Cornet
Filley, A., Trumpet
Foster, J., Violin
Fulton, F., Piano
Garlick, B., Violin
Garthe, K., Violin
Hartman, M., Violin
Hawkins, G., Trombone
Hemmer, C., French horn
Karnemaat, J., Violin
Kuhtic, E., Violin
MacMillan, B., Violin
Noxon, O., Clarinet
Paro, L., Clarinet
Rau, H., Violin
Rhodes, H., Violin
Robbins, D., Trombone
Schultz, B., Cello
Spaulding, S., Clarinet
Spindlow, M. J., Violin
Stoker, J., Clarinet
Thompson, L., Flute
Wheatley, B., Bassoon
Wrege, C., Flute
Blair, Prof. H., Oboe
Nichols, Prof. C., Bassoon
The Classical club is one of the oldest literary clubs on campus and is organized for students especially interested in Roman culture, history, and language. The purposes of the club are to help its members attain a broader cultural background, to make Roman life real and interesting, to promote interest in the classics, and to give suggestions to prospective teachers who may direct similar clubs.

Activities of the year were under the direction of Miss Eunice Kraft, sponsor, Lillian Scott, social chairman, and Margaret Hiscatt, publicity manager; and included the formal candle-light initiation of toga-clad "Romans," the Saturnalia, a celebration of Christmas in true Roman fashion, a project for Greek War Relief; and as a closing meeting, the traditional Roman banquet, which was served in typical Roman style and carried out in accordance with ancient customs.

Officers of the year were: president, Ruth Tillstrom; vice-president, Rita Milanowski; secretary, Frances Thayer; treasurer, Mavis Martinson.
Ruth Schnoor and Jean Morrison present their affirmative case in a hotly-contested debate with two Michigan State college men. Ruth, later selected outstanding senior debater of the year, took the position of first speaker while Jean held that of second speaker.

Climaxing a year of forensic activity, the annual TKA banquet was held April 24 at the Red Brick tavern. The subject of forensic history, ancient and current, called for talks by returning alumni, Ollie Backus, acting head of the corrective speech department at the University of Michigan, and Bob Starzing, who joined the staff of instruction in the speech department at Michigan State college. Jean Morrison served as toastmistress and Miss Anna E. Lindblom, director of debate, reviewed the year’s record.

First in the review was the extempore speaking contest held early in December. After placing first in the local contest, A/S Dennis Sullivan attended the state contest at Ypsilanti where he took first place. Mr. Albert Becker of the speech department was director of both extempore speech and oratory and arranged the local oratory contest which was separated into men’s and women’s divisions. Winners in this contest were Dennis Sullivan, first, and Jack Armstrong, second in the men’s division; and Doris Kolkema and Phyllis Ash, first and second respectively in the women’s division. Doris Kolkema took second place in the state contest, while Dennis Sullivan won third.

Ten Western discussuants went to Calvin college, Grand Rapids, on December 7, to enter the M.I.S.L. discussion tournament. Those participating were Geraldine Carley, Robin Fastenrath, Paula Harrington, Jean Morrison, Anita Peterman, Ruth Schnoor, Gloria Starr, Dennis Sullivan, Eula Tottingham, and Bob Williams. The subject for discussion was the question of the year, “Resolved: that the federal government should enact legislation requiring the settlement...”
Paula Harrington, Joan Mills, Anita Peterman, Audre Reed, Ruth Schnoor, and Dennis Sullivan entered the M.I.S.L. senior debate tournament at Michigan State college, where they won eight out of 13 debates.

The final forensic tournament of the year was the M.I.S.L. junior tournament at Western, April 13. Three colleges participated, and Western was represented by Etta Beagle, Geraldine Carley, Bonnie Champion, Minerva Chalopis, Pat Fritz, and Paula Harrington.

Officers for the season were Bob Williams, assistant freshman debate coach; Anita Peterman, debate manager; Jean Geraldine Carley and Robin Fastenrath polish up their case in the tense moments before the debate begins.

of all labor disputes by compulsory arbitration when voluntary means have failed.”

A December week-end in Chicago was occasioned by the National Tau Kappa Alpha discussion tournament held at the LaSalle hotel. Western sent six delegates, Robin Fastenrath, Paula Harrington, Jean Morrison, Anita Peterman, Ruth Schnoor, and Robert Williams, to take part in the five-stage discussion. Jean Morrison placed second in the tournament and Ruth Schnoor, Anita Peterman, and Robin Fastenrath received honorable mention. The Chicago trip was followed by a radio program, given by the debaters, to bring out the high points of the national meet.

Western came out on top in an invitational tournament given on campus January 7. Five colleges attended, and Western debaters won nine out of 15 debates. Teams included Anita Peterman, Dennis Sullivan, Geraldine Carley, and Robin Fastenrath, who won all of their debates, and Ruth Schnoor, Jean Morrison, Paula Harrington, Bob Williams, Gloria Starr, Richard Dunkelberger, and Delelah Chapman.

Journeying next to East Lansing, Geraldine Carley, Minerva Chalopis, Richard Dunkelberger, Robin Fastenrath, and teams from five different colleges on campus for the invitational debate tourney Miss Lindblom finds her hands full.

The pros and cons of arbitrating labor disputes are discussed by Bob Williams and Paula Harrington while making up their speeches.

Morrison, president of TKA; Helen Schultz, vice-president of TKA; and Ruth Schnoor, secretary-treasurer.

Also included in Miss Lindblom’s review were the names of Jerome Bigelow, Glenn Karseboom, and Bette Van Weelden, who did debate squad work. Following Miss Lindblom’s report of the forensic record, Mr. John C. Hoekje presented the traditional “oil can” to Ruth Schnoor, the outstanding senior debater.

The banquet was dedicated to all those who took part in forensic activities and especially to those newly-elected members and pledges of TKA. New members are Robin Fastenrath, Anita Peterman, Dennis Sullivan, Willo Weddon, and Bob Williams. Pledges are Paula Harrington and Geraldine Carley.

The year’s debate work may be summarized in Western’s organizing and conducting three tournaments and making it possible for 136 students to participate in speaking events.
The Pre-Med club, organized to benefit students preparing for professions in medicine, dentistry, nursing, and medical technology, brought to light this year, in the absence of the usual number of men, the fact that an increasingly large number of women are entering fields previously composed almost entirely of men.

