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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Western Michigan University and the Russell Report

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NO SINGLE subject has bulked as large in the conversation of college and university educators in the last several months as the multi-volumed reports of the Michigan Legislative Study Committee on Higher Education. The reports run to a total of 2,400 pages issued in thirteen volumes, and take up a good many inches on a library shelf. They contain the most thorough survey of Michigan higher education that has ever been undertaken and include much valuable comparative data. Sound recommendations for the future, as well as other recommendations that are highly debatable, are to be found in the final volume. The entire study was financed jointly by the Michigan legislature and the Kellogg Foundation at a total cost of over $160,000. It was prepared by a staff working under Dr. John Dale Russell who has had extensive experience in making such state-wide surveys.

The picture the report paints of Michigan higher education is in general a very attractive one. In comparison with other states Dr. Russell finds that Michigan offers a surprisingly large variety of educational opportunity, particularly at the graduate level, though it is producing less than its proper share, on the basis of population, of bachelor's degrees. In the utilization of space and the production of student-credit-hours per faculty member the nine state-supported colleges and universities, as a group, would stand among the most efficient in the country. Dr. Russell found relatively few small classes, commendably little uneconomic duplication of classes, and low costs per student-credit-hour produced. The amount of intelligent planning for the future that has been undertaken by the state colleges and universities, both individually and through the Michigan Council of State College Presidents, is unsurpassed by any other state with which Dr. Russell is familiar.

Expenditures for higher education in Michigan are just about average, he reports. They are neither sufficient to meet the need for improved salaries and critically needed buildings nor up to what Michigan's relative economic strength and wealth would lead one to expect.

Readers of this magazine will be particularly interested in Dr. Russell's findings and recommendations (Continued on page 18)
SHE'LL talk with you for hours about her work, her buildings, her school, but never hear a word about herself . . . at least not from her.

You may see her hurrying busily from place to place on Western's campus. She's a dignified, blue-eyed, silver-haired lady, often wearing a blue which brings out the kindliness reflected in her blue eyes.

It is this woman's sensitive mind that has made Western the well-decorated institution that it is. For this is Miss Lydia Siedschlag, who recently retired as the art consultant on buildings at Western.

Her effort has made Western a uniquely designed place. Her inherent originality is brought out—it seems—by every problem. She may think a designing job is well-nigh impossible—as in the case of the spacious University Student Center—but a further consideration of the problem inevitably gives her the answer.

Pencils and paper are her constant equipment, for she says that the "creative urge comes as a funny thing at the most unexpected moment. It can come as you awaken from a dream or as you spot something in an antique shop. When it does come, you recognize it for what it is."

Since she came to Western in 1921, she has moved from the rank of art teacher to art professor to head of the department and, finally, to her position as art consultant. Her degrees have come from Western Michigan University, the Art Institute of Chicago and Columbia University.

For nineteen years, she has been the interior decorator here. For allowing her enough time to do each job well, Miss Siedschlag gives a great deal of credit to President Paul V. Sangren. During these nineteen

Miss Lydia Siedschlag, Decorator for the University
years, she has been responsible for the following buildings: Walwood Union and Residence Hall, the Health Service Building, Vandercook Hall, Spindler Hall, the Little Theatre, the Faculty Apartments, the Arcadia Brook Cafeteria, Smith and Ernest Burnham Halls, the Harper Maybee Music Hall, McCracken Hall, Draper and Siedschlag Halls, Kanley Memorial Chapel, the Administration Building, Davis and Zimmerman Halls, the Physical Education Building, the Married Students’ Apartments, Ellsworth Hall, Henry Hall, the University Student Center, the Paper Industry Laboratories and the Waldo Library.

As each building is completed, it has a personality all its own, contends Miss Siedschlag, and these personalities cannot be transferred from building to building. For instance, she reminds one that the Walwood Union and the Student Center serve similar purposes, yet their personalities are not at all alike. And in this connection, she says that one must see each building in its many uses to understand fully its unique personality: at night, in the early morning meeting, in the summer, in the winter, indoors and outdoors.

Appointing a university staff member to decorate the buildings is unusual in itself, for most universities contract outside persons or firms . . . and much recognition has come to Western because of her efforts. According to Stanley K. S. Phillips, assistant professor of art, people away from the area are often able to recognize the school because of the interior decorating program.

Miss Siedschlag doesn’t wait until a building is finished before she starts decorating. She begins to “furnish a room as soon as it’s in the blueprint stage, for it’s much easier to change your plans with the point of a pencil than with a sledge hammer.”

In beginning to decorate, she considers first how the building is to be used. “For instance, a girls’ residence must be more airy and delicate than one for men.” She tries to use lighter colors for the women’s residence halls and more beiges, tans and browns for the men’s.

Once having stated the building’s use, Miss Siedschlag goes into the principles of design. “First of all, for large rooms, you need to have commensurate sized furniture. We must have a dominant mass. In the Student Center lobby, the dominant mass is a large table, with davenport on either side of it. Large pieces of furniture don’t rattle around in a large room.” But small things, such as coffee tables and ash trays, are needed too. “In designing, as in almost everything, variety is the spice of life,” says Miss Siedschlag.

A decorator should also keep in mind a movement or line, Miss Siedschlag stresses, and textures and an awareness of color are important, too.

Texture-wise, woods should relate, but an accent of black or white will “pep up a room like catsup perks up meat.” And as for colors, “they should sing well together . . . and if they sing well together on paper, they will in a big room, too.”

Antique hunts help Miss Siedschlag in carrying out the themes of the buildings. An Indian jar discovered in Hastings, Minn., set the pace for the rest of the Student Center lobby . . . and many of the residence hall themes are built around an oriental flavor.

Enough to keep a person busy? It certainly is. “In doing this type of thing, you learn what works best for you,” say Miss Siedschlag. “I haven’t had time to look at many other buildings, but I haven’t minded. You build for your own needs.”

Perhaps that is the secret to her success at Western . . . she has been so busy with Western’s campus that ideas from other schools have not intruded upon her originality.

As she got up from the interview, gracious Miss Siedschlag again gave credit to others. “Only when there are people in a room does the room come to life. Up until then, it is sterile and empty.”

A generous compliment for a creator to make to the inhabitants of the buildings . . . but then Miss Siedschlag is a generous person, especially with her creativity.

—Karen Gernant
Two Years in Pakistan Ends for WMU’s Dr. Giachino & Family

"It’s great to be home again," says the Joseph Giachino family, who returned in August from two years in Pakistan. They are not the same people who left Kalamazoo two years ago, for these people are older, wiser, more grateful for being Americans . . . and more understanding of the problems of the Far East.

Their first impressions in Pakistan were of open sewers . . . grass huts . . . absence of trees . . . bugs and lizards . . .

First impressions, however, soon were superseded by deeper, more lasting feelings. In this culture—new to them—they learned to bridge gaps between the American and Far Eastern ways of life.

They found that "education and training—to make even survival possible—is one of their most urgent needs. The average life expectancy in East Pakistan is 25.5 years and this means that maintenance of life is naturally uppermost in their minds."

Granted that Pakistanis can learn from Americans, the reverse is just as true. For instance, juvenile delinquency, a major problem in the United States, is completely unknown there. Dr. Giachino says that "the Pakistanis have great reverence for their youngsters . . . and the family itself is a very closely knit group. The breadwinner, for instance, is obligated by his religion to take care of any member of the family who is in need." Besides gaining an impression of Far East life, the Giachino family tried to give them a more accurate picture of the American way of life. "The Pakistanis are 85 per cent illiterate and therefore, any thing they know about America comes from second and third rate movies. This does not help to give them the true picture of America, which is so important to mutual understanding. They see the glamour and nothing else."

Dr. Giachino, head of the industrial technology department, was sent to Dacca, Pakistan, by the Ford Foundation to develop a Polytechnic Institute and a teacher training program for the preparation of teachers of technical education.

When the family left Kalamazoo, Mrs. Giachino left aprons, dishpan hands and dust cloths, for—as foreigners in Pakistan—the Giachinos had seven servants to provide the care needed by a family of four.

Living in an area populated by both Pakistanis and Americans, the Giachinos had a 12-room air-conditioned house and their own refrigeration—courtesy of the Ford Foundation.

Even though they were living in a foreign country, Jean Anne, 15, and Jimmy, 11, still had to keep up with their studies. Jimmy went through the fourth and fifth grades at the recently established American school in Dacca.

Jean Anne attended the same school for eighth grade and then went on to the Woodstock Boarding School, Mussoorie, India, in the scenic Himalaya Mountains.

Dr. Giachino’s problem in education was the obstacle of time. He had to learn “never to get excited about having something done right now,” for it was always “tomorrow” to the Pakistanis.

But patience paid off, for—though the Giachino family has returned to Kalamazoo—they left in Pakistan two real signs of progress: the Polytechnic Institute was in operation and the teacher training proposal had been accepted by the government.

