The President's Corner

Significant Growth in Western's Own Graduate Program During the Last Three Years, Says Dr. Sangren

Graduate work leading to the master's degree in education began at Western Michigan College in the spring semester of 1939. The program was principally one extending from and supervised by the University of Michigan. The curriculums offered were prepared by the university and individual courses corresponded, in the main, to those offered at the university. The selection of courses, the approval and appointment of faculty, the admission of students, the conferring of degrees—all of these were done by the University of Michigan. Record keeping was done by both the U. of M. and Western Michigan College.

After the first few years of operation of the program, students were required to spend at least one summer session at the University of Michigan before degrees were granted. The first enrollment of students in the Graduate Division took place in the spring semester of 1939 with an enrollment of 111. Here are additional facts relative to the growth of the graduate program.

The enrollment in the spring semester of 1939 was 111 students. The enrollment in the fall semester of 1952 was 347 students. The enrollment in the spring semester of 1955 was 433 students. During the last full year of the cooperative program with the university, the enrollment of students was 796. Discontinuance of the cooperative plan and the establishment of an independent graduate program took place in September, 1952. During the most recent full year 1954-55, the enrollment jumped to 1,587 graduate students. The present enrollment in the 1955 summer session exceeds 700 students.

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Apartments on Campus Aid to Married Student Housing

The married student, once a rarity on almost any college campus, is here to stay.

Experts agree that the colleges and universities of the United States will have such students with them for all time to come, and probably in increasing numbers.

Of course, a college such as Western Michigan, has always had some married students attending classes, but it is only since World War II that the college has become interested in them sufficiently to provide housing for them on the campus.

Remember the boom following World War II? Veterans flocked to the campus and the new land along West Michigan avenue suddenly found itself covered with a flock of surplus house trailers. Then soon were added the temporary housing of surplus Army barracks.

These were only temporary measures, designed to meet what seemed to be an immediate need and one that would dissipate in the few years that it took to educate this veteran horde.

But, the idea of marriage caught on and soon non-veterans, many not long out of high school, began talking their parents into marriage, and instead of the need for housing abating, it began to grow. Western Michigan, like almost all colleges in America, finds itself now playing host to a growing family of new families.

Writing in the May 23 issue of Life magazine, Ernest Havemann says, “At first, when marriage was just beginning to flourish on the campus, it was only the seniors who dared take the step. Now the juniors, sophomores and even freshmen are falling in line. A professor at one eastern university said recently, ‘It was only a few years ago that we thought of the freshman boy as a baby who could barely find his own way to classes. This year we were only moderately surprised when one 18-year-old freshman showed up with a wife and child.’”

Havemann continues, “Of all the factors responsible for the increase in campus marriages, the most important can be stated in one word: prosperity . . . Today’s students, who know the great depression only by hearsay and have personally observed nothing but year after year of practically full employment, are bound to take a rosy view of their economic prospects. They are also, in this era of the low down payment and easy credit terms, convinced that anyone who feels the need of having a few thousand dollars in the savings account before establishing a home is a hopeless old reactionary.”

COVER PICTURE
Scott Newman and Steven Benson play in their plastic pool, oblivious of the photographer. The cover scene looks the length of one of the eight Elmwood Apartment units, and in the background is its neighbor. These apartments are located along Western Avenue, south of Draper-Siedschlag and Burnham residence halls.
What's happening, though, here at Western Michigan, to bring the matter close to home?

Officials long ago became convinced that the married fulltime undergraduate student was a permanent part of the campus social structure. It was also apparent that the temporary housing could not be continued as a permanent thing and that the college must explore other means of housing.

In the fall of 1953 this thinking had been congealed into plans for student apartment buildings which have been widely copied and consulted throughout the midwest. By early 1954 the first families were moving in and now the 96 units of the Elmwood Apartments are fully occupied, along with more than 20 families residing in what remain of the surplus barracks.

Now, what of the future?

J. Towner Smith, dean of men, who takes applications for apartment rentals, reports that the waiting list now stands at 150, and you can't get your name on unless you are already married.

Students moving into the Elmwood apartments are permitted four years of college work, plus one extra semester if that is all they need to graduate. The four-year limit applies to study both here and elsewhere. Students continuing graduate study here at Western are also permitted one extra year. If they are carrying a full load during the year, students are not required to attend summer school to continue their eligibility for residence. However, should they carry less than a full load they must study during the summer.

Assignments to the units are made through Dean Smith and Archie Potter, director of Smith Burnham hall, who also is assistant director of housing and works closely with the
What kind of tenants do these students make?

Potter again states that they are fine. One of the criteria for measuring this is the condition of the units when families vacate, and he reports that they have been left in excellent condition.

As you might guess, the demand for two-bedroom units is increasing as family responsibilities grow. The one-bedroom apartments rent for $55 a month, while it is only $5 more for two bedrooms.

Western built eight units, each with 12 apartments, six on each level. The end units, or two to each building, have two bedrooms.

A modified Scandinavian design was the idea for the construction, with access to the second floor apartments provided along a covered porch running the length of the building. Semi-enclosed stairways are provided at each end.

Each apartment has a living room, into which the front door opens. A double window unit, with a pullout lower section for ventilation, occupies the remainder of the front wall space. There is furnished a davenport, and then looking into the kitchen area one first sees a room divider which features a desk and book shelves on one side and some storage space on the other.

The kitchens are adequate, and better than in many, many apartments one will encounter. They include a St. Charles kitchen unit in color, GE refrigerator and a Daystrom dinette set, with four attractive chairs.

All the apartments were individually decorated by Miss Lydia Siedschlag, and therefore each is distinctive in its own way. Despite the furniture already placed in the units, most students have found room to crowd in a TV set and other items.

The construction of the buildings was kept at a basic minimum to keep rental fees at a reasonable level. They are of cement and cinder block, with decorative red brick used. On the upper gallery the exterior wall is of redwood. The attractive stairway design was made possible by the use of chimney blocks in a interesting fashion.

Floors throughout are tiled, and each apartment gets its heat from the central college source. Each rental unit also has its own fan to control the circulation of air. At the center of each building level is a utility room where washing machines are housed, along with water heaters and an incinerator unit.

Under such conditions, this area has become a village by itself, with much intermingling of the residents. The Western Wives and the Veterans' organization have undertaken together a fund raising project to provide playground equipment in the area.

Potter estimates that 90 per cent of the men work at least parttime to help support their families. He also reports that 98 per cent of the families own automobiles, placing parking as one of the major problems to be encountered.

As Havemann indicates, the married fulltime undergraduate student is here to stay on any college campus in America. Western Michigan officials are acknowledging that again, as President Paul V. Sangren recent-

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A pall of dust, hiding giant earth moving machines, has accompanied a steady rumble of heavy motors all during the summer months in the west campus area at Western Michigan College.

In great 12 cubic yard bites, these scrapers by LeTourneau have been tearing into the hills of the old Wilbur estate along West Michigan avenue, rearranging the topography in a frightful way. But there is a method in their destructive madness and from it all is to come an exciting new residential area for college students.

At least one hill 30 feet high has been completely leveled, and valleys are being filled in along the street, roads constructed for the building crews, and as this magazine goes to press the carpenters and masons are scurrying about building forms and pouring concrete for the footings of the first of four men's residence halls.

Early in July President Paul V. Sangren announced an $8,000,000 building program for this 42 acre site acquired by the college in 1953. With the residences describing a semi-circle around the property, in the center will be placed a central food service and dining halls, and along West Michigan will rise the successor to the pioneering Walwood Union building. This new student center will be larger and more efficient, an attempt to serve the rising demands of the rapidly growing student population.

Late in June wreckers were summoned into the area and the destruction of the century-old Wilbur home was begun. In a month's time the solid brick walls and ornate woodwork had come down and been carted away, and the earth movers were ready to prepare the site for the student center, which is expected to get underway this fall.

All of this time, on the south side of West Michigan activity is continuing at the pace of a year ago. Zimmerman hall, named for the late Miss Elisabeth Zimmerman, stands bright and ready for an influx of 300 girls this fall, and the walks and drives are being completed to accommodate the flurry of activity expected in September.

Across Western avenue the glass blocks are being fitted into vacant window areas of the men's physical education building. From the mud and ooze of last winter this $1,500,000 structure has risen and occupancy is expected to begin sometime late in the winter. Students will enjoy the new swimming pool and the physical education staff will appreciate the opportunity to stretch its arms.

But this betokens only a small part of that which is to come. Plans are...
The architect's model of the new buildings for the Wilbur property, shows full development of the area. The residence for men at the lower right is now under construction and when completed in the fall of 1956 will house 440. The student center in the middle will be started this fall, along with the food service unit attached to it and behind.

quickly being completed to permit an early start on the construction of the long awaited field house adjacent to the physical education building.

While the new structure will be fine, it will be only half a building without the adjoining field house. Dr. Sangren has indicated that construction will probably begin sometime this fall, giving our famed basketball teams a new home and providing needed space for indoor track. Here is the building which Western athletic enthusiasts have dreamed and talked about for 20 years. Seating will probably be in the neighborhood of 7,500 for basketball.

