PRESIDENT'S CORNER
New Vision for ROTC Offered by Dr. Sangren

Having returned recently from Fort Lee, Virginia, where we were invited to the summer camp of the Quartermaster Unit of the ROTC, I am prompted to use the President’s Corner on this occasion to make some remarks on this subject.

Since the fall of 1950, Western Michigan College has experienced the pleasure and carried the responsibility of living with a large group of ROTC men on this campus. With us the ROTC program has been a voluntary one. No student has been compelled or pressured to join the program.

Still Western Michigan College now has the largest Reserve Officer unit in the U.S. devoted exclusively to the quartermaster program and has been among the top three for size since September, 1950. During the past two years, Western Michigan College has enrolled between 800 and 900 young men, or one-third of our total male enrollment in this program of military preparedness. By the end of the present summer session of 1954, we will have commissioned 195 young men in the Army Reserve.

In each summer camp Western Michigan College men have won the camp championship in shooting accuracy and skill. All reports from the summer camp concerning the behavior and accomplishments of our young men have given us pleasurable pride.

As most of the readers of this column know, the Reserve Officers Training Corps is a program of education in military science and tactics, instruction being carried on by Army personnel, and without significant cost to the institution aside from housing activities. Credit is earned for study in the field of military science and tactics, just as it is for having studied in areas like mathematics and English. In addition to the instruction given in military theory, there is offered to our present trainees special courses dealing with knowledge a quartermaster officer ought to have. There is a limited amount of training, marching, drill, rifle practice, etc. The freshman male student begins his training upon admission to the college, the ROTC training being given simultaneously with the regular college courses. A young man can remain in the program all through his four years in college, provided he maintains good academic and moral records. Such a young man can be deferred from military draft and will be commissioned as an officer as well at the end of his training.

While the unit at Western Michigan College has been almost entirely directed toward the making of quartermaster officers, beginning in the fall of 1954 our program will follow that now being generally adopted throughout the United States; that is, the establishment of (continued on page 17)
ON MAY 23, 1941, in the suite of Mrs. Gladys Hansen, director of Spindler Hall, seven senior women met to discuss establishing an organization that would honor outstanding junior women.

They set certain standards to use in choosing these women, chief of which were a 2.2 honor ratio; excellent leadership and service, and fine character. It was also decided that no fewer than five, nor more than ten, women would be tapped for the organization which at that time had no name. Phyllis Cooper was student chairman and Miss Ruth Van Horn and Miss Edith Eicher were faculty women chosen to join with Mrs. Hansen sponsoring.

Several more meetings were held and junior women were chosen to be tapped at the June Breakfast in 1941. Arista, the name given this organization, is Greek for "the best," the colors chosen were black and gold; the flower was the talisman rose. On June 17, 1941, the seven Juniors who were tapped at the June Breakfast were initiated into Arista at the home of Miss Van Horn. After initiation, the first business meeting of the new Aristans held, with Margaret Arnett being chosen as president.

During 1941-42, Aristans met frequently to discuss projects and plans. Two affairs that have become traditional were started—the Homecoming breakfast and the Tea, the next year changed to a Chocolate, for sophomore women having a 2.2 average. Aristans also took charge of helping to orientate girls new in college the second semester.

Since 1941, Arista has tapped anywhere from three to thirteen junior women at the June Breakfast and women at Western Michigan College have come to feel that being chosen as an Aristan is one of the highest honors conferred upon a co-ed. At the present time the quota tapped may not exceed fifteen, the average must be 2.0, the candidate must be a leader and active in more than one area of campus activities and she must have been on campus at least four semesters.

Naturally, the members of Arista are some of the busiest women on campus, but that does not mean they do not undertake, as a group, projects of their own. One major goal has been contacting the national organization, Mortarboard, to obtain a chapter here. This they started in 1945 and each year sees more done to raise money to pay whatever expense nationalization will entail. Through the years, they have given dances, made hundreds of cookies to sell to Women’s League or the Associated Women Students for the Christmas Chocolate, sold innumerable snacks in the dormitories, even put on Sunday evening suppers for dormitory residents.

Besides being earnest in their endeavor to work toward Mortarboard, they have been a service organization in a very real way. From 1942 to 1946 they were the group that organized and handled the war work of all college women, dividing their efforts with Red Cross, USO, the Community Center, Percy Jones Hospital, and making surgical dressings. They also assumed the responsibility of raising funds for European relief. By 1948 these projects were no longer needed, so they turned to helping raise money at Western Michigan College for the World Student Service Fund and for several years handled all the publicity for it. For the campus, they have had such varied projects as giving the Davis Room thorough cleanings, ushering at mid-year commencement, handling activity interest polls for the Leadership Committee, developing, giving and evaluating a questionnaire for new students for the information of the personnel office.

In between times, the Aristans have found time to have social meetings at the homes of fellow members or their sponsors and to develop new ties of friendship that cut across

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Foreign Visitors Often at WMC

During the last spring Western Michigan College was privileged to entertain on its campus a number of foreign educators who came here for the particular things which Western offers in the educational scene.

There was certainly no more receptive group than of three young ladies representing such diverse places as Uruguay, Turkey and Germany. Spending at least two weeks here, all of them had a fine opportunity to observe many different facets of American college life, and they also participated in them, giving American students a close contact with foreign cultures.

First to come was Miss Haydee Gutierrez-Bidegain of Uruguay. A librarian and drawing teacher for pre-school children, Haydee was particularly concerned with library organization for children three to six and in kindergarten drawing.

She was later joined by Miss Cornelia L. Eskuchen of Hamburg, Germany. A former student at the University of Tubingen and the University of Hamburg, Miss Eskuchen has been a secondary teacher, teaching German and English.

Miss Yildiz Ugurtas, a teacher of art in a Turkish girls' secondary school, was one of 10 Turkish educators selected to study American secondary schools in preparation for leadership in new reforms in Turkish education.

All found themselves enjoying their stay in the United States, and particularly were they assimilating vast amounts of information concerning teaching methods in American schools.

Perhaps the story can best be told in Haydee's own words, as she describes education in Uruguay:

"Convinced that the spread of learning among the people is the basis of true democracy, Jose Pedro Varela devoted his life to making public education a national cause.

"All branches of learning, including rural education, were encouraged. Schools and libraries were built, modern and practical training was introduced and primary education was extended and made compulsory.

"By making public education free, obligatory and democratic, Varela's reform raised the general level of culture.

"Important educators in Uruguay's past, beside Varela, were Damaso Larranaga, Jacobo Varela, Maria Stagnero de Munar and Alfredo Vazquez Acevedo.

"Leaders of education at present are Carlos Vaz Ferreira, Enriqueta Compte Rique, Santin Carlos Rossi and Sabas Olaizola.

"Education, from kindergarten through the university, is in my country free to Uruguayans and foreigners who wish to study.

"Education is completely free for all persons: even books and laboratory fees are paid for by the government.

"Religion is not taught in public schools.

"Children must begin school at the age of six and continue through six years of primary studies. From primary schools, students may enter institutions of secondary education, which like practically all Uruguyan schools, are co-educational.

"General secondary school courses last four years, and may be followed by two-year courses in preparation for university studies. At the end of six years of secondary studies, students receive the degree of bachiller.

"Instead of entering liceos, after completing primary school, students may attend normal, technical or military institutions.

"Girls and boys study to become teachers of the once-separate institutos-normales 'Maria Stagnero de Munar' and ‘Joaquin R. Sanchez.’

"The seven-year course in this normal school includes three years of

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Miss Elsie Bender retired from the faculty of Western Michigan College on July 30, 1954. She came to Western in January, 1930, spent twenty-four and one-half years as supervisor of the second grade in the Campus School.

Miss Bender was reared in Wyoming, Iowa. She earned a teaching certificate at Drake University, starting her teaching career in rural schools of Iowa. After teaching about ten years she was invited to go to Cairo, Egypt, to teach in a girls' boarding and day school which was operated under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church. For three years she worked with students from twenty-six nationalities coming from countries such as France, Ethiopia and Palestine.

When she returned to the states she earned both a Bachelor and Master's degree at the University of Iowa. Her next job was at Indiana State Teachers College at Terre Haute.

She did post graduate at Vassar Teachers College, Columbia University and University of Michigan. While studying at the University of Michigan the summer of 1941 she was “Cited for Honors” by Xi Chapter of Pi Lambda Theta. She served as Convenor of the State Conference of Pi Lambda Theta in 1942. She is an active and useful member of Delta Kappa Gamma. She has served on committees at the local, state, and national level. She attended state and national meetings of this organization. She was always concerned with the activities of the Michigan Education Association, promoting the interests of the classroom teachers and other phases of the M.E.A. She was always to assume and execute responsibilities for any organization of which she is a member. She believed this to be her sacred obligation to extend her activities even beyond the call of duty.