The Pakistanis have these things

Lahman, Former Debate Coach, Quits Teaching

Carroll P. Lahman is not engaging in the debating wars this year.

As he writes, at the "ripe old age of 60" he has retired from his teaching duties in Pasadena College and is now living at Franklin Grove, Ill., where he and his wife are enjoying the hospitality of their son Robin.

Fresh from the Oberlin College campus in 1921 he began teaching at Drake University. The following year he moved to Western as director of men’s debate, and remained for 18 years.

In 1940 he moved to Albion College and remained there until 1947, when he went west to the Pasadena College campus.

He hopes he and his wife can soon pay a visit to the campus.

50th Anniversary Marked by Couple

Mr. and Mrs. George Kahler (Lettie Fowler Kahler ’34, AB ’37) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 28 at their Hastings home.

They are believed to be the second couple involving a WMU graduate to so observe their 50th anniversary.

Mrs. Kahler taught school for many years in such places as Eagle, Hope Center, Cloverdale, and Delton, and completing her career at Hastings from 1945 to 1953.

The Kahlers have two sons.

Dr. Carl E. Burkland ’18, AB ’22 is authoring a series of poems which are appearing in the White Cloud Eagle under the general title of “Recollections of White Cloud.” He is a professor of English at the University of Michigan.

Dr. Burkland’s poems are

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COUZENS BIOGRAPHY TELLS UNUSUAL
STORIES OF LATE MICHIGAN SENATOR


His real financial venture was made with a loan of $100 from his school teacher sister, Rosetta. Sixty years later his philanthropic gifts (not his assets) amounted to $30,000,000. This modern Horatio Alger was James Couzens, born in Chatham, Ontario August 26, 1872, died in Detroit, Michigan, October 22, 1956.

Harry Barnard, the biographer, found his subject a man of several powerful facets. Accordingly he has made, what might well be, several biographies in one volume. In the financial and economic fields, James Couzens is known as the fiery-tempered millionaire, partner of Henry Ford. The man who was accused (falsely Barnard says with documentation) of causing the 1933 bank closing in Detroit.

Couzens, the Statesman, the Mayor of Detroit, the Republican Senator from Michigan, a thorn in the side of three Republican presidents — Harding, Coolidge and Hoover, a heckler of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, but finally a defender of the New Deal. The last feature of his career cost him the renomination for the senatorship but it substantiated his greatest aim: to be Couzens, the independent man.

Of his many philanthropies, the one that probably gave him the greatest satisfaction, and certainly the one remembered best by those who worked with children was the Children's Fund of Michigan. He established this Fund just after the birth of his daughter, Madeleine's, first child. The trust instrument carried this purpose:

"To promote the health, welfare, happiness, and development of the children of the State of Michigan primarily, and elsewhere in the world"—without regard to creed, color or race.

A facet of the life of this Independent Man which the public knew little about was that of Family Man. The author emphasizes Couzen's near worship of his wife, Margaret Manning Couzens, with whom he was the "soul of affability and deference, just as his father had been to his mother." To the outside world, he displayed, "like a trademark, his don't-tread-on-me manner." To employees and customers he had a direct, blunt way of speaking which required obedience without question. At home he "actually encouraged Mrs. Couzens to boss him . . . He appeared to derive a kind of serenity from being bossed by Margaret." An intimate friend called him "The Perfect Family Man."

William J. Norton, the director of the Children's Fund gave this honest appraisal of the man:

"This man was a rugged and dauntless fighter. He was no molly-coddle. He was a warrior's captain . . . He fought always on the side of justice and human rights. His sword was never drawn in the cause of special privilege. Mistakes of the mind he no doubt made in some of the causes he espoused, for he was intensely human, but mistakes of ethical purpose—never.

His conscience held the most finely etched pattern as a guide for his own conduct that I have ever seen in any man of wealth or dominance. Simple honesty, complete integrity, a sense of great responsibility, cold-blooded objective justice, perfect faith in the democratic ideal, and a love for gentle charity were all burned clearly and distinctly into that ethical pattern that acted as his sole governor in all of his public relations . . . Those ethical mandates were the only masters he acknowledged . . ."

This book is extensively documented with 24 pages of notes, nine pages of fine-print bibliography and eight pages of index, all of which make it a valuable piece of source material. Independent Man by Harry Barnard is not only the "whole of Couzen's full life but it contains a good deal of the history of Michigan and the automobile industry."

In this biography, the author showed not only "a phenomenal understanding of the political history of the United States but a rare insight into the personality of this Republican Senator who ended his career as a champion of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's New Deal."


This rags-to-riches story is an historical record of the ship disasters on the Great Lakes, centering on Tom Reid who was vitally connected with one of the largest salvaging companies during the years 1880 to 1950.
Miss Doner had access to actual records of the Reid Company from which through painstaking research she extracted the facts and figures used in her book. Through the personal contact with Captain Reid and his family and associates she obtained insight into the warm human side of her "hero's" life. Tom Reid was born at Alpena, Michigan, in 1870. As a matured man with a family, his home was for years in Port Huron but he really lived on the lakes—from one salvage job to another.

Besides his driving passion for the lakes, his devotion to his wife and his adoration of her constituted the great power in his life. Anna Heumann was a gentle woman of refined taste who had grown up in luxury. Her austere early years as the wife of Tom Reid did not dim her love for him or her faith in him which the later years proved justifiable.

The book in its continuous recital of the salvaging of the many ship wrecks from Toronto to Duluth might become tedious reading to some one not especially interested in Lake shipping or the techniques of raising a wreck, but each of the many cases is fascinating adventure to anyone with personal concern in such matters or similar circumstances.

The author is the daughter of the manager of a fleet of Great Lakes freighters. She has written several books and more than two hundred published short stories, most of which are grounded in this area. Her familiarity with her subject is evident throughout the 300 pages of _The Salvage_.

There is a generous collection of photographs included and two indexes—a general index and an index of ships.

An inset on the last page states:

"Captain Tom Reid died unexpectedly in his Florida home on Sunday afternoon, July 20, 1958."

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Smith Building Designs Acclaimed in Florida Area

Robert Fitch Smith '17 "has contributed much to the development of South Florida," says the _Miami News_.

An architect in Miami since 1931, Smith has an enviable record of residential and civic, commercial and industrial design, besides rendering signal service to his community in a variety of ways.

Smith has been president of the Florida-South chapter of the American Institute of Architects; president, Miami Civic club; chairman, board of design, InterAmerican Cultural and Trade Center; and a director of the Dade County co-ordinating and planning commission, Miami Chamber of Commerce and Musician’s Club of America.

Honors have come to him in the national architectural competition of the Architectural Leagues of New York and from the AIA Southeastern Conference. Last spring he was invited by the New York group to exhibit his design of the Coral Harbour club of Nassau.

Other recent projects include the Westminster Presbyterian church, Miami; National Cash Register Company, Fort Lauderdale; Bay Oaks Soroptimist Home for the Aged, and the Riverside Methodist church, Miami.

He is the brother of J. Towner Smith '29, dean of men.

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**Californians**

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Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cramer '10 and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Conklin '14 were the oldest grads among the 55 attending.

A plaque was given to Cottright as the charter president of the group.

McLeod is regional superintendent of agencies for the Provident Life Insurance Company, with offices at 250 S. Robertson Blvd., Beverly Hills. His home is 1728 Brea Canyon Road, Pomona, Calif.
Homecoming Report...1958

Typical of the 35 floats seen in the Oct. 25 homecoming parade are the three pictured at the left. For the third straight year the top float prize was captured by Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, national music fraternity... Wind whipped the flames of the traditional bonfire at Kanley field, this being the second bonfire of the day. Local firemen extinguished a late afternoon attempt to fire the woodpile... Immediately below, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Perry were among more than 200 who registered for the luncheon that day at the University Student Center... In the bottom photo we see the greeting of long lost Delta Zeta sisters, while others check over offspring pictures in a morning coffee.
Gastrotrichans Bring World Fame to Royal Brunson ’38

Royal Brunson ’38 began establishing himself early as a man to be watched. As a sophomore here back in 1936 he and Lin Bailey were married. She was a freshman, and now recalls that they were perhaps the first such couple to marry on campus and continue their studies.

Marriage may have been good for his studies, as he is still studying. Now as Dr. Royal Bruce Brunson, professor of zoology at Montana State University, his studies in the field are known throughout the world.

A revised edition of the biological reference work, *Fresh Water Biology*, includes a 17-page chapter by Dr. Brunson on *gastrotricha*, microscopic denizens of watery places. Dr. Brunson is called the world’s foremost authority on *gastrotricha* and has named 17 of them.

The largest *gastrotrichan* ever found measures 420 microns and the smallest 65 microns. A micron equals 1/25,000 of an inch.

Besides his teaching, Dr. Brunson is also in charge of Montana State University’s fisheries work at the Yellow Bay, Montana, biological station.

