The New Africa

Western Michigan University
MAGAZINE
Spring 1963
A Proper Perspective

In the last issue of Western's Magazine I reported to you in some detail concerning our needs for additional financial support for both operating purposes and capital development. Our seeming preoccupation with financial needs is understandable, I trust, particularly at this time of the year as we seek to develop cogent arguments to our Governor and State Legislators for the support of Western's total program. Annual, rather than biennial, budget requests; skyrocketing enrollments in public institutions of higher education; higher percentages of students living in residence halls than are found in other states; a virtual moratorium on building during World War II and during three critical years in the late fifties; and the lack of any systematic, overall state plan for the development of individual institutions of higher education all combine to keep administrators busy with details.

We do, none-the-less, try to keep our thoughts in proper perspective. The remainder of my remarks in this issue are intended to give you this perspective.

First, I would note that the accomplishments at Western Michigan University, over the sixty years of her existence, have been truly outstanding. Not only have we become a real leader in quantitative terms in the number of elementary and secondary teachers prepared and qualified at WMU annually, but also we

(Continued on Page 24)
IT USED TO BE said that the earth was wide and made for wandering; but no longer. Now it is small and crowded: nobody can wander far without trespassing and every man is near-neighbor to three billions of his fellows.

To succeed in the art of living on such an earth is something that must give us all increasing concern, for not to succeed is not to survive. On this point our politicians, poets, preachers and philosophers are all agreed.

It has to be confessed, however, that few of us have shown much enthusiasm so far for the idea of living in a crowd. We like some of our neighbors—usually those in the same racial and religious brackets. We are willing to tolerate a good many more, provided they don’t get into our hair, that is, move into the same street, undercut our products, or disturb our peace of mind; but the rest of them we don’t ever want to know, for they simply don’t belong to “our crowd.”

Prejudices and Vested Interests
Of course, many will tell us that it is plain foolishness to try to get men to pry themselves loose from their prejudices and vested interests; that tolerance is an entirely unrealistic concept all the time man is man—a creature of unreasoning passion and pride; that the education of the child in the exercise of tolerance gives no guarantee that the man he becomes will allow himself to “tolerate” his business competitor, his intellectual opponent, his political rival, let alone treat a Russian as he would an American. But have we any right to accept so debased a view of humanity until we have more fully explored the possibilities of persuasion at our disposal? And the possibilities, it seems to me, are considerable.

I will admit at the outset that I have an axe to grind—two axes, in fact. The first I grind as a geographer, and geographers are always looking for grindstones—audiences on which they can sharpen their dull wits! The second I grind as a parent who, upon occasion, has got alarmed over the evidences of original sin in his children, and in himself.

As a geographer I believe that if we are to survive on a small, crowded planet we must find a greater place for learning about the earth in which we are to survive, so that we can make more rational adjustments to its unevenly distributed assets and liabilities. Our children’s education can no longer be predicated on the assumption that there is everywhere more land than they can plow, more
fertility than they can unearth, more minerals, fuels and fish than they can consume—on the assumption that there is nothing in the whole world except their own folly and ignorance (or somebody else’s) to prevent them from being a resounding success. There are too many man-made deserts in Asia and Africa, too many abandoned mine shafts in Europe and America, and too many scarred hillsides and unruly rivers in every continent for that assumption to sit comfortably upon our consciences.

I also believe that we must find a greater place for learning about the peoples of the earth with whom we are to survive, so that we can better understand, not only their economics and cultures, but also their attitudes and outlooks, and how these are influenced by the uneven distribution of opportunities.

In other words, I’d like to see much more attention given to the thing to which Professor Wood devoted his teaching career—the study of what people do to places, and places do to people.

Three in Number

The merits of this geographical approach to the study of man are, I believe, three in number.

In the first place, it makes us aware of our ignorance. While ignorance gives no grounds for bliss, it gives plenty for humility and, heaven knows, most of us could use a little more of this. The truth is, we still know very little about the handling of the earth. We still treat large parts of it as if it were a stockpile to be squandered rather than a trust to be husbanded, and we still seem to think that the only difference between a big problem and a little one is that the big one takes more money to solve. Until we experience a change of thought in such matters, we are unlikely to make much progress with the difficult task of keeping the earth solvent, and even less with the task of securing a decent future for our children. Admittedly, money and know-how have solved many problems, and will doubtless solve many more. T.V.A., Grand Coulee, and the Seaway are names to conjure with. No less impressive development schemes are now under way in Africa and Asia—schemes that will cost as much as the T.V.A. and are expected to do an even mightier transforming work. But can we be sure that they will give the people of those continents what they need most? And, if not, are we then going to build bigger and better dams, powerplants, ship canals, and so on? Should we not also give some thought to the possibility of educating the peoples of those lands (and our own) in the fine art of environmental appreciation, whereby they would be able to weigh the pros and cons of their customary economies, to discern how these economies are tethered to the earth and how they might be brought into more harmonious and enduring relationship with it? Anyway, it seems worth a try, especially in those places where capital for major development projects is hard to come by. I readily concede that the geographer is not the only man who can assist in such an educational campaign, but with his understanding of the “connectedness”—the tethering—of land and life, of place and people, he would appear to have some useful qualifications for the task.

Secondly, the geographical approach makes us aware, as one of our poets put it,

“... how varied is the scene

Allowed to Man for his demesne.”

Environmental differences between one part of man’s demesne and another—between one place and another—are real and of profound importance, for “place” influences human endeavor. Some people are advantaged more than others by the place they live in. Some are able to realize the advantages and surmount the disadvantages of the place they live in only with greater effort or more time. Thus it has taken Denmark a thousand years to bring its dairy farms to the productivity level reached in Southern Michigan within the space of three generations. In the Dutch lowlands the price of a crop is ceaseless vigilance against tide and storm, and the hard-won wisdom of generations of engineers; in many parts of the tropics all that is needed is a wooden digging stick and a little rain. The recognition of these differences is not as general as I could wish, but it is absolutely necessary if we are ever to come to satisfactory terms with the earth, let alone comprehend the diversity of its cultures, and the uneven timing of developments that lies at the root of so many of our international difficulties.

The Unrecognized Differences

On this continent of ours we are confronted with a thousand differences of temperature, rainfall, run-off, surface cover, soil and subsurface resource—to say nothing of ethnic composition, economic opportunity, and health and income levels, but not all of us are alive to their meaning. If we were, we would not be so happy with our generalizations about the Midwest (how can a region the size of Western Europe and every bit as diversified economically be amenable to simple epigrammatic characterization?), or about the South (which is even more diversified), or any other region of the Union, for that matter?

Nurtured on a diet of geographical simplifications about our own country, we tend, not surprisingly, to suppose that other countries and their inhabitants can also be characterized in simple terms—that the Congo is one large overheated greenhouse inhabited by people who call themselves Congolese, that the whole of Central America is backward and unhealthy, that all Chinese eat rice and worship their ancestors. The facts, of course, are different. Ignorance of the facts may have been of small account in days gone by, when contacts between nations were few and casual. But it is different now, when every organized country in the world is in constant and competitive pursuit of almost every other; for there is a grave danger that, armed only with our own geographical simplifications, we shall come to assume that what we have done—or have not done—in the United States is the measure of what the people
of the Congo, Central America and China can do—or cannot do. Possibly it is: on the other hand, we do well to remember that no problems relating to the development of nations are solved by applying nice, neat rules of thumb to them—economic, political, or otherwise. Sooner or later the environmental factors in any national equation become paramount, and because no two nations face identical sets of environmental factors, no two nations can be expected to resolve their problems either in the same way, or at the same speed.

Geographical Inequalities

I might go further and say that, basically, it is the geographical inequalities—the differences—between nation and nation that mold outlook as well as economy and that, as far as the attitudes of a nation have a rational origin, the rationality of those attitudes is more likely to be disclosed by viewing them against the geographical background of the nation than by any other line of approach. Without holding a brief for the U.S.S.R., still less for Communism, it could be argued that some part of Russia’s traditional aggressiveness toward her neighbors in the West stems from the variability of rainfall within her borders, thanks to which it is unusual for the Russian farmer to obtain more than two good crops in a row. Only to the west of Russia does the rainfall become more reliable.

There’s a third merit, I believe, in this geographical approach to the study of man. Since many of the relationships that exist between people and their places can be mapped, the geographer has a yardstick by which he can measure the adequacy, or inadequacy, of the environmental conditions of a given place for the maintenance of a given standard of living. There is, I believe, no surer way of arriving at the truth about a country’s potential than to map that country geographically, that is, to map its land-forms and climates, its land use and productivity, its mineral and water resources, its population, productive enterprises and so on. If the country aspires to bigness, these maps will show how big it is likely to get off its own substance. If it is interested in knowing how much there is for how many, the better the country is mapped, the nearer it will get to the answer.

In wartime, no nation can afford not to think geographically. For wars, although they may start in the world of the mind, are fought out in the world of “matter”—of jungle and marsh, wind and sand, where a storm of rain can do more to turn the fortunes of a battle than a dozen impassioned speeches, and where a foreknowledge of the beach conditions along the enemy’s coast can be a lot more comforting, and rewarding, to an invading army than the promise of a supporting naval bombardment. The price of erroneous geographical intelligence comes very high in war, as the Allies learned on more than one commando raid during World War II. However, it has to be admitted that military strategists have seldom been slow to appreciate the weight of the geographical factor in their calculations, or to grasp the opportunity of having their men soundly schooled in the environmental circumstances they would be called upon to face. For a while during the last war the Army’s insistence upon such schooling was equalled only by the inability of university presidents to provide it.

In Peaceetime Too

But the need for schooling in the geographical context of affairs is no less imperative in peacetime, for it would not be difficult to show that many of our recent world problems have been aggravated by the fact (in some cases have actually sprung from it) that we know all too little of the elementary facts of world geography. Can it be denied, for instance, that most of the new countries of Africa are territorial oddities, (if not monstrosities), the boundaries of which were fixed at a time when nobody knew what they enclosed? It now seems certain that not more than one in five or six of these countries have what is needed to become “going concerns”—to be capable of paying their way and carrying their share of the costs of independence. The rest are doomed to weakness and suffering—to a life, at best, of stint and scheming; at worst, of impotence and indebtedness. But still we go on congratulating every newcomer to their ranks and saying what a fine thing it is to be independent of the Belgians, the French and the British. The question of what there is to be independent of on is one nobody in or out of the United Nations seems greatly interested in.

Nor is it any extenuation to say that treaty-making and nation-building are matters solely for the expert, since it is the common folk in democratic countries at least—who put the experts in office. Anyway, can we always be sure that the “experts” are so much better informed than the laymen? There have been many times in the past 15 years when I’ve been constrained to wonder how much the men who formulate policy really know about the dozens of places all over the earth where, almost without warning, peace could be imperilled because of irrational judgments springing from ignorance of the basic facts of life in these places. The United Nations experts obviously haven’t known enough about “the basic facts” of the Congo. The United States experts would still seem to have much to learn about Central America. And can any one claim to be an expert on China?

A Different Context

The days are long gone by when we could afford to view geographical illiteracy with complacency. For no matter where we look, whether it is only to the horizons that bound our state and nation, or to the ends of the not-so-wide world, we are confronted by problems that spring from the unequal distribution of men, space and resources. Sooner or later, all organizations concerned with human welfare must bring their problems down to earth and view them in their terrestrial context. Failure

(Continued on Page 17)
IF KALAMAZOO had never held a horse race, had there never been a trotting track here, the name of Kalamazoo would still never be forgotten by horsemen. That is due to three men, and one horse. The men were Samuel A. Browne, Daniel D. Streeter and Peter V. Johnston; the horse was Peter the Great.

