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LETTER

PLACEMENT OFFICE REPORTS

Wide Variance in Pay to June Graduates

What happened to last June’s graduates?

The report of Vern E. Mabie, director of placement, shows that of 903 persons registered with his office, 672 were placed—with 20 not working, 49 going to school, 19 in service, and 143 not replying to notices from the office.

There were 617 teaching candidates registered, with 505 placed in jobs, and of 285 registered in other areas, 167 were placed. Those in teaching placed were 100 in early elementary, 48 in later elementary, 51 in rural education and 326 in secondary education. On the non-teaching group there were 74 in business administration, 63 in general degree, 12 in occupational therapy, 17 in secretarial and one in vocational.

The top pay given any of the new teaching candidates was $5,500, going to persons in speech correction, later elementary and business education.

The average pay in various major fields was: early elementary $4,275; later elementary $4,300; rural education $3,800; art $4,300; business education $4,300; distributive education $4,650; English $4,250; history and social studies $4,300; home economics $4,300; industrial education $4,390; language $4,130; librarianship $4,650; mathematics $4,265; music $4,400; physical education for men $4,375; physical education for women $4,340; agriculture $4,400; biology $4,300; chemistry $4,185; mentally retarded $4,457; deaf and hard of hearing and speech $4,400.

In the non-teaching graduates the highest pay was found in the science and mathematics majors, with one person earning $590 per month. Average monthly incomes were: business administration $382; accounting $406; sales $387; general $407; air transportation $425; industrial supervision $440; paper technology $485; science and mathematics $475; sociology and social work $252 and secretarial $306.

Among occupational therapists the top pay was $4,524, with the average $3,975.

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Study, Research Backed by Number Of Grants This Year

Dr. Charles Van Riper, director of the speech clinic, and Herb B. Jones, assistant professor of language, are the recipients of a $6,500 grant from the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare to aid them in testing a new method of teaching foreign language pronunciation.

With a new device, it is hoped to be able to introduce into one ear of the student his own pronunciation of a Spanish word, and at the same time place in the other ear the correct pronunciation.

A grant of $2,048 from the National Institute of Health will permit Dr. William Pavlik, assistant professor of psychology, to develop "rat studies of instrumental reward extinction." He will train animals to certain behavior patterns by use of rewards, and will then study their reactions when the rewards are removed.

Six scholarships in occupational therapy will be made possible through a $4,800 grant from the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The grant was made because of a growing need for occupational therapists.

A $10,000 grant received last spring from the National Science Foundation permits the opening this fall of a year-long in-service institute for teachers of junior high school science.

Dean George G. Mallinson of the School of Graduate Studies is serving as the institute director, and other members of the faculty are Dr. William R. Brueckheimer, head of the geography department; Walter Marburger, professor of physics, and Dr. W. C. VanDeventer, head of the biology department.

Participants will meet each Saturday morning on the campus and will earn eight hours of graduate credit.

A grant of $28,865 from the U. S. Office of Education to Dr. Roy C. Bryan, director of the campus school, will permit him to undertake a three-year study on "The Use of Students Reactions to Teachers for the Purpose of Improving Instruction and Evaluating Teacher Merit in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools."

Dr. Bryan will continue his administrative duties on a halftime basis.

The public Health Service has provided Dr. Robert Nagler, assistant professor of chemistry, with $5,635 for the first year of three years of cancer research. His work will be in ethanolamine-related potential anti-tumor agents.

OCTOBER UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

1-24—Art exhibition, "Religious Subjects in Modern Graphic Arts" McCracken hall gallery, daily except Sunday.
3—Football vs. Marshall College, Waldo Stadium, 2 p.m. (Band Day)
3—Cross Country, Michigan AAU, Elks County Club, Noon.
6—LaBoheme by the Wagner Opera Co., New York. Central high school auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
6-7—Southwestern Michigan College Agreement Association, Student Center.
10—Football at Bowling Green State University, Ohio.
10—Cheer leading clinic, Women's gymnasium, 9 a.m.
15—High School discussion meet. Administration building, 9 a.m.
17—Football vs. Washington University, Waldo Stadium, 2 p.m. (Homecoming)
17—Cross Country vs. Miami University, Elks Country Club, 10:30 a.m.
22-24—Play, Arms and the Man (Shaw), arena production in Walwood ballroom, 8 p.m.
24—Football at University of Toledo, Ohio.
26-27—Region 5, Michigan Education Association, Field House.
31—Football at Ohio University, Athens.
31—Cross Country vs. Indiana and Marquette University, Elks Country Club, 10:30 a.m.
31—Industrial Arts Workshop, Industrial Arts building.