His work has been widely recognized, attested by the naming of two species of animals in his honor. First, a snail was named *discinis brunsoni*, and the following year a water mite, *athienemania brunsoni*.

The Brunsons live at 530 S. Fifth St., East, Missoula, Montana.

Ross to Korean ICA Post

Kenneth Ross ’47, director of printing at Ferris Institute, Big Rapids, for the past eight years, has resigned and accepted a position with the International Cooperation Administration at Seoul, Korea. He will supervise production work of about 25 printers there and will contract for all ICA printing in Korea.
The event which we celebrate today, the opening of a fine new Library commensurate in its size and excellence with the status of Western Michigan University and of its academic program, gives legitimate cause for rejoicing: and I am happy to be able to add my congratulations to those which others will direct to the persons chiefly and directly responsible for the splendid building in which we are assembled.

I am, of course, honored by your invitation to address you on this happy occasion. This is not my first visit to Kalamazoo, or the first time that I have spoken here, but I shall probably not have another opportunity to exploit my experience both as a librarian and as a professor of the humanities, and I shall try to make the most of this one. The ideas which I shall ask you to consider are not new; but like many familiar things of value, they will not be the worse for a little burnishing.

The title which I have chosen for my remarks this afternoon is Supermarkets of Learning, and though I suppose that many of you have already guessed what I intend by it, perhaps I should offer a few words of explanation.

Like other travellers I was struck, in the course of a recent trip to Europe, by the phenomenon which I can best describe as the levelling out of culture. One expects that all great cities will be more or less the same, offering similar commodities, sights, and pleasures. But nowadays the number of familiar experiences has increased so that even in provincial places the American tourist is forced to recognize that in some senses, at least, the world is becoming one world indeed. Thus, in Western Europe, everyone has, or aspires to have, motor transport; there are motels and filling stations with Standard Oil or Texaco signs on even the minor roads. The single television set in a Spanish or Italian village will attract most of the inhabitants to the inn of an evening to view Westerns and gape at Elvis Presley. Newspapers everywhere proclaim, in a kind of advertisers' lingua franca, the virtues of American soaps, cosmetics, and razor blades. And springing up here and there are the supermarkets, the bright, glittering, crowded self-service stores, with heavily laden shelves of packaged goods—many with labels known to every shopper in Ann Arbor or Kalamazoo.

The ubiquity of the supermarket testifies to its efficiency and its attractiveness. It is a symbol of the culture of our age—of mass production and mass distribution, of cellophane-wrap cleanliness, of scientific salesmanship. Here are neon lights, an overwhelming profusion of attractive goods. Here you can cash in your coupons or recover your deposit on a Coca-Cola battle. Here, by shrewd management, one is offered opulence, an infinity of choice, a sense of power—and anonymity.

And in all this we see progress, a genuine improvement in sanitation, convenience for the housekeeper, a raising of living standards. Yet in retrospect I regret the inevitable drift away from earlier customs. The old village markets, the green grocers’ stalls and the butcher shops, the wine-merchant’s cellars, still have their charm—and more than charm. In them there are no frozen peas or strawberries, but in season there are heaps of fresh peas and baskets of fresh strawberries—of infinitely finer flavor. There are no packaged meats or television dinners, but the steak will be cut to the cook’s specifications, and the proprietor (not an advertising agent a hundred miles away) will recommend the day’s best buy. The wine will not be like that in a thousand other bottles but, if one is lucky, it will have a pleasantly distinctive local flavor. And the shopman will have a personal interest in his customer, and housewives will make their shopping a part of the day’s pleasures; there will be an exchange of news, and some friendly gossip. There will be no hurry—no clever devices to get the customer past the cash register and through the door with as little waste of time as possible.

Now the application of what I have been saying to education is clear enough. With the laudable aims of keeping down costs, increasing distribution, managing efficiently, and making commodities attractive, we have provided in our schools and colleges well-lighted displays, with plenty of brightly packaged goods—including television dinners. Not least like our supermarkets are our libraries—spacious, inviting, fully stocked, with everything neatly and accessibly arranged. And it is right that this should be so. Libraries are the storehouses, the emporiums of learning. For learning’s sake they must be generously filled, with their contents conveniently grouped and

While seeming to give undue space to the dedication of the new Dwight B. Waldo Library, it seems that the opening of a new library on any university campus is a most significant event. And the words of Dr. Warner G. Rice, head of the English department of the University of Michigan, were most fitting for this occasion. We take pleasure in presenting his entire speech herein.

Library Dedication Address

Supermarkets of Learning
had obviously been pondered over, chewed and digested (as Bacon might say), not simply tasted. There was plenty of evidence, the marginal jottings, of a mind that was finding itself, that was maturing through exercise and reflection, that was testing itself by standing up to the best intellects of the past, and that was by this process, acquiring independence and a sense of direction.

Now this personal library, with the privacy and the intellectual application that went with it, seemed, and still seems, to me a good thing. They connote a seriousness, a concentration, that is all to rare in American colleges, where we tend to be discursive and superficial, to rely on the use of all kinds of helps, on outlines and cram-books and lectures—in short, on the stimulation of intellectual massages rather than upon the less exciting, but more profitable callisthenics of the mind.

A room of one's own, solitude for the collection of one's thoughts, the opportunity to try one's mind against another's in quiet, thoughtful conversation with a friend, the criticism of an understanding tutor—these are the requirements of an education which it is usually too expensive for us, with all our wealth, to supply. We like public display. Our residence halls are dormitories, with few single cells to which students can retire, but with splendid dining halls and parlors and lounges and game rooms. And because they are crowded at home, students need to be accommodated in study halls. Usually these are placed in our libraries, and they are often admirably planned. But reading in public is not like reading in private; and the distraction offered by many books may be a hindrance rather than a help to the shaping of a mind.

We are all likely to be, in academic halls as well as outside them, suckers for a package deal—to use the vulgar language of the street. We are all—teachers even more than their pupils—conscious of the great amount to be done; and we are eternally hopeful that what is to be done can be done quickly and with relatively little pain. With the best intentions in the world we labor endlessly to compile anthologies of "readings," to create survey courses, to contrive integrated curricula, to project programs of general education. Our syllabi comprise scores of titles, with suggested readings of a few pages here and a chapter there. And we often place a premium on that kind of curiosity which leads to a wide sampling, to breadth or range rather than depth. For all this one can make plenty of apologies. The real student will always be conscious of how much he does not know; and most of us, as we mature, become aware that we have lost much time, that we have not learned as much as we should have done—so we rush, and good others to rush, to catch up.

But, I repeat, the mind, though it can be stretched, can never be formed in this way. It might be argued, indeed, that the most original and independent intellects have relied very little on what others wrote—Socrates, of course, stands as a prime example. I can cite a high authority, too: in Milton's Paradise Regained, the moving account of Jesus' temptation in the wilderness works up to the climax of the temptation of knowledge; and here Milton, himself the most industrious of readers, the author of an eloquent defense of the free and liberal use of books in Areopagitica, has our Savior reply to Satan's offer of all the philosophies of Greece.

Who therefore seeks in these True wisdom, finds her not, or by delusion
Far worse, her false resemblance only meets,
An empty cloud. However, many books,
Wise men have said, are wearisome; who reads
Incessantly, and to his reading braies not
A spirit and judgment equal or superior;
(And what he brings, what needs he elsewhere seek?)
Uncertain and unsettled still remains,

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A CAMPUS is often judged by the library which it boasts—but the real key to learning may be the use which is made of the book collection.

Since the movement of academic centers to the west campus, Western's 35-year-old main library suffered in patronage, and students were not making the effort to put the book collection to its proper use.

But this fall things are different, marked by the opening of the new Dwight B. Waldo Library on the West campus, set in the middle of the main academic-residential part of the campus.

Actually opened last summer, the library enjoyed a definite upsurge in circulation statistics, which is continuing into the fall semester. Gone is the old two-story reading room and in its place are comfortable study areas, ringed with books, periodicals and the tools for intensive study.

There are those of former generations who will recall the frustration of the closed stack system, not being able to browse among the books, but being forced to make selections through the card catalog only. There are also those who used the closed stacks as an excuse for not working more in the library.

But those days are gone and students are finding the new open stacks a joy and a pleasure. Not only are the stacks open, but they are opened up with frequent study areas, tables with several chairs, and many individual study tables.

Remember the frustration of working in the library and having to copy long passages by hand? That too is on its way out. Six persons at a time can make use of small rooms and bring their portable typewriters along to speed their efforts.

Faculty engaged in lengthy research projects requiring much library work may make use of several small offices on the library's third floor.

Built along VandeGieussen road, between Harper Maybee music hall and Draper residence for women, the library is a modern three-story structure, which is also home for the university's Audio-Visual Center and the department of librarianship.

Entering on the first floor level off VandeGieussen road, the student finds himself in a large smoking lounge where he may read in comfort with his pipe close at hand. A large mural dominates the Indian decorations.