In explanation, let me say that the light harness horse, the standardbred trotter and pacer, is distinctly an American animal. Other breeds of horses and farm animals were imported: Jersey cattle came from the Isle of Jersey; Holsteins from a province in Germany; Percheron horses from the province of LePerche in Normandy, and the Belgian horse from Belgium. But the standardbred trotter is distinctly an American institution, developed and bred here, and we supply the world with stock for breeding that type of animal.

All standardbred horses trace back to a thoroughbred stallion called Messenger, which was imported into America in 1808. He was the sire of a horse named Abdallah, and Abdallah in turn sired Hambletonian. Hambletonian was born May 5, 1849. He was born, lived his life, and died in the little town of Chester, Orange.

Peter the Great 2:07 1/4
County, New York. From him is descended every trotting horse racing today. They all come from four male lines: Peter the Great, Axworthy, Bingen, and McKinney. Today only two of these are dominant, Peter the Great and Axworthy.

**Blood of Champions**

There is hardly a world’s champion trotter in any division of the sport that does not carry predominantly the blood of Kalamazoo’s Peter the Great. For example, the world’s champion trotter is Greyhound with a record for the mile of 1:55¾. His dam is Elizabeth, one of the last crop of foals of the immortal Peter the Great. The world’s champion mare is Rosalind, 1:56¾. She is by Scotland, grandson of Peter the Great; and the greatest living sire of trotters today, Volomite, with a record of having sired nineteen two-minute horses, and whose service fee is $3,000, is himself a grandson of Peter the Great. To demonstrate how completely the blood of Peter the Great is carried in the present day Grand Circuit trotter, I checked the summary of a recent race meeting on the Grand Circuit at Sedalia, Missouri. In eleven consecutive races which I checked, the winner and the second horse in each race were of Peter the Great ancestry, either the sire or dam, and often both, having been sired by a son or grandson of Peter the Great.

Had Kalamazoo been the birthplace of Jack Dempsey, Babe Ruth, or Ty Cobb, every citizen in the town would know of it and would know all of the details. Yet here is a horse which dominates the trotting world and but few of our citizens know more than the most sketchy details about his career.

Books have been written about this great horse and the turf journals have carried thousands of pages about him. However, I will try to give briefly the background of his breeding and early history so far as Kalamazoo is concerned.

**Kalamazoo Stock Farm**

In the 1880’s and 1890’s, Samuel A. Browne, a sandy-haired Scotch-Irishman operated the Kalamazoo Stock Farm on West Main Street. Browne had made money in the lumbering business around Muskegon. As a silent partner in many of his operations he had another wealthy and prominent Kalamazoo man, Senator Francis B. Stockbridge. They were the first men to pay $5,000 for a yearling trotter, giving that sum for Bell Boy, son of Electioneer and Beautiful Bells, bred by Senator Le-land Stanford at his farm at Palo Alto, California. At that time Bell Boy was the best bred colt in the world, his sire having the honor of siring the record holders at two, three, four years, and aged horses. Browne and Stockbridge raced Bell Boy for a year or two, then sold him for $35,000 and bought Ambassador and Warlock, two very well-bred stallions. Soon after his sale by Browne and Stockbridge, Bell Boy was destroyed by a fire and was thus lost to the breeding industry.

Among the many expensive horses purchased by Browne for his breeding operations was a mare called Lady Duncan. He paid $3,000 for her, a big price in those days for any horse; changed her name to Shadow; and tried to race her. However, she was hot tempered and was a complete failure as a racing horse, and Browne finally had to use her as a road horse, driving her between his lumber camps in northern Michigan. He finally put her to breeding and she produced several foals, among them a little brown mare with no white markings which Browne named Santos. When a yearling, Santos was sent to a sale of trotters at Cleveland, where she brought but $50 at auction. She was bought by J. I. Case of Racine, Wisconsin, the owner of the famous pacer Jay-Eye-See, the first horse to go in 2:10 in single harness. Case kept her only a few months, sending her to an auction in Kentucky where she was sold for $470 and soon after that Browne, her breeder, bought her back for a song. He mated her with his stallion, Ambassador, and in the winter of

(Continued on Page 16)
With Kindly Affection

A Dedicatory Memorial to Leslie H. Wood

by Charles Starring

SOME WEEKS AGO a poster advertised a dance to be held in "Wallwood Hall. "Wallwood" was spelled with two l's, which showed that one thread out of which traditions are woven had been broken. Old timers hereabouts know that Walwood is properly spelled with one l, because it is a word coined when President Dwight B. Waldo and Leslie H. Wood were thinking of building houses along the path which then marked the south boundary of the campus of Western State Normal School.

In the fall of that remote year, 1907, Mr. Wood was beginning his fourth year at Western. Born on December 7, 1867, in Warren, Michigan, he had grown up in Owosso and had been graduated from its high school. With an A.B. degree granted by the University of Michigan in 1891, he had returned to Owosso as the principal of the high school, and had married Lydia Goodwin of that town in 1892.

Then, after six years in Midland as superintendent of schools, he had enrolled for graduate work at the University of Chicago, which granted him its M.A. degree in 1901.

At Chicago he met William McCracken, after whom another building on this campus is named. William McCracken, who had been teaching at Northern Michigan Normal School since its opening in 1899, had been asked by its principal, Dwight B. Waldo, to look for a geography instructor. With the double recommendation of McCracken and Chairman Rollin Salisbury of Chicago's geography department, Mr. Wood taught briefly at Marquette before he returned to Chicago on a fellowship. On April 1, 1904, Mr. Waldo moved down from Marquette to organize, as its first principal, the newly-created Western State Normal School at Kalamazoo. Remembering his teacher of geography at Marquette, he soon hired Mr. Wood. Since Mr. Wood had already agreed
to take Professor Salisbury's classes at Chicago for the summer quarter, he was unable to teach in the first session of Western, in the summer of 1904. His active affiliation with this school began with the opening of the fall term on September 26, 1904. Ernest Burnham had taught in the summer session; and many years later, when the patriarchs assembled to talk over the old days, this question was argued: Was Leslie Wood or Ernest Burnham hired first by Mr. Waldo? There is no doubt that Ernest Burnham taught first at Western; but, if I may rush in ahead of the angels, I venture that the evidence suggests Leslie Wood had been hired first.

Mr. Wood's original assignment was to teach all the natural sciences offered in the curriculum. He was relieved of physics when John Fox arrived in 1906; of chemistry when William McCracken came down from Marquette in 1907; and of nature study by Leroy Harvey in 1908. After that year he concentrated on geography and geology.

His first assistant in these subjects was Lucia Harrison. She and Mr. Wood were the originators of the Faculty Science Club, one of the oldest and most effective faculty groups on the campus. In 1918, Miss Harrison returned from graduate work at the University of Chicago, where she had profited from membership in an interdepartmental club of graduate students. She now suggested to Mr. Wood a faculty interdepartmental club for the sciences. Sam Renshaw of psychology and Leroy Harvey of biology proved enthusiastic, and these three men, in an expansive mood after dinner at the Woods' home, worked out the plan and program of the Faculty Science Club. It occurred to these founding fathers that the flow of scholarly conversation in their club meetings might be stultified if the presence of women prevented smoking. They also agreed that the matter of getting the ladies home safely after the meetings would be an unnecessary inconvenience. Their solution to these problems was to make women ineligible to membership, and the next day Mr. Wood informed Miss Harrison as tactfully as the circumstances allowed that she was not to be a member of the science club she had proposed.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood made their first home in Kalamazoo on South Westnedge Avenue. The first persons to call upon them there were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Davis. Out of this visit came a long friendship, continued into the second generation by Cameron and Irene Davis, so that it is peculiarly fitting that this building should have been built by the Miller-Davis Company. The Woods and the Davises soon discovered the natural beauties of the Torch Lake region. About the time of World War I, Mr. Wood acquired an interest in a cherry farm near Ellsworth, and this led him to explorations of the long waterway reaching from Ellsworth through Bellaire to Torch Lake. Then he bought a boat house on Torch Lake just below Alden and remodeled it into a summer cottage. Before long several of his faculty colleagues—the Everetts, the Foxes, the Blairs, the Spraus, and the Maybees—were spending all or part of their summer holidays in that vicinity.

Torch Lake and its connecting waterways gave Mr. Wood an excuse to indulge his hobby of building boats. He built five or six of them, either in the excellent shop he set up in the basement of his home or in the old Eames Mill which then stood in the angle between Oakland Drive and Michigan Avenue. By all accounts these boats were masterpieces of design and construction. Transporting them from Kalamazoo to Torch Lake was not an easy task in the 1920's, what with low-powered automobiles, home-made trailers, and dirt roads north of Grand Rapids. But when a boat was safely launched on Torch Lake, its inboard motor running smoothly, it was worth all the time and effort it had cost. To Mr. Wood, a boat was a thing of beauty and a joy for ever. If the motor stopped, he could spend long and happy hours finding the trouble; if it ran smoothly, he could take it apart to discover the reasons for his
good fortune. Rumor said he had built one of his boats too large to be removed through the door, and that this had presented an unanticipated and difficult problem. More likely he had enlarged the original design in the course of construction and had happily accepted the problem of removing the completed boat as another challenge to his ingenuity. In Mrs. Wood's opinion, their winters seemed too much taken up with boat building, and at last she put her foot down. There followed a winter apparently unplagued by marine construction. But on a fateful day in the spring, an unposted dinner guest inquired, “Leslie, how are you getting along with your boat?”, and Mrs. Wood learned that her husband, by leaving the house earlier in the morning, had been able to maintain a surreptitious project in the old Eames Mill.

Between 1908 and 1920 the Woods lived in the house they had built on Walwood Place. Not long before they left Walwood for their home in Academy Street, they acquired Teddy. Teddy was a large collie of uncertain ancestry, one of a litter that had appeared on the Ralston dairy farm. For many years Teddy went with Mr. Wood on every school day to the Science Building, retrieving on the way the sticks thrown for his edification. During the day he would lie quietly in a corner of his master's classroom or office, or sit outside the window, waiting for the homeward trip. Teddy became almost as much a campus fixture as the trolley cars or the cupola on the old Administration Building. In the late twenties he was the innocent cause of an unfortunate accident: a stick rebounded from a tree, struck Mr. Wood, and cost him the sight of one eye. But the close relationship continued, if anything closer than before. Finally, one morning three or four years later, Mr. Wood noticed that Teddy had not joined him as he left the house. He turned, saw Teddy sitting by the steps, and whistled the signal that had always brought Teddy to his side. But not this time. Teddy stayed home, and he never again accompanied his master to the Science Building. He had simply decided he had reached the age of the less strenuous life—that he had, in the current euphemism, become a Senior Citizen.

As a teacher, Mr. Wood was enthusiastic, methodical, and thorough. Content was of first importance to him, and he was impatient with those who would stress methods rather than knowledge and background. His own excellent background was acquired by no means entirely from books, for he believed there was no substitute for observation in the field. Before coming to Kalamazoo he had surveyed lignite deposits for the State of North Dakota, and when he and Mrs. Wood visited the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis in 1904, they were surprised to find a large photograph of Mr. Wood in the exhibit of that state. In the summer of 1911, he and Professor Leverett of the University of Michigan, in the course of a survey of glaciation in the Upper Peninsula walked, he afterwards estimated, about 1,000 miles. With Mrs. Wood he spent six months in Europe before the first World War chiefly to acquire firsthand knowledge of the lands he was teaching.

