Presidents Corner

There has just appeared in print an up-to-date national study on teacher supply and demand. This study was sponsored by the National Commission on Teacher Education and Professional Standards and conducted by Mr. Ray C. Maul, Registrar of the State Teachers College, Emporia, Kansas. It deals with the supply and demand for teachers in the United States by all producers and employers of teachers, as well as by the teachers themselves. I am taking the liberty, in this President's Corner, to call attention to some of the important findings of this study.

The widely recognized shortage of adequately prepared elementary teachers is confirmed by the findings of this study. Despite greatly increased postwar college enrollments, there is a negligible increase in the number of college students who are pursuing well-planned curricula designed to prepare them for the important task of teaching in the elementary schools.

In only a small minority of the states is there a definite relation between the salary and the qualifications of the teacher. In many instances the holder of an emergency elementary certificate based upon only a few semester hours of college credit receives as large as or even larger salary than a degree holder in another position in the same state.

There is little prospect of relief from overcrowded classroom conditions existing in many places, to say nothing of provision for enlarged enrollments in the lower grades as indicated by known facts. Although some 1200 colleges in America participate, with varying degrees of emphasis, in the training of elementary teachers, there is no uniform standard by which the quality of the work of these colleges can be measured. In a very large number of instances the minimum facilities and staff for performing this important task are lacking.

Although a majority of the state department of education authorities foresee the necessity of issuing emergency high school certificates for 1948-49, it is evident that the disappearance of the emergency high school teacher is very near. Most state authorities believe the licensing of sub-standard high school teachers will be necessary next year in only a few of the teaching fields.

It is evident that supply has already achieved balance with demand in certain high school teaching fields. Despite evidence of a rapidly increasing supply of high school teachers, little progress has been made in relieving overcrowded conditions, improving tenure, relating salary schedules to qualifications, and establishing retirement provisions, all of which are considered to be necessary factors in stabilizing the teaching profession.

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For the purpose of providing comprehensive and authentic factual information upon which to base plans for a forward-looking program of continuous evaluation, improvement, and development of Western Michigan College in the various aspects of its activities, organization of a division to be known as the Division of Research, is now in process on Western Michigan College campus, it is announced by Dr. Paul V. Sangren, president.

Dr. Orie I. Frederick of the faculty of the Department of Education has been named its director. He is assisted by a staff of two persons, each of whom devotes part time to the work of the Division. A Research Planning Committee, representing various departments of the College, will cooperate in an advisory capacity in connection with institutional research projects.

Since he assumed his new duties last September, Dr. Frederick has been devoting much of his time to the work of research, although he still continues his activities with the educational laboratories and in the Graduate Division.

While the work of the Research Division is only in its beginning, many highly desirable possibilities are envisioned as potential achievements. Among the aims of the research program as outlined by Dr. Frederick are:

1. To determine through research some of the major needs of the College.
2. To promote through research the efficiency and balanced operation of the institution.
3. To afford the administrative officials of the College many kinds of information which will be helpful to them.
4. To aid the Faculty Council and major committees of the institution by securing information useful to them in their activities.
5. To foster the improvement of the college curriculum through cooperative curriculum projects.
6. To encourage and help coordinate research activities by members of the faculty.
7. To undertake each year a few major research projects concerning important aspects of the work of the College.
8. To cooperate, to the extent feasible within the time and funds available, with research organizations in the community, the state, and the nation.

"If we are to realize our goal of continuous improvement, we must know what is being done in other institutions," says Dr. Frederick. "We must search for new ideas. Then we must determine which of these ideas are best suited to the needs of our students, particularly in the field of teacher education.

"With information which can be made available through the agency of the Research Division, the process of its adaption, refinement, and application to the specific needs of this College can be worked out in an orderly, democratic procedure, in which division chairmen, department heads, and members of the instructional staff will be afforded the opportunity to participate.

"Through cooperation, the pooling of our experiences, and the assistance which the Research Division hopes to be able to give, we believe it is entirely possible for Western Michigan College not only to maintain its position in the forefront in the field of education, but also to be prepared to serve the community, state, and nation, when and if important research activities are undertaken in these areas," he says.

Incidentally, Western Michigan College is one of the few colleges of education in the United States to have divisions of research, according to the information
available, although universities and land grant colleges have done more work in this field. As a matter of fact Western Michigan College actually inaugurated its research work in 1924, when President Paul V. Sangren, then a member of the faculty of the department of Education and Psychology, organized what was known as the Department of Educational Measurement and Research, which he headed for ten years.

Since September 1, Dr. Frederick states rapid progress has been made on studies pertaining to finance and curricula in higher education. The first study relates to finances in this institution, in the four Colleges of Education in Michigan, and in comparable institutions throughout the nation. The second study deals with graduation requirements and curriculum offerings at Western Michigan College, in comparison with those in twenty other colleges and universities. Interesting data of institutional significance have been compiled in both studies.

A cooperative study has been made by the English Department and the Research Division. This was an investigation of the performance of 824 freshman Rhetoric students on the campus on two forms of the Cooperative English Test, one administered at the beginning of the first semester of 1947-48, and the other at the end of the first semester. The test dealt with English usage, spelling, and vocabulary.

It was found that this group of 824 students made significant progress during the semester, most of them achieving considerably more than would be expected for a semester's work. Some of them accomplished more than a year's progress in one semester, it was disclosed.

The Research Division cooperated with the Salary Committee appointed by President Sangren and the Faculty Council. Data was secured to provide evidence of the need for an increase in faculty salaries. Factors considered were increase in cost of living, increase in salaries of civil service employees in Michigan, increase in per capita income in Michigan, and salaries in colleges of education in other states.

Another project in which the Research Division has been engaged is the compilation and publication of the recent report concerning the Colleges of Education in the state, relative to enrollments, numbers graduated, placement, appropriations, cost of operation, and other facts, which was published with the cooperation and approval of the three other teachers colleges of the state.

All this, together with other phases of the work, requires countless hours of tireless effort, hundreds of conferences, and endless detail, in addition to which Dr. Frederick conducts an undergraduate class six hours a week including a laboratory in education, and a graduate class in secondary education two hours a week.

Dr. Frederick joined the faculty of Western Michigan College in the fall of 1941. He holds the Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from Findlay College, Findlay, Ohio, and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan. He has also studied at the University of Nebraska and George Peabody College for Teachers.

He has had teaching, administrative, and supervisory experience in three states and in communities ranging from small towns to cities of more than 90,000 population. He served as a staff member of the National Survey of Secondary Education for two years, and for two summers was a staff member of the nation-wide Cooperative Study of Secondary School Standards. He supervised six research projects on higher education for the United States Office of Education during the three years he was teaching at the University of Mississippi. He was one of the leaders of the Mississippi curriculum program. One summer he was invited to teach in four universities, Mississippi, North Carolina, Cornell, and Michigan. He taught at the University of Michigan four summers. Included in his service to Michigan schools has been supervision of school plant needs at Saginaw, and director of city-wide curricular programs in Battle Creek, Saginaw, and Lansing.

Dr. Frederick is a member of Phi Kappa Phi a fraternity of those in the top ten per cent in scholarship in the University of Michigan, and of Phi Delta Kappa. He is also a member of the American Educational Research Association, the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, and has attended meetings of all these organizations for five or more years each, and is also a member of the American Association of School Administrators. He has written for various professional publications, and has participated in educational programs.

On Western's campus he has served as a member of the Faculty Council and on various important committees, and was chairman of the committee on an integrated program of professional education for seniors, during the final year of the Teacher Education Study.

Assisting Dr. Frederick as members of the staff are Mrs. Olga Roekle and Mrs. Marie Dame. Mrs. Roekle is a graduate of Western Michigan College, and has done graduate work at Ohio State University. Mrs. Dame is a more recent graduate of Western Michigan College, magna cum laude, and has taught Business Education in South Haven High School.

Members of the institutional Research Planning Committee appointed by President Sangren to cooperate with Dr. Frederick in an advisory capacity in connection with various institutional research projects are: Dr. Violet Beirge, Education department; Dr. Roy C. Bryan, director of campus training schools; Dr. Charles H. Butler, president of Faculty Council; Homer L. C. Carter, director of Psycho-Educational Clinic; Dr. Deyo B. Fox; director of the Division of Vocational Education; Leonard Gernant, assistant registrar; Dr. Leonard C. Kercher, head of Sociology Department; Dr. Robert M. Limpus of the English Department; Dr. Margaret Macmillan of the History Department; and Dr. Lawrence S. Thompson, head librarian. President Sangern is an ex officio member of the committee.

Blanche Draper
These two Western Michigan College coeds furnished a feature of the entertainment at the intermission of the Women’s League traditional formal, the Ballerina Ball, given February 21, when two ballrooms at Walwood Hall were used for dancing, music for which was furnished by two orchestras. They are Miss Carleen Ponitz, Lansing (left), and Miss Shirley Newcomb, Pontiac (right), who presented lovely ballet dances in keeping with the theme for the occasion.

Attired in togas, and reclining at low tables, the Classical Club, made up of students in the Latin classes of Western Michigan College, held its annual banquet March 25 in the gymnasium of the campus training school. Members of Latin classes in State High as "slaves" served a typical Roman menu. Four original skits presented in Latin afforded the program for the banquet.

Miss Carol Massena of Benton Harbor was crowned "Sweetheart of Zeta Delta Epsilon," at the traditional Sweetheart Ball sponsored by the fraternity and given in the ballroom of Walwood Hall, February 14. Other candidates served as ladies-in-waiting. Shown above, left to right, are: Anton Ruska, president of the fraternity; Beverly Vrany, Parchment; Barbara Corbridge, Watervliet; Mrs. JoAnn Austin Corsiglia, Kalamazoo, 1947 "sweetheart," who presented her crown to the 1948 "sweetheart," Miss Massena; Patricia Irish, Ithaca; Lois Patterson, Plainwell; Mary Ellen Pas, Holland; and Phyllis Chapin, Traverse City.

At the beginning of the second semester, four additional foreign students enrolled at Western Michigan College, coming from remote corners of the globe. They are: Abdul Basit Naeem, from Lahore, Pakistan; Miss Lily Teng from Peking, China; Miss Maria Teresa Salcedo from Octotal, Nicaragua; and Miss Daisy Urquiola from La Paz, Bolivia.

Naeem is the publisher of a magazine for children, called Tohfa, which is published in Pakistan. Miss Teng, a graduate of the University of China, has served as the editor of a Chinese newspaper. Miss Salcedo is a graduate of the National Normal School of Nicaragua and has taught for nineteen years in her country.
Dr. Loften V. Burge, director of the Division of Teacher Education at Western Michigan College, died suddenly early Sunday morning, February 15, at his home in Campbell Avenue, as the result of a heart attack. He had been ill for several weeks, but had sufficiently recovered to leave Borgess Hospital, January 28 and return to his home. The week before his death he had been at his desk in the campus training school for several days.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at Truesdale’s Chapel, following which the body was taken to Mayfield, Ky., where funeral services were held and the burial took place.

A native of Kentucky, Dr. Burge was born July 14, 1894, to Mr. and Mrs. Ned Burge in Mayfield, Ky. He was educated in the public schools of Mayfield, and did his undergraduate work at the University of Kentucky from which he held the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Chemistry. He held degrees of Master of Arts in Education and Doctor of Philosophy in Education and Psychology, from the University of Michigan. He had also studied at the University of Chicago. He was a member of two honorary fraternities in education, Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi, and also of Alpha Chi Sigma, honorary fraternity in Chemistry. He had contributed numerous articles which have been published in professional journals, and had served on numerous state and national committees engaged in education projects. He was a member of the Exchange Club and of the First Methodist Church.

Dr. Burge came to Kalamazoo in the fall of 1938 to succeed the late Frank E. Ellsworth, whose death occurred earlier in the year. During the preceding five years he had been a member of the faculty of the State Normal School at Potsdam, N. Y., and prior to that time had taught in the public schools of Kentucky.

We recognize the rich heritage that is ours in the memory of Loften V. Burge. While it seems to us he died when manhood’s morning touches noon, still we realize that he added to the sum of our human joy. For it we are, indeed, deeply grateful. The hardships that came to him, and any privations that were his, were cheerfully accepted by him, and no memories are felt save those recalled with delight and transmitted with profit and with pride. He labored modestly and shunned applause. He silently took leave of us, for it we are, indeed, deeply grateful. The hardships that came to him, and any privations that were his, were cheerfully accepted by him, and no memories are felt save those recalled with delight and transmitted with profit and with pride.

It gives us comfort now and, moreover, it seems fitting to enumerate some of the indelible ways he had of writing his name among us. He had a contagious sense of humor. He had a great gift of sympathy and he loved people—little children especially. He longed for the beautiful and, what is more, he could produce it. Growing things fascinated him. Although classified with the academic by profession, in a unique manner, his presence radiated his interest in first-hand contacts with expressions of nature such as are found in the woods and in the fields. He sprayed his own fruit trees; he cut back his own berry bushes; and he spaded his own garden. He cultured the ground in which he grew things; and exacted, if you please, unusual color and flavor in the tomato; size, form, and smoothness in the white, mealy potato; and fresh tenderness in the cauliflower. He and his wife, Georgiana, cultivated flowers with color combinations harmonizing from early spring until late fall. Attractive lawns, and flower gardens of beauty have been theirs for years.

As a man among men, we know that he loved to hunt. He hunted rabbits and squirrels, but more particularly did he enjoy hunting birds,—pigeon, quail, partridge. He trained his dog to hunt birds. What an intelligent dog—she was sensitive to every inflection of his voice and attentively obedient.

We prize our remembrances of his excellence in the art of conversation. He did much of his best teaching this way. On the sidewalks of the campus, in the corridors of buildings, and then again out-of-doors—anywhere at the crossing of paths, instruction went on by conversation. Students liked the informality of it, and so did his colleagues. Not by appointment in his office so much as by what seemed like incidental visitation, did he accomplish many things.