To the right off this lobby area is the selected reading room, an extensive collection of books primarily for freshman and sophomore students. Here are the books which faculty have selected for basic reading, along with many standard reference works. In one corner is the office of Mrs. Hazel Saye and her staff to give assistance to working students.

On the floor just above is the main reference and periodical room where such items as the Reader's Guide, Educational Index, etc., are housed along with the often used periodicals, and on convenient shelves the current magazines of interest. Again from a corner office, staff members may supervise and assist students.

The main circulation area for the library is on the second floor, with entrance from the campus interior. Here is the card catalog, the library offices and the order and cataloging departments.

And on the third floor is the more advanced study area, with the selection for senior and graduate students. The department of librarianship shares this floor in the training of future librarians.

Onetime pages who have struggled with the old dumb waiter, and often carried books from one floor to another, would be pleased with the two powered book lifts, and the big elevator which will transport truck loads from one floor to another.

Like many buildings of its era, the old general library was short in
service facilities and the arrival of large quantities of books and supplies posed handling problems. A loading dock on the VandeGiesen road side permits efficient receipt of boxes, and from there they are quickly trucked across a halfway into a locked storage room where they may be unpacked and sorted as librarians have the time.

Named for the late Dwight B. Waldo, first president of the University, the decorative scheme for the building includes things of interest to Mr. Waldo. Both Lincoln and the American Indian are used as backgrounds and two large murals lend the proper mood. Miss Lydia Siedschlag has also assisted in the tasteful display of many interesting pieces to decorate the building.

Did you ever arrive at the library with an armload of books, only to find it already locked for the night? This problem has also been cared for with a large mail box-type book drop on the north side.

With increasing pressure for full use of all available floor space, the library has company in its building, with the department of librarianship placed conveniently on the third floor, and the audio-visual center for the University on the first floor. Both areas are enjoying and making good use of their first really adequate campus homes.

The capacity for the new library is about 225,000 volumes, with the present collection of books being about 125,000. While this may prove inadequate within a few years, plans are ready for additions to the present structure. With this also in mind, the general library has retained control of the old six-story stack area in the other building, which can be used for storage of lesser used items from the collection. As mentioned in the Fall issue of the News Magazine, the Harper Maybee Music Library, now just next door, cares for books and records particularly pertaining to the work in that area.

Since 1952 a library annex had been maintained in the administration building, with major emphasis in the science areas, but also providing basic readings for west campus subject areas. This annex was closed in June and was moved to the new library, with the space being allotted to the combined dean of men and dean of women offices, now known as the student personnel office.

A library annex is now being maintained in the old library building, with major emphasis on education and business courses, and other subjects taught principally on the east campus. Also located on the east campus is the Educational Service Library, particularly oriented to the School of Education.

While the old library building had proven to be a well planned and constructed building, in more than 30 years time had made it obsolete.

Miss Carlin Named Michigan’s ‘Rural Teacher of Year’

Miss Wilma Carlin, who took her first class in 1920 on the Western Michigan campus and earned her AB degree in 1958, has been selected as Michigan’s rural teacher of the year by Prairie Farmer magazine and WLS radio station in Chicago.

She is the third WMU graduate to receive this honor since its inception several years ago.

Many years ago Miss Carlin came to Berrien County with her family, and the school which she attended was the Dutch Corners school in Berrien Township. Now in her 39th year of teaching in the one-room eight-grade Dutch Corners school, her first year was spent at another rural school only a mile away.

Last July 31 was a proud day for Miss Carlin as she marched in the academic procession here and completed her degree work.

McKay ’48 in Los Angeles

Milton E. McKay, Jr., ’48 has been promoted to retail sales district manager in Los Angeles for the Scott Paper Company. Joining Scott in 1952, McKay has served as a salesman in Chicago and a district manager in Madison, Wis., and Minneapolis, Minn.
The Dwight B. Waldo Library

The curved circulation desk forms an inviting center for the main lobby of the library. Behind it are located conveniently the main offices for the library, and the twin book lifts can be seen in the center rear.
The first floor selected reading room is principally for freshman students, with reference volumes handy and reserved books located in nearby stacks. A smoking lounge is outside.

On the second floor the periodical room provides plenty of study space with materials conveniently nearby. This room is just off the main library lobby. Note illuminated ceiling.
NEW COACH LEADS TALL TEAM

'58-'59 Bronco Cagers Ready

The new edition of Bronco basketball will be unveiled by new coach Don Boven December 1 at Northwestern University. The success of the Bronco squad depends in large part on how well the tall crop of sophomore talent does.

After experiencing one of the worst season records in history (5 wins, 19 defeats), the Broncos have to rebuild once proud fortunes around a strong freshman unit of last year, which posted fifteen wins in sixteen games.

At the season's end, Joe Hoy, Bronco mentor since 1953-54, was given leave of absence to finish work on his doctorate at Indiana University. He will return to an administrative post when his advanced work is completed. Hoy had requested to be relieved of the basketball job before last season got underway but he was persuaded to remain at the helm until the year was completed. At season's end, Boven was named his successor.

Boven's certainly isn't a new name to WMU followers. Considered one of the all-time Bronco cage greats, developed under Coach H. W. "Buck" Read, Boven played pro basketball several years. He was a member of the famous Zollner Pistons of the pro cage loop where he was reputedly one of the toughest rebound men for his size in the pro game. He returned to WMU in 1953 and assumed duties as assistant baseball, basketball and football coach. He gave up the football portion after a season, then gave up baseball last fall. He was Hoy's assistant throughout Hoy's stay as head man.

Another change in the basketball staff was also made during the summer. Tom Slaughter, veteran coach who was responsible for guiding many famous Western names, gave up the freshman team to devote full time to frosh football and his recreation curriculum. Boven's choice as new frosh coach was Patrick Clysdale, one of Boven's teammates. Clysdale comes back to WMU from head coaching duties at Allen Park high school.

In facing the rugged Mid-American schedule and nine non-conference foes, Boven will have to rely upon one outstanding veteran and a host of untried sophomore talent if the season is to be a success.

Edgar (Red) Blair of River Rouge is the top veteran—he's 6-5, 205 pounds, and will be shifted from center to forward this year. Blair was a first team all-MAC choice last year. A senior, he's already been drafted by the Detroit Pistons of the pro leagues and may play pro ball upon graduation in June. Blair scored 302 points as a sophomore, then last year established a new WMU record, getting 498 for the season in 24 games. He averaged 20.7 last year, also a new school mark. Previous high total had been Jack Smith's 445 in the 1956-57 season. Smith's high average had been 20.2 and was also a record until Blair's 20.7.

Other lettermen up from last year's team who will be counted upon are: Paul Hendricks, a junior forward from Evansville, Ind.; guard Dave Kollat, Elkhart, Ind., junior; guard Lyle McAuley, senior from Port Huron; forward Charlie Mit-

\[\text{Keith Sterk}\]

It never happened before, but it will again! For the opening football game of the season against Central Michigan College, Waldo Stadium was filled to its 15,000 capacity for a football game. People even overflowed onto the banks along the southeast stands. It was a sight to gladden all Bronco football followers.
and coach who is now head basketball coach at the University of Michigan.

Probably, Boven will utilize Blair’s exceptional hook and set shots from a forward position this year, moving at least three and possibly four sophomores into his lineup.

Up from last year’s great frosh group are Keith Sterk, former all-stater at Janesville, Wisconsin; Steve Holmes, string-bean giant from Wilmette, Ill.; tall Jack Grimes of Jackson; sharp-shooting guard Sam Key of Dowagiac; and hard-driving guard Tom Dreier of Painwell. Boven will lean heavily upon this young talent. And Boven hopes that one of the guards will fill the shoes of quick Dennis Tepe, who, as a sophomore last year, scored 327 points in 19 games before becoming ineligible. Tepe has since left school.

Sterk, however, is the player on whom Boven will count heaviest. He is a rugged 6-5, 205 pounder who scrap from start to finish. He could become one of WMU’s greatest. As a frosh, he averaged over 21 points a game.

Holmes, a close friend of Sterk, will also be used a lot. At 6-6 he’ll probably be the tallest man on the team; at least until the second semester when Bob (Sticks) Bolton, the 6-10 giant from Battle Creek Lakeview, becomes eligible. Bolton, a top prospect sought by practically every basketball school in the country, entered Michigan and was in Bill Perigo’s plans there. But Bolton transferred to WMU and is sitting out his eligibility requirement.

Sterk, Holmes, Grimes, Key and Dreier hit over 50 percent of their shots as a unit in leading the frosh to a 15-1 mark. Their only loss was to the University of Detroit, later avenged handily in Kalamazoo.

Boven has a solid group of frosh candidates for Clysdale to work with, too. While in number there aren’t many, there is much in quality. Boven guided three first string all-staters from Michigan and one first team all-stater from Indiana high school circles to our campus.