(Continued on Page 15)
Alumni Board Greets New Directors

OFFICERS

President
Virgil Westdale '49, Farmington

Vice President
Lloyd Hartman '50, Wyoming

Vice President
Robert B. Burns '41, Grand Rapids

Executive Secretary
Thomas E. Coyne '55, Kalamazoo

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Term Expires 1963
Virgil Westdale '49
Bill A. Brown, Jr. '53, Palatine, Illinois
Clifford Cole '36, Jackson
Harold Crocker '25, Benton Harbor
Edward Rossi '40, Kalamazoo
Maurice D. Sumney '48, Kalamazoo
Alfred Pugno '33, Fremont

Term Expires 1964
Lloyd Hartman '50
James H. Bekkering '42, Fremont
Barbara Bird '40, Grand Rapids
Bill F. Kobielu '47, Livonia
Laura Long '34, Muskegon
Max E. Matson '55, Saginaw

Term Expires 1965
Fred W. Adams '22, Grosse Pointe
Robert B. Burns '41
Alice H. Gernant '41, Kalamazoo
Donald H. Hayes '50, Birmingham
Robert S. Perry '49, Grand Rapids
Charles Starring '22, Kalamazoo
Enid Smith '38, Marshall
Zola Volpel '39

RECENTLY ELECTED members of the Alumni Association board of directors included three incumbents and two newcomers active in their local alumni clubs. The incumbents are Zola Volpel '39, past president of Alpha Beta Epsilon Sorority and a teacher at Henry Ford High School, Dearborn, who is serving her first elected term to the board of directors. Re-elected to a position on the board was Robert Burns '41, member of Morse, Kleiner & Burns law firm in Grand Rapids, who has been a director since 1958. Also elected to his first three-year term was Donald Hayes '50, manager of quality assurance, Fruehauf Trailer Company in Detroit, who has served as one of President Westdale's appointees for the past year.

On the board of directors for the first time is Miss Alice Gernant '41, member of the Delta chapter of Alpha Beta Epsilon sorority and a teacher at the University Campus School. Rounding out the quintet is Grand Rapids' club member Robert Perry '49, who was a leader in efforts on behalf of the successful "Peter Pan" production in Grand Rapids last year. He is currently superintendent of the transportation seating division of American Seating Company in Grand Rapids.

Two other new members of the board are Charles Starring '22, WMU history professor, and Fred W. Adams '32, director of marketing, automotive division, American Motors, who were appointed by President James W. Miller. Also on the board as representatives of alumni-affiliated organizations are Mrs. Enid Smith '38, president-elect of Alpha Beta Epsilon Sorority and a member of Theta chapter, and Edward Rossi '40, chairman of the board of the Bronco Boosters club.

Fred Adams and Charles Starring, new appointive alumni trustees, chat before the February meeting.

Left to right: New board members are Donald Hayes '50, Alice Gernant '41, Zola Volpel '39, President James W. Miller, Robert Burns '41, and Robert Perry '49.
First Scholarship Grant Presented

SIX MONTHS after the inception of the WMU Subscription Club Program, the first scholarship award of $300 has been granted. Fittingly, the recipient is a member of the newly established Honors College on the WMU campus, Wayne D. Elzev, Kalamazoo.

Wayne has just completed the first semester of his junior year. He was a Basic Studies honor student with an cumulative point average of 3.35 at the end of his sophomore year, and received a point average of 3.9 for the fall semester. He was the unanimous choice of the Honors College Committee of Dr. Robert Limpus, Dr. Cornelius Loew, acting dean of the School of Liberal Arts, Dr. E. Thomas Lawson and Dr. Samuel Clark, director of honors.

Since its beginning in September, the Subscription Club has produced steady revenue which has gone to defray promotional expenses and to the awarding of this particular scholarship. From this relatively small beginning, the Alumni Association has great hopes that Western's scholarship program will be significantly aided by funds of the Subscription Club. Its success, however, will require the support of all alumni, parents, faculty and friends.

Since the program is designed merely to capitalize on the subscription programs of the many publishing companies throughout the country, and since participation in the program does not involve any additional cost to a magazine subscriber, it is hoped that use of the Subscription Club will become standard procedure for all connected with Western. This is one of those rare occasions where an individual can get something extra at no additional cost. The opportunity to assist the education of young men and women like Wayne Elzev and the others who will undoubtedly follow him is the "something extra" well worth our support.

Directors Hear Presidential Review

THE SECOND of the three annual Alumni Association Board of Directors' meetings was held Saturday, February 9, in the Faculty Lounge of the University Student Center. Departing from usual custom at the directors' meetings, the morning session was devoted entirely to a talk by University President, James W. Miller, designed to acquaint the directors with the present status of Western Michigan University in the State of Michigan today.

President Miller covered a variety of subjects, notably the current state student aid appropriation and the attempts of the university administration to bring the entire faculty of Western up in salary scale commensurate with salary levels in other major universities. President Miller spoke at length about the fact that for many years, Western had existed with the lowest operating budget of any state-supported university of comparable size in Michigan. This situation, while necessary during and following the depression period, can no longer be allowed to exist. It is the immediate concern of the school's administration that Western's faculty no longer be expected to work under the hardships of overly large classes and low salary.

President Miller pointed out that 75 per cent of the current faculty had been raised to a standard salary scale last year, and it was hoped that the remaining members of the faculty would be placed on scale this coming fiscal year.

Following lunch, the directors were also addressed by Vice President for Academic Affairs, Russell H. Seibert, who reviewed the current academic picture at the university. Dr. Seibert discussed in particular the Regional Studies Program currently under way at Western wherein professors or guest lecturers from given geographic regions come to Western's campus for seminars and class work.

The afternoon business session of the board meeting was highlighted by the announcement of the first Subscription Club Scholarship Award, and the change in dates of the Alumni Council meeting from April 6 to April 20, and of the final Board of Directors' meeting from June 8 to June 1.
FOLLOWING THE 1960 summer seminar to Europe, the Leonard Kерchers spent the remainder of the year and the first half of 1961 traveling through Europe, the Near East, and Africa studying juvenile delinquency. As head of the department of sociology and anthropology, Dr. Kercher's professional interest in the area helped open doors all along the way. Africa quickened their pulse, excited their enthusiasm for its people, and when tragedy struck their family it was to Africa that they again turned their interests. As a sociologist, Dr. Kercher studied all types of people and civilizations with his camera, bringing back some 2,000 color slides. In the space available it is impossible to tell the story of a continent, or even a few people. In this selection we have tried only to touch briefly on The New Africa.

The Africa of our mind's eye can be found—but it is only a small portion of the real continent. From East to West and North to South the hunger and enthusiasm for education is mirrored in the youngsters at the right. At the left Dr. and Mrs. Kercher and their daughter, Ann, are pictured at Capetown, the southern tip of the continent. Below, the buildings, structures, in any of the world's cities...
Point, the southernmost tip of a windswept, rocky promontory where Africa emerges in modern structures that would be outstanding in any world's cities. This is a business town, Uganda. Typical of the New Africa is Mrs. Kalema and her family, shown with Mrs. Kercher and Ann. Residents of Kampala, Mrs. Kalema is a graduate of the University of Edinburgh, and it may be expected that from the generation of her own children will rise the new Africa. Another view of the typical Africa, unlike the stereotype of jungle or desert, is the Merengai crater near Nakuru in Kenya. This upland area is really more typically Africa than any other type of landscape. The small map shows their route through Africa, entering through Egypt and down the east coast.
FOLLOWING THE 1960 summer seminar to Europe, the Leonard Kerchers spent the remainder of the year and the first half of 1961 traveling through Europe, the Near East, and Africa studying juvenile delinquency. As head of the department of sociology and anthropology, Dr. Kercher's professional interest in the area helped open doors all along the way. Africa quickened their pulse, excited their enthusiasm for its people, and when tragedy struck their family it was to Africa that they again turned their interests. As a sociologist, Dr. Kercher studied all types of people and civilizations with his camera, bringing back some 2,000 color slides. In the space available it is impossible to tell the story of a continent, or even a few people. In this selection we have tried only to touch briefly on The New Africa.

The Africa of our mind's eye can be found—but it is only a small portion of the real continent. From East to West and North to South the hunger and enthusiasm for education is mirrored in the youngsters at the right. At the left Dr. and Mrs. Kercher and their daughter, Ann, are pictured at Cape Point, the southernmost tip of the continent, a windswept, rocky promontory. Below, the new Africa emerges in modern buildings, structures that would be outstanding in any of the world's cities. This is a business building in Kampala, Uganda. Typical of the New Africa is Mrs. Kalema and her family, shown with Mrs. Kercher and Ann. Residents of Kampala, Mrs. Kalema is a graduate of the University of Edinburgh, and it may be expected that from the generation of her own children will rise the new Africa. Another view of the typical Africa, unlike the stereotype of jungle or desert, is the Meruengai crater near Nakuru in Kenya. This upland area is really more typically Africa than any other type of landscape. The small map shows their route through Africa, entering through Egypt and down the east coast.
New Pitchers Key to Diamond Hopes

Lack of experienced pitching is Coach Charlie Maher’s problem for the 1963 edition of the Western Michigan University baseball team. The top three hurlers from last year’s championship team have graduated: Lefty Bill Ortlieb, Ken Larsen and Ken Palmateer had a combined mark of 12-4 out of the team’s record of 17-6.

Top pitching prospects include junior Curt Cleaver of Gary, Ind. (he was 2-0 last season, beating Northwestern and Ohio State); junior Mike Boedy of Grand Rapids; senior lefty Lee Salo of Livonia (he was 2-1 in 1962); and lefty Gary Wallman, junior from South Bend, Ind., who was 1-1 in 1962. Dave Bitane (junior from Cleveland) and Bruce Buys (junior from Coldwater) are also expected to show well on the mound.

Top returning veterans are shortstop Fred Michalski (.293), third baseman Dan Predovic (.272), and outfielders Dave Kwiatkowski (.296), Mike Gatza (.350), and Al Drews (.310). Kwiatkowski, only a junior this season, is one of the longest ball hitters Maher has ever had at WMU. All the outfielders listed are juniors except Gatza who is a senior this year.

Replacements, except for catching, will undoubtedly come from the sophomores on hand. The top candidates include second baseman John Sluka of Grand Haven and first baseman Bill Reeves of Kalamazoo. Roger Theder, letterman and football quarterback from Watertown, Wis., and letterman Jerry Austry of Chicago will battle for the catching chores.

The Broncos play a full slate of twelve Mid-American games plus home and home with Notre Dame, three at Ball State, three with Ohio State, and home and home with Michigan and Michigan State for a twenty-four game card.

Another Track Title?

Can Western Michigan’s 1963 track team successfully defend its fifth straight Mid-American Conference title? Can the Broncos win their sixth in a row on their own track and field on May 17-18? These are, of course, both loaded questions; each hinges on the performances of all the team members. Last year’s championship team won the crown with 851/2 points to second place Miami’s 78½—quite close. And with the Redskins and Ohio University’s Bobcats showing marked improvement in the sport, it should be quite a battle for MAC laurels in 1963.

Returning are such stars as distance men Jerry Bashaw and Dick Greene (both 4:09.5 milers); dash and hurdle star Butch Barham (:09.7, :21.7 and :23.5 low hurdles); shot putter Elliott Uzelac (32’); pole vaulter Dave Underly (14’); and ace high jumper Alonzo Littlejohn (6’ 9”). Littlejohn tied for second in the NCAA meet last June with a 6’ 9” jump. He holds the MAC record in the event, too.

The Broncos will be much improved in the field events, strong in the track events once more (with perhaps more added depth) and strong in the relays events. Again, WMU will be the team to beat in the Mid-American Conference race!

Boosters Hit $22,500

The Bronco Booster Club, consisting of alumni and friends of Western Michigan University in the Kalamazoo area who have donated generously of their time and talents to encourage the sale of tickets to the athletic events at Western and also in the establishment of athletic scholarships, has again experienced a banner year. Its membership drive this year netted over $22,500, a new record.