As we forever cherish in our hearts the memory of Loften V. Burge, so we do recommend that these items of recall be inscribed as permanent references to the spirit of one who seemed to go about communicating with you, and me.

“As effortless as the woodland nooks,
Send violets up, and paint them blue.”
Opening of Faculty Club House

The Faculty Women's Club of Western Michigan College presided at what was called "the debut" of Arcadia Faculty Club on the evening of January 23, when a dessert party was given for its members in the faculty club section of the Veterans Dining Facility on the new campus area in West Michigan Avenue.

The opening of the new club rooms for the use of the faculty represented the realization of a dream of present and former faculty members which had its inception in the early days of the College. It provides a place for instructors to meet informally at meals during their leisure time, and also facilities for informal social gatherings and other faculty events.

The club is located at the north end of the remodelled Arcadia Brook club house which was included in the property recently acquired for campus expansion. This building has been remodelled to serve the purposes of faculty club rooms, as well as veterans' dining facility to serve the veterans living in the temporary housing on the campus area.

Entrance is from the west side of the building through a small combination reception and powder room. A spacious lounge, small smoking room, and dining room with capacity for sixty persons complete the first floor of the faculty club rooms. On the second floor is a game room accommodating twenty persons.

The club has been furnished in part through the money-earning efforts of the Faculty Women's Club which contributed carpets and a beautiful four-piece silver service, as well as other appointments. Individuals have also made contributions. Some of the furniture was purchased from the federal war assets agency and draperies were made by the Milwaukee County Institute.

Miss Lydia Siedschlag, head of the Art Department of the College and director of the Division of Fine Arts, has been in charge of the decorations and furnishings, and has designed much of the furniture and lighting. Students in the art department have been afforded the opportunity for practical work in some of the decorations Miss Siedschlag's evening class in Art Appreciation presented the shield for the fireplace in the lounge as a gift to the faculty. Charles Nichols, Elmer Weaver, and George Miller of the Industrial Arts Department made several decorative and useful articles.

A color note of grey-green-blue, derived from a French vase in the niche above the fireplace, prevails in the decorations throughout. Square line designs found in the niche are repeated in specially designed furniture and upholstery designs. A large table in the lounge, featuring this design, adds distinction and utility with its unique top of etched glass, under which light bulbs are concealed, furnishing effective illumination.

On the walls are an antique Chinese brocade and a Chinese scroll repeating the color note. A coffee table has a top of Japanese stencilled glass, and on one of the tables is a lamp, the base of which is black, made from a roll used in paper making. The shade also is black.

Iron frame tables used in the dining room have transparent glass tops, beneath which plant holders containing plants and flowers give the desired decorative effect. Chair back covers match the draperies.

The dining room is arranged for either cafeteria or dinner service. The same kitchen will service both the faculty club room and the veteran's dining facility, which is located at the south end of the building. This unit will have a capacity for 200, and will include a cafeteria, soda and snack bars.

On the occasion of the opening event the hostesses were the officers of the club, including Miss Katherine Mason, president; Miss Hazel DeMeyer, vice president; Miss Hazel Cleveland, secretary; and Miss Eleanor Linden, treasurer.

Committees in charge of arrangements for Faculty Women's Tea: (Left to right) Hazel Cleveland, Dr. Lillian Meyer, Gayle Pond, Mary Doty, Alice Louise LeFevre.
An Outstanding Historian

Dr. Merze Tate, who graduated from Western Michigan College in 1927 with a degree of Bachelor of Arts, and who is now professor of History at Howard University, Washington, D. C., has written a book entitled The United States and World Armaments, which has just been published by the Harvard University Press.

This is the second book dealing with disarmament which has been written by Dr. Tate, the first of which, written to meet partial requirements for the degree of B. Litt. from Oxford University, England, and Ph. D., Radcliffe, was entitled The Disarmament Illusion: The Movement for a Limitation of Armaments to 1907. Both books were published under the auspices of the Bureau of International Research of Harvard University and Radcliffe College.

Dr. Tate's latest book is the result of research in Oxford, Geneva, Paris, Berlin, London, Cambridge, and Washington, D. C. In the preface the author states it is not peace propaganda; neither is it an expose or laudatory commentary on American disarmament or armament policy, and points out that it is of timely importance to all who are interested or concerned with international relations and American diplomatic history.

The author first presents the general problem involved in limiting armaments. She then follows in detail the course of the policy of the United States toward armaments and their limitations, beginning with the elimination of armaments on the Great Lakes, and the diplomacy of the First and Second Hague Conferences, carrying through into the post-war period. Interwoven with her outline of the history of the United States policy, is a perceptive analysis of the impact of national interests and the international situations upon that policy.

Following her graduation from Western Michigan College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, she completed the work for the Master of Arts degree from Columbia University. In 1931 she was awarded the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority foreign fellowship at Cincinnati, which entitled her to study at Oxford University, where she was the first colored American woman to matriculate.

In 1934 she won the degree of B. Litt. from Oxford, the equivalent of the Ph.D. from American universities, and attained another distinction—that of being the first colored American to have done such advanced research work at Oxford. This degree was conferred following two years of research on the disarmament movement from 1853-1914 under the direction of A. E. Zimmern, with whom she had previously studied at Geneva School of International Relations, and Montague Bruton, former advisor to the British Cabinet.

Dr. Tate entered Western Michigan College on a scholarship, following graduation from the Battle Creek high school. She maintained a high academic record throughout her college career. In 1941 she was
served as dean of women and history professor at Barber Scotia Junior College, Concord, N.C.; dean of women at Bennett College for Women, Greensboro, N.C.; and dean of women and professor of Political Science at Morgan State College, Baltimore, Md.

**Teacher Education**

A report recently compiled by the four Colleges of Education in Michigan reveals some interesting information concerning the position of Western Michigan College in the field of teacher education in this state.

The report includes data concerning enrollments, graduates, placement, employees, income and expenditures from 1944-45 through 1946-47. According to the report, the average student population for all teachers colleges in the state in 1946-47 was 10,948. Of that number Western had 4580. Reports on the first semester enrollment for 1946 show 9736 for the entire state, with 4699, or nearly half the total, at Western. Enrollments for 1947-48, though not yet available, are estimated to be even higher.

During the 1946-47 college year, the report shows, there were 8927 students from Michigan enrolled in the four teachers colleges. Of that number 4237 were at Western. Of the 503 students enrolled from other states 325, or more than half were at Western. And of the 36 students from foreign countries enrolled in Michigan colleges of education 23 were at Western.

A total of 1457 were graduated from the four Colleges of Education in 1946-47, and of that number 475 were graduated from Western. Of the 513 recruits in the state, 177 were on the local campus, and of the 273 graduated in-service, 95 received degrees from Western. There were 187 in the state graduated but not certified of whom 112 were from Western. Of the 379 graduated from Western in February, June, and August of 1946, only 3 were available for positions January 1, 1947.

Out of the mouth of a babe came wisdom recently to the members of Dr. Charles VanRiper's class in Introduction to Speech at Western Michigan College. At least Dr. VanRiper's interpretations of the child's babblings were presented as an indication of wise methods of teaching a child to talk.

During the major portion of this unique class period, ten-months-old Bobby Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Foster, Allegan, occupied the professor's place at the lectern. He babbled and gurgled, smiled at the coeds, and waved his arms at will.

And when he had finished, his utterances clarified and interpreted by VanRiper, had presented to the members of the class some basic principles concerning methods of teaching a child to talk, and some fundamentals in the prevention of speech defects. Incidentally, the child's mother was a member of the class.

VanRiper contends that few parents know how to teach their children to talk. "They don't teach them. They just expect them to talk. It's a wonder children ever learn to talk," he says. "Parents make the mistake of asking children to imitate them in ways and at times when the child is not interested. Then they wonder why the child won't wave and say 'good-bye' when he is not the least interested in doing so."

At present VanRiper is completing a series of studies from which he is writing a book concerning teaching speech to children, a subject on which he says little has been published.

**Annual Fantasies**

The third annual all-student production, known as the Brown and Gold Fantasies, was presented in Central High School auditorium, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, May 5, 6, and 7, under the sponsorship of the Student Council of the College.

James Barber was the director and, together with Reid Arnold and Gertrude Robinson, wrote the script. All the songs were written by the students, and the production was staged, managed, and costumed entirely by students.
Seven workshops and a reading clinic will present outstanding opportunities to students in the summer session of Western Michigan College, which opens June 28, according to Dr. Elmer H. Wilds, director. These are offered in addition to the regular program of work presented each summer for classroom teachers, supervisors, and administrators, as well as for students enrolled during the regular college year, which will be offered at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

The workshops will be conducted in the following areas: Audio-Visual, Curriculum, Special Education, Conservation, Distributive Education, Radio, and Lunchroom Management.

The Audio-Visual Workshop will be a workshop-laboratory, which will offer the individual participant a well-rounded program in the theory, practical utilization, development, and experience in Audio-Visual materials and methods in education.

The Curriculum Workshop is designed to give teachers the opportunity to work on curriculum problems of their own choice. Meetings will be held at Kalamazoo Central High School under favorable workshop conditions. A limited number of elementary and secondary summer school pupils will be available to furnish the members of the workshop to apply to classroom situations, some of the teaching techniques developed in the workshop.

The Radio Workshop is planned for both school administrators and teachers. With the increasing demand for teachers who know how to write and produce educational scripts, Western Michigan College is offering for the third summer session a workshop covering the field of educational script writing, techniques of broadcasting and recording, and the use of radio as a supplementary aid in the classroom.

The Workshop in Special Education is designed to meet the needs of teachers and prospective teachers of all kinds of handicapped children, teachers in regular grades desiring courses in special education, and visiting teachers, social workers, physio-therapists and occupational therapists who frequently encounter atypical children.

The Conservation Workshop, offered for the first time this year, will be an integrated cooperative effort of the Departments of Geography and Geology, Biology, and Agriculture. It will provide opportunities for investigation into the occurrence, exploitation, and best uses of natural resources, including soils and land, forests, minerals, waters, and wild life, and will also give attention to human conservation through health and safety education.

The Distributive Education Workshop is presented as one of the first steps taken by the College to meet the need of related subject teachers, coordinators, and administrators for training in the operation of school-work programs. Western has been designated by the State Board of Control for Vocational Education as the teacher-training institution of the state in Distributive Education.

A special workshop for cooks and lunchroom managers will be held during the third week of the summer session, July 12-16. The students enrolled in the Nutrition class will assist the group. The workshop will run for three weeks from June 28 to July 16.

The reading clinic will be conducted for a second time this summer to provide a reading improvement program for both elementary and secondary teachers and administrators. A class of pupils with various types of reading disabilities and handicaps will be in session daily for observation and demonstration.

In an effort to help freshman students who have difficulty in expressing themselves on paper, a writing clinic has been established on Western Michigan College campus under the direction of DeForest Walton of the faculty of the English Department. Individual writing problems are discussed by varying groups of students referred to the clinic on the basis of need as indicated by themes which each freshman is asked to write at the beginning of the semester. These students attend the clinic twice a week for one hour until, in the opinion of Walton and the instructor, improvement is sufficient to indicate a solution of the problem. Western's is the second clinic in the state, and one of the few in the United States. About 90 took work during the first semester, most of whom are good students, who just have not learned how to write. Left to right in the above picture: DeForest Walton, director; Guilleromo Hernandez, a student from Honduras; Mary Mead, Charlotte; Eleanor Chase, Pontiac; Lee Huntley, Detroit; and Clair Woolf, Allegan.
New Curriculum in Paper Chemistry

With the opening of school in the fall of 1948, there will be started a new undergraduate program for the training of paper chemists. The course as outlined would be a four-year one based mainly on mathematics, physics, and chemistry, with a total of 6 semester hours of orientation and technology being given the first two years and 16-18 semester hours of specialized paper chemistry the last two years.

About two years ago representatives from the various paper companies in the Kalamazoo Valley approached Dr. Paul V. Sangren, President of Western Michigan College, and petitioned him to inaugurate a special course in paper chemistry. This led to a series of meetings and finally to the appointment of an Advisory Committee on Paper Technology. This committee consists of seven men from the industry and two from the College—Maxwell D. Bardeen, Lee Paper Co.; Paul Barholomew, Hawthorne Paper Co.; Rudolph Germanson, Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment; William A. Kirkpatrick, Allied Paper Mills; Earnest Ludwig, Bermingham and Prosser Co., chairman; A. L. Sherwood, Sutherland Paper Co.; Dwight Stocker, Michigan Paper Co.; Deyo Fox, Western Michigan College; and Gerald Osborn, Western Michigan College, secretary.

During the past year, members from the above committee have visited the University of Maine, New York State College of Forestry at Syracuse, and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in order to gain ideas concerning an adequate curriculum for the new course. The State of Michigan is now in the process of erecting a new million and a half dollar building which will house among other departments, chemistry and physics. The new paper course will be a division of the chemistry department.

One of the desirable features of this program is the close correlation that will be maintained between industry and the College. The plan is cooperative throughout. Western Michigan College has had considerable experience and success with cooperative courses offered in the vocational division. Each student graduating in the paper course must have spent at least two summers doing mill work and may have three summers of mill practice if he so desires. During his summers he will be assigned to a variety of tasks in various types of mills so that he will not only learn many practical things concerning mill practice but will have summer employment guaranteed.

On February 5, 1948, at the invitation of Mr. Ludwig, and with the Bermingham and Prosser Company of Kalamazoo as host, executives, and technical directors of mills located in southwestern Michigan were invited to a dinner at the Park American Hotel in order that they might become acquainted with the progress which had been made in establishing a course in paper technology. Nineteen different companies sent representatives. Each organization represented was given opportunity to comment concerning the proposed course.