As supervisor of the second grade of the Campus School, Miss Bender engaged in numerous activities which might enrich the experiences of the seven-year-olds. The Egyptian Tea event carried out by the second graders under Miss Bender’s guidance was planned around the unusual experiences of which Miss Bender was a part during her stay in Cairo. Each year children, students, and her colleagues returned to view the colorful costumes, to sip the cinnamon tea and to taste the cookies which were prepared by the children and cadet teachers. The refreshments were made from Egyptian recipes. The children gathered nuts for cookies and carefully saved pumpkin seeds which were dried, salted and served on the menu. Money collected on these occasions was used for cancer drives, work with the blind and other such activities.

Another project which became a tradition in the second grade was the annual party for fathers. Each year in February, for twenty-one years, the children planned and prepared, under adult guidance, a luncheon to be served to their fathers. Tomato juice and apple sauce served on the menu had been canned by the children during the previous autumn.

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Two Alumni Get New Posts in MSC Changes

Two top-level appointments of Western Michigan College alumni at Michigan State College—one in Continuing Education Service and the other in the School of Education—have been announced.

Leland W. Dean, who has headed the department of special courses and conferences for the Continuing Education Service, will become a new assistant to the Dean of Education. Succeeding Dean will be Richard Marcus, who has been in charge of the Continuing Education business office. The two appointments were effective July 15.

Dean, who joined the MSC staff in 1951, will be responsible for student registration, advisement on courses and all other matters pertaining to students in the School of Education.

Marcus, who takes over the responsibilities for the many conferences and special courses, joined the MSC staff in 1947 as an assistant professor in the adult education department. In 1950 he was placed in charge of the business activities of Continuing Education.

A native of McBride, Mich., Dean received his AB degree at Western Michigan College in 1939 and the MA degree at Michigan State in 1951. He served as principal at Brighton from 1940 to 1942 and was an instructor at the A.A.F. Radio School at Scott Field, Ill., during World War II. He was guidance director at Buchanan high school from 1948 until joining the MSC staff five years ago. Under Dean the department of short courses and conferences has expanded and is recognized as one of the pace-setters in the nation.

Marcus is a native of Cadillac and received his BA degree at Western Michigan College in 1938 and his MA at MSC in 1946. He formerly was principal at Scottville high school and was a captain in the Army Medical Administrative Corps from 1942 to 1946.
By A. L. SEBALY

“Satisfactorily and auspiciously the summer term of the new normal school opened this morning in the high school building and the day has been consumed with organizing classes and arranging the program.”

This was a newspaper account of Western’s first opening day, June 27, 1904.

For several weeks, advertisements in the Kalamazoo Evening Telegraph had been stating that the Western State Normal School would open for a six weeks session from June 27 to August 5. Students were offered regular class work in studies leading to life, three-year, and rural school work and who wished to prepare for third or second grade examinations. Those who wished could enter the rural school courses tuition free. Lectures on educational topics were to be “delivered by eminent specialists during each week of the summer term.” Requests for information about the Normal were to be sent to Dwight B. Waldo, the principal. The opening of Western brought together three forces—the city of Kalamazoo—School District Number One—and Dwight B. Waldo—forces which would combine to make the prophecy true that a city, or in this instance a normal school, set on a hill could not be hidden.

Approximately 100 students showed up to enroll at the Normal School on its first day. About one third of this number came from Kalamazoo. Although one student came from Escanaba and another from Detroit, the major portion came from Southwestern Michigan communities. This number would increase to one hundred and sixteen before the summer session was over.

Some of the students would not have been too happy to find that tentative plans called for classes to start at seven in the morning and run until three in the afternoon—with the major portion of the classes to be held in the morning. Chapel services, which would include special features, addresses, and music, were to be held every day.

The staff of the summer school, they soon found out, was made up of five teachers from the Kalamazoo Public School system and the superintendents of the public schools of Kalamazoo and Dowagiac. In addition to four permanent staff members, a secretary and principal completed the group.1 The students would have felt satisfaction to find that it was a basic policy of the school to encourage them to engage in social activities during the summer session. They would have read with interest that their first reception, which would be held on the opening night of school, would be one where “remarks will be made by a number of people and a musical program will be furnished by local talent. With the addition of a barrel of lemonade; these features will comprise the first social event of the normal.”

Probably as interesting to them as the beginning of the Normal School classes would have been observing the construction work which was in progress on Prospect Hill—the future home of the Normal School. By the time the summer session was in its second week, the hill had the “appearance of camping grounds of a small country show with its two double horse tents, and movable mangers and stalls and five various tents for sleeping rooms, cooking stands and open air dining room.” In fact, they would have been interested in the total development of Kalamazoo.

The new teacher training institution was coming into a community which had a history of strong individuality. Kalamazoo in 1904 was a strong community. The individuals of the city, both men and women, were breaking the shackles of the nineteenth century and were looking forward to an ever-expanding industrial and civic area. The city was experiencing a boom with the “largest demand in city history for the buying and renting of homes” so that it was not without just cause that people with rooms to rent at reasonable rates were “asked to file information concerning them with the Normal School management at the office in the court house or at the high school.”

The newly-formed Kalamazoo Board of Trade had issued its first brochure promoting the development of the city with the theme, “Wake me up in Kalamazoo.” The women of the community were feeling the surge of new life and the Women’s Civic Improvement League petitioned the city in the spring of 1904 for

1 The Complete Staff: Edith Rockwell, Charlotte Waite, E. N. Worth, Mae Dennis, George S. Waite, S. O. Hartwell, Superintendent of Kalamazoo Public Schools; W. E. Conkling, Superintendent of Dowagiac Public Schools.

The Permanent Staff: Ernest Burnham, Mary Lowell, Martha Sherwood, and D. A. Rothrock, Dwight B. Waldo, Principal; Josephine Wing, Secretary.

2 Kalamazoo Evening Telegraph, June 27, 1904

3 Kalamazoo Morning Gazette, April 15, 1904
permission to “use city equipment to clean Main Street between Church and the Lakeshore Track.”

Kalamazoo, with a population of 29,782 in 1904, was exceeded in size in the state only by Detroit, Grand Rapids, and Saginaw. Situated as it was on the Michigan Central Railroad, it had strategic importance for manufacturing industries as well as ease of access by students wishing to come to the Normal School. In terms of capital investment, the chief manufacturing industries were paper and wood pulp, foundry and machine shops, lumber and planing mills, and printing and publishing establishments.

A quarter of a century before the opening of the new Normal School, School District Number One had made educational history as the successful defendant in the celebrated “Kalamazoo Case,” which had established the legality of public taxation for high schools. And, certainly, the School District had an interest in the success of the new Normal for it was through its own bonding act that the new school came to Kalamazoo. The elements existed on the local level then for the development of a strong Normal School. To the citizens of the community, the new Normal was another activity which would aid prestige and commercial developments.

A community which liked aggressiveness, action, courage, and strength in its leaders found in Dwight B. Waldo, the principal of the new school, a disciple well suited to its pattern. He had been elected to the Kalamazoo position because the State Board of Education felt that he had “shown great tact and adaptability in the pioneer work necessary to the establishment of a new normal school by his success in the early years of the Northern Normal School.” Waldo brought with him to Kalamazoo a trait which was to stand him in good stead, the ability to recognize good teachers—further, the courage to hire them. E. Finley Johnson recognized this characteristic early when he wrote to Waldo at Marquette:

“I was much gratified to learn through yours of recent date that you had had sufficient calcium in your nature to withstand the onslaught of the ward politicians and that you have maintained sufficient self-respect to name a faculty without fear or favor, whose single recommendation was peculiar fitness for the position selected. I desire to congratulate you.”

With characteristic speed, Waldo was in Kalamazoo within ten days of his election as the principal of the new normal school, seeking office space, class rooms, teachers. The new normal was shifted from the County School Commissioner’s office to that of the high school building where the first summer session was to be held.

Waldo quickly established the patterns which would characterize the school in its early years of development. At least four things would be done to gain recognition for the school: (1) The bringing of outside speakers to the school, (2) the bringing in of outside exhibits for the school and community to see, (3) seeing that faculty members were used as speakers in the community, and (4) using faculty members to speak at student assemblies. Of all the themes, the bringing of outside speakers to the school seemed to be one of the most successfully carried out for the summer school. A quick glance at some of the speakers and their speeches indicates the kinds of ideas to which the Normal School students were exposed.

The students heard a mixture of philosophies. Congressman Gardner’s, who felt, “to teach you how to fight seems to have been the object which Professor Waldo had in mind when he asked me to address you today.” W. H. French urged them to “remember that as normal students they belonged to the state and should be loyal, earnest, and sincere in its service.” A. S. Whitney reminded them that “the school was a social institution.” L. L. Wright went further and remarked that the school was the “social center of the community.” John Coulter Hockenberry told them that “Observation goes out of the mind when you submit to the bondage of books.”

While George S. Waite stated that inasmuch as ninety-two percent of the children in the grade school were to earn their living by the use of their hands, their school training should fit them to early become skilled in whatever department of manual labor they may engage and thus make them more productive members of society as well as more self-respecting.

The community was also aware of the school by the art exhibit which came July 14-15. This art collection which was advertised as “the finest ever brought to Kalamazoo” was open to the public without charge. It was stated that the collection which had been brought to Kalamazoo by the Normal School was for “educative purposes with no idea of commercialism associated with it.” Other community contacts of Normal School students included visits to the Harrow Spring Company and the Kalamazoo Stove Company. The summer program at the Lovell Street School was used for observational purposes.

