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*Recognition
Dinner*

*Tuesday,
April 15, 1975*

WELCOME

EMERITI, FACULTY AND FRIENDS

The Administration and the Faculty Senate welcome you to the Recognition Dinner of 1975. All are invited to visit with friends in the Faculty Lounge after the dinner.

REJOICE and be exceedingly glad!

Once more we have a group graduating from among us to emeriti status.

This special occasion sponsored by the Administration and the Faculty Senate, is in recognition of them. They have served our University long and well.

It is also an occasion to welcome back our beloved emeriti,

. . . and gives us an opportunity to greet old friends, meet new acquaintances, and give thanks for the privilege of working at Western Michigan University.

REJOICE then . . . we say, Rejoice!

HONORED RETIREES

Tonight we honor nine of our esteemed colleagues who are retiring. May they have a full and challenging future.

JAMES O. ANSEL

Professor of Rural Life and Education

James Ansel has an uniquely American rural background combined with a highly sophisticated professional training and career. He was born and raised on a small farm near Somerset, Ohio, and attended the traditional one-teacher rural village school. (He notes that there were thirteen students in the high school class of 1928.) Still on the time-honored national path, he came to Michigan and worked both as a factory production worker and as a farm laborer in areas around Detroit, Battle Creek, and Marshall. He then turned to education, attending the Calhoun County Normal and Western Michigan (then Western State Teachers College) for his B.A. degree. He entered the Michigan State College of Agriculture and Applied Arts, now MSU, where he did field research in Rural Sociology. He started his professional career in education with the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, working in the Michigan Community Health Project. Shortly thereafter he received his M.A. degree at Northwestern University. From 1939 to 1941, he taught in rural village schools in Saginaw County, but military service, in the Pacific Command, interrupted that work. He left the service in 1946, entered Columbia University, and finished his Ed.D. degree. He became a Senior Lecturer in Rural Life and Education at the University of London for a year.

Jim joined Western's faculty in 1949, ultimately becoming Professor and Director of our university's oldest curriculum: Rural Life and Education. He is married and has two children, both in school. He belongs to Phi Delta Kappa, MEA-NEA, AASA, the Rural Sociological Society, and is listed in Who's Who and the Dictionary of International Biography.

Jim loves camping of any sort, from the horse-drawn buckboard, ground-sleeping type to that in the finest trailers. He has, in fact, logged over 130,000 miles in pursuit of this rugged hobby since 1945, adding another 9,000 miles by bicycle in the last two years. He also loves to dig in the dirt, as befits a man of such solid background. He does not plan to take his retirement sitting!

CLARA R. CHIARA

Professor of Teacher Education

Clara Chiara was born in Cleveland, Ohio. She received her B.S. at Miami of Ohio and went on to Western Reserve for her master's degree. Her Ph.D. in Education was gained at Ohio State University. Always vitally interested in the young adolescent, she taught in the Euclid (Ohio) public schools where her dedication and professional skill were recognized by appointments as Core Teacher, Supervisor of the Junior High School, head of the History Department, and Dean of Girls.

When she came to Western's Teacher Education Department in 1949, she did not swerve from her interest in the problems of adolescence. She worked on and developed the master's degree program for middle-school teachers and broke further ground when she piloted an experimental undergraduate program also for prospective middle-school teachers. In 1969, she received the Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching, and in 1970 she was named an Outstanding Educator of America.

It would be impossible, in a small space, to list all of Clara's University committee duties and accomplishments. Several of these committees were concerned with faculty responsibility and accountability, and there developed from them the beginnings of the Faculty Senate. In 1968-1969 alone, she was on the Educational Policies Council, the Salary Committee, and she was Chairman of the vitally important Ad Hoc Committee on Evaluating Teaching Proficiency. From the last named, we can all recall the fine studies which were so clearly and rationally summarized for us by Clara. Western's School of Graduate Studies has published her book, called simply *Core*, in which she discusses the philosophy and application of the core curriculum. She is highly respected by the University community for her ability and integrity.

She loves to travel, to read, and to play bridge. Her retirement years will see her active in these and other areas and she will continue to be welcomed by all her friends as a boon companion and trusted confidante.