The response from eighteen of the companies was enthusiastic and in each case support of the plan was pledged. One day later the Kalamazoo Section of the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry unanimously pledged support to the project. The Superintendents Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry has also expressed full support toward the success of the new cooperative paper course.

At the present time the Advisory Committee is interviewing candidates with the view of selecting a well-trained director for the course. The director selected must be a man well recognized in the field of paper chemistry and must have had experience in both industry and research.

Sing with Orchestra

A chorus of 150 Western Michigan College singers, together with three members of Western Michigan College Music Department faculty as soloists, appeared with the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra in the presentation of the Beethoven Ninth Symphony on Sunday afternoon, March 1, in Central High School Auditorium. It was the sixth of the seven concerts given during the season by the Symphony Orchestra, and adjudged by many the most outstanding.

The chorus, which was prepared for the occasion by Dr. Elwyn Carter, head of the Music Department of the College, included members of Western Michigan College Choir, directed by Dr. Carter, the Alumnae Choir, and Women's Glee Club of the Choir, both directed by Mrs. Dorothea Sage Snyder, and the Men's Glee Club, directed by Elmer Beloof.

Soloists for the occasion were Miss Ethel Green, soprano; Sam Adams, tenor; and Dr. Carter, baritone, all from Western's music faculty; and Mrs. Louise Baughman, contralto, soloist in the First Presbyterian Church of this city. Herman Felber, conductor of the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra, directed the performance.

Aside from the undisputed high caliber of the performance, as an artistic musical achievement, it was also notable because of the fact that this was the only performance in the country, so far as is known, in which the Beethoven Ninth Symphony, which is being given numerous performances this year, was produced as a community project without assistance from guest soloists. Orchestra, chorus, and soloists were all from this city.

Seventy-five graduates of the Department of Industrial Arts were at the Grand Rapids luncheon planned by Western Michigan College at the Michigan Industrial Education Society meeting. President Sangren addressed the group.
Sidelights on Western's History

Edited by James O. Knauss

[Sidelights presents the almost forgotten origin of Western's Student Council more than a quarter of a century ago. The author, Charles R. Starring, is assistant professor of history at Western. He is a life-long resident of Kalamazoo, having been born almost the same time as our institution. The course of events which a century ago. The author, Charles

dent Council more than a quarter of he describes so vividly and attractive ly in this article occurred while he was a student at Western. In fact, we suspect that he was one of the participants, even if his name does not appear in this narrative. This suspicion is partly substantiated by the fact that he became the second president of the Student Council. We hope that Professor Starring will write other articles for this feature.]

Booster Committee

To some of the generation that came to Western Normal School just after World War I, the early 1920's seem in retrospect a watershed between the old and new in student life. This may be a trick of nostalgia, although there is evidence of a subtle change in those years from an unorganized, naive student body into one functioning through a student council and able to take a mature look at itself.

The year 1920-1921 especially seems a time of renaissance, of burgeoning organizations, of anxiety for new responsibilities. A band appeared and was put in uniforms; a men's club room was opened; the W Club was organized; the Tribunal, ancestor of Theta Chi Delta, was founded; a student staff took over a page in the Herald; the Y.M.C.A. published the first student directory; Kappa Rho Sigma chose its first members; and the Booster Committee brought new life to the campus.

It was first called the Boosters' Club, and it appeared in the fall term, a term marked by the enrollment of 1072 students, the largest number in the sixteen years of the school's history. Those of that num-

ber who had not grabbed their suit-
cases and gone home on Friday got their money's worth on Saturday, and they heard the band in its first public appearance—enough, one

Charles Starring, 1923, President of Student Association, Editor of Brown and Gold, Student Editor of Herald, President of Tribunal Debating Society, Secretary of Y.M.C.A.

would think, for one Saturday afternoon.

Yet some students were dissatisfied. The cheering had been weak and disorganized, and what is a football game when the cheering falls flat? The next home game was two weeks away. A group of Senators decided there should be a student section on October 16, with cheer-leaders to draw from it those regimented noises often mistaken for school spirit. And since they were Americans, these Senators formed a committee. They made Ruth Van Horn and Mildred Mattoon chairmen, and to Mary Bottje they gave the task of collecting yells and songs. With these two worked Margaret Doty, Frances Keyes, Wilma Bosker, Fern Sanford, Harry Huller, Howard Chenery, Loyal Phares, Ruth Sparks, and Ori-annie Dowling. They sent a delega-
tion to President Waldo and found, of course, nothing but encouragement there.

Friday morning before the game with Chicago Y College, the Committee staged what in those simple days was called a pep meeting. Howard Chenery presided with "characteristic wit and earnestness." The band, playing "The Stars and Stripes Forever," marched around the Women's Gym and took its place on the platform with the faculty and team. Herbert De Moore rehearsed students and the less self-conscious faculty members in the yells to be used on the following day. John Gill said the team would get in there and fight, Buck Read said they'd better, and Professor Samuel Renshaw assured his audience that the wretch who failed to support the team morally, mentally, and vocally, was dead from the shoulders up with no health in him.

On Saturday, unfortunately, Western lost by a 10-6 score, and the cynically inclined may have reflected on the injustices of this world as they contrasted their well-cheered defeat with the uncheered victory of October 2.

The members of the Booster Committee, however, were not given to cynical reflection. Already they were looking beyond the moment to a permanent organization which, in the excited words of the Herald, would "get behind all activities with a force which will put them over the top with a triumph exceeding the most glorious achievements of the school heretofore." Some, indeed, already envisioned a student council, for on October 12 the Forum had debated the subject "Resolved, that an advisory student council would be beneficial to Western State Normal." The immediate goal, in any event, was a permanent organization. This would require a constitution, and in the meantime there was more boosting to be done. The Committee went to work.

They helped a faculty committee plan Western's part in the Armistice Day parade, so that on November 11 about 1200 students and faculty

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marched behind a float displaying Education attended by Mental, Moral, and Physical Development.

Then came the problem of uniforms for the band—trousers, that is, for the men already had jackets. On December 1, Burton Sibley told Western students in assembly that a band with a 100 per cent rating in ability and spirit should be 100 per cent uniformed. So powerful was his appeal to campus patriotism that when he asked those to stand who were willing to contribute to a trouser fund, not a person remained seated. One week later the Booster Committee had raised $200 by tagging students and were after the remainder of the necessary sum. On January 5, 1921, the Herald announced triumphantly: "And now may Western Normal band appear in all its glory! For the new uniforms are complete. The trousers are here. And the men will wear them on their next public appearance. Now the band is 100 per cent uniformed."

With such projects the Committee kept busy during the winter term. At the meeting of January 19 they were devising ways of collecting old clothes for a school for mountaineer children at Crossmore, South Carolina. At the same meeting they chose four students as the first student staff of the Herald. While the responsibility of these four was limited to preparing a students' page in the paper, they opened the door to the full student control that came several years later. These pioneers were Ruth Van Horn, Delton Osborne, Margaret Doty, and Edwin Oakes, and their first work appeared in the issue of February 2, 1921.

In February the sale of tickets for the mid-winter play, unaudited at first by the Boosters, lagged discouragingly, and the Committee hurried to the rescue. The first guns of their campaign were fired at a special assembly by a formidable battery of speakers: Elizabeth McQuigg, Howard Chenery, and Joan Thompson. Some time after the assembly the band paraded through the downtown streets with a large sign inviting the curious to see "The Big Idea" at the Fuller Theater on February 25. Without doubt the Committee did help to fill the theater that night, though the investigator would do well to avoid the post hoc propter hoc fallacy in explaining the popular success of the play.

On March 23 the Committee published its constitution in the Herald. A foreword hoped for the "approval of the entire student body." The constitution had the advantage of brevity—ten short articles taking up less than a column of type. Booster Committee was to be the official name. The Committee was formed, according to the second article, "(1) for the purpose of fostering a spirit of mutual helpfulness between the faculty and student body, and (2) with a feeling that the committee may gradually resolve itself into a student council."

Each of the four classes was to have two representatives on the Committee, each society or club one, and each class or club was to pay one dollar into the treasury each term. The officers were to be a chairman, a vice-chairman, and a secretary-treasurer. The Committee would meet every two weeks.

This constitutional effort seems temporarily to have exhausted the Committee, for it was outwardly quiet until the announcement on June 8 of the election of officers for the fall term: chairman, Rolland Maybee; vice-chairman, Edwin Oakes; and secretary-treasurer, Macbelle Vreeland.

Then came the climax of the year, the assembly of June 14, arranged and conducted by the Committee. Don Boardman presided. Carl Cooper, '21, presented $100 as the gift of his class to a book fund. After him came a deluge of advice. Larned Goodrich urged the assembled students to apply the principles of "Let's Go!" to their lives. Henry Howe told them they should study games in order to appreciate them better. Gertrude Nehmer gave assurance that "Pep" would unlock the doors of achievement for them. President Waldo reviewed the year and speculated on the future, and Dr. McCracken concluded the hour by responding to an insistent "We want McCracken."

Thus ended a memorable year. Today, more than a quarter of a century later, the little enthusiasms of 1920-21, the naive preoccupation with pep and boosting, seem almost trivial. But this, it should be remembered, is the judgment of a later generation, a more sophisticated though not necessarily happier generation. The problems faced so bravely by the Booster Committee were not trivial then. They were vital. They had a life all their own and they left a heritage for today. The "feeling" that a student council would come out of the Booster Committee was true prophecy, for before the fall term of 1921 had ended, the officers of the Committee had created a Student Association with a Student Council, and Rolland Maybee had been elected its president by vote of the whole student body. The Student Council has had continuous existence from that day to this. The Booster Committee was a beginning, and like all beginnings it should not be forgotten.
Prosperity for Kalamazoo


With the quiet dignity of authority but devoid of economic profundity, Full Employment in Your Community presents a study of community planning which should serve as a resource handbook for the civic leader, the business executive, or for any other member of society.

It has synthesized prior studies, expanding them to an enumeration of "the measures which communities may take to strengthen, expand, and stabilize the local economy," the focal point being the "expansion and stabilization of employment." To accomplish this the interdependence of every element of our economy upon every other element is stressed, with the burden of accomplishment resting ultimately upon the particular community rather than upon national shoulders.

The goal of full employment in every community is considered to be more than just a charitable requisite for individual survival but as a prime necessity for the survival of freedom itself, the American pattern of private property and free enterprise. To effect this, the local government, farmers and individual employers, labor organizations, and the community itself must contribute equitably.

The local government is held to be responsible for proper planning, for the coordination of its functions with the total community needs, and for the promotion of economic expansion to achieve a balanced structure which will result in the reduction of employment fluctuation and provide for a high level of occupation and standard of living.

The goal of the individual employer is held not to be employment of the greatest possible number, but rather production on the most efficient level with a resultant benefit to his employees and to society as a whole. He is encouraged to institute a planned program of stabilization by setting out eight factors, any one of which might compensate him for the expense of his undertaking. Employers are encouraged to cooperate in a program and civic organizations to establish a planning body if local industries cannot or do not undertake the program.

The burden of labor organizations is placed upon a plane with that of management, for their members "have just as great a stake in the success of local business enterprises as do the boards of directors, stockholders, and management." They are charged with the responsibility of determining policies which will lead toward the stabilization and expansion of employment including the maintenance of a high level of productivity.

The book ends with an emphasis upon the contribution of community planning to full employment and with a case study of various communities to accomplish this ultimate goal. It outlines a suggested procedure for the coordination of community effort, the effects of which transcend community limits. The book is very readable and deserves much consideration.


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Higher Education in Latin America, Vol. 1-6. Division of Intellectual Cooperation, Pan American Union, Washington, D. C. 50 cents each, with the exception of Mexico, Vol. 5, which is 75 cents.

In order to stimulate the exchange of students and to give American university officials a better understanding of Latin-American university organization, the Division of Intellectual Cooperation of the Pan American Union is publishing a series of ten monographs on higher education in Latin America. The initiation of the work involved in the preparation of the monographs was made possible through a grant from the Division of Humanities of the Rockefeller Foundation. These volumes, dealing with one or more countries, give detailed information on university organization, courses of study and degrees offered, requirements for admission, fees, student accommodations, and expenses and they also list the research institutes which may be of interest to the graduate student. Since Latin-American universities as a rule do not issue an annual catalog, these monographs assume an additional importance.
Six of the volumes have been issued and the remaining four are in preparation: Argentina (Vol. 1); Chile (Vol. 2); Columbia (Vol. 3); Cuba, Dominican Republic, Haiti (Vol. 4); Mexico (Vol. 5); Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Panama (Vol. 6); Paraguay and Uruguay (Vol. 7); Peru (Vol. 8); Bolivia, Ecuador, Venezuela (Vol. 9); and Brazil (Vol. 10).

The universities in the various countries differ in many respects, but a number of generalizations can be made. Since basic Liberal Arts training is provided in the secondary schools, the universities are largely devoted to preparation for the professions. The universities are usually administered by an elected council composed of representatives of the divisions of the university and of the student body. The college classes are conducted by the lecture method, and, for the regularly prescribed curricula, a thesis and comprehensive examinations are required. Women are admitted on the same basis as men and may carry on their work with identical privileges.

There are no dormitories and students must arrange their own living quarters. There is an absence of campus life and college activities as we know them in the United States. Students move in adult circles and are on their own responsibility. There are no fraternities and little emphasis on sports. Latin-American students are interested and active in politics.

It has long been a tradition in Latin-American universities to welcome foreign students. In some universities, a few scholarships and fellowships are available for foreign students. As a rule, there is no possibility for a foreign student to earn even a part of his expenses. Foreign students should have facility in the use of the Spanish language because there is no provision in the universities for overcoming a language handicap.

