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LETTER

Capital Outlay

Six Classroom Buildings Asked In New Five-Year Program

The addition of six buildings, largely devoted to classrooms, is planned for the Western Michigan College during the next five years, according to a capital outlay program submitted to state officials by President Paul V. Sangren.

This development, planned entirely for the west campus, will have an anticipated total cost of \$9,275,000.

It will mean the absorption of the present Gateway golf course into the campus building area, the last large unused site remaining in the current college boundaries.

For the first year of the five-year plan, 1956-1957, Dr. Sangren is asking the legislature for a \$1,440,000 library and classroom building, to be erected in the parking lot south of the Maybee hall. This would even-

tually provide not only space for the library but also classrooms and facilities for the audio-visual office and the department of librarianship. As this structure would absorb the present library annex in the administration building, two large classrooms would be released there for further use.

Another \$80,000 in planning money is also being asked this current year for a natural science building; \$30,000 for 10 tennis courts and \$15,000 for an incinerator. There are no tennis courts at all on the west campus, with most such facilities still provided along Davis street.

In 1957-58 the college proposes to add to its facilities the aforementioned natural science building at a cost of \$1,920,000. This would be located along VandeGiessen road,

across from the new library, and would provide much needed quarters for the biological sciences and related areas. In turn, it would release the present natural science building for use by the business studies department.

Also being asked in this year is \$100,000 for planning money for a new education classroom building; \$30,000 for 10 more tennis courts and \$20,000 for planning money for a new health service center.

Two buildings would figure in the 1958-59 requests, \$1,200,000 for half of the education classroom building and \$380,000 for the health service building. Both of these activities are now centered on the east campus. Education classes are taught in the college's original building and the present health service is located a mile from the principal student residence center.

In 1959-60 another \$1,200,000 is sought to complete the education classroom building and \$960,000 will be asked for the first half of the auditorium classroom building. Looking always to the future, \$60,000 will be needed for planning

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On Dec. 21 the Council of State College Presidents, an organization headed for the last year by WMC President Paul V. Sangren, met on the Kalamazoo campus. Among the executive officers from Michigan's state colleges attending were, from the left, President Harlan H. Hatcher, University of Michigan; President Charles L. Anspach, Central Michigan College; President Victor Spatheif, Ferris Institute; President Charles Hilberry, Wayne University; Presi-

dent Eugene Elliott, Michigan State Normal College; President Sangren; Vice President D. B. Varner, Michigan State University, and Dean Frank Kerekes, Michigan College of Mining and Technology. During Dr. Sangren's tenure as president of the group, a new organization has come into being including the presidents of all Michigan colleges, with plans to meet at least twice each year to air problems.—Gazette photo.

Nuclear Science Lecture Series Planned

"Nuclear Science for Industry" is the theme of a series of eight lectures to begin Monday, March 5, at Western Michigan College, under joint sponsorship of the department of physics and the division of field services.

Working closely with the college in planning this series has been the Kalamazoo Engineering Society. No credit is to be granted for the work.

The lectures are to be presented at a level suitable for those who have a basic training in science or engineering but no specific instruction in nuclear science. Many different topics are to be included so as to present possibilities of application in a wide variety of industries.

Persons wishing to register may do so through the field services office. The enrollment will be limited to 50 persons.

Dr. Nathan Nichols and Dr. George Bradley, both associate professors of physics at Western, will give the two initial lectures. Dr. Nichols will speak on "Foundations of Atomic Physics" and Dr. Bradley will follow one week later with "Nuclear Physics and Nuclear Instrumentation."

The first guest lecturer will be H. A. Ohlgren, professor of chemical engineering and assistant director of the engineering program at the University of Michigan. He will speak March 19 on "Reactors and Reactor Materials."

James H. Climearis, engineer with the Consumers Power Company on special assignment for nuclear power development, will be present March 26 to discuss "Power for Nuclear Reactors." The following week Dr. Henry Gomberg, assistant director

of the Phoenix project at the University of Michigan, speaks on "Chemical and Physical Effects of Radiation."

"Radiation in Health and Medicine" will be handled April 9 by two Upjohn Company scientists. Dr. W. N. Sisk is head of their industrial health department and Norman Drake is a researcher. Dr. Warren McGonnagle, director of materials testing at the Argonne National Laboratory, Lamont, Ill., will come April 16 to speak on "The Uses of Nuclear Energy and Materials in Industry."

Several instrument companies are cooperating for the final meeting April 23 to present short experiments under the title of "Laboratory in Use of Nuclear Instrumentation."

All meetings will be held in McCracken hall.

Late Additions, Omissions Bring 1955-56 Faculty List to Completion

Although it had been assumed earlier that all 1955 additions to the faculty had been introduced through the News Magazine and News Letter, two appointments were made late in the year and a check of the records showed five people who had been omitted from the listings.

