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ONLY NURSERY, GRADES 1-6 TO OPERATE IN FUTURE

Campus School Jr. and Sr. High Programs Begin Final Year

The curtain will ring down on a memorable era on Western's East Campus when the junior and senior high school programs at Western's Campus School are discontinued after the current school year. Western's Board of Trustees approved the action at a late summer meeting.

Beginning with the fall of 1966, the Campus School will include only a nursery school and the first six elementary grades. The decision affects about 400 students in the present sixth grade and through the high school junior class.

Other schools in the Kalamazoo area were contacted and their administrators indicated the ability of the other systems to absorb the Campus School students.

Dean James H. Griggs, of the School of Education, said that research and experimentation in the six elementary grades is of benefit to faculty and students in the School of Education, but that such programs in the junior and senior high schools are less valid. He said that larger and more representative secondary schools are better suited for research and experiments.

The decision to eliminate the upper portion of the Campus School classes was hastened by a Michigan legislature determination not to provide funds for extensive needed repairs to the Campus School building, which was constructed in 1909. It's expected that sometime in the future the remaining portion of the Campus School will be transferred to another on-campus building.

The Campus School was originally designed for directed teaching by students in the School of Education. The demand for directed teaching stations has long since outgrown the Campus School and at present a number of public schools in Western Michigan and in Detroit are used for this purpose. Over the last five years the number of student teachers has increased more than 50 percent to reach 1,555 in the 1964-65 school year, with 91 percent of the student teaching done outside of the Campus School.

Dean Griggs said, "Much good education of children and youth has taken place there and the School of Education takes pride in the accomplishments of the Campus School. These recommendations are made not on the basis of continuing a good school for children and youth. They are the result of a careful evaluation of the future educational program of the School of Education which dictates that our energy and manpower be directed toward research and experimentation in the public schools and toward improving our rapidly expanding program of student teaching."

Campus School building was constructed in 1909 and appearance has changed little over the years.
Southeastern Counties Lead WMU 14½ Percent Enrollment Increase

Western's enrollment this fall edged over the 16,000 mark to 16,106, about 600 more than early projections had foreseen. The number is a new enrollment record, of course, as have been all succeeding enrollments for more than a decade.

The increase over last fall is 2,336, or a whopping 14½ percent.

The enrollment from the state of Michigan continues at a static 90 percent, with the out-of-state enrollees including 181 foreign students. All but three of Michigan's 83 counties are represented.

While 8,305 students hail from the 19 counties in the southwestern part of Michigan, the southeastern 22 counties continue to erode the previous huge lead of the southwestern area and now supply about a third of WMU's students. The southeastern area shows the largest percentage gain of students—29.8 percent, compared to the 9.3 percent gain registered by the southwestern counties.

The ten counties supplying the most students are: Kalamazoo—3,397; Wayne—2,152; Oakland—1,112; Kent—955; Berrien—660; Calhoun—636; Allegan—441; Van Buren—418; Macomb—395; and Muskegon—394.

And here's an item of interest to July prior to starting a month-long tour of the west coast and southwestern areas of the United States.

Following the conclusion of the tour, the African students returned to Western for a two-day "Reaction to America" seminar during which their impressions were crystallized and discussed.

The eight day pre-tour orientation program at Western included lectures by WMU faculty, and government officials from Washington, D.C., Kalamazoo and state organizations. Such subjects as American customs, religion, education, labor, recreation, culture, and civic and governmental functions were included in the orientation.

While in Kalamazoo, the group visited homes, churches, schools, factories, local government offices, and recreation areas among others.

At the same time, a group of 35 Japanese college students spent four weeks on Western's campus studying American culture and improving their English. They also toured industrial plants and cultural points of interest in the state.

Both groups, along with some 90 (Continued on Page 4)
Mrs. Judson Hyames receives a corsage from Mrs. Nathan Nichols, current president of WMU Faculty Dames, at the annual fall luncheon in which some 150 new members of the Dames were feted on campus. Mrs. Hyames was honored on the occasion of beginning her 51st year as a member of Western's Faculty Dames, missing charter membership by a scant two years.

First Summer High School Institute Draws Enthusiastic Response

Some 50 highly-pleased students participated in Western's first Summer High School Institute during which they received training in general speech, drama and debate. The institute was sponsored by the WMU Division of Field Services and was the fruition of many years of planning and preparation by members of the WMU Speech Department.

The purpose of the institute was to give students in grades 10-12 practical training and experience in debating and participation in theatrical productions.

The institute was directed by Dr. Charles Helgesen, associate professor of speech, who said this first venture in such an institute was "very successful." Mrs. Deldee Herman, women's varsity debate coach assisted.

While most of the students who attended were from southern Michigan, one participant came from Memphis, Tennessee, thanks to Western's fine reputation in national debate competition.

Judy Tappan '62, former Western debater and now debate coach at Belleville high school, assisted regular Speech Department faculty members, including department head Dr. Zack York, in conducting the institute.