Since there is considerable variation in the school calendar and the offerings of the various universities, a prospective student would do well to examine these volumes before making a choice of the country and the university where he wishes to study.

As I read the reports, I felt that it would be wise for citizens of the United States to realize that "the small nations have an advantage over the great powers as the most flexible and disinterested vehicles of universal culture."

The cordiality of the Latin-American university is well expressed in the following statement by the admissions officer of a large university in South America: "We do not pretend to offer more or perhaps as much as your own great American universities, but you will certainly learn here many important things, not the least of which is feeling at home with people whose cultural traditions are different from yours."

Roxana A. Steele

Michigan—Its Historic Heritage


It has been ten years since Constance Lindsay Skinner "saw American life as a stream in which were merged many brooks, each bearing its own wealth made up of varied energies and folk trends to swell the main current." Since that beginning of the notable RIVERS OF AMERICA Series there have been other such

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series, *Lakes, Cities, Highways*, and now the *Peoples of America* with the first volume recently off the presses, *Americans from Holland*, by Arnold Mulder.

Under the general editorship of Louis Adamic, this series will emphasize *people*, their variety, their pooled talents, genius, and brawn—their several parts in the mosaic that constitutes these United States of America. Elizabeth Janet Gray, writing of the contributions made by a certain other group, says: “We must remember that the beauty of the pattern and the strength of the fabric depend not upon each separate, bright, strong thread, but upon the mingling of them all together and the support that they bring to each other.”

Dr. Arnold Mulder, English instructor at Kalamazoo College and the chosen author of *Americans from Holland*, brings to his writing a zest for his subject and an affection for his forbears. Although much of the book is outside of Michigan, there are several chapters rich in Dutch history and lore within the state, for example: “Life on the Michigan Frontier,” and “The Romantic Movement on the Dutch Frontier.”

**Free Publications**

All Western alumni of Scandinavian descent will be pleased with a handsome picture book containing 315 illustrations of Denmark’s resistance to the Nazis and the final liberation of the country. It is entitled *Five Years: The Occupation of Denmark in Pictures* and is distributed by the Danish Information Office, 15 Moore Street, New York 4, N. Y. And those of you of Hungarian descent will be pleased with Watson Kirkconnell’s *A Little Treasury of Hungarian Verse*, distributed by the American Hungarian Federation at 839 17th Street, N. W., Washington 6, D. C. Economists will be especially pleased with the “Postwar Economic Studies” being distributed by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D. C. The latest, No. 7, *International Monetary Policies*, tells a significant story about our international financialills. Nearer home, the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, Independent Square, Philadelphia, Pa., is distributing William Wistar Comfort’s *William Penn and Our Liberties*. Benjamin Franklin once said, “I never met a Quaker who was not a gentleman.” Read Mr. Comfort’s book and find out why.

**Services Recognized**

In a recent book compiled and published by the W. E. Upjohn Institute for Community Research, Kalamazoo, entitled *Full Employment in Your Community*, the College Library’s staff receives thanks for services rendered in checking the numerous bibliographies for accuracy and form.

**The Waldo Papers**

The papers of the late President Dwight B. Waldo have been deposited in the College Library for the use of qualified scholars. Since Dr. Waldo’s retirement his papers had been carefully preserved at his residence on Thompson Street in Kalamazoo, and Mrs. Waldo has now graciously consented to transfer them to the custody of the institution to which Dr. Waldo devoted his life.

It has not yet been possible to examine the papers systematically. However, the general content of the papers will be familiar to every Western man and woman as the history of the College itself, for these papers are the College and its history. Few institutions owe more to any single man than Western owes to Dr. Waldo.

Letters to and from intimate friends and colleagues, formal negotiations with state officials, touching mementos of Dr. Waldo’s relations with the students, official reports submitted by College officials, records of the growth of the institution both physically and intellectually—these are but a few of the materials which are now available to the student of the College’s history. Plans are already being laid for a semi-centennial history of the College to appear in 1954, and these papers will be the primary source for that work. However, if especially pertinent and striking documents are uncovered in the course of the calendaring of these manuscripts, they will be reprinted in the *News Magazine* or some other source where they will be available to students, alumni, and friends of the College.

A cursory glance at the contents of the papers brings out one striking note: Dr. Waldo’s devotion to Abraham Lincoln, and, in turn, the many Lincolnesque traits that came out in Dr. Waldo’s own writings. Clippings, booklets, speeches, and other Lincolniana are liable to turn up in any of the folders. In turn, whenever a difficult problem faced Dr. Waldo, he inevitably chose the solution that Lincoln might have elected. Incidentally, it will be recalled that the bulk of Dr. Waldo’s collection of Lincolniana is preserved in the College Library and was cataloged and made available for use in 1947.

The College owes more than one debt to Dr. Waldo. Many of us who have come since his day are likely to take the benefits of his leadership for granted, but his papers, the outward symbols of inward grace, are now permanently located in the College Library.

**Library Curriculum Approved**

Another step forward has been made by the Department of Librarianship of Western Michigan College during the past month. It has been accredited by the American Library Association. This places Western Michigan College Librarianship Department in the list of thirty-four library schools in the United States to be nationally accredited by the ALA. Only one other school in Michigan, that at the University of Michigan, is on the list.

This recognition means that graduates from Western’s Department of Librarianship are eligible for positions in school libraries as librarians and as professional assistants in libraries in which only graduates from schools approved by the American Library Association are acceptable.
Coach Charles Maher's baseball team is now well into its 1948 schedule and has given every indication that it will enjoy a winning season, although it is facing a hard task in the Mid-American Conference in its efforts to win the championship in the first full season of competition for a Western Michigan team in the recently organized college loop. Already the team is showing a fine defensive ability with good fielding and it is also showing good hitting, which if carried on, will win a lot of ball games before the season is ended.

Loss of Eddie Rossi, signed by Boston and sent to Milwaukee, hurt the pitching prospects of the team, but Maher has been working hard with a group of men who have been turning in everything from sensational performances to a type of pitching hardly approved in collegiate circles. Gordon Bowdell, after failing to last in his first two starts, hit stardom against Butler University's previously unbeaten team with a no-hitter, which the Broncos won 3-0. Gene Schlukebir, sophomore lefty, looked good in winning 5-3 against Ohio, but was hit hard by Wisconsin, although winning 24-9. Unusually cold weather and a big lead may have caused him to ease off. George Duditch, a right hander, looks fair and may do, but others are still a puzzle and probably are below the caliber needed in top collegiate circles, except for Ernie Victor, who has not rounded into shape yet this spring because of poor health.

The work of such men as Wayne Terwilliger at second; Dick Groggel, at third; Compton, at short; Young, behind the plate; and of the outfielders, Joe Cooper, Bob Pollard, and Francis Green, has been outstanding, while at first Don Boven and Carleton Coss have been continuing a merry battle on about even terms.

The scores of the games played up to the time we go to press are as follows: Western 3, Ohio University 4; Western 5, Ohio University 3; Western 8, Wisconsin 6; Western 24, Wisconsin 9; Western 2, Butler University 7; Western 3, Butler University 0.

Next fall Western Michigan College will be competing for the football championship in the Mid-American Conference, which has for its other members Cincinnati, Ohio University, Butler, Miami, and Western Reserve, all institutions with high academic standards and fine athletic records over many years. Western is certain to find the going hard in the new loop because of the fine teams which represent these institutions.

Spring football practice indicates that Coach John W. Gill will have about a score of lettermen available next fall, although a fractured leg in an automobile accident has recently ruled out Roger Chiaverini, guard, a strong player with two years of experience.

Not only will there be a good number of lettermen back, but Coach Gill will have a strong group up from Coach Don Scott's frosh team of last fall, and the Broncos may come up with a strong team capable of holding its own over its hard schedule, which includes all of the Mid-American teams next fall except for Cincinnati, which will not be met until 1949. Two or three of the freshmen may be starters in the backfield next fall.

Because of the conference games some big changes were needed in the schedule and Western Kentucky, long ago rival, is one of the teams missing as a result of the new relationships being established. Butler, a long time rival, also a conference team, will be met in the homecoming game on November 6.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

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Herbert W. Read, Silver Fox of the Broncos of Western Michigan College, was elected as president of the National Association of Basketball Coaches at the annual meeting of the organization in New York, March 25.

His election is a fine and splendid tribute to Western's cage mentor, who is not only one of the most widely known collegiate basketball coaches of the nation, but a man who has been held in high regard among the basketball coaching fraternity for many years because of the ability that he has shown in his chosen field to which he has devoted almost a lifetime of activity and in which he has been more than successful in the development of strong teams which have been among the most colorful in the middle west.

Read has just completed twenty-seven years of coaching at Western Michigan College and all during those years he has been a close student of the game becoming known as one of the basketball experts of the country as a result. This led the membership of the association to place him at the head of the rules committee on three different occasions, a longer period of service as chairman than any other individual. These years were in 1937, 1938, and again in 1944. He was also chosen as the chairman of the research committee in 1944 and in other years he has held membership on various committees of the organization. Two years ago he served as secretary-treasurer of the organization and last year he was vice president.

In recent years when agitation has been rife for legislation against the centers on various collegiate teams, who have made it difficult for opponents, Buck Read has repeatedly cautioned against such legislation.

Read has been rather insistent that he did not believe that all of the possibilities have yet been explored in various defenses designed to slow down and care for these men. His own teams have played against many of these big fellows with a fair degree of success at various times, indicating that the Bronco coach had found more than just a grain of truth in his belief.

Read's earlier studies made him one of the first exponents of the fast-break in the middle west and, when he adopted it for his Broncos in the 1929-30 season, his team romped through 17 games without a defeat to center national attention on Western's basketball. Immediately the Broncos began to be in demand with the bigger and better known teams; they were colorful and crowd-appealing. Michigan, Purdue, Notre Dame, and other big games began to dot the Bronco schedules in the next few years as a result.

Yet while the schedules increased in toughness, this period saw the Broncos come up with great season results such as fifteen wins and four defeats, 14-5, and like records. In fact in his entire twenty-seven years of coaching at Western Michigan only three times has Read had teams that failed to win a majority of their games.

To date his teams have played 498 contests since he has been coaching Western's basketball aggregations. They have won 341 contests while losing only 157 for an all-time twenty-seven year average of .680, a most remarkable percentage over such a long period when such records tend to equalize around the .500 mark.

In the past five years his teams have made annual invasions of New York to play in Madison Square Garden and certainly they have been crowd-pleasers in the metropolis. The Broncos in the past two years have packed the garden for their games, and last December they lacked just sixty-two admissions of setting an all-time garden record for attendance at basketball games there. In the five invasions of the garden the Broncos have been beaten once, a 48-46 defeat at the hands of Long Island this past December.

The Broncos are now members of the Mid-American Conference, but became members last summer when it was too late to secure a complete basketball schedule. However, they did meet two of the teams, Miami in home and home affairs, and Cincinnati, the champion of the conference, in a game here which the Bearcats had a hard time winning 61-59. Next year Western Michigan should have a full slate in that organization.

During his twenty-seven years at the helm of Bronco basketball, Western's teams have played some of the basketball greats of the nation. Some of the better-known college and university teams that have appeared on the slates in addition to Purdue, Michigan, and the Irish, are Northwestern, UCLA, Iowa, Chicago, Ohio, Cincinnati, Butler, Miami, Great Lakes, Bunker Hill Navy, De Paul, Loyola of Chicago, Creighton, Marquette, Michigan State, Toledo, Detroit, Bowling Green, City College of New York, Long Island, St.
Johns, Temple, Manhattan, South Carolina, Utah, Valparaiso, and others who have had claims to basketball fame at some stage of Read's long career.

"Buck" is also an after-dinner speaker of note, who is eagerly sought in the spring months at various sports banquets and he has also been the author of numerous articles on some phases of basketball. He has also been a headline attraction at many coaching schools and basketball clinics.

In the season just recently closed Coach Buck Read’s 1947-48 team won twelve games and lost eight over an unusually difficult schedule and for the first time in five years the team met defeat in Madison Square Garden, losing a 48-46 verdict to Long Island University.

Turning in the finest record in 1947 that Ross High School of Fremont, Ohio, has had since the 1921 season is just one of the records that have been piled up through the years by Lester Binkley, who is coaching back in the "home town" which also gave to Western Michigan Johnny Miller. They were in college about the same time.

Binkley, who played football on two strong teams in 1932 and 1933, as an end, and as a forward on two of Buck Read's fine basketball teams in 1933 and 1934, was graduated in 1934 and went to Wyandotte where he coached in the junior college that year. In 1935 and through 1937 he was a salesman for an athletic equipment firm.

In the fall of 1938 Binkley returned to his first love, coaching. He accepted a position as line coach at Ross High School in Fremont, holding that position until 1941 when he became head football coach. After the 1943 season he went into the service, returning to coach in 1946 and 1947.

His teams at Ross High have won a total of 32 games, lost 13, and tied 1, and three times in five years have won the Buckeye League Championships. His record at Ross High has been such that he has already been named as one of the coaches who will coach the North Team in the 1948 Ohio High School All Star Game at Canton, Ohio, in August.

During 1944 and 1945 when he was in service, Binkley was a lieutenant senior grade in the armed guard service and spent eighteen months overseas.

When Binkley first became head coach, he began to work some of his own coaching ideas into the squad and in the 1942 season won 7 games and lost 2, but then lost most of his material. On his return from service in 1946, he won 6 and lost 3, capping that with the great 9-won, 1-lost, record last fall.

Binkley in his undergraduate days was a decided factor on the teams with which he played in both football and basketball, his height fitting him well for end job and forward position. Like his fellow townsman, John Miller, he was a fine competitor on the teams with which he played and was always popular with the fans and on the campus.

In fact, if Binkley, Miller, and Towner Smith are good samples of what Fremont, Ohio, has to offer, Western Michigan College would be willing to greet Fremonters with open arms.