Basketball Schedule

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All home games, 8 p.m., in the University Field House.
Alumni Baseballers Down Varsity in First Annual Game

Coach Charlie Maher has never been known to lose a baseball game with any expression of joy—but on Oct. 18 he was all smiles as his 1959 varsity aggregation dropped a close, hard fought game, 5 to 4.

But administering the out-of-season beating was a collection of one-time Bronco ball players, most of whom are now playing professional baseball.

Frank (Stubby) Overmire, Bronco pitching immortal, and manager this last year for the Detroit Tigers at Valdosta, Ga., came down from Grand Rapids to manage this alumni team. Major leaguers on hand to wave their big bats were Charley Maxwell, Detroit Tiger outfielder and wartime Bronco, and Ron Jackson, giant first sacker for the Chicago White Sox.

Another alum, and major leaguer who could not be overlooked, was Frank Secory, great Bronco football and baseball star of the mid-'30's, who is now on the umpiring staff of the National League. He called the plate for the afternoon, and was assisted on the bases by Ray Fitzgerald and Fred Spurgeon, both veteran local officials.

Those playing for the alumni were: Len Johnston cf, Paul Abrah- ham 2b, Dave Gottschalk 2b, Charlie Maxwell lf, Ron Jackson 1b, Bill Lajoie rf, Al Nagel rf, Ken Hamlin ss, Scotty Wilson ss, Stan Malec 3b, Dick Brum c, Al Horn c, Mickey Schwartzkopf p, Jack Rumohr p, Gerry Graham p, Dick Solowski p, Ed Rossi p, Tom Cole p, Ron Davies p, Joe Cooper and Duane Emaar p.

Charlie Maher seems to be checking up on current performances of his onetime stars. At the left is Eddie Rossi, onetime pitching great and now a local insurance salesman. Ron Jackson, at the right, appears to be choosing his words carefully, while anxiously awaiting the reply are Bill Lajoie and Al Nagel.

Food seemed of primary importance, as alumni baseballers were guests of the Athletic Board of Control for a smorgasbord dinner following the first annual such game. Here President Paul V. Sangren, left, helps lead off the group. From the right are: Charlie Maxwell, Paul Abrahams, Bob Quiring [hidden], Vic Vandenberg, Byron Green, equipment manager, Don Boven, head basketball coach, and Dr. John Pruis, announcer for Bronco games.

Frank Secory, left, brought his umpiring know-how from Port Huron for the big game, while at the right is the onetime great battery of pre-war days. Denny Yar- ger, left, caught the pitches of Stubby Overmire, right, and talk was of the memorable no-hitters thrown in those days, and of professional baseball.
Dr. Russell’s controversial recommendation was one to establish a Coordinating Board, headed by a Chancellor of Higher Education, to gather information about the needs of the state for higher education, to coordinate the activities of the state-supported educational institutions, to study and channel their financial needs to the legislature, and to speak on their behalf. That some type of coordination is needed is widely recognized, and some has been provided through the Michigan Council of State College Presidents. That more is a necessity is also admitted, but whether greater coordination should be attained by the device recommended by Dr. Russell is a highly controversial question and one that is giving college and university administrators much concern.

The Michigan Council of State College Presidents, of which President Sangren is a member, is suggesting as an alternative to the Russell plan an expansion of the Council’s activities. The intent of this action is to achieve coordination on a voluntary basis rather than through an agency interposed between the legislature and the governing boards of the state colleges and universities. Already three important steps have been taken. The first is to establish a Central Office for Research and Information to provide the Council of Presidents and the legislature with much needed statistical data on enrollments, budgetary needs, and related matters. Secondly, the Council has taken steps to establish a single, unified system of extension services throughout the state and, thirdly, is moving toward a closer coordination of requests for capital outlay and current expenses.

That these moves are little short of revolutionary will be clear to every informed person. They reflect the high sense of public responsibility characteristic of the nine college and university presidents and augur well for the years ahead. Western’s future is closely related to these important developments and every friend of the institution will follow them with interest.

I must take care not to be misunderstood. And so, in conclusion, let me summarize what I have been saying. I have congratulated you—the University, its faculty, its students, its friends, upon the creation of a most imposing and useful facility for learning. I have also reminded you that this facility, this library is (to use Arnold’s phrase) a place of machinery, a means for getting something accomplished, I have spoken of our national tendency to prize too much, to worship and admire, such machinery: to suppose that if we have the means, the ends will automatically follow. I have suggested that a profusion of means may result in discursiveness, rather than the concentration of endeavor upon realizing the main purpose of education. I have urged you to remember that however important you think learning is, it is not the ending end. The ending end is wisdom: and that each of us achieves, if he achieves it at all, by intense individual effort, by reflection, by conversation with others engaged in a similar enterprise, and principally through the guidance of teachers who have both sought and found. In this search I wish you well, and as I end, encourage you with the hope held out for mankind:

Light after light well used they shall attain,
And to the end persisting, safe arrive.

Former Home Economics Teacher Dies in West

Mrs. Ruth Schumacher, an instructor in home economics from 1925 to 1937, died Nov. 18 in Hollywood, Calif., where she lived with her daughter, Miss Jean Schumacher, 2270 La Granada Drive. She was born in Shenandoah, Iowa, and educated at Iowa State College and Columbia University.

Upon leaving Western, Mrs. Schumacher joined the faculty of the University of California.
‘U’ Song Contest
Now in Progress

The idea of writing a new pep song and alma mater is not a “fly by night” idea. Neither is this intended to be just another contest. Professional song writers could have been hired to give us an appropriate pep song and alma mater, but it was decided by Student Council that this is something that should come from within the University itself, from the alumni, faculty, administration and students.

This is your invitation to write the lyrics for the new W.M.U. alma mater and/or pep song.

Members of the faculty and student body have been chosen to judge the entries. The judges will select the top three alma mater lyrics and the top three pep song lyrics. These six entries will then be published in the Western Herald. From these entries, the student body will vote and select the best alma mater entry and the best pep song entry.

IN MEMORIAM

Helen Stewart
Miss Stewart died Sept. 3 at her Pickeral Lake home near Newaygo. She has been a librarian at the Grand Rapids public library for a number of years. She leaves her mother and one sister.

Lulu Baines Sniffin
Mrs. Sniffin, a student in 1909 and 1910 died Oct. 16, at her Hickory Corners home. She had resided and taught in that area since 1912. She leaves her husband, one daughter, three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, her mother, one sister and a brother.

Verne R. Johnson
Mr. Johnson attended Western in 1912, and was a research and financial analyst for the Michigan Public Service Commission until his death Oct. 3 in Lansing. He had been active in the Lions club and Masonic order. He leaves his wife, two brothers and a sister.

Bersie Gill ’13, ’35
Miss Gill died Oct. 26 at her Lansing home. She had taught at Mason and in Lansing since 1918. From 1921 until retiring in 1953 she had been at the Pattengill junior high school, and she continued as a substitute teacher until this year. Miss Gill leaves two sisters.

Dr. Edward W. Mulder ’13
A Grand Rapids dentist, Dr. Mulder died there at his home Oct. 3. He had practiced dentistry since graduating from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry in 1917, and had been in Grand Rapids since 1920. He leaves his wife, a son, three grandchildren, two sisters and three brothers.

Vedah Abbott Kinney ’15, ’50
Mrs. Kinney died July 23 in Kalamazoo. She had been a teacher of home economics at Lawton for 29 years and earned her BS degree in 1950. She leaves two daughters, six grandchildren and two brothers.

Minnie Peacock Luce ’17, ’41
Mrs. Luce died in Niles Aug. 1, after being ill for several years. She was an Alpha Beta Epsilon member and had taught for 30 years. Her husband survives.

Frances Keyes Lindsey ’21
Mrs. Lindsey died July 17 in Kalamazoo, after retiring last March as a teacher because of ill health. She had made her home in Richland and for 14 years had taught at the Hickory Corners, W. K. Kellogg school. She leaves her husband, one son, one grandchild and a brother.

Catherine Schutt ’25, ’30
Miss Schutt was a teacher in Grand Rapids Christian Reformed schools for 43 years. She leaves two sisters and a brother. Her death occurred Aug. 15 in Grand Rapids after a prolonged illness.

Mettie Ross Hoag ’31
Mrs. Hoag died Sept. 27 at Cedar Springs, at the age of 94. She had been a rural school teacher for 33 years. Mrs. Hoag leaves two daughters, one granddaughter, one great-grandchild, and a sister.
Edna G. Osborn '35  
Mrs. Osborn, an East Grand Rapids teacher for 16 years, died Oct. 17 in Battle Creek. She leaves two daughters, three granddaughters and two great-grandchildren.

Grace McGeath  
Mrs. McGeath studied at Western between 1948 and 1958, and died July 20 in Delmar, Calif. Her teaching experience had been in Ottawa County. She leaves her husband, one daughter, two sons, 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth Kools Parker '46  
Mrs. Parker died Oct. 29 at the home of her parents in Holland. Since graduation and marriage she had lived in Lansing, where she was active in the First Presbyterian church. Mrs. Parker leaves her husband, two sons and a brother.