After two days of final examinations and a lecture by Dr. C. K. La Huis about his trip to the Holy Lands, Western’s first summer session closed August 5, 1904. The three factors—the city of Kalamazoo—School District Number One—and Dwight B. Waldo had come together.

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Alumnus Promoted by Chrysler

Charles L. Jacobson, Chrysler Corporation

CHARLES L. JACOBSON, Chrysler Corporation's new head of sales, entered the automobile industry 35 years ago as a motion picture cameraman for a major auto manufacturer.

Working for the firm's advertising department, he helped produce silent movies on all types of subjects ranging from current events to travelogues. The films were distributed to almost every theatre in the country as part of the company's institutional program. After five years as a cameraman, Jacobson came to the decision that his interest, talents and future would be much better served in a more challenging field—sales.

He joined the Wills - St. Clair Automobile Company, Marysville, Mich., in 1919, as a photographer, with the understanding that he would be given an opportunity to break into sales work. A year later, as Jacobson puts it, "The world opened up for me and I felt like I was on my way," when Wills-St. Clair made him a traveling sales representative. His assignment for the next several years was to help sell the company's luxury high-priced auto line.

In 1925, Jacobson began scouting Detroit auto companies, looking for an alert, more dynamic concern that would grow in the auto business, and one that would give him an opportunity to grow with it. His choice was the newly-founded Chrysler Corporation, successor to the Maxwell Motors Corporation. His first job was as a district sales representative in Boston. A few months later, because of his experience with the Wills-St. Clair car, Jacobson was placed on special assignment to merchandise the luxurious Chrysler Imperial automobile in the east.

He became a regional manager for the Minneapolis territory in June, 1926, and a year later, was made president of the corporation's retail and wholesale outlets in Philadelphia. He operated these retail branches so successfully that he joined the Chrysler Division as a sales executive in 1932.

A year later, he took over the division's Detroit retail branch, and shortly thereafter, set up Chrysler retail branches throughout the country. The retail outlets were strong sales centers for the Chrysler Division when he left in 1936 to become vice-president of Chrysler, DeSoto and Plymouth sales for the western part of the U.S.

He was placed in charge of sales in 1938. Under his sales leadership, the Chrysler Division increased its sales by 64 percent during 1939 and 1940, over the previous two-year period.

During World War II, Jacobson was given the assignment to obtain defense contracts for Chrysler Corporation's Evansville, Ind., plant, which up to that time had been assembling Plymouth autos and had an employment of some 600 people. He transformed it into one of the nation's leading ordnance producing units, employing some 12,000 workers, which produced more than three billion rounds of small arms ammunition, incendiary bombs and other ordnance items. It also rebuilt 5,300 medium tanks.

After the war, Jacobson became...
assistant to the general manager of Chrysler Corporation in charge of all the company's subsidiary activities, including the Airtemp, Amplex and Cycle Division. In 1949, he became the third president of the Chrysler Motor Parts (MoPar) Corporation. The two predecessors who held the title of president were Walter P. Chrysler, founder of the company, and K. T. Keller, now the corporation's board chairman. During the last five years, Jacobson streamlined the parts operations of the corporation, reducing the shipping of dealer orders from several weeks time to a matter of hours. A new 855,000 square-foot plant was built in Centerline to serve as headquarters for the parts corporation. It is the newest and most modern parts and accessories facility in the industry. He established parts wholesalers throughout the country, increased the parts business and built a strong, efficient organization.

He gives up the presidency of the parts operation to take on his new job as vice president in charge of sales for Chrysler Corporation.

Mr. Jacobson was born in Paw Paw, Ill., May 29, 1896. He received his education at Plano, Ill., and Chicago, and Kalamazoo, where he was graduated from the Western State Normal School in 1914.

Jacobson is an easy-going, relaxed type of personality in his business and social relationships, but his informality does not hide the characteristics that have made him a successful sales executive in the nation's most competitive industry. In his objectives, he is a determined and persuasive individual.

He considers his main pleasure in life his wife Marjorie, and two daughters, Caroline, 12 and Eleanor, 15. The Jacobsons reside in Grosse Pointe.

**Education in Uruguay**

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specialized teacher-training.

"All professional and technical schools are grouped under Universidad del Trabajo, which was established in 1912.

"Arts and facts, domestic science and advanced industrial training are also taught, along with some cultural courses, in the 11 schools of the Universidad del Trabajo in Montevideo, and in the 33 schools in other parts of the country. Most of them are co-educational.

"The National University, opened in 1849, is one of the finest institutions of higher learning in Latin America. Its 10 schools are law and social sciences, medicine, economic science and administration, dentistry, chemistry and pharmacy, veterinary medicine, agriculture, engineering, architecture and humanities and sciences.

"Physical, mental and social defectives are cared for in summer camps, in the country's 21 open-air schools or in special institutions like the school for deaf-mutes.

"Adult education is directed by the Council of Primary and Normal Education."

**Survey Shows Value of Work in Vocational Area**

College training in the field of vocational, industrial and technical education has been shown to be advantageous to students very graphically in a recent survey conducted by Dr. J. W. Giachino.

Checking on graduates over the last four years from both two-year and four-year technical programs, it was found that the four-year men stayed on the job longer and averaged $800 a year more in pay, while this group also held the top individual pay of $9,000 a year, (three years on the job as an assistant to the vice-president in charge of sales in the air transportation field.)

Also of interest to note was the fact that men trained in a field made more generally if they stayed in that field of endeavor, than if they left it for some other area of employment.

**Miss Bender**

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Miss Bender's future plans are interesting. She expects to do much traveling which is one of her hobbies. Indoor and outdoor gardening will also consume many leisure hours.

The good wishes of her associates will follow her into new activities.

Through the years Miss Bender has assumed responsibility for the group as a whole along with the specific duties of a second grade supervisor. She is a good friend and a loyal member of the teaching staff. She has also devoted herself to caring for her aged father who is now almost ninety-two.
New Horizons Offered
For High School Seniors

By ROY BRYAN

Superior students in the high school can be a problem plaguing many teachers, as well as giving the pupils themselves personal problems with which to cope.

Many schools have worked on such matters for years, trying to give such students more work or individualized courses. For some time the staff of State High school and of Western Michigan College has studied the situation and has from time to time tentatively offered certain courses at the college level for advanced high school students.

The general response has been most encouraging, and in the foreign languages the program has been quite extensive over a long period of time, with high school students encountering little trouble.

Finally, from my office came a report last spring, prepared with the assistance and approval of many of the college faculty members, asking the state board of education to grant permission for the carrying out of a broad program of college work for advanced high school seniors who needed less than a full program to satisfy requirements for graduation.

At the April meeting of the state board in Lansing, Dr. Paul V. Sangren, Western Michigan president, introduced the full program and explained its philosophy and reasons for being offered. The state board gave the necessary approval and we began immediately to formulate the working plans for this venture.

It is the considered belief of the college faculty that the students will do well, offering incentive to themselves and to the college students with whom they come in contact for better academic work. It has been noted in previous experiments along this line that the presence of high school students in the classroom competing actively with the college students has often worked as a method of achieving better work from the college students.

Students receiving such college work and accomplishing it with the grade of B or better will be given regular college credit. Those receiving lower grades will be credited only on their high school records.

Such students who later enter Western Michigan College will receive their A's or B's as a part of their regular college work and will proceed from there, and in case students plan to enter other colleges they will be furnished regular transcripts from Western Michigan College. As to whether such courses will be accepted by other colleges is a matter between the students and those colleges.

It has been the experience at State High that students nearing the end of their course with only a credit or two needed for graduation are frequently unhappy during their senior year, or in many cases transfer to other preparatory schools, or secure admission to college. This program, it is felt, will offer them a valuable and constructive way of spending their final year in high school, completing their credits for graduation and still moving rapidly onward academically.

The program will not be open to all high school students indiscriminately, but rather will find selected students extended the opportunity. They first must be recommended by the director of the campus high school and approved by the department head of the college department in which they plan to take work and also approved by the director of college admissions.

The bases on which recommendations and approval will be made are: Scholastic achievement, recommendations of teachers, objective data—standardized test scores, anecdotal data of guidance offices and parental approval.

College courses in which students may seek entrance include introduction to literature, general literature, writing laboratory, intermediate French, intermediate Spanish, Cicero and Ovid, Virgil, elementary German, general biology, biology survey, healthful living, general chemistry, mechanics, sound and heat, electricity and light, rural school agriculture, animal husbandry, dairying and feeding poultry, human geography, regional geography of the world, foundations of western civilizations, American national government, state and local government, man and society, general psychology and also courses in industrial arts and business studies.

How will all of this turn out?
Perhaps our optimism is unfounded, but we in the campus school and members of the college faculty feel that it will progress very well, with few students being unable to carry the load expected of them.
BOOK NEWS AND REVIEWS

Douglas Houghton's Stirring Story
Told in New Book from Wayne U.