Because of the great demand of doctors, the club considers itself fortunate to have obtained several of them as guest speakers.

Again this year, Dr. Homer Stryker, and his assistant, Dr. Clare Splithoff, discussed with the club the modern miracles of bone surgery, showed numerous X-rays, and demonstrated several surgical instruments which he has invented.

The director of Pinecrest sanatorium, Dr. Stiller, presented a most enlightening talk on tuberculosis and methods of treatment.

In the interest of members of the club preparing for nursing, Miss Mary Anderson, superintendent of student nursing at Bronson hospital, informed the club of the requirements and actual training for the profession.

In addition to off-campus speakers, Mr. F. J. Hinds, faculty sponsor of the club, spoke on medical technology and the opportunities afforded by the Kellogg Foundation for training in this coming field.

The customary banquet was held at the termination of the year.
Cadet Nurse Wanda Grauman is one of the future Army or Navy nurses which Western is helping to train. She poses here in the gray and red Cadet Nurse uniform which has come to symbolize one of the very tangible ways in which American girls are aiding their country's war effort.

Western may well be proud of its cooperation with the Bronson hospital school of nursing in training future nurses for approximately 95 per cent of the student nurses who come to the Hilltop during their first year for classes in anatomy, chemistry, nutrition, bacteriology, psychology and sociology, are enrolled in the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps and will become nurses in the armed forces, government or civilian hospitals, health agencies or war industries.

Although the student nurses live at Bronson and receive their practical training and some lectures there a great deal of their academic work and laboratory periods bring them to Western's campus. They are enrolled as regular students here and participate in college activities as much as their heavy schedule allows. Two thirds of them are three-year students and will receive their graduate nurse diplomas upon completing the course while one third of them are enrolled in the five-year course and will receive, in addition to their diploma, the Bachelor of Science degree.

In return for receiving their nurse's training, tuition, and fees paid for by the government, the Cadet Nurses have agreed to remain in either civilian or military nursing for the duration of the war.
STUDENT NURSES


First row, l. to r.: M. Melin, S. McClung, A. Houghteling, A. Haughen, B. Madden.

The Nurses' club at Western was organized in the fall of 1944. Membership in the club is open to all students who have indicated their intention of pursuing nursing as a profession, and also to graduate nurses who are taking college courses for their academic degree. The purpose of the organization is to discuss the common problems shared by such a group. Miss Evelyn Buerger, of the Health Service serves as sponsor.

A committee was formed to set up a constitution for the club, and meetings were set for the first Wednesday in every month.

One of the winter meetings was an informal discussion headed by Miss Mary Anderson, superintendent of nurses at Bronson hospital, who gave some helpful information on the subjects of choosing a hospital, various fields of nursing, and the first years of training.

For another meeting a film was obtained about the three-years' training of nurses. The film was shown at the Little Theater, and guests of the evening were the first year students from Bronson hospital.

The last two events of the year were a weiner roast at Milham Park, and a dinner at the Columbia Hotel which was followed by attending the Civic Play, "Over Twenty-One."

It takes courage to get through anatomy lab without squeaming but every student nurse does it. Marilyn Noteboom, below, performs an intricate dissection on a kitty.
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

A demonstration of loom threading, one of the tasks an O.T. student is required to know. B. Sibersack, J. Raabe, J. Foster, B. McCormick, M. Holtom, S. Edsall, M. Kerney, M. Mason, M. Lewis, I. Teichman, Mrs. Thomas.

One of the newest organizations on campus is that of the Occupational Therapy club. Its purpose is to promote scholarship and professional interest in the new field of occupational therapy and to provide social functions for the girls interested in it. Most of the students enrolled in Western's School of Occupational Therapy are members of the club.
The club held its first meeting on February 13, 1945, at which time the following officers were elected: president, Vonnie Yntema; secretary, Betty McCormick; treasurer, Alyce Decker; social director, Virginia Jackson; program director, Mary Ann Johnson and publications editor, Betty Silversack.

The members are divided into two classes, active members are those students on the college campus, and inactive, those students receiving clinical training in affiliated hospitals.

Prominent and professional speakers are selected for the meetings which are held monthly.

Miss Marian Spear and Mrs. Louise Struble are the sponsors, and their interest is a great aid in promoting the aims of the club.


Miss Spear discusses some important points in the theory of occupational therapy with five senior students — Margaret DeLaRue and Phyllis Newton (seated) and Virginia Jackson, Barbara Bartlett and Jeanne Lavender (standing).
Believing that college youth can and must take an active part in international problems and thinking, the members of International Relations club on Western's campus this year planned a number of pertinent discussions of political, economic and cultural topics as well as programs consisting of speakers from our own faculty and student body.

Discussions this year centered around problems of peace and world cooperation, international trade, the Dumbarton Oaks, Yalta and San Francisco agreements, and other important topics.

The club as a whole attended a series of forums sponsored by the Rotary club on international understanding. Included among these were lectures by authorities on Japan, Russia, China, Australia and the South Pacific.

One of the most interesting meetings of the club this year was one at which Dr. Robert Friedmann, Viennese-born new faculty member, talked about "Germany, Past and Present."

Another popular talk was given on Panamanian culture by Dalys Chiang Diaz, a transfer student from that country.

The club is under the auspices of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and is one of thousands of similar organizations all over the world. The international relations conference, which the Carnegie Endowment sponsors each year and to which the club usually sends representatives, was not held this year because of the government ruling against conferences.

The faculty sponsors were Dr. Nancy Scott and Dr. James Knauss and the officers were: president, Marianne Julius; vice-president, Joan Mills; secretary-treasurer, Doris Stewart; and historian, Jean Gillet.
This year marks the Country Life's club's forty-first active year on Western's campus. It is the oldest organization at Western and is affiliated with the youth section of the American Country Life association. This year two club members attended the conference held in Fredonia, N.Y., and brought back many interesting ideas which helped to improve the club.

Speakers and group discussions aroused interest on such topics as child delinquency, the returning veteran, soil conservation, and adult education in the rural community. The club also sponsored a town and country minister and laymen conference held on campus.

An annual picnic was held in the spring and games, music, and skits provided the entertainment.

A box social rounded out a full program of Monday evenings in the Rotunda.

Bi-monthly discussions and social gatherings united students with a common interest in rural life. A highlight of the year's activities was the annual Christmas party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wm. McKinley Robinson. Christmas gifts were sent to the Third Street Community center.