Jack A. Johnson  
Mr. Johnson, owner of the Radio Room appliance store, died Oct. 11 in Delton. He attended Western from 1947 to 1949, and leaves his wife, two daughters and his mother.

Ray H. Adams retired last July as personnel director of the Dearborn school system after 41 years of service there.

Sister M. Barbara (McCarthy) of Nazareth College since 1928 is the author of an exhaustive 3,000 page study, An Historical and Textual Commentary on the Constitution of the United States. Although as yet unpublished, it has received high commendation from constitutional scholars for its scope and thoroughness.

The University of Denver granted the master of arts degree to Stella Edie White in August.

J. E. Holmes, who had been superintendent of Spring Lake schools for 35 years, retired last June...

Lena Cornish was awarded her MA degree during the August commencement at WMU.

Robert Decker received his MA degree during the August commencement at WMU.

Virgie Weaver was among the graduate students at WMU to receive her MA degree last August...

Melvin N. Burger '11 will never be forgotten by the people of Garden City. He became superintendent there in 1933, continuing until his retirement in 1945, and in recognition of his service the new $1,500,000 junior high school there has been named for him. Now 81 years of age, Burger lives at 31208 Beechwood, Garden City, just half a block from "his" school.

Ray H. Adams received an honorary doctor of science degree at Cleary College's 74th annual spring commencement...

Lucy Gallup and John Dean received their MA degrees at WMU last August...

Lt. Col. George T. Britton Jr., recently left for Ft. Benning, Ga., where he is a member of the medical staff...

Mary Nyson was awarded her MA degree last August at WMU...

Kenneth Burger, Clarabelle Carroll and Ellen Theodore were among the graduate students at WMU to be awarded their MA degrees last August...

Dr. W. Chris Heisler is superintendent of schools at Westerly, R.I....

Western Michigan University
Benton Harbor. They have been stationed at Katshunger in the Belgian Congo for the last three years as missionaries.

'41 Howard Shikoshi has been named supervisor of speciality production for the new Sutherland Paper Company plant at Albany, Ga. Wayne Falcon, Paw Paw athletic director, spent last summer rebuilding a 23-year-old Taylor Club monoplane which he found in a barn near Burr Oak and bought for $100. Wayne says he got his biggest thrill since soloing when he flew the craft from Gobles to Lawton in September.

'42 Robert Leach received his MA degree at WMU last August. Mrs. Clair Hoadley is working as a visiting teacher at Litchfield.

'43 Edna Stafford was among the graduate students to receive her MA degree during the August Commencement at WMU. Kalamazoo City Planning Director Charles B. Ford has resigned his position here to accept a similar post in Decatur, Ill.

'45 Mrs. Leon Wasink (Yvonne Fisher) of Lansing, recently co-authored a book with Miss Louise Parrish of Muskegon. The text, Teacher Pupil Planning for Better Classroom Learning, is unique in the field of educational literature.

'47 Betty Ongley received her MA degree at WMU last August. Robert A. Frisch has been appointed general agent of the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company in Philadelphia. Mrs. Cena Roe is teaching early elementary at the Holland public schools.

'49 Dorothy Adesco was awarded her MA degree last August at WMU. Roger Chiaverini has taken over as football coach at Monroe. Viola Hill is the new principal of the Pine Street school at Fremont. Howard Lewis has accepted a position as teacher of mathematics in the high school at Clinton. Ned W. Stuits is now sales representative for the P. B. Gast & Sons Co., Grand Rapids.

'50 Donald Gray was a contestant on "What's My Line" last July. His line was not guessed. Barbara Davis, Charles Roaf and John Schweitz were among the WMU graduate students to receive their MA degrees last August. Kent K. Freeland was a member of the National Science Foundation sponsored summer Institute for high school biology teachers held on the New Mexico Highland University campus. James Willette has been named supervisor of the general accounting department at Sutherland Paper Company in Kalamazoo. Max Wiener is the new athletic director at Wyoming Park high school in Grand Rapids. The appointment of Dean R. Smith, Jr., as a project chemical engineer at the Whiting Research Laboratories has been announced by the Standard Oil Company (Indiana). Darwin Smith, Jr., has been added to the Garfield Township schools at Engadine. He is teaching in the commercial department and coaching basketball and track. R. Bruce Sellers is the new superintendent at Springfield city schools. Floyd E. Shattuck was one of 50 science teachers from 12 states who attended the 12th annual General Electric Science Fellowship at Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland. Robert C. Rhind is head football coach at Homer. Ray Postema is tennis and basketball coach at San Bernardino, Calif. Pacific high school. William B. Koch has accepted the position of director of physical education and athletics, and also assistant professor of physical education at St. John's college, Winfield, Kan. Wayne Terwilliger, playing with the Charlestown, W. Va., team was voted most valuable player of the year in the American Association. Hazel Snyder is teaching first and second grades at South Haven. Weddings: Caroline L. Stiefel and Dr. Denver C. Harmon in Big Rapids.

'51 Raymond Baker, Dorothy Conrad, Jack Holm, and Walter Peters received their MA degrees last August at WMU. Donald L. Hall, M.D., has completed two years in the U.S. Army and has opened an office for general medical practice in Petersburg, Ind. George Walton is now living in Japan with his family, where he is business manager for Pacific Architects and Engineers, Inc. His firm now has under construction several large buildings in the Near East and Far East. E. E. Stephenson spent five days in October teaching at a seminar on "How to Measure and Control Printing Quality" at the Rochester Institute of Technology. He is director of quality for the Sutherland Paper Company in Kalamazoo. Glen Leeson has been named swim coach at Bay City Junior College. Weddings: Geraldine Randall and Eugene E. Boyd '52 in Birmingham.
One summer Sunday the DeMeyer family gathered for dinner at the University Student Center and brought together many memories of campus life. Pictured, back row, left to right, are: Elliott DeMeyer, '41; Stanley B. Wheeler, '36 and Ernest L. Swanson, '33. Middle row: Mary McAlear DeMeyer, '44; Mrs. Charles F. McAlear; Margaret DeMeyer Wheeler, '33; Mrs. John DeMeyer; Marian DeMeyer Swanson, '33 and Hazel M. DeMeyer, '29. In the front row are Michael DeMeyer, Carol Jean Wheeler, Janice Ann Wheeler, Ann Elizabeth DeMeyer and Robert J. Swanson. Elliott DeMeyer has been personnel manager of Knapp's Department Store, Lansing, since 1950; Swanson has taught at the Grand Haven high school since 1943, and last year his wife taught parttime; and Dr. Wheeler is a professor of speech at Hanover College in Indiana. Hazel DeMeyer is order librarian for the University Library.

Eight members of this class were among the 107 to receive MA degrees at WMU last August. They are: John Adams, Charles Atokunis, Anna Brosnan, Arbutus Cobine, Elizabeth Ekstrom, Joan Kooal, Barbara Trombly and Roselyn Yagge. Richard Haus recently joined the instructional staff of the business education department at the Michigan Veteran's Vocational School at Pine Lake. George L. Walsh has opened the Walsh Bookkeeping Service at 228½ Washington St., Grand Haven. Dean Van Velsen is the new vocal instructor at South High in Grand Rapids.


Charles Clark, Aletha Clarke, and Fred Tuttle received their MA degrees last August at WMU. Byron Center High school has Harold E. Greenyik as head football coach in its first season of OK Conference competition. Dr. Raymond L. Houghton has opened an office at 110 S. Kalamazoo Street, White Pigeon, to practice as an osteopathic surgeon. New superintendent of the Fulton schools (Keweenaw County) is Henry Martin. Herbert S. Moyer has accepted the position of principal of the Gilkey and Bridge Street elementary schools at Plainwell. Wendell Harrison received his MA degree last August at WMU and is teaching science and math at the Milford junior high.

MA degrees were awarded to the following graduate students during the August Commencement at WMU: Felma Gardner, Ruth Kerkhoff, and Gene Stiles. Dr. Mila Samal has just graduated in medicine from the University of Chicago. Robert M. Duvn has been named manager of the Panama City branch office of Hohenberg Transamerica Co., S. A., a cotton merchandising firm with headquarters in Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Hazel Balkema has been added to the teaching staff to teach a combined grade of 4th, 5th and 6th graders at Shelby. Jerry Kortjeit, is on his first teaching assignment at Clark Lane School in Waterford, Conn. Archie C. Lyle III has been added to the faculty of Central Michigan College, to teach mathematics. A still life by Ted Dickerson, "Interior in Red," was shown for a month this summer at the Provincetown, Mass., Arts Festival.