THEODORE L. CARLSON

Professor of Economics

Theodore Carlson was born in Des Moines, Iowa. He earned his B.A. degree from Augustana College (Illinois), and both his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Illinois. For fourteen years he taught in Illinois secondary schools, at the same time serving as Instructor and Supervisor of student teachers in the Social Sciences for the University of Illinois. He became a faculty member in the Department of Social Sciences at Western Illinois University in 1943, serving there for three years.

In 1947 he came to Western Michigan, taking a position in the Economics Department. His professional reputation grew, and he was invited to teach summer sessions at Ohio University, Northern Michigan College, Wisconsin State College at Eau Claire, Bowling Green University, and Michigan State University.

The U.S. Department of Justice has appointed him as a special consultant in several Indian land claim cases. On two occasions, he has testified as an expert witness before the Indian Land Claims Commission in Washington, D.C. One of his books, *The Illinois Military Tract: A Study of Land Occupation, Utilization, and Tenure*, published by the University of Illinois Press, and several other special studies in early land settlement, utilization, and land values are presently being used by the Land Commission to aid in the determination of land values relative to Indian claims in many of the midwestern states. He has also served as an educational consultant for the Joint Council for Economic Education.

Still another book, *Illinois, Government and Institutions*, now in its ninth edition, is serving extensively as a textbook in colleges and secondary schools of Illinois. He has also written several book and manuscript reviews as well as published articles in educational journals.

With this background, Ted has retired into a vital and active life, as vigorous as his teaching career.

ROSALIA A. KISS

Professor of Occupational Therapy

Rosalia Kiss has a true sampling of Michigan's higher education represented in her various degrees. She received her first Bachelor's degree in Art Education from Wayne State University, and her second, this time in Occupational Therapy, from Eastern Michigan University. She moved on to Western Michigan for her M.A. degree, in Counseling and Guidance, and finally attended the University of Michigan for a Ph.D. in Education. It can be well and truly said that not one of these degrees has been wasted or shunted aside.

She taught public school art for several years in Detroit and Rochester, and then turned her professional attention to the crying need for occupational therapists during World War II, working in the Army hospital at Battle Creek. When the war ended, she continued in the therapy field, working especially with homebound handicapped men in communities throughout Michigan's two peninsulas.

Rosalia joined Western Michigan's faculty in 1952 as a member of the Occupational Therapy staff. From 1958 to 1970, she headed that staff. During these crucial years, she brought about many changes in the department, changes which resulted in considerable growth and a widely enhanced prestige for it throughout the country. In 1968, she became the Chairman of the Review Committee for New Curricula in Occupational Therapy for the Council on Standards of the American Occupational Therapy Association. The Distinguished Service Award was bestowed on her by the Michigan Occupational Therapy Association in 1974.

Her many hobbies include fishing and skiing, but above all, she has never forsaken her devotion to art, especially painting and ceramics, which has been both avocation and hobby through the years. She hopes to revive that interest and devotion in her years of retirement.

GEORGE E. KOHRMAN

Professor of Industrial Education

George Kohrman was born and raised in central Missouri. He received not only his Bachelor's degree but also his M.S. and Ed.D. degrees from the University of Missouri. While he was attending that university, he met Elsie Rodgers, who later became his wife. He used his education degrees to the fullest, at first teaching in public schools throughout Missouri. He was also on the staff of his alma mater for several summer sessions. By 1942, his work and teaching ability were recognized in his home state and beyond, and he was appointed State Director of Industrial Education, a post he filled until 1951.

George migrated to the State of Michigan in 1951 as Professor of Industrial Education and Director of the Division of Practical Arts and Vocational Education at the then Western Michigan College. In 1956, that college became Western Michigan University, and with its reorganization, George was appointed to the position of Dean of the College of Applied Sciences. He retained that post until 1973, watching the new University grow and helping it to develop. In 1973, he resigned as Dean, but stayed on as a faculty member until this past December.