The men's physical education building, shown at the left, is expected to be completed by February, 1956. The field house for intercollegiate basketball and track, as well as physical education use, is the giant structure to the right. Work on the long awaited development is expected to get underway this fall. Seating for basketball will be more than 7,500.
And even this isn't the end. The married student is here to stay, a campus fixture rather than the pre-World War II curiosity. On campus we now house 96 couples in new apartment buildings and another 24 in WW II surplus structures. Plans are being readied to build another 48 apartments to relieve the 150-couple waiting list for housing. These will go in the neighborhood of the present apartments.

All of this construction is to be on a self-liquidating basis, with borrowed funds to permit the work.

Action by the legislature this spring gave the needed funds to complete the physical education building. Also provided was $60,000 in planning money for a proposed $1,500,000 main library on the west campus. Designs call for this building to be situated in the music building parking lot along Vandegrissen road.

Preliminary discussions are also underway for a new natural science building for the west campus.

Both of these latter moves will permit redesigning and usage of those buildings remaining on the east campus. As some temporary buildings are still in use, it is hoped to be able to expand such departments into more substantial quarters.

With enrollment expected to climb to 5,600 or more this fall from last year's peak of 5,104, problems of student residences and of classroom provisions continue to mount. These matters consume a considerable portion of the time of many people on the campus, and of course, involve large expenditures of money.

From the Western State Teachers College of 20 years ago has grown a new being, the Western Michigan College of today. This continued growth of the college, is a necessity if our expanding economy in this state is to keep pace with the population. While many on the campus might like to retire to the quietude of an ivory tower, the pace of the moment demands that colleges such as Western remain on the firing line until the task is completed.

And when might that be? Probably sometime in the next generation or so—but not today or even tomorrow.

Edwin S. Fox, a member of the physics faculty since 1947, died June 22 in Kalamazoo after a brief illness. He was the son of the late John Fox, longtime head of the physics department. A memorial scholarship fund has been established in the names of John and Edwin Fox and contributions may be made to the college by writing the comptroller.

The Wilbur home is shown as it became the home of Sigma Alpha Delta, later Delta Chi, fraternity. For many years this had been a private mental sanatorium. The 40-acre tract was acquired by the college in 1953.

Workers are shown demolishing the old Wilbur home, a building erected about 100 years ago and famed Kalamazoo landmark. It was of about the same vintage as the president's home just across West Michigan avenue.
Four New Books Portray Early Vitality of Michigan


As the author of historical writings concerning Michigan, Milo M. Quaife's name carries much weight. Over forty years of research in the Great Lakes area have resulted in more than a dozen books. His latest is half of River of Destiny: The Saint Marys, which was done in collaboration with Mr. and Mrs. Bayliss. Mr. Quaife did the first half of the book which is a 150-page survey of the St. Marys region from aboriginal times.

He informs his readers that the river, the rapids, a railroad, and a thriving city on each side of the rapids bear the name Sainte Marie, in honor of the mother of Christ. Lake Michigan was first called the Lake of the Stinking Water and the name Superior was not intended to indicate that it is the greatest fresh water sea in the world but merely that it lay above, as beyond, Lake Huron.

The second part of the book, by the Baylisses is "Local History with Recollections of Persons, Places and Events." Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Bayliss are long-time residents of the St. Marys River area and have lived mostly at Sault (French for cascades or rapids) Sainte Marie, the original spelling has been retained.

The Quaife part of the book is scholarly and fairly heavy historical reading while the Bayliss part is chatty and easy, enjoyable reading. Both parts are well documented, much material having been drawn from Jesuit Relations. There are a few photographs, chiefly of early days in that area. The map endpapers, interesting in blue and white, with the index, serve as good, quick references. The whole volume is an attractive, substantial piece of bookmaking from the house of R. R. Donnelley and Sons Company.


William Ratigan, poet-author, newspaperman and colorful, individualistic owner of the Dockside Press of Charlevoix, appears on the Soo Centennial scene again (Soo Canal reviewed in the News Magazine, Fall 1954) with two books.

The first one, listed above, is the fascinating biography of the inco-

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RECOMMENDED BOOKS

My Zoo Family, by Helen Martini. Harper & Brothers, 1955. $3.95. The story behind the Bronx Zoo nursery told by the wife of the headkeeper of the Lion House. It was at her husband's request that Mrs. Martini took her first lion cub into her home to save it from starvation but it wasn't long before she was anxiously awaiting the next arrivals who became part of the parade of animal babies who reached maturity because of the human care and affection they received. Though the author has had no previous experience in animal care or writing, she is equally successful in both with the result that her book is not only instructive but entertaining. In case some of this sounds familiar a small part of it appeared in the Ladies Home Journal two years ago under the title "Mother was Human."


Fresd on Broadway, by David W. Sievers. Hermitage House, 1955. $5.00. These two very different books cover much the same material. The first is by a drama critic and anthropologist turned producer; the second is the expanded doctoral dissertation of a professor of speech and drama at Long Beach State College, California, but its style has a most unacademic punch. Each will have an equal appeal for the theatregoer who enjoys a backward look, under expert direction, at the plays he has been seeing the last quarter century.

Party of One, by Clifton Fadiman. World Publishing Company, 1955. $5.00. A potpourri of the writings of the past twenty-five years of a popular figure in the literary and entertainment world.

News Is a Singular Thing, by Marquertie Higgins. Doubleday & Company, Inc., 1955. $4.00. What Maggie Higgins, Pulitzer Prize winner for news reporting "chooses to tell" about her life as a New York Herald Tribune reporter: as a war correspondent, as chief of the Berlin bureau, then of the Tokyo bureau and later the only woman correspondent in Korea. A fragile-looking blonde with limitless energy and endless ambition who had more than a little luck, Miss Higgins witnessed most of the tragic events of World War II and its aftermath. Here they are recorded as she interpreted them on the spot and as she looks at them in retrospect. Entertaining reading in spite of the serious overtones.

Common Sense and World Affairs, by Dorothy Fosdick. Harcourt, Brace and Company, 1955. $3.50. During a critical decade, 1912-1952, Dorothy Fosdick, daughter of New York City's famous clergyman, Harry Emerson Fosdick, was associated with our State Department. Foreign policy, she believes, is everyone's business, so she presents some guiding principles to aid us in making our decisions. However, she gives this note of warning. "No principle is a complete guide to action. Principles tell us more how to feel, how not to act, and what to look out for." In developing her theories she holds up for examination such problems as Communist China, EDC, the Korean War, Armament policy, co-existence, and advocates the application of the same good sense to their solution that we use in our domestic relations.—Hazel M. DeMeyer and Katharine M. Stokes
**Historian-Reviewer Praises**

**Dunbar's 'Michigan'**


Michigan has come of age, recently, in an important sense. New books about Michigan have appeared in recent years in increasing numbers and of superior quality. Historical fiction, scholarly as well as popular histories, specialized research studies as well as magazine articles, and stories and newspaper feature articles and Centennial editions are attracting reader attention far beyond the shores of the Great Lakes area.

A significant contribution to Michigan history is the two-volume MICHIGAN THROUGH THE CENTURIES by Willis F. Dunbar, written during the past several years and published in the spring of 1955. It is highly readable, interesting, well conceived and authoritative. This is a swiftly moving, expanding narrative slanted heavily toward recent and contemporary history, designed to help the reader to understand what has made Michigan what it is today—a great state in a great nation.

Dr. Dunbar, professor of history at Western Michigan College, is to be commended for his over-all framework of organization by centuries, and his greatly expanded treatment of modern and recent history, together with a broad, topical presentation of society and institutions at mid-twentieth century.

*Volumes III and IV of this publication are contemporary biographies entitled, Family and Personal Histories, written and edited by the publishers. These volumes are not included in this review.*

In Volume I the author's approach is essentially in the pattern of traditional, chronological history. In one hundred pages the story sweeps through the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, relating adequately the more dramatic stories of discovery and exploration and the great international struggle between the English and French for domination of the interior of America. Twenty chapters, or four-fifths of the volume, deal with the last 150 years of the total story which extends across three and a half centuries.

The most significant chapters, perhaps, in Volume I are those which constitute Part Four, the Twentieth Century—First Half. The titles are: The Coming of the Automobile, The Transformation of Rural Life, The Speeding Tempo of Urbanization, The Enrichment of Cultural Life, The Growth of Social Consciousness, Big Government and Politics, and Michigan and the World View at Mid-Century. In these chapters Professor Dunbar has scored an achievement in synthesis and interpretation, depicting the transformation of Michigan from an "extractive economy to a processing economy."

Volume II dealing with the contemporary scene at mid-century, with relevant historical background woven in, is divided into four major parts: (1) At Work, (2) Mind and Spirit, (3) Recreation, and (4) Government. Six chapters in the section entitled At Work, present a broad survey of economic trends under the headings of farming, manufacturing, transportation, communication, tourist resort and vacation industries, and commerce; besides six additional chapters on the occupational professions of law, healing arts, press, radio and TV, and engineering. The section on Mind and Spirit presents five chapters on various aspects of education, and five chapters on the fine arts—literature, music, theater, painting and sculpture and architecture. Two chapters cover religion and the

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Dr. Willis F. Dunbar is one of the busiest members of the Western Michigan College faculty. In addition to his history teaching, he is advisor on public affairs for WKZO, AM and TV; president of the Michigan Historical Commission; now is completing his second term on the Kalamazoo city commission and this last spring was elected president of the Michigan Academy of Arts, Science and Letters. He first came to Western Michigan in 1951 as a professor of history. Dr. Dunbar is a graduate of Kalamazoo College and the University of Michigan and for some years taught at our neighboring school, as well as serving as dean of men. Later he devoted full time to radio work as program director for WKZO. It was from that latter post that he came to the Western campus.
Additions to Faculty
Numerous as College Grows

After all the talk of buildings in the early pages of this issue, you may be a bit tired of the theme of growth. But it is so dynamic on the campus that it continues daily as a principal topic of conversation.