In a brief, modest biography, Edsel Rintala has given an account, long over-due, of one of Michigan's greatest men. This volume, made possible through the Detroit Edison Fund in the history department of Wayne University, is little more than an outline of the valuable activities and contributions of Dr. Douglas Houghton to his adopted state. It is surprisingly good, interesting reading in spite of the heavy weight of documentation that it carries. It is unillustrated except for the frontispiece which is a reproduction of a portrait of Douglas Houghton, painted by Alvah Bradish. A definitive biography of Michigan's first state geologist is badly needed. A simply written, readable book within the range of the public school students is also badly needed.

Dr. Houghton has not received the credit and acclaim from Michigan people which are due him and with the passing of time, this condition may grow worse. Mr. Rintala's biography can serve well as a stopgap in the loss of historical information for the general public.

Dr. Houghton, a native of Troy, New York, (born September 21, 1809), arrived in the village of Detroit in the late fall of 1830. He was a leading spirit in Michigan as a practicing physician, lecturer on phases of Natural History, politician, financier, first president of the Detroit Board of Education, organizer and conductor of geological surveys, professor at the infant University of Michigan, and scholarly writer until his tragic death in October, 1845.

While he was yet alive, the Democratic Free Press of March 5, 1844, said of him:
"It would be idle in us to pretend to eulogize the abilities and labors of our much esteemed State Geologist, Dr. Houghton—a man not more distinguished in the discharge of his public duties than he is beloved and respected in the private circle... It is not much to affirm that no one man has done so much for any one State, in the way of scientific researches, as Dr. Houghton has for Michigan."

Douglas Houghton was drowned near Eagle River on the Lake Superior shore when he and several companions were caught in a storm. His body was not found for several months. (continued on page 20)

RECOMMENDED BOOKS


A New Pattern for a Tired World, by Louis Bromfield. Harper and Brothers, 1954, $3.75. The Ohio novelist and farmer discusses the problems of today and presents what he calls "a down to earth solution." Provocative with a political slant, and more than a little controversial.

The Challenge of Man's Future, by Harrison Brown. The Viking Press, 1954, $3.75. A young geochemist's predictions, based upon an extensive examination of the past, concerning the survival of our civilization. Population trends, food, energy, industrial resources are some of the facets of the problems delved into by the 37 year old author who received the annual award of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 1947, the American Chemical Society Award in Pure Science in 1952, and who now holds a three year Guggenheim Fellowship.

An Idea Conquers the World, by Count Coudenhove-Kalergi. Roy Publishers, 1954. $5.00. The story of thirty years of untiring effort for international unity which resulted in The Council of Europe as revealed in the autobiography of the man whose life is dedicated to that cause.

Early in the Morning, by Marion Edey. Harper and Brothers, 1954. $3.00. The 1890 childhood of Marion and her brother Noel, two years her junior, as she reminisces over the joys of living at Dansammer, the Armstrong country home on the Hudson, and their only slightly less (continued on page 18)
Behind the Administration

The committee system seems an integral part of the college and university system across the United States, and Western Michigan College has not shirked its duty in this regard. Some have condemned the committees as a time waster and do-nothing assemblage. But on the other hand, many of the committees have functioned well and served to promote the best that is Western Michigan. Pictured here on these pages are some of the more important committees concerned with the college and its physical and intellectual growth. First of course, is the State Board of Education, while the other groups shown on these three pages are concerned with the local campus.

Michigan State Board of Education

This elective body has control over the four colleges of education in Michigan, in addition to several other schools, and is the agency granting certificates for teachers. Standing in the rear are Walter Gries, Ontonagon; Dr. Charles Burns, Detroit; Dr. Clair L. Taylor, superintendent of public instruction; Steven L. Nisbet, Fremont, and Mrs. Eva Westfall, secretary to Dr. Taylor. Seated are the four presidents of the colleges of education, from the left, Dr. Paul V. Sangren, Western Michigan; Dr. Eugene B. Elliott, Michigan State Normal; Dr. Charles Anspach, Central Michigan, and Dr. Henry L. Tape, Northern Michigan.

Administrative Council

This council meets weekly at the call of the president to confer on general administrative practices and to coordinate decisions in an effort to promote the smooth functioning of the college. Seated from the left, are Cornelius B. MacDonald, comptroller; Dr. George H. Hillard, director of student personnel and guidance; John C. Hoekje, dean of administration and registrar; Dr. Paul V. Sangren, president; Dr. Wynand Wichers, vice-president; Dr. George H. Kohrman, director of vocational and practical arts education, and Dr. James H. Griggs, director of teacher education. Also a member of the group is Dr. Elmer H. Wilds, director of the graduate division.
The most powerful academic group on the campus is the Educational Policies Committee, a group which meets regularly to confer on matters of importance to the overall educational program of the college, under the chairmanship of Dr. Russell H. Seibert. Seated from the left are Clayton Maus, Dr. Wynand Wichers, Miss Phoebe Lumaree, Dr. Seibert, Dr. Robert Limpus, Dr. George Kohrman, Dr. James H. Griggs, Harry Hefner and Lewis Crawford. Members not shown are Miss Emeline McGowen, Vern Mobie, Dr. Elmer Wilds, Dr. Zack York, Walter Marburger and Dr. Elsworth Woods.

A unique group on the Western M appointive group which meets regularly faculty at large and to recommend. Nine members are elected by the fac and vice-president of the college are members each year for one-year terms. Stout, Dr. Sara Swickard, Dr. Wynand Dr. Clara Chiara, Mrs. Winifred C. Mar Others, not present for this meeting, w F. Dunbar, Otto Yntema, Leonard Ger

Having jurisdiction over all intercollegiate ath is involved is the athletic board of control. First group has been under the chairmanship of John left are Carmen Seats, sports editor of the Heraldent of the Student Council; John C. Hoekje; president of the W Club; Charles A. Smith and l
Faculty Council

in campus is the Faculty Council, an elective and monthly to receive and consider suggestions from the president changes in policy and procedure. serving staggered three-year terms, the president elective members and the president appoints three.

from the left are Mitchell J. Gary, Dr. Cyril hers, Miss Alice Louise LeFevre, Dr. Fred Beeler, Clayton Maus and Harry Lawson (standing, rear). Dr. Floyd W. Moore, Dr. Elmer Beelof, Dr. Willis and Dr. Paul V. Sangren.

Graduate Council

Guiding the infant graduate program as a strong curriculum is being built is the Graduate Council, which during the spring semester was headed by Dr. George G. Mallinson, acting director of the graduate division. In session, from the left, are Miss Alice Louise LeFevre, Dr. James O. Knauss, Mrs. Margaret Mabie, Dr. George Kohrman, Dr. Mallinson, Mitchell J. Gary, Dr. Charles H. Butler, Dr. Elwyn Carter and Dr. William R. Brown. Not shown is Dr. Elsworth Woods.
Ron Jackson, six foot seven inch first sacker and star forward in basketball with still a year of college competition remaining, signed a bonus contract with the Chicago White Sox late in June.

Used once or twice as a pinch hitter, and then in part of a game Jackson was started at first base by the Sox July 5 in a tight game with Baltimore and in the seventh broke up a scoreless tie with a long homer, the White Sox winning the game 2-1, the margin coming on that home run, made in Jackson’s first full game in the major leagues.

Ferris Fain, first sacker, was on the injured list and is now reported as probably out for the season, and Phil Cavaretta, who had been second string first sacker, pulled some tendons in his leg and was sidelined in the first game of a double bill July 5. Manager Paul Richards did not hesitate in the least about sending Jackson to first, for that second game. He had one hit in three times at bat.

Tuesday Jackson was again at first and delivered with a single and double in four trips, batting in seventh spot.

On Wednesday, as a result of Cass Michaels, third sacker and cleanup hitter being hurt, Manager Richards moved the Western Michigan College star into the cleanup position. Jackson responded to Richard’s confidence in him with two hits in four trips to the plate, a single and homer, and that evening he was boasting a .429 batting average to lead the entire Chicago White Sox team.

No one expects that Jackson will be able to maintain that batting pace. By the time the Sox get around the circuit the opposition may find his weaknesses and will be pitching to them.

Up to Wednesday night, July 7, Jackson was fielding 1.000 percent and has pulled off a few outstanding plays.

If the rookie continues to show that well he might make it really tough for Ferris Fain and Phil Cavaretta to get back in the regular lineup. Only time will tell.

Certainly no rookie has jumped from college baseball to a cleanup spot on a major league team more rapidly than Jackson. It was the force of circumstances that gave Ron his big chance. But he started out right, fielding flawlessly and hitting at an amazing pace.

Jackson had proven a big star with the Bronco baseball and basketball teams and his loss will be a serious blow, especially to the basketball team next winter. He was a heavy hitter and fine fielding first sacker, highly valuable to the baseball team. He was named to the all-district NCAA first team in baseball in 1954 and to the college third All-American. In basketball Jackson last season became the fourth Bronco court star to score over 1,000 points in his collegiate career. He scored 1,011 points in points in three years of competition and as a junior last year he scored 444 points to break the all-time individual season high scoring total which had been set by All-American Harold Gensichen in the 1941-42 season at an even 400 points.