Charles Mahler, Western Michigan College baseball coach, was recently named on the selection committee for the fourth district, along with Jake Kline, Notre Dame; and Jake Stahl, Ohio State, to pick the college baseball team to represent the district in the eastern playoffs this year. The committee is empowered to select the team or to order playoffs of two or more teams, if necessary, to decide the team to represent the district.

Charles Briney, Bridgman High School coach and graduate of Western Michigan College, took his 1947-48 basketball team to the finals in Class D again this year. Briney has piled up a great record at Bridgman over the past several years.

The annual Physical Education Department luncheon was held in Lansing, Saturday noon, March 20, on the occasion of the Michigan High School Basketball Tournament. More than one hundred Western men and their friends heard President Paul V. Sangren, who was the speaker of the occasion.

Outmaneuvering three Michigan college flying teams in the state air meet April 24, Western's Flying Broncos won honors in every event to grab first place and retain the state championship.

As we go to press, we learn that Western's Hyames Field has again been selected as the scene of the National Collegiate Baseball Championship games, which will be played this year on June 24, 25, and 26.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE
*†September 25—Western Reserve
October 2—Beloit at Beloit, Wis.
*October 9—Central Michigan
October 16—Iowa Teachers
*October 23—Xavier University
†October 30—Miami University
*†Nov. 6—Butler University
Nov. 13—Washington University
†Nov. 20—Ohio University
*Home Games.
†Mid-American Conference Games.
Vocal Festival

A chorus of between 1400 and 1500 voices from high schools of Southwestern Michigan participated in the program of the tenth annual Southwestern Michigan Vocal Festival which was presented May 1 in the men's gymnasium of Western Michigan College under the sponsorship of the Music Department of the College.

Appearing with the high school singers were Western Michigan College Choir, directed by Dr. Elwyn Carter; the Auxiliary Choir and Women's Glee Club, both directed by Mrs. Dorothea Sage Snyder; and the Men's Glee Club, directed by Elmer Beloof.


A program including sacred songs, folk music, and contemporary songs, concluding with the Ringwalt arrangement of "Battle Hymn of the Republic" with baritone solo by Vernon Moerdyk, Western music student, was presented.

Dr. Robert Harry Wilson of the music faculty of Teachers College, Columbia University, was guest conductor. The festival was under the direction of Dr. Elwyn Carter, head of the Music Department. Rehearsals of the massed chorus were held in the morning in the women's gymnasium with Dr. T. S. Henry, head of the Department of Psychology, as the speaker.

Plans provide also for the Honors Convocation to be combined with the Senior Swingout, when honors for the year will be announced.

The June Breakfast will be held Saturday morning, June 5, under the sponsorship of the Women's League of the College, preceded by the Daisy Chain Processional.

Sunday, June 13, will be Baccalaureate Sunday, and the service will be held in the afternoon at Central High School auditorium. The speaker is not yet announced.

Friday, June 18, is the date for the annual meeting of the Inter-Council Chapter of Alpha Beta Epsilon, the college alumnae sorority, which will be held on the campus. Business sessions will be followed by tea at the home of President and Mrs. Sangren, and the annual banquet in the evening.

Commencement exercises will be held Saturday morning, June 19, with Dr. George S. Counts of Columbia University as the speaker. The annual Commencement Luncheon will follow in the cafeteria dining room of Walwood Hall.

Abolishes Hazing

Chi Chapter of Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity on Western Michigan College campus, by unanimous vote of its members, has stepped out in front during the past month to lead the nation in a move to abolish hazing by fraternities. Western's chapter voted unanimously to amend the by-laws of its constitution to do away with all forms of physical contact and mental torture including the use of paddles.

John Thompson, manager of the campus store, an alumni member of the chapter and national auditor of the national organization, states that Western's chapter is the first of this fraternity, and so far as he knows in any social fraternity in the United States to take this action. However, both the National Council of Sigma Tau Gamma, and the National Inter-Fraternity Council have gone on record as opposed to hazing and in favor of discouraging all forms of it.

For more than a year Western's chapter has had no informal initiation, in accordance with a post-war trend among its members away from such activities. Instead, this phase of the initiation has been replaced with variety skits, pledge-sponsored parties, and other such events.

Student Elections

Miss Krust Mr. Brown

Miss Marie Krust of Owosso and Arnold Brown have been elected president of the Women's League and Student Council, respectively, as a result of the annual spring elections.

Other officers of the Student Council elected are: vice-president, Anton Ruska, Riverside, Ill.; secretary, Miss Joanne Rough, Buchanan; and the following class representatives: seniors, Tom Trainor, Olivet; juniors, Don Hayes, Plymouth; sophomores, John M. Thompson, Cedar Springs.

Other Women's League officers elected were: vice-president, Betsy Slain, Montgomery; secretary, Margaret Bonfiglio, Elkhart, Ind.; treasurer, Nancy Champs, Dowagiac; publicity chairman, Dottie Wiederhold, Covert.

Five members of the Men's Union Board were elected as follows: Charles Ross, Doster; Darwin Smith, West Olive; James Kelly, Kalamazoo; Clarence Kewitch, Traverse...
City; and Rolland Van Hattum, Grand Rapids.

Miss Hamman  Miss Kasishke

Residents of women's dormitories at Western Michigan College recently elected their officers for the coming year. Miss Marilyn Kasishke, a Physical Education junior from South Haven, was elected president of Walwood Residence; and Miss Beatrice Hamman, a Secondary Education junior from Niles, was chosen president of Spindler Hall.

Other officers elected at Walwood Hall were: vice-president, Mary Annabelle Kish, South Bend, Ind.; secretary, Beverley Wies, Sunfield; and treasurer, Betty Bennett, Detroit.

Spindler Hall officers include: vice-president, Joyce Watson, Traverse City; secretary, Jean Freeman, Mason; and treasurer, Verna Burke, St. Joseph.

Science Lectures

Two important science lectures were presented to teachers of science in Southwestern Michigan and others interested during the last month under the sponsorship of two faculty science clubs of the College.

The Women's Faculty Science Club, organized during the past year, sponsored their first public lecture on April 22, when Miss Helen Martin, research geologist in the geological survey division of the Michigan Department of Conservation, gave a lecture on “How the Great Lakes Were Formed.”

In keeping with its long-established tradition, the Men's Faculty Science Club sponsored a popular lecture on a topic of scientific interest on April 30 when V. S. Peterson of the E. I. DuPont De Nemours & Co. gave an address on “Research and Better Living.”

The Emeritus Fund

Four more emeritus members of Western Michigan College have been honored by a gift from Mrs. L. H. Kirby of Kalamazoo, her daughter and sons to the Emeritus Fund of the College, it is announced by Dr. Paul V. Sangren, president.

Those honored by the latest gift are the Misses Louise Steinway, Florence McLouth, and Helen Barton of the campus training school, where Mrs. Kirby's sons and daughter attended elementary school; and the late Dr. Smith Burnham, whose death occurred in December.

This brings to eight the number of those honored by this fund established two years ago when Mrs. Kirby made the first gift to the fund, which is open to all contributors wishing to honor retiring members of the faculty. Others honored by the fund are Harper C. Maybee, George Sprau, Louis Foley, and Herbert Slusser.

Church Conference

Ministers and laymen from town and country churches of Southwestern Michigan, including representatives of many community groups interested in rural life and education, attended the fourth annual Town and Country Church Conference which was held at Western Michigan College, March 4. It was sponsored by the department of Rural Life and Education of Western in cooperation with the department of education of the Michigan Council of Churches.

Dr. H. E. Bicksler, director of the Larger Parish, Mattoon, Ill., was the guest speaker, who addressed the general sessions both morning and afternoon. At the morning session he stressed the idea that other agencies besides the church are engaged in the building of the community, and that Christian stewardship should give recognition to this contribution. He discussed various methods of relating the work of the church to the constructive contributions of various organizations, such as the Farm Bureau, the Grange, and Cooperatives. He also contended that the church should relate itself to the government at the various levels.

At the afternoon session he told of his work as the director of the Larger Mattoon Parish, which serves McCormick Theological Seminary as a training school for prospective ministers. He outlined the organization by which nine parishes work together as separate churches, but as one parish, through the medium of a representative council, which serves as a clearing house for parish problems, and through which work is coordinated. Incidentally, Richard Dunkelberger, who graduated from Western Michigan College last June, is now head of one of the churches in this larger parish, as a student at Theological Seminary. He was present at the conference.

Panel discussion on topics selected by the audience were held both morning and afternoon.

Guidance Conference

Approximately 500 persons concerned with guidance of individuals of all ages from kindergarten and including adulthood, in schools and colleges at all levels, in industry, church, and the home, attended the twelfth annual conference on guidance which was held at Western Michigan College, March 6. The conference was sponsored jointly by the Southwestern Michigan Guidance Association and the College.

Dr. Robert M. Mathewson, director of the Veterans Guidance Center, Harvard University, was the guest speaker. He discussed "Newer Trends in Counseling." Basing his discussion upon experiences in counseling of 12,000 veterans at the Harvard Guidance Center, he said it had been found that existing theories concerning guidance were inadequate to meet the Center's clients. In contrast with the theories of the tradition of measurement, the idea of a detached individual has become extinct. The individual is attached to his environment, Dr. Mathewson contended.
that in counseling, this fact must be recognized, and also the meaning that the individual attaches to his environment must be considered. Relationship between the individual and his environment must likewise be taken into account.

Discussing what he termed the "dynamics of interests," he said, "We have kidded ourselves in thinking we knew about an individual's interests after a few tests. We cannot know about these interests until they have been verified by a long series of interviews."

The speaker held the interpretive function of counseling to be imperative in helping to understand the individual and in assisting him to understand himself. Development of the client should be an important aim as well as an adjustment in his occupation, personal and family life, his avocation, and his social and community life, all of which should be developed into a well-balanced whole.

Counseling cannot be considered complete when the client is twelve years of age. Instead, he contended, the work of development must continue over a long period of time. Education and guidance cannot be separated. Discussing the techniques of guidance, he said it must never be of the dominating type, holding that it must include evaluation of the individual by himself, and lead to a self realization which is consistent with social, moral, and spiritual values.

Nine section meetings were held throughout the day, leaders of which were Miss Elizabeth Hosking, Battle Creek; Nelson Budde, Kalamazoo; Dr. Claude W. Fawcett, East Grand Rapids; Don Dolan, Kalamazoo; Glen Smith, Lansing; Dr. Harold Taylor, Kalamazoo; Dr. Glenn M. Frye, Benton Harbor; Mrs. E. L. Church, Kalamazoo; and Mrs. Louise Durham Mohr, South Haven. A general session with a panel discussion concluded the program. A. L. Sebaly, boys' adviser of Western State High School and retiring president of the Southwestern Michigan Guidance Association, who was chairman of the committee in charge of the program, presided. The address of welcome was given by Dr. Paul V. Sangren, President of the College.

At the business session, Tony Matulis of Plymouth was elected president for the coming year, and Mary Jane Ross, Kalamazoo, secretary. Directors elected were Malcolm Mackay, Holland; and Miss Frances McGowan, Battle Creek.

**Commencement Reunions**

The date of the Commencement Exercises at Western Michigan is Saturday, June 19. Following the program at the Hyames Field there will be the regular annual Commencement Day Luncheon in the Union Building.

Following the suggestion of the Dix plan for class reunion dates, the class of 1938 is planning to return to the campus to celebrate the tenth anniversary of their graduation. Charles Crawford, president of the class, and now living in Traverse City, is in charge of arrangements.

Leo Redmond of the Public Schools of Muskegon announces the planning of the class of 1923 to return to the campus this June to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the class. Miss Mary Cryan, secretary of the class, is assisting with arrangements. Miss Cryan's home is in Kalamazoo and she is teaching in Grand Rapids.

**Distributive Education**

Dr. Deyo B. Fox, Director of the Division of Vocational Education, is pleased to announce Western Michigan College's plans for its first Distributive Education Workshop on the campus during the 1948 summer session. Teacher training in Distributive Education is one of the more recent services being rendered the State by this division of the College. Adrian Trimpe from the Vocational Division and Teacher Trainer for the State will supervise and direct the workshop. An excellent staff of especially well-qualified individuals has been secured to take part in the program. They are: G. Henry Richert, Program Planning Special-
Tests reveal, he states, that 21 per cent of the incoming freshmen and transfer students at Western read at the twelfth grade level and below. There are, he points out, 364 students on Western's campus who, according to the results of their tests, need to improve their reading ability in order to get the greatest value from their academic work and their general reading.

To meet this need the reading laboratory has been set up, and a special program has been worked out. It is voluntary on the part of the students, though it is often recommended. No college credit is given for the work, but students are enthusiastic about the rewards they receive from more effective study and higher academic records. One of the unique features of the program is the fact that students actually make their own self analysis, determine the area in which they most need help, choose their own work, and continue in it until they feel they have accomplished their purpose. Still another unique feature is the fact that the materials used are their regular class assignments in their various courses, all of which means that while they are improving their reading ability they are also preparing their regular daily class work.

Results of the Ohio State University psychological tests taken by all incoming students give the indication of those who need to improve their reading ability. Carter points out that many highly-intelligent students are actually poor readers, and that for such students the reading laboratory is especially helpful. In order to find out what the particular reading disabilities are, those who enroll in the laboratory are given the Iowa Silent Reading Test. Then another feature entirely new in Western's program is presented, called the orientation inventory. This consists of a series of 143 questions which may be answered by "yes" or "no." They are designed to disclose physical, emotional, reading-background, and reading-skill factors, which may contribute to the reading disabilities.

The student is then given a scoring key, whereby he tabulates his own score, which is interpreted by Carter and Miss McGinnis. The interpretation is presented to the student. He is next given what is called a "master work sheet" on which are listed twenty-five different assignments from which he may choose.