Begin 3rd Ecumenical Conference Plans After 1965 Success

Four prominent and distinguished scholars in American religious circles were featured speakers during the four-day Second International Ecumenical Conference at Western after the Summer Session this year.

The highly successful series of lectures was presented by Dr. Samuel H. Miller, Dean of the Harvard Divinity School; Dr. Paul Van Buren, on the religion faculty at Temple University; Dr. William F. Lynch, S.J., a faculty member at St. Peter's College, Jersey City, N.J.; and Dr. Avery Dulles, S.J., faculty member at Woodstock College in Maryland.

Each morning the four featured speakers also served as panelists following the lectures. During the afternoons, the conferees joined together in discussion groups.

The institute was again sponsored by the WMU Medieval Institute and drew about 100 religious leaders and scholars as conferees.

O.T. Students Benefit From Federal Grant

Twenty-two occupational therapy students at Western will receive traineeship grants from $14,171 which was recently awarded to the Occupational Therapy Department by the Vocational Rehabilitation Administration of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

There are currently more than 200 students enrolled in WMU's O.T. program, which requires four academic years on campus plus a minimum of nine calendar months of clinical affiliations in various hospitals throughout the United States.

M.S. In Librarianship

Henceforth, graduates of Western's Department of Librarianship will receive degrees of Master of Science in Librarianship, in action taken by the University's Board of Trustees in September. Previously such graduates had been given Master of Arts degrees.

Former Bronco Athletes Head Student Financial Aid Office

Three former Bronco athletes are working together in the newly consolidated Division of Student Financial Aid at Western to seek out qualified potential students who need monetary aid to attend college. The department is headed by Peter Ellis '53, MA '55, former WMU basketball star, and is involved primarily with Western's expanding work-study program.

Other staff members are Marvin Winegar '58, MA '61, WMU basketball star and recently a coach at Delton high school, and Bronco all-time basketball leading scorer Manny Newsome '64, MA '65, who serve as field representative and counselor for potential students.

The work-study program is financed 90 percent by funds from the U.S. Office of Economic Opportunity and is designed to provide campus jobs for students who could not attend college without such employment.

Students thus helped may earn $1.10 an hour for up to 15 hours weekly during the school year and 40 hours weekly when not attending class. Western has been granted $112,500 toward its work-study program by the O.E.O.

Left to right, Peter Ellis, Marvin Winegar and Manny Newsome check over work-study program.
Death Claims Two Former Faculty

Death claimed two former Western faculty members late this summer.

Mrs. Edna A. Hilliard, who taught in Western's Music Department for two years in 1922-23, passed away at her St. Petersburg, Florida home, and Newell D. Burt, who was a Western faculty member as superintendent of Paw Paw schools from 1959-62, died suddenly in Paw Paw.

Mrs. Hilliard was the wife of Dr. George H. Hilliard, former head of Western's Counseling Bureau. He retired from the faculty in 1958, and survives his wife. Dr. Hilliard and Mrs. Hilliard joined the Western faculty in 1922.

Mrs. Hilliard also taught at Galesburg-Augusta high school for eleven years.

An accomplished musician, she played for 36 years in the Kalama Zoo Symphony Orchestra and was first chair violinist.

Mr. Burt at the time of his death was assistant superintendent of the Berrien county schools. His wife, Evelyn, and two children survive.

(REACTION SEMINAR cont'd.) Peace Corps Volunteers training for assignment in Nigeria, were feted at a special reception held on campus during the summer.

George Dales Represents State Dept. in Greece

WMU track coach George Dales this summer again represented the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs in Greece. Last year Dales worked with physical education leaders and coaches in Greece and also assisted in coaching the Greek Olympic team for the games held in Tokyo.

Dales worked with Greek coaches, athletes and youngsters in a similar capacity as an American Specialist this summer.

WMU Now Site of College Baseball Hall of Fame

Western Michigan University, site of the first two college world series for baseball in 1947-48, this summer was selected as the permanent location for the collegiate baseball hall of fame. WMU President James W. Miller indicated that the memorabilia which will be enshrined in the collegiate hall of fame will be located in the Men's Physical Education building.

In December, the American Association of College Baseball Coaches will announce the first coaching members for the hall of fame. The 18 coaches to be so honored have already been selected by ballot.

Thereafter, about three former college baseball coaches will be selected for inclusion annually. None of those selected is still coaching.

The collegiate hall of fame will also house lists of former All-Americans, NCAA tourney all-stars and other memorabilia such as old caps, uniforms, bats, gloves and shoes.

WMU Has New Golf Coach

Western will have a new head golf coach next spring. He is George Hobbs, who joined the faculty as a Men's P.E. instructor this fall.

Hobbs earned a specialist degree this year at Western, after earlier receiving a BA at Michigan State and a master's at Michigan.

Hobbs, a Battle Creek Central high school graduate, won a 1958 state high school wrestling title and became an outstanding wrestler at MSU. He was wrestling coach at North Farmington high school 1962-64.

At Western, Hobbs will assist wrestling coach Roy Wietz.