While Western fans regret his loss for the senior year they appreciate fully his value to Western teams that he played on and they wish him the best of luck in organized baseball.

Long Victory String Held by ‘Red’ Pippel

Trueman G. (Red) Pippel, who played a lot of rugged, tough, hard going football for Mike Gary in 1930, 1931, and 1932, is being generally credited with having the longest winning streak in football of any high school coach in the state.

Pippel, who has been coaching at Algonac steadily since World War II, has a record at present with his football teams of 25 straight victories, dating back into the 1950 season, when the last “beating” that one of his teams took was a 7-6 affair from Richmond. His team also
lost the opening game of 1950, which at that time blasted another 25 game winning football mark for Pippel as coach.

Starting with the final game of the 1946 season and continuing through until the opening of the 1950 season Pippel's Algonac teams were unbeaten as they rolled up 25 straight victories.

Now let's take those 25 straight victories rolled up starting with the final game of the 1950 season, which adds up to 25 more. That seems to come out at 50 victories. Then add in the six wins of the 1950 season inserted between the defeats and we come up with 56 victories. Now add in five wins of the 1946 season and that runs it up to 61 victories. Add in the three reverses of that season and it gives Pippel a total of five defeats starting with the 1946 football season against a total of 61 victories. That gives the veteran Algonac star and former Bronco an all-time coaching record at Algonac of .909.

Naturally in such a victory streak Algonac has been winning many a league championship in St. Clair County. It is our understanding that his teams have won the county title eight times, although being forced

WMC Netters Set New High as 1954 Season Ends Without Team Defeat

The Western Michigan College tennis team of the past season, which rambled through its regular schedule without a defeat and then wrapped up the Mid-American Conference net title without the loss of a single set, was probably the greatest tennis team in the history of Western Michigan College.

It was the first undefeated net team for the Broncos since 1929 when the team won 10 straight and also won the various state tournaments which were then held. The competition played then could hardly be said to equal that which the Bronco netters faced in 1954, indicating that the 1954 team had depth and balance that former teams may have lacked. Earlier teams may have had an individual star better than some of the men on the 1954 team; such men perhaps as the late Lee Hart and Warren Byrum.

After the undefeated season and the winning of the Mid-American Conference championship, the Western team was entered in the Eastern Intercollegiates held at West Point N.Y., and gave a further high stan-
Grid Practice Opens for Broncos Sept. 1

The 1954 football season should show a vast improvement over last year's low, which saw numerous new men breaking into the game, and a string of injuries which forced an almost continual change in the line-up from game to game. The 1954 season will not see Western Michigan with a title contender in the Mid-American Conference, but will see the Broncos battling to show a winning season.

The schedule this year has nine games, five of them at home. Of the nine games, seven will be conference games and of these four Mid-American teams will play at Waldo Stadium.

Training will get underway Sept. 1, with approximately 50 men being invited back for early practice, and Coach Jack Petoskey, who has urged the men to be in good physical condition when they report, hopes to get things under way with a rush.

The Bronco offense was changed to some extent during the spring practice and right now it seems that the style of play will be the single wing with variations.

Coach Petoskey expects about 18 lettermen back, led by Captain Leslie Koster, tackle. Other old men will include Lou Fierens, quarter last year, shifted to end in spring practice; Jack Kelder, fullback, being shifted to tackle; Bruce Bosma, half; Chuck Nidiffer, full; Jim Devine, guard; Harold Anderson, tackle; Jerry Austin, tackle, Jerry Ganzel, quarter, along with others.

Among some of the newcomers who may see action this fall will be Jerry Minier, Grand Rapids, fullback; Bud Breed, Paw Paw, half; Bob Soderman, Muskegon, center; Leland David, Muskegon, half; and John Berryman, end.

This year the Broncos should have a little more speed and will present far more in the way of experience than was the case a year ago. It will be an interesting season, as the Broncos attempt to bounce back from the 1953 season.

Bronco Trackmen Close Second in MAC Competition

While the Western Michigan College baseball team was finishing in third place in the Mid-American race, taking the mythical state title by beating both Michigan and Michigan State and flashed a 13-8 record when the season ended, and the golfers took a fourth place tie in the Mid-American Meet, it remained for the Bronco track team to again come up with second place in the conference with a fine showing over the toughest schedule in history.

In the Mid-American Conference track and field meet at Miami University, Oxford, O., the team gave Miami a battle right to the finish of the meet, finally being forced to accept second place less than 10 points behind Miami, which has won the track honors every year since the Redskins and Broncos joined the collegiate loop at the same time. Miami scored 99 2/5 points for first with the Broncos in second with 89 9/10 as the two outdistanced the rest of the field, Western Reserve taking third with 30 points, followed by Bowling Green, Ohio and Kent, with Marshall and Toledo failing to score.

The Broncos placed in every event in the meet, but it was lack of depth to a great extent that let Miami take the title. The Western 880 relay team of Fred Beane, Burt Jones, John Hudson and Ira Murchison, set a new conference mark in this event of 1.291, and Gordon
1954 outstanding track team members were, back row left to right, John Hudson, Jack Bond, Burt Jones, Richard Madden and Fred Beane; middle row, David Balcomb, Mgr., Val Eichenlaub, Russell Henderson, Leonard Eason, Richard Shenenerger, Gordon Spencer and Coach George Dales; front row, Monty Howard, Ira Murchison, Thomas Coyne, Donald Richards and Ronald Casher.

Hope, Bronco high jumper, set a new conference mark of 6 feet 1 1/8 inches in cracking the 6 feet 3 inch record set by Ed Taylor, Western in 1948.

The team performed well in other meets. It took second in a triangular meet with Michigan and Marquette; lost a dual meet to Miami, but scored over 100 points in winning a triangular affair with Bowling Green and Cincinnati; won the Western Michigan College Invitational meet in which nine university and college team participated, and gave a good account of itself in the Ohio State Relays and Michigan AAU.

During the season Ira Murchison, sophomore dash star, set a new Bronco record of :09.6 in the 100 yard dash, running this event frequently in 0:9.7 or :09.6 and was a big factor in aiding the 880 relay team to a new conference mark, as he proved the standout performer of the thinclads.

ROTC Program
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a “branch general” plan allowing the young men to have some choice in his area of specialization, and at the same time giving greater freedom to the Army for placing the young officers in the areas most desired and most needed by the Army.

Our experience at Western Michigan College with this program leads us to say that both the program itself and the staff personnel of the ROTC are beyond all significant criticism. There is no undesirable result from the Army’s presence on the campus. On the contrary, the stimulation of thinking and application of discipline of the young men are highly commendable. We believe, too, that the Army must be more and more dependent upon these ROTC graduates as a recruiting ground for Army leadership in the future. It is our belief also that since we need to have a better level of preparedness hereafter in the United States and since some plan of universal military training seems inevitable, there is no greater contribution to be made to such an objective than participation with the Reserve Officers Training Corps. The presence of this program on a college campus promotes deeper understanding and greater support as well as broader appreciation of the military aspects of American life for present and future generations.

We hope the ROTC program will flourish in our colleges for many years to come.

Joe Stockdale ’49 Authors New Play; Given Pre-Broadway Billing in Area

Joseph G. Stockdale, Jr., ’49 was the author of Desire Is a Season, an original drama which was given a pre-Broadway tryout at the Barn Theatre, Augusta, Mich., commencing Aug. 3 for a five-night run through Aug. 7.

Stockdale, a speech and drama major who was very active in Western Michigan College Players under Laura V. Shaw, took his master’s degree at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. While there, he worked with the famed Carolinians Playmakers and two of his plays were produced. He has also had productions by “Originals Only,” an off-Broadway group in New York City, Purdue University and the University of Denver. Recently he received a year’s leave of absence from Purdue University where he is an instructor in the department of speech and an associate director of the Purdue theatre to complete his doctorate at the University of Denver. He will return to his teaching position in September.

Dr. Stockdale’s wife is the former Robin Fastenrath ’47.

Stockdale’s writing career began at Western Michigan where he was active as drama and film critic for the Western Michigan Herald.
Kellogg Grant of $7,500 Made for WMCR Radio

A $7,500 grant from the Kellogg Foundation to aid in purchasing added equipment for its educational radio station, WMCR-FM, was announced in August by Dr. Paul V. Sangren, Western Michigan College president.

The money will permit the purchase and installation of equipment formerly used by WELL-FM in Battle Creek, a station off the air for the last several months.

Included in the equipment is a Western Electric 506-B-2 10kw FM transmitter, a WE eight-day clover-leaf FM antenna, lines and fittings, voltage regulators, air filters, compressor, station monitor, preamplifiers, receivers, control desk, spare parts and spare tubes.

With this new equipment, WMCR will expand its broadcasting radius from the present 20 to 25 miles to from 50 to 60 miles, serving all of Southwestern Michigan.

WMCR first began on the air in early 1951 and since that time has carried a succession of cultural programs through the services of the tape network of the National Association of Educational Broadcasters. This organization also got its early impetus from a Kellogg Foundation grant.

Summer Session

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The combining of these three factors provided the ground work from which the newest of the Normal schools of Michigan would provide years of public service to education.