Officers for the fall and spring trimesters were: president, Harold Stockwell; Florence Oman; vice-president, Virginia Totske; Viola Watts; secretary, Marie Babinec, Donna Shaw; and treasurer, Helen Hughart, Alice Bogen.
HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

Mary Ellen Wood
President
Joan Erway
Vice-President
Marion Parker
Secretary
Ruth Blackman
Treasurer
Dorothy Mohney
Representative


K. Christoff, M. Adams, M. Wood, M. Lawton, S. McKinnon, J. Loode and A. Atkinson, Miss Volle and M. Reesor (seated) and M. Agar, L. Grenell, K. Carpenter, B. Christenson, M. Blair, Miss Maurits, Miss Moore and Miss Acree (standing) gather 'round the fireplace for roasted apples.
M. Adams, M. Reesor, S. McKinnon and A. Atkinson are chief cooks in the Home Management house for the evening.

Home Economics club this year engaged in many worthwhile activities such as making towels for the U. S. O., contributing to the Prisoner of War fund and to the Foreign Fellowship fund.

An event which combined business with pleasure was "penny" supper held in the Training school. At Christmas time the club sent clothes to a needy family in Kentucky in exchange for greens and holly. Corsages were then made from the holly and sold to girls on campus. The annual Christmas party was enjoyed in the Home Management house where apples were roasted and Miss Cleveland read the Christmas story. Each girl contributed a gift for the children's orphanage.

Other speakers of the year were Mr. Harry Greenwall who demonstrated the process of finger painting and Miss Grace Gish who showed pictures of her trip through the West. Miss Jeanette Lee, supervisor of home economic clubs in Michigan colleges, was speaker for the spring banquet at the Park American Hotel.

No, D. Watson, D. Williams, C. Martin, D. Erler and G. Rau aren't waiting for Santa Claus, they're merely waiting for those apples to reach exactly the right stage!
The object of W.P.E.A. is to awaken a wider and more intelligent interest in physical education, and to provide social entertainment for the members of the association. Fifty girls interested in such activities joined this year.

Following the traditional initiation program which took place shortly after the beginning of the semester, the freshmen and new students presented a program for the entertainment of other members. The annual spring breakfast and the overnight hike to Lake
Michigan highlighted the activities of the year.

Some of the other events were the Christmas party, Play Night in cooperation with Kalamazoo College and a play entitled "All Doubled Up" which was presented by the physical education faculty.

The club also took the initiative to secure leaders for the Third Street Community Center recreational program.

Alice Duer Miller’s “The White Cliffs” was interpreted by Vonnie Fisher at one of the club’s spring meetings.
The beginning phases of a return to a pre-war campus are reflected in the Charles Van Eeuwen Command of Veterans of World War II which was established January 8, 1945, at Western. At the initial meeting, twelve veterans became charter members, and Charles Starring was named faculty sponsor.

Titled in honor of the first Western Michigan college student to die for his country after Pearl Harbor, the organization has as its purpose the following: to perpetuate the memory of the dead; to maintain true allegiance to the government of the United States, its constitution and its laws; and to foster true patriotism. It also aims at preserving and strengthening comradeship among its members, assisting in the adjustment of veterans to college life, and discussion of and participation in their problems.

The Command has a roster of speakers, men active in the fields of veteran's administration and current affairs, who, from time to time, address the members at regular meetings.

Each semester brings many returning veterans to Western and the members of this organization feel that to have established a criterion for such a change to a prewar campus, inculcating postwar standards, has indeed, been deemed an honor.
VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II

The honor of sponsoring the Seventh War Loan drive at Western was presented to the Charles Van Eeuwen Command of Veterans of World War II by the Student Council. Inasmuch as the Command was the newest organization on campus the presentation was deemed both an honor and a chance to prove its worth and right to a place among the major organizations at Western.

Swinging into the spirit of the drive with initiative and sincerity, the Command outlined a program to raise the highest quota on campus and presented it to the student body and faculty.

The initial event on the roster was an open "Bond Drive" dance with uniformed members of the Command in charge. Music for the dance was furnished by the Navy V-12 band and admission was solely by purchase of war stamps. In the course of the evening a formal presentation of candidates for the title of "Bond Queen" was made. The candidates were selected on the bases of beauty, personality, and renown on campus. There was one candidate representing each of the four sororities, the two women's dormitories, and two representing the women's independent group.

Student ballots, issued with bond and stamp purchases during the drive, determined the final selection of Bond Queen.

An additional feature of the dance was an auction, open to bidding in terms of war bonds. Various objects of interest, including two cartons of cigarettes, were used to encourage bids from the crowd by an efficient auctioneer in the person of Dean Pellet.

The drive was aided by a number of display cases in the Administration building of overseas souvenirs contributed by members of the Command and interested outside parties. Another feature of the drive which insured its success was a bond booth appropriately decorated with posters of the famous "Now . . . All Together" picture of the marines raising the flag on Iwo Jima plus large pictures of each of the queen candidates. Duane McConnohie, Lester Green and George Bradeen had charge of constructing the booth.

Pictured at the right are the Vets who engineered the dance which officially started the Seventh War Loan Drive on campus. Left to right they are: Charles Tucker, chairman of the auction; Tom Hill, dance; Jerry Lucas, publicity; Carroll Vannatter, duty roster; Dave Marsh, general chairman; Tom Nevin, assembly; and Norm Williams, photography.
As Senators look back over this year at Western, a few memories are outstanding... sunburns, songs, and "scrumptious" food at the house-party, the candlelight ceremony at formal initiations, the antics of new pledges, The Ace of Clubs party, the style shows, the Mothers' day luncheon...

In keeping with their aims of developing leaders for Western and of reaching toward the ideals of service, sincerity, and sympathy, Senators this year also participated in such service activities as contributing to a Thanksgiving basket, to Red Cross and War Loan drives, and to the Civic League at Christmas.

One of the new practices of the year was initiated in the form of a fall style show presented in the Little Theatre at which current fashions were modeled by the Senators. After the show coffee was served in the Davis room.

In addition to traditional rush teas and parties, informal and formal initiation ceremonies, the inter-sorority chocolate, and the
Mothers' day luncheon, the year was filled with sandwich sales, a supper party the first day of the spring trimester, a formal dessert in the Davis room, and entertaining meetings such as Yvonne Fisher's interpretive reading of Alice Duer Miller's "The White Cliffs," a talk by Judson Hymes, and book reviews and discussions.