To be noted along with the buildings this fall, will be the increase in the faculty, with some 30 new positions permitted by legislative grants, and of course the many retirements and resignations to be filled.

Among the things that youth will be served with today is education and in continually increasing numbers they are flocking to Western Michigan. To properly educate them so that they may be better fitted for living and earning in this world of ours, many new and generally young people have come this fall to help out.

President Paul V. Sangren has expressed himself as well pleased with the group, feeling that many of them have already exhibited signs of high promise as teachers. They will soon be put to the acid test.

With your indulgence, we present the following brief sketches of several of the newcomers. Others will follow in the next issue.

**Dr. Alan S. Brown, History**—(AB, AM, PhD University of Michigan). Dr. Brown comes to us from Kent State University, and is a native of Detroit. He is married and has one daughter.

**Dr. William R. Brueckheimer, Geography**—(MA Chicago, MA, PhD Michigan). Teaching assignments have taken Dr. Brueckheimer to Florida State University, the University of Michigan and for the last two years at Southern State College, Magnolia, Ark. His home has been in Gary, Ind., and he is married and has two sons.

**Dr. R. A. Diehm, Paper Technology**—(BS Purdue, MA, PhD Rutgers). Dr. Diehm is leaving a long career in the paper industry, for the last five years having been executive vice-president and general manager of the Ward Paper Co., Merrill, Wis. He has been credited with many outstanding developments in the paper industry, being particularly interested in microbiology. He has also worked for Rohm and Haas, Container Corporation of America and the Cuneo Press in Chicago.

**H. Mark Flapan, Sociology**—(BS Washington U., MA Chicago). For three years Flapan, has been a research associate at the Family Study Center, University of Chicago, while studying for his doctorate. This Kansas Citian is married and has one daughter.

**Dr. Milton Greenberg, Political Science**—(BA Brooklyn, MA, PhD Wisconsin). Born in New York, Dr. Greenberg has been for the last three years an instructor and research associate for the bureau of public administration at the University of Tennessee. He is married and has one daughter.

**James D. Hoffman, Campus School Sixth Grade**—(BS, MA Ball State). Hoffman actually joined the faculty for the summer session just passed and will continue this fall. He has previously taught in Indiana at Royerton, Daleville and Elkhart. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman have one daughter.

**Dr. Paul E. Holkeboer, Chemistry**—(AB Hope, MS, PhD Purdue). Since 1951 Dr. Holkeboer has been teaching as a graduate assistant.
at Purdue while completing work on his doctorate. A son joined the Holkeboer family last February.

Dr. Daniel F. Jackson, Biology—
(PhD Pittsburgh, MS College of Forestry, State University of New York) Australian,前三 years at the College of Steubenville preceded a year as a hydrologist with the U.S. Corps of Engineers for Dr. Jackson. For the last two years he has been a research associate in forest zoology for the college of forestry. A native of Pittsburgh, he is married.

Philip L. Mason, Music—(AB WMC). A June graduate, Mason joins the faculty to teach violin, an instrument on which he has excelled during college. He has been concert master of the WMC symphony. He is a native of Battle Creek and is married.

Leo Niemi, Business Studies—(BA, MA WMC). After a year of doctoral study at Ohio State University, Niemi returns here to teach. He has had two years of experience at nearby Comstock high school, where he was coordinator for cooperative occupational training. He is married.

Robert Palmatier, English—(AB, MA WMC). After five years of teaching at Vicksburg and Allegan, Palmatier returns to teach college writing in the English department. Mr. and Mrs. Palmatier have a son and a daughter.

Dr. John J. Pruis, Speech—(BA WMC, MA, PhD Northwestern). From three years on the faculty at Southern Illinois University, Dr. Pruis comes to the campus. He is a native of Holland, and has taught at Jamestown, Northwestern University and Iowa State Teachers. He is now chairman of the committee on problems in the elementary school of the Speech Association of America. Dr. and Mrs. Pruis have three sons.

Carola Trittin, Paper Technology—(BA Lawrence College). Here is a man's field. Miss Trittin enters to teach. She has been technical director of the Ward Paper Co., Merrill, Wis., and held other responsible technical positions in the field.

Dr. Jared Wend, Economics—(BA Middlebury, MA, PhD Michigan). Six years of collegiate teaching experience has taken Dr. Wend to the University of Detroit and Carroll College. He is married and has two children.

John W. Woods, English—(BA, MA, MAT Indiana). Poetry has been a central interest for Woods, and this fall he expects a volume, "The Deaths at Paragon, Indiana", to be published by the Indiana University Press. He has had his poetry published in a number of literary journals. For the last four years he has taught at the Morgan Park Military Academy in Chicago.

Apartments

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ly announced that the college would soon begin construction on four more apartment units, adding 48 living quarters to the village. A part of the remaining surplus huts will be dismantled or moved away in this process, and some of the names will be lopped off the waiting list.

But if you are a regular reader of newspaper society pages you can be sure that the list will soon begin another upward swing.
Clayton Maus New Registrar; Dr. Smith Appointed Assistant

The retirement of John G. Hoekje as dean of administration-registrar on June 30 this year presaged significant changes in that area of control for Western Michigan College.

Dr. Paul V. Sangren, WMC president, had earlier announced the appointment of Clayton J. Maus as the new registrar, after Maus had served for two years as assistant registrar. Hoekje himself had served as registrar since 1921, and although the post had existed for several years before his appointment, he was the first fulltime person in that job.

Maus succeeded Leonard Gernant as assistant registrar in February of 1953, when Gernant became associate director of the field services division.

Coming to this campus in 1942 Maus had been principally associated with the department of athletics until 1953. In those 11 years he had conducted the intramural program for a time, served as head track coach and taught the academic side of physical education. In 1947 he became track and cross country coach, director of the intramural program and fulltime instructor in physical education.

He is a native of Twelve-Mile, Ind., and graduated from Ashland College in Ohio. For nine years he taught and coached track and basketball at the Avon Lake, O., high school before coming to Western Michigan. He is married and has three daughters.

Moving into Maus' old office as the assistant registrar is a former Marine trainee of World War II days on this campus, now Dr. Keith W. Smith.

Smith has been assistant registrar and director of the guidance clinic at the Calumet center of Purdue University in Hammond, Ind., for the last two years. He holds two degrees from Indiana State Teachers College in Terre Haute, and received his doctorate in psychology from Purdue in 1952.

From that time until July, 1953, he was on active duty with the U.S. Marine Corps as division classification officer for the Second Marine division at Camp Lejeune, N.C. He holds the rank of Captain in the Marine Corps Reserve.

Dr. Smith also has served as a vocational appraiser at the veterans guidance clinic, Indiana State, and as a counselor in the counseling and testing bureau at Purdue. He is married and has two daughters.

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Clayton J. Maus, new registrar, looks on as Dr. Keith Smith, newly-appointed assistant registrar, discusses an admission application. Increasing enrollments are causing their offices considerable work and posing many new problems.

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Elmer C. Weaver, Professor of Industrial Arts, 1917-55

I have known Elmer C. (Buck) Weaver longer than any one now connected with Western Michigan College. Perhaps that is the reason I have been asked to write this article. I am glad to do so and to try to paint a verbal picture of one of the Master Teachers of shop work in Michigan.

It was forty-two years ago when a tall, quiet high school boy fresh from Ohio walked into the woodshop where I was teaching in Kalamazoo Central High School. He was wearing the first wrist watch I had ever seen on a man. I mistook this boy for a sissy and being partial to the rougher element among students I considered chasing him out of the class. I am glad I waited—for in this boy I found unusual talent. He had a wonderful pair of hands and a way with machinery seldom given to any man.

Buck came to high school in or on a windwagon mounted on bicycle wheels and driven by a motorcycle engine and an airplane propeller. It had no brakes and he stopped it by dragging his foot over the side onto the pavement. Buck kept himself in shoes and gas by working for ten cents an hour. Among the many things he turned his high school hands was to make the first flicker-photometer for Prof. Hammond’s physics laboratory. He also installed much of the mechanical equipment in the then new Central High School.

Buck graduated from Western Normal in 1917. I remember the day back then when Marion Sherwood of the manual training department at Western said “I think we have made a good deal. President Waldo has just hired Buck Weaver.” As I remember it before the year was over Buck had enlisted in the Aviation Section of the Signal Corps of World War I. At that time there was no Aviation Corps but Buck’s work was in that field where he worked up from buck private to Master Sergeant. He took the examination for first lieutenant and might have had his commission but his uniform would have cost $115 and the war was over. He took the money and got married.

I well remember the day I saw him trying on a new suit in a downtown clothing store, for I asked Buck “Getting married?” He replied “Yes—I am going to grab her off.” Devona Montgomery became Mrs. E. C. Weaver and what a wonderful marriage that turned out to be. In all these years I have never heard a cross word uttered by one to the other. Their daughter Jeanne, now Mrs. William Heath, mother of two lively children and who lives in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, inherited the beauty of her mother and some of the mechanical instinct of her father.