Clyde Ford hit the keynote when he wrote to Waldo in 1904:

"You are hitting the trail on the high places in your summer term. It is only a prelude of the future. Give it to 'em."

7 Letter from Clyde Ford to D. B. Waldo, July 14, 1904. (Now located in Western's General Library).

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delightful time in New York City after they had adjusted themselves to a more confining mode of living. It will give you many a chuckle and perhaps a bit of nostalgia for your own childhood.

Seven Years in Tibet, by Heinrich Harrer (translated by Richard Graves). E. P. Dutton and Company, 1953. $3.00. The author is a noted Austrian mountain climber and skier who was detained by the English in an internment camp in India during World War II. His book tells of his many attempts to escape, his final success, and then the twenty-one month trek across the Himalayas to Tibet he and his companion made. His most unusual experiences in the Forbidden City of Lhasa, where he became the confidant of the religious leader and a general civic adviser, make this a truth stranger than fiction tale.

Forty Plus and Fancy Free, by Emily Kimbrough. Harper and Brothers, 1954. $3.00. Who, but Emily Kimbrough, could complete plans for a European jaunt and then realize that "the boss" had not been consulted? Who, but Miss K—, would have the good fortune to be sent by "the boss," CBS, for business purposes, to just the spot she’d planned to go at just the moment she wanted to be there? England at Coronation Time with a CBS assignment and a two-week vacation in Italy with three other grandmothers are the ingredients that, when mixed together by Emily Kimbrough, will bring you a relaxing and enjoyable reading experience.

Is the Common Man Too Common?, by Joseph Wood Krutch and others. University of Oklahoma Press, 1954. $2.75. Edward C. Gilbert Seldes, Norman Cousins, and Joseph Wood Krutch are a few of the writers and thinkers who have contributed to this challenging book. Aptly subtitled "an informal survey of our cultural resources," it is concerned with our emphasis on the common man and where it is culturally leading us.

Far, Far from Home, by Ruth McKenney. Harper and Brothers, 1954. $2.75. A Westport, Connecticut, couple and their three young children are transplanted abroad because Richard's work takes them there. As P. D. A's—Permanently Domiciled Abroad—Brussels became their home through an error, and adjustments became a two-way proposition. For the Americans several popular misconceptions about foreigners must be unlearned; for the Belgians introductions to Christmas turkey, "hotty dogs" and children's parties are in order. Originally written for Holiday magazine the individual sketches brought together under one cover make excellent reading.

How to Judge a School, a Handbook for Puzzled Parents and Tired Taxpayers, by William F. Russell. Harper and Brothers, 1954. $2.50. The president of Teachers College, Columbia University, compares, contrasts and explains the new and old in educational methods in 138 pages of pertinent information which attempts to clear up current misconceptions and misunderstandings concerning our public schools.

Living Your Later Years, by Kenneth Walker. Oxford University Press, 1954. $3.50. A British surgeon who, early in his career, became interested in rejuvenation operations and who later followed up this interest with research and lecturing on the problem of aging, presents his theories on growing older happily. Since it happens to all of us, we might at well do it easily, gracefully and with understanding. Common sense discussion of a subject that is just beginning to receive the attention that it warrants.

Seduction of the Innocent, the Influence of Comic Books on Today's Youth, by Frederick Wertham. Rinehart and Company, 1954. $4.00. "The most subtle and pervasive effect of crime comics on children," says the author who has been director of some of the larger psychiatric clinics in the country, "can be summarized in a single phrase: moral disarray." Dr. Wertham's solution is a public health approach to legislation on the subject. The first scientific study of a problem that surrounds us, the book has already aroused considerable discussion and debate.

—Hazel M. De Meyer
An apprehensive and then a happy Miss Barbara Crim of Benton Harbor flanks the June commencement scene. Miss Crim was among more than 600 students receiving degrees and certificates at that time. In the upper center photo the camera lens has captured the crowded south stands of Waldo stadium during the impressive ceremonies. In the middle row at the left are the recipients of honorary degrees from Western Michigan, including from the left, H. Glenn Henderson, WMC faculty member, master of music; Earnest L. Ludwig, vice-president of Birmingham-Prosser Company, Kalamazoo, master of science, and John J. Harris of the state department of public instruction, master of education. Degree recipients march through the speakers’ stand to receive their certificates from President Paul V. Sangren. At the lower left the academic procession, seen over the WMC band, makes its way into the stadium as the service begins. A color guard is provided by the ROTC unit. Dr. Samuel Brownell, director of the U. S. Office of Education, addresses the throng, while at the lower right the processional is seen from the east end of the stadium, as it is getting underway on the long, slow march of faculty and graduates to their seats.
Alumnae Groups
Offer Aid to
Music Campers

Through their combined efforts, two alumnae organizations of Western Michigan College offered four scholarships to young women attending the third annual summer music camp on the campus during July.

In March the Alumnae choir and the Delta and Xi chapters of Alpha Beta Epsilon sorority worked together in presenting the annual spring concert by the choir. The proceeds of the concert were used for the scholarships.

Recipients were Miss Wilma Clock, Otsego; Miss Loretta Moore, Paw Paw; and Miss Kay Aerts, Hart, who received Alumnae choir grants, and Miss Ruth Shugars, Kalamazoo, the Delta chapter winner.

Presentation of the awards was made by Mrs. Truman Gilbert (Dorothy Galbreath '37), president of Delta chapter, and Mrs. Ralph Birkhold (Lois Hawley '36), president of the Alumnae choir and Xi chapter.

Douglas Houghton

(continued from page 10) months. Mr. Rintala comments on the thought that if he had not possessed such “dogged determination and such disregard for the dangers inherent in traveling on unpredictable Lake Superior, his life might not have been lost at this time.” He had always been noted for courage and resolution, these qualities with his native ability were the chief causes of his remarkable success. The qualities that contributed to his success seem to have been responsible for his early death.

Several monuments has been erected to the “Little Doctor.” One monument is near Eagle River, the site of his drowning; a memorial window in St. Paul’s Church in Marquette; schools, a city, a county, and a lake bear his name; a centaph tablet near the Clements Library at the University of Michigan, and two portraits in the Capitol at Lansing. One of these portraits was bought and hung by the Legislature after a petition signed by a thousand citizens of Michigan had been presented. The other shows Houghton in the garb of an outdoor geologist, with his faithful spaniel, Meeme, at the Pictured Rocks of Lake Superior.

Following his funeral in May 1846, the Democratic Free Press printed this simple eulogy:

“But few men in life had more sincere and devoted friends and fewer still died more universally lamented. He did more to develop the resources of this state than any other man, and while the Upper Peninsula of Michigan stands, the name of Douglas Houghton will not be forgotten.”

—MATE GRAYE HUNT

Honorary Degree
Recipient Cited

Miss Edna Dean Baker, president of the National College of Education, Evanston, Ill., for 29 years before her retirement in 1949, became the second recipient of an honorary degree from that school in its 68-year history at its May 31 commencement.

In 1949 Miss Baker was on the Western Michigan College campus to receive the honorary doctor of education degree. She is a former president of the Association for Childhood Education.
the usual academic and social lines. The bond among Aristans has become strong, as evidenced by the number of alumnae that return for the Sunday morning Breakfast of Homecoming week-end, as well as for the tapping ceremony at the June Breakfast and initiation of the Junior girls that Saturday afternoon after the Breakfast.

There has been excellent leadership in the women who were chosen by the Aristans as president. All activities have been directed by the following presidents (the one during 1943-44 is not listed, as minutes for that year have been lost):

ARISTAN PRESIDENTS
1941—Phyllis Cooper
1941-42—Margaret Arnett
1942-43—Joyce VanderWeele
1943-44—Minutes lost
1944-45—Louise Fuller
1945-46—Carlene Bagnall
1946-47—Thelma Morrison
1947-48—Phyllis Barlow
1948-49—Margaret Bonfiglio
1949-50—Virginia Keizer
1950-51—Evelyn Smith
1951-52—Sally Davis Schnese
1952-53—Margaret Eddy
1953-54—Jacqueline Slaughter
1954-55—Martha Mesick

Faculty women have served as sponsors ever since Arista started and have included, besides the three original ones, Miss Reva Volle, Miss Helen Master, Dr. Frances Noble, Dr. Elda Bauman, Mrs. Julius Stulberg, Miss Lucille Nobbs, Miss Katherine Stokes, Miss Dezena Loutzenhiser and the Dean of Women, who was made honorary sponsor in 1948. Their terms have usually been two or three years and they are chosen by the Aristans.

This year, amid the usual excitement of following the Aristans as they walked through the ballroom tapping girls, at the June Breakfast, and the tears of joy of those receiving this mark of recognition, the ten who are the "cover girls" of this issue were honored. Each has been active in at least two areas of campus affairs and has shown herself a real leader. In such good hands, Arista can look forward to continuing the fine tradition established thirteen years ago.