This year, as formerly, Senate's activities were topped off by the Gull lake house-party with its swimming, boating, talking around the fireplace, and riotous good times which all served to strengthen Senate's bonds of friendship and loyalty.

Miss Dezana Loutzenhiser, Miss Helen McCall, and Mrs. George Sprau were sponsors for the year and fall and spring rushing were handled by Elaine Eddy and Kathryn Stimson. Barbara Hawkins was in charge of properties, Marianne Julius of publicity, and Margorie Dawe served as historian.
Once again Academites look back with satisfaction upon a year of wholesome fun and educational activity. One of the sorority’s main purposes for the year was to draw closer the bonds of fellowship between the Acadalums and the active members of Academy. That purpose was fulfilled to a great extent by holding two Academy homecomings, a luncheon in November, and a dinner in December. Both the regular members and the alums were well represented at these functions.

Again Academy was fortunate in having had several special meetings at which outside guests furnished both the entertainment and the thought provocative. Among the guests were Mrs. Virginia Chase Perkins, a recently acquired English instructor on campus, who spoke informally concerning interesting epitaphs in New England cemeteries; and Miss Helen Master, also of Western’s English de-
partment, who read the story of "Alice in Wonderland."

According to tradition, Academy held its usual fall and spring rush parties, formal initiations, and the riotous house-party at Gull lake. But putting tradition aside — in past war years Academy has done its share of knitting and bandage rolling toward the Kalamazoo quota. Now that the quota has been surpassed, no bandages are being made; thus Academy is continuing to help our fighting men by purchasing war bonds. One of the bonds was purchased largely by Acadalums in memory of Mabel Rawlinson, who died in the service of our country. The bond will be donated to the future Western Memorial chapel.

Other officers of the year included Betty Earl serving as marshal, Mary Ann Zitney as historian, and Suzanne McKinnon as alumnae secretary.
Theta Pi Alpha looks back with satisfaction upon its fourteenth successful year in carrying out its aim of promoting friendship, leadership, and self-expression.

A hayride followed by hot chocolate in the Davis Room highlighted the fall rush parties. Noreen Belden was chairman of pledging for the first semester and Betty Holton was chairman for the spring rushing. Formal initiation in the form of a buffet supper held in the Davis Room was attended by alumns, guests, sponsors, pledges, and active members. A variety of programs, including a Christmas sandwich supper and listening to a recording of Dickens' "Christmas
mas Carol,” were presented during the year under the general chairmanship of Ardelle McConnell.

Theta Pi cooperated with the other sororities in the Inter-Sorority Chocolate, with Ruth Tillstrom as chairman, and mothers were entertained at a luncheon in the spring of the year. All of the events culminated in the annual	houseparty, an event of fun, friendship, and gaiety strengthening the bonds between alums and active members.

Other officers for the year were Betty Gold, corresponding secretary; and Janice Walker, budget director. Miss Edna Hirsch, Miss Bernice Smith and Miss Mary Doty were sponsors.
Pi Kappa Rho looks back on one of its most successful and worthwhile years, this school year of 1944-45. In spite of changes made necessary by the war, rush parties were more fun than ever. Marilyn Skinner, as pledge chairman, and her committee planned scavenger hunts, teas, informal parties and theater parties.

Informal initiations brought some of the best laughs of the year and formal initiations held at the Columbia hotel were carried on according to tradition.

Cooperation with the other sororities in making the Inter-sorority chocolate a success marked another important event.

Miss Tamin and Dr. Myer, were sponsors for
the year. Other officers of the year were Pauline Hacker, historian, custodian, and Dorcas Paddock, publicity manager.

Under the leadership of Mary Jane Stein a news-letter was published for the alumni.

The climax of the year came with the traditional house party at Gull lake on Memorial weekend. After a weekend with lots to eat, little sleep, and some very red sunburns, Pi Kaps returned to campus and voted that it was one of the best houseparties ever.

Seniors who must leave their active membership in Pi Kappa Rho hope for other members and new pledges many more years as successful as this one.
Proof that "the old fraternity spirit" still exists! Sigma Tau Gamma, the sole fraternity on campus which has remained active throughout the war, has demonstrated its ability to take part in school affairs as well as provide good times and comradeship for its members. Fraternity activities such as pledging, serenades to the coeds, campaigning for student elections, and dances and parties are still much in evidence at Western through Sig Tau and its members.

Despite losing six members to the armed services and four through graduation, Chi chapter has carried on through another year and kept the name of the organization before the eyes of Western Michigan College. Maintaining its principle of active leadership, the frat undertook to manage the sixth war loan drive, helping to roll up an impressive total in bond sales topped by a successful Victory bond dance.

The Sig Taus also organized the spring clean-up campaign and carried out such social functions as annual mid-winter and spring formals, numerous house parties and picnics.

Led by its four main officers plus Don Phebus, corresponding secretary, and Arthur Parynik, house manager, the frat pledged seven new men and raised its active membership to twenty-two.

Tom Krupa
President
Bob Dresser
Vice-President
Lee Minion
Secretary
Sam Altman
Treasurer
Front row, l. to r.: Doug Everhart, Don Phebus, Bob Dresser, Gene Blossom, Bob Bishop.
Back row: Tom Krupa, Bob Burgoyn, Sam Altman, Bob Westfall, Lee Minion, Jim Clark.
Absent: Bob Albertson, Grey Austin, Ed Leak, Art Paryaik.
Pledges: Owen Wright, Paul Reisch, Gary Shaw, Dean Anderson, Ed Huntoon, Stan Hidanis, John Faulkner.

With a brightening future awaiting us and a challenge for greater achievement urging us on, we, the men of Sigma Tau, raise our hand in salute to our fraternal brothers fighting in every branch of the armed service on every battlefield in the world. May we uphold the standards that they left us.

With solemn reverence we dedicate this page to those, our brothers who have died, not in vain but that the courage and leadership they faced the enemy with may continue to inspire men to greater effort.

In Memory Of
★ Robert Harvey
★ Ode G. Custer
★ Robert I. Fletcher
★ Elmer D. Stillwell
Candles, holly, a Christmas tree and coffee served in the lobby mean the gals of Spindler are enjoying one of the dorm’s most famous traditions — the Christmas breakfast.