Buck likes to fly. He owned the first private plane in Kalamazoo. It was a Standard V J-100 H.P. XX6 which he bought in Minneapolis and flew to Kalamazoo. Since then Buck has owned many planes. The most of them have been rebuilt jobs he picked up after some one wrecked them. Buck bought what was left, rebuilt them, had them licensed and flew them and sold them. How many? I doubt if Buck remembers.

I remember the time Buck invited me to go for a plane ride. I drove out to the Austin Lake Airport and met the Weaver family. Buck took me up and as we passed over the field a bright yellow Cub plane was taking off below us. At that time the runway was short. To land one had to just skim the power lines along the east end of the runway. When we came back the Cub was parked in front of the hangar. Buck remarked “I see Jeanne is back.” It was her first solo flight. It is typical that he had not mentioned it before.

Buck likes boats. He likes speed boats, ice boats, ice scooters, etc. I remember the hydroplane he built at school. He enlarged the plans of a smaller boat, installed a rebuilt automobile engine and took it to Gull Lake to try it out. It balanced so well and ran so beautifully a man on a dock waved Buck in and asked him, to try it out. Buck let him take it. He circled the island and when he came back he asked Buck if he would sell it. Buck had no such thought in mind but he mentioned a price about ten times his investment. The man never let the boat touch the dock. He wrote a check and passed it to Buck as he went by. He stepped on the gas and the whole thing was over and he was out of sight in about the same time it takes me to write about it.

I could keep this up indefinitely but space requires that we pass to more important things. Buck completed his B.S. at Columbia University in 1926 and returned to the same place for his A.M. in 1933. During the summer of 1937 he at-

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Bronco Nine Earns Second Place
In National Tournament at Omaha

The never-say-die Western Michigan baseball team of 1955 journeyed to Omaha, Nebr., for the eight-team double-elimination NCAA championships and just missed winning the national title, losing the final game 7-6 to Wake Forest.

It remained for the Broncos to hand the first big jolt of defeat to both Arizona and Oklahoma A & M., the two teams conceded by the "experts" to be the ones to fight it out for the title of the eight district winners competing.

Opening play at night, every Bronco game was a night affair, Western opposed Arizona in its first effort and won over Don Lee, son of Thornton Lee, former White Sox hurler, 4-1. Gary Graham on the mound for the Broncos gave Arizona just four hits. He walked fifteen men but the team turned in four sparkling double plays behind him, Arizona scoring its lone run in the third. Western got one run in the third on Graham's single, an infield out and Leland David's single and then clobbered home a trio of runs in the fifth for the victory on hits by David and Al Nagel, along with bases on balls mixed in to Graham and Lowell Johnson, and with a fielder's choice to Bill Lajoie.

In the second round game Oklahoma A & M., which had disposed of Springfield, Mass., in its opening game, found an alert Bronco aggregation, ready and waiting for any break and when it came in the ninth the Broncos capitalized on it to turn seeming defeat into a 5-4 victory.

Ken McKinnam on the mound for the Cowpokes gave Western just two hits until the fatal ninth. Two bases on balls to David and Johnson with Nagel's single and an error gave the Broncos two runs in the sixth and they went into the ninth trailing 4-2.

It was here that McKinnam started to weaken. He walked the first two men to face him, Fritz Messner and Miki Schwartzkoff. Don Anderson was rushed to the mound to relieve him. Lajoie took the first pitch and hit it towards third. Jim Woolard seeking to make a needed quick play at first threw the ball into the outfield, with Messner and Schwartzkoff streaking...
Two proud coaches are pictured with the baseball trophies which they won this spring. At the left is assistant coach Don Boven and at the right veteran head coach Charlie Maher. Maher this spring was second in the balloting for the nation's outstanding collegiate baseball coach. The trophies, from the left, signify the Mid-American Conference championship, district four championship for the American Association of Collegiate Baseball Coaches and the runnerup for the National Collegiate Athletic Association title.

around the bases, followed by Lajoie. Outfielder Mayo Hemperly grabbed the ball in right field and threw towards the plate. The ball hit Dick Erickson, Bronco first base coach and knocked him cold, the ball bounding back to the outfield. Lajoie, who had stopped at third was waved in, the third run of the inning without a man being retired and the Broncos, outhit 7-2, handed Oklahoma A & M a 5-4 defeat.

In the third contest Western disposed of Wake Forest with ease, winning 9-0, then being the only undefeated team left in the tournament. Jim Smith, back on the squad after his illness, hurt his arm in the fourth and retired for Jerry Sposito. Smith had given up a single hit and Sposito in finishing gave up only two more in one of the best exhibitions he had given the Broncos.

Rog Eggers was able to go only 2 2-3 innings in the next game with Wake Forest, and Gene Frechette, taking over, gave up two hits and walked one when Coach Maher called in Don Finnefrock, who went the final 5 2-3 frames. Western was down then 7-0. The Broncos got a single run in the fourth and then drove starter McGinley to cover in the eighth when six runs crossed the plate. Ralph Adams and then Bill Walsh went to the mound for the Deacons before the Bronco uprising was quelled. The Deacons had scored a single run in the fifth and two in the bottom of the eighth in handing the Broncos their first defeat in the title series and squaring the two teams at three victories and a defeat by a 10-7 score, to set the stage for the final championship contest.

In the fifth and deciding game for the title for both teams, Gary Graham went to the mound for Western Michigan and Bill Walsh started for Wake Forest. Graham developed a wild streak in the second when one run scored and retired in the third after putting two men on with none down. Miki Schwartzkoff took over and the sophomore star did not seem right but as Western tied the score in the third and took a three run lead 6-3 in the fourth it looked as though he might have command of the situation. Buck Fichter had relieved Walsh in the third and he gave way to McGinley, who stopped the Broncos. In the fifth a three run uprising saw Wake Forest tie it.

Nagel crashed against the fence in going after one, and injured his leg and in the eighth with two down and Lajoie and Johnson on the sacks with the runs to tie and win, Erickson went to the plate for the injured Nagel. He lofted a long fly to left, which Frank McRea finally pulled down and saved the game for his team, 7-6, and with it the Deacons from North Carolina had won the National Collegiate title, with Western Michigan in the runnerup spot.

It was a great series for the Broncos. They deserve all possible praise for their final play.

Their work in the series saw Bill Lajoie named to the All-American College baseball team with Gary Graham being named to the second team. Scouts on hand signed both men and also Al Nagel. And another scout representing the Kansas City Athletics signed sophomore Miki Schwartzkoff, hurting the 1956 Bronco chances. And if that was not enough, the Detroit Tigers a few days later, signed Bill Page, perhaps the top freshman prospect.

Other teams in the tournament were Colgate, Southern California and Colorado State, champions of their sectors, but teams which faced early elimination.

The second place in the NCAA championships gave Western Michigan College the highest spot it has ever achieved in baseball. Prior to the first two championship series here in 1947 and 1948, however, there was no such yard stick by which to measure college baseball successes, so guesses as to what other teams might have done would be mere speculation.

Four Sophs Carry Load for Golfers

Coach Roy Wiertz was forced to start the golf season from scratch this spring having lost every letterman from the previous season and forming a good combination from four sophomores turned in a very creditable season over a schedule that listed teams that seemed loaded with veteran greenies.

On the spring trip the sophomore aggregation turned in five victories
Netters Win Fourth Conference Crown in Last Six Years

The 1955 tennis season was productive of a second straight Mid-American Conference championship and the fourth for Ray "Hap" Sorensen in his six years at Western Michigan College.

The season also marked another great dual meet year with the team winning 12 of 14 such affairs, with 10 of the victories seeing the opposition blanked.

It also marks the breakup of a great team with four of the seven lettermen being seniors, a trio of whom played the first three positions in singles.

In the Mid-American Conference tourney in which four singles and two doubles are played in flights Western just missed a duplication of last year's outstanding success of winning every flight in straight sets.

This past season Western could accumulate only 17 points in the Mid-American Conference tournament with Edward Foster, Niles, dropping the final match in the first flight to Dick Klitch, Miami. This enabled Miami to finish in second place four points behind the Broncos, while the rest of the field was far behind. Bowling Green and Marshall tied for third with three points each; Ohio and Kent State landing in a fifth place tie with two points each, while Western Reserve and Toledo tied for seventh and eighth with a single point, each.

In the number two singles flight James Farrell, Kalamazoo, was pressed to three sets before he took the flight title from Don Hackney, Miami, 6-2, 5-7, 6-3.

In the third flight Jack Vredevelt continued his smooth work of the 1954 tournament, dropping only two games in winning the flight title, the championship match finding him disposing of Dick Herberts, Miami, 6-0, 6-1.

Charles Donnelly, the second Kalamazoo man on the team, won the fourth singles flight in workman like manner taking each match in straight sets.

Going into doubles play the Broncos needed only an even split in the two flights to take the championship, but both doubles teams breezed through with comparative ease. Farrell and Donnelly won the title match in the first doubles flight from Klitch and Hackney, Miami, 10-8, and 6-1, the Redskin pair fading after losing the opening set. Vredevelt and Foster disposed of Miami's number two team, Herberts and Cahill, in the title round 6-2, 6-1.