Now in its seventh year of existence, the Boosters’ Club has raised over $100,000 for the WMU athletic program. In addition, the Bronco Boosters have been instrumental in the formation of a Downtown Quarterback Club which met at a Monday luncheon following each football game during the football season and which meets periodically during the basketball season under the name of the Double Dribble Club. Besides taking the opportunity to second-guess the athletic staff at Western, the members of these clubs have also awarded trophies to the Lineman of the Year and the Back of the Year on the football team and Most Valuable and Most Improved members of

Catcher Jerry Austry, with pitchers Mike Boedy, Bruce Buys, and Curt Cleaver talking over the coming season with Bill Chambers, assistant coach, during a fall practice session.
With Kindly Affection

(Continued from Page 9)

One product of his field-work and study was a pioneer book published in 1914, *The Physical, Industrial and Sectional Geography of Michigan*. He had conceived this as his doctoral dissertation. His committee at the University of Chicago approved the idea but not the form. They insisted on something more formidable equipped with scholarly apparatus. Mr. Wood thought his manuscript had the best kind of documentation—his own observations and investigations made in the field—footnotes made by his own feet. To put his work in the required form took more time than his heavy teaching program allowed; and when sabbatical leave became available, he preferred to spend it in Europe. The result was the publication of the *Geography of Michigan*, but no Ph.D. This was a cause of regret to Professor Salisbury, who said he had rarely encountered a candidate so highly qualified.

Mr. Wood did not belong to the school of classroom spellbinders. Indeed, he would have thought their style dishonest without the backing of thorough knowledge. He was a deeply honest man, and he had no use for subterfuge or slovenly work. To arouse the curiosity that would lead students to understand the forces that had produced topographical changes, he often took them to view the gravel beds, moraines, and lakes of this area. In his presentations he made good use of his skill in drawing; on the blackboard he could show students the stages in the long process that produced the Grand Canyon, Yosemite Valley, or the configuration of the Great Lakes.

Mr. Wood was associated with Western in the years of its beginnings, when a building like this one seemed as unlikely as the Taj Mahal. The simplicity of those years and his own inclination led him to believe in getting along with what was available. At one time he became interested in crystallography and decided he must have models of crystal forms. He learned from Mr. Waldo what he already suspected, that there was no money to buy the elegant manufactured models from supply houses. But he got some models just the same. He made them himself, of wood, in the workshop in the basement of his home. They are still used. When he needed a new projector, he once assembled one from parts rejected by other departments. This willingness to use what was available was an aspect of his honesty, and it once put him in the temporary bad graces of Mr. Waldo. The president had presented a strong case for a new classroom building before a committee of the legislature. Committee members visiting the campus later came to Mr. Wood's department and found him working in his laboratory. They asked him if his department was handicapped by lack of space. He replied cheerfully, "Oh no—we're getting along all right." The legislators, probably with considerable pleasure, gave entirely suitable documentation of his argument.

Mr. Wood was a quiet but determined man, whose determination did not detract from his congeniality. He was amused by the passing show but he kept steadily to his purposes. He understood students, and he was always ready to encourage and help those in whom he saw ability supported by effort. But he was never effusive with advice, and he knew how to prod the laggard. To a student who was indulging in a siesta in his class in the geography of Michigan, he is reported to have said: "We are coming to your home town now, Mr. Johnson; you may wish to leave the sleeper and come into the observation car."

It was a happy decision to name this building after the man who created this school's first courses in the natural sciences. He was a thorough and inspiring teacher, he enjoyed and helped others to enjoy the unusual features of his native state, he was a good neighbor, a loyal friend, and he bestowed a kind of freshness upon that time-worn phrase, *a scholar and a gentleman*. ☻
1891 he sold her to his fellow townsman, Daniel D. Streeter, for $1,000.

The Streeter Era

Daniel D. Streeter was a contractor who was doing big railroad grading operations at that time. He lived on West Michigan Avenue on property now owned by Western Michigan University and in the large house which is now the home of President James W. Miller of that institution. Streeter owned a few mares and bred horses in a small way. He raised a colt or two from Santos and in 1894 sent her to Battle Creek to be crossed with a crippled gray stallion named Pilot Medium. Pilot Medium was a horse with no race record, but he was a grandson of old Hambletonian himself, the great progenitor. Fred Waud remembers taking Santos to Battle Creek to be bred. The result of that union was a leggy brown colt called Peter the Great, named for his trainer and driver, Peter V. Johnston. Judson Graine, a well-known colored man in our city, was a stable boy at the farm of Daniel D. Streeter and after the colt was foaled, he helped to care for and break and train him. (Graine died in December, 1962.)

Santos herself remained the property of the Streeter family until her death in 1916. She produced nine foals, four of whom, Episode, Chimes of Normandy, Anvil Chorus, and Nautilus, became prominent as broodmares; one colt, Shulsworthy, was exported to Russia; and Peter the Great and J. Malcolm Forbes became famous as the sires of trotters. No other mare ever produced two sons which in turn were the sires of more than one hundred standard trotters.

The racing career of Peter the Great was not an extended one. He was a most difficult horse to train, his gait being uneven, and Johnston had trouble in getting him properly balanced and able to hold his stride at a trot when at speed. It was necessary at first to use heavy shoes and toe weights on him, at times he carried as high as twenty ounces on each front foot. Johnston worked very hard with him but was able to get him ready for only one race in his first year as a race horse, the two-year-old division of the Kentucky Futurity, raced each fall at Lexington. There, in his first start as a race horse, the colt gave a very good account of himself, winning second money.

The following year, 1898, when Peter the Great was three, Johnston again had his troubles and had to practically start from the beginning, as the colt seemed to have forgotten all he had learned the year before. First one thing and then another prevented him from getting to the races; however, by late September he seemed ready and again he was shipped to Lexington, where on October 6, 1898, he was started in the three-year-old division of the Kentucky Futurity, at that time the greatest race for three-year-old trotters. Peter the Great won the race easily in what was then considered wonderful time, the heats being in 2:13¾, 2:14½ and 2:12½. The last heat, won in 2:12½, set a new world’s record for three-year-old trotters in a race, and it created a great sensation, since he had been entirely overlooked by the speculators.

This success at Lexington brought about the sale of Peter the Great to a wealthy Boston sportsman, J. Malcolm Forbes, for a reported price of $20,000. The following year Peter the Great was placed in the hands of another trainer, Henry Titer, who raced him to a four-year-old record of 2:07¼, a very fast mark for those days. He then went lame and was permanently retired from racing.

In those days many wealthy men owned fast horses and drove them for pleasure and sport, and especially were they being driven on the snow paths in the winter. It was for this purpose that Forbes now wished to use Peter the Great but it was a role for which he was not at all fitted. He was an awkward horse, was mixed gaited, and was a difficult horse to train and drive.

The story is told that one day when Forbes was driving him to cutter, Peter the Great slipped on a street car track and fell sprawling in the street. This so embarrassed and disgusted Forbes that he relegated Peter the Great to an obscure place in his stable where he was given but slight attention and was never shown to visitors except upon special request.

While Forbes was quite an extensive breeder of horses, he used Peter the Great very little for that purpose. However, when he was eight years of age his first colt appeared on the race tracks, a filly named Sadie Mac. She was a sensation from the start, sweeping the two-year-old events along the Grand Circuit. Still Forbes thought no better of Peter the Great and that fall he was sent to the Old Glory Auction in New York. When Peter the Great was brought into the ring he was in rather poor physical condition and the bidders, knowing that Forbes had become soured on him, were not much interested. One of the turf writers, Will Logan, Jr., who was a great admirer of the horse, urged a wealthy friend to buy him and he was finally bid off for $5,000 by Peter Duryea for himself and William E. D. Stokes of New York city. When Forbes learned that the horse had been sold for
$5,000 he told Ed Tipton, who was in charge of the sale, that it was the best sale he had ever made. Daniel D. Streeter had wanted to buy him back but was not willing to pay more than $2,500 for him.

When Stokes learned that Durvea had bought Peter the Great and that he was a half owner of him, he was not at all happy and considered sending him to England. Had he done so, it would have ended his career, as England is one of the few European countries where the American trotter has never been accepted and where there are no trotting races.

Kentucky Sire

After being sold in New York, Peter the Great was sent to the Patchen Wilkes Farm at Lexington, where he stood until he was twenty years of age. From him came many of the finest race colts of that time, chief among them being Peter Volo, whose record 2:02, who in turn sired Volomite, the greatest sire of trotters that the world has ever known.

When he was twenty years old Peter the Great was purchased for $50,000 by G. Lee Winings for Stoughton A. Fletcher, a wealthy banker of Indianapolis, and placed at the head of his Laurel Hall Farm. There he lived until his death in 1923 at the age of twenty-eight years. Winings told me once, while attending the Grand Circuit here in Kentucky, that when they bought the horse for $50,000 most horsemen thought he and Fletcher were crazy, but in the eight years they had him, he made them a profit of $400,000.

Incidentally, in September, 1949, one of Peter the Great's great-grandsons, Nibble Hanover, age thirteen years, sold for $100,000 cash, being purchased by the farm that bred him, and he was placed in its breeding ranks at a fee of $1,000. This is the second highest price ever paid for a trotting stallion.

Peter the Great was the sire of 661 horses with standard records that is 2:30 trotting or 2:25 pacing. Certainly today more standard-bred horses carry the blood of Peter the Great than that of any other horse that ever lived.

Who IS Who?

In the November issue, picturing the class of 1912 on page 17, we erroneously identified Ruth Strong as having the maiden name of Revelli. It should have read Ruth Fazelle Strong '12. Her daughter-in-law is Rosemary Revelli Strong '53, the wife of John F. Strong '57. This Ruth Strong is no relation to Ruth Osgerby Strong '36, who is the sister-in-law of the editor of this magazine, Russell A. Strong MA '59, who now is not sure to whom he may be related.

Geography's Role

(Continued from Page 3)

to do so can only result in the creation of more and worse situations of disequilibrium between man and the environment, between the goals he sets himself and the realities of his material circumstances. In the past, nations which failed to cut their ideological suits to their geographical cloth, could go back to the tailor for more cloth. Things are different today—the tailor has almost run out of cloth.

Please do not mistake me, though. In saying all this, I am far from suggesting that the only thing needed to make us good neighbors is a more liberal education in the ways of the earth, more restraint in the uses to which we put its resources, (human and physical), or simply more geography. By all means let us have more education—education that will dispel the ignorance of the masses and show them the inadequacy of a faith founded on big barns and big bombs. By all means let us teach our children about the temptations and burdens to the big nation and about the self-destruction of people who eat, drink, and are merry with no thought for their neighbor, or for tomorrow. And by all means give them more geography. But is this going to do the trick? Will it turn me or my students from the worship of the golden calf to the pursuit of the Commandments?

As an educator of sorts, I take leave to wonder if any kind of edu-

cation will do it alone. From my observation, the best educated people are not always the nicest to live with, nor are they necessarily the most free from raging ambition and anti-social attitudes. I believe we need more unselfishness as much as we need more education. For when we get down to bedrock, the biggest problems of our time are not physical or technical, but moral and spiritual. As Walter Lippmann reminded us not so long ago, the real problem "arises out of the objective difficulty of providing an adequate material existence, but out of men's subjective expectations which, because they are unlimited and insatiable, cause violence, inequality, hatred and frustration." Such is the progeny of greed—one of the principles of "Every man for himself, and the Devil take the hindmost." But how are we to deal with man's selfish expectations? How can we make war on the progeny of greed?