Twice a week he goes to the laboratory in the Health and Personnel Building, where he applies the suggestions given in his assignment to his class work in various courses, thereby preparing his lesson at the same time he is improving his reading ability. Since no two students have the same needs, each student is given individual attention by the laboratory technicians. Much interest is being shown by students who are engaged in the laboratory because of the surprising results achieved. For instance, one student whose reading percentile when he began was 17 had raised it to 46 at the end of the first semester, and to 73 at the end of the second semester. He is continuing for a third semester, in order to still further improve his reading.

Wide attention has been attracted to the program. Recently Carter and Miss McGinnis presented it at a conference of educators held at the University of Chicago, and many inquiries concerning it are being received. At present it is possible to admit only sixty students to the laboratory and the quota is now filled. However, it is hoped to complete plans, whereby possibilities of the laboratory may be expanded.

Western Michigan College coeds presented their first aquatic show March 22, 23, and 24, in the swimming pool of the women's gymnasium of the College. The show was sponsored by Water Sprites, a new organization composed of women students in the swimming classes, and was presented under the direction of Miss Jean Smith of the faculty.

"Dream Interlude" was the name chosen for the program, which included swimming numbers, synchronized to recorded music around the dream theme. All the routines were composed by the members of the club. There were solos, duets, and ensemble swimming numbers, also a dance number and a vocal solo. Effective lighting added to the charm of the production.

Water Sprites shown in the picture are, left to right: Lorraine Cone, Sturgis; Lois Johnson, Birmingham; Lee Outley, Detroit; and Pat Wurtman, Harvey, Ill., who appeared in "Blues in the Night."

On the cover of this issue appears a picture by Norman Williams of the new main entrance to Western Michigan College. Behind the imposing facade are corridors connecting the Administration Building and the Training School Building, together with the new offices of the Campus Laboratory Schools.
Alumni News

Wednesday, March 3, was the organization date of a Western Michigan College Alumni Club at Rochester, Michigan. Graduates were present from Birmingham, Oxford, Pontiac, Romeo, and Detroit. The meeting was held at the high school and the Home Economics Department served the dinner. Richard Huizenga, principal of the Rochester High School, was elected President; Jack W. Lees of Oxford is Vice-President; Willamena Ribbink, teacher of commerce, is Secretary; and Harold Vannatter, Romeo, was elected Treasurer.

Those present were Lydia Biekola, Birmingham; Charles Brucker.

Mr. Huizenga

Naomi Ball Brucker, Louis D. Corbat, Jack W. Lees, Loretta Locker, Oxford; Robert W. Kerr, Harold Throop, Pontiac; Louise Burkitt, Jene Conley, Shirley Denton, Helen Ingersoll Liddicoat, Stephen Liddicoat, Willamena Ribbink, Rochester; Rachel M. Hilbert, Berenice Tompkins, Harold H. Vannatter, Romeo; Ruth Fisher Hackett, Arlene Rockelman Oakley, Detroit; Carl R. Cooper, Ruth Cooper, Kalamazoo; Phyllis Cooper Meyer, Willow Run.

The second meeting date was scheduled for April 20, at which time Dr. and Mrs. Deyo Fox were present from the campus. Dr. Fox addressed the club.

Miss Marion L. Dickinson, who graduated from the Art Department of Western Michigan College in 1932, and was for four years director of the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, has been named secretary to Kenneth Ross, director of the newly-organized Modern Institute of Arts in Beverly Hills, Calif. This Institute, which has been featured in recent issues of *Art News Magazine* is sponsored by such well-known persons as Walter Arensberg, Clifford Odet, Charles Laughlin, Fannie Brice, Vincent Price, Edward G. Robinson, Mrs. Walter Camp Jr., and others.

After graduation from Western with a major in Art, Miss Dickinson taught art in the Kalamazoo Public Schools until in 1943 she became director of the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts. Last June she went to California to make her home in Los Angeles and was immediately appointed to the Chouinard Art Institute Staff as librarian and scholarship student. The new Modern Arts Institute is housed in a modern building in downtown Beverly Hills.

Grey Austin, assistant manager of the campus store and a graduate of Western Michigan College, has been awarded a scholarship for the coming year by the Garret Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill. He will start his work next September.

After graduation from Western Michigan College in 1945 with the degree of Bachelor of Science, he was awarded a scholarship to the School of Business Administration at the University of Michigan, where in 1946 he received the degree of Master of Arts in Business Administration. Since the fall of 1946 he has been assistant manager of the campus store. He has also served as pastor of the Methodist churches at Oshkosh and West Oshkosh.

Student Honors

Robert D. Krause of Jackson, who will be graduated from Western Michigan College in June with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, has been awarded the state college scholarship for graduate work in the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies at the University of Michigan.

Krause, who has majored in political science at Western, plans graduate work in that field. He is a veteran of World War II.

Paul Splitstone of Fremont, who will complete the work for the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Western Michigan College in June with a major in Chemistry, has been awarded a teaching assistantship in the department of Chemistry at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. He plans to begin his work in the fall. The assistantship carries a stipend of $900 annually, and tuition and fees for graduate study, which he plans to pursue until he completes the requirements for the Ph. D. degree.

Throughout his four years on Western's campus Splitstone has maintained a high academic record which was given recognition by his election to Kappa Rho Sigma, honorary society in science and...
mathematics. He is also a member of the Student Science Club, and has been a teaching assistant to Dr. Gerald Osborn, head of the department of Chemistry.

Edward Grimsal, son of Mrs. Fern Grimsal, Kalamazoo, will complete the work for the Bachelor of Arts degree from Western Michigan College in June with a major in chemistry. He will be only 20 years old at the time. In less than a month later he will begin work on a fellowship at the Iowa State Institute for Atomic Research at Iowa State College, Ames, Ia., in which he plans to continue until he has completed requirements for the Ph. D. degree. The fellowship carries a grant of $125 a month in addition to tuition and fees for graduate study.

Remarkable as such an achievement is for a youth of twenty years the story of his courageous, determined struggle to attain it is even more noteworthy. For just one quarter of his twenty years of life has been spent in a hospital bed.

Stricken with rheumatic fever at the age of eleven years, while still a pupil in junior high school in Kalamazoo, he was taken to Mary Free Bed Hospital in Grand Rapids, where he was a patient for five years. He completed his junior high school work lying flat on his bed in the hospital. At the age of sixteen years he was awarded his high school diploma at the hospital in June 1944. Sufficiently recovered by fall to return to his home, he at once entered Western Michigan College where he has maintained a place on the high scholarship list throughout the entire four years. He has majored in physics and chemistry.

Recognition of his scholastic attainment was given in his election to Kappa Rho Sigma, honorary society in science and mathematics. He is also a member of the Student Science Club of which he is president this year. His research will be in the field of nuclear physics.

In addition to all this he has gained health, and is able to do anything a normal student does, with the exception of participation in athletics.

Joseph Genna of Jackson, who will complete his work for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education at Western Michigan College, has accepted a teaching assistantship in Physics at Indiana University for the coming year. He was also offered an assistantship in the Department of Physics, Iowa State College.

The appointment which Genna accepted provides for tuition and fees for graduate work and a cash grant for $1,000. At Western Mr. Genna is a member of the Newman Club and also of Der Deutsche Vere'n.

Kersten D. Juul of Tonsted, Norway, who will complete the work for the Bachelor of Arts degree at Western Michigan College in June, has been awarded a scholarship at the Detroit Children's Center for the coming year. He plans to complete the work for the Master of Arts degree through combined study at Wayne University and the Detroit Children's Center. His graduate study will be in clinical psychology.

Upon the completion of his graduate work he plans to return to Norway to pursue work in clinical psychology, a new field in Norwegian schools.

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gives for each operation, and studies the illustrations. It was because of this unusual practicability of the book that the Perkins Institute requested the privilege of reproducing it for the use of the blind.

Dr. William McKinley Robinson, head of the department of Rural Life and Education at Western Michigan College, has been elected president of the national organization of Kappa Delta Pi, honorary fraternity in education. He was elected at the national convention held at Atlantic City. He succeeds Dr. Thomas C. McCracken, dean emeritus of Ohio University, who has held the office for twenty-four years.

Dr. Robinson has been national councilor of the organization for the past six years. He was one of the organizers of Western's chapter, which was installed by Dr. Thomas C. McCracken in 1927, and is sponsor of the campus chapter.

Two members of Western's chapter attended the 1948 convention. They are, Patricia Whiteside, Niles; and Priscilla Barnes, Sault Ste Marie.

Miss Anna C. Lindblom, of the faculty of Western Michigan College Speech Department, and for many years coach of women's debate at Western, has received the Walther award presented by the national Tau Kappa Alpha fraternity. This bronze plaque, appropriately engraved and mounted, was presented to Miss Lindblom as the most outstanding Tau Kappa Alpha sponsor for the year 1946-47.

Miss Lindblom was one of the organizers of Western's chapter of this national honorary fraternity in 1927. She has served as governor for the Michigan-Indiana region, and is executive secretary for the annual national discussion tournament and congress sponsored by the fraternity, which was held last year on Western's campus. She was also active in organizing the congress at its beginning eight years ago.

Tau Kappa Alpha has 108 chapters on college and university campuses, and is represented in practically every state.

Dr. Gifford Blyton, men's debate coach at Western Michigan College since 1941, has resigned to become director of forensics at the University of Kentucky at Lexington, Ky. He will begin his new duties in September. Dr. Blyton served in the Navy from August 1943 to March 1946 and held the rank of lieutenant (jg).

In addition to his work as debate coach, he has served on the Faculty Council, the Forensic Board, the Graduate Council as chairman of the Student-Faculty Committee, and as sponsor of the campus章ter. He was elected to the national Tau Kappa Alpha, the Michigan Academy of Letters, Arts, and Sciences, the Speech Association of America, and is a contributing editor of the Quarterly Journal of Speech.

**Faculty Activities**

Dr. George H. Hilliard met with the State Committee on Guidance at Lansing, Michigan, on January 20, and attended the Council of Guidance and Personnel in Chicago, March 29-April 1.

Dr. Elmer H. Wilds attended a conference on Graduate Education at the University of Chicago, April 13-16.

Dr. Nancy E. Scott spoke under the auspices of the Peace Committee of the Mt. Olivet Methodist Church at Dearborn, Michigan, February 4 on the topic, "People of the Soviet Union," and on April 2 she addressed the North Park Literary Club, Grand Rapids, on "The Russian Foreign Policy."

A. Verne Fuller has been elected vice-president and education director of the Michigan Audubon Society.

Marion Tamkin will be in charge of the Phonetics Center at the French School, Middlebury College, Vermont, during the summer session.

Dr. Leslie A. Kenoyer attended the meeting of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters, and presented a paper before the Botanical Section on "Some Botanical Observations at Antigua, Guatemala, and Guanajuato State, Mexico," April 2.

Roy J. Wietz was the basketball banquet speaker at Augusta on March 22, and Delton, March 23. At both meetings Mr. Wietz showed motion pictures.

Helen O. Brown attended the March meeting of the State Physical Education Association held in Grand Rapids.

Howard D. Corbus was a delegate to the Michigan Education Association Representative Assembly held in Lansing, March 2-3.


Dr. Charles H. Butler attended the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics at the annual convention held at Indianapolis, Indiana, April 1-3.

Lawrence O. Haaby was recently appointed editor of Student Safety News, a high school publication of the National Safety Council to promote safety publicity.

Wilma H. Schenk was elected to the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the Southwest Tri-County League. This is an athletic league comprising football, basketball, and track. Member schools include Allegan, Oscego, Paw Paw, Plainwell, and Zeeland High Schools.

Thelma E. Anton attended the regional convention of the American Association of University Women at Toledo, April 23-24, as secretary of the Kalama zoo branch.

Winifred C. MacFee attended the meeting in Lansing, April 14, on Early Childhood Education, which dealt with nursery school education and teacher recruitment. Mrs. MacFee, as Education Chairman of the local branch, attended the regional meeting of the American Association of University Women at Toledo, April 23-24.

Dr. Charles Van Riper spoke on "Therapy with Parents of Speech Defective Children" before the meeting of the Central States Speech Association at Chicago on April 8.

Dr. Robert Friedman attended the Midwestern Conference of the Interna-
tional Relations Club and the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Dr. Friedman is associate editor of the Mennonite Quarterly Review and attended the meetings of the Mennonite Historical Society at Goshen College, Indiana, in February.

Dr. John L. Feiber has been made a member of the Executive Committee of the Michigan Industrial Education Society.

Joseph W. Giachino spoke before the Battle Creek High School, April 6, on "Vocational Opportunities in Aviation." He attended the meeting of the Michigan Industrial Education Society at Grand Rapids on April 9-10, serving as chairman of the discussion group on Aviation.

Dr. Lillian H. Meyers attended the meetings of the American Federation of Societies for Experimental Biology and the American Society of Biological Chemists on March 15-19, at Atlantic City, N. J.

Dr. Elwyn F. Carter attended the Music Educators National Conference in Detroit, April 17-22, where he was made State chairman on "Student Membership and Activities." He directed the public school Vocal Festival in Battle Creek on April 14.

Charles R. Starring on Thursday, March 11, addressed the Detroit Historical Society on "Hazen S. Pingree." Guests of the Society were the three grandchildren of Mr. Pingree.

Gifford S. Blyton on January 17, attended a meeting of the Michigan Association of Teachers of Speech at Michigan State College, and on February 20 presided over the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Michigan Association of Teachers of Speech at Michigan State College.

George E. Mills has been appointed to the State Audio-Visual Aids Committee. He has been elected president of the Beta Eta Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa and served as official delegate to the National Council of Phi Delta Kappa in Kansas City, December 28-31. He participated as panel member on "How to Improve High School Speech Teaching" at meetings of the Michigan Association of Teachers of Speech in East Lansing, January 17.