In winning 12 of 14 dual matches during the season the Broncos lost one on their southern jaunt to Tulane, four-time Southeastern Conference champions 7-1, the Green Wave boasting Ham Richardson, 1954 NCAA singles champion, and Pepe Aguero, former Brazilian Davis Cup team member, who was to go on to win the 1955 NCAA singles title. The other loss was to Michigan's Big Ten title holders, 5-4, in a hard fought contest.

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Trackmen Second
In MAC; Avenge CMC Indoor Loss

The track team opened the outdoor season in spring vacation with an easy 83-39 win over Ball State Teachers at Muncie on Wednesday and Saturday followed this with a fine 76-53 victory over Purdue at Lafayette. After the Ohio and Drake relays, where a small group were entered and made a good showing, the thinlies dropped a close one to Marquette University at Milwaukee 62-60, with a trio of potential pointmen being unable to compete. The only triangular meet of the outdoor season saw the Broncos run over Bowling Green and Cincinnati on a rain soaked track. Western piled up 70 points in taking the night meet, with Bowling Green in second with 58 1-4 points and Cincinnati a poor third with 26 3-4. As anticipated, the Bronco tracksters then fell victim to the well rounded Miami team in a dual affair in which depth blanked their opponents 10 times, only Purdue and Michigan State of the Big Ten being able to score. Both fell 7-2.

Completing their competition with the 1953 season Western Michigan will miss Jack Vredvelt, Grand Rapids; James Farrell, Kalamazoo; Edward Foster, Niles, and George Carpenter, Flint. All four played on at least two title winning teams. Vredvelt played on three.

This will mean that Coach Sorenson will really have his work cut out for himself next year in rebuilding a strong team, which will list three returning lettermen, Charles Donnelly, Kalamazoo; Denny Telder, Grand Rapids, and Clifford Strong, Kalamazoo.

Scores of the dual meet season follow:

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A match with Tennessee Tech, was rained out on the southern jaunt and a later match here with Toledo was cancelled.

The first four men, the maximum number allowed, were entered in the NCAA tournament at the University of North Carolina, as a reward for winning the Mid-American title. Facing top stars from over the country the members of the well-balanced Bronco team were eliminated in second round matches in both singles and doubles. In three of the four second round matches the Broncos pushed their opposition to three sets before losing out.

for the various events played no small part. The team scored 56 2-5 points to 85 1-3 for the Redskins.

The Mid-American Conference meet at Ohio University the following week was somewhat of a surprise as a result, as the Western Michigan team continued in front in the point making until the final three events when Tom Jones, Miami, broke both shot and discus records in aiding the Skins to move out in front to take the meet over Western by a 12 1-2 point margin. Miami again won the title with 83 1-2 points with Western second with 73, Bowling Green 44 1-2, Ohio 28 1-2; Western Reserve 11 3-1, Kent State 9 3-4, and Marshall failing to score.

It was in this meet that the surprising John MacKenzie, sophomore, hit his season peak in the 880 yard run, setting a new Mid-American record for the event of 1:54.6, and it saw the Western 880 yard relay team break the conference record in this event for the second straight year, winning in 1:29 5, with Walter Owens, Don Snow, Bob Bailey and John Hudson running. Mention of the conference meet would not be complete without praising the work of Capt. Hudson. The Chicago boy tied the conference mark in the 100 and 220 yard dashes, ran on the record-breaking 800 relay team and then came back to run a leg on the mile team, which also won as Hudson totalled 15 points to become high point man for the day.

While the Mid-American meet is usually the climax of the season, the dual meet at home with Central Michigan probably proved as important to the Bronco thinclads, bent on vengeance for an indoor loss at Mt. Pleasant. The previous week Central had won the Interstate Conference title and appeared unbeatable, by the Western team.

Western took firsts in eight events in the meet and tied for another. An early Bronco lead of 40-23 had melted in the later events and Western was behind 59-56 when the relay came up. The spirited mile event saw John MacKenzie speed across the finish line in first place to give the four-some a victory and the team a much coveted 63-59 victory.

Undoubtedly Hudson and Leon-
Elmer C. Weaver

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attended Penn State for a college driver-training certificate. He came home and altered five cars for dual control. He then personally trained 100 teachers and 400 students. This was the first driver training program in Michigan outside of Detroit. For three years, in addition to full-time teaching, he personally maintained some 22 passenger cars, busses and trucks owned by this college. For this work President Waldo added $300 a year to his salary as a teacher.

I remember talking casually with Buck in the hallway of the Industrial Arts building. Buck remarked that someone was asleep. He said “There is money out there and no one is after it.” I did not know what he meant so I replied “If you know where—why don’t you go after it.” He took off for the back door saying “I guess I will.” The rest of the story is too long and involves too many people but it can be boiled down to something like this. The Upjohn Unemployment Trustee Corporation put up $60,000 towards building the Mechanical Trades building. It is significant that it was completed just in time to aid the World War II defense effort.

Buck was made a co-ordinator and supervisor of defense training. Under his supervision 917 Navymen were given primary and secondary flight training. Not one received so much as a scratch in training. While this was going on Buck also saw to it that 6,892 civilians, men and women, were trained for industry and placed in defense jobs. Buck’s flight training netted some $46,000 profit which was invested in new college equipment. This was just the start of a prodigious amount of material Buck brought on to this campus. Buck knew where and how to get government surplus equipment. Much of it was unsuited for our use. Mostly it was too big. Take the $263,000 (government price) airplane that Buck got for the price of the gas to fly it to Kalamazoo. The engines and other parts could be used to train students. The heavy machinery he brought in was swapped for new machines of the right kind and size and the difference if any could buy steel, lumber and things necessary to alter, renew and re-equip the shops and drawing rooms of the Industrial Arts department.

Buck has always been busy. He has always planned ahead for Western and he has worked. When I say work I mean that during the thirty-five years we have been together at Western the most of the time I have

spent with him has been after teaching hours. I have seen him working after school, Saturdays, holidays, nights and vacation probably thousands of times. He built, he continually altered, he changed, he improved, he kept up his shops and he taught his students to do likewise. These things the shop teachers of Michigan know. Quietly and sincerely they salute him as a Master Teacher.

Buck has been reliable. I never knew him to be sick or to be absent from his classes. I doubt if he has ever been tardy. I saw him nod once in a faculty meeting, but I knew that he had just pulled in from a round trip without stopping to rest from New York City to attend that meeting. He had gone there to pick up a plane, load it on his flat top trailer and bring it home. I remember the time President Waldo sent some of us to Chicago to buy new books for the Library and needed by the Industrial Arts department. The only car available was an old Model T Ford with a noisy ring gear. Buck said it would last so we took it. It broke off within fifty feet of the home garage door and we pushed it inside.

And now Buck Weaver is leaving teaching and going into industry. The loss to teaching is hard to estimate but all is not loss. Buck will be with the Orthopedic Frame Company, Kalamazoo. A skilled surgeon who has set up a manufacturing plant needs the kind of help that Buck can give. The men of medicine and hospitals need new tools and equipment. As other areas have incorporated machines so has this area need for mechanical help and equipment. Let the doctors, the surgeons and the hospitals state their needs. If it is made of wood or metal or if it moves or needs strength in the right places or if it must be safe, reliable or spark proof Buck can make it. Buck Weaver’s fine hands as yet unscratched by any accident to whom one ten-thousandths of an inch is no problem may go on to greater things than ever before.

—Fred Huff

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church, and clubs, societies and associations. The topic of Recreation is treated in three chapters, amusement and sports, parks and playgrounds, and professional athletics. The final section of the volume allocates eight chapters to the presentation of the structure and processes of state and local government.

The distinctive features of the second volume are its admirable over-all organization, its broad coverage, and the clarity of analysis and interpretation. The author has succeeded in producing a skillful blending of statistical and factual information, drawn from scattered original sources, without obscuring the existence of the very trends and developments which he is seeking to establish.

The illustrations for the two historical volumes are adequate in number (284) but somewhat poorly selected and arranged for the best purposes of historical development and emphasis. Most of the pictures are of buildings—courthouses, schools and colleges, museums—views of industrial plants, air-views of many cities, as well as miscellaneous historical monuments, Indian relics, sport scenes, and others of importance in the local history of villages, towns, cities and industries. All pictures are black and white printed on the regular book paper with brief captions but with no explanations. Maps are few and of conventional form.

Bibliographical references "if you want to read more" are generally adequate, well selected, including the best readable material available, in most cases. Sources suggested in Volume II are invaluable for further study.

The index at the end of Volume II is excellent and should prove an adequate and useful reference aid. Besides, readers will welcome the large readable style of type used in text printing, but may find inconvenient the bulk and size of each book. The volumes are attractively bound in heavy maroon buckram.

This reviewer has but one deep regret. Dr. Dunbar's excellent history of Michigan is not readily accessible to the reading public. It is not a trade publication. Its distribution is necessarily limited to pre-publication subscription sales. Fortunately, however, leading citizens in scores of Michigan towns and cities own this four-volume set, as well as do the larger public and school libraries.

Dunbar's History merits reading and rereading, and use as a source of frequent reference. It ought not to be relegated to the bookshelf for proud display alone; it deserves to be read and to be used.