Keith D. Bailey, a 1951 WMC graduate, is the new art critic teacher in the campus elementary school, replacing Mrs. Joyce Berger. His teaching experience includes two years each at Vicksburg and Parchment. The stabile placed over the fireplace in Davis residence hall is his design work, as is a new series of bookplates for the library.

Lawrence DeVoogd took up duties in the fall as the fifth grade teacher in the Paw Paw school. A graduate of Hope College, he served two years in the Army before teaching in Martin and Battle Creek. He is married and has one child.

Miss Lola Haller, a graduate fellow this fall semester, becomes a member of the staff of the student personnel and guidance service, replacing Miss Evelyn Steketee. She began teaching 1949 at Lake Odessa and received her degree from Western in 1954. She has also taught in Grand Rapids. A native of Lake Odessa, Miss Haller has also been assistant director of Davis hall.

Dr. Bettina Carter, the wife of Dr. Daniel Jackson of the biology faculty, joined the biology faculty in the fall as a temporary replacement for the late Roy Joyce. On his death she was named an assistant professor in the department. Dr. Carter has achieved a considerable national reputation for her work on the Rh factor in blood. She has worked as a serologist in New Orleans, Louisville and Chicago, and spent from 1944 to 1953 as a research immunologist at the Institute of Pathology in Pittsburgh. For

the last two years she was an assistant professor at the Upstate Medical Center, Syracuse. She has degrees from the University of Michigan and the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Nathan I. Nichols, a 1939 WMC graduate, returns as an associate professor of physics, after teaching for the last six years at Alma College where he was head of the physics department. His teaching has taken him to Barnard, S. D., Milford, Illinois College, the University of Michigan and Michigan State University. He received his advanced degrees from the latter two schools. Dr. and Mrs. Nichols have three sons and two daughters.

Miss Anne Oas returns from a year instructing at Wisconsin State College, La Crosse, to join the English faculty as an assistant professor. She received her AB degree from Western (magna cum laude) in

1948, and her MA degree from Michigan State University. She has also taught at South Haven and Grosse Pointe. Her father, R. G. Oas, is a veteran member of the Paw Paw faculty.

Gilbert Reinkensmeyer heads the commercial department at the Paw Paw school, coming here from Sault Ste. Marie, where he had taught for four years. He is a graduate of Valparaiso University. He is married and has one child.

David H. Soule heads a new facet of the field services division work, that of bus driver education, a program conducted in 30 Southern Michigan counties in cooperation with Michigan State Normal College. He graduated from Western in 1949, took his master's degree the following year from Iowa State College. He has taught at Mendon and Flint Central high schools.

Glen Rice, coordinator of the two-year retailing program for the last 12 years, will also join the student personnel and guidance staff for the second semester.

In anticipation of increased enrollments in 1956-56, the college is requesting 30 new positions next fall.



Dr. Carter



Bailey



Reinkensmeyer



Dr. Nichols



De Voogd



Miss Oas



Soule



Miss Haller

Goldman, Famed Band Director, At WMC March 18

Edwin Franko Goldman, foremost living American composer and conductor of band music, has accepted an invitation to appear as the guest conductor for the Western Michigan College band in a concert appearance Sunday afternoon, March 18. The program will be heard at the Central high school auditorium.

Dr. Goldman has appeared here in other years with the WMC band. He is the founder of the American Bandmaster's Association, a select group which includes in its membership Leonard V. Meretta, WMC band director.

In 1911 Dr. Goldman founded the Goldman Band, often called the most famous band in the world. Beginning his cornet studies at the age of nine, Goldman found himself first cornetist at the Metropolitan Opera House at the age of 17. His studies included work under the most famous instrumentalists, composers and conductors in America and throughout the world. Goldman's own compositions are always popular with bands.

His march, "On the Mall," is frequently heard, and is ranked as second in popularity only to Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever."



Edwin Franko Goldman

February Basketball

- Feb. 1—At Kent State
- Feb. 4—At Great Lakes
- Feb. 11—Miami
- Feb. 15—At Loyola
- Feb. 18—Great Lakes
- Feb. 21—Valparaiso
- Feb. 25—Ohio University
- Feb. 27—Indiana State

A new paper technology news letter will appear in January.

Faculty Publishes Five Books in 1955

Among the books published by Western Michigan College faculty members during 1955 are "Introduction to Speech" by Dr. Charles T. Brown of the speech department; "Focus on Religion in Teacher Education," a series of essays for the AACTE national project; "Michigan Through the Centuries," by Dr. Willis F. Dunbar of the history department, two volumes on Michigan history; "The Sociology of Social Problems," by Dr. Paul B. Horton of the sociology department; "The Deaths at Paragon, Indiana," a collection of poems by John Woods of the English department, and "Free-hand Sketching" by Dr. J. W. Giachino and Henry Beukema of the industrial technology department.

Five-Year Plan

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money for a social sciences classroom structure.

And in the final year of the five-year program, the college will ask \$960,000 to complete the auditorium-classroom building; \$720,000 for the first half of the social sciences classroom building and an additional \$80,000 for planning for a general classroom building.

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