If I may conclude by stating my own personal conviction, it is that the realization of the things for which I, as a geographer and a parent, stand calls for a change of heart no less than for a change of thought. It calls, as Dr. Robert Hutchins once put it, for the cultivation of "a deep sense of our own unimportance and a deep conviction of the importance of others." So far history has given absolutely no assurance that that sense and that conviction can be sustained by purely material or intellectual considerations. They can be sustained only by sources of strength and inspiration that lie beyond the kingdoms of this world. To seek first the Kingdom of God is, I believe, not only the beginning of wisdom, but the precondition of survival. Dedicated to such a seeking, we could yet live to see the day when, in the words of John Addington Symonds,

"Nation with nation, land with land
Unarmed shall live as comrades free;
(And) In every heart and brain
shall throb
The pulse of one fraternity."
'05-'19 Arthur L. Martin ’08, for the third consecutive year, has won an annual award for being the outstanding American Legion post service officer at Cheboygan. Stephen L. Starks ’13 has been appointed to serve as a consultant to the trustees of the Dow Foundation at Midland.

'20-'29 Lorene C. Ash ’22 was October teacher of the month by the Detroit Education Association. She is a sixth and seventh grade reading teacher at Marshall elementary school... Ian H. Ros ’25 of Manassas, Va., is still serving as director of the business service division of the National Education Association in Washington, D.C. ... Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tasker (Dorothy Car...

Defense Library Consultant

Marie A. Rapp ’27 is on a four-month leave of absence from the University of Illinois Library to serve as library consultant to the Inter-American Defense College at Fort McNair, Washington, D.C. She is principally concerned with the acquisition of materials in Spanish and Portuguese, and her background includes work with the Benjamin Franklin Library, Mexico City, from 1946 to 1951, and director of the library of the UNESCO Regional Fundamental Center for Latin America from 1951 to 1957 in Patzcuaro, Michoacan, Mexico.

Class Notes

'26 have opened a drug store in Battle Creek since 1947 before moving to Howard City ... Murdo Ferguson ’28 has been elected president of the Owosso Kiwanis Club ... Leslie B. Merritt ’28 has resigned as editor of the Livingston County Press effective last December. He expects to tour several southern states before making future plans... Dr. Arthur Secord ’28, 4 Garden Street, Great Neck, N.Y., represented WMU at the inauguration of Dr. John Henry Fischer as president of Teachers College, Columbia University.

Wendell Walker of New York City recently represented WMU at the inauguration of Dr. James Hester as president of New York University.

Eved C. Dudley presented a paper “Impressions of Yesterday’s Legal Lights” before the Grand Rapids Historical Society. He is president of the Library Commission and attorney the last quarter century ... E. L. Sherf recently spoke on “Profit Planning and the Operating Budget” at a dinner meeting of the Blue Water Group of the National Association of Accountants in Port Huron.

Donald Curry of Mason, former Ingham agricultural agent, has returned from Trinidad where he supervised AID programs involving irrigation, soil conservation, livestock development and the establishment of training facilities. He worked closely with the Peace Corps and is now awaiting another assignment for the Agency for International Development.

'35 J. A. Robbins is the new Grand Rapids Civic Band leader.

An oil painting by Miss Frieda Gernant, associate professor of fine arts at Georgia Southern College, Statesboro, Ga., is one of six paintings which were selected to hang in the Washington office of Representative G. Elliott Hagan.

William Wang, who has been associated with the Midland schools for 25 years, has been named acting principal of Midland High School ... John Reed is in his third year as athletic director at Kendallville, Ind. John Jr. is a sophomore at WMU ... Louis Chappell has been named municipal judge at South Haven, where he has been president of the board of education for five years.

Murl B. Connor received a Diploma for Advanced Graduate study at Michigan State University, a sixth-year program.

Charlotte Cloft is a new columnist for the “Ferndale Fare” column in the Ferndale Gazette-Times.

Joyce T. Seaman is teaching first grade in Park Forest, Ill. She is working on her master's degree at the University of Illinois ... James A. Walker, Flint artist, had a two-man show with Robert Davidson, Saratoga Springs, N.Y., at Gallery Arkep in New York City. They are color relief printmakers and were awarded the two-man show as a result of a national graphics competition held at the gallery last season.

Ray A. Howe was elected vice president of the American Federation of Teachers in Detroit. He is a social science teacher at Henry Ford Community College ... Leo Handley is teaching shop at Three Rivers ... Leland H. Smith is a political science instructor at Highland Park Junior College and a part-time faculty at Wayne State University ... Richard Kik, Jr., D. O. is the new chief of staff at Battle Creek Lakeview General Hospital ... Warren J. Lawrence, executive officer for the Kalamazoo National Guard Company C, has assumed command of the unit ... Bail E. Shell recently received a Diploma for Advanced Graduate study at Michigan State University, a sixth-year program.

John C. Worrell has been named sales manager of polysiocyanates for the Carvin Co. of North Haven, Conn., a recently acquired division of the Upjohn Co. ... Clark Sherman received his MA degree in business administration from Michigan State University ... George Hamaty has been elected as a fourth ward alderman at Hastings ... Wayne Terwilliger has been teaching U.S. and world history in the Otsego High School during the fall semester 1962. In the spring he will leave for the south to prepare for spring training as manager of the Pensacola, Fla., farm team of the Washington Senators. He had spent 14 years as a professional baseball player, including seven years in the major leagues ... E. Gordon Blanchard has been promoted to a vice president of Michigan National Bank in Grand Rapids, where he had been with the bank's installment loan department.
Louis F. VanderLinde, MA ’58 is an assistant professor at Wayne State University, has been awarded a Doctor of Education degree at Michigan State University. Howard Dean appeared in the Lyric and Opera, Inc., production of “Pagliacci” in Fashion Arts Auditorium, New York City, in January.

Milton H. Zoschke MA ’56 began his new duties last fall as one of the visiting teachers attached to the Berrien County superintendent of schools office. Joel Burdin, has been appointed assistant professor of education at Indiana State College, Terre Haute, Ind. His duties including teaching and supervisor to student teachers. William C. Hanich is principal of the new Mona Shores School in Muskegon.

Capt. Arthur H. West has returned to Hanau, Germany, where he is stationed with the 503rd Aviation Section, Third Armored Division and a “space-shot” assignment in Africa. He was featured prominently with the October 1962 space orbits of Navy Cmdr. Walter Schirra in a Rhodesian newspaper. Bertch A. Merriman is a math instructor at the Sault Branch of Michigan College of Mining & Technology. Carl W. Helges recently was promoted to captain in Verona, Italy, where he is a medical administrative assistant in the 45th Field Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Snyder (Gwen Smith) have a baby girl named Melisu Joy born October 1962. They reside in Hadlyne, Conn. Arlene E. Richards received an MA degree in art education from the University of Illinois. Robert Crawford recently received his master of arts degree in educational administration from the University of Michigan. Lt. Gene E. Neibaur has been appointed project officer of the intensive recruiting drive being conducted by Headquarters Company, 107th Engineer Battalion, Ishpeming. Wending: Darlene A. Ball and Robert D. Leland in Royal Oak.

John Gillespie recently passed the Michigan Certified Public Accountants examination. Donald C. Whitmill, formerly associated with the Battle Creek civil defense national operational headquarters, has been appointed director of Office of Emergency Planning Region 2 with headquarters at Olney, Md. Army Capt. Daniel J. Acosta recently participated with other members of the 88th Medical Company in Exercise Tricolor Team, a NATO operation in Luxembourg. Capt. Acosta is regularly assigned as commander of the company in Neubrucke, Germany. Sharon Hall, who has served as Washtenaw County extension agent in charge of 4-H club work, has resigned to accept a position as Co-Operative Extension Service District marketing agent for a five-county area with headquarters in Grand Rapids. Erika Klungsins MA ’58 has been appointed instructor in math at the University of Cincinnati. Lowell Johnson, who recently retired from his post as Negaunee recreation director, was honored at a farewell gathering and was presented an engraved gold wrist watch by members of Little League teams. He has accepted a position on the faculty at Romulus. Harold Whipple MA ’58 is the new superintendent of the Hull School in Saugatuck. Capt. Gordon E. Wallace is stepping down after commanding the Kalamazoo National Guard signal company since January, 1961. He plans to return to active status in about six months.

Leonard Werner and Robert Denison recently passed the Michigan Certified Public Accountants examination. Arthur Franklin Lewis MA received a Doctor of Medicine degree at the University of Toronto last June, where he is an intern. Sherwood Snyder III, consultant for the Drama Advisory Service at the University of Minnesota, has been elected to the position of Executive Secretary and Treasurer for the North Central Theatre Association. Curtis Van Voorhees has been hired as high school principal at Paw Paw. He took charge of the school guidance program last year and has worked as acting principal since last summer. Gloria Smith Lett was recently honored along with her parents and eight brothers and sisters in being named as Family-of-the-Year by the Urban League National Conference. They live in Manistee. Robert S. Hall, teaching English in Benton Harbor High School for the past nine years and teaching developmental reading there for two years, recently delivered a speech on Developmental Reading at a National Secretarial Association workshop in Benton Harbor. Dr. William Adams has opened a dental office in Tecumseh. He has been practicing dentistry on Drummond Island. He will also teach in the U. of M. dental school two mornings a week following the opening of his offices in the new medical building near the hospital. Robert C. Barrett, Jr. was recently promoted to captain in the U. S. Army at Fort Richardson, Alaska. Gordon Farragh has been appointed assistant football coach in Escanaba. He coached at Kingsford last year. James Bowen is teaching the fourth and fifth grades at the Lapeer Lum Elementary School. James S. Casey has been admitted to the practice of law in the state of Michigan. In 1961 he was admitted to the practice of law in Indiana. At present he is law clerk for a district judge in northern Indiana. Capt. Gordon L. Biscomb is assigned by the U. S. Army to the Royal Armoured Corps School of Tank Technology, Bovington Camp, Dorset, England, for a 13-month course on Combat Vehicle Engineering. His twin brother, Capt. Donald L. Biscomb is the adjutant of Watertown arsenal, Watertown, Mass. Vilmar Kulainis has been promoted to captain while serving as company commander of the 58th quartermaster company, Ft. Lee Va. Frederick E. Brown is the new high school principal at Mesick. He will also do some teaching and handle the duties of athletic director.

Devon Smith ’37 Directs Steel Industrial Relations

Devon Smith ’37 is the new director of industrial relations for the National Steel and Shipbuilding Co., San Diego, Calif., second largest shipbuilding firm on the West Coast. He has now been with various Kaiser enterprises for 20 years. In 1957 he and his wife were named “Citizens of the Year” at Bristol, Pa., where they spent some years. Last May Smith was named “Businessman of the Day” by a San Diego radio station.
Newell Takes Chicago Transportation Post

Donald J. Newell, a student just prior to World War II, has been named general manager of the Plate and Welding division of the General American Transportation Corp. He will move to Chicago from Birmingham, Ala., where he has been regional manager in charge of the Birmingham plant of the Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel Co.

has been appointed manager of a new group insurance sales office opened in the Water Building by State Mutual Life Assurance Co. of America in Grand Rapids ... Gerald deMink has been named vice president of the Kalamazoo Redi-Mix Co. ... Twelve members of this class received their MA degrees during the summer at WMU. They are: Sam E. Benham, teaching of social sciences; Blanche L. Benware, special education; James R. Chalmers, teaching of industrial education; Jean M. DeHaan, librarianship; Lola P. Gross, English; Walter M. Hansel, secondary administration and supervision; Carroll A. Jensen, guidance; Jack D. Reamer, teaching of social sciences; Betty L. Smoke, teaching in the elementary school; Edna Westfield, curriculum development and coordination; Rebecca R. Wing, teaching in the elementary school; and Frederick H. Wood, teaching in the elementary school ... William G. Groat of Evanston, Ill., is presently in third year as graduate assistant in English at Northwestern University working toward a Ph.D. degree in American literature ... Dan Stearns has been appointed credit manager for KVP Sutherland Paper Co. in Kalamazoo ... Patricia A. Nye is teaching fourth grade at Camden-Frontier ... Raymond Wallis is one of the new sixth grade teachers at the Grand Haven Ferry School ... Joseph Swoonk is teaching English at Niles.

