Honor Former Department Heads

Name Three Buildings in New Liberal Arts Complex

Three of Western’s most beloved department heads of the past will be honored by having new campus buildings in WMU’s nearly completed Liberal Arts Complex named for them.

The former faculty are Miss Laura V. Shaw, Professor George Sprau, and Dr. William R. Brown.

The new University Theatre will be named the Laura V. Shaw Theatre in recognition of Miss Shaw’s leadership as head of the Speech Department until her retirement in 1953. She joined the WMU faculty in 1918 and in her 35 years here saw the department grow from a faculty of two to one of 12.

Miss Shaw is credited with being the founder of WMU’s Theatre and organized The Players dramatic group.

The liberal arts classroom building has been designated the William R. Brown Building in recognition of Dr. Brown’s service over nearly four decades to Western. He served on Western’s faculty from 1917 until retirement in 1956, the final 10 years as department head.

Dr. Brown was closely identified with the Language Club and his great interest was a major reason for its attraction to students. His classes on Shakespeare are considered among the most popular ever offered here.

Professor Sprau is honored with the naming of the 10 story faculty office tower in the complex for him. He was the immediate predecessor of Dr. Brown as head of the English Department, having joined Western’s faculty in 1909, then named as department head in 1917, a post he filled until retirement in 1946.

Professor Sprau’s principal drive was toward excellence, an especially significant value in a beginning college with a limited budget. He is credited with devising courses particularly designed to prepare English majors for teaching positions. He carried a heavy teaching and administrative load yet still wrote two books of wide-ranging scholarship during his tenure at Western.

WMU Board of Trustees Authorize Tuition Increases of $35 and $100

A tuition increase of $35 per semester for Michigan residents and $100 a semester for non-Michigan residents was approved by Western's Board of Trustees along with a 1967-68 fiscal year budget totaling $21,721,942 at its July meeting. The tuition increase is effective this fall semester.

The increase raises tuition for
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Michigan residents to $185 and for non-Michigan residents to $400, per semester.

Western's President James W. Miller said:

"The legislative appropriation for WMU for fiscal 1967-68 fell short of the amount of state financial support required to meet the minimal needs of the University. The appropriation is far below the University's budget request, based on the fiscal requirements for existing programs and the expansion of certain of them to meet the students' requirements and to serve the people of Michigan.

"Academic momentum which Western has attained makes it imperative that we have a budget sufficient to meet the minimum requirements for the current year and allow for some improvements. It is unthinkable that Western revise downward its programs to fit the revenues now in sight.

"It is for this reason that I recommended to the Board of Trustees increases in tuition in the amounts of $35 a semester for Michigan residents and $100 a semester for non-Michigan students."

Summer Session Enrollment Up 14 Percent; New Record

A large 14 percent gain in enrollment was recorded during WMU's 1967 summer session over figures for 1966. The total reached 5,954, the highest ever for a summer session, and includes 3,351 undergraduates and 2,063 graduate students.

President James W. Miller said, "The continuing growth of summer sessions at Western, together with the successful spring sessions (this year 7,800), demonstrates that year-round operation is meeting the requirements of students and is putting the University's facilities to constant and efficient use.

"Our faculty members, department heads and deans have studied the needs of students and have arranged programs which meet them. The fact that we are producing 52,981 credit hours in the summer session is a tribute to their planning."

Administrative Title Changes, Appointments Approved by Trustees

A number of important administrative appointments, title changes, and promotions were authorized by the WMU Board of Trustees at its March meeting.

David A. Gillette, who has been associate dean of students since last fall, was named Dean of Students, effective July 1.

Other appointments include: Clayton J. Maus, who has been Registrar and Director of Admissions, to be Dean of Records and Admissions; Russell L. Gribier, who has been assistant director of admissions, to be Director of Admissions; Dennis E. Boyle, who has been coordinator of space scheduling, to be Director of Registration; Sanford B. Morgan, who has been assistant registrar, to be Director of Records; Ronald Pelc, who has been assistant director, to be Director of the Data Processing Center; and Keith Sheeler, who has been Director of Safety and Security, to be Director of Plant Services, which extends his jurisdiction to include custodial services.

At this same meeting the Board authorized a new degree of master of science in accountancy, which will include a minimum of 21 hours of work in advanced accounting courses plus 6-9 hours outside the department in cognate schools.

In other action this summer, Charles Donnelly was named Assistant Dean of Students and head of the new Office of Student Affairs. William B. Sweet was named Assistant Dean of Students and head of the new Office of Housing Programs; and Diane Del Pizzo was named Assistant Dean of Students and head of the new Office of Student Activities. All three had previously been advisers in the former Office of Student Affairs which is now the Dean of Students Office under the recent reorganization.

WMU's Fifth Ph.D. Program to Begin In Fall of 1968

Western's fifth doctoral program—leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematics—will begin in the fall of 1968, following recent approval of the program by the WMU Board of Trustees.

By the fall of 1968, WMU will have adequate physical facilities, together with the staff and library resources, to start the doctoral program in mathematics, according to Dr. Russell H. Seibert, WMU vice president for academic affairs. He indicated that funds from the National Science Foundation will be available to assist in developing the new doctoral program in mathematics.

In addition, the Board of Trustees also recently approved advanced programs in science education and in anthropology.

Starting next fall, WMU will offer courses leading to the degree of specialist in science education, a sixth year program designed for teachers. At present WMU offers a doctoral degree in this area.

