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It is fitting that the first issue of *Calliope* should also be the Semi-Centennial issue. For just as we hope that Western Michigan College will go on to even greater success in the years ahead, so too do we wish, as a part of that hope, that literary expression may continue to grow and improve apace. *Calliope's* predecessor, *The Herald and Horn*, has, until now succeeded in arousing and encouraging this literary expression. It has become increasingly evident, however, that the literary magazine cannot and should not continue to be merely an appendage of the *Herald*. And insofar as it does not seem feasible to expect any other organization or department to assume responsibility for financing the literary magazine, the most logical course seems to be to set it up on a self-sufficient basis by means of a nominal subscription fee. We hope that this may be effected next year and in succeeding years

Vice-President Wynand Wichers, Chairman of the Semi-Centennial committee, has made this issue financially possible and to him we express our sincere gratitude. Many thanks are due also to the Editorial Board: Dr. Robert Limpus, Miss Ruth Van Horn, Mr. Frank Householder, and Dr. Ralph Miller, for their work in selecting the material for this issue; to Richard Sinclair who did the illustration and cover; to the people who aided in production and distribution; and, of course to the contributors, both the ones who are published herein and those who are not.

For one of the most unpleasant duties of an editor is to edit, and we have, by necessity, been compelled to omit some material which in our opinion was otherwise excellent but which did not *quite* measure up to the quality of that which we have published. We hope, however, that this omission will not be taken as a discouragement and that we may expect further efforts from those not published in this issue.

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