58 Roy E. Carlson, MA '62, a social studies teacher at Battle Creek Lakeview High School for the last four and one-half years, has resigned to accept a position as manager of the Marshall Chamber of Commerce ... John M. Hoffman is the third generation to join the Hoffman law firm in Allegan. He is the grandson of former US Congressman Clare E. Hoffman, who founded the law firm 57 years ago ... Larry Harding is working in Lansing for IBM as a Data Processing Sales Trainee. He lives at 2124 Marguerite Ave., Lansing ... Robert F. Sittig was awarded a Ph.D. in government last August from Southern Illinois University. He has accepted a position with the University of Nebraska in the Department of Political Science at Lincoln. He worked for the Illinois State Legislative Commission on County Problems as a research associate during the summer of 1960 ... Weddings: Elsie H. Weber and the Rev. Bernard Bresson in Pontiac ... Willard Baker MA is the new high school principal at Delton Kellogg schools ... George W. Lawton has joined the technical department of the Watervliet division of Hammermill Paper Company as projects engineer ... Donald R. Brens is with Dow Chemical Co. in the Birmingham area ... Richard E. Hill of Colon is enrolled at the College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery, Des Moines, Ia. ... The following members of this class received their MA degrees during the summer at WMU. They are: Thomas W. Arch, teaching of literature and language; Mary K. Barden, teaching of business education; Mary J. Clark, teaching in the elementary school; Richard J. Cooke, teaching of physical education; Richard A. Cripe, guidance; Jack L. Graham, teaching of industrial education; Douglas R. Gross, guidance; Robert C. Harris, history; Burton C. Hedges, secondary administration and supervision; Beatrice K. Huggett, special education; Jason F. Kuipers, secondary administration and supervision; Katherine L. Livington, teaching in the junior high school; Olive F. London, guidance; Leonard Slatteborze, Jr. teaching of social sciences; Raymond Sikkenga, teaching in the junior high school; Irene B. Vogt, teaching in the elementary school and Dennis J. Weber, chemistry ... John Berryman, Oak Forest, Ill., aqua pool manager, was credited by the Chicago Tribune for his quick thinking in saving a number of children in a June 23 tornado ... Kenneth D. Smith has been promoted to sales representative for paper for Penick & Ford, Ltd., in the Minnesota area ... John Harris is assistant football coach, junior varsity basketball coach and is teaching history and geography at Shepherd ... David Held, who has been one of four radio operators stationed at the 5th District State Police Post in Paw Paw, has been promoted to radio technician for the 7th District. He will be stationed at Traverse City and will serve the State Police Posts at Manistee, Petoskey and Cadillac as well as Traverse City ... Jack Dykstra is one of the new sixth grade teachers at the Grand Haven Ferry School ... John M. Hoffman graduated from the Indiana University Law School last June ... John E. Coe MA has been appointed to the staff at Tufts College at Medford, Mass., where he will serve as varsity baseball coach, freshman basketball coach and assist with the freshman football program. The appointment also includes a staff position in the Department of Physical Education ... Dr. Gene T. Miller of Paw Paw, has completed the orientation course for officers of the U.S. Air Force medical service at Gunter AFB, Ala. He is being reassigned to Larson AFB. Wash. Miller received his D.D.S. degree last June at the University of Michigan College of Dentistry ... Robert Geiger has become an instructor at Ashland College, where he will be an assistant football coach and head track coach. He was assistant track coach and English teacher at Mansfield, O. ... Maude Strauss ended a 41-year teaching career in the Kent County schools last June ... William M. Bocks MA is principal of the North Muskegon High School. He had been principal at Hamilton ... Paul O. Brisbane has been ordained in the Sacred Episcopal Church in Coldwater ... Lee Greenawalt spent the summer on an European tour to study history, Greek, Latin and French. He is at the University of Maryland working toward his master's degree ... Edward A. Livingston, MA '59, a band instructor at Grand Rapids Godwin schools, recently helped design an unusual tuba, which was made in West Germany. The only one of its kind in the world, it made its debut at the Grand Rapids Symphony last October ... Robert C. Slagel received his Ph.D. in organic chemistry at the University of Illinois last June. He is working in the basic research group at Archer-Daniels-Midland Co. in Minn...
neopolis, Minn. ... Weddings: Dorothy Correll MA '61 and Stephen L. Sears in Hartford Aug. 18 ... Mary J. Page and Dr. George Miller June 2 in Southfield ... Shirley M. Mason '62 and Ross Bullock in Berrien Springs ... Jean A. Taylor and Vincent W. LaPointe, Jr. in Saginaw. ... Patricia Kiefer and Scott A. McGowney in Rockford ... Sandra K. Riddle and Robert H. Rainwater in Kalamazoo ... Linda L. Woodrick and Kenneth R. Dyer in Grand Rapids.

'59 Shirley Van Valkenburg has received her master of education degree in physical education from Pennsylvania State University ... Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wenko (Patti Riley) both teach at Saginaw. He teaches speech and social studies, while she teaches the deaf. They both directed plays at the Sister Lakes Playhouse this past summer, as well as appearing in major roles ... Valerie Hurni is first woman appointed to direct Argurghib's Business College in Battle Creek. Tom Kidder is teaching general business, economics and business law at Fremont ... Robert E. Decker, Jr. MA '62 is now elementary principal in the G alien School ... Louis J. Molnar has been named manager of office furniture sales for the Burroughs Manufacturing Co., Detroit ... Ted Buehler has taken a post as field representative for the Michigan Education Special Services Association in Grand Rapids ... Margie Gehring MA '60 has been appointed librarian at Hall-Fowler memorial library at Ionia ... John E. Hoskins MA has been elected president of the Michigan Rehabilitation Association. He is executive director of the Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit ... Ronald J. Taylor has passed the State Bar of Michigan examination and has been admitted to the practice of law. He started immediately with his father at offices located at 201 Wayne Street, St. Joseph. ... Weddings: Margaret Palen and James R. Reexode Nov. 24 in Alliance, O. ... Dora M. Brown and Charles J. Mikkelsen Oct. 13 in Lansing ... Ted F. McGarty has been named president of AMB Associates, a Scotts-dale, Ariz., land development and building company ... Fred J. Boltthouse was promoted to 17-18 building superintendent at the Post Division of General Food Corp, in Battle Creek ... Robert J. Cannell is working for Ross Roy, Inc., advertising agency in Detroit ... Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sibal (Melinda Slayton) have returned to Michigan after having spent three years in New Jersey where Milt was project chemist for Riegel Paper Co., Milford, N. J., and Linda taught second grade. He is now a process chemist for Watervliet Paper Co., Watervliet ... Donald D. Loukota recently completed the three-week statistical quality control course at the Army Quartermaster School, Fort Lee Va. ... James Lamborn has been promoted to branch manager of the Eastwood Branch office of the American National Bank in Kalamazoo ... David Woodcock is head football and baseball coach at Brown City High School. He also teaches social studies ... Army 1st Lt. Thomas R. Wolf recently completed the 39-week officer fixed-wing aviator's course at the Aviation School, Fort Rucker, Ala. ... Army Sgt. John F. Moos was awarded the Good Conduct Medal while serving with the 40th Transportation Battalion at Fort Eustis, Va. ... Tom Kidder is teaching general business, economics and business law at Fremont ... Robert P. Dale has been promoted to controller of the Sears Roebuck & Co., in Benton Harbor ... William C. Donohoe is a secondary school teacher with the Peace Corps in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia ... Ruth A. Coates is teaching military dependent children in England under the Air Force program ... The following members of this class received their MA degrees during the summer at WMU: William E. Barber, psychology; Raymond G. Berndt, secondary administration and supervision; Pauline M. Bryant, teaching in the elementary school; Virginia S. Crowell, teaching in the elementary school; Artis K. Cummings, general administration and supervision; Susan K. Darling, occupational therapy; Robert E. Decker, elementary administration and supervision; Donald L. Fink, teaching of industrial education; Daniel T. Hamilton, teaching of industrial education; James M. Jennings, elementary administration and supervision; Roland E. Lubinge, teaching of industrial education; Thomas J. Patterson, guidance; Howard R. Rose, guidance; Rosemary Russell, teaching in the elementary school; Fred L. Schoneboom, secondary administration and supervision; Helen Tidd, special education; Mary E. Tolhuizen, teaching in the elementary school; Donald U. Weber, teaching of music and Jane A. Whitmore, guidance ... Kenneth Dyer is teaching at Nashville ... Philip L. Dillman MA is chairman of the English department at Birmingham ... Roland Lubinge has been appointed to the Grand Rapids Junior College faculty ... Lewis Lotvette, Jr. of Alpena, has accepted the position of Executive Director of the Northeastern Children's Aid Society. ... Twin sisters Diane K. Petroskey and Joanne L. Petroskey were married in July at the Muskegon Sacred Heart Church. Diane is now Mrs. Vandel Scott, living at Westland Rd., Roosevelt Park, while Joanne is Mrs. Phillip Southland, living in Manistee. ... Weddings: Eleanor Berger and James G. Duram in Kalamazoo ... Sallyjo Becker '60 and T. Jack Bruggema in Ann Arbor ... Barbara J. Brainard and John J. Dancu June 23 in Dearborn ... Norma J. Call and Larry A. Landstra in Battle Creek ... Eileen Nagy and Donald Lessner in Monroe ... Dianna D. Brock '60 and Frank M. Guadlandi Sept. 8 in Benton Harbor ... Carmela A. Calabrese and William E. Harris in Watervliet ... Marjeta King and John M. Mertus in Ann Arbor ... Patricia A. Zielinski and Robert W. Middleton in California ... Dorothy J. Schledter and Guglicchio Davide Dadamo in Bridgman ... Harriet E. Graham and Norbert F. Hauser in Crawfordsville, Ind. ... Grace E. Bailey and Arthur L. Maynard in Detroit.

'60 Army PFC John M. Church recently was assigned as an illustrator in the 8th U. S. Army's audio-visual section in Seoul, Korea ... Alfred W. Gianziotti has recently been promoted to commercial manager of the Vineyard District Sales Department, in charge of all sales operations for this district of Michigan.

Anderson Michigan's Football Coach of '62

Rolla Anderson '47 is the 1962 "College Football Coach of the Year" in Michigan, selected in a landslide balloting after his Kalamazoo College team went undefeated in eight games. (Four years ago they lost eight straight.) The voting was conducted by the Associated Press, following Kalamazoo's first MIAA championship on the gridiron since 1947 and its first perfect season in 46 years. Anderson became the K-College head coach in 1953.
Bell . . . James W. Guither has been promoted from a personnel trainee to a personnel management assistant and transferred to the VA hospital at Butler, Pa. He had been an employee at Battle Creek VA hospital and a Battle Creek resident for 14 years . . . Jimmie E. Woods has been appointed suggestions program coordinator for Ford Motor Company's Hardware and Accessory plant in Fostoria, O. . . .

Mr. L. and Mrs. David A. Tripp (Marcia Wagner) received master's degrees last June at Iowa State University. David received an MS in physics, while Marcia received an MS in biochemistry. He is employed at the Atomic Energy Commission in Ames, Iowa, where they reside with their three-month-old son.

Joan Molter is a new worker for the Michigan Children's Aid Society Southwestern Michigan branch in St. Joseph . . . Lt. Richard P. Walsman has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AF Base in Texas. He is being reassigned to Keesler AFB, Miss., for training as an electronics officer.

Society Southwest Michigan branch

for two years . . .