Harold Blair has been made Michigan State Chairman of the Mathematical Association of America.

Clarence W. Hackney attended the North Central Association meeting in Chicago, March 10-12.

Lydia Siedschlag spoke at Allegan before the American Association of University Women on December 3, and at Bronson before the Federation of Women's Clubs, November 6, on "Interior Decorating."

Dr. Gerald Osborn spoke on "The Significance and Social Implications of Atomic Energy" before the Hastings Kiwanis Club and Hastings High School on February 18. Dr. Osborn represented Western Michigan College at the Conference on Higher Education held in Ann Arbor, February 13-14.

Dr. Margaret MacMillan attended the sessions of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters held in Ann Arbor, April 2.

Dr. Cyril L. Stout was Western's representative at the Seventh Annual State Conference on Higher Education, held in Ann Arbor, February 13-14. Dr. Stout attended the sectional meeting on "Types of General Education."

La Verne Argabright attended the Camping Conferences at Niles, March 9, and at Muskegon, March 31.

Ruth Y. Kirby attended the Convention of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South held in Milwaukee, April 1-3.

Elizabeth R. Hansen talked on "Teaching in Hawaii" at the Lyle School and judged debate at the Gobles School. Miss Hansen also attended the meeting of the Michigan Association for Student Teaching held recently at East Lansing and Ypsi-lanti.

Walter G. Marburger gave a demonstration and illustrated lecture on "Modulation and Sidebands" before the Amateur Radio Clubs of Grand Rapids and Western Michigan, January 24; the Combined Radio Clubs of Lansing and Michigan State College at East Lansing, March 4; and the Kalamazoo Amateur Radio Club, March 31.

Esther D. Schroeder participated in institutes and clinics in Dowagiac, February 23; Rockford, March 12; Muskegon, March 17; and Niles, March 20. On March 18 she attended a meeting of the State Committee on Rural Supervision at Lansing.

Dr. William Berry addressed the Conference of Southwestern Michigan Farm Planners at Clear Lake on the topic, "Development of the Michigan Landscape," March 9.

Sheldon S. Meyers attended the 26th Annual Meeting of the National Meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, Indianapolis, Indiana, April 1-3. He served as resource person in secondary mathematics at Kent County Teachers Institute, Rockford, Michigan, March 12, and was appointed to preside over the August 17 morning session of the Duke University Mathematics Institute to be held at Durham, N. C. August 9-20.

Phoebe Lumaree and Hazel M. DeMeyer attended the mid-winter conference of the American Library Association at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, January 30-February 1. Miss Lumaree has been elected President of the Michigan Regional Group of Catalogers for the year.

Dr. Arnold E. Schneider spoke at the Michigan Business Education Association at Grand Rapids, March 20, and the Business Education Conference on February 6-7 at Michigan State College. He addressed the Michigan Junior Savings and Loan League on February 22, at Battle Creek on "Principles of Business Forecasting."

Dr. Lawrence S. Thompson addressed the Folklore Section of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters on "Religatum de pelle humana," on April 2. On February 3, he attended a meeting of Michigan Historical Society's Committee on Schools and Publications in Ann Arbor.

Leonard V. Meretta adjudicated at District Instrumental Music Festivals in Marlette, March 7; Jackson, March 19; Big Rapids, April 1; Traverse City, April 2; Grand Rapids, April 3; and Michigan State College, April 10.

Homer L. J. Carter attended the Annual Institute on Corrective and Reme-
dial Reading held at Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 2-5.

SUPERINTENDENT HUGH G. ARCHER of the Paw Paw Training School attended the Atlantic City Convention of the American Association of School Administrators, February 21-26. He also attended the School Business Officials meeting in Detroit on April 8-10.

Dr. ARTHUR J. MANSKE recently spoke at the faculty meetings at Holland, Plainwell, and Vine Street Junior High School, Kalamazoo; to parent groups at Three Rivers, Coldwater, Bronson, and Nashville; and to the American Association of University Women at Allegan and South Haven. He also attended the National Vocational Guidance Association Meeting at Chicago from March 29-April 1.


Hazel C. Cleveland, on April 9, spoke to parents of children in grades 1-6 in Sparta, Michigan, on "Books for Children."

JOHN G. KEMPER was the speaker at the annual open meeting of the creative arts study group of the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph branch of the American Association of University Women on April 6. His subject was "So You Don't Like Modern Art." Mr. Kemper's oil painting, "The Night Shirt," was exhibited in the sixth annual Ohio Valley Oil and Water Color Show at Ohio University from March 1-31.


HERBERT E. ELLINGER and HENRY J. BEUKEMA attended the Michigan Industrial Education Society Convention in Grand Rapids on April 10.

GLENN A. COLLINS attended the third annual Midwestern Conference on School Vocal and Instrumental Music at Ann Arbor on January 16-18.

MATE G. HUNT attended the School Library Conference sponsored by the Indiana School Librarian's Association and the School of Education, at the University of Indiana, Bloomington, on April 9-10.

LOUISE T. STRUBLE attended the State Audio-Visual Education meeting in Detroit on January 27-29.

EDWARD E. REYNOLDS attended the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters meetings in Ann Arbor, April 1-3.

CLAYTON J. MAUS was the speaker at the Northwest Class C Basketball Conference at Mesick, Michigan, on March 22.


DORA G. THOMPSON attended the meeting of the Michigan Occupational Therapy Schools and Clinical Directors which was held at Wayne University in Detroit on April 9.

DR. RUSSELL H. SEIBERT made two speeches in Dowagiac on March 11: at noon he addressed the Rotary Club on international affairs, and in the evening spoke to a public meeting sponsored by the local chapter of Alpha Beta Epsilon. Dr. Seibert also spoke to the Paw Paw Coterie on March 12 on "Progress and Civilization."

MATHILDE STECKELBERG has been appointed to serve on a committee of the Central States Modern Language Teachers Association for the correlation of elementary work in the colleges and high schools.

ELIZABETH M. DEUR served as Social Studies consultant at the Kent County Institute at Rockford on March 19.

OPAL M. STAMM attended the Annual Workshop of College Home Economics Clubs sponsored by the American Home Economics Association.

MARY P. DOTY attended the Music Educators National Conference in Detroit on April 19-22.

DR. DEVO B. FOX acted as resource person at the Conference for Directors of Vocational Education at Higgins Lake on February 16-18, and on April 8-10, as chairman of the Industrial Arts Division meeting at the Annual Convention of the Michigan Industrial Education Society at Grand Rapids.

MARION R. SPEAR, as a member of the Steering Committee of the American Occupational Therapy Association, attended a recent meeting in St. Louis, Missouri.

Alpha Beta Epsilon

Invitations were in the mail as early as March for the annual dinner and installation service to be held at the Whitcomb Hotel in St. Joseph, Thursday, May 27.

Miss Maryalice Buswell, President of the Inter-Chapter Council, is recovering from surgery.

Gamma

The Annual Benefit Bridge at the Hepolzheimer Store in Grand Rapids, sponsored by the Gamma Chapter, was held Saturday, April 10. Proceeds from this endeavor go to the Scholarship Fund of the chapter.

Delta

On February 11, seventy-five Western Michigan College alumni of Kalamazoo enjoyed an informal get-together sponsored by the Men's Alumni Club and the Delta Chapter of Alpha Beta Epsilon. Following a tray supper an amateur radio program in which many of the group participated was presented under the direction of Wallace Garneau and Zack York. Square dancing in the gymnasium furnished additional entertainment.

The March meeting of Delta Chapter was addressed by Dr. T. S. Henry of the Psychology Department of Western Michigan College. His topic was "Your Personality."

The Delta Chapter entertained the senior women of the class of 1948 at the regular April meeting of the club. Mrs. Helen Wooley of the Alpha Chapter was the speaker. Following the program, refreshments were served in the Ballroom of the Union Building where the reception was held.

Mrs. Mary Shugars of the Delta Chapter was the committee chairman responsible for a rummage sale held recently in a downtown store, Kalamazoo, where the net receipts totaled more than $100.

Epsilon

The annual May banquet and induction service will be held at the Hotel Hayes, Jackson, Saturday, May 22.

Zeta

The annual banquet and installation service date at Lansing has been set for May 21.

Eta

Eta Chapter of Alpha Beta Epsilon entertained 50 girl graduates and guests at a tea in the beautiful new kindergarten room of the Eastlawn School on Sunday afternoon, April 11. Mrs. Norman Hall welcomed the guests and introduced the L'Etude Trio who sang four numbers. Tea was served from a beautifully appointed table. Mrs. Norman Hall and Mrs. Edward Hyde poured.

April 12 the Eta Chapter in Midland met at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Lee, 414 S. Lansing Street in Mt. Pleasant, for the regular meeting. Miss Lucille Nobbs was present and told about her trip to England last summer. Mrs. William Bradley assisted the hostess.

Theta

The spring meeting of the Inter-Chapter Council was held at Parker Inn in Albion with the members of Theta Chapter as hosts. Delegates were present from all of the chapters and sixty-one persons were present at the evening dinner. Miss Maryalice Buswell, President of the council, presided at all of the sessions.

Iota

The annual induction and installation banquet will be held Wednesday evening, May 19, at the Post Tavern Hotel in Battle Creek.
Kappa
The annual banquet in Detroit, sponsored by Kappa Chapter, will be May 22.

Lambda
"The Best Things in Life are Free" is a quotation used by the Dowagiac Daily News after the alumnae choir from Kalamazoo presented a complimentary program in the First Methodist Church. A dramatic presentation by the Lambda Chapter, Dowagiac, with Dorothy Sage Snyder as director. Following the program a buffet luncheon was served at the home of Mrs. John Suchovsky, President of the Chapter.

Fifteen girls received their pledge pins at the annual Initiation Tea held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Wich, 211 Spruce Street, Dowagiac, Saturday evening, May 8. Out of town guests included Mrs. Paul V. Sangren, Mrs. Wynand Wichers, Mrs. John C. Hoekje, Mrs. Carl Cooper, Miss Lucille Nobbs, all of Kalamazoo; Miss Marilyn Miller, Inter-Chapter Council President of South Bend; and Mrs. Frank Fogg, Benton Harbor.

Miss La Verne Argabright, faculty member at Western Michigan College, has accepted an honorary membership in Lambda Chapter of Alpha Beta Epsilon. Dowagiac is Miss Argabright's hometown and Lambda Chapter is greatly honored by her acceptance.

Mu
The Mu Chapter of Alpha Beta Epsilon was formed in Muskegon, Saturday, May 1. The officers initiated at the installation and dinner which was held in the Russet Room of the Occident Hotel are: Alberta Hocker, President; Marcella Kubilius, First Vice President; Florence Jubb, Second Vice President; Margaret Elenbaas, Recording Secretary; Laura Long, Corresponding Secretary; Emma D. McMillan, Chaplain; and June Griffith Freye, Treasurer. The Organization Committee of Alpha Beta Epsilon was assisted by the members of the Gamma Chapter, Grand Rapids.

Alumni Personalities
1948
Miss Willo Ann Rayburn has accepted the position of Director of the Occupational Therapy Department at the Morris Memorial Hospital, Milton, West Virginia.

In an Easter wedding service, Miss Dawn Haver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ransom M. Haver, Battle Creek, became the bride of Kenneth Kilber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond G. Kilber, Kalamazoo. The Rev. N. Dan Brady performed the afternoon service in the First Presbyterian Church, Battle Creek. The bride is an occupational therapist at Ann J. Kellogg School. Her husband is now attending Western Michigan College. After an eastern wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Kilber will reside at 918 South Westnedge Avenue, Kalamazoo.

1947
Miss Jeanne Marie Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence L. Hill, West Main Street, Kalamazoo, was united in marriage to Richard Lew Ramsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Ramsey, Lawton, Michigan, in the St. Augustine Church rectory by Monsignor J. R. Hackett. Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey left on a wedding trip to northern Michigan. After their return they will reside in Lima, Ohio.

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Jean Harden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Harden, Kalamazoo, and Kenneth Russell Wolfe, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wolfe, Kalamazoo, was solemnized April 3, 1948, in the Chapel of St. Luke's Church. The Rev. A. Gordon Fowkes read the service in the presence of one hundred guests. Following the reception, Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe left on a wedding trip to New York City. They will reside at 931 Bellevue Place, Kalamazoo.

On February 29, 1948, the East Main Methodist Church was the scene of the wedding of Miss Janice Carol Whitney, Grand Rapids, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Leroy M. Whitney, and Louis G. Winchell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Winchell, Grand Rapids. The bride's father, pastor of the Plainfield Avenue Methodist Church, assisted by the Rev. Janis Laupmanis, officiated before 175 guests. Mr. Winchell is employed by Bronson Hospital. Mr. Winchell is employed by the New York Central Railroad. They will reside at 2324 Crance Avenue, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

On January 31, Miss Maxine M. Smith, daughter of Mrs. Philip H. Smith, Hartford, and Glen D. Moerdyk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moerdyk, Kalamazoo, were married in the Trinity Lutheran Church. The bride is a senior student at Western Michigan College and her husband is employed on the Lawrence Times. They are residing in Lawrence.

Miss Mary Frances Kearney, Kalamazoo, daughter of Mrs. John Kearney, Muskegon Heights, and the late Mr. Kearney, became the bride of Vale R. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller, Kalamazoo. They were married in the rectory of St. Mary's Church, Muskegon Heights, January 31. Mrs. Miller is now employed as supervisor of Occupational Therapy at the Western Administration Hospital, Fort Custer. Mr. Miller is a junior student at Western Michigan College. The couple reside in the Colonial Apartments, Woodward Avenue, Kalamazoo.