He is teaching at the University of Missouri. Marland Howard has been elected to the Michigan Track and Field Committee for 1959. His team at Covert, holds the 1957 State Track Championship in Class D. Marland's wife Miriam Roeder teaches third grade, while her husband coaches cross-country, basketball, and track at Covert. Lt. Douglas Dolbee has been discharged from the Army, where he was an instructor in the Artillery and Missile School, Fort Sill, Okla. He has accepted a position as instructor in guided missiles at Martin Aircraft Co. Clarence Oranje has been promoted to chief quality supervisor at the Sutherland Paper Company in Kalamazoo. Donald Herrman has been named principal at Benton Harbor high school. Weddings: Carol L. Aronovich and Duane Johnson June 28 in Berkeley, Calif. Marcia Johnston and Howard B. Morrison in Flint Aug. 2. Judith E. Hasse and Angel J. Bernardini in Muskegon. Patricia A. Kortjeit and Gerald A. Neubecker Aug. 16 at St. Joseph.

Ten WMU graduate students of this class received their MA degrees during the August Commencement. They are Irene Skurka, Donald Beatty, D. Dean Boot, Lyle Buckingham, Alma Costley, Mildred Doane, Oscar Frangquist, Patricia Hemphill, Herman Kiewiet, Richard Marshall, and Si Miller. Margaret J. Oren has accepted a position to teach first grade children, as a personnel for a year at one of the four AF bases in Germany. Donald Finnefrock has been appointed head football coach at Corunna high school. George Carpenter is manager of the Ude Loans, Inc., branch office in Inlay City. He was formerly at the Flint office. Henry J. Brown, DDS, has opened his office for general practice at 551 East Michigan Ave., Battle Creek. Robert Klingenfus is teaching social studies at the Niles high school. 2nd Lt. Kenneth R. Dennis has completed two weeks of annual active duty training at Ft. Chaffee, Ark., as a member of the 4009th Army Reserve Service Unit, of Lafayette, La. David M. Love is teaching sixth grade at the Erickson school in Ypsilanti. Robert Bloomquist has received an $1,800 scholarship for a second year of graduate training in social work at the University of Michigan. Since graduation he has completed one year of study at the U-M and also served in the Army. The funds have come from the Ohio...
Mental Hygiene Commission for his further work. . . Moyra McNeill Ebhing is teaching English and French at Plymouth’s community school district. . . . Louise Boyce has been awarded a two-year graduate scholarship by the National Campfire Girls. She will attend the University of Denver graduate school of social work. Miss Boyce has been serving as field director for the Campfire Girls in the Youngstown, Ohio, area. . . . Ray G. Thompson is teaching high school speech at the Ludington schools this fall. . . . Duane M. Formusma has been named principal at Constantine high school. . . . Curtis Prediger is at the Manchester school as the new physical education teacher, driver education teacher and coaching. . . . Weddings: Mary K. Sage and Daniel N. Toma in Paw Paw. . . . Dorothy Galloway and Edward L. Yoder at Reading. . . . Mary A. Lefanowicz and Paul W. Crossley in Flint.

Among the graduate students receiving their MA degrees last August at WMU were: Beulah Cary, Warren Anthony, Norman Barea, Carolyn Dignau, Kenneth Havuelman, Erika Klungits, Gladys Simcox, Robert Trelor, and Harold Whipple. . . . David Balcom has been hired as the new football coach at Williamston. . . . Joan E. Tarr is in the elementary system at Wyandotte. Robert F. Topel has been engaged as science instructor for the high school staff at Paw Paw. . . . Gerald D. Lugharti is a new distributor in Battle Creek for Silent-Maid, a home garbage grinder. . . . Mrs. Dorothy Jennings taught reading and phonics this summer at Climax-Scotts schools. . . . Sharon Giddings has been hired by the Jackson schools. . . . Jane Ingraham is principal at Capitol Hill school, where she also teaches the first and second grades. . . . On the Lawrence faculty is Paul Bos, teaching commercial classes and coaching football. . . . Mrs. Manoel Louie Boykin received her MA degree at the summer commencement at Colorado State College. . . . John Monte is teaching mathematics and algebra at Utica. . . . Nancy Hoefl is in Nurnberg, Germany, where she has accepted a librarian’s position with the division of Special Services. . . . Marie Carlson is head of the Barry County Special Education School at Middleville. . . . Lyle Huggett is speech correctionist for Lawton, Paw Paw and Mattawan schools. . . . Curtis W. Stewart will conduct the art workshop at Muskegon which is being offered this year by Muskegon public schools. Through Community College . . . David Gottschalk is teaching driver training at the South Haven schools. . . . Weddings: Joan L. Kilburn ’57 and Julian A. Visser in Plymouth. . . . Nina L. Kennedy and J. Richard Pitman in Battle Creek. . . . Nancy M.


Robert Decker has assumed his duties as an assistant secretary and treasurer of Whirlpool International Bahamas, Ltd., at Nassau, Bahamas. . . . Lt. Carroll R. Crawford is serving as special services officer at Fort Greeley, Alaska, where he will be until the summer of ’59. . . . Nine members of this class received their MA degrees last August at WMU. Jerry Norton, Fagie Grover, Esther Hickman, Beverley Jevert, Frank Riley, Edward Sample, Thomas Schmitz, Vassiliki Tsaioussoglou and John Weber . . . . William K. Smith, formerly assistant at the Jackson County Library, is now serving with the U.S. Army as advisor to the Korean Military Academy Library. . . . Donna Kibbie taught 75 Marshall children a two-week swimming program. . . . William G. McConachie recently completed the supply specialist course at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. . . . George J. Kooistra ’50 has been appointed administrative assistant to the executive secretary of the Michigan Tourist Council, and began his new duties last September. He is directing the Council’s nationwide travel publicity program for the state of Michigan. He had been a publicity writer with the Tourist Council since 1953.

Alfred D. Shankland ’51 went to Petoskey for his first teaching position and is still there. This summer he was named dean of the new Emmet Community College, a position which will become full time in July, 1959. Until that time he will continue as vocational coordinator, director of adult education and director of the Petoskey Evening College program. Al is also a new member of the state committee for community college curriculum study. The Shanklands have two daughters and live on the Petoskey-Harbor Springs road.

Boyd is teaching driver training and junior high school at Homer. . . . David Wank has been engaged as music instructor of Mason County Eastern school at Custer. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Marion Sanderson (Janet Spoon) have accepted teaching positions at the Potterville schools. Mrs. Sanderson teaches fifth grade, while Sanderson has charge of the instrumental music. . . . Merla L. Neib is teaching physical education at Midland. . . . Virginia H. Yedinak is at the Southwell elementary school of Chassell teaching fourth grade. . . . Robert Swinburne has been hired to direct the speech correction program scheduled for inauguration this fall in Calhoun County. Arthur Hedberg is the new Freeport high school coach. . . . 2nd Lt. Maynard Nieboer has been assigned to the Quart- termaster Petroleum Depot Co., Ft. Lee, Va., after having completed a 14-week quartermaster basic officer’s course there. . . . George Price has been signed to coach track at Pennfield. . . . Robert Chatterton is teaching social studies in the Fenton high school. . . . Barbara Lyke is the recipient of the Gerber Foundation graduate fellowship in biology, and has returned to the University campus this year to work with Dr. Bettina Carter on

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radio isotope tracer studies on the Rh hapten... William Putnam has been appointed as high school guidance counselor at Dowagiac... Laura Blandford is teaching the dependents of American air force personnel at Lakenheath airbase in Suffolk, England, about 85 miles north of London... Frank Riley has been hired by the Marshall schools to teach English and journalism... Dan McConnell is the superintendent at Edwardsburg... Grace Graft and Carol Webb are at the Ionia schools this fall. Grace teaches in the elementary school, while Carol is the new speech therapist.

**WEDDINGS:** Patricia Paquin '58 and Joseph Rapp in South Haven June 15... Lola Chubinski and Lewis W. Bassaw in Kalamazoo... Margaret J. Biney and Harold Paquin July 17 in Bridgman... Sandra L. Brown and Ronald E. Zordell July 26 in Baroda... Beverly Brubaker and Charles S. Stafford June 7 in Hart... Edith M. Jones and Roger D. Buxton in Battle Creek... Kay J. Woolscroft and Paul A. Downing June 14 at Litchfield... Frieda M. Sandy and Robert C. Merry July 26 at Howell... Nanny E. Reed and Dennis Wayne in St. Joseph... Patti Bruns and Charles W. Thrun in Battle Creek... Katherine Budges and Robert L. Cook in Royal Oak... Miriam J. Edwards and Raymond Sikkenga '58 in Monroe... Eleanor V. Gless and Rev. Robert Dorow in Benton Harbor... Susan Howes and Norman R. Haynes in Battle Creek... Gloria Smith and Raymond A. Lott June 29 at Manistee... Jacqueline Reek and Vincent R. Parrilla in Marshall... Margaret L. Shepard and William K. Smith June 28 in Durand... Sandra Swan and Gerald L. Nye in Galien... Cecile Wallis and Kenneth Spaulding in Muskegon... Betty L. Noteware and James A. Tyler in Traverse City... Joan L. Kilburn and Julian A. Visser '56 in Plymouth... Virginia L. Brant and George Pietz, Jr. in St. Joseph... Martha Varney '58 and James R. Chalmers in Battle Creek... Marian L. Davis and Robert Mason in Albion... Barbara Packard and John R. Mollenkopf Sept. 27 at Plymouth.