Robert Winkler completed a National Science Foundation In-Service Institute in Biology at Wayne State University and last summer attended Michigan State University. Robert is a biology teacher at Mt. Clemens High School. He and his wife Elaine Rasmussen have a son Neil Robert born in February 1962 . . .

J. Richard VanderVeen is teaching social studies, physical education and coaches football and basketball at Ravenna . . .

Cheryl A. Helling MA '62 is teaching at Lincoln School in Ypsilanti, while Janet Essig is teaching at Bridgman . . . Thomas Raggens is assistant advertising manager of the Grand Rapids Division of Kroger Co. . . . Judith A. Wilber worked with the Warren Recreation Department last summer. She has taught in Royal Oak for two years . . .

Lt. Jack E. Ritsma recently received his new rank as first lieutenant at the Atlanta, Ga., Army depot. He has completed the basic officer's orientation course at Fort Lee, Va. . . .

Martha Thompson of Paw Paw has just completed training in the Peace Corps in San Jose, Calif., and is awaiting her assignment in the Philippine Islands. Beruan Joyce is teaching in the Philippines Islands with the Peace Corps . . . Jim Jordan, prominent young artist of Portage and Grand Rapids taught painting, scheduling classes for adults and children last summer . . .

The following members of this class received their MA degrees during the summer at WMU . . .

Oregon Office of Ash secondary administration and supervision; Michael J. Bodt, industrial psychology.

Dennis L. Bryan, teaching in the elementary school; Willis Fifer, jr., special education; Clarence D. Hammond, psychology; Gary C. Harden, teaching of social studies; Mabel E. Hendrickx, elementary administration and supervision; David Kollat, business administration; Cornelis Laban, biology; Ann C. Panse, teaching of home economics; David M. Powell, elementary administration and supervision; Howard J. Rusilov, Jr., guidance; Judith C. Steepleton, librarianship; Fern Tietso, special education; William R. Walkowiak, orientation and mobility; Robert G. White, teaching of social studies; and Paul R. Williams, psychology . . .

Douglas Holland of Silver Spring, Md., has left for a two-year teaching assignment in Africa under the auspices of the African-American Institute and the Elizabethtown (Pa.) College Africa Program . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roger Avers (Helen Turner) now reside at 181 Normandy Road, Fort Ord, Calif. . . .

Dennis Schultz is teaching at the Hollywood Elementary School in the Lake- shore system . . . Kenneth W. Roddmer is a chemist with Rohm-Phos Chemical Co. in Kalamazoo . . . William Earnest has been transferred to West Chicago, Ill., by Western Electric Co., after two years in New York, and is now living in Naperville, Ill. . . .

Zane Cannon has two pages of copy and original cartoons of his in the new book "Today's Cartoon." Janet K. Essig is teaching business education at Bridgman . . . Louis Johnson attended a summer institute at Mundelein College and Loyola University in Chicago. He has taught foreign language in Portage for the last year and a half . . . Jim Conrad is head basketball coach at Springfield . . . Stanley Kitch MA is the new principal at Thornapple Kellogg in Middleville . . . Jack Hubbell has joined the Tyden Corporation as industrial and plant engineer of the Viking Sprinkler Division in Hastings . . . Eugene Lefel is teaching history while being head football and track coach at Schoolcraft . . . Lester P. Coffman, Jr. is participating in a flying training course with the U. S. Air Force, and will receive the silver wings of a pilot upon graduation . . .

Weddings:


Jane L. Vanden Bos '62 and Lee R. Pursley in Holland . . .


'61 George Zainea is teaching American government and U. S. history at Ionia . . . Donald L. Menze has been promoted to specialist four on Okinawa, where he is assigned to Headquarters, U. S. Army, Ryukyu Islands . . . Thomas F. Griffith has joined Royal McBee Corp. as a data processing sales representative in Detroit. He and his wife will reside at 19440 Fielding Avenue . . . Mildred Kelsey is program chairman of the 1963 Vermontville Maple Syrup Festival to be held April 27 . . . Robert Drew MA, industrial arts teacher at Zeeland, spoke to the Zeeland Rotary as a part of American Education Week . . . Carolyn Kiril is a music therapist at the Kalamazoo State Hospital . . . Ronald C, Knop is attending the University of Michigan School of Dentistry . . .

Lynda Clingenpeel received an MA degree in Latin at the University of Michigan and started teaching at the newest of 10 high schools in Bakersfield, Calif., this fall . . .

Lt. John C. Fleming attended Advance Base Procurement Management Seminar in Dayton, O. He is a USAF contract administrator at Travis AFB, Calif. . . . Jane Stagg received an MA from the University of Michigan last June and is teaching Latin and Spanish at Avon Lake, O . . . Daniel Krezenski is teaching science at Otsego. One of his students was the regional science fair and Krezenski accompanied him to National Science Fair at the World's Fair in Seattle, Wash. . . .

David Hansen is on the USS Saratoga, which has just returned from a six-month tour of the Mediterranean. His wife, Joan Chickering '60, is at her husband's home port at Mayport, Fla. She is teaching at the Jefferson-Davis Junior School in Orange Park, Fla. . . . Donald R. McLeod is attending Union Theological Seminary in New York City. Mrs. McLeod (Doris Billz) received an MA from the Columbia University in June and is now teaching English at Port Chester Junior High, Port Chester, N. Y. They live at 318 Hasting Hall, 600 West 122nd St, New York 27, N. Y. . . . Iris Livingstone MA
has been hired by the Quincy Community Schools as the new guidance director. Weddings: Marilyn S. Weeks and Glenn G. Keith in Lawrence ... Barbara L. Talladay and Darel E. Adams Sept. 8 in Orchard Lake ... William E. Lear is teaching sixth grade at Central Elementary School in Portage ... Olin Walker of Holland, has been named principal of the Kent City High School. He will also serve as a counselor and athletic director. Gary L. Yarger of Nashville, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force at Lackland AFB, Texas. He is being reassigned to James Connally AFB, Texas for navigator training ...

Army 2d Lt. David G. McLinden of Galesburg recently completed the officer orientation course at the Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Va. ... Charles Morlan is head football and baseball coach at Jackson St. Mary's High School ... Gerald Neidligner is the new football coach at Williamson ... Sandra Hybels is working for the Philadelphia law firm of Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis on a special case for NBC ...

Jane Olson is teaching English at Ravenna ... Bonnie L. Pica is teaching junior high English at Grass Lake ... John Poel MA is the new principal of the Grand Rapids Southwest Christian High School. The following members of this class received their MA degrees during the summer at WMU: Robert M. Browning, psychology; Elaine K. Chetelain, librarianship; Roberta S. Cheney, librarianship; Leslie H. Cochran, teaching of industrial education; Richard D. Dubek, teaching of physical education; Virginia M. Fenner, special education; Dorothy A. Giovannini, teaching of music; Barry L. Keller, biology; Margaret M. Kudoecki, teaching of science and math; James C. Leighty, teaching of physical education; David A. Morris, psychology; Jack L. Neal, teaching of music; John P. Sanders, teaching of industrial education; and Nicholas Timmer, teaching of social sciences ...

James M. Donahue has completed his training with the Michigan National Guard and is now employed as an underwriter at the Hawkeye Security Offices in Grand Rapids ... Robert N. Harris was promoted to first lieutenant and to senior operations officer for Army liaison team (SAGE) in Madison, Wis. ... Fred Zook is teaching in Vicksburg. He was recently married to Connie Fogle ...

... John Strickland of Farmington, is presently an ensign in the U.S. Navy with the Naval Aviation officers training for radar intercept operator in jet fighters ... Sally Proper is at Central 11th grade English at the Niles Brandwine School ...

Douglas Conklin is the youngest president in the history of the Hartford, Mich., Chamber of Commerce. He is in the furniture business with his father, who was the Chamber's first president ...

... Rowland L. Austin in co-chairman of the Lansing Jaycee's exhibit sales drive. He is employed in the personnel department of Oldsmobile ... Christopher C. Beater is teaching fifth and sixth grades at Haverhill Elementary School at Portage ... Esther Caviness is an occupational therapist with the Battle Creek Health Center ... James D. Beyer is being reassigned to Shaw AFB, S. C. following his graduation from the United States Air Force technical training course for accounting and finance officers at Sheppard AFB, Texas ...

Carolina F. DeLeeuw MA recently completed two weeks of advanced study in occupational therapy at Walter Reed Institute of Research in Washington, D. C. ... W. A. Butler, Jr., has been named assistant to the chairman of the board of directors of Delta Upsilon fraternity, with offices at 271 Madison Ave., New York ... Weddings: Sally Proper and John Dalrymple in Elkhart, Ind. ... Janet Smith and David Greenhoe in Stanish ... Janet K. Herder and Robert F. Koets Sept. 1 in Kalamazoo ...

Texanne Gillespie and Ronald V. Kriger Aug. 4 in Bangor ... Lynamice Nelson and Larry VanderMolen in Muskegon ... Mary L. Witherell and David A. Matzen in Grand Haven ... Sharon K. Yntema and Dennis F. Kniola in Zeeland ... Beverly A. Oliver and William E. McCallum July 14 in Paw Paw ... Mary S. Kelly and James E. Holton '62 June 16 in Royal Oak ... Rita K. Crosby and Ronald A. Siwik June 23 in Tecumseh ... Joan K. Hickey and Frederick W. Gebauer June 16 in Wayne ... Marcia A. Heiden and Leo L. Klein '62 in Kalamazoo ...

Kathryn L. Carrier in Gladstone and Neil F. Sinclair in Gladstone ...

Boyd Becomes Missouri Bank Vice President

Richard L. Boyd '59 became vice president of the Community State Bank, Kansas City, Mo., on Jan. 1. He had been associated with the Fidelity Federal Savings and Loan Assn., and the Industrial State Bank of Kalamazoo prior to this appointment. Recently Boyd was also promoted to major in the U.S. Army Reserve. He is married and has four children.

'62 Eugene A. Lewis is attending Garrett Theological Seminary at Evanston, Ill. ... Richard C. Roseberry has assumed duties with the accounting firm of Arthur Andersen and Co. of Chicago ... Yunn H. Chiang MA has been named a chemist in organic research at Shulton in New York. ... Philip C. Rolfs recently completed the 16-week topographic computing course at The Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Va. ... Karl G. Stolt has completed the officer orientation course at the Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Va. ... Kenneth Statnick has been appointed an administrative assistant at Charles Services, Inc., in Kalamazoo. ... Stanley G. Bosker MA has been named honor graduate of the U.S. Air Force course for administrative specialists at Amarillo, Texas ...