—Rolland H. Maybee

Graduate Study

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The change in the program from cooperation and supervision by the University of Michigan resulted in numerous modifications. Curriculum changes were somewhat significant in that the university's specifications led to a master's degree in elementary or secondary education on a more or less general basis. The new curriculum offerings at Western are more specific, providing greater variety of course selections. There is now included also numerous phases of the elementary and secondary education fields including guidance, supervision, and administration.

The University of Michigan's plan established at the time of admission the fitness of the student as a candidate for a degree. Our existing plan admits students to graduate work but application for candidacy for a degree must take place after the student has had opportunity to demonstrate his ability as a graduate student.

The program at Western Michigan College was examined by the North Central Association and by the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education in the year 1954-55. Both accrediting agencies
gave their approval to the program being carried on at Western. While there were a number of helpful suggestions given by the visiting committee, on the whole, the reports of these accrediting agencies were complimentary and encouraging. We believe that the general standards of work are increasing and that the future of the graduate program is bright.

Since the year 1951-52, 459 students have received their master's degrees. The average number of master's degrees granted per year approximates 150. The number of full-time graduate students enrolled has increased from 32 in 1950 to 54 in 1954. The number of individual graduate courses offered in 1951-52 was 42 and involved 40 instructors.

In the year 1954-55, 97 courses were offered involving 74 faculty members. The greatest number of courses taught has taken place in the present summer session—118 courses involving the instruction of 88 members of the staff.

During the 1955 summer session, there were 740 graduate students enrolled, most of them taking work on a full-time basis. We believe this increase of interest is significant. The present demand for teachers, scientists, and other persons with strong educational backgrounds is tremendous. Salary schedules quite universally give considerable credit for master's degrees earned. The increasing number of vacancies in the schools and the growing conviction that more and more trained teachers will be demanded indicate that the interest in graduate study will increase rapidly. Fifteen years of experience in addition to the concomitant improvement and qualifications of the faculty, indicate a continuing growth in both the quality and quantity of the graduate program.

Class Notes

'06 Clara Hochstein, 70, died in the Marlborough Apartments. She had been a kindergarten teacher in the Kalamazoo public schools for seventeen years and having been interested in delinquent youngsters, had volunteered her services as an aide in juvenile court.

'12 Two sisters from Wayland, Mrs. Gladys Clock and Mrs. Goldie Stockdale, retired in June. Mrs. Clock taught for 32 years in schools in Otsego, Wayland and Moline, while her sister, who attended Western in 1937 and 1951, taught 38 years in Wayland.

'13 Mrs. Chester Cone has been a school teacher for twenty years and is presently teaching in Sturgis. She and her husband have three children.

'15 After a one-week illness, Leonard A. Mnieze, 72, died at Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids in May. He had been superintendent of schools in Lawton, Hancock and Wakefield. When he retired from teaching, he sold school supplies.

'16 Mrs. Edith Hill, a teacher for 30 years, retired from the Kalamazoo Public School system in June.

'17 After fifty years of teaching in schools in Berrien County, Miss Bernice Scott has decided it's time for a rest. She began her teaching career when she was only seventeen and she has taught most of the fifty years in one and two-room schools.

'19 Maude L. Fish retired in May after teaching for 38 years. She taught at Lexington school, Grand Rapids, from 1919 to 1938, when she was made principal. In 1944, she transferred to Sibley school as principal.

'21 Mrs. Carlton Moore, 53, died March 28 at Dearborn.

'24 Miss Grace Potts, author of a children's history of Kalamazoo and principal of Hillcrest School, was appointed by Governor G. Mennen Williams to the Hiawatha centennial committee . . . Mrs. Alice Dorr is teaching fifth graders at the Ellis school in Belding . . . A former teacher in the Lansing schools, Mrs. Paul Gorton (Emma Helen Vietzke) died July 2 at the age of 52 in Grose Pointe . . . A. C. Heyning, who taught for 30 years, retired recently in Alma. Married, he has two daughters and a son.

'25 Mrs. Pauline Kirby will teach home economics in Bangor next fall.

'26 In Marlette, an elementary school, costing $408,000, will be named after Mrs. Bea McDonald, who taught for thirty years. She retired in 1954 . . . Lester Swartz, who coached eighteen years of basketball and Jack, 19 football and twenty-six years of baseball at Athens high school, retired from his coaching position in May.

'27 Teaching in Germany in an American dependents' school next year will be Mrs. Grace Miller, principal and kindergarten teacher at the Purdy School in Pennfield. She leaves Aug. 15 . . . Lyle Hanchett will teach science at Coopersville High School in 1955-56 . . . Mrs. Leonard Fitzjohn (Esther Rowlie) teaches the third grade at the Washington school, Belding. The Fitzjohns are the parents of two children, John, 19, and Mary Edith, 11 . . . A new inspector in the Kalamazoo department of buildings is Harold E. Bockhout, who was chosen on the basis of competitive Civil Service examinations . . . The Rev. Robert H. Benedict, who is pastor of the Trinity Methodist Church in Kegon Harbor . . . Miss Hazel Haynes, who taught for 41 years, retired from the Kalamazoo Public School System in June.

'28 Mrs. Edward Reuter (Pauline Botzner) has been teaching in Sturgis for 16 years. Mr. and Mrs. Reuter have two sons, Rodrick and Stephen . . . Principal of the Washington School in Belding is Mrs. Jenevra Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis are also the parents of two sons, Richard, 22, and Jack, 20. Lois May Perry and Wayne E. Carpenter '32 were married June 19 in Sturgis. They will make their home at 207 South Matteson Street, Bronson . . . Gerrit H. Fletcher is now working at the University of Michigan under a Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies Fellowship on his doctor of education degree. He and his wife, Margaret, have
three children, David Gary, who is married to the former Patricia McGee and has two daughters; Cleora Ann, who graduated from Western in 1954 and is married to James Hoekje '54 and Patricia Ann, two years old.

'29 Mrs. Clemmie Covell taught for 38 years before her retirement from the Kalamazoo public schools in June.

'30 After a long illness, Miss Gertrude Helmka, 80, died in March at the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital . . . Army Colonel Donald E. Yanka was one of 200 officers to graduate from the 10-month course at the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania. He entered the army in 1935.

'31 Miss Helen E. Richardson died March 16 in Charlotte. She had been ill for ten weeks . . . Ronald Bigelow was named co-director of the summer playgrounds program at Flushing . . . Ora C. Morningstar was a featured guest at the all-sports banquet May 23 at Dowagiac Central school . . . Walt Wegerly, basketball coach at Cooley High School, was elected president of the Detroit Scholastic Coaches Association.

'32 Charles Follow is director of the University of Michigan extension service in the Upper Peninsula . . . Judson Hudnut, principal of Bendle high school, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Genesee County High School Principal's Association for the 1955-56 school year.

'33 Mrs. Josephine Rummel teaches seventh grade homemaking and eighth grade personal and family living and homemaking in the Belding public schools. She and her husband have three children, Geyry, Gretchen and Ricky.

'34 Benny Laevin was in second place in the Dom DeVito bowling tournament at Chicago . . . Mrs. Georgia York Englund teaches at the Ann J. Kellogg school in Battle Creek, where she has taught ever since it began in 1930. Mrs. Englund was a member of the White House Committee on gifted children in 1939 . . . Perry L. Bailey received his Ph.D. from Ohio State University in June.

'35 Mrs. Valdo W. Smith (Thelma Evans) taught seventh grade English, literature and home economics at the Ludington junior high school last sem-

Joseph E. Dickinson '41 was named the second winner of a life membership in the National Education Association this spring by the faculty of Western Michigan College. Outstanding qualities and devotion as an educator are criteria for selection. Dickinson teaches in Watervliet.

'36 Mrs. Augusta Privacky had an article, “The Dramatic Approach,” published in the June issue of THE INSTRUCTOR. She is a third grade teacher at the Hile school, Muskegon. In her article, Mrs. Privacky tells how short dramatizations can be a valuable aid in the classroom . . . Maurice Overholt studied in Mexico during the 1954-55 school year under a Ford Foundation Fellowship. Next fall, he will be with the University of Michigan division in Flint . . . Edmund G. Eccles is superintendent of the Lake Odessa Community Schools, after twelve years as superintendent of schools in New Troy . . . The head basketball coach at Wayne University, Joel G. Mason, has been given an additional responsibility—that of coaching freshman football.

'37 Mrs. John Ruby (Anne J. Bender) is teaching second and third graders in Cranbury, New Jersey. Before that, she taught in rural Michigan and Detroit and founded a school in the American Occupation Zone in Germany . . . Jack Riegel will teach health in the junior high school of Bronson.

'38 Robert Drake, who teaches English and journalism in Santa Monica, Calif., was awarded a fellowship amounting to $7,000 by the Ford Foundation Fund for the Advancement of Education. To win the fellowship, he wrote essays on “What A Leave of Absence Would Do for the Community and Education.”

'39 Miss Katharine Marshall lost her left leg in Chattanooga, Tenn., in an automobile accident . . . Leo Eby was one of three honor guests at a tea in Rockford last May. He has taught for thirty years.

'40 Marvin Fredericksen was the principal speaker at the Cooks high school commencement June 1. He teaches at Manistique high school . . . William T. Baker, who teaches history at Harbor Springs high school, was one of eleven Michigan teachers to be awarded a year's fellowship from the Fund for the Advancement of Education.

