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**LETTER****VISITORS TRAVEL TO GERMANY****Western Michigan, West Berlin Forge Friendship Bonds**

A new bond to join West Berlin and Kalamazoo is being forged this summer, as three WMU professors and three students visit the Pädagogische Hochschule there for conferences.

Started under the auspices of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, three years has now been completed of an affiliation between Western and the West Berlin teacher training instruction. It has been marked by a fruitful exchange of ideas and materials between the campuses, with faculty from both having visited back and forth.

This year it is Western's turn for a major invasion of the Berlin campus. Faculty representatives at the affiliation conference are Dr. A. L. Sebaly, director of student teaching; Dr. Donald Bouma, professor of sociology, and Carl B. Snow, director of the Audio-Visual Center.

Students participating are Miss

Irene Balks, Miss Alice Leonard and Brian McKee. In addition to attending the conference, the students will stay for the entire year as exchange students.

Dean James H. Griggs of the School of Education will also visit the campus this summer, as he is spending a month studying German

educational institutions under AACTE sponsorship.

Dr. Howard Mowen of the history faculty will leave for Germany in the early fall and will teach during the coming year at the Pädagogische Hochschule.

Thus, bonds of friendship are cemented between two campuses.

Local Executive Top Graduate Student for 1963

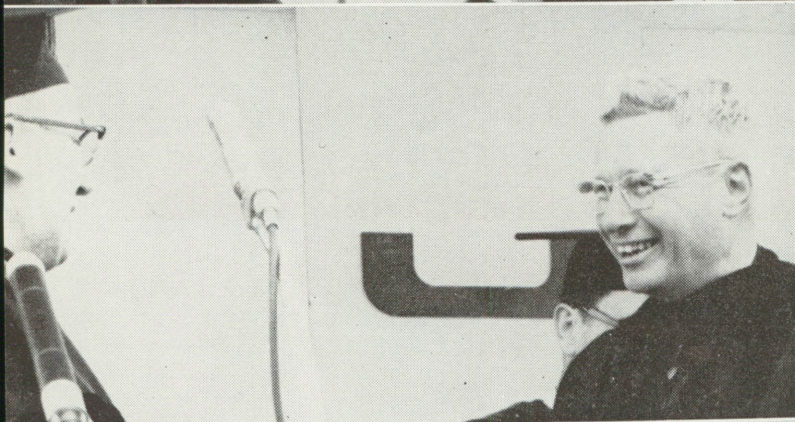
Charles W. Walton, assistant vice president of the KVP Sutherland Paper Co., is the 1963 winner of the Elmer H. Wilds award as the outstanding graduate student to conclude his studies at the University this year.

A graduate of the University of Michigan and Columbia University in mechanical engineering and law, respectively, Walton completed the Master of Business Administration degree this spring, studying under

Drs. Fred Hartenstein and William Morrison.

His graduate thesis, which was to have been published in the May issue of *Food, Drug and Cosmetic Law Journal* was on a subject of considerable interest to Kalamazoo, "The Effect of Food and Drug Laws on Producers of Paper and Paperboard Used for the Packaging of Food."

Walton came to the Kalamazoo firm from Denver, Colo., in 1957.



Honorary Degrees Granted At June Commencement

In the abbreviated June commencement exercises, one of the events which was not rained out was the always-impressive granting of honorary degrees.

President James W. Miller presided and degrees were granted as indicated below, with a portion of the citation:

Chief Simeon O. Adebo—*Doctor of Laws*

"... a notable worker in the cause of peace and law and order in the community of nations ... your ideals make you our representative, for we too love peace and the fruits of life under law."

Avery O. Craven—*Doctor of Laws*

"In your profession as historian you have constantly sought new insights and understandings of the past so that we of the present might benefit from the experiences of earlier generations. As a specialist in the history of the South during the critical years preceding the Civil War you have helped us to develop deeper and more acute perceptions concerning the coming of that conflict ... Your quest for insight and understanding places you among a select group of historians whose work has influenced the thought of their generation."

Dwight L. Stocker—*Doctor of Laws*

"... have shown how a corporation can be much more than a mechanism for generating profit. Under your leadership corporations have been concerned with the welfare of men and communities as well as the maintenance of machines and buildings, and they have recognized an obligation to preserve natural resources and to develop the talents of young persons. As citizen you have given thoughtful, able gentlemanly services to any number of worthy enterprises, always shunning the praise of publicity for your actions."

G. Mennen Williams—*Doctor of Laws*

"... You have taught some important lessons: that political parties either serve ideals or shrivel; that idealists either work in politics or betray their ideals; that it is one of the great privileges of free men to help others secure for themselves and their posterity the blessings of liberty; that one can and one must look at another man and see only another man, not a race or a creed or a class."

Russell C. Williams—*Doctor of Humanities*

"You began accumulating credit towards this degree as soon as you recovered from the wounds

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Accreditation Given By NCATE for Teacher Training Activities

Full accreditation for the University's teacher training program through the master's degree level has been given by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

This covers the preparation of elementary and secondary teachers and school service personnel, including elementary and secondary principals, supervisors and guidance counselors.

Provisional accreditation of Western's new sixth-year program, including work for principals, psychological examiners, and administrators, is included, and will extend for three years, at which time it will be re-examined for full accreditation. Similar action was taken earlier on this program by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The full accreditation covers a ten year period.