Christmas-carolling seniors lead the procession through the halls and down to the Blue Room before Christmas breakfast is served.

In spite of the changes in Spindler due to war time activities, Spindler coeds still had a "bang-up year."

Some of the traditional functions such as the inter-dorm parties, and many vic dances and formals had to be sacrificed. However, the traditional Christmas breakfast, open houses, teas, the Easter breakfast, and the Senior Supper were planned and enjoyed. All the girls did their share of entertaining Western’s naval unit, both individually and collectively.

The outstanding social activities of the year included a dorm tea honoring off-campus girls, several exchange teas with Walwood, two informal Friday night parties, and the famous Pajama Party in the spring.

Mrs. Florence Tyler served as house mother, and was assisted by Miss Margaret Feather and Miss Carrie Stoeri. Miss Helen Merson took Miss Stoeri’s place as counselor for the third trimester.

Officers for the year were: Jean Truckenmiller, president; Florence Troy, vice-president; Dorothy Rensenhouse, secretary; and Marjorie Holtem, treasurer. For the third trimester Carol Johnson acted as president; and Helen Schultz, vice-president.
According to the Navy, one of the best ways of getting acquainted with Western coeds is to meet them over a cup of coffee, a game of bridge or a recent swing record at a Spindler open house. Informality is the keynote, with conversation ranging from "that psych test" to the Spindler-Vandercrook blinker system!

One of the "neater" Spindler rooms.

One of the more typical rooms. Now how many men are displayed on that desk? And who is the coed who will have to do some "explaining?"
"It's just like coming home!" "Back to our very own dorm — Hurraaay!" "Boy, it had better be in good condition!"

After a hurried inspection of Walwood's freshly-painted halls and rooms, a dash to the Green Room, the "rec" rooms, and smokers, to see if everything were as they left it almost two years ago, Walwood girls this March "stowed away their gear" into compartments loaned to the Navy for its stay on campus and settled down to dorm life again.

Many new girls moved into Walwood in March and soon became enthusiastic for its friendliness, fun, and old traditions of the "Pajama Party," "Easter Breakfast," "dress-up" Sunday dinners, faculty and dorm teas, and Mothers' Day week-end.

Life wasn't too normal in the dorm, however. The girls donned jeans most Saturdays and scrubbed floors or washed windows to help keep the dorm spic and span; men were welcome but
Chimes at 5:50 p.m. are a signal for the gals to gather in the Green Room to talk and sing a popular tune or two before going into dinner.

rather scarce in the rec rooms and lounge; many Saturday nights were spent in writing to "the one" or in studying or having bull sessions with the gang over crackers and cheese.

Walwood elected Margorie Dawe as its president; Doraine Palmer, vice-president; Janet Goodrich, secretary; and Marge Mell as treasurer. Council consisted of Susan Michen, Ruth Feldman, Lois Austin, Norma Woodard, and Pat Hougam.

A quintet of new Walwoodites admire the "posies."
Athletics are an important part of school life at Western — both to the fellows who participate in the sport events and to the spectators. The Bucking Bronchos, the fighting basketball team, the football eleven and baseball nine, have all come to symbolize W.M.C. Yet the "glamour" that once surrounded college athletics is gone. It has been dispelled by teams made up of trainees and civilians who play not so much for "dear old Alma Mater" as for pure love of the sport. Western spectators still thrill to a Brown and Gold victory, it's true; but they, too, have realized since the war the proper and true place of athletics in college life.
'44 SEASON . . .


**Wabash** arrives at Waldo Stadium . . . beautiful, clear day affords all the color for a gridiron tilt . . . Pedracine tears loose for 33, 10, and a score . . . extra point fails . . . a 56-yard drive by the visitors comes to a standstill . . . half ends . . . Western V-12's entertain crowd during intermission . . . no scoring in the third period . . . Louthen, Bronco signal-barker, fractures ribs . . . a 56-yard march and Jackson topples over . . . extra point is good . . . a pass interception and a plunge nets the final marker with Devalowsky lugging the leather . . . the placement is good. Score — Western 20, Wabash 0.

**Bunker Hill Blockbusters** arrive . . . All-American lineup attracts crowd . . . Western cannot stop air blitz which nets three tallies . . . the Bunker Hillers score one more on power . . . conversion is good . . . Gillespie brings life to Broncos with long punts . . . Blauman places ball on one foot line, sorry, no score . . . Marks piles over . . . the kick is good . . . there goes a hat on the field . . . the gun, and the half ends . . . Broncos hold firm in third quarter . . . the Blockbusters chalk up their last effort . . . the Bronco attack fails. Score — Bunker Hill Air Base, 33, Western 7.
Bucking Broncos take on Miami U. at Ohio ... cross-wind affects puntin ... fumbles prove costly to the Brown and Gold ... Redskin back skirts end to score ... Redskin to Redskin and a score ... 30 seconds to half time ... May intercepts ... Jackson to Selbo, May blocking ... kick goes wild ... a Miami man again ... a Bronco pass is intercepted, and the Ohio team rings up another one ... Western rallies ... there's the gun. Score — Miami University 32, Western 6.

Last engagement at Western's home grounds ... huddling crowd awaits kickoff ... players on the ball bench don hoods ... the roll of a drum ... the kickoff ... a scoreless first quarter ... Herculean Marks gains a touchdown ... Pedracine sets up another ... there's a YEA WESTERN ... a screen pass play and the Chippewas score ... Western's Louthen to Keddie ... the visitors make another ... the ball changes hands ... Art May breaks loose and scampers for the last touchdown. Score — Western 35, Central Michigan 14.

Great Lakes, Illinois ... Ross Field ... The National Anthem is played ... 25,000 sailors stand at attention ... the Bluejackets receive ... a lateral scores ... it's another lateral and run ... the kick is wide ... Selbo scampers to the 10-yard line ... the half ends ... a rushing score for the Sailors ... a four-yard plunge for another ... one more Bluejacket goes over ... the clock ticks away ... the Broncos can't hold ... a Great Lakes touchdown via a lateral in closing minutes. Score — Great Lakes 38, Western 0.