'41 Donald T. Strong was named to the board of directors of the Kalamazoo Building and Savings Association. He is treasurer and a director of the Double-day Brothers & Company. He has also been elected as one of four lay delegates from the Michigan conference to the 1956 quadrennial conference of the Methodist Church in Minneapolis.

'42 Robert Lieber, who recently resigned from the diplomatic service, has returned from Amsterdam, Holland. He is married to the former Elsie W. Heurch . . . Granville Cutler will be the high school music teacher and the city band leader in Cheboygan . . . Superintendent of schools in Belding is Richard Wenee . . . Max Evans has resigned as football coach at Lincoln high school in Van Dyke.

'43 Mr. and Mrs. Stephen C. Bladey (Barbara Brink) will travel to Japan with all-expenses paid. Mr. Bladey snapped the prize-winning picture in the 1955 photo contest of the Greater National Capital Committee's National Cherry Blossom Festival . . . After teaching for
forty-four years in one room in Grand Haven, Miss Agnes Koster retired in June. She had taught over three thousand children in her kindergarten classes. Nadiene Briggs and Glenn Kerlin were married in June in Grand Ledge. Robert Thole has been promoted to the position of assistant manager of the Grand Rapids office of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company.

'44 Mrs. Stanley Lemon (Harma VonHout) is now teaching in the home-making department at the Sault high school, Sault Ste. Marie. She and her husband have four sons. Miss Donna Young will be teaching home economics at Marcellus. Miss Elaine Sheltraw is engaged to marry Robert C. Westveer. The wedding is scheduled for August 6.

Mrs. Wanda Pomroy has been hired to teach in the junior high school in Grandville.

'45 Elaine Egolf married Robert J. Miller in Lansing June 20. They will make their home on a farm southwest of Westphalia. Elmoe Campbell owns a hardware store in Grant. The Campbells are the parents of a daughter, Debra Ann, who is fifteen-months-old.

'46 Miss Mary Agar, who resigned as executive secretary of the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra, is now manager of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra. Irene Brozovich is engaged to Bernard Skipper. Judith Anne Lovett '55 will be married to Kenneth C. Griffith in the fall. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitmore were two of the four narrators for the Centurama Spectacle, “Gangway for Tomorrow,” in Sault Ste. Marie.

'47 Barbara Ann MacMillan and John Albert Post ('52) were married at Petoskey in June. They will live in East Lansing. Carlton W. King is an air intelligence officer on the aircraft carrier, the USS Bennington. Attorney Lloyd R. Fayling was appointed United States commissioner in Kalamazoo. Leon B. Michael is working in the trust department of the First National Bank and Trust Company, Kalamazoo. James A. Sherman is the new owner of the Oxford Leader. He and his wife have a son who is eight-months-old.

Threatening weather moved the June commencement indoors to the Central high school auditorium. In the upper left picture faculty are shown leaving prior to the presentation of diplomas to permit parents and friends of graduates to be seated. In the upper right, President Paul V. Sangren presents the Elmer H. Wilds award to Donald Ihrman as the outstanding graduate student receiving the master of arts degree. Dr. David Henry, executive vice chancellor of New York University, is shown in the center delivering the commencement address. Lobby and auditorium throngs are shown in the lower pictures.
'48 Jack Ryan received a doctor of medicine degree from Wayne University College of Medicine in June ... Cleo Rowley was elected president of the Kalamazoo Chapter, American Institute of Banking ... Floyd A. Barber Jr. has been named principal of the Lakes Public School, Rockford ... Charles Roche has been teaching in Flint since 1948 ... Miss Mary Louise Hoebeke died in May after a long illness ... Paul L. Splitstone received his Ph.D. from Ohio State University in June ... Justin Arthur Thelen married Elinde Ida Bailey in St. Johns, June 25. Their home will be in Lansing ... Stanley Phillips painted a set of children's murals on the walls of the Little Chick Shoe Shop, Kalamazoo ... Robert James Burgoyne is principal of the Anchor Bay school in New Baltimore ... John B. Murray, who is married and has three children, is now superintendent of the schools in Lawrence ... John Wild will teach social studies in the Wayland school. He will also be head baseball coach.

'49 Richard E. Beach has been appointed to the sales staff of Wyeth Laboratories, Philadelphia pharmaceutical concern ... Ellen Marguerite Griner married Dr. Stanley L. Michael June 18 at Schoolcraft ... Miss Thelma Phillips died November 16 at Gerber Memorial hospital, Fremont ... Mrs. E. A. Lewis (Etta Doren) has taught fifteen years at the Fourth Street School in Sturgis. She and her husband have three children. Delmer, Dean and Doreen ... Mary Louise Malaney will be married in August to Lawrence A. Gilligan of Clio. Barbara Jean Brown and Vernon LeRoy Benedict were married in June in Plainwell ... Miss Bonnie Jean Logan and Edward Anderson are engaged ... Mary Lou Coughley will marry Allen Southworth, August 27 ... Arthur M. Jensen will be an instructor at the San Diego Junior College in California. He previously taught at Comstock high school ... Theodore Nicolette, formerly a coach in Bronson, will teach and coach in the Grand Rapids schools ... Wendell L. Erickson received a Master of Science degree from University of Pittsburgh in June.

'50 Leslie Van Wagner will be band director at Kalamazoo College, beginning in September ... In July, William C. Klawer became manager of the Blue Cross-Blue Shield Lansing office ... Mrs Eva May retired from the Hart school in June after 35 years of teaching. Mr. and Mrs. May have three children and six grandchildren ... Robert G. Carligan, Jr., won first place of $100 in an architectural display at a Builders Show in Ann Arbor ... LaVern M. Flach was ordained a Roman Catholic priest in Grand Rapids, June 4 ... Mr. and Mrs. Robert Epskamp (Sally Barclay) announce the birth of a son, Kim Cornell, May 13 ... Don Groggel is an outfielder for the Orioles in Monroe. His batting average is .370 ... Alice Lewis was awarded an advanced standing teaching fellowship for infantile paralysis. She will do her work at the University of Southern California, beginning in the fall ... Alfred Shrosbree, Jr., is one of twenty-five persons accepted by Harvard University to study for a doctor of education degree ... James E. B. Hovey is an attorney in Lansing ... Starting in the fall, Kent C. Freeland will teach science in the Constantine high school ... Mrs. Hazel Tucker teaches fourth grade at the Ellis school in Belding ... Charles W. Royer is engaged to Nancy Jean Marquart ... Mary Louise Malaney is engaged to Lawrence A. Gilligan. They will be married in August ... June Marbet and Durrstein married William R. McCampbell in Battle Creek in May ... In June, Marilyn Kaye Voss became the bride of Charles Lee Emens. They were married at Spring Lake ... Betty Lou Tish and Frederick F. Stears Jr. were married in Constantine last November.

Three persons received honorary degrees at the June commencement. President Paul V. Sangren, left, is shown with the group, including Federal Judge W. Wallace Kent '38, doctor of laws; Mrs. Harry M. Snow, master of music, and L. T. White, master of business administration.

'51 Richard F. Walling received the degree of doctor of dental surgery at Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana in June ... Donald B. Sudnik, a photographer for the Detroit News, was awarded an honorary mention in the feature division for newspapers of over 50,000 circulation. The award was made by Northwestern University Medill School of Journalism and the Inland Daily Press Association ... Willard Kidder is now assistant superintendent of the Northwest Jackson Agricultural school ... Robert Thibault will be head basketball coach at Kingsford High School ... Robert C. Miller was the co Ordinator and advisor for a two-weeks summer recreation program in Stonton ... Beginning in the fall, John Wagar will teach science and mathematics at the Galesburg-Augusta High School ... Alvern Kapenga will be director of music at the Lakeview School system ... ENGAGEMENTS—Joan Nadene McPharrin to George Kingsley Bauch; M. Edward Torrance to Marilyn Miller; Carolyn Emms (Kerry) Kirn to Thomas Wesley Butters ... WEDDINGS—Mary Ann Heaton and Laurence Spitters, June 18 in Eaton Rapids; Beverly Barry and Ben Hiebert, June 18 in Aurelius; Carole Jean Belknap and William Cox Jr. in Cincin-
52 Walter Gendzwill and Jane Bower have been added to the teaching staff of the Manchester school for 1955-56 ... Bruce Breckinridge was one of the judges for the Benton Harbor twin city area artists' exhibit. He is head of the art department at Olivet College ... Keith Van Duzen will be head football and track coach and will teach physical education in Berrien high school ... George Van Wagoner will teach history and coach basketball at Allegan during the school year 1955-56 ... Robert Epskamp will be head track coach at Monroe high school ... Larry L. Joiner will teach social studies and will be an assistant football coach at Belleville ... Eldon Hawkins will teach in Jackson next year ... Donald Brinks has resigned from the school system in Coloma. He had taught business education subjects and had coached varsity baseball. He had also been assistant football coach ... James Davenport resigned as principal of the Northwestern school in Battle Creek. He will either study under a $1,600 fellowship at the Teachers College, Columbia University or under a $1,300 one at the Horace Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan ... Mrs. Georgiana Timmer will teach early elementary in Holland ... Dale Griffith received a $1,650 teaching fellowship for graduate study in physics at the University of Michigan. He will begin his studies in September ... Second Lt. Dale H. Balke has arrived in Austria and is now a member of the fourth Reconnaissance Battalion, where he is a platoon leader ... ENGAGEMENTS—Lois Jean McVay and John Robert Kimball; Sally Irene Shaver and Noel D. Mathias. WEDDINGS—Sandra Lee Hibbard and Robert James Boyd. June 25, in Muskegon; Shirley Mann and Dean Burcroff Oct. 16 in Detroit; Lucy Mae Redman Florida; Joan Sharp and Richard Michael Kowal, June 18 in Kalamazoo; Patricia and Lt. Bruce J. Mungar, June 15 in Watson and Nathan Bangs Williams Jr., June 18 in Ann Arbor; Joanne C. Maloney and William P. Sherman, June 11 in Jackson; Ann Cadot and Robert Murdock. April 2 in Otsego.