Added to the role of Arista this year were Miss Mary Blandford, Grand Rapids; Miss Joan Fox, Kalamazoo; Miss J. Marilyn Hain, Whitehall; Miss Nancy McIntyre, Dearborn; Miss Moyra McNeill, Muskegon; Miss Martha Mesick, Kalamazoo; Miss Barbara Ann Place, Yale; Miss Janet Shaffer, Kendallville, Ind.; Miss Pearl Trestail, Battle Creek, and Miss Donna Young, Hastings.

Class Notes

'12 Citation for outstanding work as a teacher came frequently during the 42-year career of Miss Mary Helen Baker. She retired in June after long service at the West Main and Woodward schools in Kalamazoo. (If the editor may digress, he may point out at this time that he still carries with him many fine recollections of the year which he spent in Miss Baker's classroom).

'13 Max Grant, a teacher for 26 years, died in April at his home in Battle Creek. He was known locally as an expert in oil painting, and taught in Ypsilanti before going to the Calhoun city. His wife, a son and two daughters survive.

'17 Miss Margaret Bush AB '38 a veteran of 31 years of teaching, the last 27 in Kalamazoo, retired in June.

'18 Mrs. Norton H. Pearl (Dorothy Waite) is assistant director in charge of women's affairs of the Federal Civil Defense Administration regional office at Berkeley, Calif. She is former national president of the American Legion Auxiliary. Her work with French war orphans brought her the Chevalier of the Legion d'Honneur at the hand of President Auriol of France.

'21 Frank Thomas, onetime Bronco athletic star and for 15 years head coach at the University of Alabama, died in May from a heart ailment. He retired as head coach in 1947 and as athletic director in 1952. In his 15 years with the Crimson Tide his teams won 113 games, lost 24 and tied seven. They also appeared in the Rose, Cotton, Orange and Sugar Bowls. He lettered in football at Western in 1917 and 1918, in baseball in 1918 and 1919 and in basketball in 1919, before transferring to Notre Dame where he quarterbacked teams for Knute Rockne. Miss Hazel Cronk has retired after 42 years of teaching, 33 years of it in Muskegon, and is now making her home in Hastings.

'22 Joel W. Lee of Owosso was awarded the Master Teacher award at the 26th convention of the Michigan Industrial Education Society in Grand Rapids in April. In 1922 he began his teaching career in Owosso and in 1941 became head of industrial arts for the Owosso schools, which position he still holds. A native of Athens, he has also been active in MEA work.

'24 L. W. (Pete) Moser observed his 30th anniversary as recreation director for the city of Kalamazoo in May. He succeeded the late Judson A. Hyames in that post, after Hyames had founded the office earlier in the year. Moser has the unusual distinction of having won five letters in baseball for Western, receiving his first letter when he doubled on the State High and Western teams. He is highly respected in his area of work, being president of the Michigan Amateur Baseball Association for the third straight year; chairman of the junior baseball board of the American Baseball Con-
of the Allegan schools for 15 years, died April 9 in a Kalamazoo hospital after suffering a cerebral hemorrhage. He had taught in Wayland and Allegan before becoming high school principal and then superintendent. He is survived by his wife, the former Gertrude Voorhorst, '24, two daughters and two sons . . . Mrs. Dorothy Allanson Haynes is the new home economics teacher for the Tustin schools in the fall.

'31 Miss Anne Makel, a teacher in Kalkaska, Utica and Antrim County, and for the last five years in Plymouth, died May 22 at Northville after suffering a heart attack . . . The personnel manager of the Motor Valve Manufacturing Company in Port Huron is Willard G. Blackney. He had taught there for 14 years before joining the Mueller Brass Company and then his present firm . . . Miss Ruby Lukins was representative from district 9 of the MEA to the National Education Association convention in New York in June. She has been principal of the Sparta elementary school since 1946.

'32 Clifford Jones has joined the staff of the general traffic labor relations supervisor for Michigan Bell Telephone in Detroit. He was formerly division traffic supervisor at Menominee . . . The Rev. G. Allen Streeby is the new pastor of the First Evangelical United Brethren church in Battle Creek. After teaching
W. C. Baker '39, with the Houston branch of Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp., has been named to the firm's sales builder's club in recognition of his outstanding 1954 sales record. Only 18 salesman were included in the membership nationally. He has been a member of the Fiberglas organization since 1945, at Houston for the last three years.

for a time, he studied at Garrett Biblical Institute and then entered the ministry in Howe, Ind. After seven years there he moved to Niles where he served for 10 years . . . L. E. White, for the past six years superintendent at Boyne City, is the new school superintendent at Al- legan, succeeding the late A. A. Kaechele. . . . Henry Collins was named principal of the Hamtramck high school in June, the same school from which he and all his family had graduated . . . The Kalamazoo Lions club chose this spring as its new president Reginald K. Hills, Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment Company division sales manager.

John W. VanEck has become Kalamazoo's 24th postmaster, taking office as acting postmaster in May. He first joined the postal service in 1936. He is now completing his third term as president of the Michigan Federation of Post Office Clerks . . . John M. Pikkaart will not be a candidate for re-election as prosecuting attorney of Kalamazoo County. First appointed to the post in 1948, he was reelected several times. He will enter the private practice of law in Kalamazoo at the end of his present term Dec. 31 . . . Mrs. Marian Geis will teach first grade in Cooperville in the fall . . . Mrs. A. R. Corstange was a successful candidate for the Kalamazoo school board in the spring election. Her husband is vice-president in charge of real estate of the First National Bank and Trust Company.

Gordon Elferdink, Three Oaks furniture dealer, was a successful candidate for the Democratic nomination for representative from the fourth district of Michigan at the Aug. 3 primary. Nine years ago he opened the furniture and appliance store and now operates similar stores in Sawyer and Berrien Springs . . . Maurice J. Weed becomes head of the music department at Northern Illinois State College, DeKalb, in September, after completing work for his doctor of philosophy degree at the Eastman School of Music, University of Rochester, in June. He served on the Eastman faculty during the summer. Dr. Weed had previously taught at Ionia, Three Rivers and Ripon College, and this last spring won $500 for a composition, which was later played over a national radio network.

A 43-year teaching career closed in June for Mrs. Pearl Frazer Johnson AB '39, who had taught at Muskegon since 1922 . . . Robert B. Boyce, principal of the Milwood school, is the 1954 president of the Kalamazoo Optimist club . . . Ardell A. Henry is superintendent of extension services in the Flint and Thumb areas for the University of Michigan, and makes his home in Flint . . . Emanuel C. Judd died May 31 in Lansing, where he had resided for the last 12 years. For nine years he had taught at the Cassidy Lake Boys' Technical school, and had been a teacher for more than 25 years.

Harry B. Miller, credit manager of the Atlas Press Company, has been chosen as president of the Kalamazoo chapter, National Association of Cost Accountants.

Dr. James M. Lafferty has been made a fellow of the Institute of Radio Engineers, top honor in his field of endeavor. He is now with the radio engineering department of the General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y. In his citation, Dr. Lafferty was lauded "for his research contributions in micro-wave tubes and high current density cathodes."

Lyle M. Chenoweth became superintendent of the Benzie County rural Agricultural School July 1, after serving as principal of the St. Johns elementary and junior high school . . . Mrs. Blanche Jennings, a citizenship worker in Highland Park for the last 17 years, died late in March . . . "Wife of the Year" award by the Jaycee women in Muskegon, went in April to Mrs. Herbert Auer (Grace Lundy). She was judged on the basis of her qualifications as a wife, companion, mother and participant in church and neighborhood activities, and hobbies. She has three children and is now a third grade teacher in the Jolman school. Her husband is assistant city editor of the Muskegon Chronicle.

James R. Glick '34 has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in Naval air corps and received his wings at Pensacola, Fla. He has been assigned to the Marine Corps.

James L. Borough has left his post as superintendent of the Mattawan schools to join the finance division of the department of public instruction.

George M. Brown has been appointed principal of the Kent City high school . . . Richard McGowan teaches English and social studies in the Rochester high school, while his wife is a kindergarten teacher there. Their two children are of school age . . . Milton Becker is the 'new sanitarian with the Dickinson County health department. He is married and has two children . . . Walter F. Gephart has departed from the coaching field at St. Joseph to enter the insurance business as a field underwriter with Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York.

The recent choice of the Sturgis board of education to become principal of the new Wall school there . . . Rolland W. Staggmeier has been appointed assistant city sanitarian in Jackson . . . Dr. J. W. Hunt now maintains ophthalmology offices in Battle Creek and Vicksburg. He is a graduate of the Northern Illinois College of Optometry and has an office in Muskegon before moving to Battle Creek four years ago . . . Miss Marie Durrstein is leaving her principalship in Dowagiac to become an elementary principal in the Battle Creek Lakeview school system.
Kenneth J. Battani '53 left, and Ronald D. Cole '53 have recently been commissioned as second lieutenants in the U. S. Marine Corps, after completing the five-month basic officers course at the Marine Corps school, Quantico, Va. Battani has been assigned to Twenty-nine Palms, Calif., and Cole to Camp Lejeune, N. C.