Wooster Homecoming crowd throngs into Scots Stadium ... Father's Day ... the Broncos' last game ... Wooster kicks off ... Jackson to Selbo nullified ... Selbo blocks punt in end zone for six points ... kick is wide ... Bucking Bronco Marks goes over ... Pedracine finds a hole ... Marks converts ... Western drives harder ... Gaugh goes all the way ... kick is in there ... Zundell recovers short kickoff ... Gillespie goes over goal ... only minutes remain ... the gun, and it's over. Score — Western 27, Wooster 0.
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### Additional personnel in picture:

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- Don Scott, coach.
- Fourth row: Roy Weitz, assistant coach, Bob Smithyman, manager.

Manager — Robert E. Smithyman, Pewaukee, Wisconsin.

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Don Scott, coach.

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At Work:

The Athletic Board of Control, with Chairman John C. Hoekje at the head, performs various tasks such as the certifying of eligibility, approving of schedules and voting upon athletic awards. The board is in favor of continuing with inter-collegiate athletics regardless of the limitations that the war is forcing them to make. By virtue of being the president of the Student Council, Yvonne Fischer served this year on board usually thought of as reserved for men.

There is no end to the amount of work that is done each day by Judson A. Hyames, athletic director and head of the Department of Physical Education. The Bronco athletic ship, and the top-notch naval physical fitness program comes under the wing of Mr. Hyames. "Jud," as his associates call him, is the boss, but he is a busy boss, and does his share of the work in the Bronco athletic headquarters.

Get That Man!

Dave Zundel, chosen as the most improved member of the Bronco football squad, hits his opponent low, while Glen Rodney, rated the most valuable player follows up the play along with that fighting captain, Dick Leahy.

Dave, hailing from the University of Utah, where he had a year of experience on the gridiron, played a bang-up game for Western. Glen Rodney, formerly of South West Missouri Teachers college, continuously "held that line." Dick Leahy, captain and forever "roughing it up," hails from Chicago and has been an outstanding performer with the Broncos for the past three seasons.
John Gill, Bronco baseball mentor, is always figuring where he can get one more run for his team. Gill, in his college days, was one of the most versatile athletes ever produced at Western. He has carried his abilities and knowledge over to the baseball diamond, and is capable of illustrating the finer techniques of hitting, pitching and fielding. His aim is to produce a smooth performing ballclub that will hold up the fine Bronco traditions. This season, once again, the Bronco followers all agree that Gill's men are as fine afield as they are "handy with the hickory."

Only three lettermen were present among the forty-odd baseball candidates appearing for the first practice of the 1945 season. Tom Krupa, leftfielder, Tom Hill, firstbaseman, and Harold Throop formed the nucleus. The early drills took place in the sand pit, where calisthenics and loosening up exercises were of prime importance. Trainer Don Scott was kept on the job working with rubbing alcohol, analgesic balm and heat lamps to guard against sore arms, stiff backs and "Charley horses." The greenness of the squad began to disappear, as the weather permitted outdoor workouts. Slowly a scrappy looking nine took shape. The Broncos were finally ready for their opening test against the 1944 Big Ten champions, the Wolverines from Ann Arbor.

April 13 . . . Ann Arbor, the home of University of Michigan . . . "Smokey" Maxwell tries his portside slants against the experienced chucking of "Bliss" Bowman, Michigan's southpaw. Western takes an early lead and holds on until the ninth tough spot for the Broncos as Michigan ties up the score. Coach Gill calls on Art May to pinch hit. Art brings in the run. It's a ballgame in the bag for the crew from Kazoo. Score: Western 5, University of Michigan 4.

Western fails to make it a sweep of the series . . . Ray "Red" Louthen, former Bronco speedballer, pitches effectively against his former teammates. Western scores a run to stay in the game. Tom Urquhart does a fine job of pitching for the Broncos, but fails to get the support. The lads from Kazoo are turned away. Western can't bunch enough hits. The last man in the ninth goes down swinging and the Broncos are on the short end. Score: Western 1, University of Michigan 5.

Western engages the University of Chicago at Hyames Field . . . April 21 . . . the Maroons start southpaw Hauck on the mound. Western's hitters find Chicago's pitching to their liking. The Broncos tally in all but two innings. Coach Gill uses every man but the bat boy. The Broncos come to bat sixteen times in the third and sink the boys from "Chi"
with 11 runs. Lefty Maxwell and Tom Urquhart share the pitching chores. They get a couple across the plate in the eighth. Big Tom Krupa, Bronco veteran, is the big gun of the attack, collecting five hits in six trips to the plate. Score: Western 19, University of Chicago 2.

**The Army** from neighboring Fort Custer convoys to Kalamazoo... April 25... Pete Modica, experienced fire ball flinger hurled for the men in khaki... Lefty Maxwell is Coach Gill's selection for mound duties... Mr. Modica can't blow them all across... Western's stickers get the timing... the score is 5 to 2... Western is in front... Maxwell turns away batter after batter... Western's fielding is good... Bronco bats continue to connect but no more runs cross the plate... game ends. Score: Western 5, Fort Custer 2.

**A twin bill** at Hyames Field April 28... Northwestern's Wildcats arrive... "Smokey" Maxwell draws the pitching assignment for the day... and pitch he does... the local nine finds the visiting chuckers not too generous... there's a run and another for the Broncos... Maxwell keeps them away from the heart of the plate and Western triumphs... Score: Western 3, University of Northwestern 0.

**The second game** finds Tom Urquhart on the slab... Tom, ace Bronco right hander, has pitched in fine form in the past... Coach Gill looks out of dugout... the coaches on the baseline have the signal... the strategy works... Western has men in scoring position... they score... it's a clean sweep for the afternoon... Urquhart comes through once again. Score: Western 5, University of Northwestern 2.

**Notre Dame** is the visiting team... May 5... it's double header day... Maxwell doing the mound duty for the Broncos is wild and walks the first four men to face him... a heavy rain continues to fall... the game rolls along... the Irish drive eight runs across in the first frame... Harvey Clark, Glen Selbo, and John Klecha follow in order and fail to stave off the attack... the South Bend nine is out in front to stay. Score: Western 10, Notre Dame 2.

**The second game** contrasts the three-hour opener... the Notre Darners score two... the Broncos come back to even it up... game stands as a tie... Notre Dame makes a bee-line for the dressing room... a pre-game agreement to halt the game at 5:45 is abided by. Score: Western 2, Notre Dame 2.