He has served many other administrative duties in his twenty-three and a half years here at Western. Surely, one of the most fascinating was that of Campus Coordinator of Western's U.S. Government-sponsored AID Project in Nigeria from 1960 to 1968. This project involved him in the development of a two-year technical college at Ibadan, Nigeria, and had him crossing the ocean to Africa on twelve different occasions for anywhere from two to six weeks for each trip.

The Kohrmans have three children and four grandchildren, who will presumably help keep their grandfather active. He and his wife, Elsie, plan to stay here in Kalamazoo for what promises to be a busy and eventful retirement.

A. EDYTHE MANGE

Professor of History

Edythe Mange was born and raised in Greenville, Illinois. She earned her B.A. degree from Greenville College, majoring in History, Government, Education, and Mathematics. Her final degrees, the M.A. and Ph.D., were received from the University of Illinois, where she decided upon majors in History and Political Science. Her vital and intelligent interest in study has earned her research grants in such places as the American University of Beirut, the University of London, and the British Museum.

Edythe has taught and held administrative posts in a wide variety of schools: Greenville College and the University of Illinois, where she taught history; McKendree College, where she was Chairman of the History Department; Galloway Woman's College, serving both as Professor of History and Dean of Women; Southeast Missouri State College, in the capacity of Dean of Students and Professor of History; and Mississippi State College for Women.

She came to Western Michigan University in 1945 with a wealth of experience in teaching and administrative work. Here, her driving energy and professional expertise have plunged her into both University and community affairs, and she has served on several committees in both areas.

However, her abiding interest, beyond history, has been and is learning through travel, both for herself and for students. In 1960, she was a member of the Comparative Education Seminar and Field Study in Russia, a project sponsored by Phi Delta Kappa. Since then she has made many trips to Russia and has taught courses in Russian history. She is President of the Michigan Council for UNESCO, and President of the Kalamazoo Council for the Experiment in International Living, in which capacity she can encourage and direct students going abroad for study and work. Some time ago she organized an annual International Travel Night which brings together specialists in travel, people from travel agencies, and others who can present specific information on all aspects of this subject.

It should come as no surprise to learn that Edythe's hobbies are travel and photography. Retirement will afford her an even greater opportunity than ever before for both hobbies.

CLAYTON J. MAUS

Dean of Admissions, Registrations and Records

(It is difficult to present an up-to-date summary of Mr. Maus' activities, because, at the speed at which he moves, it might become obsolete during the first sentence!)

Clayton Maus was born and raised in Twelve Mile, Indiana. He earned a B.S. degree at Ashland College (Ohio), majoring in Biology and Physics, and minoring in Chemistry and Mathematics. For his M.S. from the University of Wisconsin, he chose School Administration and Physical Education as majors. Thus armed, he taught chemistry, physics and biology in Avon Lake, Ohio (suburban Cleveland), and also coached basketball and track, all of this for nine years.

He came to Western in 1942 as a biology Instructor and Freshman Coach, as well as head of Western's student recreation sports program. From 1943 to 1945, he also taught Physical Training in the V-12 Navy-Marine Program, and in 1947, he became Western's Varsity track and cross-country coach.

In 1953, he was tapped for the area of administration. He advanced from Assistant Registrar through Registrar and Director of Admissions (which included registration, space assignment, and scholarships!), to Dean of Admissions, Registration, and Records, in 1967. Dean Maus has served Western for thirty-two years, eleven of them as teacher and coach, and twenty-one of them in administration.

His off-campus activity has been and is as strenuous as his on-campus work. He has a small farm in Oshtemo Township, where he has raised five Arabian horses, entering them in various shows. He has bred other farm animals, also, and will continue to do so in retirement. He is presently a member of the Oshtemo Zoning Board and Land Use Committee, belongs to the Lions Club, and is manager of the new membership drive for the Kalamazoo Civic Theatre. He loves to travel, and the Maus family has already planned a camping trip through southern Europe for seven weeks this summer. In retirement, says Clayton, "I plan to keep busy."

JAMES W. MILLER

President of Western Michigan University

Any biography of James Miller must necessarily be either very brief or very lengthy. This, therefore, must fall into the brief category.

Dr. Miller was born in Brockton, Massachusetts. He received his B.A. degree, cum laude, from Amherst College. Then, following Horace Greeley's advice, the young man came West and completed his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees at the University of Minnesota. He subsequently received a scholarship grant to study at the University of Heidelberg.