Monroe Price has finished his work for the Master of Arts degree at the University of Michigan and is teaching at Pontiac High School, Pontiac, Michigan.

Carleton King went to the University of Zurich in Switzerland, under the auspices of the University of Maryland, last fall and spent a semester there.

Glenn Karseboon spent October, November, and December studying and traveling in France this last fall. He went over by plane and returned by boat. He visited friends in Central France, saw Nelson Curtis in Paris, stayed awhile with friends of Dr. Frances Noble in Carolles on the northern coast, and also visited friends near Orly Field in Paris.

Ray Percival, who graduated in February, is teaching French at the University of Michigan while working on his Master of Arts degree.

Nelson Curtis is attending the Sorbonne in Paris this year. His address is 33 Boulevard Exelmans, Paris XVI, France.

Laurene D. Timmerman, 138 Wall Street, Zeeland, Michigan, became Mrs. Eugene Grashorn, July 1, 1947. They were married at the Reformed Church by the Rev. C. P. Dame. They are residing at 1201 Kimball Avenue, Kalamazoo, and Mrs. Grashorn is teaching 4th grade at the Woodard School.
James Gray is attending the Graduate School of Business Administration at the University of Michigan.

Mr. Joseph D. Wheeler is living in Cleveland, Ohio, while he is attending dental school at Western Reserve University.

John Pruus, who succeeded Louise Steinway as seventh grade critic in the campus training school, will attend Northwestern University beginning this summer. While attending Northwestern he will have a teaching assistantship in the school of speech, under the auspices of the National High School Institute.

1946

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Bouwman (Patricia Eldridge, 1943) announce the birth of a son born January 27 in Bronson Hospital, Kalamazoo. Mr. Bouwman is teaching in the Sociology Department at Western Michigan College.

"The angel from Western Michigan" is what the German people call Carlene Bagnall, a member of the Quaker International Voluntary Service. Once each week she delivers thirty to forty large cartons of food sent from Western Michigan to needy persons in the Ruhr area of Germany. Food sent to her has been distributed to approximately two hundred families. Miss Bagnall taught in Battle Creek one year before volunteering to go overseas with the relief organization. She plans to return to the United States this spring.

On December 20, 1947, Miss Ann Tulecik (1944) was married to Paul J. Unger. They both teach in Roosevelt High School, Keego Harbor, Michigan. Their present address is 48 E. Iroquois, Pontiac, Michigan.

Miss Mary M. Eldridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hoekje, Jr., East Grand Rapids, are the parents of a daughter, Janiffer Ann, born Sunday, February 1, in Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids. The baby's arrival came on the birthday anniversary of her grandfather, Dean John C. Hoekje.

Miss Mary M. Eldridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Eldridge, Short Street, Kalamazoo, and Kenneth A. Fowler, son of Mrs. Joseph Fowler, Buffalo, New York, spoke their marriage vows in a candlelight service performed at the Eldridge residence. After a short wedding trip they are residing at 576 C Street, Dexter.

Miss Helen Carey, who was at the Sorbonne all last winter, has two French diplomas now, and is teaching French in Sparta. Her address is 11 Pleasant Street, Sparta.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Skyles (Joan Jenkins, 1947) are residing in Jonesville, Wisconsin, where Mr. Skyles is assistant director of recreation.

1947

Harold A. Nielson, Boys' Worker at the Children's Home, has accepted the position of County Agent in the Juvenile Division of the Barry County Probate Court at Hastings. Mr. Nielson, his wife, and daughter plan to move to Hastings soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bigelow, 424 Barth Street, Grand Rapids, announce the birth of a son, February 29, 1940. Mrs. Bigelow was the former Marjorie DeYoung.

The marriage of Miss Barbara Jean McAleeer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. McAleeer, West Main Street, Kalamazoo, and Bruce Denton Milroy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Milroy, South Prospect Street, Kalamazoo, was solemnized February 2 in the rectorcy of St. Augustine Church. Msgr. John R. Hackett performed the ceremony in the presence of the immediate families. The bride is employed by Gilmore Brothers Store and the groom is affiliated with the Atlas Press Company. The couple will reside at 1016 South Rose Street, Kalamazoo.

1948

Miss Anna Margaret Paynich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Paynich, Sr., Paw Paw, became the bride of Jack Kean, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Kean, Jr., Fenton, on February 7, 1948, in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Paw Paw. The Rev. Fr. Beauvais officiated.

1943

Mrs. Charles B. Hicks (Berna Wilford) is the newly elected vice president of the Wives of Students Veterans' Club at the University of Michigan. The club is composed of wives of university students who live in Willow Run Village, a community located about fifteen miles from the campus.

The Trinity Presbyterian Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was the scene of the wedding of Miss Evelyn L. Buerger, formerly affiliated with the Health Service of Western Michigan College, and George C. Rouse, Milwaukee, the son of George Rouse, Sr., also of Milwaukee. The Rev. James B. Muckle officiated in the presence of 200 guests. Immediately following the ceremony a reception took place in the church parlors, after which the couple left on a wedding trip through the South. The couple reside in Milwaukee.

The marriage of Miss Kathleen J. Austin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Austin, and Robert G. Lucking, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Lucking, Mills Street, Grand Haven, was solemnized in a candlelight service performed February 14 in the Grand Haven First Reformed Church. The Rev. Albert Heilenga, pastor, read the double ring ceremony in the presence of 250 guests. Mr. Lucking is associated with the Grand Rapids Chair Company.

1942

Miss Mary Anderson, director of nurses, Bronson Hospital School of Nursing, received the degree of Master of Science in Nursing at the mid-year graduation exercises at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. Miss Anderson has been on leave of absence from her duties at Bronson Hospital since February, 1947.

The 21st of January a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elford Pedler. The family live at 427 Locust Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan. Mr. Pedler is taking work toward his Master's degree in the Graduate Division at Western.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Smith are now residing at 1111 W. 19th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. They have two children—Peggy Lee two years old, and Joseph Lynn born Christmas day, 1947.

1941

Don Feather flew to Paris last February, and then went down to Italy. He worked up through the continent as the weather got better. He is now visiting friends and relatives of Dr. Frances Noble and Miss Marion Tamin in France. The best place to address him, while he is overseas, would be in care of his sister, Mrs. Sibson, at 718 Parchment, in Parchment.

In a candlelight service performed in the First Methodist Church, Miss Ruth Alida Mattern, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip P. Mattern, West Cedar Street, Kalamazoo, became the bride of Charles Muncatchy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Muncatchy, Dearborn. The couple will travel through the Great Smoky Mountains. The bride is a first-grade teacher in the Kalamazoo Public Schools. Mr. Muncatchy is employed with the Railway Express Company in Detroit. They will make their home in Kalamazoo temporarily.

1940

Richard Patterson of Kalamazoo has been appointed to a position in the Kalamazoo Public Schools as a coordinator of diversified occupations in vocational education. He will continue his graduate work at Western.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. John Cenu, South Park Street, Kalamazoo, on the birth of a son, Victor Lino, February 5, in the Battle Creek Osteopathic Hospital.

1939

Miss Fern Alene Haas, Allegan, former grade supervisor of Mason County rural schools, and Edward E. Shaw, Battle Creek, were married January 10 at Monterey Methodist Church. The service was read by the Rev. George Wingard. After a wedding trip the couple will make their home in Park Street, Allegan.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Glen Greenman (Ann Bush), 1939, West Main Street, Kalamazoo, on the birth of a son born February 27 in Bronson Hospital.

A daughter was born March 26 at Borgess Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Engle, Kalamazoo, Michigan.
1938  Miss Inez T. Smith, former Assistant Director of Nursing Service at Blodgett Memorial Hospital, Grand Rapids, in February took the position of Assistant Director of Nursing, Queens Hospital, Hackensack, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. Anson Van Alstyne and son moved from Muskegon to Chicago. He was associated with the Muskegon WKBZ and is now with Chicago WHFC.

She is the former Alice Emmons, Grand Rapids.

1937  Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hubert Myers, 11335 Victory Blvd., North Hollywood, California, announce the birth of a son, Earl Hubert, born Saturday, March 27, 1948. Mr. Myers is the son of Ronald Myers, formerly in the physical education department at Western Michigan College.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dillon, Walnut Court, Kalamazoo, announce the birth of a son born March 4.

Arnold Baker, who has been a member of the Muskegon Citizens Recreation Association, has accepted a position with the Dixwell House in New Haven, Connecticut.

On April 2, three hundred guests witnessed the marriage of Miss Marion Frances Johnstone, daughter of Mrs. James H. Johnstone, Osborne Street, Kalamazoo, and the late Mr. Johnstone, and Franklin W. Schmiege, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Schmiege, Kalamazoo, in the First Presbyterian Church. Dr. Paul Silas Heath officiated at the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Lancaster (Esther Wilson), of Allegan are the parents of a daughter born March 5, 1948.

Arthur Dunham is a special instructor in Plastics at Wayne University. At the Michigan Industrial Education Society meeting in Grand Rapids in April, Mr. Dunham had a booth in the Commercial Exhibit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O. Birkhold (Lois Hawley) announce the birth of a son born April 12 in Bronson Hospital, Kalamazoo.

1939  Douglas O'Brien, former program secretary of the Muskegon YMCA, is the new President of the Association of General YMCA Program Secretaries of Michigan. Mr. O'Brien left Muskegon several years ago to become industrial secretary of the Grand Rapids YMCA.

Miss Joyce Julia Fuller, Gobles, and James Lambert Clement, son of Mrs. Martin Clement, Gobles, were married in the Gobles Community Church. The Rev. Carl Kolosiek officiated before 200 guests. Following a reception, Mr. and Mrs. Clement left on a month's wedding trip to Florida. Upon their return they will reside in Gobles.

Richard Huizenga, principal of the Rochester High School, was at Western April 7. He arranged a campus tour for eight students who plan to go to college. The group represented the Future Teachers Club of the Rochester High School.

1944  February 1, a daughter, Mary Kathleen, was born in Bronson Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Gormant, Simpson Street, Kalamazoo.

Claus A. Bosworth, Muskegon President of the Michigan Industrial Education Society this year, attended the Convention recently held in Grand Rapids. Maurice Overholt, Grand Haven, was chairman of the Program Committee.

Benny Laevin, 3056 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, has accepted a position as a Bowling Consultant and Psychiatrist. He is also giving part-time to musical entertainment.

1932  Fred W. Adams has been advanced in the Packard Motor Car Company, with which he has been affiliated since 1942. Mr. Adams, advertising supervisor for the last three years, has been made advertising manager. During the war Mr. Adams was one of three management members of the company's management-labor committee, he was instrumental in the wartime production drive, and was also associate editor of Work to Win, an employee publication.

1926  R. Vard Martin, Director of Industrial Education at Fordson High School, is chairman of the Editorial Committee of the Michigan Industrial Education Society this year.

1925  Leslie B. Merritt, editor of the Livingston County Press, Howell, is the newly elected president of the Michigan Press Association, Inc. The association is eighty years old.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. McCully of Bay City, Michigan, were on campus recently with their daughter, Shirley Lou, who is graduating from high school this spring. Shirley Lou will attend Western Michigan College in September. Mr. McCully is Business Agent for the Bay City Public Schools.

1924  The "Silver Beaver Award," made annually by the Ottawa- Allegan Boy Scout Council to some scout with a record of exceptional service to Scouting and boy hood, went to Arthur A. Kaeechele, Allegan School superintendent. The award was made at the annual meeting of the council at the Holland American Legion Building. Mr. Kaeechele has been active in scouting for seventeen years. He first registered as a troop committeeman of Troop 25 of Allegan in 1930.

An exhibit of early American newspapers from the collection of Floyd L. Haigh, Dearborn, is now on display in the Western Michigan College Library.

Mr. Haight is one of the outstanding members of the Michigan Historical Society, and has long been interested in early American newspapers.

The resignation of Miss Frances Snow, superintendent of the Hart Schools for the past twelve years, was accepted by the board of education at a special meeting.

Also accepted by the board was the resignation of Mrs. Snow, an instructor in the first grade for the same length of time. Mr. and Mrs. Snow, tendered their resignations to take over management of a theatre they purchased in Swartz Creek, near Flint, January 1.

Charles R. Sherman, a teacher in the Kalamazoo Public Schools, died April 11 at his home at Gourdneck Lake. Mr. Sherman had been an instructor in the Industrial Arts Department at Kalamazoo Central High School for twenty-three years.

1923  Miss Jane Franseth is the present head of the Rural Section of the National Education Association held in Atlantic City. Miss Franseth is now a specialist in rural school supervision in the United States Office of Education.

1922  Miss Beatrice Denton, a teacher at the Junior College, Benton Harbor, Michigan, is organizing a chapter of Future Teachers of America on their campus. Active work will begin next fall.

Joel W. Lee, supervisor of Industrial Arts, Owosso Public Schools, is Vice-President of the Michigan Industrial Education Society.

1919  Funeral services were held in Berne, Indiana, for Mrs. Marie (Stucky) Prickett, of 109 Carmel Street, Kalamazoo, who died April 3, 1948, at Bronson Hospital. Mrs. Prickett was a secretary at Central High School.

1911  Mrs. Florence Haas Cushman represented Western Michigan College at the 90th Anniversary of the founding of Iowa State College. Mrs. Cushman's address is Rural Route 3, Ames, Iowa.

1908  Fred Huff, member of the Industrial Education Department of Western Michigan College for many years an ardent golfer, who some eleven years ago was drafted as the golf coach for the Bronco teams, has resigned as coach. Mitchell J. Gary, associate director of athletics, will assume charge of the golfers this spring.

1907  Mr. William Howard Rice died recently at his home, 1601 East Main Street, Kalamazoo. A resident here for forty-five years, he had been ill since last September. He formerly was employed as a manual training teacher in the Kalamazoo Public Schools.