A master of arts degree in anthropology will also be offered beginning in the fall of 1968.

Later Action OK's Two More Graduate Programs

Two new advanced degrees will be offered in Western's burgeoning graduate program, one beginning this fall, when classes toward a specialist's degree (sixth year program) in earth science will commence. The other, a master's degree in anthropology, will start in the fall of 1968.
The news specialist's degree is aimed primarily at meeting the needs of teachers for community colleges. Dr. Russell H. Seibert, vice president for academic affairs, said the new program will not require any new courses or staff members, as needed facilities are already available under WMU's doctoral program in science education.

WMU and MESC Host Human Resources Development Program

A three-day human resources program aimed at developing unemployed and unqualified workers for new and better jobs was co-sponsored by WMU, the Michigan Employment Security Commission and the U.S. Employment Services in late June. The HRD program brought to WMU's campus various community leaders, MESC officials, educators and agency representatives to study the problems and work out solutions.

Key speakers at the meeting included Justice McCluskey, chief of Outstate Operations of the MESC's Detroit Office; Dr. Donald H. Hornig of WMU's sociology faculty and Dr. Jess Walker of WMU's education faculty; Joseph Ehrenberg, executive director of Jobs Now Project, Chicago; and Donn Milks, personnel director, Rheem Manufacturing Co., Kalamazoo.

New Effort to Aid Community School Programs Begun by WMU

Western Michigan University this July launched a new program to encourage the implementation and continuation of community school programs in communities throughout the University's service area, primarily southwestern Michigan. A grant of $60,000 from the Mott Foundation, Flint, Mich., is financing the first year's operation of the program.

Dr. Gerald Martin, associate professor of teacher education at WMU, is liaison officer to implement the program. Under his direction the resources of WMU are available to communities which need consultant assistance in organizing community school programs.

One of his responsibilities is that of encouraging communities to organize and begin programs and to assist these communities in obtaining financial support.

Third Ecumenical Conference at WMU Well Attended

Two distinguished educators in the field of religion spoke at Western's Third International Ecumenical Conference in late June to which numerous important religious leaders and persons interested in theological philosophy and history were attracted. Dr. Will Herberg, graduate professor of philosophy and culture at Drew University, Madison, New Jersey, and Dr. John Meyerdorff, professor of church history at St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Tuckahoe-Crestwood, New York, the speakers, were augmented by five prominent college faculty members who conducted individual colloquiums.

The five were Dr. Otto Grundler and Dr. Rudolf Seibert, associate professors; and Dr. Guntram Bischoff, assistant professor, all of WMU's Department of Religion; Dr. Herbert C. Jackson, associate professor of religion at Michigan State University; and Dr. John S. Hardon, S.J., professor of theology at Bellarmine School of Theology, Loyola University, Chicago.

All seven participated in panel-
forum discussions on each of the mornings of the two-day conference, which was sponsored by WMU’s Medieval Institute. The conference aims were to foster closer ties between the major religions and to search for common grounds. Conference chairman was George Demetrakopoulos of WMU’s history faculty.

First Workshop to Aid Victims of Aphasia Is Held at Western

Western was honored to host 10 of the most distinguished people in the field of vocational rehabilitation for patients with aphasia during a mid-May workshop sponsored by WMU’s Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology. The workshop was the first of its kind ever held on the problem and dealt with various ramifications of the stroke patient who suffers speech loss and with his vocational rehabilitation problems. It was backed by a grant from the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Vocational Rehabilitation Administration.

Serving as co-directors of the workshop were Dr. Charles Van Riper, Distinguished University Professor at WMU, and Dr. Frank Robinson, head of WMU’s Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology, who were assisted by Dr. Clyde R. Willis, associate professor of speech pathology.

Among the papers presented were those dealing with the roles of the speech pathologist, vocational rehabilitation counselor, state and federal agencies, and other professional personnel in dealing with the aphasic patient.

SPORTS BRIEFS

From now on, all WMU athletic scholarships will be known as “Mike Gary Scholarships” in honor of the recently retired athletic director. Previously, the proceeds from season ticket sales for WMU sports contests, as conducted by the Bronco Club, had gone to such scholarships.

Henceforth the University will handle all ticket sales and the Bronco Club will seek gifts for the athletic scholarships, under a new athletic fund raising program announced this summer by Don Bittenbender, Bronco Club president, and by the University.

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Western, with 45 points, finished second to Miami’s 49% points in competition for the Reese Cup, emblematic of the MAC all-sports title.

Miami ended WMU’s nine year reign over the annual MAC track and field championships this year at Bowling Green, winning by 14 points over runner-up WMU, 169-155. Chuck LeMon’s 52.2 in the 440-yard intermediate hurdles for WMU was a new meet mark as was Wayne Lambert’s 15-5 pole vault for WMU.

WMU bumed heads with the best in the CCC championships at Milwaukee in June and came out a close fourth, their 22 points only 24% less than the meet winner, Big Ten, and Ohio State and DePaul. Senior Lee Frost set a new varsity 3,000 meter steeplechase mark in winning the event in the Penn Relays at Philadelphia in 8:58.1, the second best time in the nation last spring. He later bettered that mark at Waldo Stadium by seven seconds in a triangular meet with Ohio and DePaul.

Dick Johnson, a senior from Rockford, III., was named most valuable player, and Jack Sartore, a sophomore from Berwyn, III., was named most improved player on last season’s WMU tennis squad, at the post-season banquet.