'58 Glenn Nelson has accepted a post as public relations field representative for the Detroit office of the Fisher Body division of General Motors... Doris Slack is now in the occupational therapy department of the LaRida Jackson Park Sanatorium, Chicago, III... Charlene Herron is at the Jackson County Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Jackson with the OT department... Marlene VanHull was employed by the Grand Haven Daily Tribune for the summer... Georgann Bethke spent her fifth year as lifeguard at the Ludington public beach... Daniel Ball received his MA degree at WMU last August... Gerald Graves left last August for Maracaibo, Venezuela, where he has a one-year contract to teach Spanish to the children of North American oil company employees... Robert Frakt is in Palmetto, Fla., where he accepted a position in the research department of the New Jersey Zinc Company... Charles Beadles recently received a BS degree in Education from the University of Missouri... Pete Jeffrey Wayman recently completed eight weeks of basic combat training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo... Karlyn J. Zick was in Honolulu, Hawaii, this summer visiting friends and relatives... Leon B. Michael has been appointed cashier of the Peoples Community Bank of Three Rivers, opened this fall... Robert Mason is now a third baseman at Superior, Neb... George Maguire has been employed by the Allegan County health department in the position of assistant sanitarian... A Fullbright grant for study of French at a university to be selected by the French government has gone to Caryl A. Witters... Roland P. Burgess is among 22 candidates receiving diplomas at the first formal graduation exercises of the Michigan National Guard Officer Candidate School. Upon graduation, Burgess was commissioned a second lieutenant... Patricia Frye has assumed her duties as children's worker in the Juvenile Department of the Ottawa County Probate Court... A trip by air to Washington, D.C., and a telegram of congratulations from Vice-President Richard M. Nixon were highlights in college graduation for Mrs. Maud Gordon of Cedar Springs. She began college in 1915 at WMU... Jack Runnoh has been signed as a pitcher for the Baltimore Orioles rookie club in Bluefield, W. Va... Bob Geiger is on the coaching staff at Ohio University while working on his MA degree... Irving Shapiro is now associated with the Gordon D. Hoople Hearing and Speech Center, Syracuse University... Enrolling this fall in the School of Social Work, University of Michigan, will be Mrs. Bernice Rouen. She has a $2,000 fellowship and will be working toward her master's degree... Sue S. Himes is a new employee in the executive training program at the I. H. Field Co... Jackson... Frank Obey has accepted a position with the American Agriculture and Chemical company of Humboldt, Ia... A graduate fellowship in social...
work was recently granted to Marjory Nook. She received a $2,000 grant to study in the School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago. She will be working towards her Master's degree. The following members of this class have accepted teaching positions: Gerald Sposito, junior high, Sunfield; Roberta Dykema, fourth grade, Jolman school at Muskegon; Deen Hess, metal shop and shop math, St. Clair; Jerry Inman, physical education and sixth grade, Algonac; Robert Darow, mechanical drawing and math, Zeeland; Richard Cooke, football coach, Centreville; Robert R. Pattingale, music, Wayland; Mrs. Mary Goovaert, kindergarten, Bloomingdale; Pamela Durnell, Muskegon Heights; Roger Sexton, junior high social studies, English and Driver Education, Camden-Frontier; Lawrence Eggers, junior high history and high school American government, Woodland; Benet Beamis, basketball coach and assistant track and field, Morrice; Jerry Vallerian, high school English and communication skills, White Cloud; Shirley Sieber, physical education, Allegan; William Johnson, driver training and biology, Stephenson; Larry Olson, social studies, Dowagiac; Gary Waterkamp, history, Hopkins; Wilson Munn, math and basketball coach, Hopkins; Leis Plummer, first grade, Hopkins; Francis Dunn, second grade, Hopkins; Robert McNally, all sports coach, Mendon; Priscilla Mason, vocal instructor, Lawton; Eloise Potter, and Joan Ryno, Berrien Springs; Jane Lindgren, Detroit area; James H. Owens, chemistry, physics, math, Frankenmuth; Louise Wenke, biology and general science, Northville; Carol Hussey, first grade, South Ward school at Fennville; Delwin Grissen, 7th grade and coach, White Cloud; Nancy Fiegel, 2nd grade, Niles; Jack Graham, general shop, Lakeview; Robert D. Born, shop, Highland; Glenda Peck, elementary librarian, Plymouth; Kitchen, L. Schroeder, English, Lapeer; Donald Heitel, shop, South Lyon; Jean Hansen, third grade, Grosse Pointe; Patricia Dewese, Riverview, Weddings: Susan Kellogg and Lawrence N. Gregory in Battle Creek, Karen Anderson and William W. Smith in Pontiac, Nancy Watson and Carl Rathke June 21 in Otsego, Mary Cannon and George Lubs in Escanaba, Margaret A. Skabo and Gerald D. Miller in Coldwater, Iris J. Vandenbos and Gerald K. Schram in Holland, Elaine M. Dowd and Nicholas K. Sprague in Sault Ste. Marie. Anne Moore and E. Cook in St. Joseph, June 28, Patricia A. Paquin and Joseph Rapp '57 in South Haven, June 15, Ardyth G. Light and Daniel B. Quick in Detroit June 30, Barbara J. Lillie and Lynn G. Johnson in Cadillac, Shirley Holstiger and James B. Erlandson in Three Rivers. Shirley A. Freiberg and George Andrews, Jr., in Mason, Jeanne Straight and Donald Black in Lansing, Fae M. Neidinger and John K. Milnes in Berrien Springs, Sally Wills and Jan S. Monningh in Kalamazoo Aug. 3, Joan Friedel and Henry L. Rohs, Jr., in Kalamazoo Aug. 17, Sara L. North and R. D. Barnhill in Battle Creek, Joanne Birch and Eugene W. Benson in Battle Creek, Pamela L. Durnell and Frank A. Skoelas in Muskegon, Nancy M. Decker and John Evarts in Three Rivers, Frances Nolan and Thomas Howard Aug. 21 in South Haven, Barbara R. Knapp and John R. Lamont, Aug. 9 in Sturgis, Arlene Ramsey and Alan F. Quick Aug. 16 in Marshall, Suzanne Savage and Robert St. Gordon at Pontiac, Carol Thompson and Charles Matteussen in Kalamazoo, Carol J. Turner and Thomas Logan in Detroit, Norma Lang and Larry L. Yoder in Jonesville, Karen Corey and Philip Zwerger in Stephenson, Helen M. Eisenman and Philip D. Boreis at Rogers Corners, Miriam J. Edwards '57 and Raymond Sikkena in Monroe, Karen Corey and Philip Zwerger in Stephenson, Janeth Petcke and Paul Kern in Baroda Aug. 7, Mary L. Dubyak and Jerome D. Cartwright in Albion, Judith Tobin and Robert Worline in Three Rivers, Kathryn A. Carroll and Jeremiah E. Hubert in Three Rivers Sept. 20, Elizabeth J. Hey and Ralph C. Nelson Sept. 6, Grosse Pointe Farms, Shirley Patterson and C. Bruce Privacky Aug. 2 in Muskegon, Jeanette M. Nemethy John M. Smart in Benton Harbor, Charlene E. Herndon and Harold L. Bozarth Sept. 6 in East Lansing, Luanne A. White and Donald M. Scott in Three Rivers, Eleanor J. Mauro and David P. Vindervyge in Holland, Laura G. Henriksen and Richard S. Sheldon at Montague, Nancy M. Decker and John M. Evarts in Colon, Martha Varney and James R. Chalmers '57 in Battle Creek, Nancy Bullach and William Green in Redford.

Donald Thorson '57 and now of the General Motors engineering staff explains the work of automatic device for plotting automotive spring rate curves to Dr. Paul Root, head of the University's physics department, at a GM conference for engineering and science educators in Detroit.
Same Doorway -- New Tenant

Since 1924 Western Michigan University students have been accustomed to passing through these doors to an area of quiet study, a place in which to search out information for their many class projects.

This is no more—in fact, you wouldn't recognize the place if you happened to walk in. From the sign above the door, "School of Business," throughout the structure, it has changed.

It now bustles daily with great throngs of business students. The old two-story reading room is gone, and through its length has been placed another floor, with classrooms up and down. Perhaps only at the far east end of the upper level would an old timer feel at home, as here is located the library annex.

Stairways have been placed from top to bottom at both east and west ends of the building to facilitate movement, and it's all School of Business throughout. Even the mathematics department has vacated its old basement quarters, moving into the temporary structure west of Vandercook hall.

While the outside remains unchanged, the inside has altered to keep pace with the growing university.