**May 11**... the Broncos arrive in Chicago... seek another victory at the expense of the Maroons... the Chicagoans put on a surprise performance... Western takes the lead and holds it. Score: Western 2, University of Chicago 0.
The same field in Chicago ... May 12 ... Illinois Tech affords the opposition ... Maxwell takes the mound for the Broncos ... the men from Kazoo get five runs on a series of walks and doubles by Krupa and Brown ... two more runs ... the final tally comes in the fifth when Krupa leans into one for the circuit. Score: Western 8, Illinois 0.

Bunker Hill ... May 23 ... Bunker Hill has too much experience for the Broncos ... Western fights until three out in the ninth ... Maxwell pitches with tough luck. Score: Western 2, Bunker Hill 3.

May 18 ... The Broncos seek vengeance at South Bend ... Maxwell is on the hill for the local nine ... today it's all Western ... the Irish can't seem to find the offerings of Maxwell to their liking ... the game ends with a victory for Western. Score: Western 13, Notre Dame 6.

May 19 ... Another day, another game, and another close one ... Western fails to solve the offerings of Barret ... Urquhart does a fine job ... you can't win without runs ... it's Notre Dame's day. Score: Western 0, Notre Dame 3.

Illinois Tech vs. Western at Hyames Field ... May 26 ... a fine crowd turns out for the contest ... Urquhart stands on the hill for the Kazoo gang ... the Illinois nine scores three runs in the afternoon ... it's not enough as the Broncos score eight ... the entire Western team is on the ball, and puts on a splendid performance afield and at bat. Score: Western 8, Illinois Tech 3.

As the Brown and Gold went to press Western's schedule contained the top quality in the midwest, with four more games remaining to be played: two with Michigan on Memorial Day, one with Central Michigan on June 2nd, and one at Fort Custer on June 5th.
Team Roster


Front row, left to right: A. May cf., J. Marks c., R. Hyames infield, E. Minion outfield, F. Ploucha outfield.

Baseball Schedule

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A scrappy Bronco aggregation is set back by Bennie Oosterbaan’s five... December 2... it’s U. of M.’s night as the boys from Ann Arbor hit the hoop in the second half... Harder, Michigan’s substitute guard, scores nineteen points... Western falls behind... Freshman Don Groggel makes four buckets from out court, and a charity toss to pace the Broncos... there’s the gun... Score Michigan 46, Western 34.

Western’s lineup is revamped for encounter with Brooklyn college at Madison Square Garden... fans give the Broncos a great hand... New York sports columnists write favorably about Western’s showing... The boys from Kazoo come home with a well-earned victory under their belts... Welton stays ahead in the Bronco scoring... It’s Western all the way to the final gun... Score 58 to 52.

The Broncos are at home... December 16 Michigan takes away all of the honors... score at the half looks good... Michigan returns after the intermission to lick the Broncos... Score 50 to 35.

Western journeys to Evanston, Ill., to engage the Wildcats... Northwestern, with the accurate Shadler, has too much and comes out on the top side... the Broncos’ Glen Selbo puts on a show of his own and hits for 20 points... Score 54 to 46.

December 20... Bunker Hill’s Naval Air Station moves into Kalamazoo for its clash with the Broncos... Bunker’s hard-court crew has a lot of experience and polish... Perrin and Buscher lead the spring and the fans are happy... Miasik, ex-Detroit Eagle professional sews the game up for the lads from the Air Station... Bunker Hill just has too much all-around strength... Score 60 to 46.

The Broncos fight back... January 5... Central Michigan is the victim... the Chippewas hold close and push Western all of the way... the Broncos drive ahead in the fading minutes, and stay there... Score 49 to 40.

Don Groggel
Harold Retan
Ralph Welton
It's January 6, and Western goes up into Milwaukee territory to take the fight out of the Marquette lads... Don Groggel stars, but leaves game with a bad sprain... a blow to the Broncos... it's nip and tuck all the way... Western gets the decision... Score 48 to 45.

*Kellogg Field*
presumably beaten at Western 45 to 33... the ball is in the air... it's a slow start... substitutes report for the Broncos... A comfortable lead is lost... the regulars fail to hold Kellogg momentarily... the lead is big and Western wins... Score 54 to 46.

**Western tries** to make it four in a row, as Alma's Basketeers arrive... Buscher, Selbo and Welton are hot and lead the Bronco attack... a steady pace keeps the Alma boys at a distance and the game comes to an end... It's the Broncos again... Score 49 to 36.

**Boasting a winning percentage**, Western makes a trip to Valparaiso... Schoon and Dille have too much to offer the Broncos... Valpo sings the song of victory... a fighting Bronco quintet holds the short end of the score... the game is over... Score 43 to 53.

**Western downs** the hustling Assumption college... score at the half is 31 to 30... Western in front... a see-saw scuffle continues into the second half... Selbo hits often as the Broncos buck... every man in the Bronco lineup tallies... Assumption is snowed under... Score 69 to 50.

**The Bluejackets** have too much for the Broncos... January 27... Western makes a poor showing and trails... the one-sided affair belongs to the Navy... Score 72 to 35.

**Western plays** Alma at the cubby-hole court at Alma... the Broncos have some hard luck with the transportation... their luck on the court is different, as they carry the scoring... another notch in the Bronco win-belt... Score 56 to 37.

**Wild and woolly** battle at Western's gym... Marquette is in town with determination for a victory and spares no strength... Western pushes the scoring... A fourteen point lead of Marquette is whittled down... the gun robs the Broncos of this one... Score 52 to 50.

**McGuire and company**, comprising the Great Lakes outfit, hand Western a defeat... long set shots fall through the net as the Navy score grows... the Broncos fail to ward off the attack... the noise is for Lakes from Illinois, as they take all of the bacon back to their barracks... Score 38 to 57.

**Central Michigan** plays host to Western... Chippewas have the heavy end of the
score . . . the Broncos stay in the fight . . . another score for Central . . . another . . . it’s Central . . . this game makes it even-steven between the two clubs . . . Score 46 to 56.

Western’s season comes to a close . . .

Valparaiso brings a fast offense to Kalamazoo . . . the Broncos can’t hit enough . . . Dille is held in check, still Valpo tallies . . . and wins . . . Score 58 to 70.

Season’s total, eight victories, seven defeats.

Letter Award Winners

Don Groggel, Tom Krupa, Ralph Welton, Walt Lamishka, Glen Selbo, Bill Perrin, John Buscher, Ray Louthen.
Team Roster

Standing left to right: Clayton Maus, "B" squad coach, T. Krupa, g., R. Louthen g., R. Welton f., A. Dow c., W. Lamishka c., G. Selbo c., B. Perrin f., Herbert "Buck" Read, coach.