Business Club Loan Fund

The Kalamazoo chapter of American Business Clubs has presented the University's department of occupational therapy with an initial gift of \$300 to provide loans to junior, senior and advanced standing students in need of help. Two other WMU OT students have scholarships from the national organization.

Honorary Degrees

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that blinded you in 1944 . . . the surest proof of the extraordinary quality of your work has been the fullness of the lives of the five hundred and fifty blinded veterans who studied under you . . . the work you have done for all the blind, the personal courage and unfailing spirit with which you did it entitle you to recognition . . ."

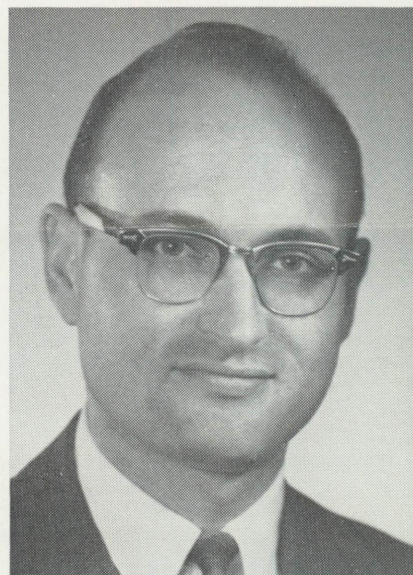


Roger Theder, football quarterback and baseball catcher, is the 1963 recipient of the annual Scholar-Athlete award. Presentation of the plaque was made by President James W. Miller.

Silva Earns Top Graduate Award

Frederick W. Silva is the top recipient of a graduate fellowship among June graduates of Western, with a \$12,600 grant from Brown University, Providence, R. I.

Made under the National Defense Education Act, the fellowship provides for three years of study in sociology. He will place special emphasis on metropolitan studies.



Mastodon Bones Given

Several pieces from an oldtime resident of Southwestern Michigan, a great mastodon, are now a part of the collection of the department of geography and geology. Dr. Lloyd Schmaltz has received from Paul Klein farm at Marcellus a humerus, several ribs, and a thoracic vertebra.

Dwight Shier has been named supervisor of personnel and payrolls for the university, and is in charge of non-academic employees. A WMU graduate, he has had industrial personnel experience, and his new duties are directed through the office of the Comptroller.

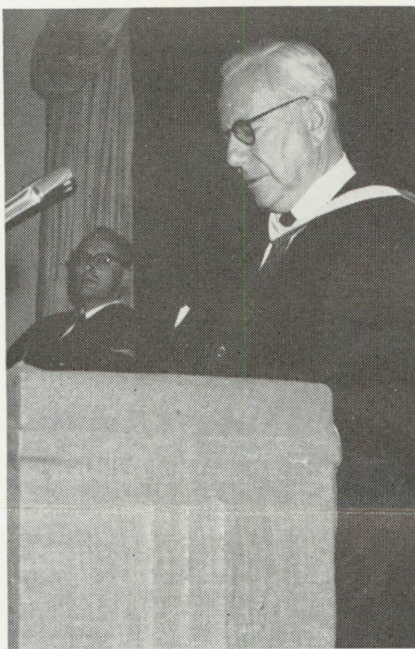
Seniors Present New Sign for East Campus Erection

A large aluminum mesh sign has been presented to the University by the class of 1963, and will be erected at the Oakland, Lovell, West Michigan intersection, just northeast of Eddie's Lane.

This will replace the large directory sign placed there several years ago. The old sign has lost out in the race to keep track of all new buildings and the last half dozen have not been indicated because of a lack of space.

Business Law Minor Added

The University's School of Business has established a new minor in business law, designed for the non-lawyer businessman to help him better understand his own legal problems and to help him cooperate more fully with his own attorney. Dr. John Healey and Dr. William Morrison of the Business faculty, both lawyers of long experience, will direct the work in the program. Courses added to the existing program are Laws of Contracts, Business Organizations, Real and Personal Property, and Damages.



Noted theologian, Dr. Paul Tillich, was a distinguished guest of the campus in May as he delivered the traditional address for the Honors Convocation, at which students earning high academic honors were cited. Dr. Tillich is shown as he spoke in the ballroom of the University Student Center.

Among those from the University faculty receiving doctoral degrees this spring are Frank S. Scott, industrial engineering, from Michigan State University, and John Vollmer, mathematics, Wayne State University.

Faculty Senate Honors Alumna Lyla Spelbring

Miss Lyla Spelbring, supervisor of occupational therapy at the University hospital, Ann Arbor, is the 1963 recipient of the Faculty Senate award, presented each year to an outstanding graduate.

Miss Spelbring was nominated by the School of Applied Arts and Sciences. She is a 1951 graduate and earned her master's degree in 1959. Twice she has served as president of the Michigan Occupational Therapy Association.

She was cited for her "... contribution to the relief of human suffering and to the rehabilitation of the disabled, distinguished professional leadership and continuing service to the University."

The African edition of the Voice of America radio programs will be using materials from the June commencement program. Tape recordings were made of G. Mennen Williams and Chief Simeon Adebo and will be used in both complete speeches and in 15-minute condensations.

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