Placement Report
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The placement office also registered some 834 alumni and graduate students, with 461 of them being placed.

 Kanley Field Gate Again Tumbled
It's a bit of an old story—but the Kanley Field gate of ornate stone is soon to be put in place for a third time.

The steel beam cross bar may be raised a bit again, as for the second time in early September a truck and trailer brought it crashing down.

This time the truck driver was more than startled, as he had brought the same truck and trailer successfully through the gate on several other occasions in making deliveries to the physical education building.

Pruis Appointed
A local participant in the leadership training program for 1959 and 1960 of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools is Dr. John J. Pruis, professor of speech and director of the summer session.

He will take part in several conferences and in other association activities during the year as training for future administrative responsibilities.
NEW DUTIES on the campus have been assigned to Dr. Alan Brown, left, who becomes University Archivist, in addition to continuing as an assistant professor of history. Dr. Brown succeeds Dr. James O. Knauss in this post. Succeeding Dr. Brown as dean of the Kanley Memorial chapel is Lewis Crawford, right, who is also assistant director of the counseling bureau.

Howard Corbus, Teacher Since '27, Dies in August

Howard D. Corbus, a member of the WMU faculty since 1927, died Aug. 5 at his Kalamazoo home. He was head of the department of agriculture.

A 1915 graduate of Michigan State University, Mr. Corbus was a county agricultural agent and then a teacher at St. John's high school before coming to Western. His master's degree was earned at Cornell University.

Mr. Corbus was born at Howard City Dec. 26, 1890. In 1954 he was president of the Kalamazoo County Rural Service Council, and was very active in civic affairs.

His duties on campus also included responsibility for the operation of the WMU farm on Milham road.

He leaves his wife, Bird, and four children.

Moore Heads Council

Dr. Floyd W. Moore, professor emeritus of economics, has been named director of the Michigan Council on Economic Education, an organization which he had served as president in 1956-57.

He will head up activities of the council, and will remain a Kalamazoo resident. Dr. Moore joined the WMU faculty in 1919 and retired last June as head of the economics department.

Council Aids in Field Services Coordination

Otto Yntema and Dean George E. Kohrman have been named WMU representatives to the coordinating council of the Michigan State College Field Services.

Yntema is director of field services and Dr. Kohrman is dean of the School of Applied Arts and Sciences.

The coordinating council was established recently by the Michigan Council of State College Presidents to encourage and abet further cooperation in field service programs on regional and statewide bases.

The council has been instructed to proceed as rapidly as possible with: (1) joint housing; (2) joint name for physical location, telephone, stationery, publicity, publications and other public identification purposes; (3) joint library and audio-visual facilities, and (4) cooperative inventory, purchase and use of equipment and standard supplies.

Cooperate in New Muskegon Teacher Education Program

WMU and the Muskegon Community College and Muskegon public schools are beginning this fall a new cooperative program in the preparation of elementary teachers.

Carl Lindstrom, a newcomer to the faculty, is serving as the coordinator.

Under the plan students will attend the Muskegon Community College for two years, then spend two summers and a full semester on the WMU campus, and begin practice teaching in the second semester of their junior year.

At the end of three years they would be ready to assume responsibility for an elementary classroom, but would continue under supervision for two years.
NORTH OF WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE the old Wilbur property continues to grow and to serve as a site for expanding student service facilities. In the right center is the well known University Student Center, and the residences surrounding it are, from the top right, Frank Ellsworth hall, opened in 1956; John C. Hoekje hall, opened in 1959, and Theodore Henry hall, opened in 1957. Plans call for a fourth men’s residence eventually between Hoekje and Henry halls. In the upper left are the 96 new married student apartments, known as the North Valley apartments. They are reached by a road leading north from the end of Gilkison street, off West Michigan, and provide a needed addition to the 192 units in the Elmwood Apartments area.

—John Todd photo