Sitting left to right: J. Buscher f., D. Hess f., J. Stevens f., J. Scoubus g., D. Groggel f., D. Ponjolic f., H. Retan g.

On the floor: M. Brown f., D. Vandergeist g.

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Western’s 1945 track team climaxed a successful season by outscoring Michigan State in the State Intercollegiate Meet at East Lansing on May 12 to win their first State track title since 1930.

Sparked by Bill Moore and Bill Porter, two of the outstanding stars of a well-balanced Bronco team, Western topped a field of seven teams with 68 1/2 points, 11 more than the host team, Michigan State.

Miami University of Ohio, led by Harold, “Whitey” Fisher, one of the outstanding hurdlers in the country, proved to be the Bronco’s keenest opponents in the relay meets, as the Ohioans edged out Western for the team championship of the Purdue relays for the
second straight year, and then duplicated their feat in the Drake relays as they kept the Broncos from defending their College division championship.

The team participated in only one dual meet in the indoor season, losing by a 70-30 score to a strong Notre Dame team at South Bend on February 4. Bill Porter, who was unable to compete during the rest of the indoor season because of a foot infection, was the high scorer of this meet as he took firsts in the 60-yard dash and both hurdle events.

In the first dual meet of the outdoor season, the Broncos trounced Bowling Green University, 102-20, thus avenging the 74-53 defeat at the Falcon’s hands in the 1944 season. No outstanding marks were recorded in this meet because of the inclement weather, but Bill Moore vaulted 13 feet, 4½ inches to break the Waldo Stadium record in that event. The old mark was an even 13 feet, and had been set by Walter Farmer of Western in 1938.

Meets remaining on the Bronco’s schedule at the time the Brown and Gold went to press are as follows:

Saturday, May 19 — Dual meet at Oxford, Ohio, with Miami University.

Saturday, May 26 — Dual meet with Notre Dame at Kalamazoo.

Saturday, June 2 — Central Collegiate Conference Meet at Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Saturday, June 9 — National Intercollegiate Meet at Milwaukee, Wis.

Bill Moore — A. A. U. Champion

The outstanding feature of the track season was the record-breaking performances of Bill Moore, Navy trainee from Logansport, Ind., who won the A. A. U. indoor pole vault championship with a jump of 13 feet, 6½ inches. Moore’s best indoor performance of the year was in the Knights of Columbus meet at Cleveland, where he cleared 13 feet, 11 inches. He was named the outstanding individual performer at the annual Drake Relay meet after he had come within one-sixteenth of an inch of equalling the meet record in the pole vault. Moore’s jump of 14 feet even was the outstanding feature of the entire meet.
Coach Frank Householder started his twelfth season as Western's tennis coach without a single player of collegiate experience available. As a result, the 1945 tennis team had a losing record, the third time in twelve seasons that Western has failed to turn out a winning team.

Hal Retan, V-12 trainee from Lansing, quickly established himself as the outstanding player on the team, and he played in the number one position for most of the season. Shortly after the Bronco's first win of the season, over Grand Rapids junior college, Retan was transferred by the Navy and John Atkins of Madison, Wisconsin, up to that time the number two man, moved up to the top position.

In order of their ranking behind Atkins, the remaining single players were Al Hilliard, Bill Pfaff, Seymour Grundy, and George Schreck. Atkins and Hilliard teamed up for the number one doubles combination, with Pfaff and Grundy forming the number two team. Eric Yops and Schreck played the number three doubles when three double matches were played.

The Broncos had a record of but one win in six starts, and two matches remained on the schedule as the Brown and Gold went to press, these being with Grand Rapids junior college at Grand Rapids on May 25, and with Central Michigan at Kalamazoo on June 2.

April 20, at Kalamazoo:
Western ..........0; Purdue ..................7

April 28, at South Bend:
Western ..........1; Notre Dame ............8

May 8, at Ann Arbor:
Western ..........0; Michigan .............9

May 11, at Kalamazoo:
Western ..........4; Grand Rapids JC .......3

May 15, at Evanston:
Western ..........0; Northwestern ..........4

May 19, at Kalamazoo:
Western ..........1; Wayne ..................8
Golf

The 1945 golf team was unable to have its picture taken for the Brown and Gold, but Coach Fred Huff's squad was on its way to a fairly successful season at the time the Brown and Gold went to press.

With a record of two wins and two losses in their first four meets, the golfers had but one more match definitely scheduled, with Michigan at Ann Arbor on June 2.

After dropping their opening match to Michigan's powerful team, 17½ – ½, the Broncos turned the tables on Illinois Tech and defeated the Techawks by the same score. They split even in a three-way dual meet at Chicago with Tech and Lawrence College of Wisconsin, losing to Lawrence, 7-5, and beating Tech again by an identical score, 7-5.

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Western, along with hundreds of other colleges and universities throughout the nation, expects the return of a large number of ex-servicemen to its campus next fall. Some of these discharged vets will be fellows who have gone to college; others received only high-school education before leaving for service. Also many fellows who worked as office boys, laborers, clerks, etc., before the war have decided to take advantage of the G.I. Bill of Rights and go to college. If it is true that lasting peace will be built by these fellows and the students who sit with them in classroom and soda bar, it may be well for present college students and instructors to do some serious thinking concerning just that before next October. It is hoped that the following poem may stimulate such thought:

Sages in my books,
Bards on my shelves,
All you ancient prophets,
And you moderns, too —
Come, for you are needed now as never before.
Step from the printed page, the canvas, the poem;
Come down from lofty heights;
We have work to do.
Our greatest task is yet before us;
Work of infinite wisdom, patience and understanding awaits . . .

When thoughtful, searching men who left to learn to kill
Return from the stench of death to slide rule, dates and games,
Return to shady walk and green-topped hill,
How may we with cap and gown and book live up to the island hopes and fox-hole dreams?
How may we give them peace and song — they who know their wants so surely?
How give the strength and speed — they who lived at furious pace?
How make them forget, yet remember long the why, the reason they were gone?
No silly chatter, frivolity, mockery or blind arrogance will pass their all-seeing eyes;
No elusive half-truths, half-ideas will find harbor here —
Substance is needed now, and truth — far-reaching truth, truth of wisdom, patience and understanding.

C. M. B.