When he returned from Germany, he found his interests expanding to include both the academic and public service areas. He taught at the University of Minnesota, going from there to Michigan State University where, by 1954, he headed the Department of Teacher Education. At the same time, from 1954 to 1960, he became Michigan's State Controller and secretary to the State Administrative Board. During the fifties, he also served as Associate Director of New York University's Citizenship Clearing House and as Director of Michigan's similar project. He served on innumerable state committees, including the Governor's Advisory Committee on the Reorganization of the State Government. In 1960, he became Chairman of the Governor's Commission on Constitutional Reform, in 1961 the President of the Michigan Center for Education in Politics, and in 1962 Director of the Detroit Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

He came to Western Michigan as President in 1961. When he arrived, Western had 9,327 students. At the time of his retirement, the registration had grown to 22,000 students. Such an expanded enrollment demanded a matching expansion of facilities, and Western's campus blossomed with new buildings. One structure out of many should be mentioned here: the beautiful auditorium which bears his name.

Dr. Miller has authored many publications, has spoken to countless academic and other groups and has received several honorary doctorates. He is married, and has two sons and a daughter. Retirement has meant for him only a change in the arenas of his activity and the outlets for his energy.

CLARENCE N. VAN DEVENTER

Associate Professor of Transportation Technology

Clarence Van Deventer was born in Herrington, Kansas. He received his B.S. degree from State Teachers College in Winona, Minnesota. His M.A. was earned at Purdue University. After his graduation, he went to the Hammond (Indiana) Technical Vocational High School, where he met the challenge of establishing an Aviation Department. He became Head of the Aircraft and Aircraft Engine Department.

He came to Western Michigan University in 1955, teaching in the Transportation Technology and Engineering Technology Departments. However, he did a great deal more than instruction. He acted for several years as a Dormitory Director, working in both Henry Hall and Eldridge-Fox Hall. Over and above these activities, he has served as Student Aviation Advisor in Transportation Technology from 1969 to the present.

Clarence has also written a book, now in its third revised edition, called *Introduction to General Aeronautics*. It is being used as a textbook by the United States Air Force Institute. In 1972, he was listed as an Outstanding Educator of America.

Needless to say, he is an FAA licensed commercial pilot and is empowered to teach in any branch of aeronautics.

He is married and has two daughters, and insists on listing his two Dalmations as part of a lively household. His fine sense of humor showed through in an interview which went, roughly, as follows:

“Why did you come to Western?”

“I came because of the Gateway Golf Course, better known as Goat Hill, where I could play for thirty-five cents. Besides, I wanted to find out for sure that there really was a place called Kalamazoo—it seemed rather unbelievable.”

“Why have you stayed at Western?”

“I have stayed because of the wonderful, warm, pleasant atmosphere of this fine school.”

Obviously, Clarence Van Deventer will enjoy retirement as he has enjoyed all the other aspects of life.

PROGRAM

Invocation before the Dinner	Jess M. Walker
Master of Ceremonies	Thomas W. Null
President, Faculty Senate	James S. Casey
President	John T. Bernhard
For the Emeriti	Hugh Archer
For the Retirees	James O. Ansel

Dinner music was played by Cary Belcher at the harpsichord and David Kalfsbeek on recorder. Both are music majors at Western Michigan.

THE
FACULTY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Joan A. Boucher, chairman, Elizabeth Giedeman, Charles A. Smith,
D. B. Leonardelli, and Robert Culp.

We wish to thank Eleanore Linden, Rena Middaugh, Ruth Vander Wal,
and other hard-working secretaries, who have kept things straight for
the record.

The Committee

Punch Bowl

MENU

Fresh Fruit Cup

Assorted Crackers

Chicken Breast Filet with Sweet and Sour Sauce
and Toasted Almonds

Blended White and Wild Rice

Buttered Green Peas with Pearl Onions

Western Salad Bowl
with choice of

French or Blue Cheese Dressing

Clover Leaf Rolls and Butter

Assorted Relish Trays

Assorted Sherbets and Cookies

Beverages