53 Robert Smith will be the band director at Three Rivers high school ... Lyle Harper will be a shop instructor and coach at the Camden-Frontier Rural Agricultural school ... Richard P. McDermott received a master of arts degree from Ohio State University in June ... George B. DeLano graduated in June from the United States Naval Academy ... D. Louis Christensen was promoted to lieutenant (j.g.) in the U. S. Naval Reserve ... Leonard A. Burns is a physicist with the B. W. Assessment Laboratories of Dugway Proving Ground in Utah ... Cpl. Jack W. Hunt participated in Exercise Apple Jack during May at the Yakima Firing Center, Wash., as did Cpl. William V. Crandall ... ENGAGEMENTS—Mary Eva Anderson and Lt. William Kingston Durkee; Delores Leach and David B. Miller; Mary Lynn Glidden and Pfc. John S. Messner. WEDDINGS—Sara Jean Evarts and Bruce M. Jones in June in Colon; Eleanor Marie Rozeboom and James Calvin Holland in Allegan, June 18; Betty Stuckey and Lt. Edward H. Rutherford Jr., in June in Lansing; Nancy Joan McKinney and Robert G. Peters. November 20 in Wayne; Marcia Mary Reed and Donald G. Moore, June 12 in Kalamazoo; Katherine Anne Frechette and William Griesser, June 18 in Iron Mountain; Shirley Ann Brozoo and Richard A. Seguin, June 18 in Ludington; Janice Margaret Hemingway and Robert William Weedfall, in June in Benton Harbor; Shirley Ann Mason and Lavonne E. Johnson, May 14 in Tacoma, Washington; Mary Alice Reinhardt and David Ellsworth Ter Meer, in June in Hastings; Mary J. Oswald and Theodore N. Knopf in Niles.

54 In June, Second Lt. Melvin E. Hall reported for active duty with the infantry, United States Army, Fort Benning, Georgia ... Mary Ann Tinkham received a Fulbright Scholarship to study woodcarving for a year in Italy ... Second Lt. Floyd O. Stolzteinmeier graduated from the Army's Quartermaster School at Fort Lee, Va., last spring ... H. Kenneth McLaughlin, Ma., will be superintendent of the Schoolcraft school ... When his Marine Corps jet night fighter crashed near San Diego, California in May, Lt. Richard E. Wilcox, 22, was killed ... David Langeland is graduating from the Van's Furniture Store in Kalamazoo ... Firmin Murakami will teach chemistry at Fennville High School, beginning in the fall ... Second Lt. William P. Biskis was graduated from the Infantry School's basic infantry officers course at Fort Benning, Ga., as was Second Lt. Gene L. Rantz. ... Graduating from the movement control course at the Army's Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Va., was Pvt. James N. Eccles ... Mrs. Charles ,Brill will be string instructor and director of the junior high school orchestra in the Lakeview school system in Battle Creek ... Shirley Ann Just and Edward J. Snyder, 21, are engaged to be married ... Donald Clarkson is co-owner and operator of the Donn & Clyde Hardware store which opened in April in Flint ... Charles Brill will teach at the Nashville W. K. Kellogg Rural Agricultural school next year ... Lt. William Hackett Aillet was named an umpire in LOGEX-55, an Army-wide logistical exercise, at Fort Lee, Va., from May 2 to 7 ... ENGAGEMENTS—Janet Rae Lake and William K. Jaquays; Mary Elizabeth Snyder and Edward James Casey Jr.; Shirley Ann McCloy and John A. Sills; Margaret Mary Brzovich and Lt. Robert Ward Kuffling; NEDDINGS—Kathleen Folks and Fred M. Hudson. June 18 in Hanover; Kathleen Margaret Halloran and Anthony A. Sass, June 25 in Muskegon; Elizabeth Doran and Nicholas Vincent Hamilton in Muskegon, Ohio last May; Joan Burnham and Marshall C. Smith, Jr., in Hattiesburg, Miss., in May; Carol A. Good and Richard Lawrence Lutz in Indianapolis in May; Mary Jane: Clark and Robert Hayes, Jr., in April in Hillsdale.
Mrs. Dorothy Anderson is conducting a clinic in her home for retarded readers. John Carr will teach boys' physical education, government and biology in Marcellus. He will also be head football coach, head basketball coach and assistant baseball coach.

Marilyn Wentzloff is in charge of conducting a clinic in her home for retarded children and beginners at the Hart municipal swimming pool. Mrs. Donald Moore (Marcia Mary Reed) will teach elementary vocal music in Hastings.

In the Plymouth high school, Moira McNeill will teach English and French, while Barbara Ann Place will teach commercial subjects. Donna Curtis will teach commercial courses in Fenton.

Gillbert Broughton was hired to teach in Wyanadotte for the year 1955-56.

Mary Jane Cox is director of occupational therapy at the Ann J. Kellogg school in Battle Creek. Norma Loe will teach in Riverside, Calif., next year. Monique Jako will teach English and French in Holly. A fifth grade teacher in Grandville will be Mary L. Thatcher.

In Bronson, Howard F. Gilmore will teach industrial arts. Physical education is the subject Peggy Hutchinson will teach in Wyanadotte.

Joyce McNitt will cope with third graders in Lowell. Raynor Beech will teach in Jackson.

Engagements—Barbara Ann Stewart and Dennis S. Burgess.

Weddings—Norma Lynne Brown and Robert G. Baldwin, in June, in Plainwell; Marilyn Ruth Zook and Harold Gaul, June 19, in Kalamazoo; Elizabeth Fyle Kelly and Wilber Vary, in July in Flint; Beverly J. Powell and Pfc. Melvin Wood, in June in Rockford; Judith M. Longwell and Robert J. Murphy, June 18 in Kalamazoo; Judith Ann Hall and Royal K. Gaddy, July 2 in Rivers Junction; Wanda May Eshelbach and George Frederick Heydlauff, June 25 in Rodger's Corners; Kathlyne Marie Reuter and Charles Malby, June 25 in Adrian; Patricia Jean Zesadny and Arthur Boerma, June 25 in Wyandotte; Nadine Lorene Michael and Ambrose F. Sikorski, June 25, in Colon; Martha Ann Lott and Jerry Lee Irwin, June 25, in Three Rivers; Loretta Lee Ellis and David Tuck, in June in Battle Creek; Margaret C. Hadley and Lloyd Edgar Bastian, June 19, in Benton Harbor; Joanne Marie Hall and Paul R. Spears, June 19, in Lake Odessa; Shirley Emerson and Donald L. McKay, June 25, in Battle Creek; Julia Ann Marquardt and Daniel Richard Smith, June 18, in Kalamazoo; Barbara Ann Place and William Lee Waters, June 11, in Kalamazoo; June Peppel and Walter Robert Schwartz, June 18, in Benton Harbor; Sandra Mary Anderson and Robert V. Buck, June 18 in Pontiac; Virginia Jean Cheney and James William Fleser, June 25 in Flint; Rosemary Rae Davis and Kenneth Howard Cissold, June 25 in Battle Creek; Marilyn Marie Maier and Norman H. Smith in June in Lansing; Pearl Trestrail and Howard Boshoven, June 25 in Battle Creek.
Ferris Institute Confers Honorary Degree on President Paul Sangren

At the 71st commencement exercises of Ferris Institute at Big Rapids, Dr. Paul V. Sangren, second president of Western Michigan College, was presented an honorary degree of doctor of laws.

(Pictured above during the ceremony are Dr. Karl G. Merrill, Ferris vice-president; Dr. Sangren; John Smith, Ferris comptroller, and Dr. Victor F. Spathelf, Ferris president.)

The citation honoring Dr. Sangren is, as follows:

"A native of Michigan, educated in the public schools of Michigan, a former student at Ferris Institute, later graduating from Michigan State Normal College, and finally from the University of Michigan where he earned a doctor of philosophy degree.

"Prior to his work in higher education he served as school superintendent in two Michigan cities.

"The record of the subsequent thirty years is one of distinguished service in the field of higher education and notably at a single institution—Western Michigan College, Kalamazoo, Michigan. Here he has risen progressively from the rank of professor of education, to director of educational research, and to dean of administration. For the past nineteen years he has served that institution as its president.

"The growth of a splendid educational program, which has won a highly respected national reputation for Western Michigan College, and the imposing physical development of the campus parallel and evidence their most fruitful advances in the years of this man's leadership of that college.

"To one who has given of his personal abilities, of his personal welfare and well-being so unstintingly, and in achieving so much, has advanced the cause of higher education and in particular the fortunes of a sister state institution, Ferris Institute salutes a distinguished educator and pays affectionate tribute to a former student."