'43 Litchfield Township agricultural school will have as its new principal in the fall Robert Swartz, after coaching and teaching the last eight years at White Pigeon. He is married and has two children . . . Miss Mary Lang is spending her second summer working for the Grand Rapids YWCA as director of Camp Newaygo on Pickerel lake . . . Dr. Darlton E. McFarland is an assistant professor of business management at Michigan State College, and is presently engaged in research in the field of human relations among top executives.

'44 Heading the homemaking department of the W. K. Kellogg school, Hickory Corners, this fall will be Mrs. Leatrice Jones.

'46 Richard W. Lamkin was married in May to Miss Gloria Spaniolo, and they are making their home in Grand Rapids where he is office manager for Touche, Niven, Bailey and Smart, certified public accountants. Lamkin received his CPA certificate in 1950 . . . John C. Hocke, Jr., has departed from the insurance business to become director of personnel for the Union Bank of Michigan at Grand Rapids. He has been general agent for the Central Life insurance Company for two years . . . Ist Lt. Richard D. Martin is now serving with the Ryukyus Command's 29th regimental combat team on Okinawa. He has been in the Army since 1947.

'47 Out of the hospital for a year, a recent checkup at Tucson, Ariz., shows Hal Gensichen making good progress in his bout with TB. He has spent the last year in radio and TV work at Tucson, while studying the media at the University of Arizona. He and his wife live at Sleepy Hollow Trailer Camp, 615 W. Alturas, Tucson . . . Harold Throop has been appointed health education worker in the health education department of the Philadelphia Tuberculosis and Health Association, after working for a year on social research problems with the Michigan Tuberculosis Association . . . Robert A. Williams is the new golf coach at Grand Rapids South high school. He also teaches speech and debate . . . Mrs. Edward Keusch, Jr., (Claudia Jean VanderLeest) teaches English, history and government in the Portland high school.

'48 Arthur T. May has been appointed baseball coach at St. LADISLAUS high school, Hamtramck, and for the last six years has been director of the Hamtramck recreation department's summer baseball program . . . Jim Marks succeeds another former Bronco, Bob Quiring '34, as head football coach at Kalamazoo Central high. After five years as reserve coach, he moved up to varsity line coach a year ago when Quiring became head coach. Quiring continues as head basketball and baseball coach . . . The new principal of the Belding high school, David E. Carpenter, formerly at Eau Claire . . . Miss Muriel Hopkins in May faced the possible amputation of her right leg due to a circulatory condition, after losing her left leg four years ago due to an injury received in soccer. Even after losing her left leg she continued her tennis game and rode a bicycle.

'49 William Buller, Jr., an employe of the Whirlpool Corporation in St. Joseph, was married May 15 to Miss Joan Blanda . . . The Rev. John H. Peatling is the new curate of St. John Episcopal church in Saginaw, where he resides at 1836 N. Fayette with his wife and daughter. He holds B.D. and S.T.M. degrees from the Yale University Divinity School . . . William J. Brown was married June 14 in Newark, Del., to Miss Jane Brennan. He is an instructor in design at the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts and has been on the art staff of the University of Delaware . . . Laurence L. Spitters received his M.B.A. degree from Harvard University June 17. He received his J.D. degree from the University of Michigan Law school in 1952.

'50 Dr. David E. Carpenter graduated from the U-M medical school in June and is now interning at St. Anthony's hospital, Denver . . . Vern Norris becomes head football and track coach at Hillsdale high school, after three years at Rockford high in similar jobs . . . The Rev. David L. Crawford, received his bachelor of divinity degree from the Garrett Biblical Institute in June and was ordained an elder in the Methodist church soon after. He will serve a new pastorat at Comstock during the next year . . . Miss Mildred Farthing leaves Vermontville to become a home economics teacher at Albion . . . Edward Grau becomes head basketball coach at the Portage high school, after several successful years at Lawrence-P . . . Rosa M. Ellis becomes a member of the sales staff of Wyeth Laboratories, Philadelphia, making his headquarters in Jackson. He had formerly been with Auto Owners Insurance Company in Lansing . . . F. Swift Noble, Jr., has been appointed head basketball coach at Vicksburg high school, after being at Hudsonville last year . . . John Sterner, Jr., is now in Mexico City on a 15 months' leave of absence to do graduate work at Mexico City College. He is a member of the Portage schools faculty . . . Miss

WESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE
Beverly Weis has been selected as a commerical instructor in France for dependents of Army personnel by the Army Overseas Affairs division. A teacher at Sunfield, she has received her M.A degree from Wayne University.

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Jack K. Mori an engineer for the Burroughs Manufacturing company, was married June 3 to Miss Meribeth T. Nakasone in Kalamazoo. . . . Norma F. Garvey was married in April to Miss Margaret Blanchard in Flint, where they live at 2611 E. Second street . . . Joyce P. Bahr is now Mrs. John J. McCarthy, Jr., following her March wedding in Royal Oak . . . Charles W. Tomnachif has been promoted to captain in the Marine Corps, which he entered on graduation. He, his wife and son reside at Quarters 506, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Va . . . Robert Boykin, Jr., is assisting in the management of an entertainment troupe in Japan and Korea, where he serves with the Third Marine division . . . William R. Fleming becomes assistant football coach at Berrien Springs this fall, in addition to teaching in the junior high school . . . Max G. Wilcox has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army on completion of OCS at Ft. Benning Ga. He is now on duty at the Pentagon in Washington . . . Robert Richards has moved from Perkins to the Gladstone public schools as a junior high teacher . . . Arthur J. Schwartz was appointed to the Tecumseh council in May, where he is employed in laboratory.

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Miss Marilyn Case is now engaged to James F. Webber, a WMC student. She is an office employee of the Oliver Corp., in South Bend . . . David DeWar has been promoted to full-time field sales engineer by Rayhaven Equipment Company of Detroit, after a three-year training period . . . Miss Lois Grooters was married in July in Germany to Pet. Ronald G. McDonald, who is stationed at Augsburg . . . Paul Hooker will teach shop at Zeeland, after his Army release in June . . . Robert E. Morse, Jr., received a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Purdue University in June and has taken a position with the Northrup Aircraft Corp., at Hawthorne, Calif . . . Leslie E. Spaulding married Greta E. Gehrig May 8 Homer, and entered military service May 31 . . . Alaska will be the teaching field for Miss Sylvia St. Clair this year, as she has accepted a school near Fairbanks . . . Miss Lora Shoemaker will be married this fall to A. Paul Monson, who is a psychologist at the Newberry State hospital . . . Miss Sally Mac Dermott, a teacher in Lansing the last two years, was married May 29 in Waukegan, Ill., to Robert Hansen. They are making their home at Ft. Benning where he is serving as an infantry officer. . . . Pvt. Henry Baehr has attended the anti-aircraft and guided missiles branch of the artillery school at Ft. Bliss, Texas.

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Thomas A. Harper was married in June to Miss Carolyn Laughlin in Grand Rapids. . . . Dorothy Althouse was married in June to George A. Ross and they now make their home in Hillsdale. . . . Mrs. Joann Peacock will teach second grade in Reed City this fall, while her husband attends Ferris Institute. . . . A recent graduate of the American Airline hostess school in Chicago is Miss Barbara Correia. She is now stationed in the Windy City. . . . Clarence Foster MA is the new superintendent of the Hull school near Benton Harbor. He had taught in Buchanan for eight years and is president-elect of the Berrien County Education Association. . . . Lts. Gregory Anrig and Richard Dowsett were WMC ROTC grads taking part in Exercise Flash Burn this spring at Ft. Bragg, N. C. Both are with the 853rd Quartermaster Service Company, Dowsett as a platoon leader and Anrig as supply officer. . . . Miss Thelma Estill was soloist in April in Washington, D. C., for the annual grand conclave of Chi Delta Mu fraternity. She is a vocal teacher in Detroit . . . Miss Marilyn Knight planned a summer wedding with Robert L. Underhill. She is employed by the Fort Wayne Corrugated Paper Company and he is an engineer with the Bohn Aluminum and Brass Corp., Holland . . . An August wedding is planned by Lorraine Rudzinski to Edward Kwieciinski in Detroit . . . Miss Margaret Judd was married in June to Raymond J. Pontoni and lives near Athens where he is associated with his father in the Nottawa Gardens Wholesale Poultry and Egg plant.

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Miss Barta Chipman was married in June to Thomas N. Billings in Cambridge, Mass. They now live in New York where he is on the financial staff of the General Motors Corp. . . . Miss Marilyn Martin was married in June to William J. Krestik in Battle Creek. . . . A September wedding bell will ring for Miss Marie Sedlou and Robert H. Marshall. . . . Cpl. Edward C. Salisbury is in training at the Brook Army Medical Center, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.
1954 HOMECOMING
October 16

GIGANTIC PARADE
Surpassing last year’s effort will be this 1954 homecoming parade, proceeding through downtown Kalamazoo and ending with a tour around the Waldo Stadium track just before game time.

FOOTBALL
The Broncos will meet MAC foe Toledo University at 2 p.m. in Waldo Stadium, with hopes high for an upset similar to the 1952 game.

OTHER EVENTS
Students will hear "The Four Freshmen" on Friday—Big alumni dance Saturday evening in Walwood Union—Student dance in the Men's Gymnasium.

"NEW HORIZONS"