Army 2d Lt. Roger E. Hopkins recently completed the nine-week officer orientation course at the Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Va. ... Army 2d Lt. Brent H. Nichols completed the eight-week officer orientation course at the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga. ... Army Pfc. Carl M. Monroe has completed the eight-week communications center operation course at the Southeastern Signal School, Fort Gordon, Ga. ... Ann Salter is teaching math in Parma, O. It was stated by error in the last News Magazine that she was teaching in Tecumseh.
... Natalie Kirschf is teaching Spanish and English at Hartford. Walter T. Stamp is teaching in East Africa after training at Columbia University, N. Y., prior to a two-year teaching assignment. Paul Piott is teaching in Jackson, Miss., in the fall. He worked as an X-ray technician at Harbor Beach Community Hospital this past summer. Janis Kengis is among the 99-member freshman class which entered the Wayne State University College of Medicine. Warren Bosworth is teaching speech and English at Grandville High School after a 32-year wait to fulfill his teaching ambition. Frank Brechin is in Afghanistan with the Peace Corps as a mechanic. Pat Collins attended a reception in Mexico City for President and Mrs. J. F. Kennedy. She is attending the National University of Mexico on a Fulbright scholarship. James H. Hagen MA is assistant juvenile officer for Kalamazoo. Jeredl Young has been accepted in the Peace Corps to teach science in a secondary school in a small village located about 16 miles from Nepal’s capital, Katmandu. Charles Follett has been appointed as field sales representative in Detroit Mobil Homes, Inc., at Saint Louis, Mich. Airman 3rd Class Donald W. Williamson has been reassigned to a unit of the Michigan Air National Guard at Detroit after his graduation from the U. S. Air Force technical training for supply specialists at Amarillo AFB, Texas. 2nd Lt. Edmund Varnelis is serving with the 14th Armored Cavalry Regiment’s 3rd Reconnaissance Squadron which guards the northern sector of the East-West German border. Army 2nd Lt. Robert T. Bigelow has completed the eight-week officer orientation course at The Adjutant General’s School, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. Nancy Doherty is teaching in Palo Alto, Calif. Richard R. Peterson is teaching elementary education at the Fairplain schools in Benton Harbor. He is also teaching math and English in the junior high. Army 2nd Lt. Phillip W. Crowder of Fort Benning, Ga., recently completed the eight-week officer orientation course at the Infantry School. Nancy House is teaching at the Richard Elementary School in Grosse Pointe. Robert E. Loretz has been named assistant Kalamazoo city civil defense director. Ervindine Swinhearth MA is high school librarian at Springfield School near Battle Creek. John D. Campbell, Jr., has been assigned to Kirtland AFB, N. M., for duty after being commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force at Lackland AFB, Texas. Army 2nd Lt. Roger E. Hopkins recently was assigned to the 62nd Transportation Company at Fort Eustis as a platoon leader. Bonnie J. Sunday is teaching stenography and typing. Robert Christian is teaching junior high science at Charlotte. Harold E. James received the Institute of Radio Engineering outstanding student award. He is an electronic engineer with Sparton Electronics in Jackson. Lt. Gerald E. Kubisak of Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., has completed the eight-week officer orientation course at the Finance School. Richard J. Granger, Susan Bliss and Donna J. Upkeas are teaching at Bridgman this year.

A Proper Perspective

(Continued from Inside Cover)
can take pride in the fact that the quality of performance of the teachers prepared in our programs has been recognized both within and outside the State of Michigan. It is particularly significant that Western Michigan University continues to rank among the first 100 of some 2000 institutions of higher education in terms of the number of its undergraduates who have earned graduate degrees and become college and university teachers. In the last four years, eight Woodrow Wilson Fellowships, two Danforth Scholarships, and Graduate Fellowships, Scholarships and Assistantships in 29 different universities, including the top prestige institutions in the United States, have been awarded to Western graduates. Still another indication of the quality of education at Western is the fact that four National Merit Scholarship winners are now enrolled on the campus. The emphasis at Western placed on the preparation of industrial education teachers has particular and direct significance for Michigan’s economic development. More industrial education teachers in Michigan public schools are graduates of Western than of all other Michigan institutions combined.

Our chemistry department is one of only eight departments in the State of Michigan accredited by the American Chemical Society. Nowhere in the country is there a Speech Clinic preparing speech therapists with any greater vision, competence and enthusiasm than is true at Western. Our occupational therapy department, which is the oldest and largest in the United States, attracts more requests for its graduates than are listed annually for any special program on the campus. Our undergraduate paper technology program is one of the best any where in the country.

In recent years Western Michigan University has developed, through its Institute of Regional Studies, with financial support from the Carnegie Corporation, a number of programs designed to improve the knowledge and understanding of both faculty and students of the social, cultural, economic, political and spiritual forces operating in foreign countries.

Last month we had a visit from the Ambassador to the United Nations from Nigeria, Chief Simeon O. Adebo. In Chief Adebo’s country Western is entering its fourth year in cooperative effort with the Western Nigerian government and the United States Agency for International Development in the founding and developing of the Technical College of Ibadan, Nigeria.

Under a grant from the Department of State, Western Michigan University is conducting this summer a study in an intercultural program for thirty Western students who will travel and engage in systematic studies in Japan and India. This is a program which the Department of State is supporting in the amount of approximately $65,000. The program is organized, coordinated and directed by Dr. Samuel I. Clark, Director of Honors, and Dr. Cornelius Loew, acting dean of the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Dr. Loew has been filling for Dean Gerald Osborn, who is on a Fulbright grant in the Philippines. During April and May of this year, Western will have on its campus Lamidi Fakeye, Nigeria’s artist in wood. Mr. Fakeye’s visit is being made possible through a financial contribution made by a prominent local citizen. The number of our faculty who are engaged in foreign travel and study at any given time is probably higher than for any other institution in the country of the same size and general character.

Further developments in terms of Western Michigan University’s rela-
tions with foreign governments may be found in the fact that Dr. James H. Griggs, dean of our School of Education, has been invited by the German government to serve as a consultant in Germany this summer. Vice President Russell H. Seibert and Dr. Leonard Kercher, head of the department of sociology, will be conducting a special educational program for Western's students in cooperation with Oxford University this summer. Not only are our faculty, administrators and students heavily involved and committed in the area of international affairs, but in addition Western Michigan University has almost 100 students from approximately 30 foreign countries annually housed and studying on this campus during the regular school year.

Other recent significant developments would certainly include the development of an Honors College under the direction of Dr. Clark, the reorganization of our scholarship program under the direction of Clifford Sjogren, and a variety of more informal programs designed to intensify interest in learning on Western's campus. Western's greatness will come only from the contributions which its graduates can make as creative, constructive contributors to the social, cultural, economic spiritual and political life of our state and nation.

In Memoriam

Dr. Emma Cobn '11, retired Kalamazoo osteopathic physician and surgeon, died Jan. 23 in Grand Rapids' Clark Memorial home.

Jessie Couson Skinkle, a student between 1912 and 1915, died Jan. 8 at her Detroit home. She was a retired teacher, and leaves one sister.

Henry C. Hauser, a student in 1917, died Dec. 22 at his Cassopolis home. He had been a grocer for many years, and leaves his wife, three children, and eight grandchildren.

Pauline Hall Bolen '22 died Jan. 22 at Royal Oak. She lived in Oak Park, taught in Centerline, and leaves her husband, two sons, and three grandchildren.

Cecile Richmond Sterbenn '22 died Feb. 13 in Kalamazoo. She was a secretary for the U.S. State department during the founding of the United Nations and worked at the San Francisco founding conference. She leaves her husband, two brothers, and five sisters.

Fred C. Bartels '25, BS '29 died Feb. 7 in Detroit, where he had lived since 1929, and for the last 10 years was a counselor at Pershing High School. He leaves his wife, a daughter, and two grandchildren.

Gertrude Kussmaul Wibel '32 died Dec. 30 at Williamston. She leaves her husband, two sons, and her mother.

Mildred Barney Bradley '38 died Feb. 11 in Ludington. She had been a teacher in Mendon and Bellevue, and leaves her husband and one daughter.

Donald E. Jones '40 died Jan. 3 at his Ann Arbor home. He had moved from Kalamazoo in 1951 and was an accountant there. His wife, two sons, and his father survive.

Alan P. Rowe '52 died Feb. 14 in Kalamazoo. He was a teacher at Parchment, and leaves his wife, five stepdaughters, and 12 stepgrandchildren.

Leah Weston '52 BS '57 died Jan. 25 in Allegan, where she had been a teacher for many years. She leaves her husband, two sons, and three grandchildren.

Beryl B. Fox '56 died Jan. 9 at Phoenix, Ariz. He had taught in Kalamazoo, Davison and Mt. Morris, and leaves his wife, three sons, and 11 grandchildren.

Oletha Meyer Starring '56 died Jan. 21 in Ann Arbor. She was a teacher resident and had taught there. She leaves her husband, Leland, two sons, a daughter, and her parents.

Michael F. McNabes '63 died Jan. 12 in Kalamazoo. He leaves his parents, two brothers, and a grandfather.

Richard L. Clement '64 died Feb. 13 at Ellsworth hall on the campus from undetermined causes. His home was in Royal Oak, and he leaves his parents, a sister, and three brothers.

Alumni Earn January WMU Graduate Degrees

'48 Grace Wark Dorman, teaching in the elementary school.
'50 Robert L. Glazier, secondary administration and supervision.
'51 James L. Newbold, teaching in the junior high school.
'52 Evelyn Baad, guidance; Harry E. Edwardsen, general administration and supervision.
'55 Ruth Bowker Breyfogle, teaching of speech correction; James F. Webber, secondary administration and supervision.
'56 Dorotha Kercher, librarianship.
'57 Charles E. Allworth, Jr., teaching of science and mathematics; John Arnold, guidance; Ivan J. Klinesteker, guidance.
'58 Deloris Crittenden Brown, teaching of distributive education; Leonard A. Dedrickson, teaching of industrial education.
'59 Juanita M. Castle, teaching in the elementary school; Ronald A. McKellar, teaching of social sciences; Thomas H. Smith, political science.

David A. Twiest, librarianship.
'60 Lois E. Ellinger, teaching in the elementary school; James O. McLaughlin, teaching of distributive education; Patrick J. O'Neill, teaching of literature and language; William R. Walkowiak, orientation and mobility.
'61 Victor Beck, guidance; Robert W. Gesell, teaching in the junior high school; Gordon L. Hotchkiss, guidance; Paul A. Meulman, chemistry; Brian H. Mooney, teaching of industrial education.
"We're Behind Western . . . . for Life!"

This expression of confidence and support of Western Michigan University is typified by these alumni who have recently taken out *Life Memberships* in the Alumni Association.

- Margaret J. Ansley '61, Lansing, Michigan
- Thomas Briscoe '37, Detroit, Michigan
- Wendell L. Clark '58, Kalamazoo, Michigan
- Thomas E. Coyne '55, Monique Jako Coyne '55, Kalamazoo, Michigan
- Maurice M. Gillender '46, Grand Rapids, Michigan
- Margaret Brozovich Kuffel '54, San Diego, California
- Max E. Matson '55, Mary Griffin Matson '57, Saginaw, Michigan
- William Morse '52, Shirley Gary Morse '61, Kalamazoo, Michigan
- John I. Senior '50, Patricia Roush Senior '50, Oradell, New Jersey
- Victor D. Vanderberg '38, Maxine Ward Vanderberg '37, Kalamazoo, Michigan

---

**WMU Subscription Club**

* New subscriptions
* Renewed subscriptions
* Gift subscriptions
* No additional cost to the subscriber
* Any publications
* Any length of time
* Any number of magazines
* Any special rate when coupon or rate card is attached

Full payment must accompany all orders. Make all checks payable to: WMU Subscription Club and mail to WMU Subscription Club, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo.

---

**TITLE OF MAGAZINE**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>How Long</th>
<th>New or Renewal</th>
<th>Begin With</th>
<th>Date of Order</th>
<th>Sub. Price</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>$</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Name of Subscriber**

**Street & No.**

**or**

**R.F.D. & Box No.**

**City**

**Zone**

**State**
Ann Kercher would have been 21 years of age had she lived until this Feb. 6. But cancer claimed her last year, ending a most promising young life.

In these few years she had traveled extensively with her parents, and in the year between high school and her entrance at Miami University, she traveled through much of Europe and Africa.

It was during more than five months in Africa that she came to love its people, its culture, its rich heritage. Had she lived it is likely that she would have chosen Africa for her work and her home.

After her untimely death friends conceived and initiated the idea of an African Collection for Western's Dwight B. Waldo Library. Their gifts of money have started this venture in bringing the African Continent closer to our students. This collection will also serve Western's Institute of Regional Studies and its emphasis upon the Non-Western World.

That others may share in this educational venture, the coupon on the facing page is placed for your convenience. This is a continuing program of selective book acquisition, and we hope that you may be interested in and willing to share in it now and perhaps at intervals in the future.